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HOTEL DINING ROOM TRAGEDY

PERU, Ind., Dec. 29.—A man who registered as L. B. Lenhart, Chicago, shot and killed Dora Chappell, aged 32, and then killed himself in the dining room of a hotel here today.

The woman, who was a waitress, bent over Lenhart to take his order for dinner. Lenhart put an arm around her and then drew her close to him. Drawing a revolver from his pocket he shot her through the breast. He then shot himself in the heart.

SPEECH FIGHT HITS FRISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Vincent St. John of Chicago, national secretary and executive head of the Industrial Workers of the World, has come here to direct a campaign in the aid of the free speech fight of the I. W. W. at Spokane.

The city was today placarded everywhere with handbills and posters telling of the "Shame of Spokane." The placards tell in vigorous terms of the conditions in Spokane and paint a picture of the treatment meted out to the men there as black as that accorded to political prisoners in Russia.

He urges that meetings be called throughout the country to "expose the Spokane infamy," and urges that Spokane and products from that city be boycotted.

St. John calls for more volunteers to go to jail for free speech, and asks that funds for the fight be sent to Fred W. Heslewood, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

NIGHT BULLETINS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29.—"I am the president of Nicaragua. I turned my government over to Madriz, as the constitution provides I may do. Madriz has taken office only as an interim official." This statement was made here today by Jose Zelaya, on his arrival from Salina Cruz. Zelaya is not to be held a prisoner or even under surveillance while he is here, but will go and come as he pleases.

MOSCOW, Dec. 29.—Bulletins issued today from the bedside of Count Leo Tolstoy, who was stricken with a high fever last Sunday, indicate that his condition is improved.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Attorney Williamson, for Wilbur and Orville Wright, today declared the report that the Wright brothers are preparing to enjoin certain aeronauts from participating in the Los Angeles meet next month to be utterly false. He stated that so long as none of the Wright patents are infringed, the Dayton aviators will take no steps to hinder the flights of other inventors.

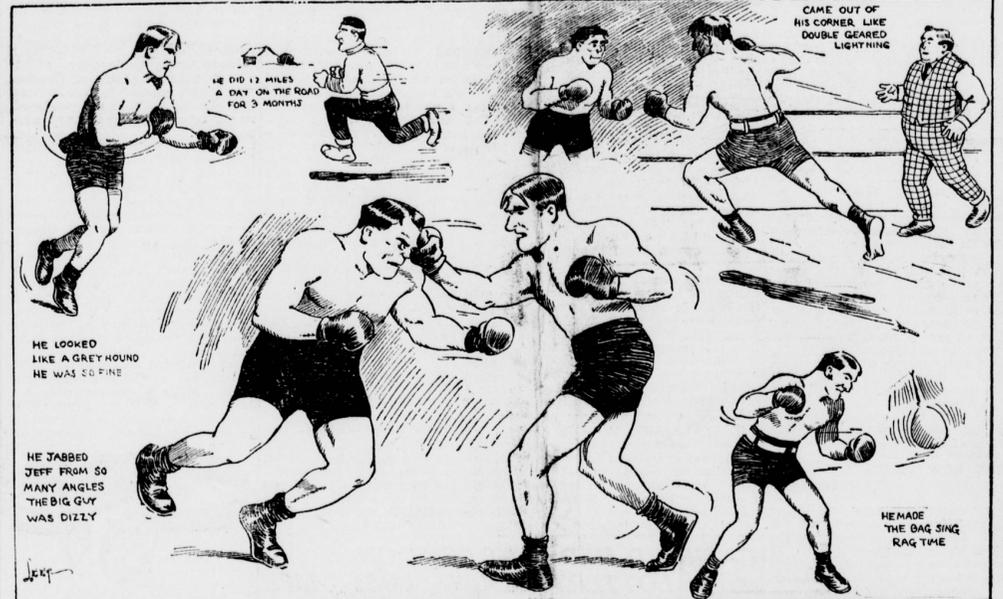
EANVILLE, Ill., Dec. 29.—The old war museum, where Lincoln had his office when he was riding the circuit as an attorney, burned today. The museum contained many valuable relics. The property had been used as a saloon until recently.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Judge Hough, of the United States circuit court, today denied the motion for a new trial for Charles W. Morse, now under sentence for having violated the national banking laws.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 29.—Two attempts were made early today to dynamite the big derrick for the steel structure being erected for the new million dollar hotel, which is being constructed at the head of Main street. The steel work is being done by non-union workmen. Work was suspended today and armed guards placed about the property. An engine near the derrick was wrecked, but otherwise no serious damage was done.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Several vessels were foundered and between 40 and 50 men drowned during the gales that swept the New England and the Canadian Atlantic coast, during Christmas week, according to the day's advices from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Storms which culminated in a gale of almost hurricane proportions on Christmas night were general along this coast. More than a dozen vessels are still missing.

