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LOST--A \$10,000 BILL

MESSENGER BOY LOSES IT ON WAY TO A BANK.

Lad Tells New York Police. He Never Before Saw So Much Money in One Note and Could Not Help Showing It to His Friends.

New York, As monotonously as it sets down fractional variations in quotations of stocks, the ticker started hundreds of business offices Saturday and set a small army of messenger boys on a fruitless search with this laconic quest: "Lost, a \$10,000 bill. Notify Hornblower & Weeks."

Investigation shows that the bill went astray on Friday morning, but was not reported lost until Saturday. Hornblower & Weeks have not its number, but hope to recover it owing to the difficulty of passing a bill of such a large denomination.

On Friday morning Benson Lang, 17 years old, who has been employed by Hornblower & Weeks for four months as a messenger boy was given the bill to take to the National bank for deposit. The bill was pinned to a deposit slip and both bill and slip were inclosed in the firm's bank book.

Young Lang never reached the bank and did not return to his office until Saturday morning, when he reported the loss to his employers, accompanied by his mother. He is locked up in police headquarters, charged with being a suspicious person. This is the story he told the police:

"I never had seen so much money in one bill before and I could not help showing it, first to the elevator man, then to another bank runner and thirdly to a Greek bootblack, who has a stand in front of the building. I let him handle it and hold it up to the light. He did not believe it could be real. He gave it back to me, I put it into the pass book, put the pass book in my overcoat pocket and hurried to the bank. When I took the pass book out the bill was gone."

DEEPEST SPOT IN THE SEA.

Located by Dr. Townsend. 100 Miles from Island of Guam.

New York: The deepest spot in the sea is 100 miles off the island of Guam, where soundings made by Dr. Charles H. Townsend, of the Albatross expedition recorded a depth of 31,000 feet, nearly six miles. Dr. Townsend told the Campfire Club of America at its annual dinner Saturday night that he had also found animal life at a depth of four and three-quarters miles in the Tonga basin, among the island of New Zealand under a pressure of four and a half tons to the square inch.

\$3,000 AND A JAG.

Policeman Finds a Drunken Man with Big Roll in Pocket.

Huntington, W. Va.: An honest policeman on his rounds through a dark alley Sunday stumbled over the half-conscious body of a man with \$3,000 in real money bulging from his inside pocket. The officer took \$50 of it, but only after protest, as a reward, when the man explained at police headquarters that he was George Smith, a farmer of St. Albans, who had sold his place and began a celebration, with a nap in the alley.

Strange Dual Suicide.

Paris: Mme. Elizabeth Effron, for many years a prominent Russian revolutionist, hanged herself Sunday upon the discovery that her 14-year-old son had committed suicide after being reprimanded in school. Mme. Effron was the daughter of the former governor general of Moscow, M. Durnovo.

Half Million Endowment.

New York: The endowment of \$500,000 which Mrs. Russell Sage gives to the American Bible society, conditional upon its raising a like sum, probably will be made within a week. For more than sixteen months donations to the fund have been averaging \$1,000 a day.

Sebree Transfers His Flag.

Washington, D. C.: Rear Admiral Sebree, commander of the Pacific squadron, notified the navy department Sunday that he transferred his flag and staff from the cruiser Tennessee to the Cruiser California. The transfer was made at Honolulu.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Sioux City: Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top feeders, \$5.25. Top hogs, \$8.45.

Ole Bull's Anniversary.

Christiania, Norway: The 100th anniversary of the birth of the great violinist, Ole Borneman Bull, was celebrated here, at Bergen, his birthplace, and quite generally throughout Norway Saturday.

Approves Tariff Bill.

Berlin: The reichstag, without debate, Saturday adopted unmodified the bill approving the government's tariff arrangement with the United States.

BLOW FOR HATTERS.

Verdict of \$222,000 Rendered Against Them.

