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TRIES TO BLACKMAIL ARMOUR

Former Employe of Packer Steals Letters from Files.

DEMANDS \$40,000 FOR THEIR RETURN Finally Agrees to Accept \$15,000 and is Arrested at Meeting When Money is to Be Paid.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—William B. McSwain and W. S. Cole, his brother-in-law, were arrested here today, charged with attempting to blackmail J. Ogden Armour and other members of Armour & Co. for \$40,000 in connection with the Beef trust examination, with letters they are alleged to have stolen from the files of the company. McSwain was employed by Armour & Co. for four years as a stenographer and in that way had access to part of the mail of the packing company. Since the recent Beef investigation was begun it is charged he has taken letters from the files of the company. Three weeks ago, it is alleged, he approached Mr. Armour and threatened to turn the letters over to the federal authorities unless he was paid \$40,000. Mr. Armour refused to listen to the man and McSwain, it is said, made similar demands on other members of the company. With the hope of leading McSwain and his companion into a trap, several meetings were held between McSwain and Attorney Rosenthal, representative of the packing company.

"At each of these meetings," said Mr. Rosenthal, "the sum was gradually reduced until McSwain agreed to give up the letters for the sum of \$15,000. A meeting was arranged with him at the Auditorium hotel, where it was agreed that \$10,000 should be paid him on the delivery of the letters and \$5,000 a week later." When McSwain and Cole appeared at the hotel this afternoon to collect the money they were arrested by two city detectives.

The officials of Armour & Co. declare that they had no fear that the letters in the possession of McSwain could be used against them, but they had the two alleged conspirators arrested in order to discourage other employes who might adopt a similar course to secure money.

PUNISHMENT FOR BRUGERE

Head of the French Army Must Undergo Arrest for Indecent Remarks.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—The council of ministers at a meeting today, decided to inflict fifteen days' arrest on General Brugere, commander of the army, for making public details of a conference which he had with the minister of war relative to the controversy between General Faurin and himself, who was chief of staff under General Andre, the former minister of war. The general's recent visit in the Bois de Boulogne on horseback and General Brugere refused to acknowledge the salute of General Faurin, which, it is explained, therefore, would lead to a duel. Explanations of the war minister led to an adjustment of the incident. General Brugere then gave out a statement, saying that he

Advertisement for Crossett Shoe, featuring an illustration of a woman and the text: 'No accounting for taste when some husbands buy shoes. Foot sore and purple-sole, they repent at leisure what they purchased in haste. Comfort and quality are worth hunting for, but it's a short cry to a Crossett shoe—and there they are.' Price \$3.50 to \$4.00.

GERMANY WANTS MORE SHIPS

Federal Council Recommends Six Large Cruisers and Many More Torpedo Boats.

BERLIN, Nov. 17.—The federal council today adopted the navy increase bill, which will be laid before the Reichstag at its forthcoming session. The bill provides for the increase of the present building plan by six large cruisers, of which five are for the so-called foreign fleet and also for the raising of the number of torpedo divisions from sixteen to twenty-four. The cost of each cruiser will be \$6,750,000. The entire additional cost up to the year 1906 will be \$41,500,000.

The naval appropriation bill is also published. In the abstract it provides for an increase in the size and armament of the vessels hitherto voted under the old fleet law, making the cost of the battleships \$9,000,000 instead of \$6,500,000.

RED HATS FOR FIVE PRELATES

Pope's Successor as Patriarch of Venice is on Honor List for Consistory of December 11.

ROME, Nov. 17.—A definite list of the cardinals to be created at the consistory December 11 was given out semi-officially tonight. The list comprised five prelates, Mgr. Gaetano de Azevedo, major domo of the Vatican; Archbishop Cavalcanti de Albuquerque of Rio Janeiro; Archbishop Spinola of Seville; Archbishop Samassa of Erlau, Hungary; and Mgr. Cavallari, patriarch of Venice.

MINNEAPOLIS AT CHEBOYGON

CHEBOYGON, Nov. 17.—The United States cruiser Minneapolis arrived here today from Lisbon and exchanged salutes with the forts. It is said here that orders award the cruiser, instructing its commander to leave for the Baltic, but the date of its departure has not been announced.

WEDDING AT ANBURN

AUBURN, Nov. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—A double wedding took place Thursday, November 16, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon, in this city. The event was the marriage of the two daughters, Miss Mae and Miss Edie, Miss Mae to Mr. Ephraim A. Rhoads and Miss Edie to Louis Emory Gibson, both of this city.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair today and tomorrow in Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota. Fair Saturday and Sunday.

MINISTER GRISCOM LEAVING

American Representative at Tokio Receives High Praise for Services During War.

