

40,000 PEOPLE SEE GAME

Harvard's Great Stadium Filled This Afternoon

FOR YALE-HARVARD CLASH

Weather Conditions Overhead Were Good and the Sun and a Northwest Wind Aided Toward Making the Field Less of a Quagmire.

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 25.—Clear skies, a snapping northwester and a drying gridiron after yesterday's rain were this morning's weather conditions for the annual meeting of Yale and Harvard in the stadium this afternoon.

To-day's weather partially served to dispel the gloom of the great array of football followers last night, though which was occasioned by the knowledge that the stadium gridiron was little more than a quagmire from the heavy rain.

The out of town attendants of the game had been pouring into Boston in such great numbers that the hotels were met by almost unprecedented demands for accommodations.

NAVY SLIGHT FAVORITE.

In Betting On Football Game With the Army This Afternoon.

Philadelphia, Nov. 25.—Under ideal weather conditions the Army and Navy were ready for their annual battle this afternoon. The Navy was the slight favorite in the betting.

CORNELL WINNER AND HARVARD SECOND

Runners in Six-Mile Cross-Country Race at Brookline, Mass., Were Handicapped By Wet Grounds.

Brookline, Mass., Nov. 25.—Cornell won the intercollegiate six-mile cross-country run, which was held here to-day. Harvard was second, Pennsylvania third and Dartmouth fourth.

GRANGERS DENOUNCED ALDRICH CURRENCY IDEA

As Tending To Raise Up An Institution As Dangerous As the Old Central Bank—Grange Adjourned Convention To-day.

Columbus, O., Nov. 25.—The national grange adjourned its annual session here to-day after resolutions regarding the initiative, referendum and recall had been referred to the various state granges.

INSISTS ON NEUTRALITY OF THE DARDANELLES

Russia Informed France and the Other Powers To That Effect To-day and Quotes Treaty of 1871.

Paris, Nov. 25.—Russia to-day informed France and the other powers that she insists upon the neutrality of the Dardanelles as provided in the Treaty of London in 1871.

FOUNDER OF PRUDENTIAL

John F. Dryden, a Prominent Business Man, Dies.

Newark, N. J., Nov. 25.—John F. Dryden, founder of the Prudential Insurance company of America and head of practically all his life, and a former United States senator, died at his home at 6 last night.

GIVEN PRIVATE AUDIENCE.

Archbishop Farley of New York Was Received With Considerable Ceremony.

Rome, Nov. 25.—Pope Pius gave a private audience to-day to Archbishop Farley of New York. The reception was attended with considerable ceremony, and the audience, which lasted half an hour, took place in the library of the Vatican.

MORSE MAY BE PARDONED.

Possible That President Will Order His Release.

Washington, Nov. 25.—By order of the president, C. W. Morse, the New York banker, now in the Atlanta penitentiary will be removed from that institution within a few days to the United States army hospital at Fort McPherson, near Atlanta.

He will there be placed under observation by physicians to determine whether or not his physical condition is such that he should be granted a pardon by President Taft.

District Attorney Wise of New York and H. F. Dougherty, one of Morse's attorneys, were called in consultation at the White House.

The attorney-general told the president that Morse was in bad condition.

Mr. Wickersham recently made a hurried and unannounced trip to Atlanta and develops now that it was to see Mr. Morse personally.

The present negotiations looking to Morse's release began Wednesday.

President Taft had previously announced that he would not consider another application for pardon before Jan. 1, 1913.

Attorney-General Wickersham was busily looking into the legal aspects of such a movement. It was said the cabinet would be taken up at the cabinet meeting yesterday.

Morse is not eligible for parole, but if his health is found to be as bad as Mr. Wickersham himself understands it to be, he probably will be given a pardon.

According to information which has reached Washington, Morse is suffering from an acute form of kidney disease. Officials are convinced that his condition is quite serious.

NO CASH, NO ANALYSIS IN SHAKER CASE

Chemist Holds Up the Report on Sister Marchant's Stomach Till Bill Is Paid.