CORBETT IDEAL MAN TO DEVELOP JEFF'S SPEED



BY TIP WRIGHT. If Jim Jeffries regains his old-time speed and stamina, the former will undoubtedly be due to Jim Corbett, for it is understood Corbett will put the finishing touches on the big bear's training. I don't suppose anyone is better fitted than Corbett for this round of stunts. That he knows how to train was proven conclusively when he prepared himself for this 25-round bout with Jeffries. Determined to regain the championship, he lost to Fitzsimmons, who lost it to Jeffries. Corbett spent three months fitting himself for the fight of his life. He went to a place on Long Island, where Bob Armstrong, Joe Gans and George Dixon were training, and for 90 days put himself through a grueling calculated training. And what a sight Gentleman Jim was when he threw the bathrobe from his shoulders in the ring that night! His cheeks glowed with health and his eyes sparkled with eagerness. His broad, deep chest was a mass of muscles and his skin was as hard and white as polished marble. Never heavy below the waist, Corbett's legs that night reminded me of a greyhound's, so smooth, slender and beautifully muscled were they. Corbett went into that fight the fastest big man that ever wore a five-finger glove. He was in such splendid condition that even after 20 rounds of furious work—during which he maintained a continuous feinting and gave a dazzling exhibition of foot work—his breathing was not labored. At the conclusion of each round he returned to his chair, took one deep breath, and waved aside the man with the towel. He was a sight for the gods that night! For 22 rounds Corbett had such a lead that he was a 20 to 1 shot in the minds of the assembled thousands. Jeffries, to all appearances, didn't have a look in. When the twenty-third round began Jeffries had been chopped to pieces, but the blows had no effect. The champion was as fast as when he started. Had a decision been given he would have been a bad second, simply because he could not connect with the artful dodger in front of him. But Corbett left a mile of an opening in the twenty-third and Jeff's left shot out, crashed through the imperfect guard and connected with Corbett's chin. Bob Armstrong, who was as close as anyone to the men, declared Jeffries' fist did not travel six inches. Imagine the power behind that grab thief that laid Corbett low and changed the entire aspect of the battle in an instant.

MANY WOMEN WONDER WHEN HE WILL RETURN

Charles Clement, tailor, and promoter of two flourishing women's suit clubs at 222 Division street, is missing. About 150 women, who have paid over hundreds of dollars to Clement, are anxious to learn his whereabouts, and have had search warrants issued for his place but cannot find him to gain service.

The two suit clubs did a flourishing business. There are 100 members in each club and only about 20 suits have been made for one of the clubs. The other 80 members in this club have paid \$19 apiece or \$1,520, but no Clement can be found to make a report of his trust.

The exact standing of the other suit club could not be learned this afternoon. The members of the suit clubs have conferred with the prosecuting attorney's office and were advised to proceed against Clement for swindling. But at this time they are more anxious to recover some of the money they have paid in than they are to punish Clement. If the missing tailor does not show up in a few days it is probable that a warrant will then be sworn out for him.

Mrs. Clement was down at the shop today and told an adjoining storekeeper that she believed her husband had gone for good. She closed the shop and will not run it. She attributes Clement's downfall to drink and lack of attention to his business. Clement lived on the North Side.