TOKIO, Nov. 17.—It is a m. The American minister, Lloyd C. Griscom, will leave Tokio Sunday next for America. During his absence Huntington Wilson, secretary of the legation, will act as charge d'affaires. The Nichi Nichi in its leader this morning, recalls in an appreciative manner the service of Minister Griscom during the recent troublous times and expresses the hope that he will return to Japan, as the first American ambassador.

INTERESTED IN WEI HAI WEI

Diplomats Wonder What Great Britain Will Do with Its Chinese Station.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—In diplomatic circles keen interest is felt in the ultimate disposition of Wei Hai Wei, the English naval station in China. When China ceded Port Arthur to Russia for a term of years it made an agreement with England ceding Wei Hai Wei for the same length of time. That Port Arthur should remain in Russian hands.

HYMENEAL

Double Wedding at Anburn. AUBURN, Nov. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—A double wedding took place Thursday, November 16, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon, in this city.

YAGER-FRANKENFELD

LOGAN, Ia., Nov. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—The marriage of David Yager and Lydia Frankenfeld, both of this city, was celebrated yesterday at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage, with Rev. P. C. Stire officiating.

TOLEDO AT CHEBOYGON

CHEBOYGON, Nov. 17.—As there is no question pending regarding the presence here of Whitehall Reid, the ambassador has decided to take advantage of a leave of absence granted by the State department and will spend the Christmas holidays in America, leaving England early in December. Mrs. and Miss Reid will accompany Mr. Reid.

SOLEMN JAPANESE SERVICE

TOKIO, Nov. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—The emperor will worship today in the innermost court of the temple of Ise. The occasion is a rare one and owing to its importance a universal holiday has been proclaimed.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU

OMAHA, Nov. 17.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years: 1902, 1903, 1904.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Temporary Flurry in Money Market Without Effect in Business Circles.

PRODUCTION STILL AT HIGH LEVEL

Orders Are Coming in Freely for Distant Delivery Factories Report Scarcity of Labor.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

A temporary flurry in the money market had little effect in business circles, most reports indicating a further increase in the business. Orders coming in freely for distant delivery and buyers experience much difficulty in making purchases. In holiday goods now well under way and retail distribution of seasonable commodities remains brisk. There is lower temperature. There is still some delay in mercantile collections, especially at the moment when not being collected freely, and to a less degree in grain regions because traffic facilities are not adequate, but the majority of reports indicate that payments are more prompt in spite of the higher money rates.

Manufacturing plants have scarcely a drawback except scarcity of labor in a few instances and small strikes that interrupt structure work to some extent. None of these influences affect any considerable proportion of the industry and there are many new high records of production. This is the case at pig iron furnaces and coke ovens, while textile mills and shoe factories are doing most satisfactory business.

Increased imports of iron and steel, especially structural shapes, restricted to the current rate of consumption, as domestic production is undoubtedly at the normal rate. The iron and steel trade is restricted by the light offerings of packers, who are not yet ready to meet the heavy demand. Further advances occurred in foreign dry hides. Leather is also somewhat scarce.

Failures this week numbered 240 in the United States, against 211 last year, and 43 in Canada, compared with 17 a year ago.

REPORT OF THE CLEARING HOUSE

Transactions of the Associated Banks for the Week.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the daily clearings in the cities of the week ending November 16, with the percentage increase and decrease compared with the corresponding week last year:

Table showing transactions of associated banks for the week, listing cities and clearing amounts in Inc. Dec.

ACTIVITY IS THE KEYNOTE OF THE COMMERCIAL SITUATION

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Bradstreet tomorrow will say: Activity is still the keynote of the industrial and commercial situation.

Activity is still the keynote of the industrial and commercial situation. The weather and the coming Christmas holidays have caused a heavy distribution in practically every section of the country save in the northwest, where the rather high temperatures and mild weather prevent the full development. Railway earnings are enormous, but the widespread blockades and delays are causing some industrial lines. Manufacturing lines are remarkably active. Consumption of iron and steel is proceeding at an enormous rate with no apparent sign of a let up in the immediate future.

ASIATIC GIFTS ARE APPRAISED

As Far as Work Has Gone Miss Roosevelt's Presents Are Not Expensive.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The examination and appraisal of the presents received by Miss Alice Roosevelt during her visit to the Orient has begun. The officials at the Georgetown custom house have begun to open up the twenty-seven boxes in which the presents were shipped and other souvenirs of the visit, which resulted in a social conquest of the far east by the president's daughter.

The customs officials say the task is anything but an easy one owing to the necessity laid on them to appraise the goods on their foreign commercial value. Only about one-third of the boxes have so far been opened and Collector Nyman and his staff are said to be somewhat surprised as the valuation of their contents will exceed scarcely a few thousand dollars.

