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TWO NEGROES AT STILLWATER PRISON MAY NOW BE RELEASED.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 14.—Two men, now declared innocent of any crime who already have served thirty four years each of life terms for murder in the Minnesota penitentiary may secure tardy justice as a result of the newly awakened conscience of a man aided in tricking them into accepting the grave penalty.

R. L. Underhill and George Washington, negroes, are the victims who have spent the best years of their lives in the awful monotony of prison and who may now gain liberty and re-enter a world strangely changed since the gates closed on them in 1875.

It is said the man who admits his guilt in railroaded these men to the penitentiary has already appeared before the state pardon board with a plea for their release, declaring that he has worried for thirty four years over the unjust sentence.

RICH GIFTS FOR A BRIDE.

BALTIMORE, Md., April 14.—The wedding today of Miss Harriet Brown daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Brown, and T. Suffer Tailor of New York was attended by the wealth and fashion of Baltimore, New York, Washington and several other cities.

The wedding gifts were the most magnificent ever presented to a Baltimore bride. Included among them were a \$100,000 check from her father, a touring car with all the latest improvements, said to have cost \$13,000, from Oscar G. Murray, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; a set of gold dinner plates from New York, nine superb rugs of animal skin, one a royal Bengal tiger and another a genuine polar bear; jewelry, services and cases of silver, and rare bric-a-brac.

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NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF.

BOSTON, Mass., April 14.—Interest is manifest in the 12-round bout between Sailor Burke and Bill McKinnon, which will be the feature event at tonight's boxing show at the Armory athletic club.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 14.—The local arrangements have been concluded for the annual meeting of the Wisconsin division of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, which is to assemble in this city tomorrow for a two day's session.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 14.—The Southern Association of College Women began its annual convention here today with delegates present from Knoxville, Asheville, Montgomery, Birmingham, Oxford, Miss., Lexington, Ky., and several other points.

PARIS, April 14.—An international congress of public instruction in the modern languages met in Paris today and will continue through the week. The United States is represented at the congress by Dr. Monroe Smith of Columbia University.

BERLIN, April 14.—The new Royal Astronomical Museum at Treptow, toward the building of which Andrew Carnegie was a generous contributor, was formally dedicated and opened today with interesting ceremonies and in the presence of a large assembly.

PASADENA, Cal., April 14.—Pasadena has donned gala attire in honor of the veterans of the Grand Army, whose forty-second annual encampment for the department of California was opened today under favorable auspices. Three candidates, John H. Shepard of Oakland, W. S. Daubenspeck of Los Angeles and H. A. Plimpton of Riverside, are contesting for the post of department commander.

NEW YORK, April 14.—A fashionable audience attended the concert at the Plaza Hotel this afternoon to mark the American debut of Miss Flora Wilson, daughter of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson. Among the patronesses of the event were Mrs. William H. Taft, Mrs. James S. Sherman, Mrs. Garret A. Hobart, Mrs. Philander C. Knox and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnegie. Miss Wilson, who has studied abroad for several years, will probably be heard in grand opera next winter.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., April 14.—With an invocation by Bishop Hare and an address of welcome by Mayor Doolittle, the annual South Dakota State Conference of Charities and Corrections was opened in this city this morning for a two days' session. Included in the attendance were heads of insane asylums, prison reformatories, settlement workers, charitable visitors and other interested in practical philanthropy and prison reform. Speakers heard during the day included President N. C. Hershey of Redfield College, President George W. Nash of the Aberdeen Normal and Industrial School, Dr. Frank Fox of Sioux Falls, President Samuel F. Kerfoot of Dakota Wesleyan University, and President H. K. Warren of Yankton College.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 14.—Men and women of national prominence in the educational world have gathered in this city to take part in the eleventh annual Conference for Education in the South. Much preliminary business was transacted today, preceding the formal opening of the conference tonight, when the principal speakers will be Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia and Robert C. Ogden of New York, founder and president of the conference. The sessions will continue through Wednesday and Thursday and will be devoted to the discussion of all phases of the problem of education in the South. Prominent among those scheduled for addresses are Gifford Pinchot, chief of the Forestry Bureau of the Department of Agriculture; Dr. A. Caswell Ellis of the University of Texas, President E. A. Alderman of the University of Virginia, President Charles E. Van Hise of the University of Wisconsin, State Superintendent Joyner of North Carolina, Dr. John L. Coulter of the University of Minnesota, and Dr. Lillian Johnson of Memphis.

