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ASHEVILLE, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING, DECEM BER 19, 1911

INJURED IN CRASH ONC.M.&ST.P.BY.

Shk Special Runs Into Rear Sleeper of Columbian Flyer In Minnesota

NUMEROUS FEATS OF HEROISM PERFORMED

Responsibility For The Wreck Seems to Rest Between two **Telegraph Operators**

ODESSA, Minn., Dec. 18 .- Ten are dead and nearly a score are more or less seriously injured as the result of a silk train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road, which was running as section No. 2 of the "Columbian Flyer," crashing into the rear sleeper of the flyer at the station here early today. The engine of the special ploughed for five feet into the sleeper but the greatest loss of life was in the front end of the sleeper which was telescoped by the dining car just ahead.

Although both the diner and sleeper were steel the former sheared the uper portion of the sleeper from the floor as if it had been cardboard. In some manner the diner's floor became elevated slightly above that of the sleeper at the impact and with the force of section No. 2's engine behind the sleeper was jammed along for fully twenty-five feet while the diner, as a gigantic knife, cut away the upper structure and did its work of destruction, Responsibility for the wreck is said to rest between the operator at Ortonville junction, who, asserted, should not have permitted the silk train to enter the block in which there was a train; the operator here, who, it is said, falled to lift the stop signal for the flyer and the flagman of the flyer, who, it is claimed, failed to protect the rear of his train immediately following its stopping at the block. All of the occaped without injury. Immediately Wer the crash the uninjured hastened the work of rescue and many feats of heroism were performed. G F. Shuster, a "jackey" on the United States battleship West Virginia, on his way to his home in Toledo, O. en furlough, was conspicuous in the work of rescue

Nearly'all of the injured were taken to Minneapolis and many of them adjust the finances of the road which continued on to their destinations for several months past had been The bodies of the dead are being held the subject of grave concern to the here and will be sent to their destina- roads various security holders. The tions as soon as word can be heard from relatives

CONVERSION OF DESERT BASIN INTO FERTILIZER FAVORED BY SEC. WILSON

Report Shows Three Times as Much Imported as Produced in United States

MUCH PUBLIC ALARM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- The conversion of desert basin into fields of supply for the fertilizer industry is part of the scheme of agricultural advancement favored by Secretary of dorsed by President Taft in a message to congress today. The message was a cordial letter of transmittal of a preliminary repor ton the fertilizer resources of the United States. The ers involves an annual expenditure of \$110,000,000 which is likely to be greatly increased as more modern agricultural methods are adopted. The report stated that there had been some public alarm not only on account of the large shipments of phosphate rock to foreign ports, but also on account of the phosphate lands passing into the hands of foreign owners. The report, however, found that a great majority of these lands were in American hands and that the tendency was distinctly toward an in-

crease in that direction. From American sources an ample supply of both classes of fertilizers can readily be obtained and in the case of potash the supply may be maintained indefinitely if obvious methods of control are adopted. The annual production of ammonium sulphate should be approximately 640,-000 tons, valued at \$39,000,000. Actually 35,060, valued at \$1,840,000 are being produced while about 104 .-000 tons, valued at about \$5,300,000 are annually imported.

Chas. E. Holland, who succeeds to the leadership of the colony. Investigations are under way for the extraction of petash from silicate and other minerals and from wastes and by-products.

slosed from December 23 until Jan- engaged in my work." son for the renewed curtailment.

TEN KILLED, SCORE | RECEIVERS NOW IN CHARGEOF WABASH **RAILROAD COMPANY**

While There is Bonded Debt of \$114,000,000. Claims Involved Are Small

NO STATEMENT FROM COMPANY OBTAINABLE

George Gould and Gould Es- In Many Cases American Comtate Credited With Control of Wabash System

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 18-On the application of the Westinghouse Air Brake company, Judge Elmer B. Adams, in the United States circuit court this afternoon appointed Frederick J. Delano Edward B. Pryot W. I. Bixby receivers of the Wabash railroad company. The re-ceivers' bond was fixed at \$300,000 each to be given in ten days. Wells H. Blodgett, who has been general counsel of the road, was appointed counsel for the receivers, F. J. Delano is president of the road now and Mr. Pryor until recently

No statement could be obtained the railroad company early tonight regarding the claim involved in the receivership proceeding but it was said in some quarters that it was \$18,000. The management has been hampered in the operation of the road, according to statements of its representatives by the fact that insufficient funds were forthcoming for the adequate maintenance of the noad's propert and equipment.

