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HOT SHOT FIRED AT STEEL TRUST

Combine Attacked in House of Representatives.

CALLED PERNICIOUS MONOPOLY

Roosevelt is Also Denounced as the Tool of the Trust Because He Allowed It to Get Control of the Tennessee Iron Company.

Representative Stanley, of Kentucky, made a forty-five-minute plea in the House of Representatives, at Washington, for action by that body on his resolution calling for an investigation of the United States Steel Corporation. He characterized the corporation as a "lawless, defiant and pernicious monopoly," and demand that the guilty, "no matter how high or powerful, be brought to the bar of justice."

Mr. Stanley declared the "steel trust," in fear of competition from Andrew Carnegie, paid him the colossal sum of \$520,000,000 for a plant rated two years before at \$76,000,000.

Mr. Stanley declared E. H. Gary and Henry C. Frick went to President Roosevelt and told him that if he dared interfere with their plans (the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company), whether legal or illegal, the "so-called prosperity of his administration would end in a financial cataclysm."

"Never," continued Mr. Stanley, "since the Prince of Darkness appeared to the Nazarene on the mountain—was such visitation of evil and far-reaching dominion unveiled to the vision of God or man. And the hero of San Juan Hill, and the savior of men assumed the same relative position toward the arch tempter. The Saviour said, 'Get thee behind Me, Satan,' and Roosevelt cried; 'I will get in front of you, thou omniscient devil, I will paralyze the arm of justice and still voice the popular clamor while you sandbag a competitor and loot a dominion in the South, rich and vast as an empire.'"

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

As Result of Jealousy Man Kills Self and Betrothed.

Sitting on the steps of the country church at Naked Creek, near Harrisonburg, Va., Fitzhugh Comer, a young farmer, shot and killed his betrothed, Miss Cora Turner, aged 20 years, and then committed suicide.

Comer was jealous of the attentions of another farmer to Miss Turner, and several times, it is alleged, he threatened to kill the girl if she continued to write to anyone else but him. Having heard that the girl was exchanging letters with another, Comer went to the girl's house armed with a shotgun. Miss Turner did not regard him with suspicion, and the couple strolled away to the churchyard, near by. They talked for an hour and suddenly Comer drew away and fired a load into the girl's shoulder. When she did not fall, he reloaded and fired again below the heart. Comer watched her, and, calmly loading his gun, turned it against himself. Death was instantaneous.

TRAGEDY IN CAROLINA.

Pitched Battle on Public Highway Near Greenville, S. C.

In a pitched battle on the public highway two miles from the village of Mauldin, six miles below Greenville, S. C., between a posse headed by Lee Holland, mayor of Mauldin, and Robert McAbee, and his son, Will, of Spartanburg county, the elder McAbee was shot dead and Mayor Holland badly wounded.

According to the sheriff's account of the tragedy, the McAbees fired a pistol shot through Holland's store as they were driving through the village of Mauldin, in an alleged drunken spree, and fled. Mayor Holland organized a posse and set out to make arrests. In fleeing, the McAbees took the wrong road, and while retracing their steps were met by the posse.

Robert McAbee, it is said, opened fire and Holland fell to the ground pierced through the breast by a pistol ball. The posse returned the fire and Robert McAbee fell, his body being penetrated by one shot and his head by three, and expired an hour later. Holland arose from the ground and arrested the son, holding him until the sheriff arrived.

General Manager R. V. Taylor, according to a special received at Mobile, Ala., has been named as temporary executive officer of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad pending the election of a successor to Vice-President E. L. Russell, deceased, by the directors, on February 1. The advice from Washington is that Mr. Taylor is mentioned in connection with the succession.

BARREL MURDER CASE.

Police Believe Black Hands Killed Bertha Garlow.

According to clues discovered, the victim of the barrel murder mystery, at Hazelton, Pa., three years ago was probably Miss Bertha Garlow, who disappeared from West Hazelton. She is said to have known the secrets of a "Black Hand" society.

