

## BALLINGER HAS WARM REPLY FOR HIS DETRACTORS

CALLS SOME OF THEM BY THE "SHORTER AND UGLIER" NAMES.

### HE DENIES ALL ACCUSATIONS

SAYS DETRACTORS ARE MALICIOUSLY DISHONEST IN THEIR STATEMENTS.

Refutes Statement That He is Aligned With the Standard Oil Interests or Mixed Up in Mining Companies — Thinks Some of the Charges Hardly Deserve Denials.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Nov. 19.—Replying to charges made in a magazine publication, Secretary Ballinger of the Interior department today took occasion to deny many of the reports which recently have been circulated concerning the conduct of his department and to explain others.

"To say that I ever have advised, ordered or lent support to any effort to perpetrate a fraud upon the government," he said, "is not only false but is intentionally so if made by any one who has taken the trouble to inquire into the facts."  
In explanation of the charges in connection with Alaska coal land he went into the history of President Roosevelt's withdrawal from entry of all the coal lands of Alaska in 1906, showing that the order was so modified by Secretary Garfield, as to validate all applications made prior to May 16, 1907. Mr. Ballinger then called attention to the fact that in his annual report of 1907, as com-

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## TIED BOY IN; HOUSE BURNS

(By Associated Press.)  
Indiana Harbor, Ind., Nov. 19.—Neighbors who broke into a burning house today found a baby girl dead in her crib and her 3-year-old brother, John Korian, unconscious, and tied to the door knob. The children's mother had gone shopping and in order to prevent the boy playing with matches, she had tied him to the door.

## MARSHALL WILL NOT TALK OF POLITICS

Minot, Nov. 19.—Thomas F. Marshall, of Oakes, a candidate at the last primaries for United States senator and prominently mentioned prior to last week as Gov. Burke's probable appointee to fill the place left vacant by the death of Senator Johnson, was in the city with his business partner, J. J. Delaney, of Williston, on business matters.  
Mr. Marshall stated that he had nothing to say at this time regarding his probable candidacy for United States senator next year, nor was there anything new developing in state politics to his knowledge.

## POSTAL WILL NOT BE IN MERGER

PRESIDENT SAYS THEY HAVE NOT BEEN INVITED AND HAVE NO DESIRE.

Rumors Are of Three Corners Wire Trust — McKay of the Postal Says New Merger Means Keener Competition Between Them and the Western Union.

(By Associated Press.)  
New York, Nov. 19.—Postal Telegraph company has not been invited to join the American Telephone Telegraph-Western Union merger and furthermore has no desire of doing so, says Clarence H. McKay, president of the postal in an official statement issued in New York tonight. Rumor has been busy of late building a great three cornered syndicate, but Mr. McKay emphatically discredits such a plan and says that it means only keener competition.

## YALE-HARVARD GAME BIG ONE

BETTING LAST NIGHT WAS A LITTLE IN FAVOR OF THE YALE TEAM.

Contest is Sole Topic of Conversation in Boston — Both Teams Are in the Finest Condition — Fabulous Prices Being Paid for Tickets — 38,000 Are Sold.

(By Associated Press.)  
Boston, Nov. 19.—Harvard vs. Yale—football fever is epidemic in Boston tonight. The game between Harvard and Yale—the climax of the season—which will be played in the Harvard stadium tomorrow was almost the sole topic of conversation everywhere. The demand for seats has caused fabulous prices to prevail.

Yale was a slight favorite in the betting tonight, but odds have been scaled considerably from the five to three of two weeks ago and tonight the price was 10 to 9 with some few bets at even-money recorded.

The supply of tickets has been limited to 38,000, the seating capacity of the stadium.

Reports from the two football camps tonight were optimistic. Captain Fish of Harvard, who received an injury to his chest will play tomorrow.

## ARE READY FOR THE BIG GAME

MICHIGAN AND MINNESOTA HAVE FINISHED THEIR TRAINING STUNTS.

Neither Captain Would Make Public Their Line-Up for Decisive Game of the Season in the West—McGovern Will Probably Be in the Game It is Said.

(By Associated Press.)  
Minneapolis, Nov. 19.—Minnesota and Michigan football teams today finished their work for the big game tomorrow on Northrop field, both teams being put through indoor signal practice by their coaches.

The game promises to be the hardest contest of the year for Minnesota but nevertheless the betting odds today were 10 to 6 in favor of the Gophers. It is the general opinion that the teams are about evenly matched and that the margin of victory will not be great one way or the other.

