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CLARKSBURG, W. VA., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1911.

PRICE TWO CENTS

## REVOLVER SHOTS FIRED NEAR CZAR

### NEW MAIL

Cars Are Received by Western Maryland for Use at Once.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Sept. 15.—The Western Maryland Railway Company has just received four new mail cars, which are the last of the cars ordered some months ago, to be delivered. The Western Maryland will now be able to equip all its through express trains with steel underframe vestibule cars. The additional cars will be placed in service at once.

The new passenger cars which were recently received by the Western Maryland are already in operation, and have proved highly satisfactory. The new cars are among the finest in service on any railroad in the East. They are equipped with what is known as an anti-telescope device, which is a protection to passengers in case of accident.

The Western Maryland will soon be in the market for new equipment, which will be needed in connection with the completion of the Cumberland extension. It has been stated that the company will need between 3,000 and 5,000 freight cars, a number of new passenger coaches and locomotives.

### COLLISION

Between Street Car and Express Wagon Occurs on West Pike Street.

An Adamson street car struck a horse and wagon belonging to the United States Express Company Friday morning on West Pike street at the junction of Chestnut street, and injured the horse seriously and partly damaged the wagon.

The wagon was coming out of Chestnut street on to Pike street and the car was going west on Pike street. The driver tried to turn out of the way but he was not quick enough, and the rail being wet the motorman was unable to stop the car. The car struck the horse in the head, cutting his mouth and breaking his jaw. All of the horse's front teeth were broken off. It is not known at present whether the animal will have to be killed.

The shafts and forewheels of the wagon were damaged slightly.

### CONFERENCE

Of County, City and District School Superintendents to Be Here.

A conference of county and district school superintendents and other supervisors will be held here next Friday and Saturday, the morning sessions each day beginning at 9 o'clock. All county, city and district superintendents and supervisors in Harrison and adjoining counties are expected to attend the conference. The discussion will be informal and cover such topics as institutes, examinations, district supervision and consolidation, the superintendent's authority and duties in school attendance and the high school movement. M. P. Shawkey, state superintendent, is expected to attend the conference.

### BRAIN TROUBLE

Causes Death of Young Boy in the Glen Elk Addition.

Percy Fogg, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fogg, of the Glen Elk addition, died Friday morning at 3 o'clock of brain trouble. The boy suffered a long time and his death had been expected hourly for several days. The funeral will be held Saturday at 10 o'clock at the home and the burial will follow in the Elkview cemetery.

### COUNCIL TO MEET.

The city council is scheduled to hold its second and last regular meeting this month at 8 o'clock tonight.

Lawyer Shoots Premier of Russia in Municipal Theater.

WOUND NOT SERIOUS Shooting Causes a Panic and the Czar Takes Charge of the House.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 15.—The belief that Premier Stolypin, who was shot by Lawyer Begrof during a performance at an opera house last night, will recover is encouraged by a telegram from Kiev early today. The bullet graned the liver and his physicians decided that an operation was not necessary. This is the third time that an attempt has been made to assassinate the premier.

KIEV, Russia, Sept. 15.—The shooting occurred in the Municipal theater following a gala day. The imperial box was occupied by members of the royal family including the czar, and the premier was sitting in a front row in the pit. He was conversing with the minister of war, when a young man in evening dress walked down the aisle. A moment later he drew a revolver and seemingly emptied it at the premier.

As the reports crashed through the house, the audience rose to its feet and shouted while many women fainted.

The would-be-assassin attempted to escape but was quickly captured and trampled.

The Czar ran to the front of his box and realizing what had happened ordered the orchestra to play the national anthem. The police took possession of the theater and the audience passed out. The premier was removed at once to a hospital.

### BOMB FOUND

In Possession of a Young Italian When Arrested by the Police.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Another young Italian was caught today with a bomb. He had a lighted match in his hand ready to fire the fuse, when detectives captured him after chasing over roofs and exchanging shots. Just before his arrest, a bomb was exploded in a tenement house in East Twelfth street.

### IN CHARGE OF PARLORS.

E. Gardner is here from Philadelphia in charge of the parlors of his brother, E. H. Gardner, at 159 West Pike street, during the absence of the latter. He is clairvoyant of note and the work will be kept up to its high standard by him at the parlors.

### CAR DERAILED

But the Horses in It Are Not Injured in the Accident.

The large express car of the Fairmont and Clarksburg Traction Company which is hauling race horses from the Fairmont fair grounds to the local fair grounds was derailed at the corner of Fourth and Pike streets Friday morning at 11:30 o'clock, when it attempted to make the turn. The large cars can not easily make the sharp curves of the local track and they have been derailed a number of times in the last two days.