The company's total bonded debt amounts to over \$114,000,000 and is one of the heaviest per mile of any railroad in the country. Besides being burdened by these heavy fixed charges the company a few years ago became involved with heavy obligations in connection with the purchase of the Wheeling and Lake Eric railroad and the building of the Wabash-Pittsburgh Terminal.

Geo. Gould and the Gould estate are credited with control of the "OF FRIENDLY NATURE"

NEW YORK. Dec. 13 The sp-pointment of a regulver for the Wa-bash Railroad company is the se-quence of the appointment here about two weeks ago at a meeting of directors of a committee to rereceivership is said here to be of entirely friendly nature and to have been the outcome of the committee's deliberations as to the best possible way of placing the Wabash on its feet. This committee consisted Winslow S. Pierce, Chairman Edwin Krech and General Thomas H. Hubbard, of whom the first four were elected directors at the meeting. These four men are also directors of the Equitable Trust company, trustees of the railroads \$40,000,000 first refunding and extension four per cent mortgage bonds, the semiannual interest on which is due Jan-uary 1 next. This amounts to \$800,-

LEADER OF HOLY GHOST

SECT GIVEN TEN YEARS

IN THE FEDERAL PRISON

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 18 .- The

Rev. Frank W. Sanford, leader of the

specific charge upon which the Shi-

the first of six counts in the indict-

who bade him farewell was Rev.

In an interview just before he left

the city Sanford declared he felt no

given hard labor.

GRADUATED MEANS OF MEETING MANY DISCRIMINATIONS

Secretary Knox Gives Information Recently Compiled by The Government

BILL TO BE FRAMED BY SENATOR CURTIS

merce Suffers at Hands of Foreign Countries

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18-Secretary Knox has written to Senator Curtis of Kansas a letter giving information compiled by the government, which in the opinion of Mr. Knex would justify legislation to provide a graduated means of meeting various discriminations by foreign countries against American commerce. The senator has framed a bill calculated

to meet the situation as it arises.
"The problem," said Secretary
Knox, "is to provide for the removal, so far as practicable, of such features in foreign practice as may be found adverse to our export trade development and of serious import those American enterprises directly affected.

"In the opinion of the department this problem may be solved through the medium of an amendment to section 2 of the act of August 5. 1909, whereby may be afforded a sufficient degree of elasticit, in the imposition of tariff rates, suited to the offenses intended for correction. Secretary Knox cited some of the important instances to which the attention of the state department has been called :but which

properly may not be considered as

falling under the classification of

discriminations.

undue'

Instances Cited "There have been developed in recent years," he wrote, "numerous instances of tariff and administrative discrimination against products the United States. Many of these and indeed the most 'mportant as they then existed, were removed or were equalized by compensation in were equalized by constant tariff rates granted by other countries for tries through the assistations fol-lowing the enactment of the tariff law of August 5, 1908.

"Some instances of discrimination could not be removed by negotiation and because of their minor character when considered in the relationship thus involved the entire commerce of the United States with the particular offending countries they were permitted to remain. Since the conclusion of these negotiations other instances have developed in the way of discriminative practices both with respect to capital investments of American citizens in foreign countries and in regard foreign countries and in regard to measures in the administration of foreign tariffs adverse to the cominterests of the United

making discriminations which, however, he said he did not consider as properly speaking "undue" include Belgium, Germany, Italy, Austria-

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FINAL DECREE SIGNED IN (Cintinued from Page Seven) IMPORTANT FARM CROPS SHOW LARGE DECREASE

