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WILL SURVEY FRENCH BROAD

A preliminary survey of French Broad river from Asheville to Brevard with a view to ascertaining the feasibility of making a navigable stream between these points, the alleged appropriation for which by Congress formed an important plank in the last congressional campaign of Congressman John G. Grant of Hendersonville, appears now to be an assured thing at an early date.

A letter to Postmaster W. W. Rolling from W. H. Rose, captain of a corps of engineers of the engineering office of the United States army, of Chattanooga, Tenn., states that Mr. Rose expects to be here during this month to make a preliminary survey of the river.

From the tone of the letter the writer evidently expects to find a deep stream, floating gasoline launches and probably white-winged vessels of commerce. He will be disappointed in finding a rocky bed protruding from the surface of the water at irregular intervals.

It will be recalled that Congressman Grant called attention to the appropriation he obtained from Congress for his survey in all of his campaign speeches, which provoked much sarcasm from his opponent, Congressman J. M. Gudger, Jr., Asheville, Citizen.

CHOLERA CLAIMS 593 VICTIMS IN ITALY

Chiasso, Switzerland, Sept. 3.—According to an official statement by the Italian government, which has just reached here, there are 11,635 cases of cholera and 593 deaths from the disease in Italy in seven days, from August 20 to 26, inclusive.

In the province of Naples, there were 104 cases and 46 deaths; in the province of Genoa 18 cases and 9 deaths, and in the province of Palermo 30 cases and 9 deaths. There were many cases in Rome, Naples, and Palermo cities, but the fatalities were not so high as in the provinces.

London, Aug. 31.—The following story, which was stopped by the Italian telegraph censor, reached London by mail today.

Rome Aug. 28.—An outbreak of cholera is reported at Terbury in Calabria, with 32 new cases reported yesterday, and 44 dead. The dead were left unburied because the authorities could not get help to inter them. The populace, wrought up over the spread of the plague and incensed at the mayor and other municipal dignitaries, set fire to the municipal buildings and shot and killed the pretore or magistrate, who had been sent to calm them. They then seized the mayor's secretary, Signor Agostino Amrosi and after subjecting him to terrible tortures, cut his head off and paraded it upon a pole. The mayor escaped a like fate by shutting himself up in his house.

