

# THE PIERRE FREE-PRESS

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The art of ballooning originated in the year 1782, with the experiments of the Montgolfiers, Charles and Robert, who improved on those of Montgolfier. A few weeks earlier, by the substitution of hydrogen for heated air in the filling of balloons. All these first attempts at aerial navigation were made at or near Paris. In November of 1793, Pilastro de Rozier made a successful ascent in a Montgolfier "fire balloon," and the interest then awakened has continued to the present day, with the honors still resting with France. However, after all these attempts, a man by the name of Blanchard was the first to make ballooning a vocation, and he died a natural death in 1809, after 45 flights without accident. His widow was not so fortunate. She had served an apprenticeship with her husband, and was killed 10 years after his death, in Paris, by a fall.

The production of pins of all varieties in the United States in 1914 was valued at \$2,718,782. Common or toilet pins formed the principal variety, the production of which was valued at \$1,248,757. These pins were made of steel and brass wire, and the quantities were reported to the United States bureau of the census partly in pounds and partly in packs of 3,450 and 3,600 pins each. The production of metal hairpins was \$2,245,012 gross, valued at \$528,362, and of safety pins, 4,744,303 gross, valued at \$936,663. The output of hooks and eyes was reported as 1,076,177 gross, valued at \$1,394,745.

Richard P. Morsmen, United States vice consul at Rio de Janeiro, in addressing the New York Rotary Club, said Brazil's imports were reduced in 1915 from curtailed credits. Of \$146,000,000 imported, \$47,000,000 came from the United States and \$31,000,000 from Great Britain. The expenses of commercial travelers in Brazil would be about double those in this country, collars costing 50 cents each and shoes \$14 a pair. Hotel expenses are about double those of New York. Laborers in the clothing trade get \$1.50 a day and live poorly. Portuguese is the language chiefly used.

Iron amalgam, in the shape of lamp or chandelier articles, as a substitute for copper, brass and bronze goods, was demonstrated at a recent fair at Leipzig, Germany. Certain toys were shown made from copper, nickel, and from a number of new alloys which appeared as excellent as those formerly made of various metals.

The number of suicides in the city of Paris has decreased 15 or 20 a week since the war began. It has been suggested that this decrease is due to curiosity, every one being so anxious to see what the outcome of the war will be that they refrain from taking their own lives, hoping for a French victory.

Mrs. William H. Thompson, of Rutland, Vt., saw her father a few days before the first time in her life. Shortly after Mrs. Thompson was born Mr. Jones, her father, disappeared and had not been heard from until three years ago, when Mrs. Thompson had a letter from him from Butte, Mont., where she has now gone to visit him.

The old and usual means of transportation in the Bulgarian army was the ox cart. It was used in the first advance into Serbia. Now the motor truck has replaced it. The officer in charge of the supply department says that one truck in a day can carry the weight of 500 oxen, 250 carts and 300 men.

Wisconsin has the only Indian post in the U. S. at Keshena. The Indian women are also organized and are a part of the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps. There also may be found the only camp of Indian Sons of Veterans in the United States.

The length of battle line in Europe, Asia Minor and Africa now approximately 4,000 miles, the equivalent of one-sixth of the earth's surface. It includes France, Belgium, Russia, Italy, Rumania, Macedonia, Albania, the Caucasus, Mesopotamia, Egypt, Tripoli and East Africa.

A demand for silver is found in the quantities used in the motion picture business. Silver is indispensable in photography. A single motion picture requires an estimated quantity of silver used by moving picture companies at about 15,000 ounces yearly.

While Lafayette is properly appreciated by all patriots in the United States, the fact is often forgotten that he made strenuous efforts to procure the abolition of slavery in the French colonies, and freed and educated his own slaves at Cayenne.

A cargo of 400 tons of cocoa recently arrived in London from the former German colony of Cameroon. Before the war the colony was Germany's chief cocoa producing colony, and from Cameroon and Togoland she derived 4,000 tons a year.

Leaves of the Manac palm, probably the commonest forest plant in Central America, has a queer habit of trembling violently when no wind is stirring that the human faculties can detect.

During the dark ages it was the common belief that the world was coming to an end in the year 1000, which, naturally, had a terrorizing effect on the people.

