

FARMERS' LEADER

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CANTON, SOUTH DAKOTA.

A STATE OF CHAOS

NO TANGIBLE HEAD OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT IS VISIBLE.

WAR FUNDS NEEDED BADLY

Yuan Shi Kai Refuses to Accept premiership Although Assured of Support of Chinese Assembly—More Cities Are in Revolt.

Peking.—Yuan Shi Kai still declines to accept the premiership, although assured of the support of the national assembly and Gen. Chang in command of the Lanchow troops. Both the assembly and Gen. Chang, however, insist that when the parliament is elected that the premier shall be chosen by that body.

In the meantime affairs here are in a state of chaos. No tangible head of the government is visible. The government urgently needs funds and hopes that the Franco-English loan will be forthcoming to enable the military operations and the administration to be carried on. The international group refuses to supply war funds. The government is urging the group to advance money to allay fears that the noncirculation of money will cause serious hardships to the coolies and the lower classes, which possibly might lead to local disturbances.

GHASTLY FIND MADE.

Emaciated Forms of Three Found in Their Home.

Chicago.—Details of a ghastly suicide compact involving a whole family, were brought out by the police following the discovery of the emaciated forms of Herman Letch, his wife, Anna, and their 12-year-old son. All had been dead several days.

Followers of a religious creed, self-promulgated, the parents had forced themselves and their son to do without food to "purge sinful souls of lust" until starvation wiped out the whole family. From physicians' examinations it was evident the boy had been the first to die.

Aged Woman Choked.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Aroused by a snoring man who stood by her bedside before daylight, Mrs. E. Foster was checked by the burglar and then forced to arise and give him diamonds valued at \$2,000. Mrs. Foster had two push buttons at the head of her bed connected with a neighbor's house, but as the burglar watched her closely she was unable to give a warning. Mrs. Foster is 72 years old and lives alone.

Suspect Is Held.

Vancouver, B. C.—John Bozoyke, a foreigner, was arrested here on suspicion of being implicated in the New Westminster bank robbery. He had in his possession \$4,000 in bills, some of which were, according to the numbers, included in the sum obtained September 16, when the Bank of Montreal was robbed of \$258,000.

Pulitzer's Son President.

New York.—At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Press Publishing company, publishers of the New York World, held here, the following officers were elected: Ralph Pulitzer, president; J. Edgar Shaw, treasurer; Joseph Pulitzer, Jr., secretary.

Aquitted of Murder.

Muskegon, Mich.—Mrs. Flora Valk was acquitted of murdering her husband, Jacob Valk, August 21. The jury was out 22 hours.

Live Stock Market.

St. Louis, Mo.—Cattle—Good to choice corn fed steers, \$6.50@8.00; medium to good, \$5.50@6.50; good to choice grass steers, \$4.50@6.50; good to choice fat cows, and heifers, \$5.00@6.50; grass cows, \$3.25@4.50; canners and cutters, \$2.50@3.25; bulls, \$3.00@4.25; veals, \$3.00@6.50. Hogs—Prices ranged from \$6.05@6.20, with a bulk of the sales at \$6.15@6.20. Sheep—Lambs, \$4.50@5.50; yearlings, \$3.50@4.25; wethers, \$2.85@3.50; ewes, \$2.25@3.25.

Gales in England.

London.—Cyclonic gales swept over the British Isles doing widespread damage. Shipping particularly suffered. Buildings were unroofed and vessels were driven from their moorings. The coasts are strewn with wreckage.

Robber Loots Bank.

Great Falls, Mont.—A lone robber relieved the bank of Hedeville, Mont., 200 miles south of here, of nearly \$1,000 and escaped.

Fate of Two Unknown.

Evansville, Ind.—Walter McDaniel and Commodore Moore were imprisoned in a small coal mine near Fort Branch, north of here, following an explosion. The shaft entry is blocked with timber. The fate of the miners is unknown.

Bad Life by Hanging.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Jacob Nauman, a man of 60 years old, committed suicide by hanging. Nauman has one son and one child.

TRAIN IS HELD UP

FIVE BANDITS WRECK ROCK ISLAND EXPRESS CAR WITH DYNAMITE.

THREE SUSPECTS IN JAIL

Switch Engine Frightens Robbers Away in Midst of Pillage—They Escape With Sacks of Registered Mail Value of Which is Unknown.

