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YALE, MICH

The undergraduate body of Roanoke College, Salem, Va., includes four Koreans—one of them a son of the emperor—and five native Porto Ricans. A Korean recently won the prize for English declamation.

The tree planted at the Naval Training Station in Newport an dedicated to the memory of Admiral Phillip, who commanded the Texas at Santiago, will typify the vitality and growth of the hero's fame. His record illustrated at once the valor and humaneness that characterize the model officer. He did not fear a fighting enemy, nor fail to succor a dying foe.

The fifth of an extraordinary series of weddings has just been celebrated in Paradise Valley, near Oroville, Cal. The first was that of John Weer, a Cornish widower with four good looking daughters. Some years ago he wedded Mrs. Malarin, a French widow with four sons. The boys and girls have now been all mated and the five couples live under the same roof.

The experiments are for the purpose of improving and perfecting bombs that are now made for the purpose of exposing the position of an enemy at night, and to reveal the character of defenses to be attacked. These projectiles explode on impact, liberating a flaming compound. One compound, consisting of sulphur, saltpetre, and hydrocarbon, is a blue light mixture. The illumination lasts as long as the saltpetre supplies oxygen to maintain combustion.

President John Henry Barrows of Oberlin College, announces that John D. Rockefeller has offered Oberlin \$200,000 on condition that the college raise \$300,000 during the present year. As \$150,000 of this is already pledged, there seems to be no doubt that the college will claim the gift before January 1. During the two years of the presidency of Dr. Barrows, the endowment has been increased by \$700,000, not counting the \$500,000 expected from the sources just mentioned.

In electing Henry P. Davison to the presidency of the Liberty National bank in New York last week the stockholders of that institution placed in control of their property a man who is today the youngest bank president in the metropolis. Mr. Davison, at the age of thirty-three, ranks not only as president of a national bank in the financial center of the continent, but also as the secretary of the New York clearing house, the organization of the banking interests.

Russia has decided that it wants the American bicycle, having tired of the more clumsy English and German article. Such are the comforting reports received by the managers of the American Bicycle company, which does much of the exporting of American machines. Russia finds more popular use for the machine at a moderate price than it has found heretofore, and the many American-made machines that travelers about Europe have seen have convinced them of the superiority of our machines over those of European make. So there is an unusual demand this year, a fact which pleases the American maker who finds the demand here falling off as compared with that which existed when all America was bicycle mad.

"Threatened men live long," sometimes—when, for instance, they chance to be criminals whose counsel are anxious to make a record. Almost ten years ago a man in the state of Washington was convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged. That sentence has been thrice reaffirmed, but the man has not been hanged yet. The state supreme court and the United States Supreme court have had the case before them, in the form of exceptions and objections, during these ten years, and the condemned man's attorney declares that he has still "many cards to play." Such attempts to "cheat the gallows" have the evil effect of arousing against a convict a sentiment which is not easily to be distinguished from vindictiveness.

Few persons know that the United States government derives an income from some of the largest bathing establishments in America, if not in the world. The hot springs of Arkansas, which have been a resort for invalids for many years, are owned by Uncle Sam, and he extracts a payment of \$30 a tub for the use of the medicated water. As there are 534 tubs, the spring brings him an income from that source of \$16,020 a year. The various hot springs, which are said to number seventy-three, issuing from the west side and the base of Hot Springs mountain, and which are now obscured from view, have been covered in many instances from several different issues into one outlet by development work done on the reservation under the supervision of the various superintendents.

According to correspondence issued by the London foreign office, 98 per cent of the slaves of Zanzibar and Pemba prefer to remain slaves. Fewer slaves applied for freedom in 1900 than in 1899, because, the British commissioner avers, most of the slaves know they are not likely to gain much present advantage, seeing that those who were thrown on their own resources have a difficult time to make a living. The masters have been kinder since the slave legislation was enacted, and seek to make their services more attractive.

EX-GOVERNOR PINGREE.

The Preparations for the Funeral in Detroit.

THE SON'S SAD HOME COMING

Already the Matter of Erecting a Suitable Memorial to the Illustrious Dead in Detroit is Being Agitated—All People Will Unite in Doing Honor.

