

## GREAT POWERS WILL INTERVENE

In Balkan Quarrel if England Will Cooperate—England's Reply Will be Ready Today.

Associated Press.

Paris, France, Oct. 6.—War or peace in the Balkans hangs in the balance. The word now rests with Great Britain.

All the other powers have accepted, with some modification, the French plan for intervention, but it is understood that Great Britain is going so far as to assume with the other powers, responsibility for gaining from Turkey reforms in Macedonia.

## GRANT REFORMS

Associated Press.

London, Eng., Oct. 6.—A dispatch from Constantinople says the Porte has expressed a willingness to grant a greater measure of self government for Roumania and Macedonia.

Great Britain's reply to the French premier's note as to intervention, will be prepared tomorrow.

Various frontier incidents figure in the reports but apparently nothing has happened serious enough for war.

## POLITICAL LEADER

Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 6.—Thomas J. Ryan, a democratic leader here and a prominent promoter of amusement enterprises, shot and killed himself in his office here today. Ryan had not been in good health for several months.

## REBELS THREATEN

Associated Press.

Juarez, Mex., Oct. 6.—Ascension, Mexico, fell into the hands of the rebels today. The town of Casas Grandes is threatened.

## SIX KILLED IN

Associated Press.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 6.—B. Cornelius of Palmer, Texas, his wife, two daughters and his sister and her child, were killed tonight when the auto in which they were riding was struck by a Fort Worth-Dallas interurban car near Arlington.

## Weather Forecast.

Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 6.—East and West Texas—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday.

## WASHINGTON AS A JUMPER.

The Father of His Country Was a Champion in His Day.

There is an athletic record of which every American ought to be proud, although it is not found in any sporting chronicle. It was made by George Washington of Virginia and was a running broad jump of twenty-two feet three inches.

Exactly when and where Washington made this jump is not known, but it seems to be historical.

Thackeray refers to it in "The Virginians," where he tells of the jumping match between Harry Warrington and Lord March and Ruglen. Harry wins with a jump of twenty-one feet three inches against his lordship's eighteen feet six inches. In his letter to Virginia, Harry says he knows there was another in Virginia, Colonel G. Washington, who could clear a foot more.

If Thackeray's figures are correct Washington must have been a wonderful athlete. He could easily have won any intercollegiate championship competition up to 1880 and most of the national championships. Then, too, it must be remembered that the future Father of His Country did not wear spiked shoes like the athletes of today, nor did he have a cinder path for his "run" nor a five inch plank for his "take-off," these improvements not having come into general use as early as the middle of the eighteenth century. Washington today would be a record breaker.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

## Swiss Chard.

Chard is the bleached leaves, leaf sticks or midribs of certain plants, as of the globe artichoke and white beet, also a variety of white beet; Swiss chard beet, leaf beet. In cooking Swiss chard for greens the wide white midribs are cut out and the green leaves served alone, the ribs being cooked separately and served like asparagus, for which they are an appetizing substitute. Then, for a change, a dish of leaves and ribs together is served as greens, but this always seems a waste of good material when either is better alone. The hens greedily eat any that may be left when the table is cleared, or the cows and pigs will dispose of it, so that not a leaf need be wasted. All things considered, Swiss chard is one of the most satisfactory plants a gardener can raise.—Exchange.

## MURDER REMOVES IMPORTANT WITNESS

Whitman Believes "Big Jack" Seelig Was Killed to Seal His Lips in the Becker Trial.

Associated Press.

New York, Oct. 6.—After questioning "Red Phil" Davidson, who shot and killed "Big Jack" Seelig, an important witness in the Becker trial, which is to begin tomorrow, Deputy Police Commissioner Dougherty declared tonight that he was satisfied the motive for the murder of Seelig was to seal his lips against Becker. Dougherty said he was not inclined to credit Davidson's story that he killed Seelig because the latter robbed him.

District Attorney Whitman, however is inclined to regard Seelig's death more than a coincidence, although he had no proof to show a conspiracy.

## LATEST SUCCESS

IN AEROPLANES

Achievement of Capt. A. F. W. Macmanus—A Type of Curtis Military Biplane.

Information has been received that Capt. Augustus F. W. Macmanus, United States army, retired, who attracted attention in San Antonio two years ago by his aeronautical experiments, has at last achieved success as an aeroplane inventor. He is now at Pine Bluff, Ark., and in the last few days five successful flights have been made there in the machine of his invention.