Neither coach would definitely announce his line-up tonight. Minnesota rooters confidently expect to see Captain McGovern at quarter as his arm has been out of a sling for several days and he is anxious to get in the game.

## REFUGEE OF STEINHEIL WOMAN IS DISCOVERED

IS STAYING IN A SANITARIUM UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME AT PRESENT.

Paris, Nov. 19.—(Special)—Mme. Steinheil has been discovered in a refuge. She is in Dr. Raffagean's sanitarium in the Avenue des Eglises, between Paris and St. Germain.

There she is called Mme. Dumont and her identity is known only to Dr. Raffagean and one other person in the institution. No visitor is admitted to her.

The sanitarium is a large house surrounded by a garden. The entrance is through a big gate in which is a peep-hole; no stranger can pass the gate now. So it is not known how long Mme. Steinheil will remain in the sanitarium to recover her nerves.

## SALARIES OF GOMPERS AND COLLEAGUES WILL BE PAID DURING TERM

(By Associated Press.)  
Toronto, Nov. 19.—The American Federation of Labor at its convention here today, in addition to endorsing the attitude taken by President Gompers on the Bucks Stove & Range company injunction proceedings, voted to continue the salaries of Gompers and Secretary Frank Morrison, and to compensate Vice President John Mitchell, who is not a salaried official, during the present terms of imprisonment, in case it is eventually decided they must go to jail for contempt of court. They will be paid at the rate of \$5,000 per year.

## THREE CORNERED DUEL IS FATAL TO ENTIRE FAMILY

ALLEGED INSULT TO PREACHER'S DAUGHTER STARTS A FIGHT—WOMAN TRIES TO PROTECT HER HUSBAND AND IS INSTANTLY KILLED — LITTLE CHILD ALSO COMES WITHIN THE RANGE OF BULLETS.

Pioneer, La., Nov. 19.—(Special)—A whole family is dead as the result of a three-cornered fight yesterday, the principals being Clarence Compton and Sylvester and Albert Owen. Compton, his wife and his little daughter, were all killed and Sylvester Owen was slightly wounded. After the killing the Owen brothers surrendered to the sheriff.

The Owens are young sons of a Methodist preacher. Yesterday they rode to Compton's house and demanded an apology for an unkind remark about the preacher's daughter.

"You little boys run along," scoffed Compton. "Why," he challenged, "I'll take two guns, fight you both at the same time, and shoot your heads off." The Owens boys jumped at the challenge. Compton took two automatic revolvers. Twenty paces were measured off between Compton and the Owen brothers, who stood five feet apart. The word was given and the three opened fire, Compton using both his weapons against the two brothers. Several shots were fired and Sylvester Owen fell, slightly wounded. Compton dodged back, fired into the air and told Albert Owen to stop shooting.

"Now haven't you two children had enough of this?" he asked. "I might just as well have killed Sylvester as to have bled his arm."

Both brothers demanded that the fight proceed. Sylvester bound a handkerchief about his arm, reloaded his revolver and lined up with his brother for a renewal of the fight. "You boys had better quit," warned Compton. "This time I'll shoot to kill."

The Owen boys refused and gave the word to fire again. Several shots were exchanged and the Owen brothers had begun to fire rapidly when Compton's wife and her little daughter dashed from the house.

Fear increased the speed of the mother and child and before the Owen boys realized what was happening or before Compton could stop shooting Mrs. Compton had hurled herself into the line of fire and thrown her arms about her husband's neck. Her cry "stop, Clarence," had hardly sounded before she fell, mortally wounded, and her child dropped dead. Compton fell over his wife's body with three bullet-holes through his lungs. He lived only a few hours.

## RUSHING WORK ON THE SOUTH DAKOTA CAPITOL

INTERIOR FINISHING IS BEING RUSHED TO COMPLETION BY LARGE FORCE.

LEADING INDUSTRIES OF THE STATE TO BE REPRODUCED IN PAINT.

HEAD CONTRACTOR IS NOW ON THE JOB AND SUPERINTENDING WORK.

Pierre, S. D., Nov. 19.—Contractor W. G. Andrews of Clinton, Ia., who has been in charge of the interior decorations of the new capitol, is here devoting his personal attention to details of the work which is being done by a large force of men. A great deal of the gourd color has been placed on the walls, but the decorative features are likely to be delayed by the slow work of the marble setters, and the work will not be completed until some time next spring.

Some of the mural paintings will not likely be placed in position before the middle of the summer. But this will not interfere with the occupation of the new building, when otherwise completed, as it will take but little time to attach the paintings to the walls after they have been received.

