

NEW YORK FIGHTS TRANSIT MERGER

Rapid Transit Board Seeks Means to Curb Ryan-Belmont Coalition. Journal Special Service. New York, Dec. 28.—The Rapid Transit commission has completed the secret conferences at which they have been considering the powerful menace to the proposed subway extension involved in the coalition between the August Belmont and Thomas F. Ryan syndicates, who control the existing transit facilities in Manhattan and the Bronx are united under one management.

PLATT TO KNIFE ROOSEVELT'S MAN

'Senile Old Man' Will Try to Scalp Bishop, Nominee Before Senate. Journal Special Service. Washington, Dec. 28.—Senator Platt is whetting his knife for Joseph P. Murphy, nominated by the president to be an isthmian canal commissioner. He will use this knife in a way that may cause Mr. Murphy to lose his seat.

BRYAN IS MODERATE DISAPPOINTS FILIPINOS

Journal Special Service. Manila, Dec. 28.—The provinces of Bulacan, Nueva Ecija and Rizal received a disappointing message yesterday when William G. Bryan, assistant secretary of the United States, arrived here with a message of independence for his text, but Mr. Bryan was conservative in his response. He counseled obedience to the government and gave a sketch of the political situation of the democratic and republican parties. He was applauded despite the fact that there was some disappointment in his audience that he had not attacked the administration.

RECEPTION FOR MRS. DAVIDSON

Special to The Journal. Madison, Wis., Dec. 28.—A brilliant reception for Mrs. F. O. Davidson was given at the executive residence. The decorations were elaborate. Mrs. La Follette and Mrs. Davidson received and the wives of the other senators. Mrs. Davidson was accompanied by Miss Mabel Davidson and a group of her university friends.

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BANDITS TRAPPED, SHOOT AND FLEE

Death in Conflict of Ohio Marshal and Safe Blowers' Gang in Station. Perrysburg, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Caught in the Perrysburg interurban station early today, five young men, believed to be members of the safe-blowers' gang, which raided the Central avenue car barn at Toledo Sunday, drew revolvers and, shooting to kill, wounded Marshal Frank Thornton in the stomach so that he will probably die. Another member of the gang shot Deputy Marshal Williams Scott in the right foot, causing a painful but not a dangerous wound. The desperadoes then scattered and escaped. The Toledo police heard of the shooting within fifteen minutes. A patrol wagon was hurried to the scene, picking up the patrolman as it went, until when it reached the borders of the town, fully a dozen armed men were in the squad which deployed to guard the various approaches to the city. Practically all the available policemen, marshals, sheriffs and deputies in the surrounding country, together with an armed posse, are scouring the ten-mile stretch between Toledo and Perrysburg on the east side, and Toledo and Maumee on the west. While the five men were eating in the station restaurant Marshal Thornton entered and with Deputy Scott attempted to place them under arrest. The desperadoes, however, crowded close about the two officers, pulled revolvers and opened fire. Thornton fell at almost the first shot. Fifteen or twenty shots were fired before the gang broke and fled, leaving the marshal and his deputy prone on the sidewalk.

HEROES OF LIGHTSHIP WRECK ARE REWARDED

Journal Special Service. Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Mellon on the recommendation of the lightship board has increased the pay of Charles I. Gibbs, master of the lightship tender Azules, from \$150 to \$175 a month as a reward for promptness, energy and good seamanship. In rescuing the Nantuxet shoal light vessel, No. 58, during a heavy gale Dec. 10, and rescuing the thirteen persons on board before the ship sank. Employment has been furnished the members of the crew of the lightship, which was lost. The master, Jorgensen, has been offered a temporary position on a lightship tender as second mate at \$80 a month. The mate, Com, will go to fill a vacancy on the Charleston light vessel. The engineer of the lost vessel, Davis, has been appointed from Jan. 1, as assistant engineer on the Boston light vessel. The second engineer, John R. Luby, will be temporarily employed on a lightship tender in the Gulf of Mexico.

GASTRO THREATENS TO BREAK WITH COLOMBIA

Journal Special Service. Washington, Dec. 28.—President Castro is in a rage with his old-time enemy, the government of Colombia, and with that government. His anger grows out of the failure of the Colombian government to return to Venezuela an officer of Castro's whom he deserted and fled to Colombia. President Castro has recalled the Venezuelan consul from Cucuta and has also served notice of his intention of withdrawing his consul from Bogota. This will mean a severance of diplomatic relations, as Venezuela now has no minister at Bogota. It is the belief of the officials here that a complete rupture will be averted when Castro finds that the Colombian government was not at fault.

