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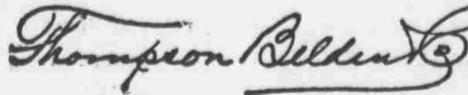
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"In a century we have passed from a purely agricultural country to an industrial and commercial country, but we have not outgrown the necessity for agriculture."

Mr. Ballinger after his address, would not be disturbed by questions. There is a little note on the published program inviting the delegates to ask questions and enter a discussion with the speakers. Mr. Ballinger was not aware of this.

Judge John Fairweather of California asked a question. The secretary answered it and then left the platform.

The next speaker was A. C. Campbell, who discussed the local aspects of the property rights in irrigation.

Pardee Attacks Ballinger. Former Governor Pardee then took the platform to deliver the address under the subject assigned to him. But he had no use for his manuscript. He opened by saying that he was for Roosevelt and the Roosevelt policies.

"Roosevelt was a president, who did things first," said he, "and talks about them afterwards. And that's the kind of men we would like to see in public office now."

Dr. Pardee told of the activities of former Secretary Garrison, who under the instructions of President Roosevelt, withdrew from public entry many tracts of land, under the belief that these lands should be held for the people. Now, he said, Secre-

## EARLY COMPLETION IS PROMISED NOW

Exterior of "Balduff's" Former Stand Is Rapidly Taking on a Modern Appearance.

## REMOVAL SALE GROWS

A set of contractor's blue prints, a busy bevy of carpenters, painters and decorators, welding hammer, saw and brush—this is the combination that is working wonders with the store formerly occupied by "Balduff" at 1518-1520 Farnam street.

The new front is already being placed—the interior is being gone over in a manner that will surprise those even used to innovations.

In other words, The Benson and Thorne company will be in the new store on schedule time—just as advertised. Should there be any delay it will be a mere matter of a few DAYS and not of weeks as is the case with so many removals and remodelings.

Stocks, as Present Location Are Being Swept as Clean as Though With a Broom

An incredibly swift closing out of stocks is in the making while in order at the Benson and Thorne company's present location at 1518-1520 Douglas street.

Huge gaps in tables of young men's and boys' clothes tell of vanishing assortments—empty arms are creeping out everywhere in the revolving racks used to exhibit small women's, misses' and girls' suits, dresses, etc.

Shelf after shelf of "babe's wear" is being depleted, and many lines of furnishings have slumped down to "empty boxes" only.

"HALF PRICE" is effecting all this. "HALF PRICE" is the magic talisman that commands crowds to appear—to buy—to supply present and future needs.

Shoes Are in Unprecedented Demand at Strongly Lowered Prices.

To glance at the crowds of shoppers that continually besiege the section of shoes here, one would think that every other source of supply had been cut off. It is a fact that hundreds upon hundreds of women, girls, youths and boys are being supplied with better footgear than was ever anticipated at the radically low prices asked.

Truly, this is a typical outbreak of values—stereotyped reductions are not enough—prices have been revamped, cut down and squeezed until a comparison with former selling marks is out of the question.

There's "Lift" Where There Are Genuine Bargains.

If you are a lover of "lift" you'll be pleased to mingle in the present crowd—look around whether you're a positive need or not. You will have to fairly steal yourself against "ONE-HALF" reductions if you don't finally purchase something.

BENSON & THORNE CO. 1518-1520 Douglas Street. (Will soon remove to "Balduff's" former location at 1518-1520 Farnam street.)

## VETERANS IN GRAND REVIEW

Forty-Third Annual Parade of Grand Army at Salt Lake City.

## HEAT CAUSES GREAT SUFFERING

Twenty Old Soldiers and About Hundred Children from Living Flag Taken from Street.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 11.—Mid-summer heat thinned the annual parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, the feature of the forty-third reunion today, and wrought still more suffering among the hundreds of children who participated in the formation of the living flag. So oppressive was the heat that the plan of calling for the living flag in the procession was abandoned.

At least 100 children and twenty old soldiers were taken from the street. Many of the victims, young and old, recovered, as soon as they were placed in the shade. Those treated at the emergency stations numbered about forty. Fifteen of them were old soldiers and thirty children. There were no fatalities.

