

ASTOR HEIR OF 7 1-2 POUNDS IS BORN TODAY

MOTHER AND YOUNG FELLOW ARE DOING SPLENDIDLY

CONTEST OF ORIGINAL WILL MAY BE STARTED

Three Million Set Aside for the Heir of the Deceased J. J. Astor Deemed Insufficient and Madeline Force Astor, Widow-Mother, May Contest the Will Giving Her Mere Trifle.

New York, Aug. 14.—A seven and three-quarters pound son was born today to Mrs. John Jacob Astor, widow of Col. Astor, a victim of the Titanic wreck. The mother and child are doing well. He has been named John Jacob after his father.

A morbid, curious crowd gathered in front of the mansion early today, drawn by the rumor that the expected visit of the stork was near.

The birth of an heir is expected to strengthen the rivalry now existing between Mrs. Madeline Force Astor, mother of the newest heir, and Mrs. Ava Willing Astor, divorced wife of Colonel Astor and mother of Vincent Astor, chief beneficiary under the terms of the colonel's will. Before sailing for England on a pleasure trip Astor drew up a new will by the terms of which \$3,000,000 were set aside for the expected heir and Colonel Astor and his wife were en route for America that the event might occur on American soil when the Titanic sank.

Mrs. Madeline Astor believes that her baby is not fairly treated and may contest the Astor will.

Georgia Agricultural Meeting.

Dublin, Ga., Aug. 14.—The eradication of the army worm, which has seriously threatened the crops in this section of the country, is to be exhaustively discussed at the annual meeting of the Georgia Agricultural Society, which began a two day's session today at the Experiment Station here. President John W. L. Brown called the gathering to order and delivered his annual address.

Dietz Pardon Hearing.

Madison, Wis., Aug. 14.—Governor McGovern has set tomorrow as the day for hearing the application for a pardon for John Dietz of Cameron dam fame, who barricaded himself in his house two years ago and resisted with arms a sheriff's posse. In the conflict a deputy sheriff was shot and killed. Dietz was convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. The application for a pardon has been made through the efforts of Mrs. Dietz.

CORSICAN NOT IN ANY DANGER

COLLISION WITH ICEBERG IS NOT FATAL

Fog Lifts and Injured Steamer Proceeds on Its Way.

Montreal, Aug. 14.—Grave doubts felt here today concerning the fate of the steamer Corsican, which collided with an iceberg yesterday were cleared away when a wireless message from the damaged liner stated, "All is well. The fog has lifted and the vessel is proceeding."

Frolic For Frick Unique

FRICK'S ALADDIN LAWN PARTY IS NEAR.

HELD ON FRICKS LAWN

Lawn to Be Prepared and Repaired in a Few Hours.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 14.—The "billion-dollar lawn party" which Henry Frick, the steel magnate, is to give at his Prides Crossing estate on Friday night of this week, promises to establish a new high-water mark for lavish entertainment among the North Shore colony, whose summer residents include many of the wealthiest and most prominent families in all sections of the country. Excepting President Taft, every man present will be a millionaire, and the entire affair will be conducted on a scale of magnificence calculated to make the old New Englanders gasp with wonder.

A Nahant contracting firm has signed a contract which obliges them to lay a smooth and perfect dancing floor on the Frick lawn between the hours of seven and nine on Friday evening and to take it up again between the hours of 1 and 3 on the following morning. This contract is typical of all the arrangements that have been made for the fete. It is Mr. Frick's intention that his lawn shall present its usually orderly and well-kept appearance at dark on Friday evening and again at day break on Saturday morning, but for the four hours between 9 p. m. and 1 a. m. it will be transformed into a fairyland. It is said that the party will represent the largest gathering of millionaires ever assembled at one time in this or any other country.

\$1000 REWARD GIVEN BY STATE

POSSES UNABLE TO FIND THE FUGITIVE.

Mrs. Barclay Still Maintains Assailant Was Negro.

Baker, Ore., Aug. 14.—(Special).—An order from the governor's office last evening, offering a reward of a thousand dollars for the capture and conviction of the man who assaulted Mrs. William Barclay at Huntington Sunday evening, was the only new development in the case this morning. The fugitive is still at large and last evening word from Huntington stated that the posses had returned and after thoroughly scouring the country on both sides of Snake river, had about given up hope of immediate capture.

The description accompanying the offer of the reward states that the man was a negro, about five feet five inches in height; weight about 155 pounds, either gray or blue suit and dark cap. A negro was seen on the west side of this city yesterday forenoon, but a thorough combing of the locality by officers yielded no trace of him. He was reported to have been seen by a railroad employe, who notified the station, where the word was communicated to the sheriff's office.

