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1910 RECORD YEAR

Half Billion For Expansion and Improvement.

SOUTH GETS ITS SHARE

Railroads, Corporations, and the Government to Spend Sums for Development During Year Never Before Equalled in Country's History.

New York.—Millions upon millions, it is currently reported, will be spent this year by American corporations and the United States government in expansion, extensions and improvements.

Conservative estimates based upon public plans for industrial corporations, railroads and the government, show sums to be spent for labor and improved devices which stagger the imagination and tax the conceivability of the ordinary mind.

B. & O. Investment.

The investment of Daniel Willard, with the presidency of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad brings that great corporation to the point where the final plans are now ready for financing the \$28,500,000 worth of bonds, which sum is to be spent by the road in 1910 for construction and equipment. The steel trust will scatter \$55,000,000 through the middle west and south in building new mills and developing ore beds. But while we consider these stupendous sums of private enterprises we must not overlook the vast expenditures to be made by the government—expenditures which are record-shattering in the realm of finance.

Uncle Sam Liberal Spender.

Ninety millions of dollars will be spent for the United States army supplies, five millions will be spent in construction work upon our fortifications, and now President Taft, in his message read to congress, urges appropriation of \$63,000,000 for river and harbor improvement and in the extension of irrigation in the west.

This does not include the immense sums to be put out in wages to the army of workmen engaged in digging the Panama canal.

The year 1910 will be an epoch-making year—a year of money-spending unrivaled in the history of the world.

LOST \$6,000,000 IN COTTON.

Plunger Scales Would Form New Pool to Recoup Dropped Fortunes.

New York.—The declaration of Eugene G. Scales, the big cotton plunger, that he would spend the balance of his fortune, \$4,000,000, to recoup his \$6,000,000 loss in the cotton break, and the simultaneous appearance of James A. Patten, the Chicago wheat king, led to the utterance that a new cotton pool would be formed which would practically amount to a corner in cotton.

Estimates as to the amount of loans which have been liquidated in consequence of the collapse of the bull pool in cotton, and the decline in the market, range from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000. It was only too evident that the pool headed by Scales, with P. B. Brown and Frank B. Hayne, of New Orleans, and James A. Patten, has met its Waterloo. But it is still a long cry to St. Helena, for the bull leaders have held a long conference and laid plans for a new campaign to begin in a few days.

WAS BLOWN TO DEATH.

Man Placed Dynamite in Shirt Front and Lighted the Fuse.

New London, Conn.—Placing three sticks of dynamite in the front of his shirt, William A. Bennett lighted the fuse and was blown to death at his home here. The windows in the room were blown out, but otherwise the house was not damaged.

Bennett, on returning from work Friday handed his wife a bouquet of flowers with the remark: "You will know what to do with them between now and Monday."

Then he demanded money, and on being refused, drew a revolver and fired at his wife, the bullet striking a corset steel and glancing off. He

was arrested and released under \$1,000 bond.

Sunday, he kissed his father and mother, and, entering his wife's room, said: "Don't you want to die with me?" Then he crossed to another room and set the dynamite off.

NEGRESS MADE MERRY.

Masked and Handsomely Attired, Took Part in Swell Club Ball.

St. Louis.—An unidentified negress made merry for an hour, it is said, as a guest at a society masked ball at the Century Boat Club. Before she was discovered she had danced with several unsuspecting men, and the club officials are now looking for the person responsible for her appearance at the function.

Handsomely dressed and wearing a head mask and long gloves, she appeared on the floor during a "spook" dance, when the lights were low, and accepted her share of attention from that time on.

The climax came when the dancers unmasked. The negress made her escape.

Louis R. Glavis.

Former Land Office Employee, Accuser of Secretary Ballinger.



Louis R. Glavis, a former employee of the general land office, is the chief accuser of Secretary Ballinger, whom his enemies charge with being implicated in public land frauds in Alaska. President Taft defends Mr. Ballinger, while Chief Forester Pinchot, recently dismissed, upholds Glavis.

THEY ASK FOR TROOPS.

Many Tragedies Stir Sunflower River Section of Mississippi.

Anguilla, Miss.—The third killing in three days in this neighborhood took place on the Sunflower river, near here. The frequency of such tragedies of late has aroused many of the citizens, who have telegraphed Governor Noel asking that soldiers be sent here to restore order.

The last tragedy was the killing of Noah Borodarsky, a merchant of Silver City, by Jesse Martin, a planter. The trouble arose over a horse trade, it is said. Martin swapped Borodarsky a horse which he said would work to a buggy. Borodarsky, it is said, claimed the animal would not do as represented and wanted to call the trade off, which Martin refused to do until Borodarsky covered him with a pistol. Martin, it is alleged, at once went to his home, procured his shot gun and meeting Borodarsky in the road, shot him.