Three relief stations, attended by trained nurses, insured prompt and capable aid for all sufferers. The hours of the parade were the hottest hours of the hottest day since the beginning of the season.

The thing to do, said Dr. Pardee, is to withdraw the water power sites as did Roosevelt and hold them for the people.

"When," pleaded the speaker, "are we ever going to have a chance for the common, hard working citizen? Secretary Ballinger has said irrigation is not a proposition for a poor man. I take issue with him and say it is particularly a poor man's proposition, and if there is any one trying to make it not so, let's find out about it."

Turner Defends Ballinger. Mr. Turner gained the floor and replied: "I think," said he, "that the remarks of Governor Pardee, following those of the secretary of the interior, are in bad taste. Mr. Ballinger has done his official capacity only what any man would do under the oath of office—he has obeyed the law. No man has the right to act first and read the law afterward."

A resolution was introduced asking the condemnation of the destruction of birds. This was followed by a request that the women in the audience who would agree to wear nothing but the plumage of the "ostrich and barnyard fowl" to rise. A number complied.

Call for Five Billions. Delegates to the National Irrigation congress set out to relieve the arid land situation today when resolutions beginning with a request for "ample funds" and ending with one for a fund of \$5,000,000,000 were introduced.

The resolution asking for a national per cent bond issue of \$5,000,000,000 was introduced by the secretary of the board of control, Arthur Hooper of Spokane. It is proposed to use this in five portions, "as follows:

One billion dollars for drainage; \$1,000,000,000 for irrigation; \$1,000,000,000 for deep canals; \$1,000,000,000 for good roads and \$1,000,000,000 for forest preservation.

It is asked that a committee present the request to congress.

A resolution also was introduced planning that where settlers of arid lands have been deprived of the right to reclaim their lands by the action of the reclamation service in cutting off water rights such settlers may claim the right to their lands by the reclamation of one acre in their tracts by means of a well.

Smith on Classification. George Otis Smith, director of the United States geological survey, and Samuel H. Lea, state engineer of South Dakota, made the principal conservation arguments before the National Irrigation congress today.

Mr. Smith's subject was the classification of public lands. He said: "The classification and valuation of coal land is a special phase of public land work to which the geological survey is giving increased attention. The geologic investigations of the last three field seasons have not only furnished a knowledge of the quantity and quality of the coal on the public domain, but have rendered possible the present policy of obtaining coal prices for coal lands. The general land office now depends on the geological survey to furnish detailed valuations for every forty acre tract of coal land that is placed on the market. In the last half month following the adoption of the revised scheme of valuation the reports to the general land office pleased to agricultural entry approximately 2,600,000 acres in Colorado, Wyoming and Montana and placed selling prices on nearly 80,000 acres of coal land with an aggregate valuation of over \$150,000,000."

"The price of government coal land is now determined on the basis of estimated tonnage, the unit rate varying with the quality of the coal from 10 cents to 3 cents a ton for coal deposits within fifteen miles of a railroad. These prices average less than one-tenth the usual royalty paid in the west. Yet this conservative valuation will not meet the double average price of public coal lands. In exceptional cases the price based on tonnage represents a fifteen-fold increase over the old minimum price. It is conceded that this policy of basing the price on the quantity and quality of the article sold will not encourage purchase by speculators, but I maintain that the present valuation will not impede the disposition of the coal deposits for purposes of utilization. The real development of the west will be promoted, not retarded. The increased valuation of the millions of acres of public coal land must result in increased contributions to the reclamation fund and greater possibilities for local utilization of the agricultural lands through irrigation."

## LOOKS BETTER FOR PEACE

Appointment of Pando as Foreign Minister of Bolivia May Avert Trouble.

LA PAZ, Bolivia, August 11.—The threatening situation growing out of the approaching change in presidents—Ismael Montes, who is not friendly to Argentina, is to be succeeded tomorrow by Eldores Villazon, who is in favor of accepting Argentina's decision in the boundary dispute with Peru—has been somewhat improved by the appointment today of General Jose Manuel Pando as minister of foreign affairs.

General Pando was once president of the republic. It is believed his acceptance of the portfolio of foreign minister will save the country from serious difficulty with any of its neighbors.