When the state which was used in the Walden team police court to book prisoners, was broken, Chief McKenna searched the town in vain to find another one.

Next to the United States, Germany has the greatest number of telegraph offices and the largest line mileage among nations.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark B. Crandall, of Bristol, R. I., have been married 87 years. Mr. Crandall is 81 and Mrs. Crandall 84.

Japan is rapidly increasing the production of its zinc mines and the development of the zinc refining industry.

# SUICIDE IN JAIL DUE TO INSANE DELUSIONS

## Former Iowan, Held at Olivet, Thought Gang Was Trying to Boil Him Alive.

Olivet, S. D., Oct. 16.—Rather than be boiled alive or burned to death by a gang of men whom he believed were after him, an individual named L. E. McKern, who formerly resided at Shenandoah, Ia., who had become delirious, took his life in the Hutchinson county jail in Olivet by hanging himself.

He had been ordered committed to the state hospital for the insane at Yankton, but owing to the crowded condition of the asylum had been placed in the county jail until such time there was room for him at Yankton.

Without the knowledge of other prisoners in the jail he tore up one end of his bedding and fastening one end to the bed tie the other around his neck, slowly strangling to death.

The only known relative is a brother living at Shenandoah, Ia., the point the body was shipped for interment.

# ARTHUR BROWN GUILTY OF WRONGING YOUNG GIRL

Deadwood, S. D., Oct. 16.—The jury in the second trial of the state against Arthur Brown, of Hot Springs, a young man charged with the rape of a young girl, returned a verdict of guilty. The case was brought here from Deadwood county on a charge of venue, and the two cases are pending. Expenses have cost that county around \$8,000, the jury having previously disagreed. Nearly half a hundred witnesses were subpoenaed on both sides and nine attorneys were employed. Brown is a business man at Hot Springs and one of the prominent citizens of that town.

# PARENTS OF BOY BANDITS AGREE TO RESTRAIN THEM

Spearfish, S. D., Oct. 16.—As the result of a conference between the court and the parents of one of the boys, the proceedings in a case against two boy bandits who recently were captured near Spearfish after they had raided several business houses of the city, have been suspended, for the time being at least. The boys are Alfred Hendrickson and William Hudelson. They were charged with burglary in the third degree. It was the parents of Hudelson who had the conference with the court. The boy was given into custody of his parents, who guaranteed that he would behave himself in the future. The parents of young Hendrickson reside elsewhere, and no further action will be taken in the case against him until they can be heard from, or the boy is able to find someone who will stand sponsor for him and be responsible for his actions until he becomes of age. If either of the boys stray from the straight and narrow path they will be taken into court and sentence imposed on the charge made against them in this case. When arrested by the officers they had taken refuge in a cave, which was heavily stocked with firearms and ammunition, and were evidently having determined to make more than one officer "red dust" before they would surrender, but they had a change of heart and surrendered to the officers without a shot being fired.

# WINDOW SMASHER AROUSES MERCHANTS AT HIGHMORE

Highmore, S. D., Oct. 16.—A mysterious window smasher has commenced operations in Highmore, and the officers are making every effort to see what the unknown commenced operations by smashing the windows of several business places, including a pool hall and the office of the Highmore Herald, a weekly newspaper. At the pool hall a large light of plate glass 8x3 feet in size was smashed, evidenced by a maul or hammer. It will cost about \$150 to have the plate glass in the pool hall replaced. E. C. Elze, promoter of the pool hall, has offered a reward of \$100 for evidence which will result in the arrest and conviction of the window smasher.

# SOUTH DAKOTA SOLDIER UNDER FORGERY CHARGE

San Benito, Tex., Oct. 16.—William Lamb, of Lemmon, S. D., member of K. K. K., was arrested here for forgery of checks wherein it is alleged he used the names of soldier depositors in the army. He worked some merchants more than once on the same scheme. He confessed to Maj. Myron Shade, who quickly apprehended the culprit when detailed on the case. He will be prosecuted in the state courts.