IN PRODUCTION FOR 1911

Agriculture Wilson and heartily en- Specific Charge Upon Which However, Their Value In-Conviction Came Was creased Two Hundred Mil-Causing Death lion Over Last Year

NO RESENTMENT FINAL ESTIMATE

WASHINGTON, Deces 18-With decreases in the production of 'the' Holy Ghost and Us society, left for Atlanta, Ga., tonight to enter upon a eleven important farm crops not inten year term in the federal peni- cluding cotton, the total value of tentiary to which he was sentenced these crops this year reached the today by Judge Clarence. Hale, of total of \$3,769,562,000, according to the United States District court. The the final estimate announced today lah leader was sentenced was causing the death at sea of George This is an increase of almost \$190,-Hughey, a member of his flock, by 000,000 over their value last year. failing to furnish provisions during The department's final estimate of

the recent 17 month cruise of the production today differs considerably Holy Ghost yadat Coronet. This was from its preliminary estimate made ment found by the federal grand in November because of a revision jury. Judge Hale continued the oth-ers. There was a big gathering at the railroad station, but Sanford re- available since that time. The immained unperturbed. Among those portant features of the different crops compared with last year were:

Corn—an increase of 1,790,000 in acreage a decrease of 354,772,000 bushels in production and an increase of \$180,441,000 in value.

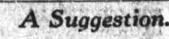
the city Sanford declared he felt no Winter wheat—an increase of 1,-resentment and that he looked upon 833,000 in acreage, at decrease of MILLS SUSPEND TWO WEEKS

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BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 18.—The just where I am," he said, "I am grad to be a decrease of \$3,167,000 in screage of \$3,167,000 in value.

Byring wheat—an increase of 2.—Spring wheat—an increase of 2.—

Byring wheat—an of the York corporation of Suco were reach my new level, I shall begin 297,000 bushels in production and a motified today that the plant will be to dig in. In fact, I am even now decrease of \$14,281,000 in value. Oats an increase of 290,000 in Early 2, "uncertainty of the present. In sentencing Sanford, Judge Hale acreage a decrease of 258,000 in for business outlook" is given as the rea- did not designate that he should be production and an increase of \$81, and 715,000 in value





NEW TREATY WITH RUSSIA ALONG MORE MODERN LINES SUGGESTED

Every Reason to Believe That Senate Committee's Resolution will be Pushed Through Before Holidays-Democrats Accuse Taft of Trying to Steal the "Democratic Thunder" -- Russia Notified of Proposed Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 President for the house resolution which prov-Taft turned over to the senate today and objectionable to the Russian gov-WASHINGTON. Pet. 1-resident
Taft turned over to the senate loday
the task of completing the abrogation of the treaty of 1882 with itussia because of alloged discriminations against American estimens of
Jewish faith. Ignoring the house of
representatives the president sent a
message to the senate amouncing
that on Friday last he had caused
notice to be forwarded to St. Petersburg that the United States desired the treaty to end January 1,
1912. This addition was officially
handed to the representatives of the
Russian government yesterday.

Mr. Taft asked the senate to ratify and give effect to his action. The
foreign affairs committee of the senate voted unadimously to report a
resolution of ratification, couched in
diplomatic terms and Senator Lodge

diplomatic terms and Senator Lodge offered it later in the senate. There was every reason to believe that the resolution would be pushed through, inasmuch as the senate committee, as an act of courtesy to the house had decided that the lower branch of congress should be asked to con-

cur in the senate's action.

Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, however, took the floor and after protesting vigorously against hasty action, asserted his right under the rules and by formal objection threw further consideration of the matter over until tomorrow. Although was evident tonight that politics would enter into the fights tomorrow, the prediction was made freely that all obstacles would be overcome and that before the senate adwould be put through as a substitute

