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## TOWNSEND CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER

### Man Who Killed Member of Charivari Party Found Gulity

McMinnville, Or., Dec. 1.—In the case of the state vs. Jesse Townsend, the jury returned a verdict of manslaughter, as charged in the indictment. The case went to the jury yesterday afternoon.

Testimony of witnesses were in substance that a party of men and women, neighbors of the defendant, assembled at his house on the night of September 26, bringing with them an accordion, some cow bells, horns and instruments by which noise could be made. Defendant had married, for the second time, a couple months before, and had recently moved with his wife to their home, the crowd being bent on giving them a charivari.

Townsend's son-in-law, Dietrich Oliver, invited the women into the house, and shortly thereafter the men and boys followed, and went upstairs to the bedroom of Townsend and his wife. He ordered them down, and emphasized his order with a chair, which he pushed them along, and threw out the front door after them. He then returned to the house and secured a rifle. Defendant testified



### ELIZABETH BRADFORD DU PONT, SUEED BY POWDER KING.

Aside from the Du Pons and Bradfords several other wealthy Delaware families are involved in the slander suit brought by Alfred I. Du Pont against the cousin, Mrs. Elizabeth Bradford Du Pont. The case has stirred society circles all over the east. Mr. Du Pont, who is vice president and the active head of the Du Pont Powder company, charges that Mrs. Elizabeth Bradford Du Pont circulated stories derogatory to the character of his wife, who has never been popular with his relatives. Mrs. A. I. Du Pont married the powder king after she had obtained a divorce from her first husband, who was Du Pont's secretary.

that he thought to frighten them away, and worked the lever of the gun; that some person grabbed the

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## \$1500 BOND IS FORFEITED BY MATLOCK

### Young Man Accused of At- tempted Criminal Assault, Fails to Appear for Trial

Joseph F. Matlock, accused of attempted rape upon the person of Clara Nirschl, failed to appear for his second trial when the case was called in the circuit court this morning at 10 o'clock, and his bond of \$1500, put up by his father, J. D. Matlock, and brother, E. D. Matlock, was declared forfeited.

Judge Harris, when he adjourned the trial jurors several weeks ago, did so with the instruction to report again today, when the second trial was to have been begun. The jurors reported, but Matlock did not. As there were no other cases to try today, Judge Harris dismissed the jurors again until January 12.

A bench warrant was issued for the young man's arrest, and the sheriff was directed to apprehend him at once if possible.

J. U. Sutherland, after a visit with friends and relatives in the Siuslaw country, left last night on his return trip to the Galice mining district in Josephine county.

## STRIKE OF UNION SWITCHMEN PRACTICALLY TIES UP TRAFFIC ALL OVER GREAT NORTHWEST

Spokane, Dec. 1.—Freight traffic is completely tied up today on the Northern Pacific and Great Northern main lines. Train crews and office men are doing a little switching to take care of livestock and perishable freight, but no effort is being made to move ordinary freight. Passenger business is moving about as usual.

### BUSINESS SLOW AT SEATTLE

Seattle, Dec. 1.—Railroad traffic here is seriously handicapped by the strike. Freight shipments will be delayed, and passenger service will probably be operated on a slow schedule. It looks as if there will be no attempt to break the strike for the time being.

Portland, Dec. 1.—The Northern Pacific and Spokane, Portland & Seattle railways are today refusing to receive perishable freight of any kind, and are only accepting carload shipments of other commodities. No open shipments are to be handled until the strike situation improves. All freight is subject to delay. Passenger business is not yet seriously handicapped, but trains are being operated on an emergency schedule. The fact that the Northern Pacific will not accept shipments of meat for Puget sound may cause a meat shortage at Seattle, Tacoma and other places north. Large quantities of fresh meat leave this city daily for the north.

with others that can be pressed into service, to do their work. No freight was handled out of St. Paul last night or this morning, and only one train left Minneapolis. Railroad officials, train dispatchers and members of the train crews did the necessary switching in the Twin City yards. The freight handlers did not report for work this morning.

### Big Mills Will Close

Business in many lines is being interfered with by the Switchmen's strike, and Minneapolis millers are quoted as saying they will close all their big flour mills by tonight. The switchmen declare that if the railroads attempt to use non-union switchmen the locomotive firemen will refuse to handle the cars, and it is reported that the firemen have been instructed by their leaders not to work with non-union men.

### All Out At Tacoma

Tacoma, Dec. 1.—Practically all switchmen went out last night. The Northern yardmasters are assisting in the local movement of trains, and the railroads are not accepting livestock or perishables.