Memphis, Tenn.—Five masked men held up a west-bound Rock Island passenger train midway between Memphis and Hurlburt, Ark., ransacked mail pouches and fired seven nitroglycerin caps into the "local" safe of the express car, which wrecked the car. The amount of their loot is unknown. Three suspects are being held in St. Francis county jail.

The men held gave their names as Walter Orr of Montana, Everett Miller of Willowhill and Ben Bell of Edmondson, Ark. The safe in the express car, containing, it is said, gold to the value of \$36,000, had been transferred into the car ahead and the robbers failed to get the rich booty for which they had carefully planned.

The robbers boarded the train when it slowed down near Hurlburt, eleven miles from Memphis. Intimidating the engine crew by a display of weapons, the men forced the engineer to back the train several miles. Then the express and mail cars were out from the coaches and hauled ahead a short distance, where the robbery was executed.

STEPHENSON QUIZ IS HALTED

Congressional Committee Completes Its Work at Milwaukee—Will Resume Inquiry in Washington.

Milwaukee.—The senatorial investigating committee, which has been probing the election of Senator Stephenson, has completed its work in Milwaukee. The committee finished the taking of testimony and adjourned to meet in Washington at the call of the chairman.

The last witness was Senator Stephenson, as he had been the first. He denied ever having any connection with either Hines or Shields in regard to his election, and denied ever having given Shields or anyone else a blank check.

Senator Stephenson said that he had made no promises and had paid no money to any legislative candidate to assist in his election, nor had he authorized anyone to do so in his behalf.

Edward Hines of Chicago took the stand again and denied that he had a conversation with R. J. Shields. Hines denied that he had ever had a talk with Senator Stephenson regarding the election or in regard to money.

Senator Heyburn said, before announcing the adjournment, that the committee had examined 120 witnesses, and had taken 30 affidavits.

REV. RICHESON IS INDICTED

Boston Preacher Is Charged With First Degree Murder, Penalty for Which is Death.

Boston.—Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, pastor of the Baptist Emmanuel church of Cambridge, Mass., was indicted for murder in the first degree on the charge that he poisoned Miss Avis Linnell with cyanide of potassium.

The indictment contained five counts. It was understood that the indictment was drawn in this manner so that it might cover almost any contingency. The indictment was found after the grand jury had been in session four days. The penalty for the crime for which Richeson was indicted is death in the electric chair in this state.

SEEK MARZYK IN MYSTERY

Iowa Woman Is Attacked With a Club and Left for a Dad—Police Look for Ex-Convict.

Mount Pleasant, Ia.—Circumstances similar to those in the recent ax murders in Colorado Springs, Colo., Monmouth, Ill., and Ellsworth, Kan., have led the local police to believe that the same person believed to have committed these crimes was the assailant of Mrs. J. B. Jordan, found unconscious at her home here.

Mrs. Jordan was attacked and beaten about the head with a heavy instrument. It is said she cannot recover. The police instituted a search for Charles Marzyk, the ex-convict sought in connection with the Showman murders at Ellsworth.

Fool Joker Kills Friend.

Hoboken, N. J.—"Didn't know it was loaded" was responsible for the death of George Snyder when Jeremiah Wilson in a joking mood placed a revolver against Snyder's temple and pulled the trigger. The men were close friends.

"Ad." Costs a Jeweler \$350.

Kansas City, Mo.—A jury in the circuit court here has awarded \$350 damages to Orel Mundon, a five-year-old boy, because a local jeweler used his picture in an advertisement.

E. H. Farrar, Jr., Is Slain.

New Orleans, La.—Edgar H. Farrar, Jr., son of a former president of the American Bar association, was shot and killed at Peniston and Magnolia streets by two unidentified highwaymen.

Iowa Theater Is Burned.

Mason City, Ia.—The Wilson theater was completely destroyed by fire and the Wilson hotel was badly damaged. All guests of both the Wilson and Carro Gordo made their escape. Loss, \$11,700.

RED HATS FOR 17

POPE TO NAME THREE AMERICANS AS CARDINALS.

Farley of New York, O'Connell of Boston, Falconio of Washington to Be Elevated.

Rome.—On November 27 when the consistory is held in the Vatican here Pope Pius will create seventeen new cardinals, and in this number will be most Rev. John M. Farley, archbishop of New York; Most Rev. W. H. O'Connell, archbishop of Boston, and Mgr. Diomedeo Falconio apostolic delegate in the United States of Washington.