POPE WILL CELEBRATE ORDINATION AS PRIEST

Rome, Dec. 28.—Preparations are already going on to celebrate in 1908 the jubilee of the pope's ordination as a priest. Being asked here that the festivities to be similar to those witnessed on the occasion of the priesthood jubilee of the late Pope Leo, when an international exhibition was held in the Vatican, the pope answers: "Certainly not. I wish the celebration to maintain a strictly religious character." Committees will be organized all over the world with the object of presenting the pope with large offerings during the jubilee, mass which he will celebrate in St. Peter's in the presence of pilgrims from all countries.

TEAM CAUSES WRECK; 20 PEOPLE INJURED

Special to The Journal. Houston, Minn., Dec. 28.—A runaway team dashed into a switch here and turned the track just as a Milwaukee passenger train was passing, causing the rear coach to be overturned in the ditch. The people were seriously injured and seventeen others slightly hurt. The seriously injured were Fred Van Coe and R. C. Drips, of Croese, and Mrs. E. J. James, Lime Springs, Iowa, all badly crushed and bruised.

MILLION IS TIED UP IN NEW YORK BETS

Journal Special Service. New York, Dec. 28.—Stakeholders of bets made in the last campaign continue to hold up the money in their hands, despite the fact that Mayor McCellan has paid more than one million of dollars. It appears as if all were afraid to make the first move toward settling up and it is now said that the bets will not be paid until the mayor is inaugurated. It is estimated that fully \$1,000,000 has been tied up as a result of the contest.

POLITICAL PLOTTERS KILL 9 WITH POISON

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 28.—At Tereon, Mexico, nine persons who were poisoned at a banquet Saturday night have died. The members of the opposing faction who attended the banquet were not affected by the punch they drank. YERKES RESTING EASILY. New York, Dec. 28.—Charles T. Yerkes, the great railway financier, who is very ill, at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, resting easily, having passed a comfortable night and to be resting easily.

INSANE IF GUILTY, SAY THE DOCTORS

Continued From First Page. morning looking none the worse for yesterday's trying ordeal. Her black veil was thrown back from her face, which was paler than usual, and animated and wearing an expression of satisfied security. The courtroom was filled with spectators, but was not crowded on account of the system adopted by the sheriff's force. Guards have been stationed at the stairs on one side and at the fourth street elevator entrance on the other and, after the courtroom was filled, no one except those who had business there was allowed to pass thru. In this way the corridors in front of the entrance to the main courtroom are kept clear. Brennan on Stand. James Brennan took the stand at the opening of court and County Attorney Al J. Smith continued his cross-examination of the witness in which he asked the father of the murdered children. Mr. Smith asked additional impeaching questions dealing with alleged statements made by Brennan. Brennan was jealous of the children. "Now, Mr. Brennan," asked the county attorney, "did you not say to Mr. Brennan that you had seen him in the city hospital that he did not believe his stepmother shot him?" "Yes, sir." "Now, Mr. Brennan, did you not state in substance in that conversation with Tommy that the children were dead and that you couldn't bring them back and that he needn't know anything about it?" "No, sir." A Poor Witness. Mr. Brennan continued to be the same unsatisfactory witness for the defense that he was yesterday. Under Mr. Smith's cross-examination, his answers were uncertain, indefinite and were given in so low a tone that neither the attorneys nor the court could understand more than a part of them. Several times Judge Dickson interrupted the questions of counsel in an effort to make the testimony of the witness intelligible. Mr. Brennan, from the time you moved to the hospital, until the time of her death, Elizabeth was really the housekeeper for those children?" "Yes, sir." "Did she not nurse the children through diphtheria?" "Yes, sir." Dr. Williams Testifies. Dr. U. G. Williams was sworn as the first medical expert for the defense. "Do you know this defendant?" "Yes, sir." "Have you this week examined Stella Brennan as to her condition?" "I have." "What did you find?" "She is in a delicate condition." "You had conversations with her during this examination?" "Yes, sir." "From that examination and those conversations with her, you are of the opinion as to how long she has been in this condition?" Mr. Smith objected, and the witness had to make a minute description of the result of his examination. Finally, he was allowed to testify that he believed the defendant had been in her present condition between three and four weeks. Dr. Cyrus K. Bartlett, a specialist in nervous diseases and for years connected with insane hospitals, was called. "My doctor, assuming that the evidence shows the defendant to be 23 years of age and of good family and never having had any trouble before the present one, and assuming that the evidence shows that she committed the crime?" "I think she was insane." "On what do you base your opinion?" "On her previous character, the sudden and extreme violence of the deed, her attempt to commit suicide and her condition." Mr. Smith, on cross-examination, asked: "Did you not hear her testify that she knew all her life and knew now that it is wrong to kill a little girl?" "Yes, sir." "And you took that into consideration in forming your opinion?" "Yes, sir." "You heard her say she was in good health?" "Yes, sir." 24th Annual Reduced-Price Sale. The Great Plymouth Clothing House. WALSH EXONERATED BY SECRETARY SHAW Chicago, Dec. 28.—Secretary of the Treasury Shaw arrived in the city from Washington this morning and in an interview practically declared that there would be no criminal proceeding growing out of the Chicago National bank and the Home Savings bank of this city. He said: "John R. Walsh did not take one dollar dishonestly. He did not take more than many other bankers in the United States are doing all the time." "The rumor of criminal prosecution is a mere talk. There has been no embezzlement or theft. For every dollar taken out, gilt-edged security was placed instead. Depositors will get every dollar they deposited, and when that has been accomplished, the responsibility of the government ceases. That part of the banking law prohibiting the loaning of more than 10 per cent of the capitalization to one man may have been violated. That is not a criminal violation, and all that can be done is to liquidate the bank and pay off the depositors. The violation of that law by any bank is no more than has been done by any bank in the country." FALLS TO HIS DEATH. Janesville, Wis., Dec. 28.—William Harvey, a wealthy Mexican mine owner, fell from an eighteen-foot roof last night. He was instantly killed. WAESHER TO BRING BODY HOME. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28.—Wilfrid Laurier has called to Lord Tweedmouth, secretary of the British Dominion to convey the body of Raymond Proulx, late Canadian minister of marine, to his home in Quebec. Proulx was killed by a bullet from a Russian plane.