### Duluth Is Tied Up

Duluth, Dec. 1.—Only two switch engines are working today at the head of the lakes. Ten thousand men will be out of work within 48 hours.

## BIDS FOR BIG PRIZE FIGHT OPENED IN NEW YORK TODAY

New York, Dec. 1.—The opening of the bids for the Johnson-Jeffries fight scheduled for noon today was deferred to a later hour on the request of Eddie Graney, of San Francisco.

Later the bids were opened in the presence of Jack Johnson and George Little, Johnson's manager; Sam Berger, representing Jeffries, who was absent; Thomas J. McCarney, of Los Angeles; Edward M. Graney, of San Francisco; John J. Gleason, of San Francisco; E. M. Rickard, of Nevada, and many well-known sporting men.



### THOMAS DIXON, JR.

Thomas Dixon, Jr., author of "The Leopard's Spots," "The Clansman" and other popular novels which have been dramatized, is a clergyman turned novelist and playwright. He is also a lawyer. Mr. Dixon was born in North Carolina and makes his home in New York city.

San Francisco, who offered \$125,000 cash and no picture privileges. Tex Rickard, of Ely, Nev., offered a cash purse of \$101,000 and 66 2-3 per cent of the picture privileges.

### GIFFORD PINCHOT WILL APPEAL TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

Washington, Nov. 30.—Gifford Pinchot, supervisor of the forestry department, has thrown down the gauntlet to Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, in regard to the conservation policy. He declared that congress must decide at its next session whether the great coal fields of the country shall remain in the hands of the people or be gobbled up by monopolies, and whether great waterpower sites shall be given away to special interests or be controlled by the people.

Mr. Pinchot makes known his views upon these two chief sources of power of the present and future in a letter to Dr. Lyman Abbott, of New York, in response to a series of questions asked by the latter on the national conservation policy.

### LYMAN GAGE DENIES STATEMENTS OF MR. HOWELL

Denver, Nov. 30.—"Even though Mr. Howell's testimony might be construed to prove me a rascal, which it won't, I will bear witness to his truth and honesty. If he says I sent Wake-man to Havemeyer, a man whom, by the way, I have never seen, then I undoubtedly gave such a direction to Wake-man," declared ex-Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage, who is in Denver today, accompanied by his bride, on their honeymoon trip.

## WILSON ASSERTS PROSPERITY OF FARMERS GREAT

### Annual Report of Secretary of Agriculture is Published

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Most prosperous of all years is the place to which 1909 is entitled in agriculture, declares the Secretary of Agriculture in his Thirteenth Annual Report last evening. The value of farm products is so incomprehensibly large that it has become merely a row of figures. For this year it is \$2,760,000,000, a gain of \$869,000,000 over 1908. The value of the products has nearly doubled in ten years. The report says "Eleven years of agriculture, beginning with a production of \$4,417,000,000 and ending with \$2,760,000,000! A sum of \$7,000,000,000 for the period. It has paid off mortgages, it has established banks, it has made better homes, it has helped to make the farmer a citizen of the world, and it has provided him with means for improving his soil and making it more productive."

### Farm Production of 1909.

The most striking fact in the world's agriculture is the value of the corn crop for 1909, which is near \$1,750,000,000. It nearly equals the value of the clothing and the personal adornments of 76,000,000 people, according to the census of 1909. The gold and silver coin and bullion of the United States are not of greater value. It has grown up from the soil and out of the air in 120 days—\$15,000,000 a day for one crop, nearly enough for two Dreadnoughts daily for peace or war. This crop exceeds in value the average of the crops of the five preceding years by 36 per cent.

Cotton is now the second crop in value and this year's cotton crop is easily the most valuable one to the farmer that has been produced. With cotton lint selling at 13.7 cents on the farm November 1, and with cotton seed selling for about \$25 per ton, the lint and seed of this crop are worth about \$850,000,000 to the farmer. No cotton crop since 1873 has been sold by farmers for as high a price per pound as this one.

