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AMERICAN IS WOUNDED IN LOVERS' SPAT

Mrs. Barnes Woman Involved in Affair With Paris Sportsman.

BOTH ARE IN HOSPITAL

Had Kept Company for Year and Marriage Had Been Planned.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Further complications have developed in the sensational shooting affair of Thursday night in which Mrs. Barnes, an American woman, and Walter Mumm, a well known French sportsman, were principals.

Mrs. Barnes, it now turns out, was shot twice and badly wounded by Mumm before she shot him. Every effort was made by the Mumm family to suppress the information.

Mrs. Barnes, who is in a private hospital here, is reported in a dangerous condition. According to one of the newspapers, Mumm and Mrs. Barnes went about together everywhere the past year. Mrs. Barnes believed Mumm about to marry her. Differences arose and Mumm declared his intention of breaking the acquaintance. This was Thursday night, and the shooting followed.

TRIES TO EXPEL HER.

Mumm was able to leave the house without assistance. He asked to be driven to a hospital. He refused to call the police. His brother, however, requested that the police expel Mrs. Barnes from France.

Henri Mumm, brother of the wounded man, said:

"In a fit of jealousy the lady shot Walter with a revolver, breaking his collar bone. His condition is not grave. Don't ask me anything more."

CAN'T LOCATE WOMAN.

According to the police report, Mumm attacked the woman during a quarrel and kicked her in the face and neck. Whether he fired has not yet been established but she was badly injured. Four doctors were called by servants to attend her. An hour after Mumm's departure Mrs. Barnes drove off with a man who was the sole witness of the shooting and her cook. No trace of them has been found by the police. It is believed she was driven to a sanitarium.

TWICE MARRIED.

New York, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Marie Barnes, involved in the Mumm shooting, is a native of Pennsylvania. In 1910 she married George Creel, a millionaire Chilean. She instituted divorce proceedings against him in France last year, but there is no record here that a divorce was granted. The woman's first husband was Henry David Barnes of Baltimore, whom she married at 15. Three years later she obtained a divorce and liberal alimony and took up residence in Europe. Her maiden name was VanRensselaer.

NOT HER HUSBAND.

Baltimore, Dec. 14.—Harry Barnes denied he ever had been the husband of Mrs. Marie Barnes. He admitted an acquaintanceship, but declared it only casual.

EMELIUS FREE OF MURDER CHARGE

Houlton, Me., Dec. 14.—Rev. Charles Emelius, Mrs. Annie Jacobs and Edgar Jacobson, charged with murdering August Jacobson, husband of Annie, today were found not guilty.

Reward for Pope's Brother.

Turin, Dec. 14.—The pope's brother, Angelo Sarto, yesterday was awarded \$5 by the Italian minister of posts in recognition of long and faithful services to the postal department.

Count is Completed.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—The state canvassing board has completed its canvass for members of the general assembly and issued certificates to George A. Miller of the Twenty-third senatorial district and to D. H. Kirkpatrick of the Fifth district.

60 REBEL BODIES SWING ON TREES

Mexico City, Dec. 14.—Sixty bodies of rebels hanging from trees were counted by persons traveling by road yesterday from Las Cruces to Tamasopo. This is one of the results of the campaign against rebels by Colonel Riveroll.

The Weather

Forecast Till 7 p. m. Tomorrow for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline, and Vicinity.

Increasing cloudiness tonight probably becoming unsettled Sunday. Warmer tonight with the lowest temperature above freezing.

Temperature at 7 a. m., 31. Highest yesterday, 48, lowest last night, 20.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., 5 miles per hour.

Precipitation, none. Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 60, at 7 a. m., 89.

Stage of water, 3 feet, a rise of 7 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.) Sun sets 4:34, rises 7:18. Evening stars: Venus, Jupiter, Saturn. Morning stars: Mars, Mercury.