The last consistory was held in December, 1907, four cardinals being appointed at that time. Since then many vacancies have occurred in the sacred college by death, and now there are twenty-two seats of the seventy unfilled.

The proposed consistory in November will be the fifth held by Pope Pius X. On the death of Pope Leo XIII, there were sixty-four cardinals. During the last eight years Pius X. has created seventeen new cardinals, of whom two have died.

TRIES TO WIPE OUT FAMILY

Man Kills Wife's Parents, Shoots Her and Commits Suicide—Deaths Reported.

Parkersburg, W. Va.—The home of William A. Pritchard and his wife at Pennsboro was converted into a shambles when Carroll A. James battered down the door and began firing on members of the household, killing Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard, seriously wounding their daughter, who was James' wife and had recently started suit for divorce against him, and then killing himself. James' four-year-old daughter clung to him with her arms about his neck as he ran outdoors, refusing to let go until he struck her a vicious blow in the face, and then shot himself. Mrs. James, who was wounded in the hip, will probably recover.

FIND CLUE TO KNABE DEATH

Police Search for Man Seen Near Police Doctor's Apartment Night of Tragedy.

Indianapolis, Ind.—A mysterious, well-dressed man is being sought by the police as the possible slayer of Dr. Helene Knabe, who was killed in her apartment. He was seen by H. W. Haskett, keeper of a cigar store in the neighborhood, to emerge from a passageway adjoining the first floor flat occupied by Dr. Knabe.

Haskett was passing the place on his way home at 11:10 o'clock when the stranger came hurriedly out of the entrance and passed Haskett. He was tall, well dressed and had a dark mustache.

MEXICAN FEDERALS IN TRAP

One Hundred Soldiers Are Surrounded by Zapatistas While Town of Cholulu Burns.

Mexico City.—Fighting for their lives, 100 federal and Maderista, surrounded by 700 Zapatistas, are holding the top of the ancient "Pyramid of Stars" at Cholulu, while the entire town burns around them. Special trains have brought practically all the inhabitants of Cholulu into Puebla, fleeing from the second looting of the city.

The refugees report every house sacked and burning. The federals are almost out of ammunition and annihilation seems certain.

Fifty Zapatistas were killed in an hour's battle and the band annihilated at Yocapitlan.

FOLA LA FOLLETTE IS BRIDE

Wisconsin Senator's Daughter Becomes Mrs. George Middleton at Father's Home.

Washington.—The marriage of Miss Fola La Follette, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Robert M. La Follette, and George Middleton of New York, took place in the La Follette home in Wyoming avenue.

Rev. U. G. B. Pierce, pastor of All Souls' Unitarian church, of which President Taft is a member, officiated.

JOSEPH PULITZER IS DEAD

Owner of New York World and St. Louis Post-Dispatch Succumbs to Heart Failure.

New York.—Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor of the New York World and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and for many years one of the most powerful journalistic forces in America, died suddenly aboard his yacht, "The Liberty," off Charleston, S. C.

Heart failure, following an illness of 48 hours, is given as the cause of death. Mrs. Pulitzer and her youngest son, Herbert, were with Mr. Pulitzer when he died.

Find Body of Slink Man in Barrel.

Rochester, N. Y.—With the head and legs hacked off, the body of an unidentified man was found packed in an old whisky barrel north of this city. The severing of the head and legs evidently had been done with a carpenter's saw.

Kills Wife and Himself.

Kansas City, Mo.—Hugo Brown, aged forty-six, agent of a barber supply company, shot and killed his wife, Margaret, aged thirty-two, then shot himself to death.

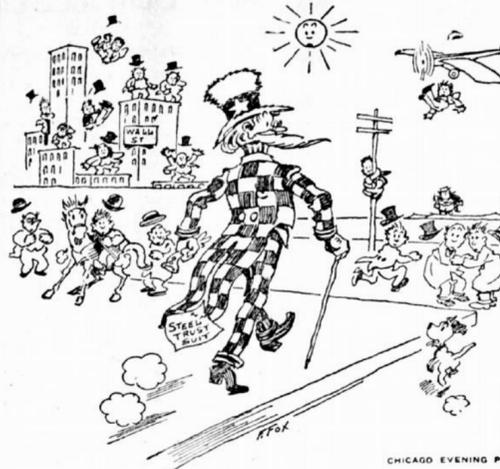
Doctor Flexner Is Honored.

