

## The Valentine Democrat

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# IN A FIERCE GALE

ATLANTIC FLEET OF TORPEDO BOATS HIT HARD IN A COAST STORM.

## DESTROYER TERRY STRANDED

Two Seamen on the Salem Swept Overboard and Drowned and Vessel Heavily Damaged—Schooner *Eloise* is Also Wrecked.

New York.—Five torpedo boat destroyers belonging to the Atlantic fleet on its way to Guantanamo for the winter maneuvers, which were out in the violent storm off the coast, put into Bermuda. The destroyers were all of the new oil burning type—the Preston, Ammen, Perkins, Walker and Sterret. The Dixie, mother ship of these boats, also reached the same anchorage. The Dixie, the dispatch says, has sprung a leak, necessitating repairs, but to what extent was not known.

Wireless messages indistinctly received in New York reported the United States torpedo boat destroyer Terry in trouble. The vessel's position was given as latitude 36.21 north, longitude 67 west, which is a little northeast of Cape Hatteras. The vessel was in communication with the steamer Tagus and the battleship South Carolina. No other details were received here.

Further wireless advices from vessels in communication with the Terry were to the effect that the destroyer's turbine engines and pumps were out of commission; that all her stores were ruined and her wireless apparatus not working.

A message received from the battleship South Carolina indicates that the disabled craft is somewhat further north than reported by the Tagus in a previous message, the battleship reporting the Terry's position in latitude 38.21 north and longitude 67 west.

## BULLDOG IS DEADLY WEAPON.

An Illinois Justice of Peace Holds Owner to a Grand Jury.

Danville, Ill.—Justice of the Peace H. J. Hall has decided that a bulldog is a deadly weapon.

Mrs. Cleo Wilson went to the home of Mrs. May Hensley, in Greene Creek. Mrs. Hensley, according to the testimony, sallied forth, reinforced by a son, bearing a club and a powerful bulldog. Mrs. Wilson and other witnesses testified that Mrs. Hensley seized her by the hair, the bulldog grabbed her by the leg and the boy struck her with the club. She swore out a warrant charging Mrs. Hensley with assault with a deadly weapon, to wit, a bulldog, and Justice Hall held the defendant to the grand jury.

## Missouri Hotel Fire.

Excelsior Springs, Mo.—With the temperature at zero the Snap hotel burned. The sixty guests escaped, but one woman was injured. She was unable to hold with numb hands to a rope, and fell, wrenching her back and suffering internal injuries. The building and contents, valued at \$125,000, were a total loss. The insurance was \$75,000.

## Advertiser is Dead.

St. Louis, Mo.—Ewing Hill, 70 years old, originator of street car advertising in America, died at his home in this city. He was a pioneer in the field of advertising, was president of the western advertising company and had been a member of the merchants exchange for thirty years. He is survived by a widow and four children.

## Mrs. Roosevelt Recovering.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt has been quite ill for several days but is recovering. Two months ago she was injured by a fall from her horse while riding with the colonel. Her present illness is said, however, not to be the result of the accident.

## Live Stock Market.

St. Louis.—Cattle—Good to choice corned steers, \$7.00@8.50; medium to good, \$5.50@7.00; good to choice grass steers, \$4.50@6.50; good to choice fat cows and heifers, \$5.00@6.90; grass cows, \$3.50@5.00; canners and cutters, \$2.75@3.50; bulls, \$3.50@4.75; veals, \$3.50@7.00. Hogs—Prices range from \$5.60@6.15, with a bulk of the sales at \$5.90@6.20. Sheep—Lambs, \$5.25@5.50; yearlings, \$4.25@4.50; wethers, \$3.25@3.85; ewes, \$2.25@3.35.

## Six Persons Killed.

Paris.—In a collision between two trains at Henry, about seven miles from Paris, six persons were killed and twenty injured. Three passengers are expected to die. Four of the cars were wrecked. A misplaced signal is given as the cause of the accident.

## Storage House Burns.

Houston, Tex.—The main building, boiler house and storage house of the Industrial Cotton Oil company, with 10,000 tons of seed and other produce, burned here. The loss is estimated to be between \$500,000 and \$750,000.

# ACCUSE EX-MAYOR

DETECTIVE BURNS SAYS BOOKWALTER KNEW OF M'NAMARA'S GUILT TWO YEARS AGO.

