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BUFFALO BILL GOES TO HAPPY HUNTIN' GROUND

FAMOUS INDIAN SCOUT LEAVES THE EARTH TO WANDER IN NEW FIELDS.

BECOMES UNCONSCIOUS AND PASSES AWAY AT 12:05

Cattle Driver, Pony Express Rider, Horse Buyer, Scout, Indian Fighter, Buffalo Hunter, Actor and Circus Man—He Played All Parts Well and Lived an Eventful Life.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 10.—(United Press)—Colonel William F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," died at 12:05 o'clock today at the home of Mrs. May Cody Decker, his sister, from complication of diseases. He lapsed into unconsciousness this morning.

Colonel William F. Cody, scout, Indian fighter and frontiersman, was born in Scott county, Iowa, February 26, 1846, one of a family of eight children. His father, Isaac Cody, lived on a farm called "Napsinekee Place," to which Indians frequently coming and going taught young Bill their language.

When Bill was 10 he entered the employ of a man named Russell as a cattle driver and pony express rider. In 1857 his father died and Bill left for Salt Lake City with a troop of soldiers to quell an uprising. He killed his first Indian at the age of 12.

Cody served in the Civil war as horse buyer, guide and scout. He gained the name of Buffalo Bill in 1867, when he killed 4280 buffalo to supply the men for construction gangs on the Kansas Pacific railroad. He was prominent in the Indian wars under Generals Forsyth, Hazen, Custer and other famous leaders. In 1873 he made his first appearance on the stage in a play written by Ned Buntling called the "Scout of the Plains."

In 1883, Buffalo Bill and Dr. Carver organized the world famous "Wild West" show. The show went to Europe where it enjoyed wonderful success, the proprietors being introduced to Queen Victoria and the Prince and Princess of Wales, who congratulated them on their brilliant production.

ODD FELLOWS TAKE BAKER BY STORM. BIG CROWD ON THE SPECIAL

Local Lodge More Than Covers Its Guarantee—Eighty-two Go From La Grande, Fourteen From North Powder—Towns of Vicinity Send Delegations—Visitors Well Entertained at Baker.

The Odd Fellows' "golden special" to Baker last night was a very decided success. The local lodge more than covered its guarantee to the railroad company, both financially and in the number of passengers required. Eighty-two made the round trip from La Grande; 10, from North Powder, and a number from other points.

The train was so well patronized that quite a number had to serve on a self-elected standing committee. The various lodges along the line, including North Powder, Imbler, Cove, Union, North Powder and Haynes, sent delegations until by the time the special reached its destination, the crowd overflowed into the vestibules. The live little town of Haynes contributed a delegation of 47. At Baker the visiting brethren were met by a committee from Elk Horn lodge and escorted immediately to the lodge rooms. Automobiles were provided for the women visitors and the men formed in line and marched up the streets.

Elkhorn lodge has a beautiful assembly room with a balcony, having a seating capacity of nearly 300 and the hall was quickly filled to overflowing. The event of the evening was the presentation of the first degree, put on by the degree team from La Grande lodge. Modesty, of course, forbids the local boys to admit that they did the degree work in splendid shape, but that is the fact, nevertheless, duly certified to by the many flattering comments elicited by her performance. The Odd Fellows first degree offers a wide scope for real dramatic ability

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TOM LAWSON AT THE CAPITAL WITH "LEAK" INFORMATION!



Thomas W. Lawson, Boston millionaire, at left, on the capitol steps, Washington, where he was summoned to give information he is said to have concerning a "leak" reported to have made it possible for men getting an advance tip on President Wilson's peace note to clean up \$50,000,000 in Wall-st. Lawson is shown talking with Representative Frank Buchanan of Illinois.

UNITED PRESS SCORES MANY BEATS IN 1916

FROM THE WAR FRONTS IN EUROPE NOTABLE SERIES OF ARTICLES HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE OBSERVER—ELECTION COVERED IN FINE STYLE—EVERY NOOK AND CORNER OF UNITED STATES, CANADA, SOUTH AMERICA AND AUSTRALIA HAS UNITED PRESS CORRESPONDENTS—1916 NOTABLE FOR STIRRING EVENTS.

From the war fronts in Europe; through the foreign cabinet crises; in covering our own country's unprecedented election; from South America, Australia, and every nook and corner of the United States and Canada The Observer has shown its superiority during the past year through The United Press, its telegraphic news service.

Standing out as the biggest news feat of the year—in fact one of the biggest journalistic accomplishments of a decade—is the interview with David Lloyd George, now the British Premier, published in the Observer on September 28. In this interview the then War Minister told the word thru the United Press the attitude of the Allies toward the war. The interview has been quoted time after time in the peace discussion that has recently arisen. It vitally has become a state document to which the entire world refers.