Berlin.—Dr. Simon Flexner, who announced in New York a few days ago the discovery of a serum for the prevention of cerebro spinal meningitis, was appointed by imperial authorization an honorary member of the Royal Institute for Experimental Therapeutics on Frankfurt-on-Main.

Wife Slays Her Husband.

Deavenport, Ia.—Frank Kilduff was shot and instantly killed by his wife, Anna, because he had deserted and refused to support her.

THE LOUDEST SUIT HE'S EVER HAD



PEKING IS UNEASY

MORE EDICTS BY CHINESE EMPEROR MEAN END OF MANGCHU RULE.

PENSIONS TO BE STOPPED

General Situation Is Most Serious—Both Warring Factions Fear Massacre—Foreigners Leave Capital and Legations Strengthen Guards.

Peking, China.—The state of terror which has taken possession of the entire imperial court was further shown by a long list of edicts supplementing the remarkable proclamation and offering further concessions of the most radical character. The edicts indicate that even though the dynasty survives, Manchuria rule is at an end. The transfer of cabinet offices to native Chinese is ordered.

The national assembly has voiced its approval of the throne's action. The revolutionists say "it is too late." A state of panic prevails in Peking, Shanghai, Hongkong and Canton, as well as nearly every small place in the empire, over the fear of massacre of the Chinese and Manchus regarding each other with mutual distrust and fear.

The transfer of all cabinet offices to native Chinese is one of the principal points in the edicts, and the throne gives the promise that hereafter "Manchus and Chinese shall be regarded equally." This means that the system of pensions by which practically every Manchu has been given money for years has been abolished and the Manchu will have to get out and earn his living like any other Chinaman. The edicts were a complete capitulation to the demands of the national assembly.

The general situation is perhaps more tense than at any time since the revolution began. The Manchus fear the invasion of the capital by the rebels, while the Chinese are in dread of a possible massacre by the Manchus. The foreign legations and missions are besieged by persons clamoring for protection, the streets are filled with carts carrying the valuables and money of the wealthy to places of safety, and the railroad trains are crowded to capacity with Manchus fleeing for safety—mainly to the extreme north. The legations are taking the most careful precautions against any eventuality. The guards have been greatly strengthened and there has been some fortifying of legation walls.

The Manchus, who, for the first time in generations, are cut off from their pensions, talk of massacre for revenge. There are 600,000 Chinese and 100,000 Manchus in the city of Peking. It is asserted among the native Chinese that Prince Tsai Tao, an uncle of the infant emperor, Pi Yu, is willing to lead the Manchus in their massacre.

Peking.—The throne in a last effort to appease the revolutionists issued an imperial edict redistributing offices in the cabinet.

Yuan-Shi-Kai, the former exile, has been appointed premier of China, and he will organize a new cabinet as soon as he assumes his post.

A telegram was received from Yuan-Shi-Kai in which he asked that he be appointed acting premier, and set forth his immediate plans for several years. He proposed, he said, to stop the aggressive movement of the imperial troops and to open negotiations with the rebel leader, General Li Yuen-Heng, forthwith.

The revolutionists have seized Nan Chang, the capital of Kiangsi province, and have taken up the march for Nanking.

Two Mistaken for Deer.

May's Landing, N. J.—Mistaken for deer in the gloom of the early dawn, Constant Steelman and John Yost, business men of Pleasantville, N. J., were killed and William Jarvis of the same place was injured when an unidentified hunter fired at them in the woods near here.

Crazy Negro Shoots Many.

New Orleans, La.—An armed negro went wild in Algiers and shot two policemen and several citizens before he was finally killed.

School Head Passes Away.

Dekalb, Ill.—Luther A. Hatch, superintendent of schools of Dekalb, died at the tent colony at Ottawa. He was prominent in the educational affairs of northern Illinois. He has been out of school the past year on account of sickness.

Tornado Hits Texas Town.

San Antonio, Tex.—The town of Thelma, 13 miles south of San Antonio, was practically destroyed, two persons were hurt and much damage was done to crops by a tornado.

CHARGED WITH ARSON

LOCKED UP AGAIN UPON RE-LEASE FROM PRISON.

George Redding, of Deadwood, is Accused of Habit of Burning People in Set Fires.