For the four circular panels for the pendentives of the rotunda the work will be done by Edward Simmons of New York, the subjects being representative of the leading industries of the state. No. 1 will represent stock raising; No. 2 is representative of wheat growing; No. 3 portrays scenes of general farming, and No. 4 deals with mining, these four subjects being considered as most fully covering the industries of the state. The large painting in the lunette at the

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## ALASKAN COAL MINE INQUIRY STARTED

(By Associated Press.)  
Seattle, Nov. 19.—At a hearing before Special Commissioner Wm. J. McGee, today, the government began the introduction of evidence to show that no development work had been done on Cunningham coal claims in Alaska. These are the claims involved in the Glavis-Ballinger controversy.

The first witness called after the introduction of affidavits was A. L. Kennedy, a coal expert. He was sent to Alaska by the government to investigate work done toward developing the claims.

Mr. Kennedy spent two months going over the 33 claims to ascertain the amount of work done on them. On several fillings he said, he found evidences of prospect work but did not find any evidence of development work. There were a few short tunnels and several cuts. All were small and were in bad condition.

## CURTISS OVERLOOKED SOUTH DAKOTA STONE

MONUMENT RAISED TO BRAVE INDIANS ERECTED AT FORT YATES.

POLICE WHO ARRESTED SITTING BULL ON STANDING ROCK HONORED.

PLAIN SHAFT WITH NAMES OF HEROES ERECTED IN CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

Deadwood, Nov. 19.—In a late issue in October of the Chicago Record Herald, William E. Curtis, published an article on the monuments that have been erected in the various states of the union in memory of the Indians who had given their lives in defense of their own kind or the whites.

If it was the intention of Mr. Curtis to mention all of these monuments he overlooked the one at Fort Yates, North Dakota, in honor of the Indian police who made such a brave and successful stand against powerful odds in the capture of Sitting Bull, the noted Sioux warrior, whose name is linked with many of the atrocities committed by the Indians, notable among which is the battle with General Custer.

The monument referred to has been standing on government ground at Fort Yates for perhaps ten or twelve years. J. H. Davis, of this city, spent a good portion of the spring and summer in the country around Fort Yates and he made some investigations concerning the monument. It stands in the Catholic cemetery and occupies a space of ground about ten or twelve feet square.

"The monument, which can hardly be dignified by the term," said Mr. Davis, "stands about seven feet high and is a slab about 30 inches wide and about six inches in thickness, resting on a base. I took down the

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## FAKE RACING SHEET SHOWN

Council Bluffs, Nov. 19.—T. W. Ballew, the Princeton, Mo., banker, who by means of a "fake" horse race was robbed of \$30,000, was cross examined at length yesterday in the trial of J. R. Dobbins, one of the alleged conspirators.

Mr. Ballew identified the racing contract signed by him and "W. Hemingway," one of the conspirators posing as a Pittsburg millionaire. The witness also identified the betting sheet which was kept by him and showed that the winners of the supposed race stood to win \$93,000.

## ANXIETY IS FELT FOR ASTOR BOAT

PARTY HAS BEEN OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE WORLD FOR A FORTNIGHT.

Yacht is Comparatively Small and Would Soon Be Exhausted If Made to Fight Heavy Winds for Any Great Length of Time — Has No Wireless Apparatus.

(By Associated Press.)  
New York, Nov. 19.—Every added hour of uncertainty deepens the anxiety felt for Colonel John Jacob Astor his son Vincent and Richard Peters, a cousin of Mrs. Astor, all of whom have now been out of touch with the world for a fortnight, when the missing yacht Nourmahal was last heard from.

Shipping masters point out that if the Nourmahal was blown out of her course by the late West Indian hurricane she might have great difficulty in making port again, as her cruising radius, like that of all yachts is comparatively small and would soon be exhausted in fighting head winds.

Hope for her safety rests in the assumption that she is now in port, but that, owing to the interruption of the cable service it is impossible to get word of her arrival to America. The Nourmahal has no wireless.

## PRESIDENT TAFT WANTS BIG NAVY

GOES TO NORFOLK WHERE HE REVIEWS NAVAL PARADE AND MAKES SPEECH.

Party Made Trip on Mayflower—Taft Wants Permanent and Practical Waterways on Island Waters of the United States — Would Build Fort at Hampton.

(By Associated Press.)  
Norfolk, Nov. 19.—As one of the concluding features of the convention of the Atlantic Deep-sea water ways association and to accept again the hospitality of the people of the old dominion, President Taft came to Norfolk today, reviewed a military and naval parade, made two speeches in which he bespoke his interest in a practical system of waterway improvement to be carried forward on a life-like basis and not merely as a means of distributing patronage; partook of an oyster roast under the shadows of the towering Cape Henry lighthouses, and attended a smoker in honor of a large corps of visiting newspaper men.