Complainant Southern

Ry., Paying Costs

Chairman Sulser of the house com

mittee on foreign affairs author of avoid the very the house resolution declared tonight that he believed that the matter would be adjusted satisfactority and that the abrogation of the treaty would be an accomplished fact before congress recessed Thursday for American am

senate and the house are determined to claim credit of the abrogation of the treaty. Senators Culberson of Texas, and Hitchcock, of Nebrasha pary notice to this effect in the seasate today and will be heard further tomorrow. Senator Culberson accused house of one of its prerogatives, and asserted the president was trying to sterl the "democratic thunder."
In his message to the senate Pres ident Taft transmitted a copy of the letter which American Ambassadou Guild at St. Petersburg had transmit-ted to the Russian foreign office. In United States that the old treaty no longer met the political principles or commercial needs of the two nations and should be terminated. it The American government . with marked courtesy, suggested further

tlated to replace the ancient and out-

Despite this overture to the Rus-

eian government state department of-ficiale tenight practically admitted that there was little hope for ne-gotiating a new treaty that would avoid the very things that were lead-ing to the denunciation of the old

RUSSIA NOTIFIED

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 18.—The
American ambassador, Curtis Guild,
Jr., scring under instructions from
the president of the United States,
today notified the Russian foreign
minister, M. Sasonoff, that the treaty
of 1832 would be abrogated, in
accordance with provisions russia by ar-

ordance with previsions used by article XII, so Issues 9, 1912.

It is pointed out in afficial circles that Russia has no cause to be disastisfied with this turn of affairs. President Taft's action in view of the previously contemplated precedure being likely to increase his popularity here. The notification, it is added, was given with tull right and tactfully made no mention of motives underlying the abrogation of the treaty, which leaves full intitude for conducting new negotations with the controversial factor citininated.

This feature of the situation has

This feature of the attuation has attracted attention and seems to be fully appreciated. The Russian gov-ernment finds not the slightest grounds to object to the abr in such shape as it actually assumed that it would be most agreeable to in Ambassador Guild's note, which this country if a new treaty, along is dated December 17. In a note dated December 1, the Russian foreign minister soknowledged receipt

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MARBLE BUSTS OF TWO CELEBRATED RATE CASE GOVERNORS COMPLETED

Will be Stricken Off Docket, Will Occupy Two Remaining Niches in the Rotunda of the State House

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 18-Final RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 18-The decrees in the celebrated North Car- marble busts of Governors Samuel olina rate cases were signed here Johnston and Gowerner John M. today by Judge Pritchard. The cases Morehead that are to occupy the two will now be stricken off the docket. remaining niches on the first floor of the rotunds of the state house ar-Costs in the cases will be taxed rived today and are ready to be against the complainant, the South- placed in position for unveiling. They ern railway. A similar decree was are the work of F. W. Ruckstuhl entered in the Atlantic Coast Line who executed the busts of Governor case pending in the eastern district Graham and Sengtor Ransom now of North Carolina, Capt. Alfred P. occupying niches in the rotunda, No Thom, general counsel, appeared for time is set for unveiling the More-the Southern railway, and Col. Alex- head bust. The bust of Governor ander Hamilton and George Elliott Johnston will be unveiled under the appeared for the A. C. L. auspices of the North Carolina grand The corporation commission lodge of Masons by whom it is pre-North Carolina and other defendants sented to the state on account of were represented by er Governor Governor Johnston having been Aycock. The state statute fixing the grand master and rendered other rates and which was held uncon- high service for Masonry, in early stitutional by the circuit court, hav- days of state history. The unveiling ing been repeated, coupons, which will be January 10 while the grand-were given by the railroad compa- lodge is in session here.

Bert H. Franklin, formerly an investigator employed by the defense in the McNamara dynamiting case, brought before Justice Young today for preliminary hearing on the second bribery charge against him, that of having bribed Mrs. Robert F. Bain, to influence her husband, a juror in the trial of Jas. B. McNamara.

Joseph Ford, stated that one more would be called tomorrow and that immediately after he would file criminal information against

RUSSIAN TROOPS READY TO ADVANCE ON CAPITAL

Official Attitude of Persia Suggests Passive Resistance to Advance

ouncil has refused to accept the today may precipitate a war cabinet's proposals regarding a solution of the Russian difficulty and the Russian troops are preparing to ginia in speeches at the annual din-advance on the capital. It is believed that the advance will begin Pennsylvania here tonight. Senator Thursday. The official attitude suggests passive resistance, but the provincial sentiment is strongly opposed American passoprt into any foreign to the Russians. to the Russians.

