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COURT DISCHARGES THE MINNESOTA INSPECTORS

Judge Hally, of Superior, Scores Homer T. Fowler for Bringing the Action Against Inspectors—Court Says There Was No Violation of Law—Fowler Not Backed by Superior Board of Trade in His Action.

Special to The Globe. SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec. 23.—The Minnesota inspection officials who were arrested for alleged violation of the Wisconsin law in inspecting grain in this city were today discharged. Judge Hally, in dismissing the case against the twenty-nine inspectors and weighers, scored the complaint, Homer T. Fowler, for bringing the action in the way that he did. The court said that he would have to strain a point to find that there had been even a technical violation of the law, which he would refuse to do in a case of this kind where there was no violence nor intention to wrong anyone in the act itself. The judge did not stop to pass on the technical points that the inspectors' attorneys had raised, but said he would dismiss the case on general principles. The evidence introduced showed that the board of trade now has less members in good standing than the law requires in order that the board may take advantage of the grain law which it had passed in 1895 and under which Fowler sought to prosecute. It was further shown that Fowler was not

backed by the board of trade in his action. Secretary Clausen, of the Minnesota commission, testified that the inspectors were here only upon invitation and would be withdrawn at any time that the board of trade saw fit to ask it. The records of the board showed that a resolution had been passed asking the commission to establish the inspection here and there was no record of action counteracting this. District Attorney Crownhart, after the court had found fault with the way the case was brought, stated that he had not been consulted before the case was brought; but that he had done the best he could to bring out any evidence to hold the inspectors; that he had not asked Fowler to put in an attorney to help him, which had not been done. Crownhart thereupon moved that the costs, which will amount to about \$200, be taxed against Fowler. The court had Fowler called in in regard to this, but finally questioned the case to give time to question Fowler's attorneys in regard to the amount of legal advice they had taken before swearing out the complaints. The Superior board of trade men say they are not yet ready to precipitate any inspection fight.

COLLECTOR OF PORTO RICO IS OUT OF IT

Cruzon's Resignation Is Accepted by the Secretary of the Treasury.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 23.—Cablegram has been received from Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, accepting the resignation of Alonzo Cruzon, collector of customs of Porto Rico. The resignation is the result of the recent investigations into the charges of smuggling made against officers of the United States navy and Porto Rican officials.

WOLVIN'S SUCCESSOR IS MR. COULBY

Duluth Loses Headquarters of the Pittsburg Steamship Company.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 23.—H. Coulbey, of this city, has accepted the position of superintendent of the fleet of the Pittsburg Steamship company, succeeding A. B. Wolvin, resigned. Besides succeeding Mr. Wolvin, Mr. Coulbey also succeeds D. K. Clemson, president of the Pittsburg Steamship company. Mr. Coulbey announces that he will make his headquarters in this city. The headquarters are now in Duluth.

LEADING CITIZENS SAW WOOD IN STREETS OF OHIO TOWN

Attract Crowds of Holiday Shoppers to the Salvation Army's "Kettle" at Akron.

Special to The Globe. AKRON, Ohio, Dec. 23.—One of the most novel sights ever seen in this city was witnessed by thousands of people today at the intersection of the two principal business streets when, to the music furnished by the Salvation Army band, Hon. William Buchtel, eighty-one years of age; O. C. Barber, presi-

dent of the Diamond Match company; Mayor Kempel, Judge C. R. Grant and other prominent citizens engaged in a wood-sawing bee to attract crowds of holiday shoppers to the army's "kettle." Nearly half a cord of wood was sawed in this way and later was auctioned off, the exhibition netting nearly \$300 for the army's Christmas dinner.

GIRL INHABITS CAGE

Her Lover Is Unfaithful and Her Madness Returns.