# CAMPAIGN BET ANNULLED BY DEATH OF PETER DIRKS

Chamberlain, S. D., Oct. 16.—It has come to light here that the death of Peter Dirks annulled one campaign bet and caused the stakes to be withdrawn. Mr. Dirks and William Martin had made a wager on the presidential election, each depositing \$500 with Frank Gilmore of this city. An oral agreement was made that the wager would be cancelled if anything happened to either man before election day. After the death of Mr. Dirks, the other party to the stake money from Mr. Gilmore's hands and paid over to Mrs. Dirks the \$500 which her late husband had deposited.

SPENCER—This place was the scene of an "apple war," which resulted to the great benefit of the residents of the city, who, as a result of the war, were able to purchase apples at much less than the market price. A Kansas man brought in a cartload of apples and sold them at \$1.25 per bushel. A day or two later another cartload from Kansas arrived here, these being offered at \$1.15 per bushel. The first arrival then lowered his price to \$1 per bushel and his entire stock soon was sold at this price.

CARTHAGE—A young man giving his name as A. H. Lindstrom, who recently had been employed at a local hotel, was arrested on the charge of "bootlegging" liquor.

CARTHAGE—Rev. R. Russell, for some time pastor of the local Christian church, who recently tendered his resignation, has preached his farewell sermon and retired from the duties of the place. It is not yet known who his successor will be.

PARKSTON—The St. Charles hotel, which has been under the management of Mrs. A. F. Gritam for a number of years, has been sold to E. C. Powers, of Huron, S. D., an experienced hotel man, who will conduct it in the future.

CHEYENNE RIVER INDIAN AGENCY—At the home of the family on this reservation occurred the death of Mrs. Swift Bird, wife of a famous old Sioux Indian chief. She was 74 years of age.

PIERRE—The Masons of this city have purchased a site for a temple which they expect to build next year, the location being on the corner southwest of the post-office building.

# DAKOTA STATE NEWS

## DELICHS BUSINESS MAN FACES CRIMINAL CHARGE

Deadwood, S. D., Oct. 14.—One of the most bitterly contested criminal cases here in years is that of the state against Arthur R. Brown, a young Oelrichs man, charged with the statutory offense against 15-year-old May Duff, of the same town, in Fall River county. The case was first tried at Hot Springs and was dismissed. A second trial was set at Rapid City, but a postponement was secured on affidavits showing that Brown was in an Omaha hospital last summer as a result of an auto accident. The present case is being tried before Judge J. D. Jones at Deadwood.

Brown, who is the son of a well-to-do Fall River county business man, has an array of legal talent headed by Cass Farrington, of O'Neill, Neb., while State's attorney R. F. Brown, of Rapid City, is assisted by two other attorneys. The state is attempting to show that Brown was really not hurt in the alleged accident, but trying to put off the trial, while the defense charges that the girl is not normally mentally sound.

Worry over the Brown rape case, in which he was a witness yesterday, caused Frank Flark, of Oelrichs, to walk in his sleep early this morning and plunge from a second-story window in his hotel. He has a fractured skull and will die.

## FARMER'S WIFE CAUSES ARREST OF ALLEGED GRAFFER

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# JUDGE BLEWITT DEAD FROM AUTO ACCIDENT

## Was Driving Alone, From Wadsworth to Madison—Leaves Wife and Two Sons.

Madison, S. D., Oct. 14.—Judge John F. Blewitt, of this city, died yesterday as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident Tuesday night.

The accident happened near Nunda. Judge Blewitt was driving alone from Wadsworth to Madison, when he lost control in some manner, causing his car to overturn into a ditch at the side of the road.

His skull was fractured and he never regained consciousness. An operation was performed, but that was of no avail. Judge Blewitt was 40 years of age and prominent in business and Masonic circles. He is survived by a wife and two sons.

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# MITCHELL SUIT WILL TEST SUNDAY MOVIES

## Local Restriction Removed and First Sunday Show Given—Manager Arrested.

Mitchell, S. D., Oct. 13.—For the first time in the history of the city of Mitchell, Sunday movies were opened up to the patronage of the public, on Sunday, October 8. Dr. A. J. Dix, manager of the Gate theater, was arrested yesterday morning on a charge of operating illegally and brought before Judge William Herbert of the municipal court. He pleaded not guilty and will stand trial.