The woman was hauled and then jammed into a sugar barrel that was set on fire on the Ebervale mountain where the charred and unrecognizable body was found by a miner. Only one shoe and a necklace remained intact but they furnished no clue to the identity of the victim.

DROP IN DEPOSITS.

Decrease of \$191,000,000 in National Banks of Country.

Deposits of individuals in the 7,200 national banks of the United States decreased \$191,566,488 between November 10 and January 7—a situation probably unprecedented in the reports made to the comptroller of the currency.

Of that sum, more than \$158,000,000 was withdrawn from the thirty-nine national banks of New York city. No two officials of the treasury agree as to where the money went. Some are of the opinion that part of it might have gone to strengthen the New York state banks and trust companies during the hurry caused by the so-called Robin failure early in the month.

All of the treasury officials, however, expressed great interest in what explanations the New York bankers might give.

GIRL CLERK IS SCALPED.

First Accident at Washington Due to Power-Driven Tabulating Device.

The power-driven tabulating machinery of the census bureau, at Washington, was credited with its first accident, when Miss Alice V. Houghton, a clerk, was scalped by the instrument at which she was employed. Her hair became entangled in the rollers and her scalp, including the skin of her forehead and her eyebrows, was ripped off. The doctors took 100 stitches. They believe the girl will recover and possibly save her hair. An investigation looking to the installation of safety devices will be made.

22,328 CASUALTIES.

Statistics of Accidents on Railroads of United States.

During the months of July, August, and September last the total number of casualties of all kinds on steam-operated railroads was 22,328—3,948 killed and 19,380 injured. The accident statistics of those electric lines on which interstate traffic is carried show 146 persons killed and 1,070 injured.

FALSELY IMPRISONED.

Innocent Men Suffer From Perjury of German Officials.

The discovery that five men, who were prominently connected with a socialist organization and who have been sixteen years in a penitentiary serving sentences, are innocent of the offense for which they were condemned has deeply stirred public opinion in Germany, says a Berlin dispatch.

The men were sentenced in 1895, on the charge of perjury. They were condemned largely on the evidence of two police officials who swore that the men had testified falsely regarding the conduct of the police at a meeting of working men near Essen.

It now develops that the evidence of the police officials was perjury.

The case places a difficult question up to the judicial authorities. Under the German law the men are entitled to heavy damages, and the courts must fix the amount due them.

BORDER TROUBLES.

American Troops Rushed to the Mexican Frontier.

The acute revolutionary situation the northern border of Mexico has moved the American government to rush twelve additional troops of cavalry to the frontier to preserve the neutrality of the United States.

The American military forces will prevent not only the movement of revolutionary bands from this country into Mexico, but also will prohibit defeated rebels with arms from seeking refuge on the territory of the United States.

Vice-President Sherman cast the deciding vote which adopted the Gallinger substitute for the ocean mail subsidy bill in the Senate. The vote was 39 to 39 when the Vice-President broke the tie. Vice-President Sherman again had to break a tie on the final passage of the ship subsidy bill. The vote was 39 to 39 and Mr. Sherman voted for the bill.

GOLDEN GATE HAS WON CANAL SHOW

Panama Exposition Goes to San Francisco.

WILL BE HELD IN 1915.

New Orleans Was Defeated by Republican Votes, the Democrats Generally Supporting the Crescent City.

A Washington dispatch says: The House of Representatives, by a vote of 88 to 159, decided in favor of San Francisco, and against New Orleans, as the city in which an exposition to celebrate the opening of the Panama canal in 1915 shall be held.

The vote was taken on a roll call to determine whether the San Francisco resolution or the New Orleans bill should have consideration in the House. On a final vote, the San Francisco resolution was passed by a vote of 259 to 43.

The advocates of San Francisco are claiming that their fight is won, and that the Senate will ratify the action of the House.