Ellis Glazes to Ireland. NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Ellis Glazes, the young Irish lace maker whose trial in Chicago for larceny from her employer attracted national attention because of the sensational charge that an attempt had been made to force her into "white slavery," sailed for her home in Ireland today on the steamer Campana.

## CHAMBERLAIN DEFENDS PINCHOT

Oregon Senator Addresses Chicago Association of Commerce.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—United States Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, Carter of Montana, Warren of Wyoming, Flint of California, Foy of Kentucky and Borah of Idaho, comprising the senate committee on irrigation met here today and started in their consideration of the bill which has arisen in Spokane between Gifford Pinchot and Secretary of the Interior Ballinger.

"Closely allied with the reclamation work," he said, "is the conservation of the natural resources. Without the forests, without protection against the ravages and greed of men, the streams must soon dry up and the districts where we now have happy homes must cease to exist."

"I do not care what is said about Mr. Pinchot—I know that he has given his entire time and attention to conserving the natural resources. In supporting a man of his caliber should not be taken into consideration. He should be permitted to interfere without hindrance or interference."

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## Pleads for Man Who Ran Him Down

Dying Minister Refuses Aid Until Told Driver Will Not Be Arrested.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Refusing to be taken to the hospital, although he is fatally injured, until the promise was made to him that the person who injured him would not be arrested, Rev. William P. Jacobs, an Episcopalian clergyman, aged 69 years, of Clinton, N. C., put the golden rule of life which he has preached for many years into practice. The minister, in Washington on a sight seeing trip, was run over on Pennsylvania avenue last night by a two-wheeled surrey.

"I do not want the driver prosecuted," he said, "as I know it was not his fault." Despite the promise of the police to the injured man, however, the driver was arrested.

## White Slave Bill Is Dismissed

Authorities Admit That Injustice May Have Been Done Mrs. Helen Spencer.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—That an injustice has been done Mrs. Helen Spencer, the woman recently arrested in Ecuador and brought here on a charge of having engaged in the "white slave" traffic for the Panama canal zone, was admitted in court here today when the indictment against her was dismissed by Judge Rosenthal. The action was taken on the recommendation of the district attorney's office. The recommendation states that since the case was placed on the calendar of the courts for trial the girls who are the chief witnesses have admitted to the district attorney that their testimony has been false in essential particulars.

## GUNSHOT EXPERT ON STAND

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mark as from a blow of some sort over Roelker's head.

Todd denied portions of an interview attributed to him, but said he did see a man running and heard commands to halt, threats to fire and shots.

Before the shooting he (Todd) had seen Lieutenant Roelker pass the guard room. After the shooting, he said, Lieutenant Roelker came into the guard room and said: "My God, Archie, I've been shot."

The finding of the bullet for protection, Osterman said nothing whatever. Two shots preceded the first cry to halt, which was not replied to, after the second cry, "Halt, you are under arrest, or I'll shoot."

There were two more shots fired after a brief interval. Sergeant Mahoney was sergeant of the guard, and he aroused him as soon as he heard the first two shots. The other two shots had been fired before Mahoney started in the direction from which the noise of the shots came. He had some only a short distance when witness heard some one challenge Mahoney and tell him the trouble was all over and open for the night.

When the witness put on the desk the bullet that struck Roelker, Lieutenants Adams, Willing, Bevan and others were in the room of the officer of the day. Roelker said nothing whatever as to how or where he had been shot and, the witness averred, made no attempt to find out. Todd said he did not hear until next morning that Lieutenant Sutton had been shot. He was not asked by any one if he knew anything of the trouble. The first time, witness said, that any one had told him that any information he had was wanted was when a newspaper man did so at Wakefield, Mass., yesterday. To the judge advocate the witness said he understood that his superior officers having knowledge of the firing of the shots, his duty did not require him to make further report to any one.

## JAPS MAY CAUSE CLASH

Are Pushing Work of Reconstruction of Antung-Mukden Railroad.

PEKING, August 11.—Telegraphic reports received here from Manchuria say the work of re-constructing the Antung-Mukden railroad by Japan from Antung to the north is proceeding rapidly and without friction.