Sunday noon Hazen S. Pingree, Jr., sailed from Southampton for New York on the Red Star line steamer Zealand, with the remains of the late ex-governor. That the funeral will be the largest ever given a public man in Michigan is evidenced by the preparations which continue to be made, and the indications are that the events attending will be the most notable of the kind that ever took place in the state. Everybody seems eager to serve in any capacity in the work of preparing for the funeral and for raising the fund for the proposed Pingree memorial, and it is likely that July 5 and 6, the days when the remains will lie in state and when the funeral will take place, will be regarded as general holidays. In many windows of stores and in private dwellings pictures of the late governor are beginning to appear, with mourning decoration.

Governor Bliss has issued this general order: "It is recognized by the people of the commonwealth of Michigan that in the death of the late governor of the state, Hazen S. Pingree, Michigan lost a distinguished citizen, a fearless and tireless advocate of the rights of the people, a brave soldier of the civil war and commander-in-chief of the military forces of Michigan, and war governor during the Spanish-American war; therefore, to do honor to his memory, the military forces of the state will parade in compliance with the following orders: "The staff of the commander-in-chief, the colonels of the Second and Third Infantries, the major commanding First Independent battalion and their adjutants will report to the adjutant-general in Detroit, at the Russell house, on the morning of July 6, 1901.

Brig. Gen. Charles L. Boynton and staff will report at Detroit, Mich., on the morning of July 6, 1901, and Gen. Boynton will assume command of the military and naval forces of the state assigned to take part in the obsequies. "Col. Charles W. Harrah, commanding First Infantry, M. N. G., and Commander Hendrie, commanding Michigan naval brigade, will assemble their companies at Detroit, Mich., on the morning of July 6, 1901, and report to Brig. Gen. Boynton. Transportation and subsistence while in Detroit will be furnished by the quartermaster-general in lieu of all other pay and allowances.

"All companies of the Michigan National Guard, not assigned to duty by this order, will assemble and parade with proper insignia of mourning, at their home stations, July 6, 1901.

The Governor's Proclamation.

To the People of the State of Michigan:

The Hon. Hazen S. Pingree, former governor of Michigan, is dead, having departed this life in London, England, Tuesday, June 18, 1901, at the hour of 11:35 p. m. His death removes from our midst the second war governor of the state, a man descended from patriotic ancestry, and who had himself served his country in its hour of need on the field of battle, and in southern prisons. His energy and ceaseless activity won for him a world-wide reputation. He was endowed with a determination and tenacity of purpose which characterized his entire career, whether as a soldier, a shoemaker at the bench, a successful business man, the mayor of the metropolis of the state, or as chief executive of this great commonwealth. Coupled with this was a rugged honesty of purpose, which won for him the confidence of the people.

Dying in a foreign land, away from his home, the sympathy of the entire people will be extended in generous measure to his family, in whose midst he was always a kind husband and an indulgent father.

As a mark of respect, it is hereby ordered that the flags on the capitol and other state buildings be displayed at half-mast until after the burial, that the capitol be appropriately draped, and that on the day of the funeral, all the state departments be closed. All officers of the state and all citizens who can do so, are requested to attend upon the obsequies.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed.

Done at the city of Lansing, this nineteenth day of June, A. D. nineteen hundred and one, and of the independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and twenty-sixth.

By the Governor: A. T. BLISS.

F. M. WARNER, Secy. of State.

Interlochen was visited by a \$55,000 fire on the 16th.

There were 734 students in the great senior graduating class of 1901 at the U. of M.

The village tax of Lake Odessa raised this year will be \$800 less than last year. A big celebration will be held on July 4.

The interior of the state house is hung with black draperies and pictures of ex-Gov. Pingree are everywhere in evidence.

Mrs. George L. Yapple has been elected supreme worthy high priestess of the World of the White Shrine of Jerusalem.

Accused of Murdering His Father.

The body of Charles Bliss, the German farmer who disappeared from his home three weeks ago was found Sunday near his home in Washington. There seems to be no question that the old man was murdered. Acting upon this theory the local authorities placed Homer Bliss, a son, aged 28 years old, under arrest. He is now locked up in jail at Mt. Clemens, pending the result of the inquest. Old man Bliss disappeared from home on Sunday, June 9. The first known of his disappearance was when his wife and son made inquiry of the Detroit police concerning him. They said there had been a little family quarrel on Sunday, and that he left the house in a rage. They did not think anything about it until they found in a desk a note, presumably written by the missing man, but not signed, in which it was stated that the writer had gone to Detroit to drown himself in the Detroit river. The people in this village and vicinity are stirred as never before. Everybody is expressing his opinion now that Bliss' body has been found, and instead of innuendo open charges of foul play are being freely made.