Deadwood.—George Redding is under arrest in this city on a warrant charging him with having burned the dwelling of James Murray in Spearfish valley two years ago last August.

For more than 18 months past Redding has been out of the jurisdiction of the local courts, having been spending a year and a half in the Sioux Falls penitentiary for having attempted to commit suicide in Lead. He has been out of the pen for about a month and is said to have been hanging about Lead. As soon as he appeared in Deadwood he was placed under arrest.

The authorities believe they have a strong case against Redding on the arson charge. Before the alleged crime was committed he had worked for Murray but had been discharged. He is said to have been overheard making threats and was seen by a witness to enter the Murray place a short time before the fire was discovered. He was also seen going towards the place and likewise was seen a short distance from it at the time it was being consumed.

Redding is suspected of having set fire to a dance hall in Lead in the burning of which a man lost his life and following which a girl died from internal injuries incident to inhaling heated air. He was arrested in Belle Fourche, charged with arson in connection with the burning of a dance hall there, but a jury turned him loose. Later in Lead, he is said to have become enamored of a woman of that place and when she turned him down, cut his throat with suicidal intent. For this offense he was given 18 months in the state penitentiary.

TABACCO PLAN HIT

INDEPENDENTS SAY IT WILL NOT RESTORE COMPETITION.

Attorney General Suggests Restrictions by Court to Prevent Possible Reformation of Trust.

New York.—The plea for reorganization of the tobacco trust submitted by the American Tobacco company and co-defendants to the government anti-trust suit was both praised and condemned before the circuit court judges of the United States for the southern district of New York.

After Attorney General Wickensham had filed the government's answer to the plan, Lewis Cass Lydard, arguing for the defendants, insisted that it was an honest plan to comply with the Supreme court's mandate for a reorganization in compliance with the terms of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Independent manufacturers, dealers, and producers of tobacco unanimously disapproved the plan on the ground that it is a sharp proposal to divide the properties, control of which still would be retained by the group of individuals now dominating the industry. Louis D. Brandeis of Boston made the principal argument against the proposal.

The answer of the attorney general did not express general opposition to the dissolution plan, but contained for the guidance of the court many restrictions deemed necessary to assure restoration of competition in the tobacco industry.

ROADS ARE HIT BY COURT

Supreme Body's Decision Victory for Commission—Carriers Must Comply With Law.

Washington.—The United States Supreme court, in an opinion by Justice Van Devanter, gave broad powers to the Interstate commerce commission in a sweeping interpretation of the federal safety appliance law. It virtually eliminates state railroad commissions from control of roads within the state.

The court held that the law is violated when a car, not properly equipped under the act, is used on a railway doing an interstate business, to carry shipments from one point in a state to another point within the same state. This takes cases of this character out of the jurisdiction of state railway commissioners and fore-shadows the complete control of the railroads of the country by the Interstate commerce commission.

The opinion of the court was given in a case brought by the government against the Southern Railway company in which it was alleged that couplers were out of repair on cars carrying shipments which originated in the state of Alabama and which were destined to points within the state.

THANKSGIVING DAY IS SET

President Taft Issues Usual Proclamation at Chicago and Designates November 30 as Holiday.

Chicago.—Chicago as temporary capital of the nation during the four-day visit of the nation's chief executive took on additional prestige when, for the first time in history, a Thanksgiving day proclamation was issued by the president of the United States while away from the White House.

President Taft, from his temporary executive seat at the Blackstone hotel, made public the annual proclamation which will make Thanksgiving this year fall on the fifth Thursday of the month, November 30.

Find Two Dead in Launch.

Charlottetown, P. E. I.—The bodies of two young men from Glasgow, N. S., were found in a launch washed up on the beach near the Cape Dear wireless station. The two left Glasgow for a pleasure trip. Death was due to exposure.

Children Die in Flames.

Schenectady, N. Y.—While Mrs. Pulchow was out visiting fire destroyed her home in this city and burned to death two of her three children while they were sleeping.

Champ Clark's County "Dry."

Louisiana, Mo.—Pike, Missouri's most famous county, the home of Champ Clark, voted "dry" at the local option election by an overwhelming majority. The vote was about ten to one against the "wets."

Three Children Burn to Death.

Rhineland, Wis.—During the temporary absence from their farm home of Mr. and Mrs. August Peters their three children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the farm house.

