



ALEXANDRIA, VA. THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 7.

Another cause for war on flies has been discovered. An Italian scientist reports that they carry pellagra, a disease that prevails at times in the south, and that was supposed to be spread by the use of corn. Dr. Marshall L. Price, of the State Board of Health of Maryland, a leader in the battle for the extermination of flies, announces that he hopes soon to perfect a compound that will be sure death to the little winged pests. He will give his discovery to the public. He is now working on a formula for a fly exterminator. He has in mind a powder which can be scattered about a room and which means instant death to flies, but which does no damage to human beings or domestic animals. This formula contains a number of simple drugs which may be purchased from the corner drug store and compounded at home. Experiments with this powder so far have been successful in the destruction of flies.

SHIP building in the United States during the fiscal year just ended shows a marked increase over that of the previous year. This year there were built according to the bureau of navigation's report, 1,502 merchant vessels of 347,025 gross tons, as compared with 1,352 vessels of 232,816 gross tons the year before. Of those built during the past year, 333 were barges and canal boats; of the remainder, 1,039 being steam and 135 sailing vessels. The largest of the 15 steaming ocean steamers constructed during the year was the Wilhelmine of 6,974 tons, while the schooner Wyoming, of 3,730 tons, was the largest wooden vessel ever built in the United States. And this, despite the statements made by the ship builders that ship building in this country has been killed by the refusal of Congress to vote subsidies!

DURING the fiscal year which ended June 30 there was an unprecedented boom in the moonshine whisky business. Prohibitory legislation in the southern States, coupled with the advance in the price of legitimate corn whisky to \$2.50 a gallon, created such a demand for this product that the moonshiners extended their operations to a startling extent and doubled and trebled the work of the revenue service. No official figures are given by Revenue Commissioner Cabell, but unofficial estimates place the number of illicit stills raided and seized during the year at over 2,000, while the figures for the year ending June 30, 1909, were 1,743. As heretofore stated Commissioner Cabell has ordered a detail of eight additional special agents to hunt down moonshiners.

A DYNAMITE cartridge, with percussion cap, was found yesterday morning dangling from a tree over a road near the Harriman estate at Goshen, N. Y., and was in such a position that a passing automobile would probably have struck and exploded it. It has always been admitted that a penalty is exacted for greatness. In our day the allusion seems to be especial targets for the vicious. Terrifying blackmail letters are received by those who possess wealth and their children are abducted and held for heavy ransom. The qui rural retreat is not exempt, as the illustrious Harriman is a victim of the dynamite cartridge on the Harriman premises.

THE congress of the Argentine republic has passed a law rigorously interdicting the residence of anarchists and providing prison penalties for the return of expelled anarchists. The death penalty is authorized for any who aid in a movement resulting in a death. Such a law should be on the statute books of all civilized countries and should be rigidly enforced. The anarchists, place is off the earth.

THE crusade against the exhibition of moving pictures of the recent prize fight has received a decided impetus during the past twenty-four hours. The wave has virtually spread over the entire United States. Secretary Shaw, of the Christian Endeavor Society in Boston, has received replies from the governors of Virginia, Illinois, South Carolina, Rhode Island, Arkansas, Utah, Montana, Michigan, Alabama and South Dakota, announcing their sympathy in the movement looking toward the suppression of the pictures.

THE Milwaukee city council, which is in the control of the socialists, on Thursday carried out the party programme of suppressing disorderly saloons by refusing licenses to 194 of them and to two burlesque theaters.

THE result of the recent fight at Reno is playing sad havoc with the brains of some specimens of the human family. Declaring that the negro can

no longer be called the white man's inferior. Prof. W. L. Hamilton, of the University of California, whose case seems more strange than all, cites the outcome of the Jeffries-Johnson battle as proof of his contention. Prof. Hamilton pointed out the progress made by negroes and advanced the theory that the blacks were not a separate race, but are simply "tanned Caucasians." He predicted that within 300 years the black race in America would be extinct. Climate and intermarriage he said would accomplish this result. This is substantially the same hallucination from which many people suffered about the time Fred Douglass began to lecture. The madly metamorphosed John Brown into a fanatic and for a time impaired the intellects of many otherwise good men.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Correspondence of Alexandria Gazette) Following President Taft's announced policy toward negroes as federal officials in the south, it is said to be probable that all negroes holding the office there will be succeeded by white appointees. It is understood that several colored internal revenue collectors have resigned, and in each case the appointee will be a white man. On the other hand, negroes will get some good offices in the north, and it is practically certain that the new collector of customs at Georgetown, D. C., will be a negro.