If the crime was committed by a negro, as Mrs. Barclay still maintains, the man-hunt should terminate successfully within the next few days, but if a colored man is the guilty party he seems to have escaped from the immediate vicinity of Huntington.

Fights Scheduled for Tonight.

Jimmy Clabby vs. Ted Jasper, six rounds, at Hammond, Ind.

36 STATES TO HEAR COLONEL IN CAMPAIGN

FIRST ADDRESS OF THE WESTERN TOUR ON LABOR DAY

EXACT PLAN OF THE CAMPAIGN NOT ANNOUNCED

Roosevelt, Dixon and Others Discuss the Campaign This Afternoon at Oyster Bay—Dates to Be Announced Later—Seattle Progressives Start a Complete Ticket.

BULL MOOSE MEETING TONIGHT.

The Progressives of La Grande will meet tonight at the W. H. Bohnenkamp store to formally organize the Progressive club in La Grande and this organization is preparatory to the formation of the county organization that in turn is to send a delegation to the Portland meeting. It is imperative that all interested in the Progressive cause attend this meeting.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 14.—Plans for the Progressive campaign were discussed here today at a conference between Roosevelt, Senator Dixon and George W. Perkins. Roosevelt announced he expected to stump in 36 states, but the details are not announced. Roosevelt begins the longest western trip with a speech at St. Paul on Labor day.

State Ticket Withdrawn.

Seattle, Aug. 14.—Following the final decision of the Progressives to put a complete Progressive party ticket in the field, Progressives who have filed in the republican primaries, are rapidly withdrawing their candidacies today. A formal call naming the day for the primary and a place for the convention at which nominations will be made will be issued in a few hours. The primaries will be morally binding on the delegates to the convention.

'TWO TELEPHONE SYSTEMS FOLLY' SAYS WRITER ON TELEPHONE TOPIC

La Grande, Aug. 14.—(To the Editor).—We take it for granted that the follow of two telephone systems is so thoroughly stamped in the minds of the average La Grande citizen that very little comment upon the subject is necessary. But since this subject has been forced upon the community, there are a few things which we as interested parties wish to state.

There can only be a very few reasons such as—"failure to develop the field," "excessive rates" and "poor service"—why any community like La Grande should willingly burden itself with a second telephone system. In the matter of development we are perfectly safe in claiming there is no territory in Oregon as well developed telephonically as Union and Wallawa counties of which La Grande is the natural metropolis and trading center.

This company has mile upon mile of non-revenue producing lines which were built by the expenditure of considerable investment and are maintained at a great expense, in order to thoroughly develop the territory. So well is this territory covered by us

GIRL OF EIGHT MURDERED BY A STEPFATHER

"BROKEN HEARTED" FATHER INTENDED TO SUICIDE

BELIEVED HE NEGLECTED TO FULFILL HIS PLAN

After Killing Step-Daughter by Slashing Her Throat, Los Angeles Man Is Thought to Have Hidden Himself and Not Carried Out His Threat to Suicide—Blames Wife for It.

Los Angeles, Aug. 14.—Search is being made throughout Southern California today for C. E. Greenfield, stepfather of the little eight year old girl, Vivian Greenfield, who was found dead in an apartment house in Venice with her throat cut. Greenfield was last seen with the child.

Mrs. Charles E. Greenfield, mother of Vivian Greenfield, who was murdered yesterday, today received a letter from her husband in which the police believe is established the fact that Greenfield murdered the child and then took his own life, or sought to create that impression. Greenfield, in the letter, accuses his wife of breaking his heart and tells of his intention to make away with the child and end his own life.

It is believed here that he did not carry out his threat to commit suicide after the murder of his step-daughter.

Meeting of Lutheran Synod.

Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 14.—Delegates from every Lutheran synod of the United States are attending the synodical conference which assembled here today for a week's session. All branches of denominational work will be discussed by the conference and on Sunday next a special meeting will be held in the Auditorium for the consideration of negro missionary work.

Leo Herring Unchanged.

Late this afternoon Leo Herring is still very low with but slight hopes for recovery. His condition is practically unchanged from yesterday.

Golf Club Court Issue

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ASKED—ONE CENT GIVEN.

CASE IS APPEALED

New York Courts Have a Unique Case at Hand.