COLDS BREED CATARRH

Her Terrible Experience Shows How Peruna Should Be in Every Home to Prevent Colds.

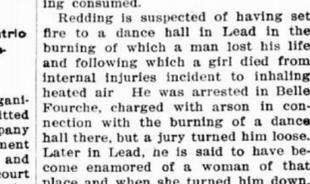
Mrs. C. S. Sagerer, 1311 Woodland Ave., Kansas City, Mo., writes:

"I feel it a duty to you and to others that I may be afflicted like myself, to speak for Peruna."

"My trouble first came after a gripple in the fall of nine years ago, a gathering in my head and neuralgia. I suffered most of the time. My nose, ears and eyes were badly affected for the last two years. I think from your description of internal catarrh that I must have had that also. I suffered very severely."

"Nothing ever relieved me like Peruna. It keeps me from taking cold. With the exception of some deafness I am feeling perfectly cured. I am forty-six years old. I feel that words are inadequate to express my praise for Peruna."

AN EASY LOSER.



SOUTH DAKOTA NEWS NOTES

At a special election held at Faith bonds in the sum of \$4,200 were voted for the erection of a new school building. Only three votes were cast in opposition.

A mountain lion, measuring seven feet from tip to tip and weighing 150 pounds, was killed near Sturgis by Arthur Rupe while out deer hunting. The animal is thought to be 20 years old.

Good progress is being made in the work of building in the vicinity of Kadoka and improving the public highways. The dams are designed to hold the spring waters for use during the growing season.

The new artesian well drilled at Burke to furnish water for fire protection and domestic purposes in connection with the municipal waterworks system, has been completed and has an ample flow for all purposes.

From three-fourths of an acre of ground Jens Krogh, a farmer living near Elk Point, raised potatoes which brought him a revenue of \$105 after he had placed 78 bushels in his cellar for the use of his own household.

Representatives from the state insurance department have three times gone to Sully county to investigate the burning of school houses, supposed to be incendiary. As yet no definite information as to the "fire bug" has been received. As the officials would start into that vicinity, those ahead would be warned by phone so that it was very difficult to ascertain anything.

Gate City, the latest new town to spring into existence in the ceded portion of Mellette county. The new town is situated between Carter and Wood, in the Oak creek valley. It is the first town west of the Tripp county line. Several business houses have commenced business, and a petition for a postoffice has been forwarded to the postmaster general through Senator Gamble.

That residence upon and cultivation of a homestead must be made by the heirs of a claim holder who dies before his residence time is up is the decision of the secretary of the interior in a land case at Rapid City. The case was the contest of William Batsch against the claim of the heirs of Thomas Brown. The heirs did not live on the homestead for more than a year after Brown's death.

What is probably the first proceeding under the national pure food act in South Dakota has been instituted by United States Marshal Bullock, who has seized 60 barrels of vinegar at Mitchell under a claim that it is misbranded and adulterated. The goods were shipped into this state by a Sioux City vinegar manufacturing concern and the owners of the property are cited to appear in the federal court at Sioux Falls and defend themselves.

Owing to a technicality, bonds voted at Hartford for the construction of a municipal waterworks have not yet been sold, and now it is planned to have the question of issuing the bonds resubmitted at another election to be held in the near future.

B. M. Martin of Dallas, has applied to the city council of Winner for a 20-year franchise for operating an electric light system there. Action on the application will be taken at a meeting of the city council to be held November 17. If the franchise is granted the system will be installed at once.

Since farmers of northern South Dakota are boasting of their big yields of potatoes this year, James Wynn, of Columbia, exhibited 14 potatoes which filled a half bushel measure and weighed 25 pounds. The largest one weighed three pounds.

A Lincoln, Neb., man visited Belle Fourche for the purpose of looking into the possibilities for establishing a military school for boys at that place. It is said there is no military school in the state, and the Belle Fourche people extended considerable encouragement to the promoter.

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He—You're worth a million and I'm penniless. Will you marry me?
She—No. Why did you ask me?
He—I wanted to see how a man feels when he loses a million dollars.

What Travelers Needed.
A traveler's outfit 300 years ago was somewhat different from the present day. In "Touring in 1600," by E. S. Bates, the following list is given: "First among requisites is a book of prayers and hymns effective for salvation without being so pugnacious, doctrinally, as to cause suspicion.