

enator LaFollette has the eyes of country upon him, in that he was one the first to tackle railroad re-a problems. He was defeated by mairoad tobby once in his own state. Stalked out of the convention de-wel, to begin a study of railroad lob-sed their mathematic the ended in b-

opponents, he says, bought enough of his delegates, to nominate the other man. La Follette tells about that inwill follow. Since their arrival at Elreno, which is two miles distant from Fort Reno, the negro troops have been placed under the strictest discipline, be ing subjected to a roll call every two hours. The formal order for the discharge of the disgraced troops was is sued at Washington yesterday. date of actual dismissal is not known

served the police faithfully for two years. But he became converted to the terrorists and determined to explate his treachery by killing Capt. Samsonoff. This recalls the famous

200 feet wide from Fort Riley to the south line of the state. Afterward pa-tents were issued to private persons for land through which the railfoad runs without excepting the right-of-way. These persons have treated the right-of-way as being only 100 feet wide and in some casese valuable improvements have been erected on the outer 50 feet on each side, which have been occu-pled and used without disturbance for many years. The railroad company brought sult to oust these occupants and the court decides in its favor. The The land affected by the decision lies in Geary, Morris, Lyon, Coffey, Woodson, Allen, Neosho, and Labotte counties. Among the larger places touched in hese counties by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway are White City, Coun-cil Grove, Burlington, Chanute, Par-sons, Oxwego and Chetopa. The distance from Fort Riley to the south state line is about 130 miles.

arm, he says, and caught the blow on the elbow. As the two women started towards him in a threatening manner, he drew from his pocket a rock that he had provided himself with, and threw it at Miss Prescott who screamed and fell to the ground. He then ran, to avoid the trouble that he knew would immediately ensue, but a short time later was taken in by Detective Chase, Sergeant Hempel and Officer Bush. The above is the gist of Martin's statement.

MARTIN STARTED ROW. The other parties concerned, except

and their methods. It ended in a in the senate, and "appointment to ber of inconsequential committees hope that he would be thus 'held till the senate machinery could We over him several times and flatten Mn out into a useful servant" as some charge. What the net effect will be it is still too carry to foresay, but the people are watching with interest.

ABOUT THE BOW WOWS.

Time never was when som body Wasn't shouting that the world was going to the bow wows, and others we pointed out from time to time at the reason the world never seems get there, is that a system of checks balances works perfectly cutting of a tendency in one direction just as scon as it goes too far. Ten years ago the Success Magazine was full to the Success Magazine was full pictures of the nation's great men. by were labeled "captains of indus-" "commercial giants" and had any nice things said of them. Five Mars later it was almost a tragedy to mad over the list of stalwarts in the They were either in prison, e evading service of papers, files. Euron dead in disgrace. Instead of praise dead in disgrace. Instead of praise iters of the "muck rake school" re springing into fame with close dytheal biographies of the industrial

sants, now labelled "robber barons" and "commercial brigands." CHANGE IN LITERATURE.

The change in the national literafollowed the change in thought. the great political battles are sines have lost their charm. In New Panes have lost their charm. In New York we have it between Hughes and Hearst, with the entire campaign bas-el on the discussion of the personality of the two men, and a Democratic Rayor of New York, congratulating a Republican nominee for governor, be-ause he serves the cause of "decency."

THE BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH."

In the leading magazines the blo-Faphical sketch is displacing the flort story. The man whose copy is in demand is he who can talk chattily and who ad with easy style about the great maracters in the public eye. So we have Wallace Irwin getting fame and fature with his "Who's Zoo in Amer-far" a series of serve skits on the personality of big men like "Bill Taft," who was handled in the last who was handled in the last ae of Collier's

Early in the beginning of this kind literature Will Payne handled La liette, in the Saturday Evening letto He was the subject of a mercianalyzing dissection, for the new biography isn't an attempt to say Fitty things, but rather to get at the Pain springs of the victim's actions. Of La Follette the Post says: "Senator La Follette's legs are short, but his

"Senator La Follette's legs are short, but his head is long—In inches as well as in sense. When he sits down you think he is six feet tall. When he stands you find he is a scant difference. A good many short people are tall and many a tall man is mighty short

WHEN ON HIS STUMPS.

he of the senator's admirers put it. his way out in Stoughton one night during the last campaign he made for Sevenor of Wisconsin: "Why, say, of course Bob is short; of course he is! Behale's adverted short of course he is! Bob ain't a physical glant as you might say, but, my friend, when he gits up on them stumpy legs of his'n and you get a sight of that head of his'n an' he begins to talk, why, nobody gives a hoot whether he's five feet tall or fifty."