Another Town Springing Up.

Michigan has a new town. Its name is Marlborough. It is located adjoining the plant of the Great Northern Cement company, 2 1/2 miles south and east of Baldwin, or two miles by rail. The company has platted a village which is estimated to be large enough for a population of 5,000 or 6,000 people. With their new industry, the manufacture of Portland cement, they figure that it would be better to be independent from any other town. They have already platted 3,000 large town lots, with wide streets. They originally expected to incorporate with the town of Baldwin, but later developments made it seem preferable to incorporate the town under an individual name of its own. The railroad company has signified a willingness to open a depot in the village. The management of the company will not allow liquor to be sold in the village. All deeds and contracts for lots have this clause forbidding the sale of liquor.

Great Rafts of Logs.

A raft containing about 3,500,000 feet will reach Bay City this week. Another raft is about ready to leave Georgian Bay. A raft containing 6,500,000 feet of choice white pine logs left Marquette Saturday for the Central Lumber Co., being the first installment of 14,000,000 feet of logs purchased in the spring of the Cleveland Saw Mill & Lumber Co. Another raft is being made up. The mills of Ross Bros., at Beaverton, are running day and night and will have all the timber that can be worked up this season. A raft containing 600,000 feet of long timber was made up at Black River, Lake Huron. It goes to Sarnia and is consigned to the Cleveland Saw Mill & Lumber Co. There is one more raft to make up and that will wind up long timber rafting at Black River.

Desperate Murder at Iron Mountain.

Jack Goldsworthy murdered Mrs. Mary Daniels at the Chapin mine location, near Iron Mountain, on the 21st, with a double-bladed ax, striking her on the head twice. He attacked her young son, who attempted to interfere. Goldsworthy, who attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat, was arrested. The woman died at 2 o'clock. The reason for the man's animus was that the dead woman had garnished his wages for the payment of a board bill. The first husband of Mrs. Daniels was killed in the Chapin mine, and her second husband met death in a saloon row. Goldsworthy is in jail and is well guarded by officers of the law.

Another Gasoline Explosion.

The careless use of gasoline is again responsible for a horrible accident in Detroit on the 20th. The victims were children, a girl aged 15 and a boy aged 6. The children were left alone in the house and the daughter thought she would like to experiment in cooking. She attempted to fill the gasoline tank while the fire was burning, and an explosion followed with the result that both she and her little brother were horribly burned, the latter dying of his injuries a few hours later. It is thought the girl will recover.

Encampment Date Changed.

The state military board met at Lansing on the 20th, and out of regard to the wishes of Gov. Bliss changed the date of the state military encampment from August 3 to August 5. It had been the intention of the board to have the soldiers go into camp at Manistee on Saturday and break camp one week from the following Monday, but the governor was opposed to having two Sundays in camp, and it was therefore decided to have the camp begin on Monday. It will close August 14.

Wild Game in Alpena County.

Edward Brown, one of the best known trappers that operate in this county, arrived at Alpena on the 17th with the product of the spring season. He had three bears, 19 wolves, three wildcats, and many mink, muskrat and coons. His bounties for fur brought him \$400. His largest bear weighed 450 pounds and would easily weigh 600 in the fall. Brown's wolf catch is the largest ever made by one man in Alpena county in one season.

The Port Huron Light & Power Co. has incorporated. Capital \$150,000.

The striking machinists at the F. & P. M. shops in Saginaw returned to work on the 17th. No information is obtainable as to the terms of settlement.

A scheme is being promoted to build an electric railway from Saginaw to Grand Rapids, a distance of 120 miles. It is said that the right of way has been secured.

Michigan pensions have been recently granted as follows: Original—Eugene Blakeslee, Harriette, 88; George A. Seebold, Three Rivers, 88; Minor of Lewis Pettitt, Grand Rapids, 80.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Alina is to have a new bank.

Lansing has some cases of smallpox. Fowler has an incorporated creamery company.

Owosso will probably have a street fair in August.

A crazy hobo set the good people of Baroda wild. They feared a murder.

The Flint Lumber Co. has increased its capital stock from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Subscription books for the Pingree memorial are being distributed in Detroit.

The berry yield in the vicinity of Watervliet will be very light this season.

Sunday, June 16, was a "dry" day at Houghton, for the first time in more than 10 years.

