

NINETY-SIXTH YEAR.

ST. LOUIS, MO., SUNDAY, JULY 19, 1903.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

### KELLEY DECLARES THAT LEE OFFERED TO GO INTO EXILE.

Legislative Agent for the Baking Powder Trust Says Lieutenant Governor Volunteered to Leave Missouri Provided His "Family Would Be Taken Care Of"—Official Was Deeply Agitated About the New Yorker's Health at the Time of Grand Jury Investigation, and Suggested Change of Climate.

### FOLK IN POSSESSION OF THE LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Queen's Royal, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., July 18.—The Republic correspondent called on D. J. Kelley at Niagara-on-the-Lake this evening. His residence, by the way, is at one of the most select hotels in all Canada and is only a stone's throw from the United States border, which is an imaginary line in midstream of the Niagara River.

Mr. Kelley was in evening dress, the very picture of health, and was the center of a group of friends who were visiting from Buffalo, which is but a few miles away. Approaching midnight, I met Mr. Kelley as per a previous engagement and said:

"Mr. Kelley, it has been reported in St. Louis that you received a telegram from Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee on April 7, the day on which he gave his testimony to the Grand Jury of St. Louis and Jefferson City, to leave town at once, and that afterwards, about May 1, you got a letter from Lieutenant Governor Lee, asking you for money on the proposition that he would exile himself and leave the State without a witness, provided his family were taken care of."

STORY CORRECT.  
Mr. Kelley replied: "The story is practically correct, but to be strictly accurate I will give you the telegrams and the letters, and they will put you just right."

"It seems Lieutenant Governor Lee went before the Grand Jury at Jefferson City on April 6, and on April 7 he was taken to the afternoon of April 7 he sent me the following telegram, which, you will notice, is signed 'Sargent'—a name Lee used when writing me. You will also notice that the telegram is a franked message, and that it is his frank number:

"Here is the message: 'St. Louis, Mo., 7th, Via St. Broadway, New York, April 7, 1903.—D. J. Kelley, 5 West Thirty-first street: 'Your health being poor, brief recreation trip, if taken, would be greatly beneficial. (Signed) 'JAMES SARGENT.'"

WANTS STATEMENTS DENIED.  
"On April 11 I had concluded that Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee had used me for a football and enough, and I sent him the following message from New York:

"Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee, 347 Cabanne avenue, St. Louis, Mo.: I have in my possession every letter you ever wrote me and every paper you have put your name to. If you have or should malign me to push any of your political schemes or plans, or for any purpose whatsoever, these documents will be used and will protect me fully."

"The statements that have appeared in the public press as emanating from you must be withdrawn and denied by you forthwith and unqualifiedly. They are both untrue and malicious. My friends hope I will not permit you to use my name in any way in connection with any political or other plans. Write me instantly that you have complied to-day with my requirements as here expressed. (Signed) 'D. J. KELLEY.'"

REPLY FROM WIFE.  
"On April 11 a reply was received. It will be noticed that the message signed 'His Wife' is also a franked or deadhead message, and can easily be traced to John A. Lee. Here it is, it being his frank number: 'St. Louis, Mo., April 11.—Mr. Kelley, American Queen, No. 5 West Thirty-first street, New York: 'You don't understand the situation. Don't make any more matters worse. He is not here. Phone us 2 o'clock Sunday, home. (Signed) 'HIS WIFE.'"

"On May 1 a large envelope was received through the mail, addressed to my wife at New York, typewritten. On the envelope in large, unmistakable handwriting of John A. Lee was written the word 'Personal.' The letter within the envelope was also in typewriting, written on the same machine. It was signed 'Sargent,' and was as follows:

SUFFERING TORTURES.  
"Why don't you stop this fool's business? If you don't it is going to result in great sorrow and distress to yourself and your friends. The State's witness is safe from indictment, but is suffering the torments of hell, as the papers are pillorying him daily. I am on the inside and have no personal care, but am a friend to all concerned."

"Your friends are going to be drawn into this thing if something is not speedily done, as Crow and Folk are working hard to couple them up with it, and are digging industriously."