Special to The Globe. DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 23.—Louise Leaf, an eighteen-year-old insane girl who has been imprisoned for the past three months in a cage constructed of the principal business streets when, to the music furnished by the Salvation Army band, Hon. William Buchtel, eighty-one years of age; O. C. Barber, presi-

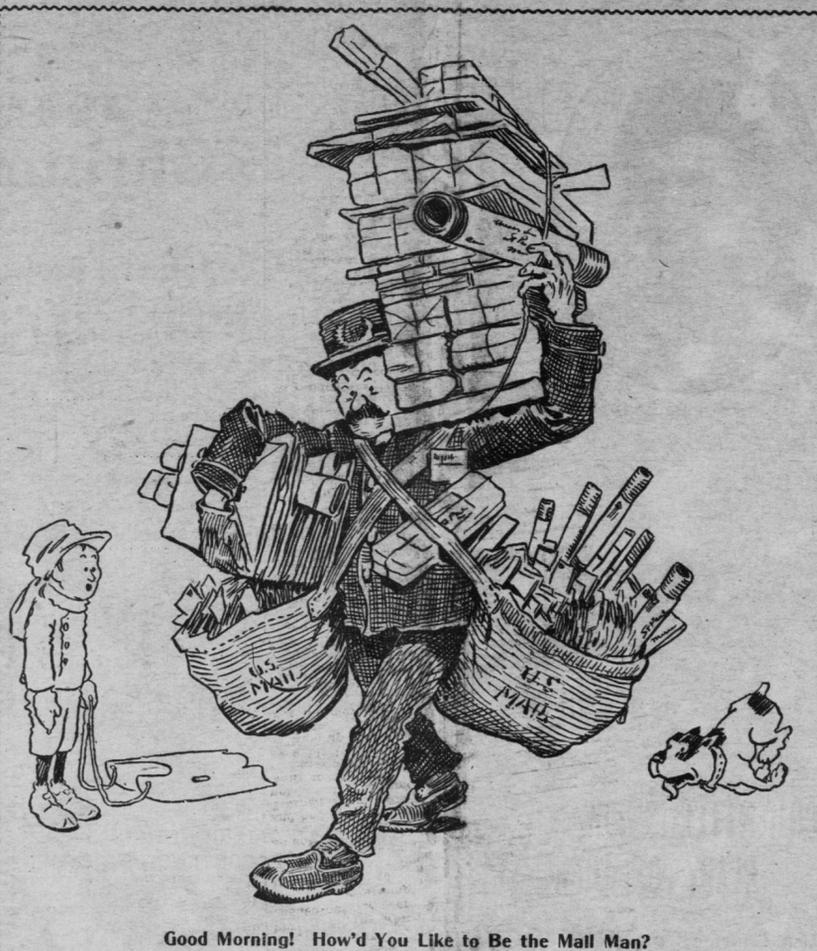
DID HE KILL WIFE?

Actress Has Stepfather Arrested at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 23.—Winnie Reader, or Mrs. Waller Halback, the actress, who arrived here yesterday to find out that her mother had been murdered, swore out an information today charging her stepfather, C. W. Graves, with the crime. Mrs. Graves' charred body was found last Friday and the coroner's jury returned a verdict that Mrs. Graves was choked to death and that fire had been applied to her body afterwards. Divorce proceedings were pending between Graves and his wife. He is in jail.

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Good Morning! How'd You Like to Be the Mail Man?

LIVERMEN WILL FIGHT TO FINISH

"Open Shop" Is Decided Upon and Aid of Militia May Be Called For.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The struggle between the Livermen's and Undertakers' associations and the Livery Drivers' union, which for the past six days has seriously interfered with the burial of Chicago's dead, as no hearses or carriages have been available for funerals, is to be a fight to the finish, all efforts looking to a settlement of the strike by conciliation having been abandoned tonight. For the past two days the prospects for a settlement by arbitration seemed bright, but today the contending parties drifted farther apart than ever and all peace negotiations have been declared off by the employers. At a meeting tonight of the employers it was decided to open for business tomorrow morning on the "open-shop" principle and employ union or non-union men. Before this decision was reached arrangements were made to petition one of the circuit court judges tomorrow for an injunction restraining the strikers from interfering with the business of the employers. The conservative element at the meeting worked hard to prevent the opening of the union officials' prediction when the "open-shop" plan is tried. In anticipation of opposition by the union, the employers tonight called upon Chief of Police O'Neill for police protection against violence and picketing. Chief O'Neill replied: "The police have been ordered to extend you the utmost protection in carrying on funerals. If you experience the slightest trouble call up the nearest police station, and if that does not help, call me up." Chief O'Neill's plan is to have policemen accompany all funerals in cabs. Members of the association said tonight that should the police fail to maintain order the sheriff would be called on for protection, and should that measure fail, the governor would be appealed to to supply militia.

