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MAUSOLEUM AT ERIE ROBBED BY GHOULS

BODY OF MRS McCULLOM, FORMER WEALTHY WOMAN IS TAKEN AWAY.

DETECTIVES ON TRAILS

Believed That Money Will be Demanded for Return of Coffin to its Relatives When First Excitement Has Died Down—Indications Show Extreme Care Was Used in Securing the Proper Coffin.

Erie, Pa., Feb. 9—The ghouls who looted the costly mausoleum of the Scott and Strong families here, are believed to be holding the body of Mrs. McCullom, a member of a prominent Philadelphia family an are being sought by a horde of detectives today. Whether money will be demanded of relatives of Mrs. McCullom is unascertained.

Mrs. McCullom was a sister-in-law of former Congressman Scott, who amassed a fortune in coal and railroads, and died in 1891. His body was in the vault also. The Scott and the Strong families are the wealthiest in Pennsylvania.

It is certain that several persons participated as the coffin was made of heavy steel and copper.

Woman Discovers Crime.
The ghouls smashed three other coffins indicating they had taken no chances in not securing the body they sought. A woman visitor accidentally discovered the looting. It is believed the men contemplated other steals for the niches containing Scott and his wife's coffins had been practically opened. There are no clues.

Columbus to Welcome Taft
Columbus, O., Feb. 9—Arrangements are complete for the reception of President Taft, who will visit this city tomorrow to deliver an address at the National Corn Exposition. In accordance with the expressed wish of the President his visit will be attended by no elaborate features of entertainment. His special train is due to arrive at 1:45 p. m. He will be received by the officials of the exposition and a reception committee of citizens, who will escort him from the Union station to the Ohio Fair grounds, where he is to deliver an address. Following his address the President will be taken on an automobile ride about the city. He will dine at his hotel and leave the city about 10 p. m. for Springfield, Ill., where he is to speak at the Lincoln anniversary banquet Saturday night.

Aviation Fever Strikes El Paso.
El Paso, Texas, Feb. 9—El Paso's first aviation meet opened today and is scheduled to continue for four days. Among the well known aviators taking part are C. K. Hamilton, Rene Simon, Joseph M. Seymour, Roland Garros, Rene Barrier and John J. Frisbie.

ROMANS TAKE UP ARMS IN HIGH PRICES WAR

GOVERNMENT HELD TO BE PARTICULARLY RESPONSIBLE.

Clashes Occur in Several Cities as a Result of Mass Meetings.

Rome, Feb. 9—Clashes with troops in a half dozen Italian cities today occurred as a result of the mass meetings held in protest against the exorbitant prices of food stuffs and high rent.

It is believed that wider outbreaks are impending. People take the position that the government is partially to blame through heavy taxes and allowing the formation of several big trusts.

CLARENCE W. WATSON.

Chosen For Short Senate Term by Democrats of West Virginia.



West Virginia's Senator is Now a New Face and a Young Face in the Upper House. Watson Picks up the Work of the Late Senator Elkins.

SITUATION AT JUAREZ STILL UNCHANGED

REBEL LEADER CAMPED AT SMELTER AWAITING AID.

Other Rebel Generals Are in the South Ready to Meet Navarro.

El Paso, Feb. 9—The situation at Juarez is unchanged today. General Orozco with his rebels are encamped near Smelter, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso apparently awaiting news from the south where other rebels under General Blanco, Sanchez and Casillas are awaiting the arrival of troops under Navarro, reported to be enroute to Juarez' relief. Navarro's position has been a mystery since he left Chihuahua.

To Promote Pan-American Trade.
Washington, D. C., Feb. 9—The Pan American Union, formerly known as the Bureau of American Republics, is rapidly completing all arrangements for the Pan-American Commercial Congress, which is to be held here next week. The purpose of the conference, as announced by its promoters, is to awaken the commercial organizations, business men and general public of both North and South America to an appreciation of the possibilities of Pan-American commerce and the necessity of getting ready for the commercial changes which will be brought about by the opening of the Panama canal. The conference will be unique in that no platform or resolutions of a controversial nature will be considered.