Tampa, Fla., Nov. 25.—Because the county commissioners have refused to pay a bill for \$75 rendered by the chemist who made an analysis of the contents of the stomach of Sister Sadie Marchant, of the Shaker colony, who was "assisted out of life" by Brother Egbert Gillette, it is probable the chemist's report will not be presented to the grand jury when it meets to take up Gillette's case next week.

The report never has been submitted to the prosecutor and according to the chemist never will be unless his bill is paid. The prosecutor does not know whether its contents will help his case or not.

LADY LYTTON GOES TO JAIL.

Sentenced to Two Weeks' Confinement for Smashing Windows.

London, Nov. 25.—Lady Constance Lytton and Lady Sybil Smith, both of whom have been prominent in the suffrage movement, were charged at the Bow street police court yesterday with smashing windows during the demonstrations of Tuesday last.

They were sentenced, respectively, to a fortnight and a week in jail, in default of the payment of fines. Mrs. Mary Leigh, who has been seven times previously convicted and whom the police described as the "most troublesome suffragette" they had had to deal with, was sentenced to two months in jail without the option of a fine. The magistrate warned Mrs. Leigh that if she were again convicted she would be sent to jail for a term at hard labor.

NOTE DEFAULTED.

That Upon Which Taylor Secured Release Not Paid.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 25.—The \$30,000 two-year note, which Thomas H. Taylor, president of the defunct New England Trust company of Providence, gave to secure his release from prison, where he was held for nearly two years in default of \$350,000 bail to prevent his leaving the state, was defaulted yesterday, and Receiver Joseph P. Burlingame believes that none of the depositors would obtain any of their money.

The note was secured by collateral made up of stocks in companies in which Taylor was interested. This collateral, Taylor was informed yesterday by Mr. Burlingame, will be difficult to realize upon. Taylor left the state immediately after signing the note.

POSTAL WAGON ROBBED OF \$75,000

Criminal Arrested and Most of Money Recovered—Wagon Used to Collect Money Shipments of Sub-Stations.

Berlin, Nov. 25.—A boldly executed robbery occurred here last night, when \$75,000 was stolen from a postal wagon used to collect money shipments of the various Berlin sub-stations. The criminal was taken into custody and most of the money was recovered.

TO AID McNAMARAS.

Labor Officials Asked to Donate Week's Salary.

Atlanta, Nov. 25.—By a vote of 106 to 7 Thursday, the convention of the American Federation of Labor requested well-known officials of the federation and affiliated unions to give one week's pay to the McNamara defense fund. President Gompers estimates that about \$60,000 will thus be added to the fund which is now reported to be \$240,000.

WEDS SCRUBWOMAN.

Merchant Lines Up Dozen and Picks His Choice.

Detroit, Nov. 25.—Over a dozen widow scrub women employed at the county building, all of whom were willing to take another husband, lined up before Charles Kimball, a Laingsburg, Mich., merchant, Thursday night, and as a result Kimball will to-day lead Mrs. Edith Cook to the altar.

The groom is a widower, 55 years old, and reputed well to do. Mrs. Cook is 10 years his junior.

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Kimball's action was inspired by Superintendent David May of the state employment bureau, to whom the Laingsburg merchant had announced his willingness to wed again.

LAST MONETARY MEETINGS.

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Washington, Nov. 25.—Beginning on Saturday, Dec. 2, the monetary commission will enter upon its final series of meetings.

TOOK VERDICT VERY CALMLY

Spencer Convicted of First Degree Murder To-day

MADE NO DEMONSTRATION

Verdict Was Returned in Early Hours of Morning, Court Room Being Crowded in Spite of the Time—Sentence Was Not Pronounced.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 25.—Bertram C. Spencer was found guilty early today of the murder, in the first degree, of Miss Martha B. Blackstone, a school teacher, in this city. Spencer, whose violent outbreaks had been unprecedented in Massachusetts judicial history, received the verdict without emotion.