Former Secretary of State Justus S. Stearns is to make Grand Rapids his home after September 1.

The fund for the Pingree memorial, to be erected in Detroit, grows and it is hoped will reach \$100,000.

Striking machinists at the F. & P. M. shops, at Muskegon, to the number of 14, have gone back to work.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Rees, M. E. pastor at Adrian, receives notice from the bishop that he will be transferred to Pittsburg July 1.

Mark Hirschburg, a Moreen tailor, mourns the death of a Russian uncle, a nobleman, who leaves to his nephew \$375,000.

John Manchester, a resident of Otterburn, Flint township, is charged with attempted assault on his little 8-year-old step-daughter.

A disastrous fire in the Peters Lumber & Shingle Co., Benton Harbor, Saturday evening destroyed property valued at \$125,000.

Col. Eli Sutton, who accompanied ex-Governor Pingree on his African trip, has returned to Detroit, where he will practice law.

Five new outbreaks of smallpox were reported to the state board of health on the 17th, and one outbreak was reported ended.

A severe electrical storm passed over Allegan county on the night of the 16th, and considerable damage was done in many places.

All kinds of building material are being dispatched to the Champion stamp mill site. Work on the new mill will be hurried forward.

Miss Laura Burdick, of Sturgis, has started for Honolulu where she will be married to H. M. Stevens, a civil engineer in the Hawaiian islands.

Rural free delivery service ordered established at Kent City, Kent county, Mich. A route was also ordered established at Marshall, Calhoun county.

The prosecuting attorney and police officers of Port Huron have commenced a crusade for a better observance of the liquor law of the state.

Miss Myrtle Mudridge, the young woman from Sanjour Center who disappeared from the Hotel Detroit, Detroit, about June 1, was found in Mt. Clemens Saturday.

The machinists' strike in Saginaw valley was settled on the night of the 20th. Although the men did not get all they contended for, they are jubilant over the outcome.

Mrs. Cooper, of Perrinville, six miles from Wayne, was found dead Monday morning with a scalp wound and an indentation in her forehead. Foul play is suspected.

Nellie Foster, a pretty 20-year-old milliner who was out of work, grew despondent and tried to drown herself in Muskegon Lake. She was pulled out, but her condition is serious.

Dan Smith, who lives near Orville, is the oldest man in the state. He was born January 21, 1791, at Portland, Me. He goes to Saginaw regularly and draws a pension for military services.

Three bodies, supposed to have belonged to the crew of the Baltimore, are held at East Tawas awaiting identification. They are embalmed, and will be held a few days longer. Any particulars can be obtained of the marine reporter.

The Germans of Albion are looking forward with great expectations to the state encampment of the society known as the Deutscher Landwehr Unterstuetzung Verein, which will be held July 4, 5 and 6. There are fourteen companies in the state.

Two of the largest timbers ever shipped have arrived at Grand Haven from Washington. They are yellow fir, 40 by 40 inches and 56 feet long, weighing 12 tons each and costing \$2,000. They are to be used as anchor posts on a large steel dredge.

The bodies of Beatrice and James Failey, the two children who were poisoned a few weeks ago, supposedly by their mother, Mrs. Sarah Quimby, of Ithaca, have been exhumed. Since her confession the mother has made statements incriminating her husband.

It is expected that the attendance at the second National Social and Political conference, which begins a five-days' session in Detroit next Friday, will reach the 1,000 mark or nearly double the number present at the conference held in Buffalo two years ago.

Ernest Hartwick, of Oxford, is afflicted with an ailment of the heart, caused by a young lady refusing to accept his hand and future prospects, so he hid himself off to Chicago, leaving a note under his pillow at home stating that he would never return alive. His parents have asked the Windy City police to look after him.

This from the Carson City Gazette: The street car system at Lansing has redeemed itself by killing a man. Heretofore every one who ever witnessed a Lansing street car in operation has been confirmed in the opinion that it couldn't catch a blind cripple walking backwards, but now everything is different. One of the despondent cars has killed an 80-year-old man and we may next hear of a three-mile-an-hour schedule being arranged.

After having served seven years of a ten-year sentence for criminal assault, O. C. Kile has been released from Michigan reformatory on parole, signed by Gov. Bliss.

VIRGINIA FLOODS.

The First Reports Seem to Be Exaggerated.

DISTRICT THAT WAS COVERED.