## HE NEGLECTED TO PROSECUTE

Dropped Dynamiting Inquiry and Was Admitted Into Labor Printing Partnership—Former Executive Willing to Bare Details to Jury.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Former Mayor Charles A. Bookwalter, who, it is claimed, had sufficient evidence in his possession two years ago that indicated that Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' officials had caused dynamite explosions in this city, was charged with gross negligence by Detective William J. Burns in not pushing the prosecution.

Burns said the former mayor dropped the investigation and not long afterward was invited to become a member of a printing firm doing much work for a national labor union, and in which Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation, is reported to him to have been interested.

Bookwalter denied that Gompers had been interested in the printing firm, or that he knew him intimately. He said the partners in the firm were Leo M. Rappaport, counsel for the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, and Hugo Thorsch, a long time friend of Gompers.

Bookwalter admitted that two years ago he had told a score of prominent national labor leaders that he was convinced of the guilt of John J. McNamara and the iron workers' union in connection with the four explosions on property of Albert Von Spreckhelsen in October, 1909.

Bookwalter said he would bare all the details of the municipal investigation which satisfied him that John J. McNamara, as secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers was the conspiring executive who caused the explosions in this vicinity.

Bookwalter said that he had told John J. McNamara of the strong suspicion against him and that in his conversations with a score of labor leaders he had placed the responsibility upon the iron workers' union.

Washington.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, commenting upon a statement by former Mayor Bookwalter of Indianapolis, said:

"No person, living or dead, ever made such a statement to me or even gave a hint that J. J. McNamara or any one else was engaged in a dynamite plot or dynamite campaign."

Washington.—President Samuel Gompers of the Federation of Labor denies with all the emphasis at his command the charge that he stood on, or insulted in any way, an American flag while delivering a speech at the labor day celebration at Oakland, Cal., last September.

The accusation was made in reports to the war department from officers in San Francisco and Los Angeles. The most direct evidence appears in photographs received by Major General Wood, chief of staff of the army, and by Major General Ainsworth, adjutant general of the army.

## QUAKE SHAKES SIX STATES

Tremors Cause People to Rush from Homes into Streets—Damage is Slight.

Chicago.—Chandeliers oscillated, windows rattled and books were shaken from shelves and tables in Chicago as a result of two distinct earthquake shocks that caused some of the frailer wooden structures in the city to sway and tremble, and sent hundreds of inmates hurrying to the streets.

The earth tremors extended throughout the state of Illinois, and were felt in Wisconsin, Michigan and in four other states in the Mississippi valley. In Iowa three shocks were felt, and in some parts of that state they were much more severe than in this city.

## DEPORT J. B. SNEAD AND WIFE

Canadian Authorities Send Couple From Country—"Affinity" of Woman to Follow in Near Future.

Winnipeg, Man.—J. B. Snead, said to be a wealthy canal contractor of Fort Worth, Tex., and Mrs. Snead, who, it is alleged, eloped with Albert G. Boyce from Texas to Canada, left here for Minneapolis.

Boyce and Mrs. Snead were being held here as undesirable citizens in Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Snead were accompanied to the train by private detectives. Boyce, the authorities here say, will be deported later.

## Charge Labor Leaders With Murder.

Muscataine, Ia.—O. C. Wilson, Socialist alderman of this city, and business agent for striking button workers, together with forty other prominent labor leaders, were arrested here charged with conspiracy to murder and other grave charges.

## Punished; Kills Father.

Sedalia, Mo.—D. M. Woollet, a farmer living near here, attempted to chastise his son, Boyd Woollet, fourteen years old, with a strap. The boy shot and killed him.

# THE CONGRESSMAN'S FIRST SPEECH



# REFUSE A PLEDGE

OHIO REPUBLICAN INSURGENTS REJECT RESOLUTION TO INDORSE LA FOLLETTE.

## DEFEAT OF TAFT IS ASKED

Pinchot and Garfield Speak Against Indorsement of Any Candidate—Platform Principles Adopted Follow Those of Chicago Conference.

Columbus, O.—The Ohio progressive Republican conference here by a vote of 52 to 32 refused to indorse Senator Robert M. La Follette as a candidate upon whom the progressives could unite for the nomination for president at the Chicago convention.