BOLD BURGLAR FAILS IN HOLDUP STUNT

His Victims Spring Burglar Alarm and a Gun and He Shoots and Runs Away.

While a masked bandit, who had forced an entrance into the residence of Mrs. Emily H. Rowe, 685 Central Park place, after ringing the door bell at 8:30 o'clock last night, held William G. Worthington at bay in the hall, Miss Edith Rowe ran up stairs for a revolver, which she handed to Worthington, as the robber, disconcerted by burglar alarms which had been set off, dashed out the door. A daring attempt at robbery was thus boldly foiled. Miss Rowe and Worthington, who resides at the Rowe home, returned from an entertainment at the Plymouth Congregational church about 8:30 o'clock, and had just entered the hall when the doorbell rang. Worthington, who had not had time to remove his hat or coat, went to the door and was met by a stranger whose face was partly covered by a black scarf. "Hold up your hands!" demanded the man, as he thrust into Worthington's face the muzzle of a big revolver. Smilingly Worthington, who thought some friends was playing a joke, asked what he meant. "Up with your hands!" reiterated the bandit, forcing his way into the vestibule, while Worthington attempted to close the door in his face. Observing by the determined manner of the robber that he meant business, Worthington threw up his hands, and Miss Rowe, who stood beside him, threw up hers also. Wm. Worthington turned about to walk into the hall the robber ran his hands over Worthington's hip pocket to ascertain whether he was armed. Young Woman Gets Revolver. While the bandit was thus occupied, Worthington quietly whispered to Miss Rowe to run to his bureau for his revolver. As Miss Rowe dashed up the stairs, Worthington, to divert the attention of the robber, fell to his knees and reached for a switch near the bottom of the stairs connecting with the burglar alarm, which immediately commenced clanging all over the house. The robber became so frightened when the gong started to ring that he instantly abandoned his project and turned to escape. He dashed out the door, ran down the steps and turned towards the back yard. Worthington, who had received the revolver from Miss Rowe as the robber was fleeing from the house, set after him. The robber, seeing that he was followed, fired at Worthington, who returned with a fusillade of four shots, one of which it is thought struck the robber. As he ran the robber turned and fired three times, the last shot grazing Worthington's head and causing a scalp wound. The bullet tore through Worthington's hat and along the top of his head, plowing a slash five inches in length. Fairly stunned, Worthington stopped a moment and the robber escaped in the darkness. Thought It a Joke. "There was no one in the house when we entered and there was only a dim light in the hall," said Worthington. "When I was confronted by the man I at first thought that some one was playing a trick and I laughed at him. But he did not seem to be inclined to regard it as a joking matter, and, pointing the revolver closer to my face, repeated his demand for me to hold up my hands. I thought I had better do so, and when I turned about I whispered to Miss Rowe to run up stairs

JAPAN'S NAVY IS GETTING READY

Mikado's Government Draws Line for Settlement and Will Go No Further.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Dispatches to the London morning newspapers deal mainly with the alleged Japanese naval preparations. The Mail's correspondents admit that the steamers of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have not yet been chartered and that no mobilization orders have been issued, but they give a rumor of the intention of Russia to seize Chin Wang Tao and report that a Japanese squadron of six battleships has left Sasebo, twenty-five miles north of Nagasaki. The Telegraph's correspondent at Nagasaki says that the Japanese fleet is replacing the local soft coal in its bunkers with hard Welsh steam coal, and also that all superfluous wood work on the vessels is being removed. PEKIN, Dec. 23.—The optimistic feeling in some quarters concerning war between Japan and Russia are not shared by the other diplomats at Pekin, whose knowledge of the present situation of affairs differs from the opinion to the highest consideration. It is positively known that the Japanese government has drawn the line for a settlement, beyond which it will not make any material concessions, and that she is determined to fight before yielding what she considers to be her vital interests. It is believed that unless Russia concedes important points another exchange of notes will precipitate matters. ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 23.—Russia's reply to Japan is momentarily expected to be delivered. The foreign office officials and diplomats continue to express the opinion that as both parties earnestly desire a peaceful settlement and as their allies have left nothing undone to this end, war will be averted. An early conclusion of the negotiations, however, seems unlikely. ROME, Dec. 23.—The rumor which gained wide currency in Rome that Japan had been declared between Russia and Japan was promptly contradicted by Mr. Ohoyama, the Japanese minister to Italy. In an interview he said that Japan had the complete sympathy of the United States, which desires the independence and the pacific development of Korea. The minister said he did not know what attitude would be taken by the United States government in the case of war between Russia and Japan.

