

MURDER AND SUICIDE BRING A LOCAL REAL-ESTATE PARTNERSHIP TO SUDDEN AND TRAGIC TERMINATION

WILL MERGE FIVE GREAT RAILROADS

Extensive Scope of Rock Island Deal.

Securities Company to Acquire Quintet of Systems.

Morgan's Banking House Is in Charge of the Negotiations.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 28.—It was learned here to-day on high authority that the negotiations now in progress in New York, which have led to the published reports that the Rock Island interests are about to purchase the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad, are of much greater significance and more far-reaching than has yet been intimated.

The several properties will continue to be operated separately and the only difference or change so far as the traffic of the roads is concerned is that they will have close alliance in the matter of interchange of business.

COACHMAN WINS HEART OF A RICH OLD WIDOW

Gets a Three-Hundred Pound Bride and a Three-Million-Dollar Estate.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—After three weeks' successful concealment, it became known to-night that Mrs. Jane Hendrickson, a widow of 58 years, worth several millions and the mother of Mrs. Spencer S. Roche, wife of the rector of fashionable St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, had eloped with her livery driver, Patrick McHugh, from the St. George Hotel and is on a honeymoon trip in the South.

CONDITION OF POPE NOT SO SATISFACTORY

ROME, Feb. 28.—The Pope rose at his usual hour this morning, declaring that the precautions he had taken had been of benefit to his cold and general health.

PRESIDENT TO PROBE THE DEATH OF RICHTER

May Summon to This Country All Witnesses of the Philippine Tragedy.

Morgan Visits Havana.

HAVANA, Feb. 28.—J. P. Morgan, accompanied by Miss Morgan, H. B. Hollins, Dr. Markoe and Mrs. Markoe, C. F. Lillard, Mrs. Douglass and Miss Rhett, arrived here to-day on board the Olivette from Key West.

BORDER MAN IS GUEST AT WHITE HOUSE

Seth Bullock Sees the President Daily.

Former Sheriff of Deadwood Warmly Welcomed.

Tells of Mr. Roosevelt's Career in the Black Hills Country.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

CALL BUREAU, 1406 G STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—"Have you met Seth Bullock yet?" asked President Roosevelt of a caller to-day.

Seth Bullock of Deadwood, formerly a Black Hills Sheriff, has been a guest at the White House several times during the last week at luncheons and once or twice at dinner.

Mr. Bullock, or "Captain" Bullock, as he is called, is supervisor of the national forest reserve in the Black Hills, which comprises a stretch of woodland 100 miles long and fifty wide.

This friend of the President is as straight as one of the pines in his native State of Michigan. He is six feet tall and as spare as a trained runner.

"I have known the President for a good many years. I knew him first when he took up his ranch on the Little Missouri," said he to-day.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S GIFTS TO BE CLOSELY GUARDED

Magnificent Collection of Jubilee Presents Is Considered Worth at Least \$15,000,000.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—It needed some such striking fact as the King's munificent offer to send the priceless collection of Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee presents to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition to arouse the British mind to a proper appreciation of the importance of the St. Louis fair and it had its effect.

NETHERLANDS HONORS PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Baron Gevers, the Minister of The Netherlands, and Minister Bowen have signed the Netherlands protocol, providing for the settlement of the claims of that country against Venezuela.

Cheyenne Masonic Temple Burns.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 28.—Fire to-night destroyed the Masonic Temple and its furnishings and paraphernalia, causing damages to the amount of \$50,000, with \$35,000 insurance.

BATTLESHIP MAINE'S MEN MUTINOUS

Trouble Culminates in Shooting of Seaman.

Officers Isolate Vessel and Withhold All Details.

Tragedy the Sequel to Recent Desertions of Blue Jackets.

NEWPORT NEWS Va., Feb. 28.—

Trouble on board the battleship Maine, which is lying in the drydock here for repairs, culminated to-night in the shooting of one seaman by a guard of marines.

It is rumored that the battleship's commander has had difficulty in maintaining discipline on the ship, but the officers on board virtually isolated her, denying outsiders access to the shipyard.

While the fight was in progress sailors and marines showered old eggs and decayed potatoes over the side of the ship upon the police.

WILMORE OF ALCATRAZ IS JAMES OF HONOLULU

Sergeant Recognizes Convict as Soldier Who Escaped From Military Prison in 1901.

HONOLULU, Feb. 28.—Roger James, under a twelve years' sentence for burglary, has been identified by Sergeant Bates as Leonard Wilmore, formerly a member of Company I, Twenty-fifth Infantry, who escaped from Alcatraz in the fall of 1901 with a companion, who was drowned in the attempt.

Thomas Wilmore is the colored convict who made his sensational escape from Alcatraz in January, 1902, by floating from the island to the mainland on a pair of wooden stairs, which he had covertly wrenched from their fastenings.

It was while assisting the guards in their search for another missing prisoner that Wilmore succeeded in eluding the eye of the guards for an instant.

The story afterward became current that the convict's dusky sweetheart was an accomplice in his escape.

MODERN BRUTUS GIVES SON OVER TO THE LAW

Montana Father Surrenders His Boy to Federal Authorities and Then Furnishes Bond.

MISSOULA, Mont., Feb. 28.—J. F. Delaney, a prominent storekeeper of Lolo, Mont., finding that his young son, Henry, had been entering the postoffice and rifling letters during the postmaster's absence at lunch, compelled the boy to confess, brought him here, turned him over to the Federal authorities and himself furnished bonds in \$500 for the lad's appearance for trial.

"I AM perfectly convinced that I have been cheated all around. * * * Mr. M. J. Morrison and his typewriter, L. Yarnell, work together. They make sales and don't tell me anything about it. * * * Whenever a good buyer comes in he sends me away and both of them make the sale and pocket the money. * * * I wish that this man Morrison would become a cripple for the rest of his life. Death would be too good for him. * * * All the money I had I gave to Morrison. Now he lets my family and myself starve."—Extract from letter found on body of J. R. Fritz.

Large illustration showing a real estate office scene with a man (Morrison) and a woman (Fritz) in the center, surrounded by smaller portraits of other people (Lou Yarnell, Joseph R. Fritz, Mrs. Morrison, Miss Lou Yarnell, Flora Morrison) and a diagram of a building layout.

M. J. Morrison Slain in Presence of His Wife and Babies, and Miss Yarnell Injured.

AN awful tragedy ended the existence of the firm of M. J. Morrison & Co., real estate agents, early last evening. When strife concerning a business disagreement was over and bullets ceased whizzing, the two partners lay dead in their office at 26 Montgomery street, and a young lady stenographer had been shot in the back.

Murderer Then Ends His Own Existence.

have Fritz arrested and put under bonds to keep the peace, but her husband said he feared nothing at the hands of his partner and for a time the matter rested.

ANGER MAKES HIM A FIEND.

Heated words were spoken and epithets were hurled from man to man. When the scene became violent and blows were struck Mrs. Morrison stepped between the antagonists and throwing her arms around her husband attempted to protect him.