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Negotiations have been undertaken with Siam with a view of agreeing upon a new treaty to take the place of the one now in force which was signed in 1855. The treaty is a general one of amity and commerce and is so old that it no longer serves the purpose of regulating the present relations between the two governments. The new treaty will be much more general and will give Siam certain concessions as the result of development which has taken place in that country since the present treaty was signed.

Government experts on far eastern affairs are now on a still hunt for proof of a secret agreement between Japan and Russia on the partition of Manchuria. For months past these diplomatic sleuths have been convinced that some such understanding has been reached. The railroad agreement just signed providing for the elimination of competition between the Russian and Japanese systems in Manchuria, it is suspected, is but a blind to throw the other powers off the scent. Its reiteration of the intention of the two countries to preserve the status quo is regarded as no more than a tinkling phrase which has been used repeatedly to distract attention from the real underground working of the two foreign officers to secure a firm grasp on China's richest province.

The feeling between the two negroes is bitter. Langford positively refuses to take Johnson seriously. Before the Jeffries-Johnson fight Langford bemoaned the fact that "Jeffries was going to kill that nigger Johnson" before he got a chance to do the job. Langford could give Johnson a run for his money. In Boston five years ago Langford gave Johnson a terrific argument. Johnson beat him up in the first five rounds and then Langford tore in. For the remaining ten rounds Langford had Johnson stalling and hanging on for dear life, though Johnson outweighed him fifty pounds. Since that time Langford has increased his weight to 180 pounds. He declares he will follow Johnson all over the world, if necessary, to make him fight. Only a few months ago, in Baltimore, when the negroes met in a negro club, Langford took off his coat and offered to whip Johnson on the spot.

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Fort Balknap and Flathead Indian Reservations in Montana. The plans for the summer work of the several bureaus of the department has been outlined and agreed upon. So far as the reservation service is concerned it shows that the Ballinger-Newall differences are for the present to remain in status quo.

The Interstate Commerce Commission today ordered a reduction in freight rates from Cincinnati, Roanoke, Va., and Lynchburg, Va., to Winston-Salem and Durham, North Carolina. The decision was rendered in the case of the Corporation Commission of North Carolina against the Norfolk and Western and several other roads. The Interstate Commerce Commission refused to sustain the charges of the Corporation Commission that carriers showed discrimination in rates to those two North Carolina points as compared to Virginia cities, but ordered the reduction from the above mentioned points.

Ex-president Zelaya, of Nicaragua, has, according to a rumor reported to the Navy Department in official dispatches, agreed to withdraw the Venus from the east coast of Nicaragua on conditions that his property interests be protected and that the \$50,000 be advanced as a first payment on the Emory claims be returned to him.

At the special request of Theodore Roosevelt, Gilson Gardner today gave out a statement branding as false a story sent out from Oyster Bay regarding Roosevelt's alleged endorsement of the senatorial candidacy of Representative Poindexter, of Washington. Gardner, who made the trip with Roosevelt from Khariou to New York as a member of the Roosevelt party was a guest at Sagamore Hill together with Poindexter. He says that the only statement made by either Poindexter or himself following the visit was that it had been pleasant and that Poindexter had been pleased to find how thoroughly Col. Roosevelt was in accord with his own ideas. There was no mention of the senatorial contest, Gardner says.

Only three bids were received for the \$425,000 of 4 per cent Porto Rican gold bonds, which were offered today at the bureau of insular affairs of the War Department. The only bidder for the entire amount was the National City Bank of New York which joined with the Royal Bank of Canada and offered 100,0626. Muller, Schell & Co., of New York, offered \$150,000. E. B. Felt of Oak Ridge, Louisiana, offered 103,158 for \$5,000.

As a sequel to the charges of negligence against United States immigration officials in Hawaii, preferred by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, Anatoly Vasilieff, one of Gompers' chief informants in Hawaii has been arrested upon the charge of being an anarchist and thus subject to deportation from Hawaii.

