

CITIZEN OFFERS \$5640 IN PRIZES: GREATEST POPULARITY CONTEST YET CONDUCTED BY THIS PAPER

Beginning With First Prize of a 1912 Chalmers Touring Car Costing \$1870, And Ending With Famous Eastman Kodaks The Prize List Offered Eclipses Anything Previously Offered by The Citizen

CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL NO OBSTACLES IN THE WAY

Three Automobiles, Two Player Pianos, Two Milton Pianos, Diamond Rings, Gold Watches And Kodaks Within The Reach of All Who Enter The Contest—Full Information In Four Page Section of This Issue

The Asheville Citizen inaugurates today a subscription promotion campaign of unparalleled liberality to obtain the active co-operation of every person in this section in increasing its rapidly growing circulation. Today's issue of The Citizen contains a four-page section of the paper giving complete details of the great subscription contest—the conditions, the prizes, and full information as to the method to use to get your name in the list of candidates and how to win one of the twenty-one prizes that are to be given away on September 9.

prize, the \$1,870 Chalmers 1912 Touring Car, any one with ambition can win a district prize. Two Maxwell Runabouts. Two \$650 Maxwell runabouts head the list of prizes for the districts. The well known reputation of the Maxwell makes it a very attractive prize. As a Maxwell runabout will be given to each district any ambitious person can now get into the automobile class. After the three automobiles have been awarded, the candidates have the following fine prizes to win. Two \$600 Story & Clark's player pianos; two \$300 Milton pianos, two \$100 diamond rings, eight gold watches and two kodaks. As a result of the many prizes, everyone may enter with splendid chances of winning a valuable prize, no matter how much or how little time there is devoted to the contest. It is strictly a competitive proposition, in which there is no element of luck or chance, and the prizes won will depend entirely upon the efforts of each contestant. A Square Deal to All. The records of the contest will be kept with strict impartiality and fairness, and every contestant may be sure of a fair and square deal. The history of the Citizen contest three years ago is a guarantee that all candidates will be treated alike. In this great subscription contest, THE PRIZES ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE. Any lady or gentleman, girl or boy residing in Western North Carolina is eligible to enter the contest. While there will be some competition to overcome to win the grand capital