From this high mark of the year in news achievement, on through the various crises in this country, and in handling endless "big" domestic stories, through the United Press The Observer has been able to publish the news first.

On the night of November 7 when all other news agencies, and newspapers throughout the United States, announced the election of Charles E. Hughes, the United Press stood stolidly on the returns as was gathering through its bureaus and correspondents. These returns did not show Hughes elected. The United Press was not stampeded. It was delivering reports from State after State far ahead of the opposition service. It was passing through one of the most severe tests of speed, accuracy and efficiency that had ever arisen, and it made good. When the turn came, the United Press was far ahead on developments in California, which finally clinched the reelection of President Wilson.

From the nominating conventions in Chicago, through the campaign with staff correspondents covering the tour and speeches of the candidates, and on the final count in California, The Observer led the way with the United Press report.

Fitted For Service.
The beginning of 1917 finds The Observer better fitted than ever before to give its readers the news of the entire world first. In August, 1916, the United Press established the first comprehensive South American news service and closed a long term contract with La Nacion, the leading newspaper of Argentina. President Wilson, Sec-

retary of State Lansing, Foreign Secretary Murature, of Argentina and many other government and financial leaders commented on this connecting of the two Americas through the news channels as a history making step of the highest importance.

The year saw many other important foreign developments of The United Press, including the signing of important contracts with leading Paris papers; the establishment of a connection with the Australian Press Association and extensions in England, Germany and Russia.

After an extended trip through Russia and a period in Petrograd, William Phillip Simms, manager of the Paris Bureau returned to France and was permanently credentialed to the British front.

Simms is the first American correspondent at the British front representing one neutral news agency exclusively.

Henry Wood is now with the French Armies. He is credentialed to remain at the front permanently, was an eye witness of the recent French victory at Verdun.

Carl W. Ackerman was with the German army when the Teutonic forces made their victorious sweep through Rumania which culminated in the capture of Bucharest.

W. S. Forrest has on different occasions visited the British fleet. He sent personal eye-witness stories from Ireland during the revolt there.

From the Balkans, from Italy, Russia, England, and France have come United Press stories—First.

Here is a partial list of United Press publications by The Observer during the epoch making news year just closed:

Jan. 1.—Ahead on sinking of liner Fersia.

Jan. 4.—Exclusive Wood story on battle of Mount Lowcen for the mastery of Adriatic. First intimation that Montenegro in severe straits. Mount Lowcen's capture was announced the week later followed by Montenegro's surrender.

Ahead throughout on stories of Ford peace ship expedition, Charles P. Stewart, U. P. staff correspondent being aboard peace ship.

Exclusive Interview.

Jan. 14.—Exclusive statement from Chancellor Bethmann-Holweg on Kaiser's condition when latter was ill and rumors his condition serious were being circulated.

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President's Brother-in-Law, R. W. Bolling Testifies That He had No Knowledge of Leak of Peace Note

GERMANS REPORT ALLIES HAVE NAVAL LOSSES

BRITISH ARMORED CRUISER SHANNON IS REPORTED SUNK BY MINE.

ITALIAN SUBMARINE DESTROYER IS LOST

Seven Naval and Thirty-three Army Officers Perish—French and Italian Naval Cruisers Battle Together by Mistake—Allies Have Their Answer to President Ready.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—(United Press)—The Press Bureau said a mine sank the British armored cruiser Shannon in November.

An Italian submarine destroyer sank off Corfu. Seven naval and thirty-three army officers perished.

French and Italian cruisers battled on the night of December 22. Heavy losses were sustained before they identified each other.

Allies' Note Is Ready.
BY ED. L. KEEN.

London, Jan. 10.—(United Press)—The Allies answer to President Wilson's note may be handed to Ambassador Sharp in Paris today. It will be withheld from publication several days on account of agreement providing simultaneous publicity in America and Europe. The note will thoroughly detail the Allies' acts. It has been delayed while the Allies exchanged views and arranged its phraseology.

ADAMSON LAW NOW UP TO SUPREME COURT

Arguments in Case to Have Eight-Hour Law Declared Unconstitutional Are Ended.

Washington, Jan. 10.—(United Press)—The Missouri and Gulf Railroad suits to have the Adamson eight-hour law declared unconstitutional was submitted to the Supreme Court this afternoon. It is not known when the decision will come.

Maine has the richest county in the United States.

LATE NEWS BY WIRE

Germans Keep Steadily Advancing In Roumania.
Berlin, via Sayville, Jan. 10.—(United Press)—It is announced that the Germans gained a footing on the left bank of the Putna River, Roumania. The enemy retreated behind the Sereth lines. Five hundred and fifty prisoners were taken. Germans captured nine hundred prisoners northwest of Focsani the last two days.

