



ALEXANDRIA, VA.

MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 13.

IS a very complimentary notice given the Gazette under its recent enlargement and new dress the Loudoun Enterprise says:

We congratulate our valuable exchange upon the increased advertising patronage which has made the enlargement of its forms necessary. It is certainly time the merchants and other business interests of Alexandria were waking up and using a little newspaper space.

Our contemporary's observations are correct, we regret to say, and are those of many others. The merchants in the small towns and cities of Virginia advertise much more than those of the city of Alexandria—and reap the benefit. The names of many Alexandria business houses never appear in the advertising columns of the newspaper.

President Taft and the public are to be pacified with a "commission" to look into the matter of regulating stock and bond issues by railroad companies, instead of getting any direct legislation on the subject. This was agreed to at a conference held at the White House yesterday.

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Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, speaking before members of the Hawkeye Fellowship Club in Chicago on Saturday, stigmatized the south as ignorant on political questions.

The south is the best place in the world in which to make a speech because the people are so ignorant of political questions. It is not their fault, the burden of the great struggle is still upon them. But for all that nowhere is there greater ignorance nor greater eagerness to know.

"THE WORLD is growing better," according to no less an authority than Speaker Joseph G. Cannon, of the House of Representatives. The only black spot he sees in the development of the nation is in our literature.

A NEW party, without a name, but with which Theodore Roosevelt, Gifford Pinchot and James R. Garfield were said to be the leaders, was referred to by the president of the St. Paul Roosevelt Club at a dinner on Saturday in honor of Mr. Pinchot and Mr. Garfield.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of Alexandria Gazette)

"Dixie" as well as "The Star Spangled Banner," and "America," will be sung and played as a national anthem tomorrow for the first time in the history of the annual "flag day" exercises held at the postoffice. The ceremonies will be held on the third floor balcony, overlooking the court where hangs the biggest American flag in the world, 79 by 41 feet.

The president today by official proclamation turned over to the open public domain 202,635 acres more of Mr. Pinchot forest lands. The eliminations are from the Wallawa National Forest in Oregon. They are the result of a resolution made by the department of agriculture during the past summer, which disclosed the fact that these areas were either open grass lands with very little timber or timbered lands so largely alienated that further administration by the forest service was considered impracticable.

The Annual Report of Foreign Commerce of the United States, just issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, reveals some footprints in Southern progress that are of great importance. Comparing the exports of 1899 and 1909 it is found that those from Gulf ports have increased 110 per cent in the 10 years.

The details of a score of cases of alleged persecutions in this country of political refugees by the Mexican government were today laid before the House committee on rules which is hearing a bill (H. R. 10000) for an investigation of conditions along the Mexican border. John Murray, a newspaper man of Los Angeles, Cal., connected with an association of labor papers, told the committee that in Mexico the military guarded the polls and later announced the results of the elections.

President Taft directed today that several warships go down New York bay to meet Mr. Roosevelt and fire the presidential salute of 21 guns when his steamer leaves in sight. The South Carolina, the newest of the battleships in full commission, will be anchored off Ambrose Light at the head of the channel with five torpedo boat destroyers. At the firing of the salute they will fall in line and escort the steamer as far as the quarantine station. With the cavalcade will be the Dolphin bearing Secretary of the Navy Meyer, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and Captain Butt, who had been designated by President Taft to carry his message of welcome to Mr. Roosevelt.

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The Navy Department has asked the clearing of four British ships, which have been hired to transport coal from the Atlantic coast to the naval station at Honolulu. The law expressly states that no foreign vessel can transport either passengers or freight from one American port to another, but by a decision by former Attorney General Bonaparte made at the time of the "round the world" trip of the battleship fleet, it was made possible for ships flying foreign flags to act as colliers.

The prearranged legislative calendar of the House was today shifted by the adoption of a motion by Mr. Tawney, to supplant the consideration of an old pension bill, scheduled for today, by the general deficiency bill.

United States District Attorney Sims today filed in the United States Circuit Court in Chicago a petition charging the Union Stock Yards and Transit Company and its subsidiary corporations with failing to comply with the requirements of the interstate commerce act and asking an injunction restraining the operations of the defendants until they comply with the federal laws.

AVIATION FEAT.

Charles K. Hamilton Flies from New York to Philadelphia at a Speed of Forty-eight Miles an Hour.

New York, June 13.—Starting on what is declared by expert aviators to be one of the most ambitious aeroplane trips ever attempted, Charles K. Hamilton, most daring of American aviators, left Governor's Island in New York at 10:35 for Philadelphia and returned at 3:38 this morning. As he flew across the upper bay and headed straight over the New Jersey meadows which separate New York and Elizabeth he was flying about 800 feet in the air and running very nearly a mile a minute.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 13.—Traveling at a speed greater than that of the fastest express trains between the two cities, Charles K. Hamilton, in a Curtiss bi-plane, completed the first half of his flight from New York to Philadelphia and returned at 9:28 today. He covered the distance, 86 miles, in an airplane, in one hour and fifty minutes, about 48 miles an hour.

