

MISS ELKINS IN EUROPE? YES! NO!

Old World Papers Find the Girl in Switzerland, Despite Fact That She's in U. S.

LONDON, Nov. 19.—Despite the fact that Miss Katherine Elkins has returned to America, arriving in New York October 4, and according to cable whose address is now in Washington, some of the continental papers continue to print stories that she is stopping at Lugano, Switzerland, intimating that the Elkins family, with the exception of the senator, recently returned to Europe incognito.

A dispatch received here from Lugano states that Miss Elkins is there, arranging with the bishop of Ticino for her conversion to Catholicism, and that she was visited last Monday by the Duke of Abruzzi, the royal suitor for her hand.

Another dispatch from Milan, Italy, quotes the Secolo as follows:

"The Secolo has made an inquiry at Lugano and has discovered that the Duke of Abruzzi motored to that place on Monday incognito. Monday Miss Elkins' brother, Davis, arrived."

"The marriage of Miss Elkins and the Duke of Abruzzi is likely to take place late in December or early in January. King Victor Emmanuel has given his consent to the match and all difficulties with Senator Elkins have been removed. Miss Elkins will take the name of the Duchess of Teramo." It is thought here that the Lugano correspondents have mistaken another party for the Elkins family.

MISS ELKINS IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Senator Elkins of West Virginia, who was brought here recently suffering with severe illness, was reported today to be considerably improved. Mrs. Elkins and Miss Katherine Elkins, their daughter, expect to remain in Washington until there is a change in the senator's condition.

ARIZONA CONVENTION FAVORS INCOME TAX

Churches Exempted from Taxation, Despite Delegates' Attack on All Religions

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 19.—A graduated income and inheritance tax scale and exemption of all religious and charitable organizations, including the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. from taxes are features of the taxation clause tentatively adopted today by the constitutional convention. The measure also limits the state debt to \$200,000.

The taxation provisions occupied the attention of the convention throughout the day, and occasioned the most sensational speech, directed against all exemptions of religious organizations, so far delivered by any delegate. Delegate Morgan of Navajo county spoke uninterrupted for an hour in denunciation of all religions, and quoted at length the views of noted free thinkers.

A determined effort to abolish poll taxes for road purposes failed by a vote of 28 to 12. Many committee meetings were held tonight. More are scheduled for tomorrow, and rapid progress in the work of constitution making is expected henceforth.

EXPLAINS PROHIBITION ON U. S. POTATOES BY FRANCE

Shortage in Crop Ends Decree Against American Product

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Relative to the removal of the prohibition against the importation of American potatoes into France, by decree of October 15, last, Ambassador Bacon has transmitted a statement issued by the American chamber of commerce in Paris explaining the circumstances which led to the prohibition of the product.

A decree of 1875, says the statement, was a measure of protection because of the potato disease said to have been prevalent in the United States. The production of potatoes in France generally is sufficient for its own consumption, and during the thirty-five years the decree remained in force nothing arose to weaken an interest in its removal.

The potato crop in France is very much below the average this year, and as a consequence the price has increased rapidly.

Exporters in the United States ready to supply the demand sought the intervention of the American chamber of commerce to obtain the repeal of the prohibition. It is explained that the decree of 1875 had long since passed away.

A technical commission which studied the condition of American potatoes reported no danger from disease, and the way has thus been opened to American exporters.

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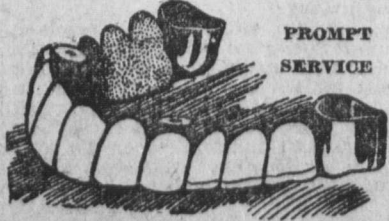
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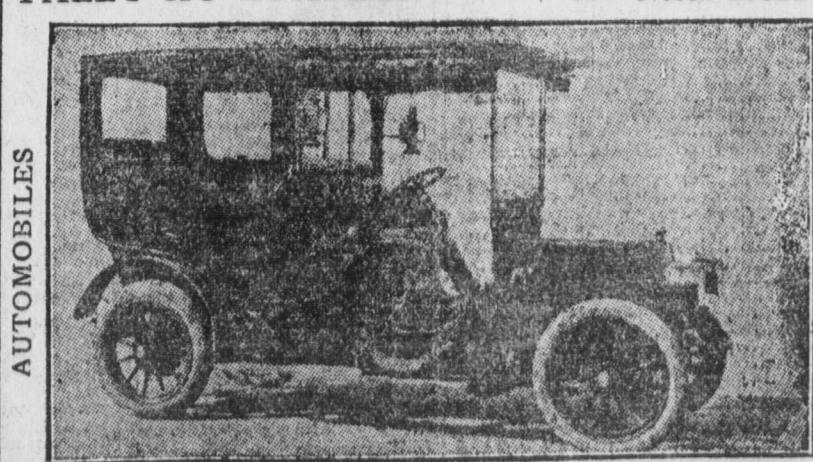
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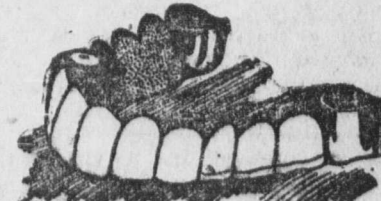
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