ST. PETERSBURG, August 11.—Apprehension has been aroused in political circles here by the energy displayed by the Japanese in pushing the re-constructing of the Antung-Mukden railroad, the strategic importance of which is fully realized in St. Petersburg. Even a greater degree of disquietude, however, has been caused by the Japanese plans for a naval base at the mouth of the Tumen river to be connected by a railroad with Kirin.

## STOCKHOLM STRIKE BROKEN

Workmen Are Returning in Increasing Numbers Daily—Riot at Norberg.

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 11.—The belief is gaining ground that the backbone of the general strike has been broken. Workmen of various kinds resumed their duties today in increasing numbers and it is expected that the printers will soon return to work. All the newspapers in Stockholm are issuing hand-printed sheets, while those in the south are being printed in Denmark. Some 15,000 strikers attended a meeting in the woods south of Stockholm this afternoon. There was a strike riot at Norberg today as a result of which twenty-two persons were arrested.

## MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS

Port. Arrived. Sailed. NEW YORK. Liverpool. Boston. Philadelphia. Baltimore. Washington. St. Louis. Chicago. St. Paul. Minneapolis. Omaha. Denver. Salt Lake City. Portland. Seattle. Tacoma. San Francisco. San Diego. Los Angeles. San Jose. Honolulu. Manila. Cebu. Singapore. Yokohama. Kobe. Osaka. Hong Kong. Canton. Shanghai. Peking. Tientsin. Hankow. Harbin. Vladivostok. Seoul. Tokyo. Manila. Cebu. Singapore. Yokohama. Kobe. Osaka. Hong Kong. Canton. Shanghai. Peking. Tientsin. Hankow. Harbin. Vladivostok. Seoul. Tokyo.

## JUPITER AND VENUS IN LINE

Strange Coincidence Revealed When Sun, Earth, Venus and Jupiter Mix.

PHENOMENON SEEN IN OMAHA

Father Rigge Invites the Public to Look at the Strange Sight Through Creighton University Telescope.

Jupiter and Venus co-operated last night to present a spectacle that might occur any time, but which is seldom seen in the heavens by the inhabitants of the earth. The people of Omaha, if they are any, and they are not too busy digging canals or building airships, also might observe a similar occurrence if two planets happened to get places in their orbits that would throw them on a line or in conjunction as was the case with one outer and one inner planet in even a when Jupiter and Venus attracted the attention of the world for a few minutes.

Now, the event that occurred last night and the reasons for it were these: Jupiter, an outer planet, and Venus, an inner planet, both turning in their respective orbits about the sun—each in a smaller orbit than the earth's and the other in a larger orbit—came around on the same side of the earth, and owing to a certain inclination of their planes, they were observed from this planet as being close together. They really were not very near each other nor the earth, but they were seen at the same time in the range of a telescope, and that is all the significance there was to their spectacle.

It is not always that two planets can be observed at the same time by gazing through a telescope. Last night, however, was one of those rare occasions. The two satellites of the sun did not get into a direct line, as the astronomical thought. They simply came to points in their two orbits, where, although they were several million miles apart, they were yet so close together that they both fell within the view of a telescope.

To fully understand the conditions that brought about this extraordinary happening it is necessary to have a clear conception of the true relation of the planets in the celestial world. When the planets were created, by the nebular hypothesis, the ring theory, or any other theory that has been advanced for their origin, they were thrown into space with a certain initial velocity. Some went sailing out many millions of miles from their place of origin; others did not go so far, and still others fell closer to the mother body.

All Go Around the Sun. Well, one of these planets, Venus, took an orbit only something over a hundred million miles from the sun. Then a few courses, and several million miles beyond the earth Jupiter got in with a big orbit. So that placed the planets with which astronomers were concerned last night in the following order: sun, Venus, earth and Jupiter.

It is easy, so astronomers say, for the laymen to see how Jupiter and Venus might never come close enough together to be seen in the same plane of a telescope. The two planets could easily be seen on the same side of the earth, but wide apart, and this would not permit the desired sight.

But last night it happened that both appeared on the same side of the earth and not rather intimately close enough together to be seen in the same plane of a telescope. The two planets could easily be seen on the same side of the earth, but wide apart, and this would not permit the desired sight.