San Francisco won by capturing the Republican vote in the House. New Orleans' support came from the Democrats. Only thirty Republicans voted for New Orleans. Thirty-six Democrats voted for San Francisco. The San Francisco resolution does not ask for government aid in any form. It simply authorizes the president of the United States to invite foreign nations to participate in the fair.

An effort to amend the resolution to include provisions for an international naval parade from Hampton Roads through the Panama canal and up the west coast to San Francisco was defeated on a parliamentary point of order.

The New Orleans bill called for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for a government exhibit and the creation of a government commission.

GENERAL CRONJE DEAD.

He Inflicted Many Defeats on British During Boer War.

General Pliet A. Cronje, the noted Boer general, died at Klerksdorp, Transvaal.

General Cronje commanded the western army of the South African republic in the recent war. After numerous reverses the British government sent out Field Marshal Lord Roberts and General Lord Kitchener, with thousands of fresh troops to put down the Boers. All their arrangements were completed by the early part of February, 1900. General Cronje and his Boer forces were too greatly outnumbered to withstand the avalanche which fell upon them. On February 18, Cronje was brought to bay at a point on the Modder river, near Paaderberg, where he defended himself for nine days in a position that was impregnable to assault, but greatly exposed to artillery from surrounding heights. After suffering to such a degree that his men would endure no more, Cronje surrendered on February 17, the anniversary of Majuba. He was born about 1836.

CORPSE PUT OUT LIGHT.

Body of Dad Man Threw Town into Darkness.

Holland Kichlein, a wire chief employed by the Edison Electric Light Company, of Brooklyn, was sent out before daybreak Tuesday to locate a leakage of electricity at Red Hook, a suburban district. He had been gone about an hour when someone telephoned that all the lights in Red Hook had suddenly gone out.

Two men sent to seek out the new trouble, found Kichlein's body lying rigid across the wires 40 feet above the street. He had apparently fallen from his perch on a pole and his body, caught in a tangle of wires and cables, had short-circuited all the current in the little town. He had been instantly killed.

30 YEARS IN CONVENT.

Nunn Comes Out of Seclusion to View Face of Dead Father.

For the first time in 30 years Sister Mary, of the Rosary, a nun in the convent of the Good Shepherd, at New York, was permitted to see the face of her father. It was a pathetic scene, for the father, James P. Lang, a retired merchant, of Savannah, Ga., died Thursday at St. Mary's hospital. Sister Mary has not been outside the walls of the convent for thirty years. Mr. Lang, who was 85 years old, came to New York to be near his daughter. Two months ago he was taken ill and went to St. Mary's hospital, where he died.

ARISTIDE BRIAND.

French Premier, Who Escaped Bullets Fired by an Assassin.



MANEUVERING CAMP.

Favorable Report on Proposition by Military Committee.

The House committee on military affairs, at Washington, reported the Moon resolution directing an inquiry by a commission of five officers of the regular army into the advisability of establishing a maneuvering ground and camp of inspection at Chickamauga park, in northwest Georgia. In 1906 a commission, having as its head W. P. Duval, then in command of the Department of the Gulf, reported in favor of the purchase of 32,640 acres of land in this locality at a cost slightly under \$1,000,000.

The War Department approves the idea of having maneuvering grounds near Fort Oglethorpe.

GEORGIA MEMBERSHIP.

Will Probably Continue at Present Figure of 11.

Georgia's membership in the House of Representatives will continue at its present figure, 11, if the plan agreed upon at a Republican caucus is passed by Congress.

The Republicans refused to accept the Crumpacker plan which would have given Georgia a twelfth member, and adopted in its stead a scheme for holding the House membership at its present figure of 391. Under this plan Georgia will hold its own. The basis of representation will be 232,840 to a member.

STRANGE FATALITY.

Widow of Col. Carlisle, of Kentucky, Meets Tragic End.