HAS BLOOD IN HIM.

"That about sums it up. When he begins to talk, he usually has every-body with him. He is no second De-mosthenes, either. There are plenty of men in the United States who have him beaten when it comes to purely "storical ruffles and fully to the second beaten when it comes to purely rical ruffles and frills. The thing

cident on the stump. He speaks about it without any fourishes. He de-scribed the room in the Prister hotel where the delegates were taken. He tells who took them there and how much money, down to the kind of bills in specific sums, each delegate received. He identifies the bribers, He make no bones about the identities of the bribed. It is a sensational story. No-

body has denied it. Nobody can. He knows.

FAMOUS RAILROAD FIGHT.

"That experience with the machine which was then, and probably is now, dominated by the railroads-put La Foliette on the track of railroad rate reform, and caucus and convention re-form. He went from the hall, where he was beaten to a law library, and began to study railroad and taxation laws and all other laws that give the railroads their graft, either directly or by evasion. He started at the first law and went through to the last. Then he began on railroad tariffs. He maked there complicated masses of studied these complicated masses figures that mean so much to the rail-road and so little to the public unless one of the public wants to distribute something. He found where the re-bates lurked. When he was through he knew more about freight and pas-senger tariffs than any railroad man

ATTACKED PREVAILING SYSTEM

in Wisconsin.

"He utilized the information for his own advantage. During the years he cris-crossed the state campaigning for cris-crossed the state campaigning for railroad rate legislation and nomina-tions by direct vote of the people, he spoke constantly on the iniquities of the prevailing system. He knew his people. His principal lever was that the state was losing millions every year in taxalon. This is concrete enough for any tax payer. It penetrates. He got down to bed rock with the farmers and showed them with the farmers and showed them where they were losing money. When he finished his speech he had the farm-ers with him, for he had the greatest argument in the world.

WON HIS FIGHT.

"He won his fight and passed his he won the back and passed in passed of a wide open split in his own party. He did not care for that. When the stalwart Republicans deserted him, he carefully went after the Democrats and

correlation when after the Democrats and corralled them. Then he came to the United States senate. He will ask the senators some mighty direct questions when it comes to debating, and he will know every time whether the answer is ight.

"It is curious term that word actor. "It is curious term that word actor. LaFollette deserves it. He is on the stage all the time. They cannot move the spot-light too rapidly for him. He is there, in the calcium every second. WANTS TO BE PRESIDENT.

"LaFollette has ambitions. He fos-ters them like every other human. He ants to be president, and is working with that end in view. He is an earnest reformer but he never fails to put in a

few licks for LaFollette with his re-forming. Perhaps he would not agree with this statement. It stands. It is his business to make his mission seen as real as possible.

WONDER WHAT HE WILL DO. "They are wondering what he will do in the senate, but really there is noth-ing to wonder about. He will jump in when he sees a chance and he will see a chance as far as any man, mix is

the railroad rate movement, as much as possible, and take an axe to Sena-tor Spooner, his colleague, if the op-portunity for a scientific chopping match presents itself. He has been nade chairman of the committee to in-contents the Datomac tive. Found at

FIRE IN SCRANTON, PA.

Causes a Loss of Almost Half a Milloin Dollars

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 10.—Fire of un-known origin, which started shortly after midnight tonight destroyed the Carter & Kennedy six-story building occupied by the Foote and Shear Hardware company and the J. Scott Inglis Carpet and Furniture company, and the large two-story building of J. D. Williams Brothers' company, dealers in confectionery, toys and house furnishings, causing a loss on building and stock of about \$450,000. The Connell building, an eight-tory office structure, adjoining, was damaged to the extent of \$50,000 on the upper floors into which the fire swept through windows and skylights. Only its fire proof construction and the thick fire walls separating it from the Carter and Kennedy building saved this structure from destruction and

the city from a conflagration. An 80 per cent insurance was car ed by the sufferers. Seven firamen were injured, one of them. Joseph Jay, seriously, by flying bricks and falling walls.