HUSBAND OF YOUNG VIRGINIA BRIDE IS UNDER ARREST

Charged With Foul Murder of His Wife on Country Road Tuesday Night

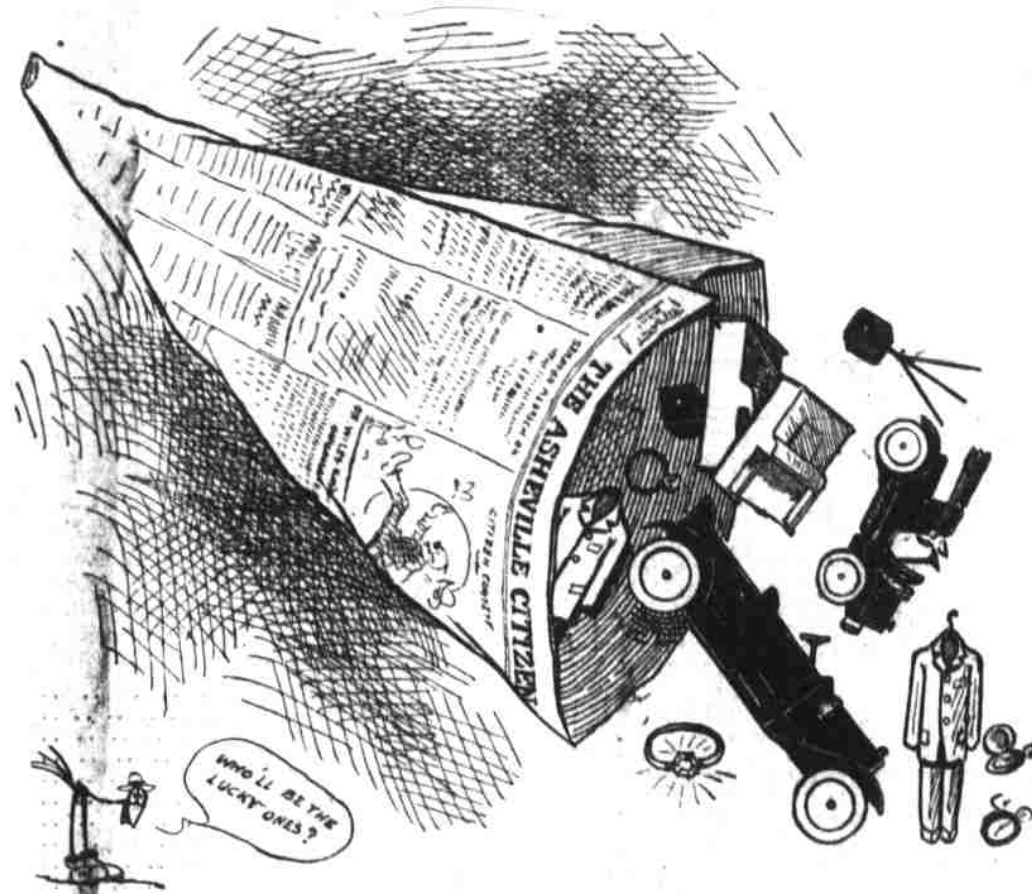
COUSIN CONFESSES HE BOUGHT SHOTGUN

Coroner's Hearing Takes Sensational Turn Placing Husband in Serious Position

RICHMOND, Va., July 21.—The missing link in the chain of evidence which the detectives have been forging in the case of the murder of Mrs. Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., who was slain Tuesday night, five miles south of Richmond, on the Midlothian turnpike while automobiling with her husband, was supplied this afternoon, when Paul Beattie, a cousin of Henry Beattie, made formal confession to the police that he bought for Henry and delivered to him last Tuesday the gun with which Mrs. Beattie was killed. Thereupon both Henry and Paul Beattie were arrested and the former was brought to the Richmond city jail where he is in confinement tonight. Paul fell in a dead faint on being told he was under arrest and later writhed in convulsions. He was so violent that he had to be handcuffed and thus manacled, he was taken to the city home for medical treatment. He remained there tonight and is reported much better after the first shock of his collapse. The inquest proceeded today as per adjournment, at the home of Coroner Penrose.

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How Popular Are You?



The Citizen's Popularity Contest is Announced Today.

ON DAY PRECEDING PASSAGE OF BILL L'FOLLETTE ATTACKS ALL FAVORING IT

Foregone Conclusion That Reciprocity Measure Will Have Support of Two-Thirds of Senate—Several More Amendments Travel in Same Direction As Preceding Ones—In Original Form

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The most bitter fight for legislation waged by an administration in many years will come to a close tomorrow when the Canadian reciprocity bill, an issue before two sessions of congress, will be passed by the senate by a decisive vote. That at least 60 senators out of a total membership of 81, will vote in favor of the measure, was predicted tonight by senators of both political parties. This vote will include all but four or five of the democrats and will include also a great proportion of the so-called "stalwart" republicans. Opposed to the bill will be a majority of the republican insurgents, who come from northwestern states, and a handful of democrats. For a time the senate leaders hoped they might get the bill to the president before he leaves for Beverly tomorrow but a visit by Senators Penrose and Crane to Speaker Clark of the house soon dispelled this expectation, as the speaker explained it would be impossible to hold the

house in session long enough to receive the measure. As the house will adjourn from tomorrow until next Wednesday the bill cannot be received until the latter date. No Change. The measure has not been and undoubtedly will not be changed in any respect by the senate and when it is signed by the speaker and the vice president it will be dispatched to the president. Senator LaFollette featured in the speechmaking today with a vigorous arraignment of President Taft and the bill. He attacked the democrats of the senate on the ground that they were deliberately trying to carry the tariff issues over to the next campaign for political purposes, and pointed out that the democrats had consistently voted down amendments proposing general tariff reductions. Their excuse, he said, had been that the president would not sign the reciprocity bill if it was encumbered with any general tariff amendments.

Several amendments to the reciprocity bill were defeated including those by Mr. Bristow to reduce duties on lead bullion, and lead paints and similar lead products and by Mr. Townsend for an alliance with Canada to enlarge the St. Lawrence water way. There are 25 amendments to the measure to be acted upon before the final vote on the passage of the bill. Many of these propose to affix general tariff changes to the agreement. President Taft has insisted that any changes of this character threaten the defeat of the entire reciprocity agreement with Canada. Party lines have disappeared during the consideration of the bill. Tariff affiliation to outward appearances have been completely changed. President Taft has had the general support of the democrats and of the republican regulars; and in this union of forces he has had enough support so that the bill has never been in danger of defeat or serious amendment since the session began.