Charles F. Murphy, of Tammany, is responsible for the new plan. He declared at a conference of party leaders here that unless this action there would be an independent ticket in the field next fall that would draw so heavily from the democrats as to ensure the success of the republican ticket, despite the unorganized condition of that party at present.

The district leaders were told that the candidates for Governor would be given a free hand at the September primaries and that the first fight of the campaign will come then. The avowed candidates are Congressman William Sulzer, Edward M. Shepard, of Brooklyn; Thomas Mott Osborne, of Auburn; former justice of the supreme court, Cary H. Hall and John B. Stanchfield. Hearst's lieutenants today said that if any of the candidates outside of Sulzer should be nominated Hearst would either endorse the republican candidate or else run himself. Hereafter that he cannot transfer his following and his friends predict that when he returns here in August he will take a hand at once in the campaign.

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EARTHQUAKE.

Severe Shocks Felt Last Night—Iceland Believed to Have Suffered.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 7.—Some part of the earth's crust about 1,500 or 2,000 miles from Cleveland was given a severe shaking up during the night, according to Father Odenbach's seismograph, at St. Ignatius College here, when today's record was taken. Father Odenbach is inclined to think that Iceland or the northern Atlantic bore the brunt of the quake. The record shows a more severe earthquake than has been recorded in the last two years, the vertical variation of the shock being six millimeters. The quake began at 10:55-18 Cleveland time, reached its maximum at 10:58 and was over at 11:21. Father Odenbach says the record is very similar to the quake that shook Iceland about a year ago.

Washington, D. C., July 7.—The most severe earthquake recorded here since the great shock in the West Indies in 1907 was shown today on the seismograph at Georgetown University. Father Torndorf estimated that the quake was fifteen hundred miles away. The quakes continued for about fifteen minutes, the maximum shock being from 12:01 to 12:03 a. m. Father Torndorf said that the quake might possibly have centered at some point in the Atlantic Ocean, but that it had every evidence of having been extraordinarily severe.

Washington, D. C., July 7.—An official bulletin issued by the Weather Bureau here today states that an earthquake of greater intensity than usual was recorded on the seismograph at the Weather Bureau about midnight last night. The location of the disturbance is placed at 1,500 from Washington but the direction was not distinctly recorded by the instruments. The tremors lasted in all about forty minutes.

New York Politics. New York, July 7.—Following the intimation that Lloyd Griseom, chairman of the republican county committee, has promised his support to Theodore Roosevelt as leader of the republican state organization and that there is a likelihood that Roosevelt will try to force the nomination for governor of a radical republican who will be acceptable to the Hearst faction in the state, came the declaration today from democratic leaders that there will be no slate for the coming state convention. Instead it was declared there will be an open convention, with the delegates making up the ticket.

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MRS. GORMAN'S WILL.

The will of Mrs. Hannah D. Gorman, widow of the late Senator Arthur P. Gorman, who died recently in Washington, was filed in the Probate Court in that city yesterday. Mrs. Ada Gorman Magness, who against the will of her mother and family, married Charles Magness, a musician in the U. S. service, is cut off with the income from her share of the estate, her brothers and sisters to receive their shares in full after 10 years have elapsed. In addition, the trustee of Mrs. Magness' share, the National Savings and Trust Company, is clothed with discretionary power to pay what it thinks proper to her for her maintenance and support. However, if she has children at her death, they will receive her share in the same manner as she would had she not married against the wishes of her mother.

Mrs. Gorman also made provision in her will for Mrs. Kate Marriott, her daughter by a previous marriage. The will does not indicate the value of the estate, but it is estimated to be between one and two million dollars.

PATROLMAN CATCHES BABIES. Fire destroyed the synagogue at Thirford and Dumont avenues, Brooklyn, yesterday, but the coolness of Mrs. Rebecca Schulman, daughter of the caretaker, saved the lives of her two children. She tossed them from a window to the arms of Patrolman William J. Goodburn, of the Brownsville station. "Come on, throw them down!" shouted the patrolman, standing on the sidewalk, twenty feet underneath the woman, who was half hidden by a veil of smoke. "Don't be afraid."