Hartford, Mass.: "A new declaration of independence," is what Attorney Daniel Davenport for the plaintiff calls the verdict of \$222,000 Friday rendered in the United States court by the jury in the suit of D. E. Loewe, of Danbury, against 200 hatmakers of this state. After having been out over two hours the jury ordered actual damages of \$74,000 to the plaintiff, but as the suit was brought under the Sherman anti-trust law triple damages can be recovered. It is estimated that the costs in the case will amount to at least \$10,000, and these, with the counsel fees, may bring the bill against the United Hatters of North America to fully a quarter of a million dollars.

Attorney Davenport said: 1. The verdict means that individual members of labor unions are bound by the action of their officers and they cannot allow them to do as they please. 2. It means that the Sherman anti-trust law protects manufacturers and merchants from boycott attacks. A bill of exceptions will be filed by the defense and the case will be carried to the federal court of appeals and the supreme court.

BIG DRY PETITION.

Question of Chicago Remaining Wet Will Be Voted Upon.

Chicago: Singing hymns, a delegation from the anti-saloon league marched Friday night from their headquarters to the board of election commissioners and presented a petition declared to have the signatures of 74,805 voting residents of Chicago thereon.

This insures the anti-saloon element a place on the ticket at the coming April election, and the question of whether or not Chicago will continue to have saloons will then be voted upon. About 61,000 names were necessary, and the anti-saloon people declare that with all possible deductions for repetitions or non-residents they will still have a safe margin of thousands of names.

FIRST BODY IS TAKEN OUT.

St. Paul Mine at Cherry is Yielding Up its Dead.

Cherry, Ill.: The St. Paul mine Friday yielded the first of its dead since last November, when the shafts were sealed to extinguish the fire that killed nearly 300 miners. As a result Cherry was all excitement over the prospects of recovering other bodies. The body was that of Maestro Lirio, 25 years old. He was identified by a wage receipt found in his coat. Lirio was unmarried, and his relatives lived at Cardiff, Ill. The body was in good condition in spite of its three months' entombment in the gaseous chambers of the mine, 350 feet below the surface.

Court Deals a Blow.

New York: Sunday vaudeville shows and moving picture theaters received a hard blow Friday and New York may have a closed Sunday as the result of a decision of the appellate division of the supreme court in declaring illegal all Sunday performances in theaters except sacred performances and performances of an educational nature.

Murder and Suicide.

New York: Ethel Barnard, aged 37, and William Fisher, a clerk, were found dying from bullet wounds, in a well furnished apartment which they had rented as man and wife. A revolver in Fisher's hand, according to the police, makes it a case of murder and suicide.

Nation's Loss a Million.

New York: For the second time within two years the medical supply department of the United States army was burned out of its headquarters Friday, this time with a loss estimated at \$1,000,000. There was no loss of life.

Brazil to Make Big Loan.

Rio Janeiro: The government has authorized the minister of finance to negotiate with the Rothschilds for a loan of \$10,000,000, the funds to be used for the conversion of the outstanding external debt, issued at 5 per cent, into per cent bonds.

Steel Workers Strike.

Bethlehem, Pa.: It is said that 1,300 men employed in the Bethlehem Steel works will join the 1,200 who struck Saturday because they were refused "time and a half for extra work."

Orders Arrest of Artist.

New York: Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, was fined \$350 Saturday by Supreme Court Justice Newburger for his failure to pay alimony to his wife, Daisy B. Davenport, at the rate of \$400 month pending her suit for separation.

Held for \$1,700 Shortage.

Springfield, Ill.: Edward P. Naylor has been arrested at Elmhurst, Jersey county on a charge of embezzling \$500 village funds, \$700 of railway funds, and \$500 borrowed from friends.

Bantams to Fight.

New Orleans: Johnny Coulon, champion bantamweight of the world, and Jem Kendrick, champion bantamweight of England, have been matched for a fight here February 19. The bout will take place under the auspices of the Royal Athletic club.

Castro to Las Palmas.

Madrid: The report that former President Castro, of Venezuela, has gone to Las Palmas, is confirmed.

NEVER CAME FROM HAM.