RESCUED FROM THE SEA

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 10 .- Rescued at sea after they had abandoned their vessel, the captain and erew of the British bark Marlon C., arrived here today on the Norwegian steamer Far-mand, bound from New York for Nirmaid, bound from New York for Nir-amichi. Heavy weather overtook the Marion C., and she sprang a leak. The crew worked at the pumps until the vessel was full of water. Then they abandoned her and embarked in an open boat. They managed to keep afloat until they were sighted by the Farmand and rescued. The bark was

Farmand and rescued. The bark was r command of Capt. Williams, The Marion C., which was formerly the Swedish bark Orion, registered 441

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT.

New York, Nov. 10 .- A message from President Roosevelt on his way to Panama was received last night at the office of the Atlantic Wireless Tele-graph company. The message was re-layed to the receiving station in this city from the Ward liner Merida. It reads: "American citizens on board in com-

munication with the president, express-ing wishes for a successful trip." His reply, "Heartlest acknowledgment and banks." The Merida expects to be in touch with the president as far as thanks." Havana, Cuba,

At 8 o'clock last night, when the message was sent the Merida was 90 miles south of Cape Hatteras,

CAPT. J. W. LAWRENCE DEAD.

St. Paul. Nov. 10.-Capt. J. W. Law-rence, the chief of the federal secret service of this district, died suddenly early today of heart failure.

THE GLACIER ARRIVES.

New York, Nov. 10.—The United States supply steamer Glacier, which towed the big dry dock Dewey to Ma-nila, arrived here today. Owing to the arduous duty incurred in the services. restigate the Potomac river front at Washington. It sounds imposing but it is a joke. It is only because there must be enough committees to give each sen-ator a room for office. Pretty soon he Athens, Naples and Gibraltar.

money derived from the purchase of established by the vatican, pleased the Filipinos and the vatican is now inves tigating the needs of each Philippin cese in order to fix their respective yearly portion

Archbishop Harty is awaiting the ar ival of his secretary, Father J Thusa, rector of the cathedral Chusa, Manila, who landed at Barcelona indis posed and who is expected here in 10 days. After Father Chusa's arrival in der another name. Archbishop Harty will be ceived by the pope.

KANSAS GOVERNORSHIP.

Chairman Ryan Grows More Confident **Of Harris' Election**

Topaka, Kan., Nov. 10.-Chairman Ryan of the Democratic state commitreverse to the behavior of the election of W. A. Harris as governor every hour. He sold this morning: "From the belated returns we have been receiving it looks like Mr. Harris

would be the next governor of Kansas. I do not think it possible for a differ-ence of over 1,000 to exist either way." Chairman Crummer of the Republi can committee claims to have the offi cial returns from 35 counties, wh with the unofficial returns already which. ceived by him, will give Hoch a pluraliof 2.883 votes.

Official returns are coming in more rapidly at the Republican headquarters from Tuesday's election, and the gen eral effect is to cut down Hoch's ap parent plurality shown by the unoffireports.

The last reports, which includes 43 counties, leave Hoch with only 2.729 more votes than Harris. The Republican candidate made gains only in two counties, three in Rooks and 25 in Os-

The largest gain for Harris was in Sedgwick county, where his majority, was increased 126.

GENERAL SLOCUM VICTIMS.

Bronze Tablet on Monument to Their

Memory Stolen, New York, Nov. 10 .- The bronze

New York, Nov. 10.—The bronze tablet on the monument erects in the Lutheran cemetery on the out-skirts of Brooklyn to the memory of the victims of the burning of the steamer General Slocum was stolen last night. The cost of the tablet, which was three feet square, was mout \$450. The tablet had been priced of 1450; The tablet had been pried off the monument with crowbars, the face of the monument being defaced in the operation. The police have infor-mation that the theft was committed men who drove to the cemetery n a buggy.