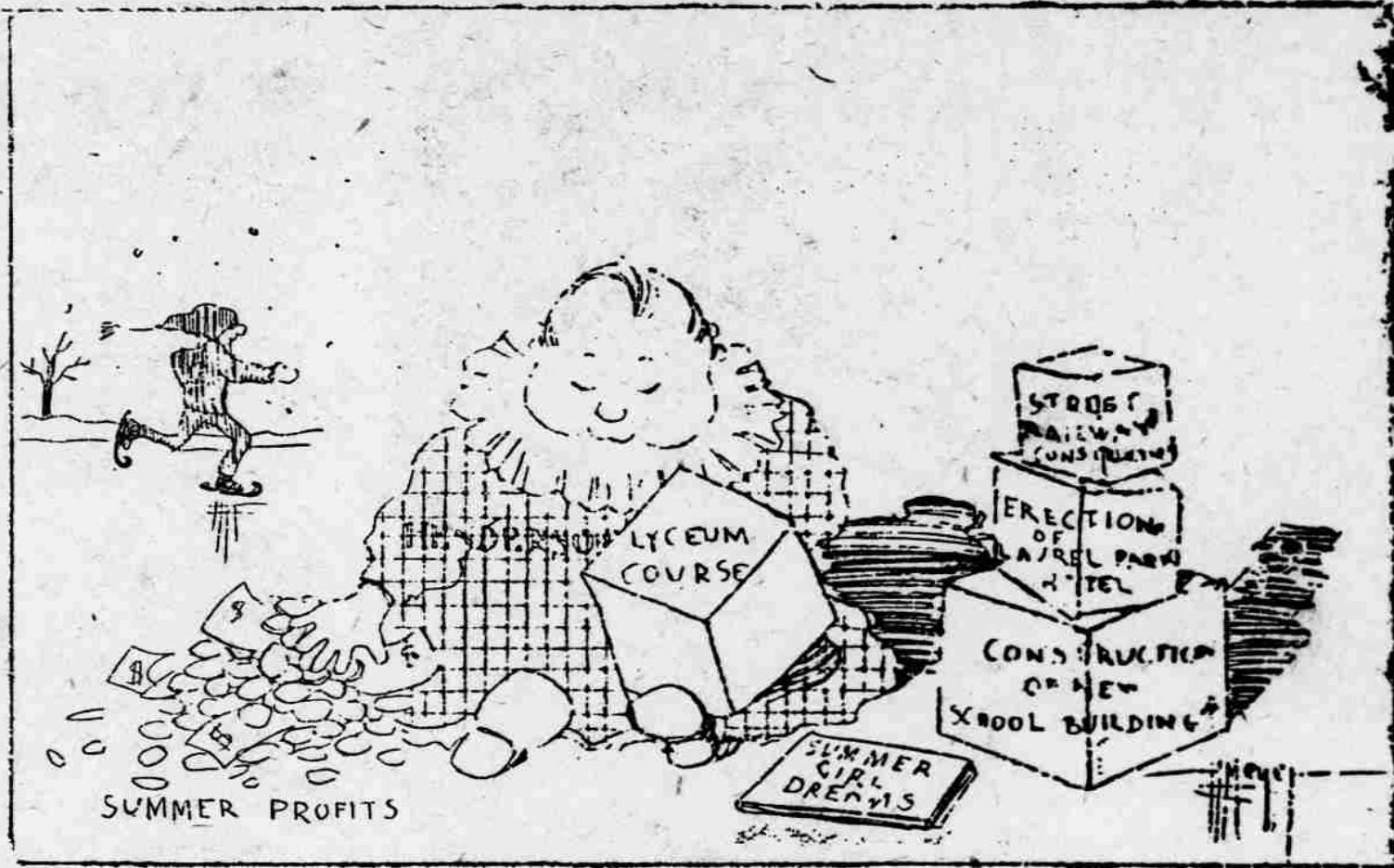
Cases of cholera continue all over Italy, notably at Leghorn, Rome, Naples, and other principal seaport towns.

Farmers' Union in Session
Shawnee, Okla., Sept. 5.—A national convention for farmers unparalleled, probably in importance, undoubtedly in attendance, in the history of America, assembled in Shawnee for a three days session. The occasion is the annual convention of the National Farmers' Union, the largest, most influential and most successful organization of its kind ever existed in this country, not excepting the Farmers' Alliance, which made itself felt in national politics several decades ago.

The present convention is attended by delegates representing a membership of over 2,000,000 scattered over more than half the States of the Union. While the South and the West are the best represented numerically there is abundant evidence to show that the organization is steadily making headway among the farmers of other sections of the country.

AT THE PALACE

A full bill was presented last night as the first offering of a new week in the way of moving pictures. And it was a good way to start the week too, for all the pictures were good, the only distinction being that some were better than others. Two good Biograph films were shown and the one showing the bashful country boy in his first and rather disastrous encounter with love was especially interesting and ludicrous. It might have seemed a little overdrawn but these of us who have been in love with love when we thought we were in love with "Her" known better "The Taming of the Shrew" was indeed a masterpiece as a picture film just as it is in the realm of literature. For tonight, "Swat the Flies" a comedy entirely appropriate and apt, another good comedy on the same reel, a good tragedy, and then the orchestra will complete the offering.



Winter Playthings.

NEWS IN BRIEF

JUNEAU, Alaska—Nine persons are believed to have perished in a fire which destroyed the Juneau hotel and the McGrath building last night. Four bodies have been recovered from the ruins and five more are believed to be buried in the debris.