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BAKERS OBJECT TO THE HIGH WHEAT RATE

IN CHICAGO SAY THEY ARE LOSING THEIR PROFITS ENTIRELY.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Bakers are not taking at all kindly to the game of boosting the staff of life now being played on the board of trade.

One wholesaler, in speaking of the situation, says: "The wholesale price of bread at four cents a loaf was fixed by the bakers several years ago, when flour was selling at \$3.25 barrel. There was a good profit in it then and the standard weight of a loaf of bread was fixed in this city at one pound by ordinance. At one half the cost of bread comes in the wages and the cost of delivery and the other half in material.

There is a movement to take off the legal restrictions as to the size of a loaf, and the matter is still pending in the state courts. "Wages have increased during the past five years and have gone to a point where they cut a deep hole in the profit on bread, and now flour is up to from \$5.60 to \$5.75 a barrel and the profit is all gone unless the bakers turn out a loaf weighing not more than ten or eleven ounces. Above that there is no profit at all."

NEW YORK LETTER

NEW YORK, April 14.—For the first time in history the people of this city are to-day beginning a real struggle to tear off the yoke with which the motor mania has always harnessed and driven them. Roused at last by the death toll that a score of child victims have paid to the Moloch of reckless motorism within the last few months, a vigilance committee is just taking up with an iron hand the traffic outrages of the incessant joy-riders. In as stern a spirit as ever actuated a sheriff's posse after outlaws, this body of leading New Yorkers is preparing to catch, prosecute and send to prison any and every man who disregards with his automobile the law of life in the thoroughfares of this town. Many a millionaire is to-day deep in the black books of these crusaders, and one fresh offense from their high-power cars is regarded as sufficient warrant for criminal prosecution. For years the autos of the speed maniac here have strewn the streets with their murdered and maimed, while the police seemed paralyzed. With the better element of automobilists and all the people arrayed today behind this movement, public safety and sanity appears in a fair way to be restored.

MEMORIAL TO MARTYR.

Before the flowers fade over the grave of brave Jo Petrosino, some perpetual memorial to this martyr in the city's service will be reared by the hundreds of thousands of people from every class who are today agitating such a movement. From the whitest whiskered magnate of Wall Street down to the most grimy boot black every inhabitant of this cosmopolitan island is eager to pay tribute to the lion-hearted detective whose funeral has touched deeply every heart. No one is ready to let the lesson of Petrosino's faithfulness unto death go unrecalled to future generations, and any plan to commemorate it by some substantial monument will enlist all New York in its support. It will be many a long year before New Yorkers forget the man whose remains the whole town has turned out to honor.

WOMEN WORKERS.

Not since the revelations of the "red light" crusade have the women of Gotham been so aroused as they are today over the Payne proposal to tax by higher tariff every family in the land for the cotton stockings that every one must keep buying. Mass meetings, to which thousands of working girls flock, are being conducted by leading club women on almost every evening in all parts of the island. While the fathers of the families of this metropolis are joining labor and trade organizations in protest against raising a duty to create a trust in this every day necessity, the housewives are humming their indignation at a thousand and one gatherings of their sex. On the proposition to give to a favored few the power to charge trust prices to the poorer women and children of the land New Yorkers are speaking with no uncertain voice.