STORMS HOLDS TO INDIANA OFFICE

Secretary of State Has Not Resigned on Demand of Governor Hanly. Indianapolis, Dec. 28.—Daniel E. Storms, secretary of state, has not resigned and it is not known whether he will comply with the demand of Governor Hanly, made yesterday, for his resignation. He today refused to discuss the subject. It is understood that he intended to open with artillery on Hanly by the secretary of state claiming that affairs in the hands of a trustee, a committee that has been examining the records of his office has reported that Mr. Storms did not turn into the state treasury a fee of \$25,000 paid by the Vendall Railroad company until several months after it was due; that while the records of the foreign corporations clerk was drawn from the treasury, a less amount was paid him; that an error of \$1,000 had been corrected later and that an appropriation for an extra stenographer was anticipated by Mr. Storms. It was reported this afternoon that Mr. Storms had retained counsel and would contest the demand of the governor for his resignation on the ground that he had not violated the law.

JOY MORTON SERIOUSLY HURT AT NEBRASKA CITY

Special to The Journal. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 28.—Joy Morton of Chicago, who with his family is spending the holidays at the Morton homestead near Nebraska City, was thrown from his horse and badly hurt. He has been unconscious for hours and the physicians pronounce his condition as serious. He was trying to make one of the racers take a hurdle at the time of the accident. At midnight the physicians pronounced the opinion that he would recover. Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 28.—Joy Morton is now conscious, but is suffering from the shock and concussion of the brain. The physicians speak hopefully, but say that his condition is such that a definite statement cannot be made for twenty-four hours. While the chances now seem to favor his recovery, a change for the worse may come at any time.

RAILROAD MEN SEE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Washington, Dec. 28.—Representatives of the leading trans-Mississippi railroads were in conference with the Interstate Commerce commission today concerning a bill which would give the commission to do away with discrimination of the railroads in favor of large shippers. J. C. Stubbs, vice president and general manager of the Harriman system, was the spokesman for the railroad men and held a brief conference with his associates before they appeared before the commission. Chairman Knapp and Commissioners Cokerrell and Clements were the only members present. Among the railroad men present were H. B. McCallister, president of the Chicago North Western; J. H. Hilland, vice president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; J. T. Holden, freight traffic manager of the Rock Island; Howard K. Brown, vice president of the Great Northern; and W. L. Martin, vice president of the Soo lines.

GLUBWOMEN TO MAKE AN ATTACK ON SMOOT

Journal Special Service. Washington, Dec. 28.—A grand attack upon the Utah senator is being mounted during the hearing of the case against Senator Reed Smoot of Utah is planned by the National Federation of Women's Clubs. Several women, including Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, are here making arrangements for the presentation of the 1,000,000 name petition. It is proposed to send a large number of women to the hearing of the case, bound and displayed in some conspicuous place at the capitol near the senate. The women expect a report from the hearing upon privileges and elections and to urge the revocation of the senator, and that event, they reason, would make the moment opportune for presenting the petitions.

HAVENS IN EUROPE FOR YANKEE FELONS

Washington, Dec. 28.—It is probable that steps will soon be taken by the department of state to secure a revision and remodeling of the existing extradition treaties with France and Germany. It is feared that the new German law will become havens of refuge for American criminals. There is no provision in the Franco-American extradition treaty for the surrender of a person charged with grand larceny. The treaty was made in 1843, and it was amended in 1845 and again in 1852. The treaty with Prussia and the German states, made in 1852, likewise fails.