Negro Descendant of One of Adam's Brothers, Says Divine.

St. Louis, Mo.: That the negro did not get his color from Ham, and that he is not even a member of the race of Adam, but a descendant of one of the four or five brothers Adam must have had, is the belief of Rev. Dr. Edwin H. Richards, for thirty years a missionary in Uganda, Africa.

"The negro never came from Ham. You can't get a black man from a white man, either by time or condition," said Dr. Richards. "The black man is co-Adam with Adam. Adam probably had about four brothers the bible does not mention, and it was from one of these that the negro must have descended."

BUDGET TO PASS COMMONS.

British Financial Bill to Meet Little Opposition.

London: Indications are that there will be nothing to prevent the early passage of the budget, the only party likely to oppose it being the O'Brienites, numbering about a dozen.

The Freeman's Journal, the organ of the nationalists, publishes an inspired article declaring that the Redmondites will offer no opposition to the passage of the budget just as it left the last parliament, while Alfred Lytleton, the unionist member of the house of commons for Leamington, speaking in London, asserted that the house of lords would stand to its pledge and pass whatever budget the commons sent up.

IN HIGH PRICE REVOLT.

Pittsburg Women Form Housekeepers' Co-Operative League.

Pittsburg, Pa.: Women of Pittsburg have joined in the revolt against high prices, and have formed the Housekeepers' Co-operative association with several hundred delegates from women's clubs in the city. The speeches were almost incendiary when the women charged the merchants of the city with selling short weights and measures and raising prices unnecessarily.

A series of general stores are to be established which will purchase the stocks direct from the farmers and other producers, and a scale of prices will be established which will produce a profit sufficient only to cover expenses.

No Work for Policeman.

Danville, Ky.: Junction City, the town second in size in Boyle county, cites as an unusual record that during the last twelve months there was not a single police court case. Policeman Cho symbolizes the law in that community of a thousand inhabitants, has announced his intention of cultivating a crop of tobacco this year as a diversion.

Meat Held in Cold Storage.

New York: In Swift & Co's. plant it was learned Saturday the grand jury found stored 460,000 of beef, 50,000 pounds of poultry, and a large quantity of lamb, mutton, pork, butterine, sausage meat, hearts, livers and tripe. Some of the meat had, according to James Brady, superintendent of the plant, been in storage since last April.

Widow's Dream Reveals Body.

Duquoin, Ill.: A mysterious telepathic force which penetrated her broken slumbers and caused Mrs. Gotterich Bauer to dream that the body of her husband, who disappeared January 1, would be found in an abandoned well, resulted in the finding of the body Saturday.

Divorce Suit Filed.

Reno, Nev.: Suit for divorce has been filed here by Mrs. Beulah Stubbs Sunderland, daughter of J. C. Stubbs, general passenger agent for the Harriman system, and wife of John Sunderland, democratic national committeeman from Nevada. Mrs. Sunderland is at her parents' home in Chicago.

Weyerhaeuser to Retire.

Chippewa Falls, Wis.: Frederick Weyerhaeuser resigned as a director of the First National Bank, of this city, and will also retire from the directorate of about thirty banks in the northwest. It is said that this marks his gradual retirement from active business.

Hamburg: The Swedes.

Hamburg: The Swedes' steamer, Annie, was in collision with the German ship, Susanna, near Gluckstadt, on the Elbe, 29 miles north-west of here Saturday night. The Annie sank immediately and six of her crew were drowned.

Held for a Fraud.

New York: Cyrus M. Drake, an elderly farmer of Huntersville, Minn., who claims to be a descendant of Sir Francis Drake and an heir to an estate of \$200,000,000, was arrested Saturday on the charge of using the mails with a scheme to defraud.

St. Louis: A four days' conference

of the laymen's missionary movement began Friday with a dinner to the 2,000 delegates. Address were made by Dr. M. D. Eubank of China.

More Trouble Among the Ancients.

Briarrose was embarrassed. "I don't know what to do with my hands," he muttered. Later, however, he found that as catcher in a base ball game he could use all of them.