Mr. F. G. Fritts, Oneonta, N. Y., writes: "My little girl was greatly benefited by taking Foley's Orino Laxative, and I think it is the best remedy for constipation and liver trouble." Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children, as it is mild, pleasant and effective, and is a splendid spring medicine, as it cleanses the system and clears the complexion. Owl Drug Store, T. L. Laurin.

TARIFF AMENDMENTS.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Explaining his proposed amendments to the tariff bill, Senator Newlands said today:

"I have introduced these amendments with a view to correcting the excessive rates of the Dingley bill most of which remain in the Payne bill. The average rate of duty under the Payne bill upon dutiable articles is about 45 per cent and yet many of the duties are largely in excess of such percentage. A 45 per cent duty ought to cover the differences between the wages of this and other countries, particularly when the efficiency of the American workmen is considered. Amendments which I have offered, propose to reduce the excessive duties gradually and progressively, so as not to create any violent readjustments."

NEWS AND NOTES OF SPORT.

It is said that "Al Kubiak will go South and become a ball player. Groom, one of Washington's pitchers, is two inches taller than Addie Joss and is still growing.

Hugh McLean has received an offer from San Francisco for Sandy Ferguson to box Al Kaufman. "Kid" Beebe is ill in Philadelphia and will not be able to get in the ring again for several weeks. With Catcher Charley Schmidt on the job the Detroit Tigers are well fixed to enter the big show. Pitcher Leon Ames should be a winner for the Giants this year. He never performed better than he has this spring.

"Rube" Waddell has been pretty busy this spring, with his training during the day and a vaudeville stunt at night.

Owner Comiskey of the Chicago White Sox had Ed. Walsh in line, but has failed to show Fielder Jones the way to Chicago.

Tim Jordan of Brooklyn still has his eye on the ball and should be able to give National league pitchers heaps of trouble before the season ends.

Al Winn, the Lowell, Mass., manager, has announced that he will permit small boys to attend his home games free all days except Saturdays. Lucky lads, those Lowell youngsters.

Russell Ford, the Atlanta pitcher, looks like steady company for the New York Highlanders.

Charlie Jones, the old St. Louis Brownie, looks good as manager of the Denver team.

From present indications there are as many pennant winners as there are ball teams throughout the country.

"Cap" Anson and his Colts have been against some pretty tough weather and their trip so far has not been a success.

Chicago fans have sent Charley Comiskey large petitions asking the "Old Roman" to appoint Billy Sullivan manager of the White Sox.

The New York Giants still have a Catcher Bresnahan, Phil, a brother of Roger, is being tried out by McGraw.

The Texas league schedule this year provides for 145 games. The season will open April 17 and close Sept. 6.

The Steubenville, Ohio, baseball team has been dubbed the "Kidnappers." The team formerly belonged in Sharon, Pa.

Charles Wacker, pitcher for the Cincinnati Reds, will be sold to the Milwaukee club in the American association.

Jimmy Gardner has had to cancel his scheduled bout in Boston with Bill McKinnon on account of a severe cold.

Packey McFarland's showing with Dave Desher and his taking a wallop at Referee Jack Sheehan had caused Boston ght fans to put him with the "won't do's."

Owner Mike Cantillon of the Minneapolis team has signed the Brothers LaDue as a battery. They are dentists and not vaudeville artists.

Several Eastern league scribes are of the opinion that Joe Kelly will find rough going in making a winner out of his Toronto bunch.

Pat Powers, president of the Eastern league and promoter of six-day races and Marathon contests, has secured control of the National A. C. in New York, known as the "plush-lined" fight club.

The newest outlaw organization is the Kansas-Missouri league. They insist on placing a team in Kansas City, so the National Commission could do nothing else than put them on the "Crazy Snake" list.

Jeffs Doherty, the New Haven pugilist, has a new training stunt. An automobile is started down a hill and Jeffs meets it head on. If he keeps his feet he wins, and if he doesn't keep his feet he doesn't care whether he wins or not.