This action followed closely on the heels of a city ordinance which provided that a theater would forfeit its license by showing on Sunday. This suit is one of a long list that have been tried throughout the state, and unless Mitchell, S. D., is included in the ordinance, it is a precedent in which no convictions have been secured. State's Attorney Lauritz Miller is pushing the prosecution.

## FOSTER PARENTS ALLOWED TO KEEP ADOPTED CHILD

Lead, S. D., Oct. 13.—The South Dakota children's home, as the result of a court contest, has lost out in the fight for custody of the 12-year-old adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Minier, of Lead. The court decided that the boy should remain in custody of his foster parents, who promised the court that the boy would be brought to the Catholic sisters' school at Sturgis for a period of one year. The boy was adopted from the children's home when but 9 months old. A few weeks ago the Miniers had a family row which resulted in the arrest of Minier on an assault and battery charge. At about this time Mrs. Minier advised the children's home to take custody of the boy. The court decided that the Miniers had adjusted their domestic difficulties and Mrs. Minier had changed her mind about giving up the boy. Then the matter was carried into court in an effort of the home officers to get possession of the boy.

## STATE OFFICERS GET TRIP FROM FEDERAL RIFLE FUND

Pierre, S. D., Oct. 13.—Governor Byrne has appointed delegates from South Dakota to the civilian rifle team of this state to attend the national shoot, which is held in Jacksonville, Fla., on October 20 and following. The government this year appropriated a sum of money for the purpose of this shoot, and the sum given South Dakota was \$1,400, which will pay the expenses of the team. Those appointed from Pierre are: J. L. Wingfield, state bank examiner, captain; P. J. Murphy, railroad commissioner; Charles B. Stough, W. J. Harris, F. A. Lucas, Henry M. Reed, Charles L. Hyde and Homer M. Derr, state engineers. From Watertown, George A. Abbott; from Mitchell, E. H. Crosby; from Lead, J. D. Thomas, O. R. Junkin and Albert Wells. The team left yesterday for Florida.

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CUSTER—The commissioners of Custer county have instructed the county treasurer to take up the balance, \$7,000, of the \$20,000 5 per cent refunding bonds issued by the county on May 10, 1906. The bonds were paid November 10 of this year on presentation to the county treasurer. The bonded indebtedness of Custer county has been reduced \$20,000 during the past year.

## PHILIP—WILLIAM SETH, A HOMESTEADER LIVING IN THE ASH CREEK DISTRICT, MARKETED TWO WAGON LOADS OF MACARONI

Pierre, S. D., Oct. 14.—"Tin Lizzy," milk cans, and a general tourist of the preparation of Durpee, from bankers to chore boys, prevented the spread of a bad prairie fire in that section. The fire burned over a dozen sections and destroyed several haystacks before it was finally brought under control. When the smoke was discovered the autos were filled with men carrying milk cans. The autos dashed from the fire to the nearest water holes without regard to chattering fire fighters who traveled regardless of speed regulations in keeping the fire fighters supplied with water to cope with the situation.

## VERMILION—SOMETIMES CYNICS HAVE QUESTIONED THE SEA SERPENT STORY. EIGHTY-FOOT OF THE BACKBONE OF A SOUTH DAKOTA SEA SERPENT WHICH LIVED THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO MAY BE SEEN AT THE MUSEUM OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

VERMILION—The University of South Dakota has designated by the Presser Foundation, of Philadelphia, as the recipient of two scholarships in music. The scholarships for 1916-17 have been awarded to Miss Jessie Dinslow, Seattle, Wash., (\$100); Miss Martha Finslow, Vermilion, S. D., (\$50). The scholarships will be available to both students while doing resident work in the college of music at the University of South Dakota.

## CANTON—SEVENTY-TWO FARMERS OF THE CANTON TERRITORY MADE A REMONSTRANCE WITH THE CITY COMMISSIONERS, ALLEGING THAT THE LOCAL OFFICERS WERE VERY ARBITRARY IN ENFORCING THE ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO AUTOMOBILES

CANTON—Seventy-two farmers of the Canton territory made a remonstrance with the city commissioners, alleging that the local officers were very arbitrary in enforcing the ordinances relative to automobiles. The signers of the remonstrance claim they have been treated in a discourteous manner by the Canton police authorities. The city commissioners have appointed a committee to investigate the complaint of the farmers.