The foreign minister in presenting the question before the national council today made a determined at- lief that the signs of the times point tempt to secure the support of the to a struggle with Russia in the near council. He repeated that the cabinet had made every effort to retain announcing that if such conditions Mr. Shuster, but the plight of the ever came to pass he himself would country was desperate. The ex-shah, be willing and ready to go out at the he said, was advancing on the one head of a regiment of Virginia solhand and Salar ed Dowleh on the diers. Whether it be President Taft of er while Russia refused to abate or some other president, perhaps a PRANKLIN ANSWERS TO CHARGE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 18.— male the council insisted that the state in the south. If necessary, I retention of Mr. Shuster was Persia's will go to the front and will also only hope and that nothing was to

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 18. - The Southern Express company today offered a regard of \$300 for the arrest One witness, Mrs. Maud Clifford of Robin C. Fargason, of Macon, an Farley, a neighbor, testified that Mrs. express messenger wanted in connec-Bain came to her home one day and tion with the disappearance of a cago and Wisconsin creamery met used the telephone; that Mrs. Bain package containing \$7,000. The pack-elected on a producers ticket. Chus used the name Pranklin several times. The case then went over until to- fin, Ga., and left Macon in Fargason's the new regime the merrow. Deputy District Attorney W. care on the Central of Georgia train will be abelished. Saturday. The money is declared to have not been delivered and Fargason did not show up for the return run to Macon. He has not been seen since, it is reported.

GOVERNMENT MA END INVESTIGATION INSIDE OF MONTH

Hotel Registers Showing The Movements of Alleged Dynamiters introduced

RECORDS BROUGHT FROM MANY PLACES

Now Thought That Detective W. J. Burns will Later be a Witness in Case

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 18-Hotel registers showing the move ments of those suspected of complicity in the dynamiting conspiract other than the McNamarus and Or tie McManigal were taken before

the McManigal were taken before the federal grand jury today.

Thomas J. Reftington, of Youngstown, Ohlo, the first hotel man to be examined, brought with him his botel register and some account books said to show by whom certain bills had been paid. A bridge being erected by the Baltimore and Ohlo railroad at Youngatown was damsired by an explosion on the night of October 10, 1907. Non-union iron workers had been employed on the contract. This explosion was followed by numerous others in Northern Ohio, all alleged to be depredations of the "dynamiting crew."

McManigar's and the McNamaras movements are well known and the hotel records are being brought from places in Ohio, Indiana. Illinois, from the east and from as far west as Sait Lake City, Utah, with a view of tracing others whose sames have not yet been mentioned but upon whom it is said, the government is keeping close watch.

said the government we rapidly with the inwand it was probable at would be in within a

SENATOR AND GOVERNOR APPREHENSIVE OF WAR BETWEEN U.S. AND RUSSIA

Signs of Times" Point to Struggle, Say Sen. Heyburn and Gov. Mann

MANN'S PATRIOTISM

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18 .- That TEHERAN, Dec. 18.—The national aprogating the Russian treaty of 1882 that country was declared by both Uniter States Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, and Governor Mann of Heyburn said that where the cause was just he stood ready to follow the and a cannon."
Governor Mann expressed his be-

send my son. I say this merely to be gained by yielding.

show the parriotism of the south and to prove that sectionalism is a thing of the past."

UNDER NEW CONTROL

ELGIN, III., Dec. 18 .- Control of the Elgin board of trade this afternoon passed into the hands of Chicare and Wisconsin creamery men the new regime the quotation cust

"The price committee is a farce," said Mr. Younger, "It is nothing more than a schome that is in direct violation of the Sterman anti-trust law and always has been."

nies covering the difference between

the old rate and the present one

were declared by the court to be

null and void, so parties who may

be holding coupons now have no

right of action to collect the same.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- Forecas North Carolina: Fiar Tuesday Wednesday, moderate northeast