Prof. William J. Rigge, of Creighton university, had his observatory open for the public and beginning about 7:30 in the evening, he showed the planets to several of the curious. They were plainly distinguished shortly after the sun set. They were in the west, and Venus, in the telescope, appeared on the left. It was far brighter than the outer planet. Shortly after 8 o'clock this morning they were seen together than at any other time during the night.

While the two planets were going through this unusual occurrence they were not close enough to the earth to cause a perceptible displacement of this planet in its orbit. Venus was 150,000,000 miles away, and Jupiter was distant 600,000,000 miles.

## AMENDS TEXAS SHEEP ORDER

Animals May Be Shipped After Double Dipping Without Restriction.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Secretary Wilson has amended the Department of Agriculture order regarding the quarantine against scabies in sheep in Texas, effective August 13. The effect of the amendment is to require that scabby sheep may be dipped twice in accordance with the regulation and shipped in the state without further federal restrictions, or they may be dipped once and shipped interstate for immediate slaughter.

All other sheep may be shipped interstate without dipping for immediate slaughter as "exposed sheep for slaughter," or they may be dipped once and shipped without further federal restrictions. Sheep in Kentucky also are quarantined against under an order effective August 16.

## M'SORLEY AFTER FOUR OTHERS

Man Who Killed Furrier Was Seeking Three Others for Purpose of Shooting Them.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—James McSorley, the ex-convict, who killed Daniel M. Fenlon, a hotel keeper, in Middletown, N. Y., yesterday, had started out with the intention of "getting even" with three other men with whom he was at enmity for having had a hand in sending him to prison for stealing a tray of diamonds in Newark, N. J., according to statements made today by members of the New York detective force. McSorley, they say, mentioned Chief of Police Cosgrove of Newark; Fenlon, a burglar known as "Iron Gaul Kid," and another "under world" member as belonging to "the gang that had turned against me and every member of which he had vowed to kill."

## CRIME TO DEFAME WOMAN

Georgia Legislature Legislates Out "Stick and Shotgun" Method of Defamation.

ATLANTA, Ga., August 11.—The "stick and shotgun" impiments of the "unwritten law" were figuratively abolished today by the Georgia legislature as the means of defense of a woman's name, when the house today passed the bill already adopted by the senate making wilful defamation of a woman's name a misdemeanor.

The house also passed the bill, which prevents negro social or fraternal organizations from using the names, insignia or

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**To the Republican Voters**

My name will appear for County Commissioner on the ballot to be voted at the coming primary in the Fourth, Seventh, Eighth and Eleventh Wards. With utmost effort I could not personally see all of you who live in these wards in the limited time remaining. I am, therefore, going to address as many of you as I can through this series of brief cards in the Bee, calling attention to the points which I think will impress you in my favor. It is a little embarrassing to have to talk about myself, but I know of no other way to have you make my acquaintance. For corroboration of any statement about myself I refer you to any one who knows me or has had business dealings with me.

I respectfully solicit your vote.

**JOHN A. SCOTT,**  
Republican Candidate for County Commissioner.  
First District—Fourth, Seventh, Eighth and Eleventh Wards. Primary August 17, 1909. Polls Open Until 9 P. M.

**VENDETTA VICTIM IS DEAD**

Italian Befriended by Thaw and Patrick Succumbs to Wounds.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Victim of a vendetta, Rafael Cascone, defended by Albert T. Patrick and befriended by Harry K. Thaw, whom he came to know in the Tombs, died today at a hospital, where he had lingered since he was shot down on the street last night by a boy of 15 years.

Amato Santaniello, arrested as his assailant, is a brother of Chamarino Santaniello and a cousin of Berligo Seneschal, who were shot and killed in 1908. Cascone was twice tried for the murder of these men. He was convicted on the first trial, but through the efforts of Albert T. Patrick obtained a new trial and was acquitted.

**CLUES IN THE VIVIANO CASE**

Father Goes to Pennsylvania and Two Children Held in Illinois.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 11.—While Pietro Viviano, father of Grace Viviano, who was kidnapped here last week with her cousin, Tommaso Viviano, is speeding to Duquoin, Pa., expecting to find his kidnapped daughter there, the police today received a clue from Carbondale, Ill., where two children, resembling the Vivianos, were seen in company of a striking band of Italian players Sunday. The band has since moved.

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