CHAMP CLARK OPTIMISTIC.

Minority Leader Predicts Victory For Democrats in The Fall.

Washington.—Champ Clark, the minority leader of the house, has returned to the capital after ten days of speech-making in Missouri and the middle West, and spread cheering predictions of sweeping democratic victory in the congressional elections this fall and a democratic house of representatives.

Mr. Clark said he found a thriving spirit of democracy in Ohio and Missouri and other places he visited.

A MURDEROUS PLOT

Alleged Scheme to Exterminate Kansas City Family.

DOCTORS INVESTIGATE

Late Mysterious Deaths Among Heirs of Swope Estate Caused Investigation, Followed by Some Startling Disclosures.

Kansas City.—John H. Atwood, an attorney for the Swope family, has declared an arrest was near in connection with the examination of the vital organs of Col. Thomas H. Swope, the aged philanthropist, who died suddenly October 3.

Mr. Swope's death at first was attributed to apoplexy, but a quick succession of deaths and illness among heirs of the Swope estate, led to an investigation, culminating in exhuming the body of Col. Swope and the removal of his stomach to Rush Medical College, Chicago, for autopsy.

"There is not a particle of doubt in my mind," continued Mr. Atwood, "that both Thomas and Christian Swope were poisoned."

The alleged murder plot had for its supposed end the extermination of all the Swope heirs. It is stated that just before Christian Swope's death, December 2, just one month later than that of his uncle, a man visited the office of a well known bacteriologist in Kansas City and secured some typhoid fever germs. With these deadly bacilli, it is asserted the man hoped to inoculate the members of the Swope family.

During December six members of the Swope household became ill with typhoid, which was not due to unsanitary conditions about the Swope residence, as shown by the report of the two physicians who made thorough investigations of the premises.

FACES MURDER CHARGE.

Coachman Accused of Strangling Trained Nurse.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.—Frank Schermerhorn, the coachman employed by Barnes Compton, near Millbrook, has been formally charged with murder in the first degree of Sarah Breymer, the young trained nurse who was attacked and strangled in her bed.

Schermerhorn attempted to cut his throat, and is now in the Vassar hospital under guard with his arms strapped to his cot to prevent him from tearing the bandages off of the razor cuts in his throat.

District Attorney Mack and Chief of Police McCabe say they have enough evidence to send the coachman to the electric chair. The physicians at the Vassar hospital say he will recover. As a result of the crime the Comptons have abandoned their beautiful country home on which they have just spent \$50,000 in improvements.

WRECK ON SEABOARD.

Passenger Train Plunged Into a Landslide near Ragland, Ala.

Ragland, Ala.—Three passengers, the engineer and the negro fireman on Seaboard train No. 50 were injured when the train plunged into a slide one and one-half miles west of Ragland, Ala.

The train, which is of the accommodation type, left Birmingham for Atlanta. A dirt and rock slide was encountered at full speed near Ragland, and the engine and combination baggage and passenger car left the rails and turned over. The coach and Pullman, which completed the train, were also partially capsized, being saved from a total upset by the bank, against which they remained leaning.

It is not thought that any of those hurt were fatally injured.

FATHER WAS LOCKED UP.

Law Invoked to Aid Young Man in Suit for Girl's Hand.

Crowley, La.—When O. P. Pierce heard his daughter was to elope with Nat Senac, son of a planter, it is charged, he threatened to kill the boy. All the neighbors favored young Senac's suit. They asked for a war-

rant for the arrest of the girl's father.

"Well, here's where the law aids young Mister Cupid," remarked the justice of the peace as he signed the warrant.

So Pierce was locked up and while he remained in jail his daughter and Nat were married. The father cooled off in jail, and when the young couple returns he has promised to give his blessing.

Robbers Loot Postoffice.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—The postoffice at Ringgold, Ga., eighteen miles south of Chattanooga, has been dynamited, the robbers getting \$600 worth of stamps, \$115 of money of the postmaster and three registered letters. Entrance was made through a back window.

Aft. "Uncle Joe's" Job.

Washington.—Representative G. J. Diekema, of Michigan, has formally announced his candidacy for speakership of the house to succeed "Uncle Joe" Cannon at the end of the present session.

John F. Fitzgerald.

Former Mayor of Boston, Who Sought Election Again.



John F. Fitzgerald was mayor of the city of Boston in 1906-7 and was formerly a member of the national house of representatives.