DERLIN—The German foreign minister, Herr Van Kiderien-Waechter, and the French ambassador, M. Cambon, met here yesterday to discuss France's proposal to Germany looking to a settlement of the Moroccan dispute.

HARTFORD, Conn.—The opening day of the Grand Circuit races was held here yesterday in connection with the annual state fair with the historic ten thousand Charter Oak, 2.14 trot, as the feature, and which was won by R. T. C. driven by Murphy in straight heats.

RALEIGH, N. C.—Two delegations called on Governor Kitchen to press claims of favorite candidates for the judgeship of the ninth district, made vacant by the resignation of Judge J. Crawford Biggs of Durham, N. C.

W. J. Murphy, the Seaboard Air Line conductor who was arrested as he stepped off his train here a few nights ago on a charge of participating in a badger game at Albany, Ga., was today released on habeas corpus.

W. A. Hoke of the Supreme court, CHICAGO.—President Markham of Illinois Central railroad, last night ended hopes of an immediate settlement of the labor difficulties of the road by directing a letter to W. F. Kramer, secretary of the International Blacksmiths' Union, refusing to meet the representatives of the Federated Shop Employees' today as had been expected.

Boston, Mass.—The derby event of the second annual Harvard-Boston aero meet, a cross country flight of 60 miles through the country, the longest competitive cross country flight ever held in this country, was won yesterday by Earl L. Ovington of Weston in a 50-horse power Bleriot monoplane.

SPRING LAKE—For the first time within recent American history the governors of approximately forty of the forty-six states will meet in conference here today. Thirty seven chief executives have accepted the call outright, several from nearby commonwealths have yet to be heard from and of the small remainder those who can so arrange their duties will attend for at least a portion of the time.

CHICAGO JUDGE MAKES THIRD MATRIMONIAL VENTURE

That the darts of little Dan Cupid strike indiscriminately and do not spare those more advanced in years any more than they pass by the young is shown by the announcement made at the apartment of Miss Susan P. Trimble at the Imperial last night, that she is to become the bride of Judge Richard Tuthill, of Chicago, tomorrow.

This much was admitted to be the case by Miss Ella Trimble, of Chicago, a niece of Miss Trimble, who is with her aunt, further than that she declined to discuss the matter.

Miss Trimble is fifty years old and is slightly deaf. She has apartments at the Imperial, 1769 Columbia road, and has been a clerk in the Land office since 1882.

Judge Tuthill is in the city, but his exact whereabouts were not disclosed. He is seventy years old, and this will be his third matrimonial venture. He has five grown daughters and one son living in Chicago.

FOR SALE—At a bargain. My home place on Sunset Heights. Easy terms. See me at once. WILL J. CASE, City.

THOSE HELPING GOOD ROADS

That the farmers of Henderson county believe in good roads, and that they are willing to go down into their pockets for that purpose, is indicated by the following list, a "Roll of Honor," of the men who have contributed to aid the chain gang in its work.

The following have furnished two-horse teams, worth at least three dollars per day:
J. Beddingfield, 1 day; Bud Cone, 1 day; E. J. Drake, 1 day; S. M. Gilliam, 1 1/2 day; J. B. Guice, 1 day; Dock Hyder, 1 1/2 day; J. T. Henderson, 1 day; Dock Justus, 1 day; Sam Laming, 1 day; J. A. Maxwell, 7 days; J. B. Newman, 2 days; R. M. Fryor, 1 day; Z. V. Pittillo, 1 day; S. P. Pittillo, 1/2 day; D. S. Stepp, 1/2 day; Tom Seagle, 1 day; Bail Staton, 2 days; T. J. Shipman, 1/2 day; Edd Ross, 2 days; Samuel Race, 3 days; J. N. Boss, 1 day; J. K. Whitaker, 2 days; Z. V. Whitesides, 1 1/2 day; C. C. Young, 1 1/2 day; Total days 43 3-4.