STRIKE BROKEN IN BUTTE YARDS

BUTTE, Dec. 29.—The striking stichmen formerly employed by the Northern Pacific railroad notified the officials today they will return to work tomorrow regardless of the outcome of the St. Paul conference. This action is taken to mean that the strike in this section is broken absolutely. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—The strike situation in Minnesota is at a standstill today, awaiting the outcome of H. B. Perham's Washington mission. Perham, officials of the trainmen's organization say, has gone to the capital to lay certain of the strikers' demands before the members of the interstate commerce commission.

LATEST FINANCIAL NEWS. Furnished to the Night Edition by Walter J. Nicholls & Co., Brokers.

CHICAGO GRAIN. CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The unexpected certainly happened in wheat today. The local trade anticipated a great swell or a sharp break in the December prices and got neither. They also anticipated a heavy market in the May contracts and before the day was over that month had a recovery of nearly 1 1/2¢ from low point, sold 3/4¢ over closing around top prices. There was a new feature to consider in the shape of heavy buying of May and liberal sales of July at same time by a leading home. The first result was to cause a spread of 10¢ between these two months, the second result was to put an end to the bearish feeling in the local trade for the day. December wheat went off to \$1.08 1/2. From this point the advance was to \$1.11 1/2 near the close. Liverpool was strong and higher after a weak opening, and support there appeared to be the result of very light Australian and Argentine offerings.

CORN.—There was heavy feeling in May during the morning and a dip in prices under selling by a group of large commission houses and elevator people. Shorts became timid at the decline and when wheat turned strong there was enough buying to put May price 1/4¢ up. Peoria, Omaha and other outside markets are sending reports of extremely light marketing and poor condition of much of the crop moving.

NEW YORK STOCKS. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Apparently the street has become reconciled to the probable contents of the president's message, as despite the various comments which have been in circulation for the past two days in conjunction with the message, the list today displayed an upward tendency with sentiment much improved and the Rock Island flurry forgotten. Considerable of the buying in the high priced issues was contributed to the usual investment demand in anticipation of January disbursements and in addition foreigners were reported as being purchasers on balance.

BOSTON COPPER. BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The whole list was comparatively dull today and failed to respond to the advance in Amalgamated. North Butte opened weak at 48, but the buying was much stronger than it was Tuesday and the liquidation was taken care of and the price advanced two points. Stock came out freely around 50, however, there being at least 1000 shares offered there at the close. The Amyser stocks, Arizona Commercial, Corbin and Shannon were all active with good advances. East

Butte was more quiet, but enjoyed a perfectly natural market around 14. Reports of the improved condition at the Mohawk were responsible for considerable buying in that stock and it advanced to 70 and closed strong. The demand for copper is showing signs of life and with the approach of the new year bookings of large quantities for delivery well into 1910 are looked for.

STRIKERS FIXED FOR LONG FIGHT

"Good for all winter and then some," is the statement of the striking switchmen this afternoon. With the full backing of the American Federation of Labor, it is asserted that the strikers have a fund of \$7,000,000 at their disposal should they require it.

It is not predicted, however, that the strike will extend to any great length, for it is believed that should it continue much longer, there will be an interference by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

With a strike benefit of \$1.15 a day it requires only about \$90,000 a month to support the 3,000 switchmen who are said to be on a strike at this time. The strikers are not worrying here. At their local headquarters they are engaged with games and other pastimes. The piano in the hall is kept going part of the time to beguile the hours.

CHEERS FOR ZELAYA

(By United Press) MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29.—Former President Zelaya of Nicaragua arrived here today and was received unofficially by government representatives. Scores of Central Americans cheered wildly as the former president's car, attached to the regular train, pulled into the local station.

