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PRICE FIVE CENTS.



Scattle Breaks Record, but Helps Some With 14 Marriages.

rate the difference between us,

mve offered or about 15 per cent, which we are asking for, we are ready to agree to that. We are ready to arbithe entire question. Arbitration is only HORSES TO BE BANQUETED a gamble at the best and if the railroads are ready to begin at 9% per cent and Humane Society to Serve Christmas go upward we might take a chance." Managers May Offer 10 Per Cent. Although no definite advance has been ade by either side, it is said the rallroad managers are prepared to offer a flat 10 per cent increase, not only to 1311 Baltimore avenue. the engineers, but to the trainmen and Society today chose a place for serving conductors as well and end the enlire the dinner. Each horse will receive a controversy. The managers have been large suck of oats and hay enough to make him feel fat. (Concluded on Page 2.)

no embarrassment of the Governorelect in his campaign against Mr. Lodge.

long series of questions, established his identity as Robert Jackson, who at the time of the alleged contract mar-

net Baldwin, the wife of the turfman,

HOLD-UPS STRIP VICTIM Mrs. Lillio

the doomed structure, firemen climbed to the roofs of three small dwellings adjoining. It was here that the aceident oc-Tacoma Man Left Shivering as curred. Scattered about on the three Thieves Make Good Escape. small structures at every vantage point west: nearly 40 men, while clinging to TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 21 .- (Special.)their ley ladders, which were leaning against the south wall of the Two masked highwaymen encountered John Edgar, a department manager for leather factory, were Patrick Carroll, the Pacific Brewing & Malting Com-George Machinsky and John Carroll, pany, at South Twelfth and R streets, all of Engine Company No. 1.

12 firemen and as many policemen losi

the building was a furnace. Unable to fight the flames from the roof of

pern in what kind of railroad securities **Rates Had No Effect.**

the public bought.

In 15 years' experience he had met with no instance in which rates had been changed to affect interest paynents or dividends. He doubted if there were a dozen traffic men in the country who knew the capitalization of the companies they represented.

Therefore, there was no need of regu ation of securities or a control of rates. As for the public, as long as the indiridual was left free to speculate as he shose in wildcat shares, he need not be specifically protected from the railread.

The Government was objefly interested, he thought, in seeing that the railroad companies received value in full for their issues

Returns, Is Question.

"Hence the question," he said, "would seem to be not what the companies now own, but what they get for the securities furnished. The value of the property now owned would seem to have no relation to that question."

If it is proposed to make a physical duation of the railroade a basis for induing rates, he could only say any scheme of appraising property by an attempt to estimate the cost of its reproduction was exceedingly mischleysus and utterly impracticable

Control Regulation Urged.

Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the Kansas City Southern Railway and for he receivers of the Seaboard Airline, who followed Judge Lovett, recon nded that no railroad he permitted to acquire control of another except by lease or outright purchase. This is for protection of the minority stockholders, three-quarters of the shareholders favored a sale and one-quarter opposed it, he recommended that the court order a sale. Such, he said, was the English practice, and experience showed that it worked well.

CAR BRAKES CAUSE WRECK Boy and Girl Escape by Miracle:

Employes Are Injured.

NELSON, B. C., Dec. IL-A runaway car caused the injury of three persons and wrecked the car on the new electric street railway just put in operation this

The brakes failed to hold on a 15 per The car ran backward. tumped the track at a sharp curve and

The injured are: Superintendent Ingram. street railway company; Motorman Geby and Conductor Franklin,

Two passengers, a boy and a girl, had Two passengers, a boy and a girl, had a miraculous eacape. wreckage being piled all around them.

SEATTLE, Dec. 21 .- Thirty-three diorces granted in three hours set new records both for continuity of performance and for speed in the Superio Court today. In view of the fact that not less than two witnesses were heard in each case, the average time of five minutes twenty-one seconds is consid-

ered remarkable by local attorneys. "I do not ascribe the unusually large umber of divorce cases to any further loosening of domestic ties, because they have been plenty loose enough all slong, according to the number of cases that steadily come before me," said Judge A. W. Frater, in whose court the 22 cases were tried.

"I shall endeavor again at this see sion to wake the Legislature up on the subject of our lax divorce laws." Fourteen marriage licenses were is-

today, which, in a measure, re paired the matrimonial damage.

GERMAN BIRTH RATE LAGS

Menace of Race Suicide Seen in Statistics by Sociologists.

