



A CHILLY RECEPTION.

MRS. ROOSEVELT'S SOCIAL SECRETARY.



Miss Isabel Hagner

Recent Appointee to a Unique Office.

The Republic Bureau, 11th St. and Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, Oct. 16.—Miss Isabel Hagner, daughter of Doctor Charles E. Hagner of this city, is the first appointee to a unique office—that of social secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt.

fortunate speculations, her money was lost, and her father became a confirmed invalid. From being a petted belle, she was placed under the necessity of providing not only for herself, but for her father and small brothers.

MISS STONE NOT LOCATED.

Her Companion Said to Have Given Birth to a Child.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Oct. 16.—Washington is without official news to-day of the situation of Miss Ellen M. Stone, Secretary Eddy of the Legation at Constantinople and Consul General Dickinson, at Sofia, are making determined efforts to locate the woman.

Another Letter Received. Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 15.—During the night another letter from Miss Ellen M. Stone's cousin, Miss Tullia, was found posted on her parents' door, announcing that Miss Tullia had given birth to a child and that both the infant and the mother were doing well.

PICKWICK CLUB IS SUED.

Stranger Claims He Lost \$477 in Its Rooms.

Edward F. Elliot entered suit yesterday in Justice Cline's court against the Pickwick Club of St. Louis, William Finn et al. for \$477, which, he alleges, he lost playing cards at the Pickwick Clubroom, No. 305 North Broadway, September 28, last.

VENEZUELAN TROOPS IN UTTER CONFUSION

Indian Population Ambushing and Killing Soldiers on the Guajira Peninsula.

Willemsstad, Island of Curacao, Oct. 16.—(Via Haytian Cable.)—Advises received here from Maracabo, Venezuela, under date of yesterday, say that the Venezuelan troops on the Guajira peninsula are in a state of utter confusion.

The entire Indian population is against the Venezuelans, and the latter dare not leave their camps. The Indians are ambushing and killing small parties. Demoralization is spreading among the Venezuelan troops, and there is increasing sickness among them.

The Venezuelans at Guajira are in no condition to assume the aggressive against Colombia, hence there is little likelihood of fighting. The Tacahira frontier is still quiet, rains in the mountains preventing active operations, if any were contemplated.

LEADING TOPICS TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 6:11 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 5:30.

WEATHER INDICATIONS. For St. Louis and Vicinity.—Continued fair weather; slightly cooler. For Missouri.—Fair Thursday and probably Friday; variable winds. For Illinois.—Fair Thursday and Friday; warmer Friday in northern portion; variable winds, mostly north-westerly.

- 1. Charter Amendments. Mrs. Roosevelt's Social Secretary. Chicago's Financial Policy. Battle of Santiago as Told by Signal Records. Masons Will Meet in Kansas City Next Year. Moulton-Conard Wedding. Western Growth of City Injures River Parishes. Miss Helen Gould is Chosen First of the Lady Managers. Ready for Actual Work on World's Fair Grounds. Illinois Sued for \$2,000,000.00. Racing at the Fair Grounds. The Republic Fair Chart. East Side Happenings. Gospel of the Local Gridiron. Editorial. The Stage. New Weddings of Autumn. Debutantes of the Season. Railroad News. Secretary Gage Addresses Bankers. Republic "Want" Advertisements. Birth, Marriage and Death Records. 11. Republic "Want" and Real Estate Advertisements. 12. Summary of the St. Louis Markets. Chicago Grain Markets. Prices Remained Firm Locally. Wall Street Finances. River Men's Personalities. Real Estate Transfers and Building Permits. 14. Leprosy Shows a Gradual Decrease. Seibert Will Act at Once. Estimates for Navy. Intended to Covertive Editors.

WORLD'S FAIR: THREATS AGAINST LIFE OF A JUDGE.

Kentucky Mountaineers Hint at Trouble in the Caleb Powers Trial.

Witnesses Swear to Promises of Reward for Assassins of Governor Goebel—The Murder Specifically Predicted.

Georgetown, Ky., Oct. 16.—Threats against the life of Judge James E. Cantrell, who is presiding over the trial of former Secretary of State Caleb Powers, charged with complicity in the assassination of Governor William Goebel, were reported to-day. When a cot was brought into the Courtroom for the use of the Judge, who is not in good health, a crowd of mountaineers asked what it was intended for.

Commonwealth Attorney Franklin was notified at once of the threatening remark and all possible precautions will be taken to secure the safety of the Judge.

The first witness to-day was Frank Henry, who saw Governor Goebel fall, Graham Ireland described a meeting of mountaineers, at which it was proposed to go to the Capitol Hotel and get Goebel.