A hot rock used in warming the bed set fire to her garments and caused the death of Mrs. Mary Carlisle at Lebanon, Ky. She was the widow of Col. John B. Carlisle, who was for many years a prominent lawyer of that city. When the aged woman was awakened, the bed clothing had caught fire and she sustained fatal burns before her cries brought assistance.

REFORMATORY BARRED.

House Passes Bill Restraining District of Columbia.

The house of representatives at Washington voted to restrain the District of Columbia from erecting a reformatory or any other penal institution within a radius of 10 miles of Mount Vernon, the tomb of Washington, either on the Virginia or Maryland side of the Potomac.

The galleries rapidly filled up during the debates, and when the vote to prevent the erection of the reformatory was taken there was an outburst of applause.

The original Carlisle amendment, which included Virginia only in the excluded territory, was amended on motion of Mr. Pearre to include Maryland. Patriotic societies throughout the country joined in working for the defeat of the measure.

SPORTING AFFAIRS.

Phil McGovern won a clean victory over Monte Attell in a ten-round bout in Brooklyn. He knocked Attell to the mat three times in the first round, and only Attell's fine condition saved him from a knockout. McGovern is a younger brother of "Terry," and Young Attell bears the same relationship to Abe Attell. Both are bantams.

Clark Griffith, manager of the Cincinnati National league team, has been indulging in a little speculation as to the order in which the National league clubs will finish the coming season. He says Chicago and Cincinnati will fight it out for first place, New York will finish third, and Pittsburgh fourth.

Abe Attell broke his arm in the fourth round of a scheduled ten-round bout with Tommy Kilbane at Cleveland, Ohio. The fight was at once stopped.

County Government.

Representative—Thos. S. Wood.
Clerk Superior Court—Cos. Paxton.
Sheriff and Tax Collector—Fred. A. Shuford.

Treasurer—Z. W. Nichols.
Register of Deeds—B. A. Gillespie.
Coroner—Dr. A. E. Lyday.
Surveyor—J. C. Wike.
Commissioners—W. L. Brooks, G. T. Lyday, Arthur Miller.
Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.
Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.
Attorney—R. L. Gash.

Town Government.

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

Professional Cards.

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BREVARD AND HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.

NOTICE OF SALE AND PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE FOR TAXES.

Notice is hereby given that at a sale of land for taxes made at the court house door, in the Town of Brevard, on the 2nd day of May, 1910, by C. C. Kilpatrick, sheriff of Transylvania county, one tract of land containing 100 acres, in Boyd Township, listed for taxation in the name of A. E. Reece, was sold to the undersigned for the sum of \$51.9, and unless redemption is made on or before the 2nd day of May, 1911; the purchaser will apply to the sheriff for a deed to said land.

W. C. REECE.

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Notice is hereby given that at a sale of land for taxes made at the court house door, in the Town of Brevard, on the 2nd day of May, 1910, by C. C. Kilpatrick, sheriff of Transylvania county, one tract of land containing 30 acres, in Boyd Township, listed for taxation in the name of Mrs. Eiza Reece, was sold to the undersigned for the sum of \$2.61, and unless redemption is made on or before the 2nd day of May, 1911, the purchaser will apply to the said Sheriff for a deed for the said land.

W. C. REECE.

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Notice is hereby given that at a sale of land for taxes made at the court house door, in the Town of Brevard, on the 2nd day of May, 1910, by C. C. Kilpatrick, sheriff of Transylvania county, one tract of land containing 16 acres, in Eastatoe Township, listed for taxation in the name of Emily Aiken, was sold to the undersigned for the sum of \$2.02, and unless redemption is made on or before the 2nd day of May, 1911, the purchaser will apply to the said sheriff for a deed to the said land.

M. C. AIKEN.

Executrix Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Executrix of the last will and testament of W. B. Duckworth, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified that they must present same before the 25th day of November, 1911, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons owing said estate are required to make immediate payment.

MRS. ELLA F. DUCKWORTH.

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