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The waiters fear that the new 3 cent pieces will be used as tips.

One way to become contented with your job is to knock off and go fishing.

A Central park elephant objects to the paring of his corns with a jack-blane.

Louisiana farmers would feel better about it if they had wanted their land irrigated.

A modern physician says housekeeping is the best known cure for nervousness.

Wireless in midair is the latest. Yet up-in-the-air communication is not really a novelty.

The reichstag has adopted an anti-dueling bill, which is one way of challenging the kaiser.

San Francisco's three mile bridge will at least be a more tangible wonder than the Golden Gate.

Now an aviator and his bride are about to pass their honeymoon in the air. It simply had to come!

It is to be hoped the hot air generated in the campaign will not remain permanently in the atmosphere.

It will take all of that \$1,000,000 gift to break some farmers of planting potatoes in the dark of the moon.

The only objection to a 3-cent piece is that some factory is sure to make a cigar bad enough to fit in price.

When the half-pennies make their appearance it may become necessary to get larger toy banks for the children.

Potted English sparrow is recommended as a delicacy for the table. We should prefer stuffed humming birds.

Dressed poultry reached its maximum when \$250,000 was paid for Rembrandt's "Old Woman Plucking a Powl."

MacVeagh's plan to make money smaller is excellent, but it would be a more popular idea to make it more frequent.

The leaning tower of Pisa continues to stand, although the vertical campanile at Venice tumbled down and had to be rebuilt.

That person who smuggled 14,000 glass eyes into this country must have thought that the long hatpin had committed dreadful ravages.

A Philadelphia explorer has gone to Brazil to take moving pictures of a boa constrictor. Perhaps some of them will be inside views.

A messenger boy in Wall street was given 25 cents for restoring \$521,000 worth of bonds. How different it is in life outside of Wall street!

A Detroit man has secured six cents damages for being beaten up by a policeman. It appears from this distance to be a poor way to earn money.

A Boston man has invented an automatic trombone player. But then Boston may find relief by treating it with baked beans and codfish balls.

If the inhabitants of Mars are 12 feet high, as some people think, no doubt they find it easy to reach the sirup pitcher at the breakfast table.

In one of the Denver high schools girls are being taught how to be good wives. The lessons will hardly be effective unless they include the folly of nagging.

These are the days when the man who has time on his hands finds it difficult to make up his mind whether to go fishing or watch the excavating for a new building.

Somebody might confer a benefit upon humanity by devising some kind of a scheme whereby people could learn how to operate launches before venturing on the water.

Surgeons have succeeded in grafting the cornea of a rabbit's eye upon the eye of a man. It will perhaps be only natural for him to shy off when he sees a dog approaching, after this.

Three of Chicago's wealthy batchelors want to adopt babies. They explain that they desire to be fathers, but do not care to assume the risk of taking wives. Perhaps they have never learned that sweet old song, "What is Home Without a Mother."

Because he had become engaged to seventeen women in Switzerland a young man of that country has been sent to jail. What is known elsewhere as the summer engagement does not flourish amid the Alps.

A French aviator says that in two centuries he shall be crossing the ocean in airships. This will make people with a regard for their mundane lives willing to wait instead of making predictions of trying it next summer.

LAKES-TO-COAST ROAD PROJECTED

NEW ROAD FROM THE GREAT LAKES TO SOUTH ATLANTIC SEABOARD PROBABLE.

A DREAM OF HAWLEY

Sale of Seaboard Means Entrance of Chesapeake and Ohio into the South Atlantic Region.

Richmond, Va. — The Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio railroad has secured an amendment to its charter from the Virginia corporation commission authorizing the road to increase its capital stock from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000. This, it is declared, is for the purpose of further perfecting plans to get connection with the Chesapeake and Ohio system.

In railway circles here it is believed that the sale of 210,000 shares of Seaboard Air Line stock by the Cumberland corporation and their acquisition by a new syndicate which has come into control of this road is nothing more than a plan on the part of the Chesapeake and Ohio to eventually take over the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio, which is owned by the Clinchfield corporation.

By selling out its Seaboard holdings the Cumberland corporation can now carry out its extension plans, irrespective of Seaboard influence, it is believed. These plans call for an extension from Dante, the northern terminus of the C. C. and O., to Elkhorn, Ky., the southern terminus of the Big Sandy division of the Chesapeake and Ohio. Contract for this work was let several weeks ago.

With the completion of this connecting link, a distance of 40 miles, within the next year or two, it is believed that the way will have been sufficiently cleared for the Chesapeake and Ohio to assume active charge of the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio whose southern terminus is Spartanburg, S. C.

Behind this project lies the dream of Edwin Hawley for the C. and O. and its allied branches in the middle West to get a direct line from the Great Lakes to the South Atlantic seaboard, preliminary to the opening of the Panama canal in 1915.