None of his family were with him at the time the verdict was announced. Spencer's wife and sister remained in an adjoining room at the request of the court officers, who feared an outbreak on the part of the prisoner. Mrs. Spencer almost collapsed when word of the verdict was brought to her. She recovered and then went to the courtroom, where she greeted her husband calmly and went through the ordeal of parting without any demonstration being made on the part of husband or wife.

Despite the lateness of the hour, the court room was crowded. No motion or statements were made by counsel, and no date was set for sentence, which in Massachusetts is death by electrocution.

The case had been given to the jury last evening at a few minutes before 10 o'clock, after which the jury filed from the jury box to prepare their verdict. Judge John C. Crosby went to his room adjoining the courtroom to await the result of their deliberations. Judge Crosby in his charge to the jury dwelt on the crime of insanity, saying that the question was one of establishing the sanity or insanity of the man at the time the deed was committed. The testimony of the alienists, he said, should be considered, but the jurors should not be too strongly impressed by the opinion of these experts.

The crime of which Spencer stands convicted was shooting Miss Blackstone to death while he was engaged in robbing the house where the young lady was making a call. During the course of the trial, Spencer's confession was admitted, and in that he told about shooting the woman when she and three other women, who confronted him in the house, began to scream and run about. In the same confession, Spencer admitted having committed a series of robberies in Springfield and also in Brattleboro and White River Junction, Vt.

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CALL RUTLAND ROAD VICTIM OF CENTRAL

Stockholders Declare the Big System Is Taking an Unfair Share of the Profits.

New York, Nov. 25.—Charges that since the New York Central & Hudson River railroad company secured control of the Rutland railroad a systematic policy of manifest unfairness in the division of joint rates has been pursued are made in a circular sent to the stockholders of the latter road Thursday by the minority stockholders' committee, headed by Tompkins C. Delevan.

In order to show how the New York Central has taken what it calls the "lion's share of the joint rates," the committee has prepared a table, which is included in the letter, showing many such instances. As an example, the table shows that on a shipment of paper from Newfield to Pittsfield, the total freight was \$62.82, out of which the Rutland for its haul of three hundred and sixteen miles received \$42.18, while the New York Central received \$18.24 for its haul of only twelve miles. The share of the New York Central, the committee points out, was therefore six times the Rutland's share a mile.

The committee charges also that the New York Central has assimilated the major part of the joint earnings of the two roads, although its mileage has been only a fraction of the Rutland mileage. Evidence of unfairness in many other particulars has developed, the circular says, and it adds that although no dividends have been paid on the Rutland stock since 1907, the evidence indicates that substantial earnings have been made by the company, applicable to the payment of dividends.

The stockholders are asked to join in a movement "to compel recognition of their rights," and all who desire to do so are invited to deposit their stock with the Columbia Trust company.

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Though He Had Drifted Hundreds of Miles From Burlington.

Burlington, Nov. 25.—William E. Langlois, formerly of this city, who is wanted for jumping his bail of \$1,000, which he secured in a forgery case at the March term of Chittenden county court, has been located 75 miles east of Cochrane, Ont., and 600 miles north of Toronto and is being brought back to Burlington, having waived extradition. He was found by Howard Morgan, a detective, who was put on the case by State's Attorney Shaw.

When information was filed against Langlois on a charge of forgery, at the March term of court, his mother, Mrs. Emily Langlois, became surety for him. It is said that his mother made a great anxiety to have the bail returned to her, and the expense of locating Langlois will be considerable, the woman will not now lose so large a sum as she would have had the son not been located. She has made no effort to shield Langlois or prevent his whereabouts becoming known.

The exact nub of Langlois' claimed offense is a false statement made in probate court. It seems that Langlois was executor of the estate of one Charlotte Bellie, lately deceased, of Burlington. In rendering to the court an account of his stewardship, he made oath before Probate Judge Macomber on February 15 last, that he had sold a certain piece of realty belonging to Charlotte's estate, consisting of a house and lot at 267 North Winslow avenue, to James McGowan for \$700. It is claimed that instead of that sum he actually did receive \$1,100, which was paid over to him in the office of E. R. Taft, directly across the hall from the probate courtroom.