AUTOMOBILE BLOWN INTO RIVER, AIRSHIP WRECKED BY STORM ON POTOMAC

Storm Played Havoc With Trees and Shrubbery Through Washington TREES UPROOTED

WASHINGTON, July 21.—An automobile was blown into the Potomac river and Harry N. Atwood's aeroplane was wrecked by the wind during a severe wind, rain and hail storm which swept the city tonight. The aeroplane was in Potomac Park where it has rested since Atwood's race record breaking flight from New York here. A party of automobilists motored to the park just before the storm broke to see the aeroplane. The wind threw the aeroplane against a bandstand totally demolishing it, turning the automobile over and whirling it into the river. No one was hurt. The storm played havoc with the trees and shrubbery throughout the city. In several parks and thoroughfares many large trees were uprooted.

GERMAN'S INVENTION LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 21.—Oscar Schwimmer, a young German contracting engineer, is perfecting what he calls a "truth telling" machine. The contrivance is operated by a storage battery and is intended to register human emotions. Schwimmer claims he will have his machine perfected in a short time so that a novice can operate it. He will then introduce it to the public generally and the police departments particularly.

JEWELER HELD UP BY BANDITS. KANSAS CITY, July 21.—Frankmen entered the shop of the Franklin Jewelry company, in the heart of the city, today, held up by B. J. Franklin at the point of a revolver, took a tray of diamonds and ran down an alley. When pursued by Franklin they fired at him dangerously wounding B. A. Seitz, a bystander.

HAITIEN PRESIDENT IS DOOMED TO GO WAY OF GEN. DIAZ OF MEXICO

To Give Way to New Revolutionary Government, is Washington Report "REBELS" VICTORS

WASHINGTON, July 21.—President Simon of Hayti appears doomed to follow President Diaz of Mexico and to give way to a new revolutionary government, according to advices reaching Washington. In the opinion of Captain Dismukes of the gunboat Petrel, which it at Port au Prince, after watching the operations of the revolutionists at Gonaives, the revolutionists already practically are victorious and all of the towns of importance except the capital are in their possession. President Simon has been obliged to abandon his campaign in the north and to withdraw his army hastily to the capital, where he arrived a very sick man and is now confined to his bed. Captain Dismukes reported to the revolutionists that the capital is now marching toward the capital from St. Marc, which they captured, without much resistance. Captain Dismukes reports that the interests of Americans at Gonaives are not endangered by the revolutionary occupation of the city, where the population appeared to be in full sympathy with the movement.

CHANGE OF LOCATION KNOXVILLE, Tenn., July 21.—President Brown Ayres of the University of Tennessee announced tonight that the medical department of the university would be located in Memphis, beginning with the fall term. The university trustees have taken charge of the college of physicians and surgeons of Memphis, assuming all liabilities of that school and retaining its present faculty. The dental department of the university located at Nashville, will in all probability also be removed to Memphis.

HINES' TESTIMONY GETS SUBSTANTIATION PARTLY THROUGH SEN. PENROSE

Bringing Joy to Followers of Lorimer and Hines in Investigation "HINES A PATRIOT"

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, today brought joy to the Lorimer-Hines followers when he told the senate Lorimer committee of the part he took in the election of Senator Lorimer. They claimed that he substantiated the testimony given by Edward Hines as to Senator Penrose's desire to have Mr. Hines exert his influence for Lorimer's election. Besides his story the day's testimony brought out that the office of the secretary of state of New York asked \$1,000 for a certified copy of the contributors to the republican national campaign fund in 1908. The list was desired to show whether Cyrus McCormick was among the contributors. Mr. Hines laid before the committee what he said was a telegram he received in regard to the matter, dated July 19, 1911, and reading: "Will deliver to you original Sheldon statement filed in this office November 23, 1908, for \$1,000." This was signed James J. Neville, secretary of state.