The following subscriptions are cash, all used for the purpose of building better roads in Henderson county.

B. G. Collins, \$20; Rigby-Morrow & Co, \$15; D. S. Pace, \$6; Columbus Mores, \$6; W. A. Keith, \$5; T. B. Carson, \$6; H. D. Hyder, \$6; Belvin Thearman, \$3. Total \$67.00.

Supervisor George Justice feels gratified at receiving such substantial support from the public-spirited farmers and business men of the county as the above list indicates, and believes that the dawn of good roads for Henderson county is ready to break.

Mr. Justice states that active work on the new Greenville highway will commence October first. He has already secured one thousand dollars in subscriptions to aid in building the new road. This money will be used to supplement the county funds.

The general road supervisors will, within a few days purchase a pair of 1200 pound mules to help move the convict camp to its new location and to help in the work of building the new road.

FRANK GOTCH WINS MATCH

Mat Side, Chicago, Sept. 4.—The wrestling championship of the world remains at Humbolt, Iowa. It took Frank Gotch 19 minutes 50 seconds to win from George Hackenschmidt, who has thus far twice failed to wrest the world's highest honors from the sturdy Iowan.

Gotch secured the first fall with a reverse body lock in 14 minutes and 10 1-5 seconds; the second fall required exactly 5 minutes and 32-15 seconds. According to the general comment, Hackenschmidt entered the ring a beaten man. He looked like a loser from the start. Gotch, in supreme confidence, was master of the situation at every stage.

The second fall looked as if the so-called "lion" from across the Atlantic simply ut: It was a rather pitiable spectacle.

Gotch following his victory, held a levee just outside of the arena, while Mrs. Gotch held another in the grandstand.

Messrs. J. K. Thomas and Alex. Rowland of Columbia spent the weekend in the city returning to their homes yesterday.

SHORT LOCAL NOTES

Mr. Albert Rickman of Greenville, S. C. left yesterday after spending several days in the city with friends.

Mr. S. T. Hodges left yesterday for a business trip of several weeks' duration in South Carolina and Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Allison and daughter, and Mr. D. Penton and three children of Wilmington reached the city Sunday and will spend several weeks here.

Mrs. B. E. Crafts and Miss Crafts of New Orleans who have been spending the past week at the Kentucky Home left yesterday for Asheville where they expect to spend several days before returning to their homes.

Mrs. S. M. Taylor and Mr. J. L. Barnhardt of Salisbury arrived yesterday and expect to spend a couple of weeks here.

Miss Gladys Cummings of Reidsville, N. C. reached the city yesterday and expect to spend several weeks here.

Miss Corinne Williams of Ocala, Fla., arrived yesterday and will spend several days at the Kentucky Home.

Mr. Frank Waldrop returned yesterday from a week-end visit to Newberry, S. C.

Misses Emilie Labrie, May Zachary, and Blanche, LeMarie who have been spending the summer months at Laurel Park Retreat, left today for Atlanta, Ga., where they will spend a week or two before returning to their homes in New Orleans.

A white hobo was arrested at the station last night and lodged in the jail. He will send in his card to one of the court dignitaries this afternoon who will see that he is received with the proper eclat. Inquiry will likely be instituted to learn the reason for his non-appearance at the convention held in Washington a few days ago.

It may be that some of the visitors have departed for their several homes in the various sections of the country but Main street of an afternoon is still able to muster quite a goodly collection of visitors who have elected to spend awhile longer with the recent arrivals who keep coming. September is a great month to spend in the mountains and numbers of people prefer it to any other month of the year.

The Lyric theater which has been running all the summer and offering vaudeville attractions along with the moving pictures is now closed. Somewhat like the proverbial Arab, Manager Venable folded his tent and left from here Saturday night. He seemed not to have taken anyone in his confidence but dispensed with tearful adieu attendant upon formal leave-taking and let the blow of separation fall heavily last night. Many besieged the door waiting for some sign from within but none came. After waiting around for several minutes they went to their homes, and the admission fee was saved, provided of course it was not otherwise spent.