FOOD LEAGUE TO WIDEN ITS SCOPE

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Officers of the Housekeepers' league today announced an intention of broadening the scope of the activities. Offers from farmers of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia to supply the league products other than eggs at prices that will enable their distribution at much less cost than charged by retailers have been received. Since the inauguration of the campaign for lower prices the league has disposed of 540,000 dozens of eggs at 24 cents at 60 stations. Next week it will increase the stations to 300.

FIREBUG CAUSES LOSS OF \$150,000

Pittsburgh, Dec. 14.—Fire believed of incendiary origin destroyed 20 stables, warehouses and residences at Bradnock, a suburb, early today. Scores of men, women and children were rescued by firemen, a dozen of whom suffered slight injuries. The loss is \$150,000.

WILSON ENROUTE FROM BERMUDA

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 14.—President-elect Wilson sailed today for New York aboard the Bermudian. Wilson put his own baggage on board the vessel. The Bermudian was escorted down the harbor by British officials in launches.

DAVENPORT POLICE CAPTURE A SUSPECT

The Davenport police believe that they have caught one of the gang of crooks that has been operating in the west end of that city for the past two weeks, with the nabbing of an Austrian, Nick Kellas by name, last evening.

Kellas, in company with another Austrian, entered a downtown saloon in Davenport last evening flashing a roll of \$800. The proprietor became suspicious and notified the police, who succeeded in getting Kellas. When searched the big roll and a number of bogus checks were found.

WIRE SPARKS

Wahoo, Neb.—Chief of Police John Briggs of South Omaha, charged with the murder of Roy Blunt, was acquitted yesterday. Blunt was held as hostage by three escaped convicts for whom posses were searching and in a battle young Blunt was killed.

Oakes, N. D.—Mrs. R. A. Grieff was adjudged insane and sent to the state hospital after she had given her three-year-old child two grains of strychnine and then cut its throat with a razor. Mrs. Grieff admitted she intended to kill three other children, whom she had locked in a room of the house.

Denver.—A church theatre, to present a model standard of theatricals for the adult members of the congregation and instructive moving pictures for the children, will be opened Dec. 20, according to a statement issued today by Father H. L. McMenamin of the Cathedral of the Immaculate.

Reid Reported Improved.

London, Dec. 14.—The condition of Whitelaw Reid is now favorable, according to a bulletin this morning. While the bulletins show optimism, it is believed the ambassador is still in a serious condition.

Goes to Scott's Relief.

Christ Church, New Zealand, Dec. 14.—The antarctic steamer, Terra Nova, sailed from here today to the relief of Captain Robert Scott's antarctic expedition.

Archbald Trial.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Testimony on which it is sought to impeach Judge Archbald is expected to be ended today. Next week will be taken up by the defense.

ELGIN BOARD IS ATTACKED AS A COMBINE

U. S. Government Seeks Dissolution of Alleged Butter Trust.

CIVIL SUIT IS ENTERED

Makes Sweeping Charges of Conspiracy to Control Prices.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The Elgin board of trade, popularly known as the "butter trust," and the American Association of Creamery Butter manufacturers were attacked by the federal government in a civil anti-trust suit filed here today for the dissolution of both concerns.

Sweeping charges of a conspiracy to fix arbitrarily the price of butter in the interest of big manufacturers and cold storage concerns and to the detriment of the farmer and other small producers and the consuming public were made by Attorney General Wickersham against the so-called trust, which he would destroy as a violation of the Sherman law.

INCREASE CERTAINE.

Butter making has drifted to the large manufacturers, the natural increase of the volume of business has been curtailed and prices to the people of the country enhanced, especially during the winter season, by the operations of the "conspirators," according to the government's position in equity.

Among the defendants are: Elgin Board of Trade; Charles E. Potter, Colvin, J. P. Mason, Elgin; A. O. Hawley, Joplin, Mo.; American Association of Creamery Butter manufacturers, (unincorporated); James A. Walker, George L. McKay, W. Sherman White, Chicago; William D. Hoard, Fort Atkinson, Wis.; Samuel P. Wadley, Dubuque, Iowa; Arthur S. Hanford, Sioux City, Iowa.