H. K. Watkins, Captain of the military company in Williamsburg, said that the Powers told him that the men in Frankfort who could give the Governor an excuse to call out the militia. Powers wanted him to take his company to the capital.

John A. Black, a banker at Harboursville, testified that he had been arrested for assisting in taking mountaineers to Frankfort.

Miss Ella Smith of Harboursville testified that John L. Powers said he would be willing to kill Goebel himself if the contest was decided in Goebel's favor. The defense objected, alleging that Miss Smith's testimony had been written out for her by Thomas Cromwell, and that she had memorized it. Court overruled the objection to Miss Smith's testimony.

Predicted Death of Goebel. Ike Hopkins of Bell County, a new witness for the Commonwealth, swore that he asked Wharton Golden on the day prior to the shooting of Goebel when he could go home from Frankfort.

"You wait," said Golden. "Goebel will be killed to-day."

Hopkins said he heard Henry Yontsey say, "Goebel is going to be killed, and this man," pointing to Dick Combs, "will do the work. I've given him \$100 and twenty-five others have given him money."

On cross-examination, Hopkins said he made his statement about what he knew to Arthur Goebel in Livingston last May. He admitted that he had been arrested for shooting and wounding the Governor. He is now Deputy Sheriff.

R. H. Berryman testified that he was asked to point out Goebel in the Courtroom. Goebel was not there and the men said: "Well, we will have to go to the Capitol Hotel after him."

Wanted Men With Side Arms. John W. Alford, a new witness, testified that two hours before Goebel was shot, W. H. Cullton came into the Agricultural building and said he wanted fifteen men with side arms to go with him to the Executive building.

Sergeant John L. Ricketts read a letter from John L. Powers, telling him to bring his men to Harboursville to be arrested. The letter instructed him to bring guns, and to tell the men not to say where they were going.

Turned Gas on by Mistake. Bride and Her Husband Asphyxiated by Former's Brother.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, Oct. 16.—Through the terrible mistake of her young brother, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Joyce, 29 years old, a bride of seven months, and her husband, William F. Joyce, also 29 years old, were asphyxiated by gas at the home of Mrs. Joyce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Duff, Brooklyn, early this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Joyce called at the home of the bride's parents last evening, and when urged to stay all night consented to do so. They went up to the hall bedroom, and the bride's brother, Joseph, occupied previous to her marriage. The room is usually occupied by her younger brother, Joseph. He was away during the evening, and did not know of the presence of his sister and brother-in-law in the house. When he returned home about 11 o'clock, he entered the room and lit the gas.

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WORLD'S FAIR: Helen Gould Appointed First of Lady Managers. Page 5.

Two Firemen Are Hurt and a Horse Killed in the Collision.

Passengers Have Close Call.

Hurrying to a Big Blaze.

Tobacco Works and Sauerkraut Factory Fire in South Commercial Street Called the Firemen Out.

RESULTS OF THE COLLISION. Driver Robert Russell; arm broken. Pipeman James Ward; bruised and lacerated knees and arms. One horse killed, value \$225; another cut and bruised. Street car damaged \$50. Horse reel damaged \$25.

A collision at Seventh and Chestnut streets between a crowded street car and a horse carriage running at full speed in response to an alarm of fire killed one of the fire horses, threw the driver and one fireman under the feet of the other horse, smashed the side of the street car, throwing passengers from their seats, and by the force of the crash attracted a thousand homeward-bound pedestrians, who were homeward-bound pedestrians at 7 o'clock last night.

Hose carriage No. 6, followed by an engine and ladder truck, started south at full speed from the engine-house at Seventh and Olive streets to Main street and Clark avenue. On the hose reel was Driver Robert Russell, one of the most experienced men in the service; Pipeman Jim Ward and Foreman Tom Fitzpatrick.

When the reel reached Chestnut street Laeide avenue car No. 219, in the charge of a driver, was in the way. The hose reel struck the side of the car, and the car struck the side of the street car, throwing passengers from their seats, and by the force of the crash attracted a thousand homeward-bound pedestrians, who were homeward-bound pedestrians at 7 o'clock last night.

The team drawing the hose reel, "Bronco" and "Baldy," were considered the fastest fire horses in the downtown district. Only ten feet separated them from the side of the street car when the collision occurred.

Driver Russell threw aside the whip he had been using and sprang from his seat, throwing his full weight upon the reins. The speed of the horses could not be stopped, and the tongue of the wagon struck the street car just below the windows, splintering it from end to end, and driving the side of the car into the street. The passengers were saved only by the fact that the impact was so great that the tongue did not penetrate the side of the car.