The president retired tonight on the naval yacht Mayflower. The Mayflower tomorrow will get under way for Hampton where the president will attend a meeting of the board of trustees of the Hampton normal institute of which he is a member. In the afternoon he will deliver an address to the colored students and then sail for Washington.

Mrs. Taft accompanied the president to Norfolk as did her sister, Mrs. Thomas K. Laughlin, Jr., of Pittsburg.

In his speech, the president spoke a word for the United States navy, declaring the prestige of nation demands that the navy be kept to a high standard of force and efficiency.

The president also declared that he was in favor of fortifying Hampton roads, the greatest strategical naval base in the world, by erecting an impregnable fort on an island placed half way between the Virginian capes. He hoped to see the plan adopted during his term as president.

## FOOTBALL BAN TO REACH NO. DAKOTA

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Nov. 19.—Members of congress who have arrived for the first regular session of the sixty-first congress, expressed themselves as appalled at the increasing list of football fatalities, and some of them have suggested the advisability of passing legislation abolishing the game at West Point and Annapolis and at all institutions of learning that receive federal aid. They believe that Uncle Sam should place the seal of his disapproval upon the game as at present played.

If such a step were taken, it would affect the agricultural and mechanical colleges in all the states and territories, which last year received \$2,000,000 in federal aid. Some of the northern states have two of these institutions, the celebrated Boston School of Technology being one. Sixteen states south of the Mason and Dixon line have separate colleges of this class for colored students.

## LITTLE DOING ON SURFACE IN WASH.

PLENTY OF INSIDE DEVELOPMENTS HOWEVER IN NICARAGUAN AFFAIRS.

Government Has Made It Plain It Will Not Interfere With Insurrectionists — Will Not Insure Safety of American Vessels from Revolutionists.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Nov. 19.—Brooding quiet settled down today on the strained situation this government finds itself in with Nicaragua. But if everything was quiet on the surface there was plenty stirring beneath.

A communication was received at the state department from the Nicaraguan legation, the purport of which was not divulged, and the ministers from Guatemala and Costa Rica held a mysterious conference with Assistant Secretary Wilson in the afternoon.

Significant development of the day, inasmuch as it disclosed this government's unyielding determination not to interfere with the Nicaraguan revolutionists, was the reiterated announcement that state department would not act to insure the safety of any American vessel that might be held up or seized by the insurrectionary war vessels now blockading the government forces at Greytown or elsewhere on the Guatemalan coast.

The deepest interest is apparent as to the conference. It is believed that the infection of the existing pan-American treaty, signed here a little over two years ago, was the chief matter discussed.

## ONLY FIVE ARE RESCUED TO DATE

DESPITE DESPERATE EFFORTS OF WORK OF RESCUE PROGRESS ES SLOWLY.

Fires Still Burn in Mines — Rescuers Had Close Call — Expected That Tomorrow Will See More Accomplished in Rescue Work — Help is Arriving Hourly.

(By Associated Press.)  
Cherry, Ill., Nov. 19.—Science and desperation have greatly checked the fire that snuffed out three hundred lives last Saturday in the St. Paul coal mine; men braved today the fire swept tunnels to bring to the surface the dead; charity has poured aid into the homes of the suffering survivors, but all of this could not subdue the grief of Cherry's inhabitants when the sight of the dead lifted from the tomb, exploded their hopes that the men might be rescued alive.

It has been just six days since the fire started in a hole of hay and then swept the bread winners of this community to their doom, and in all that time of anxiety but five bodies have been recovered, four of them today and one last night.

Tomorrow, however, it is expected that many more of the dead will be recovered. More were found today and explorers working deep into the second gallery were forced to flee for their lives, as they were about to bring them out, when falling earth and rock endangered their lives.

Tonight miners were put to work in the galleries replacing the buried timbers and clearing obstructions which impede access into the coal veins for more than 250 feet from the main shaft. Beyond this point latent fires still burn and it will be some time before they can be extinguished.

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## HANNA SELECTS HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY

Fargo, N. D., Nov. 19.—John McClory, son of Hon. P. J. McClory of Devils Lake, will be the private secretary of Congressman L. B. Hanna during the session of congress. Wesley J. Morrosh, Mr. Hanna's secretary last year, was obliged to give up his duties because of ill health, and is at the Hot Springs at Banff, Alberta, taking the baths. He will assume his duties, probably in the spring again, however.

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