28 LOST AT SEA.

Wind and Waves Dashed Ship Onto Treacherous Bar.

Marshfield, Ore.—Coos bay's shores are patrolled by searchers for bodies from the Southern Pacific steamship Czarina. Twenty-eight lives were lost when the vessel was dashed by a heavy sea onto the north spit of the Coos bar. Only three of the 31 souls aboard were saved.

The Czarina was bound for San Francisco from here. She left port in the teeth of a gale, but before she had reached open sea was caught on the treacherous bar—one of the worst on the Pacific coast—and was rolling helpless, broadside to the sea. The sailors took to the rigging and were swept to their death, one by one. The first assistant engineer, K. H. Kensell, was driven ashore when a mighty wave tore him from the rigging. As he was tossed toward the land, life-savers pulled him to safety. Captain J. Dugan and one of his men swam ashore.

A long and futile fight was waged to aid the doomed passengers and crew, but when morning dawned they had all been swept from the rigging and the vessel was breaking up.

To Die in Electric Chair.

Alexandria, Va.—Trembling like an aspen leaf and pleading that he be taken to some other place for fear of mob violence, Henry Smith, the negro convicted with three others of murdering Walter F. Schultz, a Chicago artist, was sentenced to be electrocuted. The three men, Johnson, Dorsey and Pines, who on Smith's testimony, were convicted and also sentenced to die for Schultz's murder, have been respited for 60 days.

SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Operating the Transylvania Railroad.
Effective 12:01 a. m. Sunday, Sept. 26, '09.
Time Table No. 6

No. S. Daily.	Eastern Standard Time	No. T. Daily.
STATIONS		
P. M.		A. M.
4 35	Lv. Hendersonville..Ar	10 10
4 46	.....Yale.....	9 48
4 51	.....Horse Shoe.....	9 44
4 56	.....Cannon.....	9 39
4 59	.....Blairsville.....	9 38
5 11	.....Penrose.....	9 28
5 17	.....Davidson River.....	9 13
5 23	.....Pisgah Forest.....	9 10
5 30	.....Brevard.....Lv	9 05
5 35	.....Gauley.....	8 50
5 41	.....Cherryfield.....	8 43
5 44	.....Calvert.....	8 40
5 48Rosman.....	8 35
5 51Reids.....	8 30
5 55Lake Toxaway..Lv	8 10

"P" Stop on signal. "S" Regular stop.
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J. H. WOOD, Dist. Pass. Ag't, Asheville, N. C.

County Government.

Representative—G. W. Wilson,
Clerk Superior Court—T. T. Loftis.
Sheriff and Tax Collector—C. C. Kilpatrick.
Treasurer—Z. W. Nicholls.
Register of Deeds—A. Gillespie.
Coroner—Dr. W. J. Wallis.
Surveyor—A. L. Hardin.
Commissioners—W. M. Henry, Ch'n; G. T. Lyday; W. E. Galloway.
Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.
Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.
Attorney—R. L. Gash.

Town Government.

Mayor—W. E. Brees, jr.
Board of Aldermen—T. H. Shipman, J. M. Kilpatrick, T. M. Mitchell, A. H. King, E. W. Carter.
Marshal—J. A. Galloway.
Clerk and Tax Collector—T. H. Galloway.
Treasurer—T. H. Shipman.
Health Officer—Dr. C. W. Hunt.
Attorney—W. W. Zachary.
Regular meetings—First Monday night in each month.

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Dissolution of Partnership.

The law firm of Gash & Galloway, by mutual consent, has this day been dissolved, each member of the firm continuing the practice of law.

Welch Galloway will still occupy the offices which the firm has heretofore occupied, rooms 9 and 10, McMinn building.

R. L. Gash will occupy the offices 11 and 12 McMinn building.

All persons indebted to the firm are requested to make settlement at once. Any one holding claims against the firm will confer a favor by presenting same at once.

This Jan. 1st, 1910.
ROBERT L. GASH.
WELCH GALLOWAY.

Entry Notice.

Cyrus Chapman enters and claims 20 acres of land more or less on Abrams branch, Transylvania county, N. C., beginning on a black gum on a branch, corner of Grant No. 488, grant to Giles Glazener in 1856, June 9th, (entered 2nd day of January, 1855) and runs west 10 poles to a stake, corner of Grant No. — to W. E. Galloway, and runs with the line of the said W. E. Galloway grant north 9 deg west to the beginning corner, a white oak on a cliff; then north 79 deg east to a pine, corner of the Giles Glazener grant; then with line of said grant south 92 poles to the beginning. Entered Nov. 22, 1909.
B. A. GILLESPIE,
Entry Taker.