His Treacherous Memory.

"Er--may I call you, Miriam, Miss Montague?" "Yes, if you like, Mr. Tompkins, but my first name is Florence."—Chicago Tribune

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

Doings of the Week in Condensed Form

COURT'S WORDS CAUSE INSANITY.

Thomas J. Bigley, Worried by Financial Troubles Loses Mind.

Thomas J. Bigley of Beatrice has been taken to the insane hospital by Sheriff Scheik. Though it is said that Bigley worried over his debts to a considerable extent, worry over a reprimand from the court for his action as a juror is said to have been the final straw that overthrew the man's reason. In the papers filed at the institution the question is asked of a witness if he knows of anything that may have caused the insanity. The witness replied that he knew that Bigley worried much over debts that he owed, and that also he had worried considerable over a reprimand from the judge who tried the Chamberlain bank case.

The story brought from Beatrice is to the effect that the court ordered the jury in the Chamberlain case to remain together but that on one occasion Bigley left the jury room alone for a few minutes. For this he was reprimanded by the court and the matter preyed upon his mind, which had already been weakened by worry over financial troubles.

LOSES LIFE IN A FIRE.

Nebraska Woman Burned and Her Son Seriously Injured.

Mrs. Jane Bodwisch, a woman 80 years old, of DeWitt, was burned to death, and her son, Homer Bodwisch, was so badly burned that his life is in danger. Mrs. Bodwisch, who lived alone in a small house adjoining the home of her daughter, in some way set fire to her clothing and curtains and was unable to escape. Her son, who saw the smoke coming from the room, ran to the house and carried his mother, whose clothing was in flames, to a place of safety.

Mrs. Bodwisch lived but a few moments. The son inhaled the flames and it is feared he cannot live. Mrs. Bodwisch is the mother-in-law of Postmaster Frank With.

MAN SHOTS THREE.

Wounds Wife and Father and Kills Self in Omaha.

S. A. Morrison, a letter carrier, Thursday shot and seriously wounded his wife and her father, J. A. Sumner, and then killed himself at Omaha.

The shooting occurred on Capital avenue near the postoffice. Morrison had been on the Omaha carriers' force for many years. Domestic troubles led to the tragedy.

The physicians have not yet decided what chance Mrs. Morrison and her father have for recovery.

Accidents at Nebraska City.

Dr. C. P. Sprudup fell on the ice-covered walks at Nebraska City and broke his collar bone. Mrs. Caspar Sands started out into the country to visit her son and in getting out of the buggy, fell and broke her right leg just above the knee and lay unconscious for over an hour before she was found by some school children who were passing. Miss Frances Aldrich fell from a swing and broke her right arm and John Reichter fell off the banister at Eagle hall and broke his right arm and Joe McCord caught his hand in a machine at the King alfalfa plant and had a finger cut off.

Sioux City Man Hurt.

While coaling his engine at Ashland Wednesday morning, Fireman W. H. Brimmer, of the Sioux City local freight, met with a severe accident at the coal chutes, a big lump of coal falling from the chute and crushing the toes of his left foot.

Have Double Wedding.

Frank Main, aged 32 years, and Mrs. Lottie Williams, aged 36 years, and George Saltzman, aged 21 years, and Miss Ethel Williams, aged 16 years, all of Hastings, were married at Plattsmouth. The brides are mother and daughter.

Piano Tuner Partially Blind.

William Hollabaugh, for years partially blind, and a graduate at the piano tuner from the Institute for the Blind, was suddenly stricken totally blind while tuning a piano at Talmage.

Stanton Needs School.

At a meeting held Monday by the Stanton school board, it was decided to canvass the district again and see how the voters feel towards issuing bonds for \$15,000 for a new school building.

Dwelling Burned.

Fire broke out in the residence of C. E. Pierce at Kearney and before the department could arrive the contents of the whole house were destroyed.

Fire Warden Reports.