After refusing the indorsement of the league, the delegates voted, 81 to 11, in favor of a resolution, as a personal expression of the delegates, naming Senator La Follette as "the living embodiment of the principles of the progressive movement, and the logical candidate to carry them to successful fruition."

Gifford Pinchot, who declared that he spoke only for himself and in no way for Theodore Roosevelt, and former Secretary of the Interior Garfield were the leaders in the debate against giving any candidate an indorsement.

Senator Works of California and later Senator Clapp of Minnesota were vigorous in urging that the Ohio progressives concentrate their efforts in working for the election of La Follette.

A declaration of principles adopted unanimously was substantially the one prepared by a committee appointed at a meeting of progressives of the western reserve. On the question of national policies, it followed the line of the platform adopted by the progressive conference in Chicago.

## CENSUS EMPLOYEES TO GO

Owing to Lack of Funds 1,000 Men Will Be Dismissed During January.

Washington.—About 1,000 census bureau employees are expected to receive notices of dismissal before the end of January as the result of the refusal of the house of representatives to sanction the \$1,000,000 appropriation asked for by Director Durand for the maintenance of the bureau. Mr. Durand was noncommittal as to the exact date of the dismissals, but admitted that such action was contemplated.

## POTHIER 4-TIME GOVERNOR

Last Instance in Which State Officials of Rhode Island Will Be Sworn In for One Year.

Providence, R. I.—For the fourth successive term Gov. Aram J. Pothier took the oath of office. It is the first time since the adoption of the state constitution in 1842 that a governor has been inaugurated for four consecutive terms, and it is the last time the state officials will be sworn in for one year.

## Seeks Divorce from Stallo.

Cleveland, O.—Mrs. May Harrington Stallo, formerly wife of Dan R. Hanna, has filed suit for divorce from Edmund K. Stallo, formerly a Cincinnati attorney, but now of New York. Cruelty and gross neglect are charged in the bill.

## Stove Explodes; Woman Dying.

Dixon, Ill.—Mrs. Thomas Burkhart is dying from burns received here from the explosion of a kerosene stove. Her husband was also severely injured.

# ASSERTS MORGAN FLED

CONGRESSMAN SAYS HE LEFT TO AVOID SUBPOENA.

Financier's Testimony is Desired by Stanley Steel Committee Concerning Tennessee Coal Deal.

Washington, D. C.—According to a statement made by an eminent member of congress, J. Pierpont Morgan made a hurried trip abroad to avoid testifying before the Stanley steel committee concerning the purchase of the Tennessee Coal & Iron company by the United States Steel corporation.

It has just become known that for the past month or more the most prominent Democratic corporation lawyer in New York has been working quietly in behalf of the Stanley committee gathering information as to this deal. It is declared that Mr. Morgan learned of the activities of this lawyer investigator, and started, as he himself expressed it, for "Egypt as fast as he could go."

The Stanley committee is particularly anxious to ascertain at first hand the exact plan of purchase, how the money was paid and how the property of the Tennessee Coal & Iron company was delivered. These points can only be made clear by the books of J. Pierpont Morgan and company, fiscal agents of the Steel corporation.

## SAYS MORSE OFFERED BRIBE

Banker Accused by Prison Warden of Attempting to Influence Him by Money Tender.

Atlanta.—That Charles W. Morse soon after commencing his prison term offered him \$1,000, which he construed as an attempt to bribery, is the charge made in a formal statement by Warden W. M. Moyer of the federal prison at Atlanta.

Moyer said he gave Morse permission to send a cipher telegram buying some gas stock and that a few days later Morse came into his office and said:

"Warden, I made \$2,000 on that deal and I want you to have half of it."

The warden said he promptly told Morse never to offer him money again and advised Attorney General Wickensham of the incident. An investigation by the department of justice, the result of which has never been made known, was made immediately.

## ARREST STOPS POISON DEATHS

Since Berlin Liquor Dealer Was Taken into Custody Fatalities Among Shelter House Inmates Cease.

Berlin.—As no deaths from poisonings have occurred among the inmates of the Municipal Shelter house since the arrest of the dealer who had been selling cheap groceries, wood alcohol and adulterated whiskey to the vagrants, the authorities believe the cause of the illness has been found. There have been 162 cases and 72 deaths reported since December 26 and there are 20 persons still seriously ill.