## PIERRE—AT THE MEETING IN THIS CITY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, IT IS EXPECTED TO COMPLETE THE MARKETING ASSOCIATION FOR GROWERS OF ALFALFA SEED IN THE CENTRAL PART OF THIS STATE

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## PLANKINTON—AT THE HOME OF HIS SISTER-IN-LAW, MRS. JOHN MILLER, NEAR HERE, OCCURRED THE DEATH OF SIMON E. KURTZ, A BANKER, OF HAZELTON, N. D.

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# SUBMARINE SEEN HOTLY PURSUING PASSENGER SHIP

## Steamer Bovic Arrives In Port With Story of Apparent Attack on Danish Liner Helligolav.

## SHIP'S FATE NOT KNOWN

### Craft Carried No Contraband—Alleged Attack Said to Have Occurred 200 Miles From New York.

## RUMOR IS DOUBTED

Montreal, Oct. 16.—Rumors were current here today that the Allan liner Cecilia, eastward bound from Montreal, has been sunk. Allan line officials said they believed the rumors unfounded, adding that the Cecilia has by this time in mid-Atlantic.

## New York, Oct. 15.—When the White Star freighter Bovic sighted a westward bound submarine in the Atlantic, yesterday morning, she was apparently in pursuit of a Danish passenger ship, the Helligolav, according to observers on the deck of the Bovic, which arrived here today.

The nationality of the submarine was not identified. The Bovic, in fear of an attack because of being a freight ship, put on full speed and headed directly west. At the time she passed out of the sight of the two other vessels, the Danish boat still seemed to be endeavoring to escape from the submarine. The weather was clear and the Helligolav was between two and three miles distant at the moment she was first observed with the Bovic. This was about 8:30 a. m., when the Bovic was approximately 200 miles east of New York.

The Helligolav left here Thursday for Copenhagen and other Scandinavian ports, carrying 36 passengers in the first cabin, 37 in the second cabin, and stowage passengers. Many of those in the cabins are Americans. At the time she was sighted by the Bovic, she was flying no flag, but her identity was distinguished by her name and the Danish flag painted on her side. The Bovic reached port with a gun mounted on her stern.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 16.—About a dozen steamships in the trans-Atlantic service, which have been held up here for the past week because of the German submarine menace along the coast, sailed today. Most of them carried cargoes of munitions or other military supplies for the allies. Among the ships that left were the British steamers Crown Point, Georgic, Fort Brest; Minnesota, Saxonia, Arab, and the French steamer Ville De Tamatave and the Japanese steamer Nankai Maru.

## Big Liner Fleet Sails; Pursue Zig-Zag Course

New York, Oct. 16.—The largest fleet of steamships that has left this port since the submarine raid off Nantucket last Sunday is due to sail today to the United States destroyers are hunting along the North Atlantic coast for a secret base for German submarines. The ships that left were the American steamers Crown Point, Georgic, Fort Brest; Minnesota, Saxonia, Arab, and the French steamer Ville De Tamatave and the Japanese steamer Nankai Maru.

## Among the liners ready to leave here today are the St. Louis, of the American line for Liverpool, with a fair complement of passengers, the French liner Espagne for Bordeaux, the liner Stockholm for Boldenbug, the R. D'Italia for Genoa and the Anchor liner Cameronia for Halifax. In addition to these 26 other steamers had cleared for departure today.

Thirteen steamers were due here today from European and African ports. The latest trans-Atlantic liner to arrive was the White Star steamer Celtic, which came in last night with one passenger from Liverpool. The Celtic warned in mid-ocean of the U-53 put all lights out and followed a zig-zag course. The cannon on her upper deck was manned, but no submarine was sighted.

## RAILWAY MEN PLAN TO APPLY NEW 8-HOUR LAW

Denver, Colo., Oct. 14.—Means of meeting the requirements of the Adamson eight-hour law are to be considered at a meeting of the American Railway association here November 17, according to announcement. Local railroad officials received word today that a number of executives and managers who participated in recent conferences with President Wilson and representatives of the railroad brotherhoods preceding the enactment of the Adamson bill would be here. Proposed methods of meeting the extra expenses and its distribution are expected to be announced at that time.

## COTTON CONSUMPTION SHOWS BIG INCREASE