Although the presents have lain in one strong room in the basement of Georgetown postoffice building, in which the customs house is located, for three weeks guarded night and day, there is no effort to get rid of them quickly. When the president instructed that no special hurry was desired and that they should take the time to examine the presents, the officials devoted their attention to appraising the large amount of merchandise that had already arrived. They were unusually busy owing to the importation of Christmas goods.

As the work of appraising Miss Roosevelt's presents is being done along with the other work of the office, it is doubtful if the last box will have been examined and the valuation fixed before next week. Miss Roosevelt, who is on a visit to relatives in Massachusetts, will probably be home in time to receive them at the White House. Some of the presents she has not yet seen.

MORAL CONDITIONS ON ISTHMUS

Manager of Labor Quarters Denies Report Women Are Imported for Improper Purposes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Word was received from the Isthmian Canal commission today that a rumor was circulating among the women, who arrived recently from Martinique, and who had come with a large number of laborers for the canal as members of their families, had really been brought for immoral purposes. This rumor was referred to Jackson Smith, manager of labor and quarters on the Isthmian, who is in Washington on official business connected with his department, and he made the following comment: "We are recruiting laborers from Jamaica, Barbados, Martinique and other West India territory in large numbers, and a great many of them are bringing their families and are making their homes on the Isthmus. The families of our laborers are solving the problem of chambermaids, house servants and domestics of all classes as well as being the only laundry workers at the present time. We do not receive women for the work and only bring them along with the individual head of the family or send for them when the individual has been long enough in our service to demonstrate his ability as a first-class laborer, and has accumulated enough to send for his family."

PURIFICATION OF ATHLETICS

President of Georgetown University Says Institution is Setting an Example for All.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—At a reception given in his honor by the society of the Alumni of Georgetown university last night, Rev. David H. Hays, the new president of the university, reiterated his statements condemning brutality in football and the prevalence of professionalism in many of the best known institutions of learning in the country.

President Hays, who was introduced by Justice White of the supreme court of the United States, said this is unfortunate that the public too often judges of the strength of a college by its strength in the life athletics and that he wished to state his position regarding the new regulations now in force at Georgetown. He deplored the practice of employing men to uphold the standing of any college in sport. He said Georgetown in its fight for the purification of athletics was setting an example before the schools of the whole country.

GATHERING CROP STATISTICS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—There has been sent to representative farmers throughout the entire country schedules asking for information to the acreage and production of corn, wheat, oats, rye, hay and potatoes. The data thus obtained will be used by the Department of Agriculture in determining the area harvested and the total production of these crops.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP

has been used by Millions of Mothers for their children, and is the only safe and reliable remedy for all the ills of infancy.

Advertisement for Omaha Clothing Co. featuring: 'E-Z TERMS 1316 FARNAM ST. E-Z TERMS FURNITURE, CARPETS, STOVES'. Includes an illustration of a man in a suit.

Advertisement for Ladies' Suits Saturday. Text: 'Your unrestricted choice of any Ladies' Suit in the house; Long and Short Jackets, in all the popular weaves and colors \$15.00 choice.' Includes an illustration of a woman in a dress.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' featuring 'The North Western Line'. Text: 'The Only Double Track Railway to Chicago 25% Per Cent LESS Than the one way fare for round trip tickets. Nov. 7 and 21. City Offices 1401-1403 FARNAM ST. OMAHA TEL. 624-561.' Includes an illustration of a train.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' with text: 'More Than Ten Times as Many Men Apply for Twelve Jobs.' Includes an illustration of a man.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' with text: 'Fifty millions dollars of insurance have already taken sides with Lawson, against the Three Big Companies. More millions—many more—will stand up for their rights when they have read Lawson's open letter to President McCall of the New York Life Insurance Company in Everybody's Magazine for November.' Includes an illustration of a man.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' with text: 'Get Everybody's. Read Lawson. Make up your mind. Send your proxy. Everybody's Magazine 15 cents \$1.50 a year.' Includes an illustration of a man.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' with text: 'When in Chicago Stop at the Stratford Hotel. Refined, Elegant, Quiet. Located corner of city's two finest boulevards, convenient to entire business center. Close to best theatre and shopping district. 23 rooms, 150 private bathing, luxurious writing and reception rooms; woodwork man-gany throughout; brass beds and all modern comforts; telephone in every room; beautiful dining room—the best everything at moderate prices.' Includes an illustration of a hotel building.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' with text: 'DOCTOR SEARLES AND SEARLES. We use our own name in our business. You know who you are doing business with. Consultation Free. VARICOCELE AND HYDROCELE cured. Method new, without pain or loss of time. CHARGES LOW. BLOOD POISON cured for life, soon every sign, symptom (sores on body, in mouth, tongue, throat, hair and eyebrows falling out) disappear completely.' Includes an illustration of a man's face.

Advertisement for 'The Best of Everything' with text: 'MEN AND WOMEN. Get Big for anatomical... Includes an illustration of a man and a woman.