The car contained two horses belonging to Fred Mallow, of Washington, Pa. One was his famous three-year-old pacer, Irish Lad, which won the stake pace at Fairmont. The other horse was Mallow Reath, also a pacer, which will start in the stake pace at the fair here next week. The other horses were Bobby Brogan and Florence McKinley, owned by Mr. Ballory, also of Washington, Pa.

### MASONS TO MEET.

Adoniram Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons, will hold a meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Masonic hall on South Third street for work.

## DIRECT TAXATION SYSTEM OUTLIVES ITS USEFULNESS

### PROGRAM

Is Announced for the Inauguration of Dr. Hodges as President.

At a meeting of the committee in charge of the exercises attendant upon the inauguration of President-elect Thomas E. Hodges, LL.D., of the West Virginia University, a program for three days, November 2, 3 and 4, was outlined. The exercises will begin with a meeting presided over by M. P. Shawkey, state superintendent of free schools and president of the Board of Regents. There will be addresses by at least two educators of national reputation.

The program of the second meeting will consist of addresses in the form of greetings from the presidents of neighboring institutions of learning. The regular inaugural ceremonies will take place Friday, November 3, at 2 p. m., beginning with an academic procession, which will, of course, make an imposing appearance. Governor Glasscock will preside at this meeting, and addresses will be delivered by distinguished visiting educators. The inaugural address of President Hodges will close the exercises. On Friday evening there will be a large Pan-Hellenic meeting and procession, after which the various fraternities will hold reunions and banquets. This feature itself is expected to bring together large numbers of the university alumni and old students.

Saturday, November 4, will be West Virginia Day. At a meeting in the forenoon there will be addresses by alumni and other friends of the university. In the afternoon there will be a great game of football between the old-time rivals, West Virginia and Washington and Jefferson. The detailed program will appear later.

### ARM SHOT OFF

Playmate Shoots Lad with a Shotgun at Home on Big Battle Creek.

SALEM, Sept. 15.—James, the ten year old son of John Ford, who resides on Big Battle creek, about ten miles from Salem, was accidentally shot by a playmate by name of Keller, a recent afternoon, and as a result he has lost his right arm.

The boys were playing hide and seek and the Keller lad was hiding under a bed when he found a shotgun. He began to tinker with the weapon and snapped it just as the Ford boy had stepped into the room. The gun was discharged and the load took effect in the boys right arm between the elbow and shoulder. The bone was shot completely away and the arm was completely severed with the exception of a very frail string of flesh.

Doctors attended to the wound and the boy was taken to the Kessler hospital at Clarksburg, where the arm was amputated. He has been doing nicely since and will recover.

### BAD CUT

Received by Electrician at Hutchinson Mine—Mt. Clare News Items.

MT. CLARE, Sept. 15.—"Jack" Flynn, assistant electrician at the Hutchinson mine, received an ugly cut on the left forearm while in the performance of his duties Thursday morning. A piece of tin, which became entangled in the machinery, was hurled against his arm inflicting a gash five inches long and extending to the bone. Company Surgeon Dr. W. T. Owens, dressed the wound and no serious results are anticipated.

There was a big flood in this section this morning that did much damage to the traction line. Telephones are out of service and there is no chance to get any information.

Is the Declaration Made by Governor Noel at Conference Today.

### UNIFORM TAXATION

As Well as Proper Inheritance Tax System is Discussed by Him.

SPRING LAKE, Sept. 15.—The direct tax system has outlived its usefulness for state needs and can be superseded or made nominal by the inheritance tax which can be fairly and equally collected, in the opinion of Governor Edmund F. Noel, of Mississippi, who addressed the Governor's Conference here today. Governor Noel spoke to the next, "The Inheritance Tax and State Comity."

"Its incidental effect," said Governor Noel, referring to the inheritance tax, "through gradations according to kinship and progression as to amounts, inevitably tends to regulate wealth by furnishing motives for distribution in sums that escape all or serious taxation, and by discouraging wills to strangers or to collateral kindred. If such a taxation be made so onerous as to approximate confiscation it would defeat its own purpose because those at whom it would directly aim, by change of residence and skillful and secret methods of evasion could and would altogether escape its burdens."

Governor Noel's address was devoted chiefly to an outline of conditions in various states. He said in part:

"Our state legislatures determine who can make wills; how they shall be made, what property may be, or may not be, so disposed of; and who shall, or who shall not, be beneficiaries. Along with this authority over property and persons, within its borders, goes the unquestionable right of the state to collect inheritance taxes on all transfers of property, incident to death. Acquisition of property by will or inheritance, under our government, is neither a natural, nor a constitutional right, but is a privilege created and controlled by law.