NORMAN MACK I SUES CALL

Meeting of Democratic Officials in Baltimore to Convene June 20.

New York.—Norman E. Mack, the chairman of the Democratic national committee, announced that he had issued a call for a meeting in Baltimore on June 20 of the arrangements committee to select the temporary chairman of the convention. The selection of the committee will be placed for ratification before the national committee June 24.

Among the men whom the arrangements committee will consider, he said, "are Senator O'Gorman of New York, Senator Kern of Indiana, and Senator-elect Ollie James of Kentucky; Representative William Sulzer of New York and Henry of Texas, and James Hamilton Lewis of Chicago. There doubtless will be others."

Urey Woodson, secretary, said he thought there would be a contest over the six delegates from the Philippine Islands. This and other contests, Mr. Woodson said, would be disposed of the day preceding the convention.

Baltimore.—There will be no packing of the Democratic convention hall with shouters for presidential aspirants if the joint plans agreed upon by the Baltimore committee and the national committee prove to be effective. Through the distribution of tickets to the delegations by the arrangements committee the day before the convention meets and the careful allotment of seats, it is expected that bands of shouters can be kept away.

"I have had a fixed determination for a year to prevent a packed convention," said Chairman Robert Crain of the national convention committee.

The plan of ticket distribution should prevent their getting into improper hands."

Striking Waiters Raid Banquet.

New York.—A demonstration by striking waiters of the city outside the Waldorf-Astoria hotel during the dinner given by Mayor Gaynor to officers of the visiting German squadron resulted in scenes of violence and rioting. An army of policemen, including the "strong-arm squad," picketed the streets in the vicinity throughout the banquet to avert further trouble, and in two raids upon the mob the police carted away in patrol wagons 125 prisoners, many charged with disorderly conduct.

House Stands for Reciprocity.

Washington.—The house voted, 144 to 101, not to accept the senate amendment to the metal tariff revision bill, which would repeal the Canadian reciprocity pact and fix a universal duty of \$2 a ton on print paper. The house accepted two senate amendments reducing the duty on pig iron and certain alloys. The bill again will go to conference. Majority Leader Underwood estimated the reduced duties on pig iron and alloys would result in a falling off of approximately \$300,000 in revenue.

TWO NATIONAL COMMITTEEMEN



This is a snapshot of Gen. Powell Clayton of Arkansas and J. W. Fraser of New York city, at the Coliseum in Chicago. Both are members of the Republican National committee and they are old friends.

MARINES LAND IN CUBA

CONDITIONS ON THE ISLAND SO BAD THAT THE UNITED STATES TAKES DRASTIC ACTION.

The United States is Determined to Protect American Lives and Property on Island.

Washington.—Frank confession of President Gomez that he was unable to meet the demands of the large plantation owner in eastern Cuba for adequate guards against the marauders and insurgents was the factor that led Captain Kline, commanding the United States naval station at Guantanamo, to set in motion the body of United States marines gathered there for just such a purpose.

Captain Kline's action in dispatching nearly half of his available force of marines into the interior of Cuba gave the signal for the departure from Key West to Guantanamo of half of the second squadron of the Atlantic fleet, which had been lying at anchor at Key West for the last week.

The facts as disclosed at the state department are that several of the large American, British, French and Spanish companies operating plantations and mines in eastern Cuba telegraphed the Cuban government, through the blockade of Guantanamo, a demand for 100 regular troops for each of their mills and 50 for each of their cane fields.

POLICE FIRE ON STRIKERS

Italian Women Started Fight in the Streets of Newark, N. J.

Newark, N. J.—At least six persons were shot and many others wounded by missiles in a street battle here between 150 striking laborers and the police. Five strikers, a policeman and a citizen are at the city hospital.

A group of Italian women, armed with knives and stones, attacked a gang of laborers at work on the Lackawanna railroad and continued the fight with policemen who came to the laborers' rescue. One of the women was arrested. The bluecoat taking her to the station house encountered a body of marching strikers, who set upon him, released his prisoner, and knocked him down, and were pelting him with stones when a passerby came to his assistance.

Woman Saved From Electric Chair.

Boston.—The sentence of Mrs. Lena Cusumano of Hull condemned to die for the murder of her husband, Frank Cusumano, was commuted to life imprisonment by the executive council. She declared that Enrico Mascioli killed her husband without her knowledge, that after the murder he threatened her life and took what money she had and declared himself the head of her home. Enrico Mascioli, convicted jointly with Mrs. Cusumano, was electrocuted at the Charleston state prison.

Lynch Won by 4,989.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Two members of the administration ticket of the International Typographical Union failed of election, according to an announcement made when the last of the ballots were counted. George E. Tracy of San Francisco, first vice president, was defeated by James M. Duncan of New York City by a majority of a few hundred votes. W. H. McKee of New York, a Union Printers' Home trustee, fell behind the four high candidates. James M. Lynch of Indianapolis was re-elected.