According to State Fire Warden, A. V. Johnson, during the six months that the Nebraska Fire Commission has been in existence, the losses through fire whose origin is unknown amounted to \$175,000.

Otoe Motor Club.

The motorists of Nebraska City have formed a club which it is expected will include all the owners of automobiles in the city and county.

TRY TO BREAK JAIL.

Walls from St. Joseph Nearly Succeeded Escaping at Beaver City.

Two boys about 16 and 17 years of age, who are confined in county jail at Beaver City on a charge of burglary, attempted to escape Tuesday night and nearly succeeded. They secured one of the water pipes and iron braces from the support of the water tank, and with these had forced the jail doors until an escape would have been possible. One of the boys was overcome by the work, which had lasted all night, and had given in. The boys have given several different names, but as nearly as can be learned they are George Ottstadt and Herbert Birchard, waifs from St. Joseph.

They are charged with breaking into a store at Cambridge January 15 and stealing about \$50 worth of knives and razors. They were captured at McCook with some of the stolen property.

MISUSE OF MAILS CHARGED.

Geneva Business Man Accused of Sending Threatening Letters.

David Wilcox was before Judge Fulton at Geneva charged with sending a threatening letter through the mail. Wilcox is owner of a small store and it is charged sent a statement to a lady who says she owed him nothing and who paid no attention to the claim.

Two or three more statements, it is alleged, were sent, then a letter signed "black hand" threatening death and destruction of property was received. The case was continued for thirty days and Wilcox goes on with his business as usual.

Money in the Pigs.

W. S. Thompson, a farmer, living north of Tecumseh, attended a public sale and bought two "runty" yearling sows, paying \$6 apiece for them and at the time feeling that he had got the worst of the deal. The sows farrowed and raised ten nice pigs and when the pigs were weaned Mr. Thompson sold the sows for \$21 each. He fed the pigs for less than eight months and sold the lot at a little over \$200.

Nemaha Out of Banks.

The Nemaha river has broken all previous records by overflowing in the month of January the bottoms south of Falls City. The valley now has witnessed an overflow in every month of the year. Until within the last few months, the oldest settlers there had never witnessed a fall or winter flood in southeastern Nebraska.

Emerson Man Injured.

Harold Davis, engineer at the city waterworks and gas plant, was caught in the belting of the machinery and dangerously if not fatally injured at Emerson Wednesday. His leg was broken in two places and his arm broken and back hurt.

Big Drainage Proposition.

A petition has been filed in the district court by G. H. Heinke, an attorney, for the formation of a drainage district along the Nemaha river in the vicinity of Talmage, and will drain over 10,000 acres of land, which has been overflowed each spring and summer.

Crete Man Kills Himself.

Frank Carnes, a painter at Crete, committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. He died within an hour. The act was the result of domestic trouble, and followed within a few minutes after the quarrel between the husband and wife.

Arrange for Club Meetings.

Arrangements have been made for the meetings of the Nebraska federated women's clubs in the six congressional districts this spring. The first district meeting will be held in Pawnee City on April 26 and 27.

Suicide Near Chapman.

Fearing an operation which it had been arranged she was to undergo and despondent over her health, Mrs. Corneliuss, a widow residing on the farm of her brother, near Chapman, hung herself to a bedpost in her room.

Celebrate Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Will, well known farmers and pioneer settlers of Cumming county, celebrated their silver wedding at their home in Garfield township, near West Point. They have resided there nearly forty years.

The city council has called a special bond election, to be held March 1, when the proposition to vote \$15,000 for a new city hall, and also waterworks extension bonds will be submitted to the people.

Carnegie Library at Sutton.

The old Oakland hotel site at Sutton has been purchased for the purpose of erecting a Carnegie library. Consideration \$1,175. Work will begin as soon as spring opens.

Farm Sells for High Price.

I. K. Hunter has sold his farm of twenty acres for \$230 per acre. It is located adjoining the town of Weeping Water.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

CHICAGO.