Driver Russell and Pipeman James Ward were thrown from their places to the pavement, between the wagon and the car. "Bronco," the near horse of the team, sank to the side of the car. The lives of the street car, where his head had crashed into the skull, Foreman Fitzpatrick, escaping unhurt, ran forward to drag the injured driver from beneath the feet of the other horse.

At that moment, when all was confusion, the fire engine, which had been closely following the wrecked reel, dashed past, just avoiding the other end of the street car. The Hook and ladder truck No. 3 followed only a second later.

Officer Kern of the Central District shot the fallen horse. It was found that Driver Russell's left arm had been broken, and he was taken to his home, No. 3401 Walnut street, in a cab.

PASSENGERS DECLARE ACCIDENT UNAVOIDABLE. Robert Eisey, of No. 108 Market street and John Riley of No. 108 North Sixth street, passengers, who had been thrown from their seats in the car, stated that the accident was unavoidable.

Chief Swingley, called at Engine-house No. 6 to examine the damaged reel as soon as it had been returned to its stable and said that the damage would not amount to more than \$50. The loss of the horse "Bronco" he estimated at \$225. "Baldy," the other horse of the team, will be unfit for service for some weeks. The wrecked street car was taken to the sheds as soon as it could be got back on the track.

The fire, to which hose reel No. 6 was proceeding at the time of the collision, started in a two-story building occupied by the Central Tobacco Works at No. 308 South Commercial street. It spread into a similar building at No. 110 South Commercial street, occupied by a sauerkraut factory, causing a loss to buildings and contents of \$6,000, estimated by Chief Swingley. Cause unknown.

The smoke spread into adjoining buildings occupied by B. F. Imbs & Co. and J. Bauer & Co., but caused little damage. The fire was fought from the vicinity on the Levee, causing a delay of several minutes to a passing mail train.

TREATY TO BE PREPARED. Protocols Concerning Isthmian Canal to Be Taken Up Next Week.

Washington, Oct. 16.—Secretary Hay returned to Washington to-day from his summer home in New Hampshire and resumed his duties in the State Department. Ambassador Choate is expected to arrive in Washington early next week and Lord Pauncefoot is due the following week, so that the final stages of treaty preparation will soon begin.

At present this convention exists only in the form of protocols representing the various stages of the preceding negotiations, and while these protocols include substantially all of the points to be treated, still they may yet be reduced to the form of a treaty, and this work will engage Secretary Hay's attention at once.

JOPLIN ZINC DEAL. English Syndicate Said to Have Made a Big Purchase.

Lafayette, Ind., Oct. 15.—U. B. Kellogg, George E. Wellington and Harry T. Bryan of this city to-day closed a contract with an English syndicate for the purchase of 2,000 acres of zinc land, located near Joplin, Mo.

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NEGRO BURGLAR BLUNDERS IN USE OF CHLOROFORM.

Mrs. Nellie Roesch, the Victim, Awakened by the Accidental Dripping of the Liquid on Her Shoulder—Her Screams Result in Intruder's Flight—John Helms and David Pierson Held.



Screams of Mrs. Roesch frightened away a negro burglar who attempted to chloroform her.

When Mrs. Nellie Roesch, who conducts a boarding-house at No. 3202 Pine street, awoke shortly before daylight yesterday in her room on the first floor, the first object her eyes rested upon was a negro bending above her bed. The negro had a handkerchief in his left hand and an unopened bottle in his right, the contents of which he was pouring upon the handkerchief when Mrs. Roesch awakened unexpectedly.

He had accidentally spilled a few drops of the liquid from the bottle upon her bare shoulder as she lay asleep, and the tingling sensation had aroused her.

Mrs. Roesch, realizing the situation, screamed for help the moment her eyes rested upon the negro. The negro, upset by her unexpected awakening, and the scream that followed, appeared nonplussed for the fraction of a second. Then, as Mrs. Roesch uttered another scream and sat upright, he took a step backward toward the folding door, keeping his eyes fixed upon her. Without uttering a word he stepped into the adjoining room and closed the doors in front of him, just as the occupants of the house, attracted by Mrs. Roesch's screams, came hurrying into the halls to learn what was the matter.