SEABOARD RAILWAY SOLD

BALTIMORE FINANCIER AND HIS ASSOCIATES PURCHASE CONTROL OF THE SYSTEM.

Warfield Says South's Position in Seaboard Affairs Will Now Be Emphasized.

New York.—Announcement was made here of the purchase of S. Davies Warfield, president of the Continental Trust company of Baltimore of a large block of stock in the Seaboard Air Line railway, whereby the control of the railway will pass to Mr. Warfield and a group of financial interests associated with him. The transfer, it is stated, marks the practical retirement of Thomas F. Ryan from the Seaboard.

The sale announced includes 90,000 shares of the preferred and 120,000 shares of the common stock of the Seaboard Air Line, and was made by the Cumberland corporation. During the last year Mr. Warfield has acquired large holdings of Seaboard stock, which, with the latest purchase, passes control to the group with which he is associated. In all practically \$37,000,000 of common and \$24,000,000 of the preferred stock are outstanding.

According to announcement made, leading financial interests in the states traversed by the Seaboard system are closely identified with Mr. Warfield.

TAFT USING STEAM ROLLER

24 Delegates From Alabama and Arkansas Added to Taft's Column.

Chicago.—Twenty-four delegates from Alabama and Arkansas were added to the Taft column by the action of the Republican national committee on the so-called Roosevelt contests from those states. All contests presented before the committee were decided in Taft's favor, and in all but two of the decisions the action was unanimous. One roll call test, apparently, had shown fifteen anti-Taft votes.

The cases decided were those of the six delegates-at-large and the two each in the First, Second, Fifth, Sixth and Ninth congressional districts in Alabama, and the four delegates-at-large and the two each in the First and Second districts of Arkansas.

Commerce Court Stripped of Power.

Washington.—Blow after blow was given the new commerce court by the Supreme court of the United States, which upheld the exclusive jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission over the Federal rate laws. The principal decision was announced by Chief Justice White. He was sustained by the entire court. In substance he held that the commerce court was not to substitute its judgment for the interstate commerce commission in the administration of the rate laws.

Solvent Banks Were Forced to Wall.

New York.—Testimony intended to show how the power of the New York clearing house committee was used to force a solvent bank to the wall during the aftermath of the panic of 1907, with the result that the "fair reputation" of its president was "blasted," was dramatically presented before the Pujo committee of the house of representatives, which is investigating the so-called money trust. The testimony was elicited by Samuel Untermyer, special counsel of the committee.

MARINES TO STOP CUBAN RACE WAR

ADMIRAL OSTERHAUS ORDERED TO HAVANA FROM KEY WEST WITH HIS TWO SHIPS.

CONDITIONS ARE VERY GRAVL

Minister Beaupre Cables Washington That Situation Has Assumed Character of Race War.

Washington.—The navy department, acting under instructions from the state department, ordered Admiral Osterhaus to proceed forthwith from Key West to Havana with one dispatch ship and one other ship. These orders were issued by the state department, after the receipt of a dispatch from Minister Beaupre reporting that conditions in Havana and the suburbs had assumed the character of a race war.

It is probable that Admiral Osterhaus, besides the dispatch ship, will take his flagship, the Washington, into Cuban waters. Minister Beaupre's message said that conditions in and around Havana had been menacing and there were anti-negro demonstrations of large proportions by irresponsible elements and that there were clashes in every quarter of Havana and vicinity. He reported that the negroes were being goaded into violence and that retaliation might have disastrous consequences. Americans and other foreigners and many Cubans, he said, were very apprehensive and desired the sending of an American war vessel.

The state department has decided to leave entirely to Rear Admiral Usher, commanding the Fourth division of the Atlantic fleet, the disposition of the American marines, who are to be employed as guards for foreign-owned properties in eastern Cuba.

CONVICTS IN "GRUB STRIKE"

Nineteen Hundred Prisoners in San Quentin Mutiny at Dinner.

San Quentin, Cal.—A continuation of the "grub strike" demonstration, began in San Quentin prison, developed into a riot in the general mess hall, as a result of which one prisoner was shot and killed and two were wounded. The dead: H. L. Lynnwood, a naval prisoner serving a term of six and one-half years for desertion and impersonating an officer.

The wounded: Frank Taylor, negro, serving twenty years for robbery committed in San Francisco, shot through the hand; H. A. George, struck in the leg by glancing bullet.

Nineteen hundred prisoners were sitting down to dinner, when 200 or 300 of the men began a concerted demonstration. Not content with voicing their protests with shrieks and catcalls, the demonstrators began throwing dishes and food about. Some made a rush for the adjoining wicket and began hurling pots and pans around the room.

No sooner had the mutiny started than the prison bell was sounded with the "lock-up" signal.