Graphic Description of the Rush of Waters and the Ruin that Resulted—Later News Awaited.

The stream along which the Virginia floods have been reported to be most disastrous, is the Elkhorn. This stream joins the Tug river, in which high water has prevailed at the town of Welch. The Tug-mining location, known as the village of Tug, is five miles below Welch, so that at that place the full effects of the flood in both streams must have been felt.

The flood district is in the southwestern corner of Virginia. It is the "Pocahontas coal field." The flood area is large, apparently embracing a district 40 miles long and 15 or 20 miles wide. The great loss evidently is to property. No such number of lives were lost as the frightened natives first reported. The original estimates of 200 fatalities must now be reduced by over half. It will be days before all the small back county settlements are heard from and the exact facts known.

The exact loss of life from the cloudburst and flood in the Elkhorn river valley will not be known for days. People in that region believe that 100 persons have perished. The property damage will be large, to mines and railroads, but there is yet no reliable estimate. The flood district lies in the extreme southwestern end of West Virginia. It is the "Pocahontas coal field."

The center of the district is Bluefield, a county seat town of 1,775 population, in Mercer county, about ten miles from the Virginia line. The region lies between two mountain spurs and west of the East river mountains. Mining settlements are thick, and many of those mentioned in the dispatches are so small that they are not known on any map. The storm broke Saturday, flooding the mountain sides and the little streams tributary is small, barely large enough to flush the coke ovens. It rose rapidly and Sunday the flood was at its height. It followed the valley, traveling northwest. Keystone was the first town of any size struck. It was, or had, 2,000 people. It is located on the main line of the Norfolk & Western railway, in McDowell county, about 25 miles from Bluefield. The fact that it was Saturday and pay day in the mines, bringing hundreds of miners into the towns, is believed to point to heavy casualties.

Heavy Storm.

Pittsburg and vicinity were visited Saturday by one of the fiercest storms known since the United States weather bureau has been established. Within 48 minutes 1.08 inches of water fell and during that time the lightning and thunder was almost continuous. The wind accompanying the storm was not high except in a contracted path a few hundred feet wide, which it swept like a tornado from McKees Rocks, through Allegheny, a portion of the east end, Pittsburg, on to Wilmerding and Turtle Creek. Great damage was done and three deaths resulted in Pittsburg.

Suddenly Called.

Adelbert S. Hay, son of Secretary Hay, and formerly consul to Pretoria, fell from the window of a hotel in New Haven, Conn., Saturday night and was found dead at 2:30 a. m. by a passerby. There was considerable excitement about the hotel and a large body of students and graduates who were there for the commencement exercises soon gathered. A number of Hay's former classmates at Yale positively identified the young man. It is believed that Hay became ill and, on going to a window for air, was overcome by dizziness and fell to the ground.

Won't Marry Him.

According to a London dispatch, among the paid announcements in the Morning Post of London, appeared this notice: "The marriage between Miss Vivian Sartoris and Mr. Archibald Balfour will not take place." London society is mystified. Miss Sartoris, who is a granddaughter of Gen. U. S. Grant, is well known in London, and Mr. Balfour is a cousin of Arthur Balfour, the statesman.

A Sweeping Injunction.

A Milwaukee court has issued an injunction relative to the machinist strike in that city which prevents the strikers from in any way interfering with the workmen employed at the Vilter works; from gathering about the works, from posting pickets, from combining for the purpose of preventing tradesmen selling to workmen, who have refused to quit, and from doing anything that will in any way operate to result in damage to the Vilter Co.

Twelve Dead, Many Injured.

Twelve people were killed and a number were injured as the result of a fire following an explosion among a quantity of fireworks in the store of A. A. Rittenburg, at Paterson, N. J., on the 21st. Several persons are missing and are thought to have perished. The store was on the ground floor of a tenement building. The cause of the explosion is not known. The property loss will not exceed \$35,000.

The Chicago servant girls are talking of forming a labor union.

Buffalo was scorched to the extent of \$210,000 on the morning of the 18th. Several persons were prostrated from the heat in Chicago on the 12th, two of whom may die.

The exports from the United States for the year 1901 will total in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000,000.

The trial of Thomas G. Barker, who tried to kill Rev. John Keller, of Arlington, N. J., was commenced at New York on the 17th.

The transport Pennsylvania arrived at San Francisco from Manila on the 17th with 32 officers and 810 men of the 40th volunteer infantry.