TO PREVENT FIXING.

Other defendants reside in Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Indiana. Aside from the dissolution of the two organizations the government seeks to enjoin the defendants from appointing a price-fixing committee; from fixing prices; from quoting or publishing figures purporting to be "market prices," unless based upon bona fide sales of butter and from making fictitious "wash sales" of butter to mislead as to the actual price at which butter is being sold.

NO REGARD FOR VALUES.

The price of butter fixed on the Elgin exchange, the government maintains, is not the result of free and open competition regulated by actual bona fide sales under the law of supply and demand. The price-fixing committee of the board is dominated and controlled, it is alleged, by large butter manufacturers, known as centralizers, and by cold storage concerns.

This committee, the petition adds, "has acted arbitrarily without any regard to actual values, and fixed prices wholly in the interest of the conspirators."

From May to August, when the bulk of the country's supply is made, the petition says, the large centralizing concerns are buyers, rather than sellers, of butter, buying the surplus product and storing it for winter when prices are enhanced.

ALL MEMBERS BOUND.

Consequently, it is declared, the prices fixed by the board during the summer months has been almost invariably below the price at which the product actually has been sold upon the market, while during the winter months the prices fixed have been somewhat above the market and private sales. It is charged the American Association of Creamery Butter Manufacturers, composed of about 46 firms and individuals, is used by the "conspirators" to maintain reasonable differences in prices without regard to trade conditions or competition. All members of the association are required, it is alleged, to use the price thus established as a basis of their contracts for the purchase or sale of butter.

SEND OUT AGENTS.

Before summer each year, the petition continues, large centralizing concerns send representatives throughout the butter producing area, contracting with small manufacturers for the entire season's supply, at usually a half or one cent higher than the Elgin price.

"If, therefore," the petition declares, "the price fixed by the Elgin board should fall below the real economic price of butter, as fixed by the law of supply and demand, the profit accruing from a corresponding drop in contract prices goes to the large centralizers upon every pound which has been

CHANGING OCCUPATIONS



It's reported that President Taft has been offered the Kent professorship of law at Yale university and that he may accept after making a tour of the world.

WOLVES DEVOUR FOUR PEOPLE IN BEIRA PROVINCE

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 14.—Famished wolves yesterday devoured four persons in a neighborhood village in the province of Beira. Large packs of starving animals come down the gorges in the Serra Daestrella, whence they have been driven by deep snows, terrorizing the low country. There was a great hunt yesterday in the province of Beira. Over a hundred wolves were killed. Eight hunters were badly bitten.

SYSTEM NOT KNOWN.

The system by which the price is fixed is not generally known to widely scattered producers, according to the petition, but "on the contrary, the price published throughout the United States in newspapers and otherwise without accompanying statement of how the price is determined, and readers of the quotations published, particularly the farmers and small producers of butter and sellers of butter fat, are led to believe the quotations are prices established by actual bona fide sales and purchases in open competition upon the Elgin board."

ASSOCIATION IN DENIAL.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Officers of the American Association of Creamery Butter Manufacturers deny that organization ever attempted to fix prices or has any connection with the Elgin board. According to Secretary McKay, the organization has 52 members, embracing the largest creamery butter manufacturers in the central states.

BARONS UNAFRAID.

Elgin, Dec. 14.—The Elgin "butter barons" have no fear of dissolution by the federal supreme court. "Lack of knowledge of the manner in which the board operates and fixes quotations" is given by President Potter as the basis for the suit.

NEW RECORD FOR POWER OF BANKS

Washington, Dec. 14.—Business in general, as reflected in the condition of the banks of the United States, has shared in the country's prosperity, according to Lawrence O. Murray in his annual report made public today.