A letter mentioned several days ago as having been sent by Wm. Burgess of Duluth to H. E. Kohlman of Chicago regarding the Lorimer matter was read. Among other things Burgess said he understood there was a man who was in Hines' office when Hines received a telegram from President Taft asking him to "have the matter hushed up as quickly as possible." Neither Burgess nor Kohlman spoke about the incident when on the stand. Senator Penrose told of meeting Hines in connection with the lumber schedule in the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill. "I became impressed early that he was a bright, active man, generally familiar with conditions throughout the country," the senator exclaims.

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CENTER OF PRODUCTION OF COTTON IS IN MISS.

And Has Been Ever Since Record Started, but Has Veered Slightly

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The center of production of the cotton growing area of the United States in 1910 was located three miles south of Vaiden, Carroll county, Mississippi, according to the census bureau's statistics just issued. The cotton producing area is about 1,500 miles long and 500 miles wide. The total area of the counties in which cotton was sown in 1910 is approximately 825,000 square miles, or about 400,000,000 acres. Of this, only about one acre in every thirteen was devoted to cotton. The center of production has been in Mississippi all years for which record has been made. In 1859 it was approximately thirteen miles southeast of Macon, Miss.; in 1879, eleven miles south of Columbus; in 1899 thirteen miles southeast of Lexington; in 1908, five miles northeast of Mayersville, and in 1908, four miles west of Lexington.

RATTLESNAKE IN "CENTER."

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., July 21.—In tangled underbrush on the farm of Wm. L. Mosler, eight miles northeast of the city, the exact center of population of the United States was located late today but the only inhabitant of the immediate neighborhood found was a large rattlesnake, which slid out of the bushes and was killed by one of the party of Prof. W. A. Cogshall, of Indiana, who discovered the spot. It will be marked by a tablet.

Prof. Cogshall located "the hub of the country" by finding the longitude by observation of the stars last night and the latitude by the sun today.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Forecast: North Carolina; local showers Saturday and Sunday; moderate south and southwest winds.

FIRST WOMAN VICTIM OF AVIATION FROM FRANCE

Killed at Aerodrome at Etampes When Biplane Was Caught by Wind

ETAMPES, France, July 21.—Mme. Demise More is the first woman victim of aviation. She was killed at the aerodrome here tonight. Mme. More had already made several fine ascents and was about to make a high flight. When about 150 feet in the air her biplane was caught by a gust of wind and capsized. It fell straight to the earth and the woman was crushed beneath it. Mme. More was a Frenchwoman, although she had an English name. She was about 25 years of age. She had hoped to obtain a pilot's license next week.

BILLS OF HEALTH.

NEW YORK, July 21.—One hundred and eighteen first cabin passengers on the steamer Principe di Piemonte, after remaining several days in quarantine, were given clean bills of health this afternoon and landed in Jersey City. Steerage passengers and crew, however, will be detained until there is no possibility of their being carriers of Asiatic cholera. Hoffman Island, where are detained several hundred immigrants, also discharged 45 of the passengers and crew of the steamer Moltke. There has been little within the last twenty-four hours to change Dr. Doty's optimism regarding the outlook. His bulletin issued tonight says that at Hoffman Island conditions are progressing favorably and at Swinburne Island hospital no deaths have been reported since yesterday.

BURST MAIN CAUSES FAMINE

VENICE, July 21.—The bursting of a water main caused a water famine in Venice and Murano. The government is sending naval tank ships from Ancona and elsewhere with supplies of water. The situation is critical.

COLOMBIA WOULD ARBITRATE

BOGOTA, Colombia, July 21.—President Restrepo in his message to congress today said that there has been no adjustment of the difficulty with the United States, growing out of the cessation of Panama, and that he is in favor of submitting the matter in dispute to arbitration.

RAILWAY COMMISSION TO PROBE EXPRESS CO.

Statement of Value of Company's Property in South Carolina Requested

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 21.—The South Carolina state railway commission announced today that it would inaugurate an investigation of the Southern Express company's operations in this state. To this end the commission issued an order to C. L. Loop, of Chattanooga, vice president of the company, calling upon him for a statement of the value of the company's property in South Carolina, and the actual expenses of carrying on intrastate business in South Carolina as well as a copy of the last report to the stockholders. The investigation, which is to determine whether express rates are excessive, will be thorough according to members of the commission.