"All property, or interests in property, transferred by death, or in contemplation of death, is subject to taxation. If tangible property, then in the state where situated, and if intangible property, such as money on hand or deposit, notes, stock or bonds, in the state containing the domicile of the decedent, or in which such property may have been technical local situs, for instance, as to corporate securities, stocks and bonds, and in which record transfers are to be made.

"The tax laws of different states, both as to classes of property and of beneficiaries taxed, are widely variant, resulting in occasional hardships, through double taxation. All beneficiaries are taxed in twenty-two states and only those that are collateral in sixteen states.

"Among the states, as to charges and exemptions, there are wide divergences. Thirteen states, Delaware, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, and Virginia, exempt, wholly, lineal beneficiaries. In some of the other states this exemption applies solely to husband and wife. In the states that tax lineals, their tax, both minimum and maximum, is generally much less than that imposed on collateral beneficiaries; for instance, in Wyoming, the lineal tax, in excess of exemption, is two per cent and the collateral five per cent. In those states having taxation grades as to the degrees of kinship and progressive as to amounts, similar proportion prevails. In California, which has the highest, both methods considered, the maximum charges against lineals range from one per cent to five per cent and collateral, from five to twenty-five per cent.

"The maximum in a few other states is as high as five per cent for lineal and fifteen per cent for collateral beneficiaries, only Kansas has both. A few states have fixed charges, as to collateral beneficiaries. Utah and Minnesota have the same exemption, \$10,000,000 and the same charges to both classes of beneficiaries, that of Utah being five per cent, fixed, and Minnesota progressing from one and one-half per cent to five per cent. The usual progressive charge is from one per cent to three per cent for lineal, with scarcely four agreeing on collateral beneficiaries. With varying minimums, six of the latter, collateral, have a maximum of fifteen per cent, two 12 per cent and three 10 per cent; the largest minimum being 7 1/2 per cent in North Carolina.

"The states and their subdivisions are hard pressed for available sources of revenue, prevalent methods of inheritance taxation being welcomed as

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### GOLD

And Currency to Amount of \$25,000 Gotten by Bank Robbers.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 15.—The New Westminster branch bank of Montreal was broken into early today and the vaults were dynamited. First reports say \$200,000 was taken.

SEATTLE, Sept. 15.—A dispatch to the police here from New Westminster says that three men are concerned in the robbery and that they got \$250,000, half in gold and half in currency.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Sept. 15.—It was officially announced by officials of the bank this afternoon that the amount stolen was \$320,000.

### HEARING

Will Be Held at 7:30 O'clock Friday Evening in Justice Carter's Court.

Bert Turner, colored, will be given a hearing in Justice Jackson V. Carter's court Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock for cruelly and needlessly beating a bull dog which belonged to George Nunally.

The trouble occurred on Monticello avenue, when Nunally's dog bit a small dog owned by Turner. Turner seized a piece of iron and beat the bull dog on the head until he thought it was dead. Then he threw it in the gutter. The dog recovered and although it is in a bad condition it will be brought to the trial this evening.

### RICHMOND CHOSEN.

SPRING LAKE, N. J., Sept. 15.—The governors' decided today to hold their next year's conference at Richmond, Va.

### SALEM COLLEGE

Will Enter Upon Twenty-Fourth Scholastic Year Next Tuesday.

SALEM, Sept. 15.—The twenty-fourth scholastic year of Salem College will begin next Tuesday morning. Many applications for enrollment have already been received and the outlook is bright for a most successful year.

Last spring the college sent out twenty-six graduates, nineteen of whom were from the normal department. These young men and women were earnestly sought by teaching authorities and many of them are filling good positions in this and adjoining counties. Several obtained positions in other states. All graduates from the normal course have, from the time this course was launched, received benefits of the law concerning certificates. The state board of education grants first grade certificates without examination to all graduates of the normal department of the college.

### CIRCUIT COURT

Is Busy with the Trial of Ford's Suit against a Bank.

The major portion of the time of the circuit court Friday was occupied with the trial of S. W. Ford's suit against the Harrison County Bank at Lost Creek.

A jury in the trial of the John-Manville Company against the Dawson Roofing Company returned a verdict for the defendant.

Exceptions by the Reserve Gas Company were overruled in the case of Mary J. Loughmiller against Joseph Minter et al and the report of the partition commissioners was confirmed. An appeal will be taken.

### CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 15.—Wheat closed 91 7/8, corn 67 5/8, oats 42 3/4.

## MAN WITH SMALL FORTUNE IS GONE

### WILEY

Steps from Train before It Reaches Station and Mysteriously Disappears.

OFFICERS ON A HUNT Brother Believes the Missing Man Has Met with Foul Play.

Having mysteriously disappeared in this city with a large sum of money on his person, Dominick Flacco, a hard-working Italian of Richmond, who had been employed the last three or four years in the big paper mills in that town, is being sought by officers, countrymen and his brother, John Flacco.