Harry Thaw Escapes Arrest, Mother Denies Knowledge.
Pittsburgh, Jan. 10.—(United Press)—Thaw's friend said the New York state authorities were persecuting him. He will fight extradition on these grounds if arrested. Roger O'Mara, former body guard of Thaws, said: "Lots of people want to put Thaw away."
Mrs. Mary Copley Thaw arrived at the Beechwood residence. She denied all knowledge of her son's whereabouts. It is believed Thaw has escaped temporarily. He may be hidden in his mother's house.

Greek Crown Council Will Probably Accede to Demands.
Athens, Jan. 10.—(United States)—It is reliably reported that the Greek Crown Council favors acceptance of the Allies' demands. Their ultimatum asks the reduction of all Greek military forces, prohibition of reservists' meetings throughout the country north of Corinth, release of all Venizilista prisoners, formal apology for attacks on entente troops and a new commander for the First Greek army.

Chancellor Hollweg Is Preparing Another Peace Note.
Rome, Jan. 10.—(United Press)—Lugano dispatches asserted that Chancellor Hollweg is preparing a note, defining the Central Powers war aims and outlining acceptable peace conditions.

Prominent Figures in the Peace Note "Leak" Investigation.



JOSEPH P. TUMULTY.



WILLIAM R. WOOD.

The congressional investigation into the charges that Wall street had advanced information on the president's peace note took sensational turn when Representative Wood of Indiana, author of the resolution for an investigation of the charges, declared he had information that Tumulty, President Wilson's secretary, had been seen luncheon with Barney Baruch. Baruch, Wall street speculator, is the man reported responsible for the "leak" and is said to have cleaned up heavily as a result. Secretary Tumulty denied this and was exonerated by the president.

Ceremonies Postponed.
Halfway, Jan. 10.—(Special)—Because of the absence of Attorney C. J. Shelton, the inauguration of Halfway city officials was postponed until he returns from a business trip to outside points. The official books were kept in Mr. Shelton's office, but although he expected to be home Thursday evening the ceremonies had to be set for another date.

REPORTERS SAY LANSING GAVE TIP ON NOTE

Therefore Reporters Say He Told Them He Wanted It Published in Morning Papers—Lansing Had Previously Stated He Had Not Market in Mind When Talking to Reporters.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 10.—(United Press)—R. W. Bolling, the president's brother-in-law, testified before the house rules committee today in the peace note leak probe. He demanded Representative Wood apologize for mentioning his name. He denied any leak knowledge.

Manager Crawford, of the Central News Washington Bureau, testified he got state department's permission to send a confidential telegram to the New York office, saying that the note was forthcoming. He declared the state department wanted the note published in the morning papers, so it would not affect the market during the day.

Archie Jamieson, the Central News state department reporter, testified that Secretary Lansing told the newspapermen he didn't want the note garbled fearing it would injuriously effect the markets.

Representative Len Root read Secretary Lansing's statement saying: "Hadn't the mark in mind while conversing with reporters."

The committee requested C. W. Barron, head of the Wall Street Journal, to testify. The Journal supplies news to the Dow Jones Ticker Service. The Ticker carried the advance notice of the note. The committee also learned that the Hearst news service supplied information to tickers. Representative Bennett asked that the Hearst representative be subpoenaed.

Suffragists Place Pickets at White House

Congressional Union Women Attempt to Talk National Suffrage With President But He Speeds by in Auto.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 10.—(United Press)—Twelve Congressional Union women here picketed on the east and west of the White House entrances to discuss national woman's suffrage. Attached discussed means for dispersing the women in the event of disturbances. President Wilson automobiling from golf met the sentries. His machine speeded up and dashed past. The president smiled. The police watched the women.

The women intend gradually increasing the guard until three thousand women surround the White House on Inauguration Day.

Community Should Have a Conscience

Miss Mary Watson of U. of O. Speaks to High School Students Upon Reading and Civic Consciousness.

Not long ago The Observer editorially had something to say about good books for boys and this morning Miss Mary Watson of the extension department of the University of Oregon told the La Grande high school boys and girls the names of some good books, which, as citizens-to-be, they should read. Miss Watson's subject at the meeting at nine this morning, attended by adults as well as the student body members, dealt with civic or community consciousness as exemplified in the novel of the past and present.

Miss Watson told her audience that

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Hay Held Over \$12 a Ton.
Halfway, Jan. 10.—(Special)—Hay has advanced to \$12 per ton and yet at that price there is not much for sale because of the belief that the winter will last longer than was expected. Those who have hay to sell are holding it until the price reaches the highest mark.