

AMUSMENT CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

Gotham Is The Amusement
Center of the World
Leading London

THE SHOPLIFTERS

More Than \$400,000 Spent Daily in
New York's Theatres, Which With
Ninety Playhouses Has Now
Wrested the Amusement Crown
From London—"The Man With
the Camera Eye" Famous Through-
out the World For His Memory
Retires From City's Police Force—
New Interstate Commerce Regula-
tion.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
New York, Jan. 10.—Within the
past few months New York has out-
stripped London as the greatest
amusement center in the world. Its
possession of this record is due pri-
marily to the rapid increase in the
number of theatres here, of which
no less than a dozen are now in pro-
cess of construction. Heretofore Lon-
don has always boasted the posses-
sion of more playhouses than any
other city, having over eighty.
Greater New York, however, now has
ninety theatres within its limits, of
which seventy-four are in Manhattan.
These theatres entertain every night
audiences aggregating 150,000 per-
sons, besides matinee attendances of
an equal number twice a week. It
is estimated that \$300,000 is paid
out in New York daily for theatrical
entertainment. In addition there are
three hundred moving picture estab-
lishments attended by half a million
persons each day. Admissions to
these amusement places represent
another \$50,000. Operatic and mus-
ical entertainments are responsible
for a daily expenditure of \$35,000
during the winter season, and mis-
cellaneous exhibitions and sporting
events such as are held in the Mad-
ison Square Garden and other large
halls, calls for an average expendi-
ture of not less than \$15,000 daily
throughout the season. If the profits
of the fashionable restaurants are
included—and "dining out" admit-
tedly is one of the favorite recrea-
tions of New Yorkers—the daily ex-
penditure in this city for amusement
and recreation easily surpasses half
a million dollars a day. Not all this
money comes from the pockets of
New Yorkers of course. Probably a
third of the total amount is expend-
ed by visitors from all parts of the
country. The fact remains, how-
ever, that in no other city is any
such sum lavished on purely amuse-
ment purposes as in New York which
therefore stands as the amusement
capital of the world.

It is doubtful if New York will
ever again have a police officer with
the peculiar abilities and qualifica-
tions of Lieutenant William P. Sheri-
dan, who retired from the police de-
partment after twenty-three years'
service. Sheridan was famous among
police officials and criminals all over
the world as "the man with the cam-
era eye." The title was bestowed
upon him in view of the fact that he
never forgot a face which he had
once seen and carefully observed.
For the past fourteen years he has
been in charge of the famous
"Rogues' Gallery" in police head-
quarters here, but he seldom had oc-
casion to refer to this collection of
photographs in identifying a profes-
sional crook, as he knew practically
every criminal of importance from one
end of the country to the other. Not
only the facial characteristics of
thieves and other criminals, but also
their other identification marks were
indelibly engraved on his memory.
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from six to ten years of age for shop-
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the various forms of stealing, of
course, are merely agents in the
hands of clever, grown-up criminals.
The younger the child, so long as it
can be taught to do the work of the
thief, the more valuable its services,
for it is less likely to be arrested or
to be punished in case it is taken into
custody. It goes hard with the men
and women who are convicted of
violating this particular phase of the
law against theft, especially if it can
be shown that the offender is im-
plicated in introducing small children
to a life of crime. The association rep-
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ets, gloves and bits of ribbon which
they might easily have bought.

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wealthy.
Those thirsty souls who live in the
many suburban communities around
New York, where the sale of liquor is
forbidden or where visits to the lo-
cal wet emporiums are frowned upon
by the best elements in society, have
been placed in a sad dilemma by the
new federal law which went into
force on the first of January and
which requires that all packages con-
taining alcoholic stimulants must be
plainly marked with the nature of
their contents. Heretofore these con-
vivial souls have been able to have
their favorite brands of cheer ship-
ped to their New Jersey or Connecti-
cut homes under the guise of "gro-
ceries" or "vegetables" and nobody
has been the wiser. Now, however,
if John Smith has a quart of whis-
key, or a demijohn of rum shipped to
his suburban home, that fact is blaz-
oned forth on the package where all
who run may read. In small com-
munities such news travels fast and
Joan Smith's social reputation would
not survive such an event more than
twenty-four hours. Apparently the
only recourse of those who wish to
enjoy the cup that cheers and also
inebriates, is to carry their ship-
ments home internally, as this form
of transportation does not seem to be

ANNUAL HANDICAP

Over One Hundred Booked for Pinehurst Trap Shooting

Tournament Will Begin January 19
and Last a Week—Some Noted
Trap Shots to Participate Including
Amateurs and Professionals—Two
Splendid Cups Offered for Am-
ateurs and Four Gold Medals for the
Professionals.