The banking power of the nation, represented by capital, surplus, profits, deposits and circulation, reached during the year the enormous total of \$22,548,797,000, a high record, showing an increase of 5.63 per cent over 1911 and 27.8 per cent over 1908. Since 1900, the banking power has increased 111 per cent, or more than doubled. During the last 12 years, the number of banks has increased by over 107 per cent and their volume of business as indicated by deposits shows an increase of over 127 per cent.

The comptroller's report consists of a mass of statistics with analyses,

most of which previously have been published.

In connection with the rates on money, which recently have been soaring, the comptroller simply observes that the rates were normal up to August with a tightening of the money market thereafter. According to the last condition report, Sept. 4, the comptroller points out that New York and Chicago were slightly deficient in the amount of their legal reserves and St. Louis slightly excessive. Banks in the major portion of other reserve cities were also slightly deficient, but the country banks maintained an excess of the legal requirements.

Less than 70 per cent of the total amount of national bank notes which the national banks might circulate under the law has been issued. Based upon the Sept. 4 report, the banks might increase their circulation by \$321,927,060, Mr. Murray says.

The national banks, the report indicates, hold over 80 per cent of the bonded debt of the United States in the way of security for circulation and public deposits and as investments.

During the fiscal year 1912, the national banks paid dividends aggregating \$120,300,872, or 11.66 per cent on capital and 6.93 per cent on capital and surplus combined. The net earnings of \$149,056,603, were equivalent to 8.59 per cent of the capital and surplus. During the last 43 years the banks have paid an average annual dividend of 9.17 per cent on the capital stock.

Eight national banks, with an aggregate capital of \$1,100,000, failed during the year ended Oct. 31. While 83 national banks, with an aggregate capital of \$21,695,250, were placed in voluntary liquidation.

INDIANA IS HOME OF ARSON TRUST

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 14.—Authorities believe they have unearthed an "arson trust" composed of fire insurance adjusters operating in the middle west, causing scores of fires. Ben Kahn, a local merchant, and Ben Franklin of Chicago are under arrest here. Detectives claim insurance companies have lost millions through the operations of the gang.

AMENDMENTS OFFERED TO THE NEW PUBLICITY LAW

Washington, Dec. 14.—Representative Mott today proposed amendments to the newspaper publicity law virtually repealing it.

Log Barge Sunk.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 14.—After a stormy passage down Lake Huron with a load of logs, the steam barge Myrtle M. Moss lies sunk at this port, ice having cut a hole in the planking. The barge is owned in Port Huron.

JUSTICE HAND IS MUCH IMPROVED

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—Justice John P. Hand of the Illinois supreme court was in an improved condition this morning. He is gradually recovering the use of his right arm and right leg.

PASTOR FINDS 5 \$1,000 BILLS IN POOR DONATION

New York, Dec. 14.—Until this week the largest amount the pastor of the Roman Catholic church of Our Lady of Guadalupe ever had taken out of the poor box was about two dollars. This week when he opened the box he found inside, nicely folded, five crisp \$1,000 bills.

The priest had never seen a \$1,000 bill before, and could hardly believe his eyes. The money will be used for the relief of the poor of his parish. The person who put the bills in the box did not leave any clue to his or her identity.

FARMER HELD UP IN RAIL STATION

Burlington, Iowa, Dec. 14.—C. A. Eysterday, a farmer living near Marquette, Iowa, was beaten and robbed of \$5,000 at the union station this morning. He will recover.

INVESTIGATE GRAFT IN NEW YORK'S UNDERWORLD

New York, Dec. 14.—The district attorney will investigate charges of police blackmail levied upon 35,000 women in the New York underworld. Police Commissioner Waldo has undertaken an investigation of his department, pending the outcome of which two detectives have been suspended.

CADY TO BE REELECTED BY WESTERN GOLF BODY

Chicago, Dec. 14.—As but one ticket will be presented at the annual meeting of the Western Golf association here Dec. 18, the present officers, headed by President John D. Cady of the Rock Island Arsenal club, will be re-elected.