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

The 17th inst. being the anniversary of the beginning of the siege of Tien Tsin, the ladies decorated the graves of the soldiers of all nationalities.

Replying to questions in the British house of commons on the 17th, Mr. Brodric, the war secretary, said there were 40,229 persons in the "concentration camps" of the Transvaal and Orange River colony. The deaths in these camps for the month of May numbered 98 men and women and 318 children. The announcement of the mortality was received with groans from the Irish members and cries of "scandalous."

THE NEWS CONDENSED

There are 27,000 Chinamen in Hawaii.

Senator Dewey is still talking a third term for McKinley.

Lincoln, Ill., was damaged \$100,000 by a tornado Sunday night.

Porto Rico's Assembly will take up the question of free trade July 4.

A tornado near Naper, Neb., killed or fatally injured nearly a dozen persons.

Charles R. Flint is combining thirty of the big twine factories into one company.

Lapeer's new four inch water mains have been given a fire test with disappointing results.

A disease similar to the grip has appeared among horses in New York and is rapidly killing them.

Agonillo, the European representative of Aguilano, has left Paris and is returning to his own country.

The state supreme court sitting at Jackson, Tenn., on the 20th decided that a woman cannot practice law in Tennessee.

The Grinnell Ia., Congregational church has decided to drop the name of Prof. Geo. D. Herron from its church rolls.

The plague is becoming violent in Hong Kong. Up to the end of May from the beginning of the year 495 Chinese have died.

The business of national banks, according to the last report of Comptroller Dawes, has increased nearly \$100,000,000 in ten weeks.

According to a special from Washington, Boer sympathizers are making preparations for a visit by Kruger to this country in the autumn.

The monsoon rains in India have not extended beyond the Bombay presidency and unless they become more general the outlook is gloomy.

Fire, which originated in the establishment of J. B. Sikes Saddlery company, St. Louis, consumed property and stock valued at nearly \$300,000.

Edward Biddle has been convicted of murder in the first degree at Pittsburg, Pa., for the killing of Thomas D. Kibney, the Mt. Washington grocer.

Three persons were killed and several injured by lightning during a severe electrical storm which passed over Indiana on the night of the 20th.

The Engineering and Mining Journal estimates the gold output in the United States last year at \$118,435,562 for the United States and \$255,924,654 for the world at large.

Mrs. McKinley is gaining. The physicians now hope to be able to permit their patient to take a few short carriage rides this week if the weather is favorable.

The Kansas Democratic state central committee of Kansas has refused an invitation from the Populists to join in the formation of a new fusion party under a distinct name.

Germany desires to increase her claim of indemnity against China from \$12,000,000 to \$14,000,000 because the first figure does not include expenses borne by Germany in China from May to July.

The trouble long anticipated has at last taken place and the strained relations between the union and non-union miners at Matewan, W. Va., has resulted in bloodshed. Two men will probably die.

Thousands of people, men, women, children, camping on the border of the Klowa-Comanche Apache reservation in Oklahoma, awaiting the opening of that land to settlement, are in destitute circumstances.

Gross earnings of all railroads in the United States for the first half of June are \$15,250,553, a gain of 9.5 per cent over last year and 25.1 per cent over 1898. The increase continues very large on southwestern roads.

Secretary Wilson says: Within ten years the United States will produce all of its own sugar. I may be over-sanguine, but I believe my judgment is correct. Any one of the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa or Nebraska could produce from beets all the sugar needed in the United States.

Surgeon-General Wyman has issued a general circular to medical officers of the marine hospital service calling special attention to the importance of insects as factors in conveying disease. The circular says there is no longer doubt as to the relation of the mosquito to malarial diseases and to filariasis.

The miners' strike in the Matawan, Va., coal fields is growing critical, and a resort to firearms has been the result. The whole field is excited and serious trouble is feared. Already two or three conflicts have occurred between the striking miners and the guards, which have been placed in the works by the operators.

Daniel Smith, who resides near Orville, Bridgeport township, Saginaw county, is undoubtedly the oldest living resident of Michigan. He was born aboard the old ship Mascoloma, in Portland harbor, Maine, January 21, 1791, and consequently he is in his 111th year. He served in the Mexican and Seminole wars.

The largest coal deal ever consummated in West Virginia was closed on the 17th, the Watson coal operators having practically secured control of the entire Fairmont region. A new company, with \$12,000,000 capital, has been organized and is known as the Fairmont Coal Co.