Labor Day passed off quietly yesterday and no particular notice seemed to have been taken of it except by the banks and the post office which were closed. The closing of the bank was felt in several of the business houses and hotels. It was almost impossible to find any money in town except in the form of checks. The shortage was felt way out at Ganuga, one man phoning in to see if as much as \$50.00 could be found in order to cash a check and tide over the temporary stringency. Several places were unable to help him because they were in nearly as bad a condition.

REAL ESTATE MARKET ACTIVE

The real estate market for the past week has been very active. The firm of Ewbank and Ewbank having transacted deals amounting to about \$9,000.00 in this time.

The transaction of primary interest to residents of the city is the one whereby Dr. Kirk secures possession of the property on the corner of Main street and 6th avenue. This property heretofore had been rented and Dr. Kirk has been considering the purchase of it for several weeks but only in the last few days could satisfactory terms be negotiated.

Two other deals involving considerable money were made at Flat Rock Mr. J. Baldwin of Atlanta, Ga., who owns a place there bought nearly a hundred acres of land adjoining his present property. Eight one acres were purchased from Mrs. Helen Grimball and about fifteen acres from Miss Mary Morton. These two recent purchases give Mr. Baldwin some very excellent sections of land which will no doubt give him a handsome profit in the course of a year or two should he decide to place them on the real estate market.

ETOWAH NEWS.

Etowah school is wide awake. This was shown by the interest taken by all young and old in the sale and contest, on last Friday night. The money raised at that time will be spent in beautifying the school building and the parsonage.

The Betterment Association is also doing a great work. On Friday night the 22, this Association will give a Birthday Party. The public is cordially invited. The proceeds from this party will be spent for the croquet set and a basket ball out fit.

Labor day was appropriately celebrated by the school. The boys and girls with the teachers spent the day in cleaning off the grounds. The stumps were removed and all rubbish with them. A croquet and basket ball court were laid off.

Don't forget the old time singing here Sunday. All who love the good old times come and join in the singing. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Rev. M. A. Matheson was called on last Thursday to unite in marriage Miss Emma Holden of Hots, Shoe and Mr. Jasper Neal of Macon Ga. They were married at the home of the bride and then left for Spartanburg, where Mr. Neal is in business.

SON OF SENATOR LODGE WEDS NURSE

Boston, Sept 2.—Back Bay society has not received such a shock in years as it sustained tonight when it learned that during the afternoon John Ellerton Lodge, the son of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, and Miss Mary Connolly, a beautiful nurse from the Carney Hospital, had been married in the sacrosanct of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross by Rev. Father Finnegan.

Several months ago Miss Connolly nursed Mr. Lodge through a serious illness at private hospital conducted by Dr. William Sturgis Bigelow in Beacon street. The statement was made, at that time, that, won by the tenderness of his beautiful attendance Mr. Lodge had asked her to be his wife. This, however, was promptly denied by Miss Connolly, by Mr. Lodge and by Senator and Mrs. Henry Cabot Lodge, so society was not prepared to hear of the ceremony.

The Lodge are so firmly entrenched in society, however, that it is hardly likely the Boston "400" will attempt to exclude the heroine of this romance from its charmed circle.

The only witnesses of the ceremony were Senator and Mrs. Lodge, Representative Augustus B. Gardner, Senator Lodge's brother in law and Mrs. G. C. Lodge widow of Senator Lodge's son who died some time ago and Rev. Father Connolly, a brother of the bride.

That Mr. Lodge has become a Catholic was denied tonight by Representative Gardner, who acted as spokesman for the family, but he would not explain the fact that a Catholic priest officiated in the face of the opposition of the Catholic Church to mixed marriages.