The intruder escaped from the house without being seen by any one but Mrs. Roesch. Miss Emma Thorn, the housekeeper, who sleeps in a rear room adjoining that occupied in common by Mrs. Roesch and Miss Harriet Haley, a boarder, was the first to enter the room after the intruder had fled. There was a strong odor of chloroform in the room, and when Mrs. Roesch had hurriedly informed her of the presence of the negro, they both turned their attention to Miss Haley, who lay as one dead upon her bed. Her eyes were wide open, but her senses were benumbed, and she appeared oblivious to the commotion about her. With some effort she was revived and in a short time had recovered entirely from the effects of the drug administered. She declared she had not been aware of the presence of a burglar, and was astonished when the facts were related to her by Mrs. Roesch.

The male boarders instituted a search for the burglar throughout the house and the neighborhood, but could find no trace of him. Mrs. Roesch notified the police, and gave a minute description of the negro, at whom she had a good look. At 9 o'clock Officer Meany arrested John Helms, 25 years old, and his step-brother, David Pierson, 16 years old, on suspicion. Helms was found in the rooms of Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Roesch's negro cook, in a house immediately in the rear of the boarding-house, which is separated from it only by a narrow alley. Helms is an adopted son of Mrs. Nelson.

Mrs. Roesch positively identified Helms as the negro who had been in her room. His appearance tallied closely with the description she has previously given the police. Upon her identification a warrant was issued against Helms, charging burglary and attempted larceny.

Mrs. Roesch, discussing the occurrence, said: "I was awakened about 1:30 this morning by that peculiar sensation on my shoulder such as is caused when a cold or hot liquid is unexpectedly poured on one's skin. My heart almost stood still when my eyes rested upon the negro bending above my bed with a handkerchief in one hand and a vial in the other. I realized instantly that he was a burglar and about to drug me, and with the realization I screamed for help. I did not feel any fear after the first shock of discovery, although I realize now that if he had been a desperate negro my life might have paid the penalty of that scream. After the first scream my courage grew, and I continued to shriek at the top of my voice until the negro fled and the boarders came into my room.

"The fellow never uttered a word, but when I screamed he backed through the folding doors and closed them behind him. He did not take anything.

"When he was gone I tried to awaken Miss Haley, who also occupied the room, but found she had been drugged. The burglar had evidently drugged her first and then stepped over to my bed to drug me. In pouring the stuff on the handkerchief he must have spilled a few drops on my shoulder, because I was awakened by a burning sensation there.

"It was an easy matter for him to gain access to our room, which is in the rear of the front parlor. The front door is left unlocked at night for the accommodation of the boarders who come in late. The front parlor is being refurnished and the door leading to it from the hall was left open by the workmen. The folding door between our room and the front parlor was closed only by a strap on our side, and the burglar cut that with his knife. My bed is close to the folding door, and he must have passed me by in going to Miss Haley's bed.

"I had a good look at the burglar as he backed out the door, and I am sure the man under arrest is the right man. He has been around the house several times delivering ice cream, and visiting the cook."

Helms declares he is innocent. He drives a delivery wagon for the Union Dairy Company, and goes to work usually at 4:30 a. m. He was not at work the last week, as he was sick, and his last brother took his place temporarily. He declares that he spent the entire night in Mrs. Nelson's rooms and did not leave there from 7 o'clock Tuesday night until the police arrested him in bed at 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT LIMIT IS OF LITTLE REAL VALUE.

"Inoperative in Many Cases Under the Present Charter and Unnecessary Under Proposed Amendments," Says Robert E. McMath—Provision Relating to Sewers of Utmost Importance to the City's Welfare—Anonymous Circulars Attacking Charter Amendments Are Strongly Denounced.

CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION PUSHED BY WELFARE COMMISSION.

"The limitation of special taxes for street and alley improvement to 25 per cent of assessed value of property charged with the cost of the work has been of little real effect in many cases," said Robert E. McMath yesterday. Mr. McMath was for several years President of the Board of Public Improvement, and is now President of the American Society of Municipal Improvements.

"Under the proposed Charter amendments the limitation is done away with, but this is of little real consequence. If the provision had been retained it would have been distributively operative under the new method of distribution.

"The 25-per cent limit was, under former conditions, too low, and in recognition of this fact interpretations were made and never questioned in court; that scarcely harmonized with the letter and still less with the spirit of the provision. Under a reckless administration abuses might arise from the absence of a limit, but the danger is remote.

TWO POSSIBLE VIEWS OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS. "The individual voter when considering the proposed Charter amendments is likely to first consider how they may affect his individual interests as property owner or taxpayer, and then how they will affect the whole city.

"Since the amendments are intended to relieve the city at large from certain burdens imposed by the present Charter the property owners must pay for all that the city is relieved from; hence from a narrow point of view the taxpayers may not altogether like the amendments, but, if he takes a broader view, he needs improving.

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