HERE ARE WINNERS AND ESSAYS IN THE BIG KISS CONTEST

The "Kiss Department" of the Spokane Press went out of existence at noon today. The contest was a great success. There was not a single letter, answering the question, "What is a kiss?" that was not well worth printing. It is regrettable that we were unable to publish all the answers, but all were given due consideration. The contest has proven that the readers are thoroughly familiar with the subject. Some of the answers sent in by little boys and girls were great surprises. Just think of a 12 year old lad writing a grave discourse on the subtle, half material something of the imagination that might be found difficult to define by a grownup, with a keen mind and wide experience. We won't print the names of all

the "wise" little Willies and Marys for fear that their mothers might spank them, but it all goes to show that "you never can tell." Some of these answers would make the "fond parent" sit up and wonder just how much the "dear one" knows. In making the selections it has been absolutely impossible to pick out any four answers that are "bests." There are many, any one of which might be the proper winner. In choosing, it was necessary to consider other things when the definitions of many were equal. Originality, spelling and penmanship were all considered and the result carefully weighed. The "kiss editor" had an awful time trying to pick out the best answer, but after many hours of hard labor he finally awarded the first prize to A. V. Bradrick, who wrote over the title of "The Soulless Kiss." The first prize is \$10 in cash. The second prize was awarded to M. C. King, who gave the correct physical definition of a kiss. His prize is an entire box for any performance of "The Soul Kiss," which is at the Auditorium four nights beginning tonight. The third prize was given to "L. A. R." That prize is \$5 in cash. Two such even competitors were found for the fourth prize that arrangements have been made for awarding it to both. Mrs. G. F. Charles and Miss Nettie Hutchins each will be given two seats to "The Soul Kiss." Much "poet's license" is allowable, of course, in a contest of this kind, so the judges, consisting of the editorial staff of The Press, decided that the essay by Mr. Brad-

rick was, on the whole, worthy of the first prize. The exact physical definition, however, was fine. The poetry, winning third, was dainty and appropriate. The two definitions winning fourth prize were extremely witty and clever. If the writers of these two definitions will call on the puzzle editor they will be awarded two additional little prizes: "A kiss is elliptical (a lip tinkle)"; the little boy who wrote, "A kiss is a kiss, that's all what it is, for that's what my dad said." Here are the five prize winners' definitions: A kiss is a caress bestowed with the lips on anything and everything from the point of a nose to the snout of a poodle dog. It's the most subtle and powerful force known in the universe, its power being superior in both the positive and negative. It's the electric spark that ignites a conflagration of passion, yet can cool the torrid pulse beyond the reach of the Arctic zone. It's explosive effects out rival the results of research of scientists in dynamite and powder, as the shock and reverberations of two pairs of lips have been heard around the world, again so quiet that ofttimes the goddess of jealousy cannot detect it. Empires have been destroyed and thrones made to totter by its bestowal, yet by the same token have castles been established in the most desolate places. Misplaced kisses are like misplaced railroad switches, except that the wrecks they cause are often those of states and nations and human souls. A single kiss improperly bestowed may turn a Garden of Eden

into a desert of desolation, while, properly bestowed, can reverse the results and the music it brings is only out rivalled by one refrain, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men." A kiss is making use of the lips to express the greatest gift of two souls with but a single thought, though in the touch they may be defying the world, and all contained therein, heaven and the lake of fire, just to satisfy the craving of their hearts' desire. THE SOULLESS KISS. A kiss: The anatomical juxtaposition of the two orbicular orifices in the state of contraction. M. C. KING. Something made of nothing; never just the same. It is known in every country where love has had a name. Not confined to place or persons—can be used in any climate—For this something made of nothing will stand the test of time. L. A. R. A kiss is that part of the artillery of love that comes into action immediately after the call to arms. MRS. G. F. CHARLES. A short voyage to heaven by means of a smack. NETTIE HUTCHINS. Prizes can be obtained by calling at the editorial rooms of The Press, Riverside and Division, this afternoon or any time thereafter. Following are some of the latest answers received: A kiss is said to be sweet, not because it contains caecarine matter, but because a man don't know what else to call it when he feels the effect traveling through his system on a lightning express with no stopover check. It's safe to assume that a man who attempts to describe a kiss never had one. Men who have had kisses—not "smacks"—don't want to talk. They just want to think and dream and die with their boots on, so we've been told. J. ALLEN. Private, 1101 Fourth Ave. What's a kiss? That depends. It's lawful, unlawful, a duty, a fault; it's often sold dear; good for nothing when bought. An extraordinary boon, a matter of course. Often given with pleasure when taken by force. C. N. Continued on Page Three.