The school term for the ensuing school year will begin on the 21st of September, so one of the committee-men informed a Herald reporter this morning. It is expected that many of the youngsters will laboriously count the number of days until school begins and then wonder petulantly why the old school starts anyway. Several of the more nature pupils will really be glad for school to open so that they can put on the finishing touches in anticipation of pursuing and finally overtaking "education" in the classic walls of some college. A good ambition, and here's success to you.

BEATTIE TAKES WITNESS STAND

Chesterfield Court House, Va., Sept. 1.—Through six weary hours in a crowded and stuffy court room, Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., indicted for the murder of his wife, battled for his life, today. Evening shadows alone interrupted a vigorous cross-examination by the Commonwealth Judge Watson ending the ordeal by adjourning court to an earlier hour than usual tomorrow—9:15 a. m.—when the prosecutor, Mr. Weidenburg, will continue his rapid fire of questions.

A lone figure was young Beattie in the crowd that surrounded him on all sides—even the windows and trees commanding the court room being thick with staring faces. And the prisoner sat for hours, his manner cool and collected, unfolding the sordid details of his relations with Beulah Einford, a 17 year old girl, for whom the prosecution alleges Beattie killed his bride of a year. But not alone the orgies of the four years before his marriage and those that preceded the tragedy but the gruesome details of the attack by the highwayman and of the wild ride to the Owen home at a speed of 55 miles an hour with the lifeless, blood-covered body of his wife in the machine beside him, was given to the jury in all its horrible detail.

OHIO TRIES OUT NEW ELECTION LAW

Columbus, O., Sept. 5.—The Kimball corrupt practices act enacted by the last session of the Ohio legislature was given its first practical test in the primaries held throughout the State today. The law in all its provisions applies to the primaries as well as to regular elections. The results of its operation are awaited with keen interest, particularly in Cincinnati, Toledo, Columbus and other large cities where it was tried out today.

The advocates of the Kimball act believe that it will work a revolution in the methods of practical politics. The measure is designed to bring practically every movement of every political party and candidate into the daylight of publicity. The publicity feature is attained by the provisions of the law which compel the filing within ten days after any election, of statements showing the precise amount of money spent by every candidate, party committee, or association or organization of two or more persons, interested in the election, and showing in addition how every dollar was spent. Primary elections are included, and the law makes the filing of such statements absolutely compulsory. The law requires, furthermore, that the statements must include not only the amount of money spent, but the amount "promised" or "received."

The new law also places a strict limit upon the amount of money any candidate can spend for his nomination. The amount allowed is in proportion to the population of the territory in which the candidates seek nomination or election. In addition, the law specifies all things that are to be regarded as legitimate campaign expenses, such as advertising, traveling expenses, expenses of halls and speakers, offices and headquarters, the preparation of lists of voters, etc.

The penalties for the violation of any of the provisions of the law are severe. For a candidate means forfeiture of office, in addition to the fine or imprisonment. The fine is to be from \$100 to \$500 and the imprisonment not to exceed six months.

Employers who seek in any way to influence or control the votes of those in their employ are made amenable to the law. An employer who threatened even verbally or indirectly that the election of any particular candidate or ticket would result in a partial suspension of business or a cut in wages, might under the provisions of the law, be sent to prison for six months.

The Kimball law, which is pronounced by experts to be the most drastic "corrupt practices" act in force in any of the States, is the result of the revelations of vote-buying in Adams county, this State, where hundreds of voters were disfranchised a year ago by Judge A. Z. Blair. The measure was introduced in the legislature by the representative from county, Mr. Kimball.

Central Illinois M. E. Conference

Peoria, Ill., Sept. 5.—The Central Illinois Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church began its annual meeting here today and will continue in session until Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. Bishop Quayle of Oklahoma City is presiding. A large number of ministers and lay members are in attendance. The opening day was given over to sessions of the Epworth League and Methodist Brotherhood.