****** NEVADA BROUGHT DOWN TO DATE.

The "News" is pleased to announce among the corps of contributors to the Nevada section of the Christmas News, the following distinguished list of writers:

Hon. John Sparks of Nevada. Hon. Frank P. Mannix. Ex-Congressman H. F. Bartine, Judge J. W. Deane. S. C. Dunham, editor of the

Tonopah Miner. Hon. Frank Hunt and Hon. J. L. Hutchinson, ex-lieutenant governor of Idaho.

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ases of Degdieff, a member of the inner council of the terrorist organi-zation, who after the assassination of Emperor Alexander II, in 1881, sold himself to Col. Soderkin, chief of the secret police, betrayed a thousand of comrades and finally confessed treachery and atoned for it by killing Suderkin in 1883.

Degdieff fled to America, where it was reported he took up his abode un-

WELLMAN AND HERZEY SAIL.

Paris, Nov, 10.—Walter Wellman and Maj. Herzey salled for New York to-day on the French liner Las Vole. The ormer returns to Paris in six weeks to continue his supervision of the change, in his airship and Herzey will be back here in time to accompany the Chicago Record Herald expedition in its attempt to reach the pole next summer

THE TELHARMONIUM.

Machine for Producing Music by Elec

trical Vibrations

New York, Nov. 10.—Dr. Thadeus Cahills invention for producing music by electrical vibrations, as one would telephone, called the "telharmonium," was exhibited last nigft at the Cafe Martin.

Marin. To produce the vibrations a set of elaborate machinery and electric ap-pliances have been installed. There is a set of 145 alternating current dyamos, which make vibrations varying from 16,000 to 8,000 a second. These currents are passed through "tone mixers" and are released by a key-beard not unlike the keyboard of a plpe organ. The keyboard is played by a musician, and the electric eu rents give the vibrations required produce the music desired. At present there are two keyboards, which repre-sent a flute and a horn. Two more are to be put in at once, and the ef-fect will be that of four instruments played together. The music can be transmitted through a telephone.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED FRIEND.

Andover, Mass., Nov. 10.-Charles E. Riggs, a Phillips-Andover academ student, accidentally shot John Tracy, a schoolmate, today. Tracy died instantly Tracy lived in Emporia, Kan., and Riggs in Mount Vernon, N. Y.

KILLED IN A WRECK

Blanchester, O., Nov. 10 .- A wreck or the Baltimore and Ohlo Southwestern road early today resulted in the death of one man and the injury of nearly a score of other persons, six miles west of here. Fifteen of the injured were taken to Cincinnati and the physician fear that several may die,

WILL BUY NO BONDS.

Washington, Nov. 10.-Secy, Shaw to day authorized the statement that he will not buy bonds, refund or increase deposits in national banks unless present conditions materially change

FIRE IN BOSTON

Boston, Nov. 10.—Three alarms were pulled in for a threatening fire in a five story brick building, 61 to 55 Beverly street, in the north end, early this morning. After an hour's fighting it morning. After an hour's ngnting seemed likely that the fire would be or fined to the building in which it start-

Hosemen Skinner and Lannigan were The two upper floors of the structure were rulned and the loss, it was thought, would amount to about \$50,-

tate line is about 130 miles. Mr. Watson, the defendant, is simply one of the land holders, and was se-lected as a figurehead in which to make a test case. It is thought that the case will be appealed to the supreme court of the United States.

The opinion was written by Justice Burch, who said the case must finally be decided in the United States supreme court as an act of Congress is involved. From former decisions of the higher court Justice Burch holds that the grant to the railroad took effect immediately on the passage of the act, and that the persons who bought lands adjoining the railroad property took their titles subject to the company's rights. This is based on the fact that the officials of the land department could not issue patents to persons which would allow the purchaser a title to the land which already had been given to the railroads.

The wide right of way was granted to the rallway with the express pro-vision that all troops and munitions of war should be carried free for ever and private individuals could not encroach upon the right of way since the country has been settled so that the company can be deprived of the land. The case decided today should not be confused with the suit of the Mis-souri, Kansas and Texas rallway against the government for the land grant in Indian Territory in which Kansas is acting as trustee for the railroad company. The latter case is now in the U. S. supreme court.

GEN. SHAFTER'S CONDITION UNCHANGED.

