

FOR A WORTHLESS COW TWO LIVES ARE FOOLISHLY GIVEN

Two Other Deaths May Result From Shooting Affray Over Beast

MISSISSIPPIANS IN STREET BATTLE

Hot Blood of South Finds Vent in Deadly "Pistol Totin" Habit

(By Associated Press.) UNION, Miss., July 17.—An old cow, which would not have brought fifty dollars on the market caused a bloody pistol battle in the streets of this little town today. It resulted in the killing of two men, the fatal injuring of two more and the serious wounding of another. The dead are: E. J. McDonald, cattleman; Peter McDonald, his brother. The fatally injured are: Cornelius Chisholm, cattleman; Joseph Miller, friend of Chisholm. The seriously injured is Murphy McDonald, son of E. J. McDonald. The fight between the McDonalds on one side and Miller and Chisholm on the other, two factions which have quarreled for many years. The old cow had outlived her usefulness as a milk producer, but both Chisholm and the McDonalds claimed her ownership. Miller and Peter McDonald started the row in front of the Union bank. Revolvers were drawn and the shooting commenced. Nobody to Answer. Chisholm and E. J. McDonald came up about this time and joined in. Peter McDonald fell first and Miller was the next. E. J. McDonald and Chisholm for a while shot desperately until both fell. McDonald dead and Chisholm mortally wounded. Murphy McDonald who appears to have been a would-be peace-maker was seriously wounded. All the men in the bloody battle are prominent in this section of Mississippi and number many relatives in Newton county. Consequently it was believed at first that further strife would result but indications are tonight, with Peter and E. J. McDonald dead and Chisholm and Miller dying, no one will be left to answer to the law for the tragedy.

BIG VICTORY AHEAD FOR PRESIDENT IF HE CAN MAKE HIS

Strongest Forces in Senate Aligned Against His Policy For Reduced Tariff

HIS PHILIPPINE POLICY IS OPPOSED

Reduction of Schedules From Present Rates Depends Entirely on Him

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 17.—President Taft will win his fight for free or reduced rates of duty on raw materials. Nearly every member of the conference on the tariff bill conceded this today. The indications are that when the new tariff bill becomes a law the rates on the articles which the president desires to come in free will be as follows: Iron ore, free (present rate, forty cents per ton). Oil, free (now protected by countervailing duty). Hides, 7 1/2 per cent ad valorem (present rate 15 per cent). Coal, forty-five cents per ton (present rate 67 cents). Lumber, probably \$1.25 on rough with senate rates on finished. This would be a material reduction throughout the lumber schedule. When the conference transferred to the president's shoulders the responsibility of putting the foregoing raw materials on the free list, it was not believed he would meet with success in bringing about a changed sentiment in relation to these articles. Up to Taft. In effect the president was told by the conference that if iron-ore, oil, hides, lumber and coal were put on the free list or the rates reduced below the figures adopted in the senate he would "have to get the votes." It was recognized that it would be impossible to put hides, lumber and coal on the free list if the conference report was to be adopted by the senate. Neither was it believed that rates on these articles could be reduced. That a change of sentiment had taken place in the senate in the matter of free iron ore and free oil was a matter of common gossip about the capitol today. It was stated just as confidently that the fifteen per cent tariff on hides, lumber and coal would be maintained. (Continued on page four.)

CURTISS' MACHINE FLIES BETTER THAN ALL AEROPLANES

Will Win Scientific American Prize For The Best Flight

HAS BROKEN ALL RECORDS FOR YEAR

Wright Brothers Have Got to Work on More Than Reputation Now

MINEOLA, N. Y., July 17.—A climax to the aeroplane flights Glenn H. Curtiss has been making at Hempstead Plains, Long Island, with increasing success, came today when he sent his flyer 24.7 miles in 52 minutes and 20 seconds, and qualified as the first candidate for the cup offered by The Scientific American. This flight is not only Curtiss' best but the longest made with an aeroplane this year. The cup offered for the longest flight of this kind during the current year, the only condition being that the winner must cover at least 25 kilometers over a measured course before judges of the Aero club of America, and land within one hundred meters of the starting point. Curtiss came to earth today barely within the required distance, but the judges decided in his favor. He will win The Scientific American cup which he also captured last year at Hammondsport, N. Y., unless his flight is excelled before the end of the year. Curtiss rose easily and circled the course at a variety of altitudes, showing that he had his machine well in hand. At times his speed increased to 45 miles an hour, but the average for the whole distance was 28 1/2 miles an hour. At no time did he rise above sixty feet and most of the time he sped along within 15 or 20 feet of the ground. At the beginning of the twentieth round he encountered a strong head wind, and fearing that his gasoline would fall before he could make another round he shut off his motor and descended. After alighting he found that he still had two quarts of fuel left, enough to have carried him several miles further. "After yesterday's flight," said the aeronaut, "I was never in doubt about breaking all records for this year. I remained up in the air as long as the wind was safe."