Leaving far out of the window, she first dropped four months old Katie, and then five-year old Heshe. They were safe. Goodburn is an old baseball player.

Then the woman climbed out of the window and wakened down a ladder by Goodburn and Patrolman George Walker. The synagogue was destroyed.

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VIRGINIA NEWS.

The number of cadets to be admitted to the Virginia Military Institute was increased from 50 to 75 at a recent meeting of the board of visitors.

Mayor Smith of Lynchburg today issued orders prohibiting the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight pictures in that city.

Mr. Frederick W. Twyman, president of the City Council of Charlottesville, and Miss Sallie Whitlock Baker, were married last night at Christ Episcopal Church, Charlottesville, by the rector, Rev. Harry B. Lee.

Mr. D. B. Powers, sr., one of the wealthiest and most prominent merchants of Caroline, died at his home in Port Royal Tuesday night after two years of poor health, aged 80 years.

Governor Mann is expected in camp at Gettysburg today, together with General W. W. Sale and Inspector General Jo Lane Stern, Colonel C. A. Dempsey, retired, of the regular army, is also expected.

The State Bar Association will meet at Hot Springs on July 26, 27, 28 with the Maryland Bar Association. Justice Horace G. Lorton, of the United States Supreme Court, will make the principal address at the joint meeting. An address will be made by President Alderman, of the University of Virginia. Papers will be read by members of the two associations, including Messrs. S. S. Field and Edwin G. Baetjer, of Baltimore, and Mr. Alfred G. Thom, general counsel of the Southern Railroad.

TO TEACH NON-DRUG HEALING.

Recognizing the rapidly growing belief that many diseases can be cured without the aid of drugs, Temple University, of Philadelphia, has completed arrangements for the establishment of a department for teaching methods of healing without the employment of drugs. This is the first department of its kind to be established in a medical school.

Dr. J. Madison Taylor one of the leading physicians of that city, has been chosen to head this new department of the university's medical school. The new department has been given the name of "non-pharmaceutic therapeutics," and Dr. Taylor will hold an adjunct professorship to the chair of therapeutics, which office is held by Dr. C. E. M. Sajous, a distinguished research scholar, whose work on internal secretion has formed a basis for the exact explanation of the action of all remedies, drugs and animal extracts.

Dr. Taylor has for years been a close student of aids to the restoration of health not only by drugs, but by massage, exercise, suggestion, rest, diet, baths, electricity and light. Dr. Taylor will sail for Europe tomorrow, where he will study the advanced methods of dealing with this branch of therapeutics. His new department will teach also special cures and sanatorium methods, and the department is expected to become one of the most valuable in the entire medical course in the university.

With only five cents in his pocket, and evidently out of work, J. C. Dean, 45 years old, of Hattiesburg, Miss., committed suicide early today in Armorey Park by swallowing carbolic acid. He left a note merely saying that his brother's address is E. W. Dean, Q. & C. freight office, Meriden, Miss.

The second cloudburst within ten days occurred in Lincoln county, W. Va., yesterday, and word received at Huntington, indicates a terrible flood conditions. The loss on crops and property will exceed \$75,000. No lives have been lost, but much live stock has perished.

The situation of the Jews at Kief, Russia, is becoming worse. According to dispatches to the Jewish Aid Society, the hostile mob is becoming dangerous in Slobolskoi, a suburb of Yvatka. Organized bands frequently attack the Jews. Six persons have been severely injured and a large number slightly injured. The Jewish population is terrorized by threats and abuse.

LATIN-AMERICAN ALLIANCE.

That at least three and perhaps more of the Central and South American republics will make a concerted protest of some kind at the coming International Conference of American States at Buenos Ayres against the Central American policy of the United States is the possibility being discussed in diplomatic circles in Washington.

Rumors to this effect have been persistent of late in quarters usually well informed, and some responsible Latin-American representatives admitted their approximate truth, though none would permit himself to be quoted. The rumors have led to a lively exchange of information among the Central and South American diplomats in Washington. Officials of the State Department are known to be watching the situation closely.

Some of the more radical Spanish-Americans are said to be in favor of a Latin-American alliance against the United States.

The most that can be regarded as probable is that the republics interested will give the United States to understand diplomatically that the principles represented in the attitude of this government on the east coast of Nicaragua were not accepted willingly as a part of the international law of the Americas.