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American Pomological Society.
Tampa, Fla., Feb. 9—Members of the American Pomological Society, the oldest association of fruit growers in the United States, assembled in Tampa today for the thirty-second biennial meeting of the society. Beginning with a welcome session tonight the convention will continue until the end of the week. The programme provides for the discussion of a wide range of subjects, including systematic pomology and storage problems, the raising of tropical and sub-tropical fruits, progress in fruit growing, and orchard management. The society is holding an exhibition in connection with its meeting, and medals for new varieties of fruit will be given to the successful exhibitors.

ARIZONA VOTES ON RADICAL DOCUMENT

MOST MODERN CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES WILL BE ACTED ON TODAY.

FUTURE NOT BRIGHT ONE

Oregon's Laws Only Portion of the Measures Involved in Constitution Which is by Far the Most Radical and Socialistic of Any Ever Voted on—Appearances Are That Congress Will Frame It.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6—Official Washington is awaiting with no little interest news of the result of the special election in Arizona today to decide upon the ratification or rejection of the Constitution framed for the new state. If the constitution is adopted by the people of Arizona it will be sent to Washington immediately for the approval of the President and Congress. That the matter will be subject of some lively debates in congress is a foregone conclusion.

The Constitutional convention of Arizona met at Phoenix, beginning its sessions last October. After sixty-one days of spirited debate it adopted an instrument designated by the majority members as the most progressive ever framed and by the minority as the most socialistic. While either of these views may be exaggerated there is no denying the fact that the Arizona Constitution contains more new ideas and theories of government than even that of Oklahoma and should the state be admitted under it, it will give the opportunity to test them never before afforded.

Among the distinctive features provided in the Constitution are the initiative and referendum, the recall of all elective officers, including the judiciary; amendment to the constitution by a majority vote of the people upon the initiative of 15 per cent of the voters; rigid corporation regulation, with a provision designed to abolish "wild-catting"; physical valuation of railroads as a basis for rate regulation; non-partisan election of the judiciary and popular direct primaries and an employers' liability provision abrogating the fel-

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DRASTIC ACT TO STOP GRAIN FRAUDS

CANADIANS INTRODUCE NEW BILL THAT IS RADICAL IN THE EXTREME.

BIG FINE FOR MIXING

Fine and Imprisonment for Men Mixing Grain at Elevators and for the Corporations Involved—Officers of Concerns Subject to Penalties—Would Loosen Trade with United States Too.

Ottawa, Feb. 9—The Canadian Grain act just introduced in parliament by Sir Richard Cartwright is the most drastic legislation ever attempted affecting the handling of grain in Canada. Among other things provided for is the punishment for mixing grain at terminal elevators with a minimum penalty of \$5,000 fine and a minimum of two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$20,000 in case the corporation is guilty. Officers are subject to penalties.

The bill is based on the Minnesota grain act and will facilitate free movement of grain from Canada to the United States should the reciprocity bill carry.

NEW OPERATING SCHEDULE

Western Pacific Makes Agreement With Harriman Lines on Coast.

San Francisco, Feb. 9—Becoming operative immediately traffic arrangements have been completed between the Western Pacific and Southern Pacific which opens to the Western Pacific every point on the Pacific coast reached by the Harriman lines. The deal was negotiated in Chicago and announced in telegraphic reports today.

SENATOR ON TRIAL

State Senator from New York Accused of Attempting Bribery.

New York, Feb. 9—Charged with an attempt to bribe Former State Senator Foelker to vote against the anti-racing bill, Former Senator Frank Gardner was placed on trial today. He has been out on bail since he came back from Scranton, Pa., two months ago.

TERRIFIED HUSBAND: "THERE'LL BE — IF I DO, AND THERE'LL BE — IF I DON'T!"



—Donnell in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

JOHN E. REDMOND.

Has Been Re-elected Chairman of Irish Parliamentary Party.