Hamilton appeared above the aviation field, a quarter of a mile north-west of Front street and Erie avenue, at 9:20 o'clock. He circled the big lot three times, tearing to the earth on the fourth circle, at a point several squares distant from where a crowd of 20,000 had expected him to descend.

San Francisco, Cal., June 13.—One thing is apparent today to fight fans, and that is that Jack Johnson and James J. Jeffries are about as perfectly trained men as ever entered the prize ring. Both the big fellows have worked hard and both have reached a degree of physical perfection that will make them able to stand a frightful lot of punishment on July 4.

From Bowardon came word today that Jeffries has decided to do a lot of boxing every day from now on. The big fellow has decided that he is physically "fit" and he wants to be sure that his "eye" is right. In other words, Jeffries wants to know that when he aims a blow, he has so timed his movement that it will land on the spot. Boxing alone will do that for him, and while his early fighting has shown that his eye is good, the former champion intends to take no further chances with Corbett, Armstrong and Coyne; will don the mitts with the big fellow every day. It is expected that Corbett will try continually to land right uppercuts, which Jeffries will try to block, for that is Johnson's favorite blow and Jeffries wants to be able to counter them.

Montreal, June 13.—The Montreal Herald building was destroyed by fire today and a number of employees were reported caught in the debris and burned to death. Fifteen persons were reported missing, but how many of these were victims could not be learned until the ruins cooled sufficiently to permit a search.

St. Louis, Mo., June 13.—Dr. John M. Grant, one of the most widely known in the country, was shot and mortally wounded in his home shortly before noon today by an unidentified man who made his escape. The physician's assailant drove to the Grant home in an open buggy, entered the physician's office and fired two shots, both taking effect.

Paris yesterday was the scene of a horse show in the Bois de Boulogne. The exhibition was the first of the season and attracted a large number of spectators. The show was held in the Bois de Boulogne, which was the scene of a horse show in the Bois de Boulogne.

Upperville—June 15th and 16th. Culpeper—July 4th and 5th. Manassas—July 27th and 28th. Orange—August 3rd and 4th. Charlottesville—August 9th and 10th. Front Royal—August 16th and 17th. Berryville—August 23rd, 24th and 25th. Warrenton—August 31st and September 1st.

Warrenton—August 31st and September 1st. The railroad bill in session more than six hours yesterday and made such progress as led them to predict that they will be able to report to Congress early this week, probably on Wednesday. In the tentative draft that has been made up from the bills as they were passed by the House and Senate the only two questions that remain in serious dispute are those relating to long and short hauls and the period that increases in rates should be suspended to give the Interstate Commerce Commission time to pass upon their reasonableness.

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MISSING HUSBAND.

Lake Como Murder Still a Mystery—Whereabout of Porter Charlton Unknown.

Como, Italy, June 13.—Convinced that there can be little progress made in unravelling the mystery of the murder of Mrs. Mary Scott Castle Charlton until the part alleged to have been played in the crime by Porter Charlton, the missing husband, is determined, the police today began a second dredging of Lake Como and started also to dig up the ground around the villa Lognazzi, near Moltrasio, which the Charltons occupied.

The lake is being dragged in the belief that if Charlton, too, was murdered, his body was probably thrown into the lake, as was that of his wife. The chief of police and U. S. Consul Caughy at Milan are firm in the belief that Charlton was murdered. The chief of police says that all stories of Charlton having been seen after the murder of his wife are either cases of mistaken identity or a deliberate plot to mislead the authorities.

The Senate on Saturday receded from its amendments to the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill, and, as a result, the vice-president and the speaker will have to pay for the maintenance of their automobiles.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Oklahoma voted to establish the capital at Oklahoma City, but a judge granted an injunction against its removal from Guthrie.

Seven deaths occurred from lightning at Breslau yesterday, which brings the total in the province of Silesia up to eighteen fatalities in three days.

The second largest bank in the United States has been formed by a merger of the Continental and Commercial Banks, of Chicago, with deposits of over \$184,000,000.

John Sanders, a young white man of Boston, who lost his eyesight by an explosion of gasoline, went to the station house on Saturday night where he remained until this afternoon when he left for Georgia.

A few jays of fish have arrived at this port today. Some shad and herring were in the lots, but they consisted mostly of perch, catfish, etc. They were caught a short distance south of this city.

The last fiscal year has been the most profitable in the history of the Suez canal. The receipts amounted to nearly \$25,000,000, due mainly to a revival of the Indian trade, notably from the ports of Bombay and Karachi.

The Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Company, which recently purchased the building on the northeast corner of Prince and Royal streets, is fitting up the same for the office purposes of that company.

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