LEGAL FORCE OF ADMINISTRATION IS BEHIND CORPORATION TAX LAW

Wickersham Tries to Show How It Is Entirely Innocuous to Corporations of Every Kind and Explains Its Provisions in Detail—Honest Concerns Need Not Fear Its Provisions.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 17.—Declaring that any corporation which "keeps just and true books of account" can make up the return required by the corporation tax law, and meeting other attacks on that measure, Attorney General Wickersham today made public a letter he has written to a Wall Street firm of accountants, who challenged some provisions of the proposed law as "absolutely impossible of application" and others as violative of all the accepted principles of sound accounting. Attorney General Wickersham who framed the corporation tax amendment to embody the administration's views, meets the objections of the accountants in detail. He points out that "the proposed law does not impose a tax upon profits but upon the entire net income over and above five thousand dollars received by the corporation, joint stock company, or association, or insurance company, subject to the law from all sources during such year." Date of Payment. It has been the uniform practice of the government in framing revenue bills, he adds, to require the tax to be paid as of a fixed date, and so far as he has been able to ascertain, in every instance the tax is imposed for the calendar year ending December 31. Such was the income tax law of 1894. It may be inconvenient, but it is certainly not impossible for any corporation which keeps just and true books of account to make up a return such as that required by the proposed law, particularly as the return requires statements of actual receipts and payments, and not, as you recommended in your communication, of expenses "incurred" interest "accrued" and "owed" "accrued." "You next object that the proposed law authorizes the deduction of expenses actually paid, and you contend that this should be changed to read 'expenses actually incurred.' The bill was purposely framed to deal with receipts and disbursements made within the year for which the tax was to be imposed, and the words actually paid were employed advisedly. The same may be said with respect to losses actually sustained and interests actually paid. The theory of the framers of the bill in this respect differs from that which you advocate." Mica Distinction. The attorney general says he cannot agree that there is any confusion whatever, but "income" and "income received." He adds: "Gross income" in clause two obviously and necessarily means gross income received. The tax is imposed by clause 1 and upon the entire net income above five thousand dollars received from all sources during the year. By clause 2, such net income is to be ascertained by deducting from the gross amount of the income from all sources the specified items, and if anybody could question whether that meant "gross income received," his doubt would be removed by the provisions in paragraph 3 of clause 2."

WRIGHT'S IN AIR HALF AN HOUR ARE VERY MUCH ELATED

Made Record Speed During Their Short Navigation of Circumambient MACHINE DIPPED BUT GOT ON LEGS AGAIN Came Back to Earth Again When They Had Tired of Floating in Air

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 17.—After many mishaps, the new Wright aeroplane today successfully navigated the air. Making the best record for the Wright brothers machine since the accident last fall, the aeroplane, guided by Orville Wright, and traveling at a speed approximating forty-five miles an hour at a height of from eighty-five to ninety feet remained in the air sixteen and a half minutes when the aviator decided to alight, having encircled the drill grounds at Fort Myer fifteen and three-quarters times. The descent was without difficulty, the place selected for it being on level ground. At all times the machine was under perfect control. The conditions for flight were ideal. Wind Favorable. For a time it looked as though a stopped the motor and made an easy fifteen mile trip had been blowing nearly all day, but toward six o'clock it began rapidly to die down. The first attempt to fly was a failure, and the great crowd present believed the test would be a repetition of former failures. Traveling in a straight away course the aeroplane after rising to a height of about ten feet suddenly slipped and touched the ground but rose again. Finding that he was close to the aeroplane and unable to raise the machine to any considerable height, Orville Wright stopped the motor and made an easy landing. Once again the propellers were set in motion and the aerial ship gently rose to a height of between eighty-five and ninety feet. As soon as the crowd witnessed the first turn a mighty cheer went up. Having regained confidence in himself and his machine, Orville Wright settled down for a long flight. After piloting the ship around the "drill grounds of the fort for a distance of nearly twelve miles, the descent was made without the slightest mishap. While Orville Wright was in the air his brother, Wilbur, with his trained ear, listened closely to the throbbing of the motor in order to detect any skips in the spark. Twice he entertained fears in this regard, but his concern was of short duration. Upon alighting Orville stated he had noticed that the bearings of the motor were becoming heated and he did not wish to take any chances in remaining up for a longer time. The two brothers could not disguise the satisfaction they felt over the result of the test and they were heartily congratulated.