REVOLT AGAINST DIX

ALBANY, N. Y., July 21.—The state legislators early today marked their revolt against Governor Dix by passing the Ferris-Blauvelt direct nomination bill which the governor declared unconstitutional in a special message on Tuesday of this week. The assembly, which passed the measure over the governor's criticism by a ballot of 66 to 65, Speaker Fribley casting the deciding vote, also defeated every one of the specific amendments suggested by the governor.

800 ITALIANS ROBBED.

JANESVILLE, Wis., July 21.—Three hundred Italian laborers on the Chicago and Northwestern railway, at South Janesville, were held up and robbed of \$10,000 early today by four men. The laborers were paid off on July 15 and had the biggest part of their wages in their pockets. Armed posse are searching the surrounding country.

TWO INSANE CRIMINALS

AUGUSTA, Ga., July 21.—Eluding a posse of 150 Frederick Reynolds and Clarence A. Conant, the insane criminals who escaped from the Maine insane hospital on Monday, are still at large today. The fugitives were last seen near East Yemassee.

PASSING OF LORDS WRITES NEW ERA OF ENGLISH HISTORY

Constitutional Revolution Removes Responsibility Aeneonic Peers

PREMIER SOUNDS KNELL OF THE PARTING DAY

Breaks The News Gently To Balfour Before The Final Blow Drops

LONDON, July 21.—The constitutional revolution tonight appears to be an accomplished fact. Great Britain in the future will be governed practically by the house of commons with its hereditary upper house possessing only a veto with a time limit of two years. The peers and their one gleam of hope in the prediction that the next conservative government will overturn Asquith's revolution and restore the old conditions, but the radicals are confident that in such matters the hands of the clock will never turn back. Yesterday the future career of the veto bill was apparent to all politicians and its eventual acceptance by the public of lords not doubted. Premier Asquith dispelled all clouds today by communicating informally to Mr. Balfour leader of the opposition in the house of commons, the substance of an announcement which he will make in that house on Monday. His letter, which Mr. Balfour communicated to the meeting of the lords this afternoon follows: "Dear Mr. Balfour: 'I think it is courteous and right, before any public decisions are announced, to let you know how we regard the present situation. When the parliament bill in the form which it has now assumed returns to the house of commons we shall be compelled to ask that house to disagree with the lords amendments. In the circumstances, should the necessity arise, the government will advise the king to exercise his prerogative to secure the passage into law of the bill in substantially the same form in which it left the house of commons, and his majesty has been pleased to signify that he will consider it his duty to accept and act on this advice.' Accept the inevitable. This was a day of councils, three meetings were held to discuss the situation; the cabinet sat for two hours and later the conservative leaders of both houses met at Mr. Balfour's residence. The last and most impressive gathering was at Lansdowne house, where more than five hundred peers listened to the reading of the prime minister's letter and practically decided that they must accept the inevitable. Later a statement was given out that the peers reserve decision as to their course until Premier Asquith's announcement of the policy of the government on Monday.

DID AMERICAN SUGAR COMPANY CONTRIBUTE TO HARRISON'S ELECTION?

Former Attorney for Company Tells of \$10,000 Being Given "NO MONOPOLY"

NEW YORK, July 21.—The American Sugar Refining company contributed \$10,000 to help Benjamin Harrison in one of his campaigns for the presidency against Grover Cleveland. The contribution was told of today by John E. Parsons, former attorney for the company. In his testimony before the congressional committee which is investigating the affairs of the so-called trust, he could not remember whether it was the first or the second Harrison campaign. Mr. Parsons frankly boasted that he was "the pioneer in the formation of the American 'trust' and was proud of it, but scouted the idea that the sugar trust constituted a monopoly such as the Standard Oil or American Tobacco companies.

BACK IN GOTHAM

NEW YORK, July 21.—Refusing to discuss her private affairs in any way, Ethel Barrymore-Colt arrived here today from Chicago and a waiting automobile whisked her away to an unknown address. It was rumored that the young actress went to the summer home of her uncle, John Drew, on Long Island.

MILLS ARE CLOSED

LINDALE, Ga., July 21.—The Massachusetts Mills in Georgia are now closed for a week to give the 2,000 employees a week's rest and vacation and to make some necessary repairs. This will be the only closure for these mills this year.