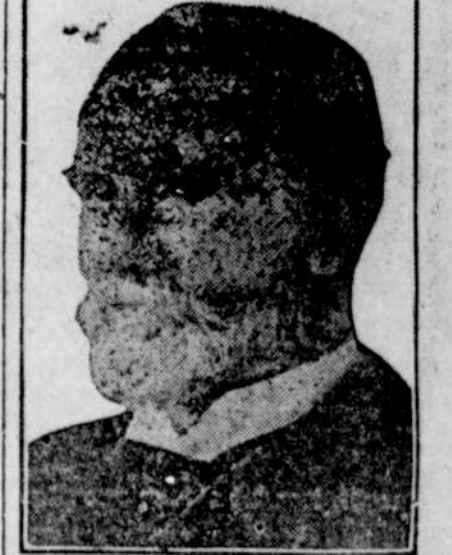
Third in value is wheat, worth about \$725,000,000 at the farm, and this largely exceeds all previous values. The November farm price was almost an even dollar a bushel, a price which has not been equaled since 1881. This is the third wheat crop in point of size, with 725,000,000 bushels.

The hay crop is valued at \$665,000,000; oats at \$400,000,000; potatoes at \$212,000,000; and tobacco at nearly \$100,000,000. Beat and sugar cane and molasses and syrup, from farm and factory, will reach the total of about \$95,000,000. The barley crop is worth \$88,000,000, faxseed \$38,000,000 and 1,000,000,000 pounds of rice, \$25,000,000.

### Comparison with Former Years.

The production of all cereals combined is 4,711,000,000 bushels, an amount considerably greater than that for any other year except 1906. It exceeds the average of the preceding five years by 6.5 per cent. The value of all cereals in 1909 has never been equaled in a previous year. It is almost exactly \$3,000,000,000, or 34 per cent above the five-year average.

This is the year of highest produc-



### SECRETARY WILSON.

Retaining Secretary Wilson in his position as head of the department of agriculture, Mr. Taft enables the Iowa man to break the cabinet record for length of service. Mr. Wilson has been secretary of agriculture since 1897.

tion for potatoes, tobacco, beet sugar, all sugar and rice; next to the highest production for corn, oats, and all cereals. Compared with 1908, gains in value are found all along the line, the exceptions being barley, buck-wheat, rye and milk. The increase for cotton, lint and seed, is \$208,000,000; wheat, \$107,000,000; corn, \$105,000,000; hay, \$29,000,000; oats, \$22,000,000; tobacco, \$18,000,000; potatoes, \$15,000,000.

The increase in the value of farm products this year over 1908, \$869,000,000.

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Japanese drawn work Dollies and other pieces, 12x12 . . . 35c  
Japanese drawn work Dollies and other pieces, 18x18 . . . 40c  
Japanese drawn work Dollies and other pieces, 30x30 \$1.25  
Japanese Embroidered Centre Piece, 30x30 . . . \$2.25  
Renaissance Dresser Scarf, 17x59 . . . \$1.25



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Thousands of yards of new, beautiful shades, in plain taffetas and satins. Exquisite designs and colorings in fancy ribbons. With this immense stock your every want can be supplied. The yard, 5c to \$1.00

### Special Christmas Ribbon

Ribbons for fancy work, hair bows, etc., in plain colors, plaids and fancy, floral patterns; worth regular 25c to 40c; special, yd. . . . . 20c

### Gordon Furs Are Best

For long-continued service, reliability and style there is no fur that gives the satisfaction that a "Gordon" does. After 11 years' experience with this matchless make of fur, we know. We also guarantee them.

Neck Pieces . . . \$2.00 to \$8.00 Muffs . . . . . \$4.50 to \$8.00

### Pillow Covers Make Suitable Presents

Pillow covers of tapestry, both striped and figured, all ready for the pillow; each . . . . . 25c  
Pillow covers of velour burlap, in fancy effects; great assortment; each . . . . . 50c

### New Silk Waist Patterns

A very appropriate gift would be one of our new silk waist patterns received Monday morning, the most exquisite designs and colorings ever laid on our counters. They are charming beyond description. We take pleasure in showing them. The Pattern . . . . . \$6.00 to \$9.00

### Mufflers for Women or Men

A great variety in price, color and quality. A mererized muffler, all colors, each . . . . . 25c  
Silk muffler, assorted colors, each . . . . . 50c to \$1.25  
Long, heavy mufflers, light and dark colors, extra heavy, each . . . . . \$1.25

### \$15 Silk Bath Robes \$11

Japanese quilted silk and silk-lined Bath Robe; black and light colors; regular price \$15; special price for a few days, each . . . . . \$11.00

### Shopping Bags to Supply Everybody

An endless assortment of this much-in-demand article; so many we can well say we are headquarters for Christmas shopping bags and purses, each, from . . . . . 50c to \$12.50  
Special value is one 2x12 inches, like cut; each . . . . . \$1.50



## Hart Schaffner and Marx Clothing the Standard

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and styles, and are good, too. They come in all the new shades  
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