(Special to The Times)
Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 10.—Ad-
vance entries for the third annual
midwinter handicap trap shooting
tournament, booked for January 19,
20, 21 and 22, assure a field of over
one hundred contestants, represent-
ing all sections of the country.
Details of handicapping are in the
hands of the following: Charles W.
Billings, of the New York Athletic
Club, as chairman; Charles A. Lock-
wood and David T. Leahy, of the
Crescent Athletic Club; Charles New-
comb, of the Independent Gun Club
of Philadelphia; Frank L. Hall, of

each of them, class shooting with an
optional sweepstake in it divided into
four money, high guns. The dates
are January 19, 20, 21 and 22. In
reality a full week, for the fun will
begin the Monday previous.
There will be two hundred dollars
added money in the handicap, the en-
trance fee twenty dollars, and one
hundred and fifty dollars added mon-
ey in the preliminary, with an en-
trance fee of ten dollars. It will thus
be seen that the program arranged
is ideal, appealing generally and
without objectionable features, as
the participation in the optional
event rests entirely with the contest-
ant.

Two splendid sterling cups are of-
fered to the winners of the handicap
and the preliminary and one gold and
two silver medals for the highest
general amateur average with a gold
medal for the highest professional
average. The contest is open to am-
ateurs only, manufacturers' agents
and paid representatives being only
allowed to shoot for the price of the
targets and the average medal.

High School Ball Team.
(Special to The Times)
Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 10.—A meet-
ing of the High School Athletic As-
sociation was called Thursday after-

WILL OPEN BARREL

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of the house and the real progres-
sives of the senate will oppose his
nomination for a second term in the
white house, President Taft has de-
termined to rid the republican par-
ty of all "undesirables" without fur-
ther ado and thus avoid inter-
ference later on.

The action of the president in
reaching a final decision as to pro-
gressives and insurgents is thought
to be directly due to information
supplied by Senator Aldrich, Speaker
Cannon, and other reactionary lead-
ers, with whom the president is co-
operating and in whom he has the
greatest confidence. The import of
their advice was to the effect that
the progressives and insurgents are
involved in what practically amounts
to a conspiracy to interfere with Mr.
Taft's ambition to succeed himself as
president, this being the fourth plot
against the chief executive that has
been uncovered by the reactionary
sleuths since March 4, last.

After having given the matter
much careful consideration, the pre-
sident has come to the conclusion that
the views of his friends are well
founded, and he has decided to act
without further waste of time.
"All those insurgents who remain-
ed on the warpath after the passage
of the tariff bill must be driven out
of public life," is the command that
has been issued from stand-pat head-
quarters. "They are preaching dem-
ocratic doctrine abroad the land and
are therefore democrats. Annihilate
them to the last man."

The writer can give no clearer idea
of the nature of the warfare that is
now waging, than by reviewing,
briefly, the rules that are being fol-
lowed by the stand-patters in their
treatment of the outlaws:

1. Recommendations of insur-
gents as to appointments to federal
positions within their districts are re-
ceiving no consideration.
2. Officeholders appointed upon
the recommendations of insurgents
are to be gradually supplanted by
men satisfactory to the "standpat"
element of congressional districts.
3. Every possible endeavor is be-
ing made to secure the defeat of in-
surgent candidates in the republican
primaries.
4. In instances of insurgent can-
didates winning the congressional
nominations from stand-patters, the
latter are to bolt and allow dem-
ocrats to win.
5. Insurgents are to be prevented
from securing the appropriation of
public money for the construction of
public buildings or bridges within
their districts.
6. There are to be decreased ap-
propriations for all government in-
stitutions, such as agricultural ex-
periment stations, arsenals, navy yards,
forts, etc., located in districts rep-
resented in congress by insurgents.
Economy will be cited as reason de-
creases.
7. Appropriations for waterway
improvements in progressive territory
are to be limited, and, if possible,
prevented.
8. Bills providing for progressive
legislation, when introduced by in-
surgents, will be referred to com-
mittees packed by Speaker Cannon,
where the measures will die.
9. Insurgents desiring the floor
severed. In the war of politics the
iniquities of the standpat organiza-
tion will not be recognized by the
speaker of the house if recognition
can possibly be avoided.
10. Insurgents in the house have
been appointed to unimportant com-
mittees.

By working systematically along
the lines indicated, the standpatters
hope to humiliate the progressives in
congress, weaken them in the eyes of
their constituents at home, and to
finally retire them to private life.
The insurgents and progressives
are practically at the mercy of their
foes now. While in Washington they
are in the enemy's country. They
are doing little more than to lie close
to their guns, all communication be-
tween the white house having been
severed. In the war of politics the
public's money is the ammunition
which counts, and of this the stand-
patters are in complete possession.
The insurgents have not given up
hope, however. They believe that
whatever reverses they sustain now,
they will more than make up for in
the skirmishes that are to take place
in the congressional elections this
fall, particularly in the west, which
the insurgents regard as their terri-
tory.