FINE CORN SHOW.

There Were Several Sharp Competitions at Windsor Exhibit.

Windsor, Nov. 25.—"Corn is king; Vermont is its kingdom," this is the slogan that captured the first prize of the Vermont corn show held in Kennedy's riding rink yesterday. The winner was J. Ward Webster of Hartland, who also got a prize for the best corn raised in that town. The sweepstakes prize in the men's class for the best ten ears of corn was won by E. G. Willard of North Hartland, who was the winner in the boys' class, offered by the Windsor county Y. M. C. A. under whose auspices the show was held. There were about 75 entries of the latter class of boys under 18 years of age and the contestants were given a dinner at the old south vestry by the business men and the various churches.

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LOST BOY BROUGHT BACK.

Richard Tarbell, Aged 16, Restored to Waterbury Parents.

Burlington, Nov. 25.—Garbed in clothes much too large for him, and thin and wan as the result of his experience, Richard Tarbell, aged 16, who a few weeks ago ran away from his home in Waterbury, was apprehended yesterday morning in the railroad station by Police Officer Barry, who afterward notified Deputy Sheriff Packer of Waterbury, who came for him and took him back to his home. The boy ran away several weeks ago, and says that he went to Montreal. He was at that time garbed in a new suit and overcoat and had a small amount of money in his pocket which quickly disappeared. Of late he had been working in a shoe shop for \$5 per week and had to sell his clothes in order to get money enough to support him. He got back to Burlington somehow and was not loath to be taken home.

CHANGES HER RELIGION.

Miss Mildred Sherman Joined Catholic Church to Marry Catholic.

New York, Nov. 25.—Miss Mildred Sherman, the daughter of William W. Sherman, became a member of the Roman Catholic church this morning, preliminary to her marriage with Lord Camoys, who is a Catholic. Owing to the illness of the bride's father, the wedding ceremony will be celebrated in Mr. Sherman's room, members of the families being the witnesses.

FUGITIVE ARRESTED.

Edward Gilliam Has Been Indicted for Fraudulent Use of Mails.

Boston, Nov. 25.—Charged with being a fugitive from justice in New York, where he was recently indicted by the federal grand jury on the charge of using the mails to defraud, Edward Gilliam, aged 45, of Winthrop, was arrested yesterday. He is alleged to have been connected with the Manhattan Real Estate company. The government alleges misrepresentation of land values.

THEATRE DISTURBERS RELEASED.

Six Dismissed, Two Held—Seven Were Yale Undergraduates.

New Haven, Nov. 25.—The cases of the eight young men, seven of whom were Yale undergraduates, arrested by the police Saturday night after a clash in the street, following a disturbance in the Hyperion theatre, were called in the police court to-day. Six were not proscribed, and the hearing against the other two was continued until Wednesday. None of the parties were in court.

VERMONT MAN IS PROMOTED

A. A. Fisher Goes to Position in the Postal Service

FROM RAILWAY MAIL DEPT.

He Succeeds John Hollyday as Chief Clerk of the Office of Second Assistant Postmaster-General, Latter Also Promoted.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 25.—Alyene A. Fisher of Vermont, who has been chief clerk of the railway mail service, was to-day appointed chief clerk of the office of second assistant postmaster-general, transportation bureau of the postal service. Mr. Fisher succeeds John Hollyday, who has been appointed superintendent of the railway mail service.

STOKES TELLS WHY HE WAS GIRLS' TARGET

He Pours Out Story on the Stand While the Two Defendants Weep.

New York, Nov. 25.—Lillian Graham, the show girl, who with Ethel Conrad, is charged with attempting to kill W. E. D. Stokes, the millionaire horseman, last June, burst into tears in the courtroom yesterday when Stokes declared on the stand that he had refused to give her \$500, because he had married "and the incident might be misinterpreted." Miss Conrad, who was with her in the defendant's seat, comforted her by words and caresses, but the girl was not interrupted.