## Atwood Falls Into Ocean.

Boston.—Harry N. Atwood, the aviator, fell in the ocean off the Point of Pines in his hydroplane. He was rescued and recovered after a few hours. Physicians, after a careful examination, said that he would suffer no ill effects from his cold plunge.

## Tufts College Junior a Suicide.

Medford, Mass.—Albert D. Pecker, a member of the junior class at Tufts college, committed suicide in his room here by inhaling gas. No motive is known for the suicide.

# CASHIER BARES CRIME

ALBION BANK MAN CONFESSES HE AND SON FORGED NOTES.

Both Were Officials of a Manufacturing Concern and "Lent" It Money—\$144,000 Involved.

Battle Creek, Mich.—H. M. Dearing, cashier of the failed Albion (Mich.) National bank, and his son, P. M. Dearing, pleaded guilty to charges of embezzlement and forgery. They were bound over to the Detroit grand jury and bonds were placed at \$25,000 each by United States Commissioner Clark. The men were arrested at Albion Tuesday, as a result of the closing of the bank. The shortage amounted to \$144,022. The men confessed that they had been forging the notes for over five years in order to finance the Cook Manufacturing company, of which the younger Dearing was secretary and treasurer and the elder president.

The Cook Manufacturing company was having a hard time financially, so the father permitted the son to forge notes to protect its credits. This began in 1905. The money was insufficient, so Cashier Dearing aided his son, until their forgeries reached \$144,000. Not until Bank Examiner Herbert Johnson came along Saturday last was the situation discovered and the bank closed.

The arrests of the two men followed a dispatch from Washington stating that Comptroller of the Currency Murray had announced that the forged notes, which caused the failure of the bank, amounted to \$144,022.

## MAY ADD CABINET OFFICE

Civil War Veterans Opposed to Owen Bill Which Would Create Public Health Head.

Washington.—The Owen bill, which should it become a law, will create a new cabinet officer as head of the department of public health, is meeting with opposition on the part of the old soldiers, and also on the part of the secretary of the interior and commissioner of pensions. The bill provides for the taking over by such department, if it is organized, the entire control of the present pension bureau, and the old veterans seem to be opposed to such a transfer of their interests. They say:

"To transfer the pension bureau from the department in which it was organized and developed would be a hardship upon the veterans who deal with it and are familiar with the methods of the present department and the bureau chiefs. It would be the substitution of doubt for certainty."

It is also proposed to transfer the Volunteer Soldiers' homes to the new department. It is suggested, however, that the home for regular soldiers be retained in the war department.

The veterans are being urged to communicate with their representatives in congress and express their opposition to the passage of the bill.

## ALFRED T. DICKENS EXPIRES

Son of Famous English Novelist Dies of Heart Trouble in New York Hotel.

New York.—Alfred Tennyson Dickens, son of the famous English author, Charles Dickens, and godson of the late poet laureate, Alfred Tennyson, who arrived in this country from Australia last October for a lecture tour, died suddenly here at his apartments in the Hotel Astor.

Overcome by weakness while seated in the hotel smoking room, Mr. Dickens was escorted to his rooms. Doctor Burt, the house physician, quickly reached his side, but he succumbed before the physician completed his diagnosis of the attack. Afterward the doctor said death resulted from heart failure, superinduced by acute indigestion.

## RUSSIANS HANG 16 PERSIANS

Czar's Court-Martial Exacting Heavy Toll for Casualties Suffered in Tabriz Invasion.

Tabriz, Persia.—Sixteen Persians were hanged by order of the Russian court-martial in connection with the recent attack on the Russian troops. The Russian court-martial is exacting a heavy toll for the casualties suffered by the Russian troops. The officers composing the court-martial are trying the prisoners in batches, and in nearly every case the accused are condemned to be summarily hanged.

## Admits \$5,000 Gem Theft.

St. Louis, Mo.—R. Paul Dunlap, aged twenty-three, an artist and athlete, was arrested at his father's residence, just after he sat down to dinner, and later confessed to Chief of Detectives Allender that he stole fifty diamond rings and other jewelry from the store of John Huetter in Cleveland Thanksgiving day. Sixteen rings were tied to his undergarments.

## May Recognize Republic of China.

Washington.—So intense is sympathy throughout the United States with the Chinese nation in its struggle for liberty that a rapidly growing sentiment exists in congress favoring the recognition of that country as a republic.