Col. Dovey has tagged "Ladies day" for this season. But wait until the suffragettes are handed the ballot and elect a few alderwomen. Then it's dollars to doughnuts that about fourteen streets will be cut through the Colonel's Boston baseball park.

Foley's Honey and Tar is a safeguard against serious results from spring colds, which inflame the lungs and develop into pneumonia. Avoid counterfeits by insisting upon having the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar, which contains no harmful drugs. Owl Drug Store, T. L. Laurin.

GUESTS FLEE IN HASTE FROM BLAZING HOTEL

ESCAPE IN SCANTY CLOTHING FROM FASHIONABLE HOSTELRY

ASHEVILLE, N. C., April 14.—Roused from their slumber about 2 o'clock this morning, by an alarm of fire, 75 guests of the fashionable Kenilworth Inn, three miles from this city, barely had time to don some scanty articles of clothing and make their escape from the burning building.

The hotel was completely destroyed the total loss being estimated at \$250,000; insurance placed at \$75,000.

The fire started in the north end of the building over the boiler room. A strong wind was blowing from the southwest and the flames were quickly fanned to the other end of the frame structure where the majority of the guests were asleep. Before the fire had been first discovered by two negro boys who were returning from Baltimore, the Vanderbilt place, which is but a short distance from the inn, it had gained good headway and was even then beyond control. Mrs. A. B. Martin, the lessee, gave first thought to safety of guests when she was awakened and in a short time the alarm had been given in every occupied room in the building.

There was a wild scramble for the exits, but there was nothing bordering on a panic, among either men, women, or children.

Half an hour later when it was believed that all were out, the roll was called, and every person accounted for. It was a motley array, however, some of the women appearing in ball gowns and others in even more scanty raiment, and in varying degrees of negligence. Many of the men wore nothing but their underclothing covered by their overcoats. Almost every describable manner of dress was represented.

Many persons, after conquering the first thought of self preservation that had led to instant and precipitate flight ventured back into the smoke filled halls and into their rooms to rescue their trunks and other personal effects which they had abandoned. Some brought forth rocking chairs, washstands and every manner of article, which soon littered the lawns.

As the fire kept raging, fanned by the rapidly increasing wind, the heat became so intense that all hope of saving possessions was abandoned.

Several persons who had re-entered the hotel, not realizing that the fire had reached the south wing, were almost caught. Shouts of friends from the outside were answered by yells for help and heroic efforts were made to save the venturesome ones.

The Asheville fire department rushed out to the scene, but the hotel was doomed before the engines had started from the city three miles away. Its efforts were needed, however, to save adjoining residences, as the wind was scattering sparks to their roofs. The firemen were successful in preventing the flames from spreading.

The scantily clad residents were taken in at the Battery Park Hotel and other houses nearby.

Kenilworth hotel was owned by Senator M. Gazzam of Philadelphia and was built fourteen years ago by the Kenilworth Inn Company at a cost of \$140,000. George W. Vanderbilt is believed to have been the heaviest stockholder in the capital, which was composed largely of northern capitalists. About six years ago Senator Gazzam purchased the property and has leased it several times. It was patronized by northern tourists during the winter and was a favorite meeting place for southern conventions during the summer. The young People's Missionary movement, the Southern Christian Endeavor Society and the Southern Students Conference had been booked there for the coming summer.

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Wm. Parr—England's oldest man—married the third time at 120, worked in the fields till 132 and lived 20 years longer. People should be youthful at 80. James Wright, of Spurlock, Pa., Ky., shows how to remain young. "I feel just like a 16-year-old boy," he writes, "after taking six bottles of Electric Bitters. For 30 years Kidney trouble made life a burden, but the first bottle of this wonderful medicine convinced me I had found the greatest cure on earth." They're a Godsend to weak, sickly run-down or old people. Try them. 50c at Charles Rogers & Son's drug store.

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