It is hardly likely that this protest, if made, will become a part of the proceedings of the conference. It will probably be left to the unofficial work of the assembly.

Advices regarding a recent statement by the Venezuelan government on the subject, it is still reported in Washington that the Venezuelan delegates will be the leaders in protesting against the attitude of the United States and that at least two other governments will share the responsibility of the movement.

Doubt exists in Washington as to just what steps of the American government have been distasteful to the sister republics. The only concrete point mentioned in this connection was first phrased by Madrid, president of the government at Managua, when he protested against the action of American marines in preventing an attack by the Madrid forces upon the city of Bluefields. This was done on the ground that American interests are extensive there and followed the precedent of the British government in prohibiting fighting in Georgetown on similar grounds. Later the Venus was prohibited by the American officials from firing on Bluefields.

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New York, July 7.—A strike of the 40,000 or more women in the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union was declared at a meeting of the committee of 45 today, to go into effect at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The workers demand recognition of the union, shorter hours, increased pay and better working conditions, and July 18.



NEWS OF THE DAY.

Bitter debates on the question of Church and State in Spain are going on in both houses at Madrid.

Rev. C. M. Elderidge was yesterday nominated congressional candidate by the prohibitionists of the First district of Maryland.

After having swallowed 17 glasses of whisky to win a bet of \$1, Peter Smith, 35 years old, of Newark, N. J., died at the hospital yesterday an hour after he had been taken there.

Brazil has ordered from the Armstrong Company, England, a super-Dreadnought of 32,000 tons. The armament will consist of twelve 14-inch guns and twenty-eight 6-inch and 4-inch guns.

Sugar trust weighters on the Williamsburg, New York, dock have gone on a strike because one of their number was discharged, and new funds are hinted at.

William J. Bryan gave out a statement yesterday again declining to be a candidate for United States senator and intending to discourage further activity among his political supporters in that direction.

A son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hedgdon, who live near Franklin, Pa. Mr. Hedgdon is 75 years of age, and the child born yesterday is his twenty-eighth. The present Mrs. Hedgdon is the second wife.

Robert H. Taft, son of President Taft, has been exonerated from blame for the injuries to Michael Titwalla, who was struck by a Taft automobile in Boston last month.

Hens of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio have, since April, laid 45,000,000 eggs for the cold storage man, according to farmers who have sold their product to representatives of Chicago cold storage houses.

With only five cents in his pocket, and evidently out of work, J. C. Dean, 45 years old, of Hattiesburg, Miss., committed suicide early today in Armorey Park by swallowing carbolic acid. He left a note merely saying that his brother's address is E. W. Dean, Q. & C. freight office, Meriden, Miss.

The second cloudburst within ten days occurred in Lincoln county, W. Va., yesterday, and word received at Huntington, indicates a terrible flood conditions. The loss on crops and property will exceed \$75,000. No lives have been lost, but much live stock has perished.

The situation of the Jews at Kief, Russia, is becoming worse. According to dispatches to the Jewish Aid Society, the hostile mob is becoming dangerous in Slobolskoi, a suburb of Yvatka. Organized bands frequently attack the Jews. Six persons have been severely injured and a large number slightly injured. The Jewish population is terrorized by threats and abuse.

LATIN-AMERICAN ALLIANCE.

That at least three and perhaps more of the Central and South American republics will make a concerted protest of some kind at the coming International Conference of American States at Buenos Ayres against the Central American policy of the United States is the possibility being discussed in diplomatic circles in Washington.

Rumors to this effect have been persistent of late in quarters usually well informed, and some responsible Latin-American representatives admitted their approximate truth, though none would permit himself to be quoted. The rumors have led to a lively exchange of information among the Central and South American diplomats in Washington. Officials of the State Department are known to be watching the situation closely.

Some of the more radical Spanish-Americans are said to be in favor of a Latin-American alliance against the United States.

The most that can be regarded as probable is that the republics interested will give the United States to understand diplomatically that the principles represented in the attitude of this government on the east coast of Nicaragua were not accepted willingly as a part of the international law of the Americas.

It is hardly likely that this protest, if made, will become a part of the proceedings of the