## Wind Kills Indiana Man.

Terre Haute, Ind.—Wind blew down a sixty-foot smokestack at the Moses Turner glass factory, killing David Boyle, an employe, and injuring two others.

# FIGHTS POSTAGE INCREASE

American Newspaper Publishers' Association Committee Attacks Plan to Double Rates.

Washington.—A warm attack on Hitchcock's plan to increase the second-class postage rates is contained in a bulletin just issued by the postal committee of the American Newspaper Publishers' association. Don C. Seitz of the New York World is chairman of the committee. The bulletin says:

"The extent to which the post office department does not carry second-class matter is well revealed in the following abstract of inquiry of publishers conducted by house committee on expenditures in the post office department (William A. Ashbrook, chairman) concerning the volume, weight and handling of the output of publications entered as mail matter of the second-class for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911:

"Inquiry was made of all publishers, approximately thirty thousand, of which nearly seventeen thousand are weekly publications.

"More than ten thousand returns were received, embracing sixty-six plus per cent. of all tonnage of publications.

"The publications reporting represent an annual output of more than six and one-half billion copies, the weight of which was one and three-quarter billion pounds.

"These publications delivered by mail in such period weighed 633,912,992 pounds.

"They delivered by their own carriers, newspapers, and news companies 840,466,574 pounds, of which an unascertained percentage was carried to destination by express and other rail shipments outside the mail. They delivered by express, 202,729,510 pounds, and by other rail shipments 121,491,748 pounds. The rate by express and rail varies from 1/4 to 1 cent per pound, but the bulk of these shipments went at a rate of 1/4 to 1/2 cent per pound.

"The post office for the year ending June 30, 1911, handled 951,901,669, and excluding one-half million pounds free in county matter, it received one cent per pound."

"All this goes to add to the absurdity of the proposed Hitchcock legislation doubling the second-class rate from one to two cents per pound, and limiting the 'privilege' to publications that carry as much reading matter as they do advertising.

"The proposition was stupid enough when the postal deficit reached \$17,000,000 two years ago. It becomes preposterous in face of a surplus.

"What business has a transportation corporation, which is all the post office is, to prescribe how a business shall be conducted?

"Newspapers cannot afford to expand their columns beyond the call of the day's news, nor can they be expected to control the requirements of their advertisers who have a right to reach the public as copiously as they care to.

"It cannot be assumed that such legislation will ever get by congress. But publishers are requested to fight the theory that the right to send their output by mail is a 'privilege.' The figures show it is not.

"The post office is a badly managed business. That is all. We should fight its dictation, its censorship and its inefficiency."

## Impacticable Suggestion.

Robert Henri, the artist, was talking at a tea at Sherry's, in New York, about the Latin quarter.

"In the Latin Quarter," he said, "in little streets off the Boulevard, it is possible to get a good dinner for 15 cents—and even at that there's many a Latin Quarterite goes dinnerless."

Mr. Henri smiled and sighed. "One spring afternoon," he resumed, "as I was sketching the horses of the green bronze fountain in the Luxembourg Gardens, a youth stopped and talked awhile.

"The spring sunshine on the youth's coat brought out all its shabbiness mercilessly, and I ventured to hint:

"Look here, old chap, why don't you have that coat turned?"

"He smoothed the shabby sleeves ruefully. "I would," he said, "if it had three sides."

## The Connoisseur.

Joseph E. Wiener, being congratulated at the Ritz-Carlton in New York on the excellence of his father's pictures, smiled and said:

"Yes, my father has been a discreet collector. He is not like the New York millionaire whom Sargent visited.

"Sargent was taken by this millionaire through a huge gallery of dubious Rembrandts, Titians, Raphaels and Murillos.

"Mr. Sargent," the millionaire said, gazing pompously at the long lines of vast, dingy canvases, "I have decided to leave my pictures to some public institution. What institution would you suggest?"

"I suggest," said Mr. Sargent, "an institution for the blind."

## Turn to Wooden Flooring.

The use of wooden flooring is on the increase in Italy, taking the place of the former extensive demand for marble, tiling and cement. Oak, larch and pitch pine are mostly adopted, and but little, if any maple, birch or beech has been brought to the market.

## What Was in Her Heart.

"Tell me," he sighed—"tell me, beautiful maiden, what is in your heart?" The girl gave him a look of icy disdain, and then vouchsafed the monosyllable, "Blood!"