THREE HOTELS BURN AT NIAGARA FALLS

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Three hotels and several other buildings adjacent to them were badly damaged by fire which broke out today in the grocery store of Faxon, Williams & Faxon in the basement of the old Porter hotel. The blaze originated in an explosion which aroused the occupants of the hotel. All made their escape by the back stairs. The fire spread to clothing and other personal effects. The flames spread thru the Porter hotel to the store of J. & G. Rae, sporting goods, next door, and communicated to the hotel and the apartment house in a portion, and to the Temperance House annex in the rear of the Imperial hotel. The loss is estimated at \$140,000. When the fire appeared to be beyond control an appeal for aid was sent to Buffalo, but before the fire engines arrived the local firemen had the situation well in hand.

CONFESSES TO THEFT

Madison, Wis., Dec. 28.—Expecting to meet his wife, Adolph Blafsky walked into the postoffice last night, to be arrested by Detective Boyd on the charge of theft from the North-Western hotel, with which he was employed. He was caught in attempting to sell a keg of powder to a merchant to whom it was consigned. He confessed and implicated several other persons who will be arrested.

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BATTLES RAGE IN KREMLIN'S SHADOW

Continued From First Page. Ground from the center of the city. Barricades were not so numerous in this region as was the case during yesterday's fighting and the troops encountered less opposition. A correspondent of the Associated Press accompanied one of the columns for an hour during which time the soldiers of the "Drujina" nowhere attempted to hold the barricades. After firing a few shots they invariably scattered to the rear. Artillery Fire. Sometimes the artillery fired at a barricade but usually these defenses were taken without firing a shot. The work of destroying the entanglements and burning the material from which they were constructed was slow and tedious. The troops were fired upon from roofs the houses were bombed, but the occupants had ample time to escape.

MRS. FITZSIMMONS IS NOW AT SIOUX FALLS

Special to The Journal. Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 28.—Mrs. "Bob" Fitzsimmons is the latest person to become a resident of the Sioux Falls divorce colony. Knowledge of her arrival here did not leak out until today. She has taken apartments at the Grand Hotel. Mrs. Fitzsimmons was generally supposed to be in Europe studying vocal music and this belief appeared to be confirmed by a telegram made a circuit to two ago by Major Charles Joseph Silby Miller of the Pennsylvania national guard, who is reported as saying that he had not seen her since last June. She has engaged the services of a well-known Sioux Falls attorney, and when she has established residence by residing in the city and state for the required period of six months, it is said she will institute action for divorce.

PESTHOUSE ARTICLES ENTER DULUTH HOMES

Duluth, Dec. 28.—It developed that all those persons who purchased cooking utensils, bedding, clothing at low prices from strangers last Monday, have exposed the community to a smallpox epidemic, the articles offered for sale having been stolen from the pesthouse by breaking an entrance. An invoice will be necessary by the health authorities to ascertain the amount of goods stolen, and Health Inspector Kitchen will today visit the pesthouse with a view of tracing, if possible, the stolen goods. All of the articles were subjected to disinfection last week but it is feared the germs of the disease may be lurking in some of the stolen property, particularly the cloth goods.

MIDDY ON TRIAL FOR HAZING

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REVOLT IMPERLS DOMINGAN TREATY

Continued From First Page. theory and useless in practice, he leaves his capital, a battle is announced and a civil war is probably afoot. On the face of things he has provided them very much to the argument they have needed and have been praying for. It is too early to be sure of the outcome. Reports from the island are meager and confused. When more is known the boot may be on the other foot and the president may have the better end of the argument. But just now there is no denying that the situation is calculated to embarrass the administration and correspondingly cheer the antagonistic senators.

CACERES GOES TO CAPITAL

Washington, Dec. 28.—The state department has had another brief dispatch from Santo Domingo under yesterday's date, confirming the preceding report and stating that President Morales was said to be about 150 miles west of Santo Domingo City, fighting the troops of the cabinet. Mr. Joubert, the Dominican minister here, called upon Secretary Root at the state department today to talk over Dominican affairs. He had a short conference with Secretary Root, the minister for foreign affairs, announcing that General Caceres, the vice president, who was at Puerto Plata when Morales fled from the capital, was expected to arrive at Santo Domingo City tomorrow and would be immediately indicated into the presidential office. Mr. Joubert had nothing to indicate that President Morales had been wounded, nor did he think that the fighting reported to have taken place near Jamaica Tuesday was serious. He doubted very much whether the Dominican would start another revolution. It was probable, he thought, that Morales would wait for a time to see what effect the upheaval in Santo Domingo would have upon the relations between that country and the United States. In the minister's opinion the modus vivendi under which Dominican customs were collected from Santo Domingo by Americans appointed by the Dominican president for that purpose will not be affected by Morales' retirement, for the dominant party in the cabinet still stands strongly committed to the existing arrangements.

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