Stokes testified that he met the Graham girl in 1906 and entertained her the following year at his country place at Lexington, Ky. He gave her money on several occasions, he said, making her a present of several hundred dollars at Lexington in 1907. Later, he testified, the Graham girl had lived in the Ansonia hotel, in this city, of which he was owner. He gave her money to go to Paris, he said, and saw her upon her return in 1908. When he saw her in May last, he said, she was seeking a position on the stage and wanted \$500.

"I told her I would not give her a penny," he testified. "I impressed on her the fact that I was married and that the incident might be misunderstood. I also told her it would be a bad practice."

Lillian threatened to kill herself afterwards, he said, and once he had knocked a bottle of poison from her hand. She had several stormy interviews with him, he declared, the burden of each being a demand for money, but he was steadfast in his refusal to pay her anything.

Stokes took up the thread of his story by relating the events on the day of the shooting.

"Miss Conrad told me over the telephone late in the afternoon that she had the letters," he said. "She insisted upon my calling for them, instead of sending a messenger, so I went to her apartments. She met me at the door, showed me into the parlor and excused herself, saying that she was going for the letters. Soon she came back and bolted the parlor door, but I didn't bother about it at the time."

"Miss Conrad looked foolishly around for something to happen," Stokes continued, "and Miss Graham came creeping along the parlor with a revolver in her hand. She pointed it at me and accused me of blackening the reputation of her relatives."

"She talked so fast I could say nothing. Then she told me to sit down and sign a statement admitting the slander. I refused to do so, and she said that many prominent men had disappeared just as I was about to do. Ethel then told me to write my check for \$25,000 or that I would never leave the place alive."

"I told her that I had put implicit trust in her when I had given her money for the letters and for Miss Graham, and asked her why she told me that Miss Graham was in Europe. She refused to answer and Miss Graham began to dictate a statement for me to sign."

FOR BURGLARY, TWO YEARS.

William Mitchell of Burlington Sentenced Yesterday.

Burlington, Nov. 25.—William Mitchell, the colored man who was arraigned in court a few days ago on a charge of burglary and who was bound over to county court, came into court yesterday and pleaded guilty to an information, filed by State's Attorney H. B. Shaw. He was sentenced to not less than 22 nor more than 24 months' imprisonment in the house of correction. Mitchell, while employed in Williston, broke into the house of Frank Terrien and stole a gold watch and chain and some other jewelry, in addition to a small sum of money. He was afterwards apprehended in Milton and placed under arrest. At his hearing he put up no defense.

TO TRY GASOLINE CARS.

Central Vermont Railroad May Put Two on West River Line.

Brattleboro, Nov. 25.—People in touch with those on the inside of the Central Vermont railroad say there is a strong possibility that gasoline cars will be installed on the West river division of the Central next spring. There is no doubt that such a move would bring about a wonderful improvement in the service between Brattleboro and South Londonderry.

It is understood the Central Vermont management is considering seriously the installation of two such cars on the West river road, the idea being to run them at frequent intervals each day, stopping for passengers the same as electric cars do.

SCORED SECOND SUCCESS.

Knights of Pythias Minstrels Had Another Big Crowd Last Night.

The Knights of Pythias minstrels appeared before another large audience in the opera house last evening and easily duplicated their success of the previous night. The blackfaced comedians, the soloists of the circle, the chorus of over fifty voices and the various participants in the olio repeated the same meritorious performance and if anything, the show moved along more rapidly, and with a greater degree of precision, perhaps, than on the occasion of the first performance. The audience was ever ready to show its appreciation of the production and every whit of it was deserved. The minstrels appeared in Barre for the last time last night, although it is possible that the show may be presented in some nearby town as was the case last year, when the "Dokies" made their initial appearance.