By working industrially and living frugally, Dominick and John had managed to save up several thousand dollars and they planned to return to Italy, buy a vineyard and live on it in comfort the rest of their days. A day or two ago they departed from Richmond on the railroad train that arrives here over the West Virginia and Pittsburgh Division in the evening on their way to New York City, where they intended to sail for Italy next week.

When the train arrived and stopped a short time at the "Y" in the western yards, Dominick got off under the impression that the train had stopped at the Clarksburg station. Both had staid up late the night before making preparations for their long journey and they were somewhat sleepy, John being so drowsy that he did not notice his brother leave the coach. On arriving at the station in Glen Elk John was aroused and found his brother missing. Another passenger told him that Dominick had left the car at the "Y" and John waited at the station thinking that Dominick would walk over there.

But, Dominick never showed up and John began a search of the city for him. After visiting various Italian settlements and enlisting the aid of countrymen without finding a trace of his lost brother, John became uneasy and applied to constables and police officers for assistance in the search for the missing man.

The search has continued in the city and its suburbs ever since but still not a trace of Dominick has been found and the brother fears that he has met with foul play. Dominick was the treasurer of the expedition and carried practically all the money both had saved up, amounting to several thousand dollars, both their railroad tickets to New York City and also both their tickets for a voyage across the ocean.

Telegraph messages have been sent to detectives and the hotel at which the brothers had intended to stay in New York City while waiting for their steamer, asking that a search be made for the missing man. The detectives have visited incoming Baltimore & Ohio railroad trains at the Jersey City station since being notified, but they have found no trace of Dominick.

After John had started the search here, he thought Dominick might have gone back to Richmond to wait for him and he went back to Richmond, searched their old haunts there but learned nothing more of his lost brother.

Constable R. E. Kidd went to Fairmont Wednesday and spent the day in searching that city and the fair grounds, where the annual fair is being held, for the missing man, but found no trace of him.

Any information in regard to the missing man will be gladly received at Frank Cavallo's fruit store on Fourth street.

### WOMAN FINED

In Police Court for Being Drunk and Swearing in the Street.

Rosa Walker, who was arrested last night in the street for being drunk and using profane language, was fined \$3 and costs this morning in police court by Mayor Frank R. Moore and released on payment.

Two men were fined \$3 and costs each for drunkenness. One paid up and was released while the other was sent out of the city in default of payment.

Will Not Be Asked by the President for His Resignation.

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 15.—The resignation of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the United States bureau of chemistry, will not be asked for by President Taft despite the recommendation of the personnel board of the department of agriculture and endorsed by Attorney General Wickham. This decision was announced today by President Taft.

BLUEMONT, Va., Sept. 15.—"It is a complete vindication of me," said Dr. Wiley, when told of the President's decision today.

TRAEER, Ia., Sept. 15.—Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture expressed surprise when told that President Taft had repudiated his decision in the Wiley case. He refused to make any comment.

### NEW BAND

Will Hold a Meeting in Hewes Hall for Rehearsal Tonight.

Clarksburg's Modern Woodmen band will hold a rehearsal tonight at 8 o'clock in the Hewes hall near the public school building, which will be its permanent meeting place. All persons interested are requested to be present with instruments.

This organization is composed of some of Clarksburg's best musicians, with Harvey L. Gregory, leader, and it goes without saying that in a short time it will give the public some of the best music ever heard.

### COUNTY COURT

Meets again Today and Enters Orders in a Few Instances.

Susan D. Hoff, of West Millford, qualified before the county court Friday as administratrix of the personal estate of the late James D. Hoff with bond at \$1,800 and Lloyd F. Chalfant and Samuel D. Hoff sureties.

The clerk of the court was directed to advertise for bids for all material and labor necessary to complete a board sidewalk of a bridge across the West Fork river at Enterprise, the contract for the same to be awarded September 25 by the court. Mary Hansford was released as guardian of Howard Hansford and her surety in turn was also released.

### GREEK

Reunion at the West Virginia University is Well Under Plans.

A grand reunion of all fraternities at Morgantown will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 2, 3 and 4, when Thomas E. Hodges is inaugurated president of the West Virginia University. A committee is now working out a detailed program. Greek-lettermen residing at Morgantown have united in an effort to get their brothers back to alma mater this fall for an old-time reunion and jollification. President, William H. Taft will be a prominent guest on that occasion.

### SIDESWIPE

As a Result of Which Three Passengers Are Injured On Express Train.

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 15.—A New York Central express train sideswiped a freight train here today and injured three passengers. Fireman Frank Hiscock, of Syracuse, jumped from an engine landing in the street twenty-five feet below badly hurt.