CARS GO TO PIECES AND FULLY SIXTY PEOPLE DIE

Fast Passenger Train on the Baltimore & Ohio Plows Into a Pile of Lumber in Pennsylvania and Frightful Scenes Follow—Engine Swerves and Cars Go Over a High Embankment.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 23.—With a terrible crash and a grinding noise the Duquesne limited, the fastest through passenger train from Pittsburg to New York on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, plowed into a pile of lumber at Laurel Run, two miles west of Dawson, at 7:45 o'clock this evening, and it is estimated that fully sixty lives were lost and thirty persons were injured. The train left Pittsburg this evening, running a few minutes late, in charge of Engineer William Thornley, of Connelville. When approaching Laurel Run, which is a particularly fine piece of roadbed, the train was running at a high rate of speed. Suddenly the passengers were thrown from their seats by the lightning-like application of the air brakes, and a moment later there was a terrific crash. The train was made up of two baggage, two day coaches, one sleeper

and one dining car, and was carrying at the time, at the lowest estimate, 150 passengers. Cars Are Torn to Pieces. The train plowed along for a considerable distance and the cars were torn to pieces, passengers jumping, screaming and falling from the wreck as it tore along. Suddenly the engine swerved to the left and the coaches plunged down over the embankment to the edge of the Youghiogheny river. The minute the cars stopped rolling there was a wild scene. Many persons were plumed beneath the wreckage, and the screams and cries that rent the air were beyond description. Many were injured in their mad excitement and plunged into the river. Others, plumed beneath the heavy timbers, pleaded in agonized tones for release. So terrific was the force of the wreck that nearly every passenger suffered a

MISSOURI NOVELIST IS MINUS HIS JOB

Supreme Court Clerk Offends the Politicians.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Speed Mosby, author of "Ben Blunt," a political novel, has been discharged from his office as deputy clerk of the Missouri supreme court because of his authorship of this book, and his successor has been appointed to take the office Jan. 1, 1904. The resemblance which some of Mosby's pen pictures bear to Gov. Dockery and other prominent personages at Jefferson City struck the state house circle as little short of less majestic. The state house circle considers that the book will be seized upon by the enemies of the administration as political capital.

WOMEN GET LOST AND NEARLY FREEZE

Drive for Hours on Prairie With Temperature 20 Below Zero.

Special to The Globe. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 23.—With the temperature nearly 20 degrees below zero, two young women, Miss Beulah Lohs and Miss Ethel Scott, of Aurora county, while driving got lost on the open prairie and had an experience which they will not soon forget. They left the town of White Lake about dark in a sleigh en route to their homes, but after reaching the open prairie lost their way on account of the ground being covered with snow. After wandering around in the intense cold for nearly three hours, and when nearly frozen, they were shown the right road by a farmer. When they reached home they were nearly dead from their exposure.

HORSE FIGURES ON A PAY ROLL

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, Dec. 23.—W. L. Moore, a street commissioner of this city, was today convicted of obtaining money by false pretenses from the city of Cedar Rapids, by entering on the pay roll of the city horse as "William Martin" and drawing excessive pay for the horse in that manner for ten months.

HE FINDS PLATINUM

Lost Mine Is Discovered in Wisconsin.

Special to The Globe. MENOMONIE, Wis., Dec. 23.—Knut Thompson, a mining expert, has discovered platinum in paying quantities in the town of Dunn, this county. He has found evidences of a former excavation which convinced him that this is the lost platinum mine described in the reports of the early discoverers who explored Northwestern Wisconsin. Thought It a Joke. "There was no one in the house when we entered and there was only a dim light in the hall," said Worthington. "When I was confronted by the man I at first thought that some one was playing a trick and I laughed at him. But he did not seem to be inclined to regard it as a joking matter, and, pointing the revolver closer to my face, repeated his demand for me to hold up my hands. I thought I had better do so, and when I turned about I whispered to Miss Rowe to run up stairs

ACTS AS SANTA CLAUS, IS FATALLY BURNED

DENTON, Neb., Dec. 23.—At a Christmas entertainment in a school house two miles from here tonight, John Shields and Katie Sullivan were probably fatally burned and others slightly injured. Miss Sullivan, acting as Santa Claus, was enveloped in cotton which took fire. Shields and others went to her assistance.