ROTHSCHILD DIED FOR LOVE OF AMERICAN GIRL Daughter of Chicago Physician Drove Young Banker to Suicide. CHICAGO, July 17.—Dr. Rudolph Mann, of this city, tonight placed an authoritative seal upon the story that Baron Oskar Rothschild, youngest son of Baron Albert Rothschild, of Vienna, had killed himself because of his family's opposition to his marriage with Olga Mann the physician's young and beautiful daughter. The doctor told of his daughter's meeting with the young banker when he arrived in Chicago with a party of friends on their way to Europe from the orient six weeks ago. They were together much of the time that the young man was in Chicago, he said. Not more than a week after meeting Miss Mann, the doctor said, Rothschild proposed marriage. He was accepted and left soon after for Vienna with the promise that Miss Mann and her mother would follow. He expected that his father would not consent to his marriage with an American girl but thought the young woman's beauty would win him over.

MRS. RUIZ'S WEALTH HAS DISAPPEARED IN VERY MYSTERIOUS MANNER

Her Secretary Living in Splendor in Best Part of Paris. WEALTH HER OWN (Special to The Citizen.) LONDON, July 17.—It developed today that the fortune left by Mrs. Agnes Ruiz, the beautiful American woman friend of a well known American millionaire, who committed suicide recently in this city was much more valuable than at first supposed. In addition to the jewels and goods, valued at many thousands of dollars, Mrs. Ruiz possessed, at the time of her arrival in London, \$120,000 in cash. At least Frank O'Brien, a brother of Mrs. Ruiz, has informed his London attorneys that Antonio Ruiz, father-in-law of the suicide, gave her that amount of money, and that she transferred the entire sum to her London account. Yet, since the day Mrs. Ruiz, dependent and desperate, supposedly because she had been fitted by her millionaire admirer, destroyed herself with a revolver, no trace of these jewels, no trace of this money, no trace of the fortune, has been seen. (Continued on page four.)

EMPLOYEES ON STRIKE FOR BETTER HOURS IN SPITE OF THE COMPANY

Declare That There Is No Disorder Among Workmen in Mills. PAYROLL'S EXHIBIT

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURG, July 17.—Despite the assertion of President F. N. Noffat, of the Pressed Steel Car company, that "there is no strike" the entire plant of the company at McKees Rocks remained idle and under a state of siege today. With the exception of the office force and some two hundred shop employees, most of the gang foremen are without men and the plant is entirely in the hands of an armed force of deputy sheriffs, factory police and mounted state constabulary who preserve an impenetrable cordon about the plant and disperse all groups as soon as they are formed. The strikers maintain a sullen and threatening attitude, but save here and there for some trivial disturbance following the arrest of a townsman for jeering a deputy sheriff, or for not moving fast enough at the urging of the constabulary horses, the day passed without serious violence. In a proclamation issued tonight, the strikers cite thirteen instances of actual wages paid to workmen under the pooling system which they claim are illustrative of the condition existing at the McKees Rocks plant. In one instance forty-five hours work brought only ninety cents pay; in another, a riveter working 120 hours received but \$14.90. In not one of the thirteen cases cited was the average hour wage more than seventeen cents. The proclamation closes with the assertion that the fight is to be "to a finish" and with the promise that no violence shall be used. The mounted troops of the state constabulary are ruling the affected area with an iron hand.

SHAH KNOWS HE IS DOWN AND OUT; DOES NOT CARE TO BE REMINDED OF IT

Refuses to Receive Deputation from Nationalists Informing Him of Fact. WILL GO TO RUSSIA

(By Associated Press.) TEHERAN, Persia, July 17.—Mohamed Ali, dethroned shah, now in the Russian summer legation, has declined to receive a deputation to inform him of his disposition. Spahdar and Sardarabad, the leaders of the nationalist movement sent the following telegram to the British and Russian legations, last night. "In accordance with the decision of the national council, which met today at Baharistan, it will be necessary for a deputation from the council to wait upon his majesty, Mohamed Ali to notify him of the change of sovereignty. As his majesty is at present a refugee in the Russian legation under British and Russian protection, we request your excellency to fix a time tomorrow when his majesty may receive the deputation. The ex-shah replied this morning through the legation as follows: "His majesty states that having taken refuge in the Russian legation, he has, ipso facto, abdicated; therefore he does not wish to receive a deputation which comes for the purpose of informing him of the fact." Mohamed Ali probably will depart shortly for Russia. It is believed the queen is desirous of accompanying him, taking with her the crown prince, who is the newly proclaimed shah. VIENNA, July 17.—Zili Es Sultan, uncle of Mohamed Ali, the deposed shah of Persia, had a long conference today with the British and Russian ambassadors here. It is believed the conference had to do with the future residence of the ex-shah.