The electrical effects, which have caused so much favorable comment during the two performances, were brought about through the efforts of Carl C. Perkins, the Depot square electrician, who generously donated considerable time and labor toward making this feature of the production as near perfect as possible.

Figures as to the exact attendance during the two nights and the total receipts, which the two performances are not obtainable, but it is quite certain that the Pythians will realize a good sum of money as a result of their efforts, after all expenses are paid.

WOMAN PUT ON PROBATION.

In Liquor Case Said To Have Been Out of Spite Action.

The case of Mrs. Mary Soletti, who was arrested by Deputy Sheriff W. I. Cutler at her home in Foxville so-called, in Barre town last week on a charge of selling, came up before Justice of the Peace H. W. Scott this morning. Mrs. Soletti withdrew her plea of not guilty entered at a preliminary hearing several days ago and pleaded guilty to the charge. She was sentenced to serve the costs amounting to \$6.68 and to pay not less than eleven months in jail, more than eleven months and two days in the county jail at Montpelier. On the recommendation of State's Attorney J. Ward Carver, the respondent was placed on probation for a term of three years, sentence being suspended until a violation of the probationary agreement is made.

The offense, it is said, was a violation of the law, Mrs. Soletti's guilt being ascribed to ignorance of the law. This extenuating phase of the case, together with the alleged facts that the complaint was made out of spite and in a spirit of revenge, led the justice to place the woman on probation.

NEW C. L. U. COMMITTEES.

Were Named at Regular Meeting Last Evening.

The following committees were appointed at the regular meeting of the C. L. U., held last evening:

Organizing committee—John B. Bjorn, painter; E. A. Philbrick, carpenter; Ewen McKenzie, tool sharpeners; William Smith, lumpers and boxers; John S. McDonald, polishers. Graniteville, John King and Frank Riley, quarry workers; Robert Mitchell, engineers.

Union label committee—Fred W. Soltz, laborer; Wesley Hoffman, cigar makers; A. L. Pierce, clerks; Elmer Folsom, laundry workers; S. R. Dady, painters. Graniteville, Robert Mitchell, engineers; John McDonald, paving cutters; John King, quarry workers.

Educational committee—Silvio Card, granite cutters; James McDonald, tool sharpeners; Edward Chesser, clerks; A. L. Noyes, painters; Albert Tranquet, paving cutters.

Resolution committee—Gas Gregoire, masons; James Mutch, sharpeners; B. E. Newcombe, machinists; George Brice, carpenters; George C. Stewart, granite cutters.

Credential committee—James Mutch, sharpeners; George Cooper, polishers; Frank Rogers, teamsters; John B. Gomo, engineers; N. L. Baker, barbers.

THAT PAVING CONTRACT.

Representative of O'Connell & Sons Has Something to Say About It.

Editor of The Times—Dear Sir: November 17, the information was brought out in the city council that the city had an unpaid bill of \$357 for crushed granite against the contractors, Daniel O'Connell & Sons, and that there were several minor bills outstanding against the company. For Daniel O'Connell & Sons, I wish to say that this is false. City Engineer Reed accepted the contract as completed the day we left Barre and gave me an estimate signed by him to that effect, which I showed to the mayor and board of aldermen. Two weeks later Mr. O'Connell wrote to the City of Barre certifying check and balance due him. He received a reply, stating that the board of aldermen refused to give up check for balance of job, as it was not accepted, as they claimed. Mr. Reed accepted the job and should have advised the board of aldermen of that fact.

In regard to the matter of city laborers employed by us, Superintendent of Streets J. C. DeBorne paid laborers at the rate of \$1.80 per day with the exception of one or two, who received \$2.25; yet it is charged up to us at the rate of \$2.25 per day to each and every man. The men did not receive this amount from the city, although we paid the \$2.25 rate to the city. The reason why the bills given to me and the bills given to the city clerk did not correspond is because Mr. DeBorne gave me the bills at \$1.80 per day for each man, and gave the city clerk bills for \$2.25 per day, each man. Mr. DeBorne also charged up his own time at \$4 per day.

No blame