BOTH DIE IN A DUEL

Rivals in Love Affair Fight at a Dance.

NEOSHO, Mo., Dec. 23.—Cooper Lauderdale and Vest Collins, rivals in a love affair, met at a dance here tonight and engaged in a pistol duel in which both men were killed. The girl whom they both loved favored Lauderdale, who escorted her to the dance. Collins insisted on escorting her home and the shooting resulted. Struck by a Trolley Car. DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 23.—One of the United States commissary sleighs from Fort Wayne, bearing a load of soldiers and young women, was struck by a trolley car near here tonight. Sergeant James F. Lockwood, of Company F, First Infantry, was killed and Miss May Williams, of Detroit, probably fatally injured.

DOES NOT TELL HIS LOVE AND GOES INSANE

Virginia, Minn., Man Was Too Bashful to Speak and Goes to Asylum.

Special to The Globe. DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 23.—Edward Manien, of Virginia, Minn., worshipped a maid of that city at a distance, but was too bashful to allow her to know it, and in fact he had never spoken to her in his life. Worry over his unfortunate condition

of bashfulness and despair of winning the maid has driven him insane and he was today committed to the insane hospital at Fergus Falls. The girl was utterly oblivious of Manien's devotion, as was everybody else, until his mind tottered and he began talking of the matter. It is thought the patient will recover.

FOUR ARE INDICTED DIES OF CHOKING

Conspiracy to Wreck a Business Is Charged. Young Man Meets Peculiar Fate in the Woods.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The grand jury tonight voted indictments against four men prominent in labor circles. They are J. E. Johnson, business agent of the Brass Workers' union; Lee Fisher, secretary of the International Order of Machinists; R. S. Case, business agent of the International Order of Machinists; and James J. Lamb, business agent of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The indictments charge conspiracy to wreck the business of the Kellogg Switchboard and Supply company during a strike which was productive of much violence in the spring. Testimony was presented that the four accused men had visited officials of the Kellogg company and threatened to interfere with the business of the concern unless the company came to terms with its striking employees. While indictments were voted against these men, the grand jury refused to return a true bill against Charles F. Lang, foreman of a local printing house, who shot and killed Emil Rechow, a picket allied with the striking press feeders of the Franklin union. Lang was himself a union man and was assaulted by a mob, of which Rechow was one. He fired one shot, which killed Rechow. Lang established a clear case of self-defense.

Special to The Globe. NEW ULM, Minn., Dec. 23.—Alwin Dietz, the eighteen-year-old son of Carl Dietz, of Mapleton, was killed on his father's farm in the town of Cottonwood, this county, today while hauling logs. On a part of the Dietz farm there is a heavy growth of timber, and the young man and three helpers were cutting logs on the side of a hill. Dietz hitched a team of horses onto a log of large size shortly before noon and started to pull it down the incline. The log struck a slippery place and commenced to slide. The helpers shouted to him to look out, and Dietz made a dash for the horses to get them out of danger. In attempting to do this he was caught by the throat between the tug and the singletree and was held thus while he was dragged twenty feet. Finally the log rolled onto him and pinned him to the ground. His companions came to his help, but were unable to extricate him before he was choked to death.

MAHATMA COULD NOT HELP DUKE

Hindoo Returns to London Because Duke of Manchester Lacks Faith.

BELFAST, Dec. 23.—The young duchess of Manchester, who is a believer in Buddhism, recently invited Agamya Gurti Paramahansa, the chief of the Hindoo mahatmas, to Tanderagee castle to cure the duke of diabetes. The duke himself was opposed to the idea, but in deference to the duchess' strong faith he consented on condition that a local doctor should be present. On arrival at Tanderagee the mahatma, greatly to the disappointment of the duchess, wholly disclaimed any miraculous power, declaring that his ministrations could be successful only when supported by fervent faith on the part of the person treated, a condition nonexistent in the case of the duke. Therefore the mahatma returned to London without attempting a cure. Since the duchess has been moved back to Tanderagee he has become somewhat better.