R. G. Dun & Co's Weekly Review of Chicago Trade says:

"Business activity again presents a satisfactory volume, there being substantial gains in payments through the banks and increasing production and distribution in the leading industries. With the improving weather transportation extends and more prompt deliveries of commodities make easier collections at western points.

"The January clearance sales here and in the country have been unusually successful, low temperatures inducing much buying of winter apparel and other necessities, and there now is a gratifying depletion of general merchandise to encourage free buying of spring and summer lines. Buyers arrived in large numbers and their operations stimulated the markets for dry goods, woollens, clothing, footwear, men's furnishings, furniture and food products. The markets for raw supplies remain active, with prices firm in lumber, metals and wool. Offerings of hides and leather are promptly absorbed without much variation in values.

"Outdoor construction makes progress and there is a strong demand for building materials required for the spring months. Pig iron and steel bookings run into large tonnage.

"Bank clearings, \$271,412,018, exceed those of the corresponding week in 1909 by 10.1 per cent, and compare with \$209,562,408 in 1908. The discount rate for commercial paper reflects further ease, but little paper is bought under 5 per cent.

"Failures reported in the Chicago district number 31, as against 32 last week, 35 in 1909 and 37 in 1908. Those with liabilities over \$5,000 number 7, as against 13 last week, 7 in 1909 and 10 in 1908."

NEW YORK.

Gross currents in demand render a general characterization difficult. Wholesale and jobbing trade in spring goods tends to expand, travelers on the road are sending in better orders and the outlook for the future in those lines is optimistic. Retail trade, following the activity engendered by January clearance sales, is quieter, pending the further advance of the winter season. Filling-in orders from retailers to jobbers are moderate. Manufacturing industry is busily employed, with large orders ahead.

"Business failures in the United States for the week ending with Jan. 27 were 295, as against 275 last week, 311 in the like week of 1909, 359 in 1908, 211 in 1907 and 228 in 1906.

"Business failures in Canada number forty-three, which compares with forty last week and forty-two for the corresponding week last year.—Bradstreet's.

MARKET OF THE WEEK

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime \$4.00 to \$7.75; hogs, prime heavy, \$4.50 to \$8.70; sheep, fair to choice, \$4.50 to \$6.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.25 to \$1.26; corn, No. 2, 61c to 65c; oats, standard 46c to 47c; rye, No. 2, 77c to 80c; hay, timothy, \$10.00 to \$19.00; prairie, \$8.00 to \$16.00; butter, choice creamery, 27c to 30c; eggs, fresh, 27c to 30c; potatoes, per bushel, 40c to 48c.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$7.00; hogs, good to choice heavy \$4.50 to \$8.50; sheep, good to choice, \$2.25 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 1, \$1.23 to \$1.24; corn, No. 2 white, 63c to 64c; oats, No. 2 white, 47c to 48c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$7.50; hogs, \$4.00 to \$8.67; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.75; wheat, No. 2, \$1.27 to \$1.29; corn, No. 2, 61c to 63c; oats, No. 2, 47c to 48c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$5.00 to \$8.35; sheep, \$3.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.24 to \$1.26; corn, No. 3 yellow, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 49c to 50c; rye, No. 1, 82c to 84c.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 northern, \$1.13 to \$1.16; corn, No. 3, 66c to 68c; oats, standard, 47c to 48c; rye, No. 1, 79c to 81c; barley, standard, 70c to 72c; pork, mess, \$21.75.

Buffalo—Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$4.00 to \$6.25; hogs, fair to choice, \$5.00 to \$8.80; sheep, common to good mixed, \$4.00 to \$5.50; lambs fair to choice, \$5.00 to \$8.25.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, \$1.23 to \$1.26; corn, No. 2 mixed, 65c to 66c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 48c to 49c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 82c; clover seed \$8.47.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$6.25; hogs, \$5.00 to \$8.35; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.27 to \$1.30; corn, No. 2 mixed, 63c to 64c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 48c to 49c; rye, No. 2, 84c to 85c.

New York—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$6.50; hogs, \$4.00 to \$8.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2 red, \$1.2