Redmond, the Irish Leader is Destined to Figure Conspicuously in the Present Session of Parliament, Deemed to be the Most Important in Modern History.

RIVAL MAT MEN MEET TONIGHT FOR SCRAP

HACKENSCHMIDT AND ZBYSZKO WILL SETTLE SUPREMACY.

Winner Will be Sent Against Frank Gotch for Championship.

New York, Feb. 9—The Hackenschmidt-Zbyszko wrestling match in Madison Square Garden tonight has aroused a lively interest in sporting circles here. The meeting of these two giant mat artists is the culmination of months of negotiations, challenges and counter-challenges. Each of the big wrestlers has a host of loyal followers and it is expected a large amount of money will change hands on the result of the match. The articles of agreement provide for a handicap match, Hackenschmidt undertaking to put the shoulders of the giant Pole to the mat twice within an hour and a half. The winner of the contest will undoubtedly endeavor to get on a match with Frank Gotch for the world's championship title.

Manitoba Legislature Meets.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 9—The Manitoba legislature assembled today. The occasion was marked with the usual ceremonial. The session promises to be one of considerable importance. The question of reciprocity probably will receive attention, as well as measures dealing with the initiative and referendum, government ownership, the extension of the boundaries of the province and other matters of public interest.

Illinois Y. M. C. A.

Freeport, Ill., Feb. 9—Delegations representing the branches of the Young Men's Christian Association throughout Illinois met here today for their annual state convention. The gathering is to last four days, closing on Saturday with a farewell service at which addresses will be given by several states. The gathering will have a general theme, "The Conservation of Young Manhood," around which most of the speakers have been instructed to make their remarks. Prominent among those on the programme are Bishop Anderson of Chicago, Dr. J. C. Acheson, president of Caldwell college and Charles P. Towson and Dr. Charles J. Fisher, both members of the international committee.

DUAL MURDER AND SUICIDE AT JOSEPH

W. L. Winder Kills Wife, Sister-in-law and Himself

BABE ALONE IS SPARED

Joseph, Feb. 9 (Special)—A wholesale murder and suicide occurred on the Rinehart ranch six miles from Joseph this forenoon when W. L. Winder shot his wife and his sister-in-law, Mrs. S. D. Rinehart in a fit of insane jealousy. Immediately after having placed his nine-months old baby in charge of help he blew his own brains out.

The deed was committed on the Rinehart ranch where he was employed. His wife was the first one shot and he then turned the weapon on his sister-in-law, the wife of the man who employed him and both were killed almost instantly.

Cares for His Baby.
A nine months' old baby, already mortally injured by the rash act of the father, was spared. With his gun still hot he seized the baby and hurried to neighbors where without explanation he placed the baby in the hands of competent care and hurried back to the Rinehart ranch.

Turns Gun on Himself.
On his return to the scene of his bloody slaughter of a few minutes before, Winder turned the gun on himself and suicided. The trio were found dead soon after. None beside those he killed and the baby were near when the shooting commenced.

Jealousy Blamed.
There seems to be no other known cause than jealousy. From that state the trouble grew to temporary insanity, it is believed, for neighbors who have been in close touch with the Winder and Rinehart families cannot ascribe any cause for the terrible deed. The jealousy theory is surmised of course for there is no clew to the real cause, at least none have as yet been divulged.

Painless Child Cared For.
With the discovery of the murders and suicide, astonishing the entire community, sympathy is turned to

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5 WOMEN DROWN AS CAR GOES INTO RIVER

THREE OF THE BODIES HAVE BEEN RECOVERED AT NOON.

Conductor and Motorman Escape While Car Goes Into River.

Sheboygan, Wis., Feb. 9—Five women passengers were drowned when a street car plunged into an open draw bridge into the Sheboygan river today.

The conductor and motorman saw the impending danger and jumped. One lady, Anna Mathis, was a prominent music teacher. Three of the bodies have been recovered at noon.

An investigation of the affair has been ordered.