The prisoners were quickly marched to their cells, but the rioters even after being locked up, continued their shrieks of defiance and kept up their shouting at intervals.

Warden John Hoyle said that thirty or forty of the mutineers would be severely disciplined. Ten men were singled out for disciplinary measures for the disturbance, but of these only four were punished.

Democrats Gathering in Baltimore.

Baltimore.—Baltimore awaits the coming of 1,090 delegates to the Democratic national convention, the preparations for which have practically been completed. Already the advance guard of boomers for candidates for the presidential nomination have now pitched their camps on the battleground and are laying the final plans of campaign. With the arrival of National Chairman Norman E. Mack, the official arrangements for the convention will be considered for adoption later by the arrangements committee.

Twenty-five Men Killed in Card Game

Knoxville, Tenn.—Twenty-five men were killed at Dante, Va., in a drunken row precipitated in a card game. It is reported that the dead men are Italians and mountaineers who made their homes at Dante, a mining town of about 5,000 inhabitants. The fight which resulted in so many fatalities is said to have ensued when the Italians charged the mountaineers with trying to defeat them at their game by using unfair methods. Practically every man in the game lost his life.

REP. R. C. WICKLIFFE RUN DOWN BY TRAIN

THE LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT'S MANGLED BODY FOUND BESIDE THE TRACKS.

HOUSE ADJOURNS IN RESPECT

After Brief Services at His Apartments in This City the Body Will Be Taken to Louisville, Ky.—Engineers View of Accident.

Washington.—Representative Robert C. Wickliffe of Louisiana, was run down on the tracks of the Southern Railway in Potomac park and instantly killed. Mr. Wickliffe had been in the habit of taking long walks daily and was taking his customary walk when killed. Where he happened to stray on the railroad tracks has not been cleared up. The engineer of the train said he saw the Congressman too late to avoid the accident.

Mrs. Wickliffe was apprised of her husband's death while watching the proceedings in the House. The House later adjourned out of respect to the memory of the Southern Representative as did the Senate also. Committees from the two houses of Congress were appointed to attend the funeral.

After brief services at his apartments here the body of Representative Wickliffe will be taken by special train to Louisville, Ky., Mrs. Wickliffe's old home where further services will be held in Christ Episcopal church. The burial will be in Cave Hill.

The accident was on the railroad embankment at the north end of the railroad bridge over the entrance to the Potomac park which borders the river in the southwest section of this city. Despite a signal at that point warning against trespassing on the railroad property there, Wickliffe was seen to climb the elevation, apparently unconscious of an oncoming train. He was struck and instantly killed. A deep gash was cut on his forehead and the body was badly crushed.

Asks About the Pure Food Law. New York.—Alice M. Lake, chairman of the Food Committee of the National Consumers' League, made public a letter she has sent to President Taft, Colonel Roosevelt, Governor Wilson, Governor Harmon, Senator LaFollette, Champ Clark and Eugene V. Debs, candidates for the presidency. On behalf of the league, she asks them questions as to their attitude toward the enforcement of pure food legislation and wants to know, in event of their election, if they will do all in their power to uphold the integrity of the food and drugs act. "We want to know what you will do," says the letter, "so that we may know what is to be the fate of the greatest law for the protection of the home ever enacted in this country."

Floods Are Again Getting Serious.

Washington.—The floods in Louisiana again have become serious, necessitating another appeal to the army for aid. A message to the War Department told of the breaking of every protection levee west of Bayou Lafourche from Lakeville to the Gulf of Mexico, about ninety miles covering almost every estate in the vicinity with water. Major Normoyle, at Vicksburg, in charge of the army flood relief work, was instructed to send an officer to aid in the relief south of New Orleans.

Protect People Against Swindlers.

Washington.—The Department of Agriculture has taken steps to expose land investment frauds and protect the people of the country against these swindling schemes. Secretary Wilson ordered the collection of data to place his department in position to aid such investors. Bulletins are to be issued warning against certain general propositions, and specific information will be given by correspondence upon request.

Shaw Preparing For Sanity Test.

White Plains, N. Y.—Since Harry K. Thaw arrived at the White Plains jail he has been spending much of his time writing notes and questions which will be used when the hearing to determine whether he is now sane is held before Justice Koegh in the supreme court. He has the same typewriter he used in 1903 when similar proceedings were heard. Thaw's mother and his sister, Alice, formerly the Countess of Yarmouth, will arrive here soon and remain until a decision is announced.

Havana Reported Quiet.

Washington.—Absence of fresh outbreaks in Havana has encouraged the state department in the belief that the measures already taken to show the purpose of this government to maintain order have been sufficient. It has been decided that there shall be no additions to the naval force now in Cuban waters unless unexpected developments make them necessary. Admiral Fisk will remain there for the present with the United States battleships, New Jersey and Nebraska.