"What to them would appear a trifle would end the entire trouble and leave prosecuting helpless and stop whole thing. Only one man would have to be exiled, and he is willing, if his family would be cared for. At least, I think so, as he has to be constantly watched to keep him from harming himself and is ready for anything."

"Quick work is necessary, as the line has broken only one place so far and can be tied hard and fast. Parties here will do their part. (Signed) 'SARGENT.'"

FOLK HAS COPIES.  
"There will be no trouble whatever in tracing this correspondence right up to John A. Lee. On May 5 there came certain clippings from The Republic and the Post-Dispatch, enclosed in an envelope, addressed in the handwriting of John A. Lee. This was done, no doubt, to show me that Folk and Crow were pushing him as implicated in the Sargent letter of May 1."

"Circuit Attorney Folk has copies of all this correspondence. He has access to the files of the telegraph companies, and he can with little or no trouble verify the statements I have made to you."

the propositions, I never acceded to any of them.

### FOLK CLUB IS ORGANIZED.

St. Joseph Men Elect W. D. Rusk President.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
St. Joseph, Mo., July 18.—A Joseph Folk Democratic Club was organized here tonight, with W. D. Rusk, a prominent attorney, president, and James M. Irvine, editor of the Western Fruit Grower, secretary.

### GRAND JURORS SUMMONED.

Subpoenas Issued for Boodie Trial at Jefferson City.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Jefferson City, Mo., July 18.—Subpoenas were issued to-day in the boodie trials to be held here on the 27th for John W. Edwards, foreman of the last Grand Jury, Claude L. Clark and Paul Brance, members of the last Grand Jury, and J. W. Cosgrove and J. D. Dunlop, stenographers.

### COCKRELL IS NONCOMMITTAL.

No Opinion on Folk Because He Has Not Announced Candidacy.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Senator Cockrell, Mo., July 18.—Senator F. M. Cockrell, who attended the Oak Grove picnic, was here to-day.

### BORELLI'S COMET VISIBLE THROUGH A TELESCOPE.

Clear Sky Gives Father Charrappin an Opportunity to Study Its Position.

Father Charrappin, S. J., of St. Louis University had his telescope station in the recreation court of the school early in the evening and spent the greater part of the night in studying the comet. He has a drawing of it, indicating its position in regard to the fixed stars. The drawing will be completed on clear evenings, and will be preserved.

### HENRY LINBERG MEETS DEATH UNDER CAR WHEELS.

Yardman at Poorhouse Sustains Injuries Which Result in Death Soon After Accident.

Henry Linberg, yardman at the Poorhouse, was struck by a westbound Tower Grove car at the corner of Braunion avenue and Second street last night shortly before 12 o'clock and sustained injuries which resulted in his death at the City Hospital an hour later.

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### POORHOUSE INMATES ATTEND MATINEE.

Manager H. Edward Rice of Koenigs Garden entertained the inmates of the Poorhouse yesterday afternoon at the matinee at the garden. The St. Louis Transit Company transported the Poorhouse inmates free of charge. In the way the inmates were treated to an enjoyable occasion.

### DEDICATION MEMORIAL MEDAL SENT TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.



Medal sent to President Roosevelt by the World's Fair management in commemoration of the dedication ceremonies.

A gold medal commemorative of the visit of President Roosevelt, April 30, and his part in dedicating the World's Fair, was forwarded this week by express to Oyster Bay, the summering place of the chief executive.

The medal is of solid gold and about one and one-half inches in diameter. It bears on one side a medallion head of Thomas Jefferson and on the reverse a cornucopia in front of the rising sun, with the words: "Dedication Ceremonies, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, U. S. A., April 30, 1904."

The space holding the memorial gift is in keeping with the elegance of the medal itself. It is a handsome silk plush cover ornamented with fleur-de-lis. The initials of President Roosevelt form a pretty monogram in the center. Above appear the words: "Louisiana Purchase Exposition," and below, "April 30, 1904."

A letter accompanying the medal reads: "To His Excellency, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States. 'Your Excellency: We are forwarding to you by express to Oyster Bay, the gold medal which was struck especially for you as a souvenir of your gracious visit to St. Louis on the thirtieth of April last, during the Dedication Ceremonies.'"