The Macmanus machine is a type of the Curtis military biplane and is equipped throughout with devices invented by the maker. Over fifty patents cover parts of the mechanism of his aeroplane. Its principle feature is a pair of small planes, located on each side of the driver, midway between the upper and lower planes, which prevent the machine from capsizing. These small planes are controlled by a single lever, and their operation governs every movement of the biplane.

## Machine is Very Light.

With the driver in position the entire machine weighs but five hundred pounds and in the flights already made it was demonstrated that a speed of seventy miles an hour can easily be attained. Driving power is furnished by a four-cylinder engine developing 60-horsepower.

Captain Macmanus did not operate the biplane in the recent flights, driving being done by Albert Dundyver, a Belgian aviator. In the last flight the propeller was smashed and another is now being installed. As soon as this is done flight will be made over and around Pine Bluff.

For a period of several months Captain Macmanus conducted his experiments on the maneuver field at Fort Sam Houston. He made several successful flights, but also encountered disappointments in the execution of the theory of his aeroplane. He was a long time in getting the proper engine for his machine and by the time he had succeeded the fabric and frame of the biplane had become so weakened by exposure that he was afraid to go into the air. He then had the task of entirely rebuilding it.

## Aviators Encouraged Him.

Captain Macmanus was in San Antonio at the time Lieut. B. D. Foulis, Parmelee and Coffin, the Wright aviators and Ely of the Curtis camp, were holding the attention of the country by their aerial antics in this vicinity. They all commended his idea of a non-tippable aeroplane and urged him to continue his experiments.

Captain Macmanus is a native Texan and was in the regular army until 1904, when he was retired because of disability. He first enlisted at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war and attained the rank of captain in the volunteer service.—San Antonio Light.

Capt. Macmanus is a cousin of C. L. Macmanus, the local general agent for the Frisco, and a nephew of the late Dr. C. A. Macmanus of Matamoros.

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## DECKS CLEARED FOR BIG WORLD'S SERIES

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making use of him, however, McGraw farmed him out to Toronto. It was there that Tesreau showed his first promise and by the end of the season he was hailed as one of the best pitchers in the Eastern League, having mastered the art of the "spitball." McGraw recalled him, only to be disappointed in his wildness the first of the season, but by midsummer he regained confidence in the young pitcher and has since been rewarded with the sensational capture of many crucial games. With seventeen games won to five lost, as the season closes, Tesreau stands at an average higher than any of his colleagues on the Giants' pitching staff. McGraw considers him the peer of Ed Walsh, the famous "spitball" pitcher of the Chicago Americans. If he keeps his control he will undoubtedly be given the greater part of the box work for New York in the world series.

## Mathewson Still a Favorite.

The acclaim of Tesreau and Wood, however, has not altogether overshadowed the older favorite either here or in Boston. The veteran Mathewson is still steady and effective with a fadeaway ball as his specialty, and on the whole is still the mainstay in the Giants' box. Rube Marquard experienced a losing streak after his sensational run up to July 4, and came in for harsh criticism from some of the fans. The only explanation of his strange slump is that he gave way to the nervous strain of his winning streak. He is now in good physical trim, however, and will undoubtedly have a share in the big games. "Old Doctor" Crandall, Wiltse and Ames, the remaining members of the Giants' pitching staff, are all considered strong relief pitchers and there is some expectation that Ames' good work during the season will net him a chance to start the game.

## Boston's Second Choice.

Boston's second choice in the box is probably Ray Collins an old University of Vermont "southpaw," who joined the Red Sox four years ago. His average has not been up to that of Charlie Hall, however, and the latter may be picked as Wood's real co-worker. Hall is an old American Association player.

Thomas (Buck) O'Brien and Bedient, both of whom are practically serving their first year with Boston and Lawrence Pape, are the other members of the Boston staff.

