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It is fully as painful to be shot on the border as elsewhere.

What has become of the old-fashioned Balkan war cloud?

Relief at last! Boston reports that the lobster famine is broken.

The man that tended the furnace will not be expected to push the lawn mower.

The expert who finds germs in the cat's whiskers would do well to look to his own.

That New York man who wants to exterminate trout will find plenty of volunteer assistants.

Another Chinese cabinet smashed, but then it must be remembered that China cabinets smash easily.

They have found a diamond weighing 244 carats in South Africa. Who will be the lucky hotel clerk?

It is a sad but unmistakable fact that the average constituent prefers garden seeds to copies of speeches.

Whether the world is seventy or ten million years old makes little difference to us. It is a nice old world, anyway.

The only trouble now in ordering your dinner at the restaurant is to decide what to eat with the asparagus on toast.

In New Mexico a woman subdued a wildcat by jumping on its back. Perhaps she had been practicing on her husband.

Germany's idea of a universal language probably consists of words of several syllables spoken with a Teutonic accent.

A Pennsylvania man filled his pipe with gunpowder thinking it was tobacco. We presume he got one good puff, anyhow.

After the housefly, the rat and the common drinking cup have been abolished something ought to be done about the street car hog.

A tunnel nine miles long through the Alps was hurried up out of the fear that the alpslips will soon take all of the transportation business.

The government, in plague research, has examined 85,000 California squirrels. The odd part of it is that it has been done since last summer.

"Money," says Banker Vanderbilt of New York, "is distressingly easy." Money is a good deal like the painless dentist. He doesn't suffer any.

A Maryland surgeon informs us that transplanting human kidneys is as easy as a plumber's job. We presume, also, that it is as costly as a plumber's job.

The interest of Chicago coeds in matrimony is only academic. But two per cent. of them signify their intention of becoming brides upon graduation.

An eastern physician says that the reason some men are fat is because they don't get enough to eat. The silly season seems to be opening early this year.

Since an aviation school has been established in Spain students will be enabled to get to those castles in the air for which Spain has long been noted.

Manuel de Zamacona e Inclan has been appointed ambassador to the United States from Mexico. The rubber stamp must be a handy thing in this case.

An aviator has succeeded in flying in four hours from London to Paris without bumping into anybody. Travel still is comparatively light in the upper reaches.

A fashionable tailor is advising his customers to select their clothes to match their hair. Probably he will let the bald-headed ones wait until the weather is warmer.

A lady who walked from New York to Florida lost 40 pounds on the way. Still, a good many of the stout ladies will prefer to roll on bedroom floors for the purpose of reducing their weight.

A pretty St. Louis girl has been sent to Cincinnati to cure her of an infatuation for a young man in her home town. Which is or is not complimentary to Cincinnati. It depends upon the point of view.

The new helmet hat for women needs little hair, says a fashion note. And since the era of puffs and braids and such have left little in many cases, it may be a case of tempering the wind to the shorn lamb.

A Chicago judge has decided that girls who jilt their sweethearts must give the latter back their engagement rings. The judge is evidently a fair sample of the class of men who do not want poor women to get any enjoyment out of life. Such a proviso would surely take all the pleasure out of jilting a man.

FLETCHER BANNED FOR LORIMER VOTE

THE FLORIDA SENATOR LOSES FRIENDSHIP OF MEMBERS OF UNITARIAN CHURCH.

ACTION WAS NOT UNANIMOUS

Because He Voted for Lorimer Senator Fletcher Is Scored by Ministers.

Boston, Mass.—National politics, as voiced in the action of the United States senate on the Lorimer resolution, figured in the principal meeting of the anniversary week observance here by the Unitarians and affiliated societies. A resolution opposing the re-election of United States Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida, as vice president of the American Unitarian association, because of his vote on the Lorimer case, received the endorsement of a number of members of the ministerial union.

An attempt was made to place the union, as a body, in opposition to Senator Fletcher, but it was finally agreed to allow members to approve with their signatures as a personal expression the following resolution:

"Resolved, That in view of the public service attached to the name of Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida, we do not regard him as eligible to the leadership in that form of Christianity known as Unitarianism, and, therefore, protest against his nomination for vice president of the American Unitarian association."

DIAZ WILL VISIT EUROPE

Mexican President Will Leave Country When Peace Comes.

Mexico City.—Minister of Foreign Relations de la Barra had not received any word from Judge Carabaja that Francisco I. Madero, Jr., had finally approved the cabinet as suggested. As soon as Madero's acceptance of the cabinet is received, President Diaz will present his resignation to the chamber of deputies, it is said.

No effort is made now to disguise the fact that General Diaz will leave the country at an early date. It is expected that he will spend several months visiting Europe.

On notification that peace had been agreed to, the management of the National railways immediately began reconstruction. It is estimated that the rebels have put 2,472 miles of railroads out of commission.