This medal has been duly registered in the Patent Office in Washington, and the original was designed by an American artist, Mr. Petrarchus of this city. The leather case is also an original design by Miss Bulkley, also of this city.

We hope that this medal will be to you, sir, as pleasant a souvenir of that occasion as the honor of your visit has been, and always will be, to us. I beg to remain, Yours very respectfully, F. D. HIRSCHBERG, Chairman Committee on Reception and Entertainment.

### POWDER EXPLODES AS TRAIN PASSES.

Every Passenger Is Injured or Shocked and Two Laborers at Magazine Are Killed.

Roanoke, Va., July 18.—By the explosion of a large quantity of dynamite and blasting powder stored in a magazine near Pearisburg, Giles county, this afternoon, two men were killed outright, sixteen were more or less injured, and about 100 others severely shocked.

### RICKER'S ABSENCE STILL A MYSTERY.

Detectives and Relatives Obtain No Trace of Missing Bank Clerk.

In spite of the efforts of the detective department and friends of Frank H. Ricker of Kirkwood, corresponding clerk of the National Bank of Commerce, who disappeared from a Missouri Pacific train at the Union Station Thursday morning last, his whereabouts remain as much a mystery as ever.

### WIFE IS ALMOST PROSTRATED.

Intimate Friends and Associates Scout the Idea That He Was Financially Involved—Was Devoted to Home.

Mrs. Ricker thought that perhaps her husband had fallen asleep on the train and had been carried west to Pacific, the next stop from Kirkwood, had in the meantime instituted inquiries and learned that he was in the hands of a man whose name in St. John's Hospital. A telephone message was sent there, and a reply came back that Mr. Ricker was there suffering from a severe attack of neuritis, and that he would be able to be out in a few days.

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The committee was greatly assisted by the Salvation Army, the Volunteers of America, the Police Department, the Union Mission, the St. Louis Provident Association, the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the United Jewish Charities.

The total receipts of the committee were \$23,945.25, which was disbursed as follows: Topeka, Kas., \$4,000.00; Kansas City, Kas., \$1,500.00; Individual refugees, \$44.00; Expended at stations, \$1,582.04; Supplies—Food, clothing, bedding, etc., \$1,000.00; Given to families, \$6,907.52; Farmers, mostly for seed, \$6,645.64; East Side Relief Committee, \$2,000.00; Venetian Relief Committee, \$2,150.00; Madison Relief Committee, \$200.00; Brooklyn Relief Committee, \$200.00; Expenses—Printing, postage, etc., \$167.15.

Total, \$23,945.25. In addition, many private contributions were made by St. Louis citizens, and the total approximates in value \$60,000.

The committee yesterday afternoon passed a resolution appreciative of the work of George H. Morgan, secretary of the Merchants' Exchange, who acted as treasurer for the relief funds.

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### MARION CRAWFORD DISCUSSES CHANGES OF CANDIDATES FOR THE PAPAL THRONE.

Novelist Says Cardinal Oreglia Is Too Old and Rampolla Has Too Many Enemies.

NO FOREIGNER IS CONSIDERED.

Regards Satoli as Eminently Qualified to Succeed Pope Leo, but Thinks His Election Improbable.

CUSTOMS OF SACRED COLLEGE.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
New York, July 18.—Mr. F. Marion Crawford contributes to Everybody's Magazine for August a notable and timely article on "Pope Leo's Successor."

Mr. Crawford who is a devout Catholic, has enjoyed the privilege of an intimate acquaintance with Pope Leo XIII for nearly a score of years. As a result Leo appointed him an official biographer and gave him access to most valuable material that the casual biographer would never have acquired.

Rumor says that the biography is already written and has waited merely for the closing chapter.

Mr. Crawford believes that the next Pope will almost certainly be an Italian, for it is from the Italian Cardinals that the Popes have chiefly been chosen since the "captivity of Avignon," and without a single exception, since the Council of Trent.