New York, Aug. 14.—That the intricacies of the ancient and royal game of golf may, from a legal as well as a physical standpoint, be too much even for the venerable judges of the appellate term of the supreme court of this state, was indicated here this week in a strange case brought by an aggrieved golfer to recover damages from an express company for the loss of a favorite golf club.

The case was brought by a man who had expressed a particularly cherished golf club to New York to be repaired with the result that it was lost. The lower court awarded nominal damages of one cent as against \$100 asked by the plaintiff, a decision which the appellate division at once set aside. Perhaps the most interesting part of this action occurs in the decision of the presiding appellate judge who declared that "the trial judge, learned in all things but golf, has evidently misconceived this case and treated it in a spirit of levity not at all warranted by the facts. The evidence shows an utter failure on the part of the defendant to exercise reasonable care in insuring prompt delivery to the consignee though it had full knowledge of the necessity for the prompt delivery."

As a result of this decision, golf is likely to become an important part of the judicial curriculum in this state since knowledge of this game the opinion of the appellate judge indicates, has now become necessary to justices and officers who may be called upon to settle knotty problems in this connection.

LAD OF 10 LEFT IN OLD HUT

PROMINENT BUT UNKNOWN WOMAN IS SOUGHT.

Old Negress Has White Boy in Her Charge.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Joe Wilford Johnson, a ten year old white boy was found living in unspeakable squalor in the home here of a negress, Nora Johnson, where he is alleged to have been placed by his mother, a Washington society woman.

The police are making an exhaustive search to establish the identity of his mother. The boy has been there several years.

Vigorous 2-Year-Old Celebrates.

Timber Lake, S. D., Aug. 14.—The town of Timber Lake, whose paved streets and up-to-date business houses and residences occupy a tract that was only a prairie waste two years ago, today began a three day's celebration of its second birthday anniversary. A feature of the celebration will be speeches by Thomas Sterling, nominee for United States senator; E. S. Johnson, Democratic nominee for governor, and other public men of prominence.

Western Canada Irrigation Congress.

Kelowna, B. C., Aug. 14.—The sixth annual meeting of the Western Canada Irrigation Association began here today with a large and representative attendance. The meeting will last three days and will be addressed by Hon. W. R. Ross, Minister of lands of British Columbia; Hon. Price Ellison, Minister of the Treasury, and Dr. Samuel Fortier, of the United States Department of Agriculture.

HOUSE IGNORES STEEL VETO AT FIRST CHANCE

REPEALING OF VETO LEADS TO PASSAGE OF BILL

REASONS FOR VETO SET OUT IN ANSWER

Cotton Tariff Bill as Passed by House and Repealed Over Veto Is Adopted in the Senate Substitute for the Measure Rejected Immediately Afterwards in the Senate.

Washington, Aug. 14.—The senate passed the house cotton tariff bill by a vote of 36 to 19. This is the bill passed over Taft's veto.

By a vote of 14 to 40, the senate today rejected the substitute cotton tariff revision bill proposed instead of the house measure, by Senator Follette.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Objecting to the measure, "because it would be disastrous to the iron and steel industry and a revision of the tariff without ample study and investigation," President Taft, in a special message to the house, today vetoed the steel bill.

Steel Bill Passed Over Veto. After Taft's veto on the steel bill, Majority Leader Underwood made a motion to pass the bill over the president's veto. After a debate of the motion, the house passed the bill.

The veto messages said that despite the statements made by democrats that the bill was designed to revise the tariff on iron and steel products only one-third of the revisions applied to these products. It asserted that 59 allied industries would be directly affected by the measure. Taft admits some items in the schedule should be reduced. He outlined a plan of the tariff board declaring a report justified the belief in its work and added: "The proposed bill has not been framed on a basis of study of the steel industry. Avoiced its rates are fixed with no consideration of anything but revenue. The principle of protection is disregarded entirely."

The vote was 173 for passing over Taft's veto to 83 against. Sixteen progressives supported the democrats. The bill is passed by a two-thirds vote in the senate it will become a law despite the president's veto.

Rear Admiral Zane Retires.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 14.—Rear Admiral Abraham V. Zane, who has been serving the past year as president of the board of inspectors for the shore stations, was placed on the retired list of the navy today on account of having reached the age limit for active service.

CONSUL KILLED IN REBELLION

REPORTS FROM COLOMBIA TELL OF MURDER

American Believed to Have Been Assassinated.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Advises received here say that William Bruce McMasters, the American vice consul at Cartagena, Colombia, has been murdered.

The crime is believed to be the work of rebels.

The state department has ordered an immediate investigation and verification of the rumor.

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