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Boston, Jan. 10.—Mrs. Sarah E.
Partridge, one of the best rifle and
revolver shots in the world, shot and
killed herself yesterday at Medford
Hillside, while despondent because of
illness.

Uneeda Biscuit
are soda crackers made from the finest
flour and the best materials obtainable—
That Makes them an ideal **FOOD**

Uneeda Biscuit
are baked in surroundings where clean-
liness and precision are supreme —
That Makes them **PURE**

Uneeda Biscuit
are touched only once by human hands
—when the pretty girls pack them —
That Makes them **CLEAN**

Uneeda Biscuit
are sealed in a moisture proof
package —
That Keeps them **FRESH**

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A Package
(Never sold in bulk)

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

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the Carterette Gun Club of Ridge-
field, and H. I. J. Johnson, of Ral-
eigh, one of the best known trap
shooters in the south.

Prominent among others who par-
ticipated in last year's tournament
were John Phillip Sousa, A. W.
Church, T. S. Baskerville and J. A.
Sprout, of New York; D. A. Upson
and E. S. Rogers, of Cleveland; C. A.
Lockwood and D. T. Leahy, of
Brooklyn; A. R. Allan, of Montreal;
D. Herbert Hostetter, of Pittsburg;
H. S. Lee, of Lenox; D. L. Culver,
of Jersey City; Jesse S. Young, of Chi-
cago; P. H. Powell, of Newport; F.
Cushing Todd, of Newburyport; F.
W. Moffett, of Montreal; W. D.
Hinds, of Portland, and a large num-
ber of prominent southern shooters.

The list of professionals was a
brilliant array, including Fred Gil-
bert, J. A. R. Elliot, A. M. Hatcher,
T. A. Marshall, H. A. Wells, T. H.
Keller, G. W. Maxwell, J. R. Taylor,
J. T. Skelly, W. B. Darton, Harold
Money, Guy Ward, Walter Huff, F.
B. Butler, E. H. Storr, and not only
this brilliant aggregation of amateurs
and professionals, but many impor-
tant additions will participate this
season.

This year's program is planned on
new and comprehensive lines; the
sweepstakes to be twenty-target
events, with the money divided into
five sections and ten dollars added to

noon for the purpose of organizing a
baseball team for the coming sea-
son. The team will be composed of
High School students and while very
light in weight they will be fast when
seen on the diamond.

THE TAFT MESSAGE.

Some Views of the Lawmakers on
the Message.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Jan. 10.—Representa-
tive Townsend, who was President
Roosevelt's foremost aide in the
house, in the last fight for railroad
legislation, this afternoon declared
that President Taft's message today
was far more radical than anything
Roosevelt ever proposed.

"This message goes farther than
Roosevelt ever went," he said.
Divers views were expressed by
some of the other members.

Congressman Moon, of Tennessee,
said that the corporation charter re-
commendation was drastic and will
produce a hot fight because of its en-
croachments on states rights.

"The message will not hurt busi-
ness as much as war feared," was
the opinion of Congressman Mc-
Creary, of Pennsylvania, who is a
millionaire merchant.

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What is the real significance of the
desperate attempt of the republicans
to pass a ship subsidy bill at this
time? From what viewpoint will the
average citizen be likely to view the
situation?

The plan now is to pass a ship sub-
sidy bill within the next few days. If
this is done, it will mean that the first
important legislation to pass at this
season was a measure that will ben-
efit only a few already rich men. It
will mean that congress deliberately
turned its back upon legislation desired
by the people to first serve the special
interests. And as if to make more
evident their contempt for public sen-
timent, the republican leaders have
given the country to understand that
while a ship subsidy bill is to be passed
no attention is to be paid at this sea-

The marquis left the white house
in a huff. Other ministers, when de-
nied admission to the privileged
space, also withdrew.

PULLMAN RATE EXCESSIVE.

Price of Berth From Buffalo to Chi-
cago Causes Complaint.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Jan. 10.—Charging
that the Pullman rate of three dol-
lars for a berth from Buffalo to Chi-
cago is excessive the transportation
committee of the Manufacturers' Club
of Buffalo, today filed a com-
plaint with the Interstate Commerce
Commission. Quoting the present
rates for Pullman berths from Buffa-
lo to New York, Washington and
other cities the complaint declares
that the rate for a lower berth from
Buffalo to Chicago should not exceed
\$2.25 and for an upper berth \$2.

Honor For Peary.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Commander
Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., will be
signally honored in Chicago Wednes-
day night, January 26. On that date
he will be presented with the Helen
Culver gold medal by the Geographi-
cal Society of Chicago.