And as there was no departure from this custom of electing an Italian in the last conclave, though it was the first one held under a hostile government after the fall of the temporal power, it is not to be expected that any change will now take place, since the Holy See has found a way, however unwillingly, of co-existing with the Government of Italy for more than thirty years and since no new development could possibly justify any attempt at a solution of the "Roman question."

The foreign Cardinals, he thinks, will naturally separate into groups in the conclave, each group supporting the candidate who it thinks most likely to advance the religious interests of its nation.

FOREIGN CARDINALS IN ROME.  
The fact that three foreign Cardinals are now in Rome—Sienhuber, a German; Mathieu, a Frenchman, and Vivesy Tuto, a Spaniard, says Mr. Crawford, "is not without importance. Being better acquainted with the conditions of the Catholic Church, and their Italian colleagues and exercising great influence in the Curia by virtue of their personal merits, these three men will naturally lead their respective national groups, and by agreeing, will probably be in a position to decide the election of the next Pope."

The probable choice, thus narrowed down to the thirty-seven Italians in the college of Cardinals, may be still further reduced by selecting "those men who unite in themselves some of the eminent qualities necessary in the head of the Catholic Church, and the same time taking into consideration the exigencies of the age in which we live, and the tendencies of thought in this new century, which are already becoming pretty clearly defined."

There are different opinions as to what sort of a man would best meet the exigencies of the age.

"Some people can see no safety for the church except in skillful policy and they accordingly desire a 'political' Pope, a statesman, at peace with all the States and their rulers, upholding their authority, himself upheld by them."

"Others hope for a 'theological' Pontiff, who is to defend the dogmas of the church and of Christian wisdom, fluninating against the errors of all such reasoning as is against the will of God."

"Lastly there are many who dream of a humble, charitable and pious Pope, who shall renew the miraculous conversion of mankind by the ruling apostolic means."

BROTHER TAKEN FOR HIM.  
Certain persons in Kirkwood were sure that they had seen Mr. Ricker on a Clayton car on Thursday evening, after his disappearance, and that he had left the car at Kirkwood in the night. The detectives were naturally only too glad to find that Phillips and Noel were laborers, and their mangled bodies were found near the wrecked magazine.

A special train, with surgeons on board, conveyed the wounded to Bluefield, where they were placed in a hospital. It is not known what caused the explosion.

Yesterday the detectives were assured that Ricker was seen on Thursday evening, dining with some friends at Nagel's restaurant. Usually Ricker, in common with other employees at the bank, lunched and dined at the cafe on the top of the Bank of Commerce building. On Saturdays he frequently went either to Nagel's, Caesar's or the Laclede Hotel restaurant, and it seemed very plausible that he might have been in the building on Thursday. When the attendants at Nagel's, who thought they remembered seeing Ricker were shown his photograph, they declared that it was an entirely different person. Some one had addressed the gentleman as "Rich," and this led to the idea that it was Ricker.

Orrick Albright, the young man who last saw Ricker, in any way, The Republic yesterday that as he was leaving the car in company with other passengers, he saw Ricker, who was leaning over the front seat as high as he was ill. Ricker then told him to notify the bank people that he was going to see a doctor and might not be able to go to the bank.

"I had noticed Ricker before," said Albright, "and it struck me that he appeared very much worried and downcast, but I did not pay much attention to the matter until he told me that he had not come back to the bank."

It was positively ascertained that when Ricker boarded the car at Kirkwood he carried a grip sack or hand bag of any description.

Mr. Ricker was seen occasionally in a brokerage office, but his dealings, it is said, were slight and altogether of a private nature.

When Cashier Edwards of the Bank of Commerce was asked whether Ricker represented the bank in any way in dealing with brokers he ridiculed the idea, saying: "He may have gone to brokers on some errand, but it is preposterous to think he did anything in any way representing the bank. In his position he was also being entirely out of the range of irregular proceedings, even had he been inclined to, which we are positive of, of course, that he was not."

A relative of Ricker said he could not imagine that the missing man had any financial troubles at all.

"I know some time back," said he, "that Ricker was compelled to go to extra expense about some matters, and at that time voluntarily advanced him a small sum of money on his note. That obligation was promptly met, and I am sure that if he had had money for any purpose, he would not have been in the predicament in which he is now."

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