Although the public manifested approval of the signing of the peace agreement, there was evident no enthusiasm.

HENRY STIMSON IS SWORN IN

New War Secretary Takes the Oath of Office.

Washington.—Henry L. Stimson of New York was sworn in as secretary of war, succeeding J. M. Dickinson, who resigned to take charge of his personal interests in Tennessee. The oath of office was administered by John Randolph, assistant to Chief Clerk Schofield of the war department.

A large gathering of officials of the army witnessed the ceremony inducting the new secretary into office. Secretary Stimson appointed as private secretary Walter Hedding of Virginia, who has served as private secretary to the former secretary of war. It was announced that Mr. Stimson would make no changes in the personnel of his office.

ANSWERS GERMAN CRITICISM

State Department Explains New Arbitration Treaty.

Washington.—The state department replied to the criticism of the German press on the arbitration treaty between the United States, England and France by saying that Germany had herself to blame for not being included in the proposed convention. It was stated that the treaty as now drafted was simply a basis indicating the terms of arbitration which the United States was disposed to discuss with any of the powers entered. In other words, the German government may be included in the pact if the basis for negotiations, as proposed by the United States, appeals favorably to the German people.

Eugene Schmidt a Pauper.

San Francisco.—Eugene Schmidt, the graft mayor of San Francisco, who was convicted of accepting bribes by the wholesale with Abe Ruef, is penniless, and stranded in Sinaloa, Mexico where his brother is interested in a gold mine. A letter was received from him in which a request for money to come home was made. In defending himself during his trials here and in pursuing worthless mining investments Schmidt has lost all of the half million dollars he "grafted" from big corporations.

Lorimer Fight Reopened.

Washington.—Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin opened a second fight on Senator Lorimer to expel the blonde boss from congress and for two hours, despite the sweltering heat, addressed the senate and crowded galleries in his usual impassioned manner. At the close of his first day's speech Senator LaFollette started his hearers by reading aloud as part of his attack the names of the senators who had voted to permit Lorimer to retain his seat and those who had voted against the resolution.

ON THE SEA OF MATRIMONY



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WILL PROBE LUMBER TRUST

CHARGES OF GIGANTIC CONSPIRACY MADE BY ATTORNEY GENERAL WICKERSHAM.

Sensational Charges Against the Eastern States Lumber Dealers' Association.

New York.—In the first Federal anti-trust proceedings brought under the Sherman anti-trust proceedings brought under the Sherman law as interpreted by the Standard Oil decision, the department of justice filed suit in the Federal court here against various constituent organizations of what is properly known as the "lumber trust" alleging the existence of a widespread conspiracy, "unreasonably," to restrain the lumber trade in this country.

It is said the suit may be the first of a series planned by Attorney General Wickersham looking to the breaking up of alleged agreements among the retailers of many of the commodities of life to maintain high prices, to force all ultimate consumers to buy from retailers and to blacklist wholesalers who sell to others than members of the retail organizations.

Ten trade organizations and more than 150 individuals are named as defendants in the suit. It alleges violations of the Sherman anti-trust law and seeks a permanent injunction restraining the defendants from continuing the conspiracy charged.

The elaborate system of blacklisting attributed to the alleged conspirators, copies of circulars sent out by the various organizations classifying consumers as "proper" and "improper" trade, extracts from reports threatening "short shrift" to dealers daring to violate the rules of the organizations and branding such offenders as "poachers," "scalpers," "mavericks" and "illegitimates," are fully set forth in the government's petition.

FARMERS ARE PROGRESSIVE

Rapid Spread of Telephones in Rural Districts Indicate Prosperity.

Atlanta.—The continued progress of the farmers of Georgia and Alabama is indicated by the records of the Southern Bell Telephone company for the month of April. During the month of April 668 farmers—296 in Georgia and 372 in Alabama—installed telephones in their homes and connected lines with the Bell system. Since January 1,233 farmers in Georgia and Alabama have taken telephone service. Of these 1,035 are in Georgia and 1,148 in Alabama.

The rapid spread of the telephone in the rural districts is also regarded as an indication of the prosperity of the farmer, because in each case the farmers own the telephone line and their telephone instruments. Through a co-operative plan they build their lines and connect with the Bell system, each farmer often receiving service as low as 50 cents per month.

While the Southern Bell company operates in seven states and has 26,000 farmers connected with it, more than half of these—13,208—are in Georgia and Alabama.

Cox Quits Politics.

Cincinnati.—George B. Cox, long a political leader in Ohio and practically the dominating head of the party in Hamilton county, issued a formal statement withdrawing from politics. This followed the quashing of indictments against him for perjury in connection with testimony before the grand jury in cases affecting politicians. He stated in his announcement that he did not wish to involve his party in any issue in the coming municipal campaign.

Cameron Pleads for Arizona.