BERLIN, Dec. 21 .- (Special.) - As a result of computations recently completed, it is found that the birth rate in Germany is decreasing. Sociologists are anxiously drawing attention to the menace of race suicide. Last year's birth rate for every 1000 of population throughout the Empire was only \$3, as against 36 for the decade ending in

1590, and 42 per 1000 in 1575. The decline is attributed partly to the increasing reluctance of prosperous persons, especially in cities, to accept the burden of raising large families. The unfavorable showing is causing some concern among statisticians, who point out that a continuance of this rapld decline in the birth rate would bring Germany ere long to the condition of France, where the population has ceased to grow.

EXPLORERS ASHORE, ANGRY Japanese Expedition to Find South

Pole Has Bad Start.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. E .- The steamer Kainan Maru, carrying Admiral Shirase and the Japanese expedition to seek the South Pole, which left Japan two days before the salling of the steamer Ay-meric, which arrived teday, had an inuspicious start, going ashore in Tokio East following a dispute among those heading the expedition.

Before starting, all hands proceeded to the imperial palace to give three bangais of the Emperor and then proceeded to a Shinto Temple to be "purifie"

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but who later became valet to Colonel Henry I. Kowalaky, of San Francisco Dinner of Oats and Hay. McNab also elicited the information that Mrs. Turnbull had met Jackson

within the past fortnight at Kowalsky's KANSAS CITY, Dec. II.-All the horses of Kansas City are invited, through their apartment in a hotel here. owners, to attend a Christmas dinner at

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Witness Compelled to Admit. McNab proceeded with questions leadig up to the query: "Is there not an-

tenight and compelled him to strip off his clothing. One robber was armed with a revolver and the other with a big (Concluded on Page 3.) club

> After getting Edgar's garments they proceeded to go through the pockets while he stood shivering in the cold. to dress and then give the alarm. They had made good their escape long before had been on his way to his home, 1516 South Prospect street.

Tacoma is experiencing an epidemic of hold-ups lately, highway robberies being of nightly occurrence. Thus far the police have been unable to secure even a trace of the thugs and the citizen lar. who has to go home after nightfall on dark streets is doing much worrying.

CHINESE OBEY: QUEUES GO Bearish Effect on Hair Market Ex-

pected From Edict in Orient.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 21 .- The date set for the removal of the queue from the heads of male Chinese was December 5, and when the steamship Aymeric left China a few days before that time the edict was being generally obeyed. Assuming that nearly 200,000,000 nucues will be cut off, the human hair market will be glutted. The prevailing style of hairdressing in the United States calls for much artificial hair. out not nearly so much as is available Human hair may be woven into cloth, but the fabric is stiff and unfoldable.

EX-HERO COOK DUE HOME

Gotham Scribes Will Question Him: Welcome to Be Frigid.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 .- Tomorrow afternoon, 1 year and 25 days from the time Dr. Frederick A. Cook disappeared from home, he is due to sail up New York harbor again, but no longer a There will be reporters to question him, but no welcome such as was given him on his return from the Arctic regions:

ship George Washington, due to dock | it would crash down upon the fremen tomorrow afternoor

Men See Danger.

The men on the houses saw their danger first and called a warning to their comrades on the ladders, but so sudden was the collapse of the wall that no one was able to escape the Taking about \$3 in change the thieves rain of bricks, twisted beams and threw the clothes aside and left Edgar girders. With a roar, the five-story mass crumbled, carrying either death or injury to every one who a m the police got word from Edgar, who before had stood, ice-covered, trying to save adjoining property.

The scene which followed was sickening. Thousands of gallons of water alreardy had been thrown into the burning building and there was at least two feet of ley water in the cel-

Some Bodies Recovered.

The first two bodies to be taken from the debris were those of Patrick Carroll and George Machinaky. Their heads were crushed almost beyond recognition. A few moments later the body of Charles Erderman was pulled beneath a heavy girder, and John from Carroll's body was taken out shortly Erderman's face was afterwards. buried in a mass of ice and John Carroll was frozen.

A hurry call was sent to all nearby hospitals and the police department for assistance. Soon nearly a score of anbulances were at the scene. As the injured firemen were lifted from beneath the debris, they were ministered to by the priests who had rushed to the fire from the German Catholic Church, three blocks away.

Groans Are Heard.

While the injured were being renoved from one side of the building, the groans of other firemen could be heard at the other end of the burned William Glazier, of Engine structure. Company No. 6, and Harry Bertolet of Chemical Engine No. 2, who were pinioned by heavy girders, were able to talk with the rescuers and direct their work.

John Carroll, of Engine Company No. 7, also was able to converse with the rescuers, but succumbed before he was reached. In the meantime, a greater disaster was threatening the men buried in the ruins. The north wall, which had remained standing, began to Dr. Cook is a passenger on the steam- totter, and fears were entertained that at any moment

WHAT MOST OF US

THINK WE

DESERVE.