TOBACCO MUST PAY TAX TO MAKE UP FOR LOWER SCHEDULES PROPOSED

President Taft Especially Desirous That Weed Should Help. CONFERENCE HELD

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 17.—To discuss the best means of preventing frauds in connection with the collection of the internal revenue tax on unstemmed leaf tobacco because of the provision included in the tariff bill which exempts tobacco growers from the tax, was the object of a conference at the white house tonight. President Taft had as dinner guests Senator Aldrich and Representative Payne, Senator Bradley, of Kentucky, who represent the tobacco growers interests, and James G. Wheeler, acting commissioner of internal revenue. Later the party was joined by Attorney General Wickersham and Senator Root. The revenue provided that the internal revenue tax of six cents a pound levied upon manufacturers for the sale of leaf tobacco should not be made applicable to farmers who sold unstemmed tobacco of their own raising. The objection to this was that it would open the way to fraud and the senate adopted a provision offered by Senator Bradley which was intended to prevent the loss to the government of any revenue by compelling the farmers to furnish a record of each sale. Taft After Tobacco. The president is especially desirous that a portion of the revenue needed by the government should be raised by additional internal revenue taxes on tobacco. Senator Aldrich and Representative Payne stood out against additional relief to tobacco growers for which Senator Bradley sought endorsement of the president. They said the senate amendment went as far as was practicable without taking chances of great loss in revenues. No decision was reached but it was agreed that the conferees should give the subject their careful attention.

COUNTRYMAN ON VISIT TO TOWN GETS IN TROUBLE

Shoots Officer and Deputy Who Attempted to Put Him Under Arrest.

(By Associated Press.) MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., July 17.—In an effort to arrest William Croley, a farmer of the county, who came to town for a Saturday night visit, James Aldred, a citizen of this place, was shot and is doing and Patrolman Jack Roberts was shot but only painfully wounded. Croley was wanted on a minor charge and it is said the officer asked Aldred to help him make the arrest. As they approached Croley, the farmer pulled his pistol and began firing. One bullet plowed into Aldred's abdomen dropping him. The officer jumped toward Croley and a second bullet struck him in the shoulder going through. Croley was then disarmed and locked up. Physicians state that Aldred cannot recover. Croley is fifty years of age and is well known here. He is considered very well-to-do. GUESSED WRONG. MACON, Ga., July 17.—Jennie O'Neal, the young woman from New York, who was sentenced to a brief term in the city stocks on Thursday last for saying that Miles Reid, a negro, was as much of a gentleman as any Southern white man, was acquitted today when tried on a more serious charge of misconduct with Reid. She was released from custody. SAW HIS FIFE AND DAUGHTER DROWN ELSBERRY, Mo., July 17.—Mrs. Edward T. Haase of St. Louis, Mrs. W. D. Shannon and Mrs. Shannon's daughter, Erlene, twelve years old, were drowned in King's Lake near here today by the capsizing of a launch. Mr. Shannon, who was in the launch, also saved another daughter, Maxine, but was forced to see his wife and other daughter drown. The bodies of Mrs. Shannon and her daughter were recovered. Shannon was the proprietor of the King's Lake club. Mrs. Haase was the wife of a wealthy St. Louis merchant.

QUEER STATE OF POLITICS IN MEXICAN ELECTION

Diaz Unopposed While His Running Mate Is Not very Popular.

MEXICO CITY, July 17.—The Mexican authorities claim that this government has no evidence of any revolutionary plot such as that reported from San Antonio. Conditions in Mexico are more agitated than for some years owing to the approaching presidential election in 1910. President Diaz, re-nominated for the seventh time, is unopposed, his running mate, Vice-President Roman Corral is bitterly opposed by a large element which is clamoring for the election of General Bernardo Reyes. Reyes persists he is not a candidate, but administration papers accused him of treachery. It has been charged that he has been secretly conducting a campaign in the army, where he is very popular, and that his real ambition is to supplant Diaz. The native press is indulging in much talk about revolutions. Some days ago a small quantity of arms and ammunition was seized in the little border town of Cuarte, between Chihuahua and Sonora. The fight there was local and between two gubernatorial candidates, Roach and Ferrell. The latter has been designated an adherent of Reyes by administration organs and some of his followers have been imprisoned.

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RALEIGH WILL HAVE FINE PLAYHOUSE

(Special to The Citizen.) RALEIGH, July 17.—The municipal building commission has adopted the plans of Thornton Marye of Atlanta for the auditorium and municipal building which will be three stories on Fayetteville street, built of yellow brick and buff stone, sixty feet high to cornice. The auditorium will seat 4,500 with entrances from every side. Bids will be called for at once and construction under way by September 1. PARIS TRAGEDY. PARIS, July 17.—Deputy Chief Biot and Inspector Nugat, of the detective department, were shot and killed tonight by a man named Delaunay, whom the police have been hunting in connection with thefts from picture galleries. Delaunay committed suicide.