Washington.—"I am here today begging Republicans and Democrats alike to let Arizona into the Union and to do it now," said Delegate Ralph Cameron of Arizona in the debate in the house on the statehood resolution. Mr. Cameron said he had warned the people of Arizona against the incorporation in their Constitution of features that would meet the disapproval of the president, such as the recall of judges. He recommended the plan proposed by the republican members of the committee on territories.

Battleship on the Mississippi.

Angola, La.—With the ship's band playing the national anthem and the bluejackets with rifles at "present," the United States battleship Idaho saluted the resting place of the old wooden United States war sloop Mississippi of Admiral Farragut's fleet, riddled and sunk by the Confederate batteries at Port Hudson on the Mississippi river, during the Civil war. The success of the voyage up the river to Vicksburg was assured when the soundings at the shoals near Waverly showed 62 feet depth.

NEGROES LYNCHED BY FLORIDA MOB

THE NEGROES WERE HELD AT LAKE CITY, FLA., ON CHARGE OF MURDERING A MAN.

BOY IN CHARGE OF JAIL

Lynchers Took the Negroes, Lined Them Up Abreast and Shot Them to Pieces.

Lake City, Fla.—Masquerading as officers of the law, a dozen men appeared before the county jail and presented a bogus telegram to the credulous 16-year-old son of the sheriff ordering the release of Mark Norris, Jr., Jerry Gusto and four other negroes, who had been held for safekeeping on the charge of murdering B. B. Smith, a sawmill man, at Wadesboro, Leon county, and wounding another man, named Register, on the 12th of May.

The men, who had come from Tallahassee to Lake City in automobiles, carried the negroes about a mile outside of Lake City, compelled the negroes to stand abreast, and about ten men commenced firing with Winchester pistols, until every one of the six had been riddled with bullets.

The firing lasted about half an hour, and a few straggling citizens at daybreak found the negroes, butchered beyond recognition, just after the automobiles left the scene of the lynching.

The men who planned the execution of the six negroes came overland from Tallahassee, a distance of 106 miles, and covered most of the distance at night.

It is possible that the occupants of the two automobiles were never seen from the time they left Tallahassee until they returned. The plans of the men were the most daring, and but for a curious combination of circumstances probably would have never been accomplished. The sheriff of Columbia county was out of the city, and left the jail in charge of the boy, who, aroused in the early hours of the morning, allowed the six negroes to be taken from the jail without knowing the sinister purpose of the mob.

The actual details of the summary execution of the negroes is problematical, for residents of Lake City knew nothing of the lynching until a fusillade of distant shots were heard.

A few citizens went in the direction of the shots and found the negroes, but all traces of the mob were gone. By some it is believed that the negroes were to be hung, but resisted, and were instantly killed to prevent escape. Some indications of a struggle substantiate this belief.

The crime for which the negroes were held for safekeeping had created strong feeling in Leon county, as the men shot were prominent, and a general race war was intimated at the preliminary hearing given the prisoners. It was proven that the negroes had established a veritable arsenal, and were prepared for trouble. The negroes were first brought to Tallahassee, then sent to Live Oak for safe-keeping and brought to Lake City six days ago.

Swainsboro, Ga.—Ben Smith, the old negro preacher who shot and fatally wounded Neal Canady, deputy marshal of Summit, was hanged to a limb and his body riddled with bullets.

Canady was attempting to arrest Smith, for whom he had a warrant for shooting his wife. Before Canady could arrest him, however, Smith pulled out a pistol, shooting the marshal through the bowels, inflicting a probably fatal wound.

Extending Postal Bank System.

Washington.—Postmaster General Hitchcock, impressed by the reports of the successful operation of the postal savings system, has decided to designate one hundred additional postal depositories each week. Among postoffices selected as depositories, which will open for postal savings business on June 19, are the following: Gadsden, Ala.; Mena, Ark.; Appalachicola, Fla.; Cedartown, Ga.; Callettsburg, Ky.; Hammond, La.; Blount, Miss.; Lawton, Okla.; Darlington, S. C.; Dyersburg and Humboldt, Tenn.

Mexican Peace Pact Signed.

Juarez, Mexico.—Officially designated representatives of the Mexican government and the Revolutionists signed a peace agreement at the customs house, intended to end the 1 1/2 years that have been waged in Mexico; the last six months.

Though covering only the principal point negotiated thus far, the agreement practically records the concessions by the government of those demands which started on November 20, the last armed revolution in Mexico.

Monoplane Kills French Officials.

Paris, France.—France paid a terrible toll for her magnificent endeavor to attain supremacy of the air, when a monoplane plunged into a group of members of the cabinet who had gathered to witness the start of a race from Paris to Madrid, killing the minister of war and injuring the prime minister. Henri Maurice Berteaux, minister war, was instantly killed. Antoine Emmanuel Ernest Monis, premier and minister of the interior, was seriously injured, and a number of spectators were hurt.

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