## Pitching Records.

Records of the pitchers compiled up to within a few games of the season's close, give Wood the highest average of the twelve twirlers. He stands at .889 as compared with Tesreau's .773. The table is as follows:

	S.	W.	L.	H.	Ave.
Tesreau	30	17	5	148	.773
Marquard	40	26	9	274	.743
Crandall	36	12	6	177	.673
Mathewson	41	22	12	294	.647
Wiltse	26	9	5	134	.643
Ames	30	9	5	177	.643

## RED SOX.

	S.	W.	L.	H.	Ave.
Wood	40	32	4	242	.889
Hall	32	17	7	165	.706
Bedient	38	15	7	175	.682
Collins	24	14	7	164	.671
O'Brien	34	16	12	218	.571
Pape	12	1	1	64	.500

## BEAMER LAND CO. TO VISIT VALLEY

Will Arrive Today by Automobile. Interested in Land in Hidalgo County.

An auto train conveying the stock of Kansas City will arrive in Brownsville this morning. The party traveled from the north in a solid, vestibuled train of five coaches, including the buffet car, and has been at San Juan the past few days for the purpose of giving the stockholders of the company an opportunity to see their lands.

The Beamer company has, it is said, a tract of land in the neighborhood of San Juan and Mercedes, and has been engaged for some time in cutting it up into small farms. It is not expected that they will begin selling until about the first of the year.

Automobiles were drafted from points all over the Valley for the purpose of carrying the visitors over the proposition. They will leave this afternoon for the north.

A gift horse may get you in just as badly at the feed store.

## TEN CAR-LOADS OF HOMESEEEKERS HERE

Land Companies Report Satisfactory Business—Many Investors Locating in the Valley.

The managers of the various land companies that had their homeseekers in the city yesterday all report a very good business for the trip. purchasers are beginning to settle on their newly bought properties, and will continue to do so from now until the first of the year.

There were ten cars all told yesterday, carrying a total of about 175 persons. Many bought land and are quite satisfied with their investments, believing that if they have no trouble in getting the products they can raise here to market in the winter they are bound to come out well financially. One wealthy farmer from Wisconsin stated that in his opinion the advertising he had seen of the Lower Rio Grande Valley did not all come up to what he had found in looking the country over. He said that the printed matter could not be written strong enough, and that he thinks, since he has viewed the lands, that this section stands "head and shoulders" above anything he has ever seen.

Since their last trip the Mercedes Land Corporation has purchased 2000 acres of land to the west of Mercedes, which they will cut up into small farms and place on sale.

R. L. Trimble, in charge of the Standard Land company's homeseekers, is authority for the statement that his company on this trip did a larger business than they have done on any one trip in the past four months. He said that land to the value of \$138,000 had been disposed of, and that every excursionist in their train had bought.

## Indians Among Homeseekers.

Two rather unusual homeseekers accompanied the excursion. They were Francis Goodeagle and his son, Charles Goodeagle, of Baxter Springs, Kan., who are Indians. Mr. Goodeagle is a well to do farmer, and his son is a lawyer. Except for the fact that he looks like an Indian, the son has the appearance and dress of the average American. However, the father clings to the traditions of his forefathers and wears his hair braided. One braid hangs down over each shoulder, probably eighteen inches long.

In conversation with a Herald reporter Mr. Goodeagle stated that he operated a farm near the Kansas-Oklahoma line, growing corn almost exclusively. When asked what was his opinion of this country he replied:

"Fine country; good land; land too high; \$150 acre—too much money. See corn so high, so high and so high," indicating with his hands the height of the corn he had seen in the Valley, some probably a foot high some about three feet high and some in tassel.

## BASE BALL SEASON CLOSED YESTERDAY

New York Giants Win Pennant in National, and Boston Gets Rag in American League.

New York, Oct. 6.—The thirty-eighth campaign of the National League, and the twelfth annual of the American League season closed today with the New York Giants and Boston Red Sox winner in their respective leagues by margins of 70 and 92 points over their closest competitors.

In the National League Pittsburgh won second place with three points over Chicago and Cincinnati is fourth 119 points behind Chicago.

Washington won second place in the American League by seven points over Philadelphia, and Chicago captured the fourth, 85 points behind Philadelphia.

## NEW RECORD FOR ENDURANCE FLIGHT

Lieutenant Towers of Navy Aviation Corps in Air 6 Hours, Ten Minutes, 35 Seconds.

Associated Press.

Annapolis, Md., Oct. 6.—A new American endurance flight record was made today by Lieutenant Towers of the Navy aviation corps.

He was continuously in the air 6 hours, 10 minutes and 35 seconds.

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