MACKINAC SENT TO LOOK FOR THE ROUSE SIMMONS

Washington, Dec. 14.—The revenue cutter Mackinac was ordered today to rush from Sault Ste. Marie to the northern islands of Lake Michigan to search for the long overdue Rouse Simmons. The Mackinac will make the search instead of the Tuscarora.

STEWARD OF LOUISIANA GETS 5-YEAR SENTENCE

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 14.—A navy court martial found W. W. Dickey, steward of the battleship Louisiana, guilty of "scandalous conduct" in connection with a graft scandal in the commissariat of the Atlantic fleet. He was sentenced to five years at hard labor.

Washington—to prevent insane men from running wild and endangering lives in Alaska, Sherman Allen, assistant secretary of treasury, has recommended to Attorney General Wickersham that the United States commissioners on board the revenue cutters patrolling Bering sea be empowered to try insanity cases, because of the absence of other court facilities.

FOUR BALKAN STATES HAVE FIXED TERMS

United Front to be Presented to the Turkish Envoys.

ARE NOT MADE PUBLIC

Keen Struggle Expected When Conference Begins in London Monday.

London, Dec. 14.—Chiefs of the four Balkan missions to the peace conference have drawn up terms of peace which they intend to present with a united front to the Turkish plenipotentiaries. Terms are kept secret for the present.

All the plenipotentiaries to the peace conference which will convene here next week with the purpose of ending the war in southeastern Europe are now assembled in London. The Turkish envoys arrived late last night, and unless the continuance of hostilities between the Turks and Greeks should prove a hindrance there seems nothing in sight to prevent the conference getting immediately down to business.

With regard to a report from Constantinople that the Turks would refuse to meet the Greek plenipotentiaries in London unless Greece signed the armistice, the other Balkan states have subscribed to the counsellor of the Turkish embassy here said that he knew nothing of any such instructions, and did not believe the Greeks would have come to London unless their country was prepared to fall into line with the other Balkan states as to the terms on which they should meet.

LOOK FOR KEEN STRUGGLE.

The newspaper interviews given by the Turkish and Bulgarian delegates on their journey toward London indicated in the peace conference over the possession of Adrianople. Both sides present an unyielding attitude on this point, basing their claims on the fact that their armies are in excellent condition to resume hostilities.

The Turks claim they have 170,000 practically fresh troops behind the Tchatalja lines, while dispatches from Constantinople indicate that the war party in the Turkish capital is gaining in influence. No apprehension is felt in diplomatic circles here, however, that the plenipotentiaries will separate, without concluding peace.

The important question has arisen as to whether Roumania should join the ambassadorial conference, which will convene simultaneously with the peace conference to discuss pending European questions. The matter still remains unsettled, but it is said that Roumania's participation. Some difference of opinion exists as to whether this conference should discuss the question of a Servian port on the Adriatic.

DECIDE WEIGHTY MATTERS.

That weighty matters will be decided at the conference is evident from the fact that the Austrian and French ambassadors at London are now on visits to their respective capitals for the purpose of obtaining instructions from their governments. It is becoming increasingly probable that a plenary conference of the powers will assemble later at Paris to complete the work of the ambassadorial conference, ratify its decisions, and conclude a treaty settling the near eastern problem.

BULGARS IN ALLIANCE?

Paris, Dec. 14.—Bulgaria is declared to be about to enter the triple alliance, thus joining forces with Austria-Hungary, Germany and Italy, according to information given by a diplomatic source to the Figaro.

PRECATIONS BY FRANCE.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Large quantities of five-franc bank notes are being printed by the bank of France to use in a possible war emergency. Prevailing opinion of financiers in France is a general war is unlikely and the action of the bank of France is merely precautionary.

GEN. BOTHA QUILTS POST AS PREMIER

Capetown, Dec. 14.—General Botha today resigned the premiership of the union of South Africa, held since May, 1910. He took the step in consequence of dissensions from Dutch extremists in the cabinet led by General Hertzog, whose attitude on naval and other imperial questions caused a revival of the old racial feud.