Bakerstield, Cal., Nov. 10 — The condi-tion of Maj.-Gen. Shafter, who is lying critically ill with pneumonia at his ranch near this city, is unchanged this morning. During the entire night physicians were in constant attendance. It was announc-ed on the return of the doctors from the ranch early this morning that a decided change for the better must be apparent today or life will be despaired of. OFFICIAL REPORT ON

COAL DOCKS BURNED.

Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Loses Three Quarters of a Million.

Austin, Tex. Nov. 2.-Ranget Capt. William McDonaid, in command of the Rangers, in Starr county, has sent the following report to Gov. Lanham on the fight near Rio Grande city: On the way last night from San Fordyce we wore fired on by several Mex-icans and had a general fight. The foi-lowing were killed: Juan Garcia. Ferrias Caldena. Garzap Perez. Josep Ventra, badly wounded. Quarters of a Million. Chicago, Nov. 10.—The docks of the Le-high Valley Coal company, situated at One Hundredth street and Commercial avenue, were totally destroyed by Gre today causing a damage, as estimated by the officers of the company, of \$57,000. The fire originated from some unknown cause in the engineroom, which was situ-ated in the basement of a coalhouse. In which 50,000 tons of hard coal were stored. The coal is still hurning and it is ex-peted that it will be several days before the fire is entirely extinguished. The company's loss in hoisting machinery is estimated at about \$200,000. This amount, however, is included in the total of \$507,000.

MURDERED HIS WIFE.

Harrisburg, Nov. 10.-Jacob Stehmar harrisourg, Nov. 10. Jacob Stenman, a boilermaker employed at the Pennsyl-vania Steel works at Steelton, near here, shot and killed his wife in the crowded Broud street market today. Stehman and his wife have been living apart. Stehman today after failing to persuade his wife to return to him. persuade his wife to return to him, shot her.

ing the victim of the man's brutal as-sault and who lies unconscious, tell a different story. They say that Mar-tin started a "rough house" inside, and was driven from the place. A little later, when Miss Prescott stepped out-side with some departing frequenters of the place, Martin stepped from be-hind a tree, immediately in front of her, and without warning hurled the rock at her head, and she fell heavily upon the boarded walk.

PRISONER IS NERVOUS.

A pool of blood soon marked the place where the injured woman lay, and she was carried into the house by a number of excited women. Dr. Ewing was summoned, and he sewed up the long cut in the forehead, but was unable to ascertain the full ex-tent of the injuries received by her. At noon today Miss Prescott had not regained consciousness.

No complaint has yet been sworn to against Martin, as the officials are waiting to see how seriously his vic tim is injured. He paces back and forth in his cell in a restless manner and deeply deplores the unfortunate predicament in which he finds himself. He came here from Illinois in February last, and for a time was in the of a local paper as a traveling solicitor.

AMBROSE L. THOMAS DEAD.

Chicago, Nov. 10.-Ambrose L. Thom president of the firm of Lord & Thomas, known to newspapers all over the United States, dropped dead today while making some purchases in a retail dry goods store. Heart disease is thought to have caused his death.

SECY. TAFT AT LEAVENWORTH.

Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 10.-Secy. of War William H. Taft arrived here this morning from the north, and after making an inspection of Fort Leaven-worth left with his party this after-noon for Fort Riley. Upon his arrival in Leavenworth, Secy. Taft was met by Col. C. B. Hall and staff and four troops of the Ninth cavalry and es-corted to the fort. As the secretary passed through the streets several thousand school children waved flags, whistles were blown, church bells rung and hundreds of cannon crackers were Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 10 .- Secy. of and hundreds of cannon crackers were At the fort there was a dress review in his honor.

RANGER-MEXICAN FIGHT.

Garzap rever Jaspan Osuna. Jose Ventra, badly wounded. Manuel Osuna, seriously wounded. We have three others in jail. About 50 shots were exchanged in the fight. We have the situation well in hand. Have ordered both factions to lay off their arms or abide by the consequences.

ASK FOR MORE PAY.

Valejo, Cal., Nov. 10. - The clerical force of the Mare Island navy-yard today for-warded a numerously signed petition to Secy. Bonaparts, requesting an increase of 25 per cent in salaries. The attention of the secretary is called to the increased cost of living since the earthquake and fire and the fact that the employes in the mechanical department of the navy-yard in the Pacific const yards receive about 331-3 per cent more than similar employes in the east.