



COLONEL SWEARS HE SHUNS DRINK AND ALWAYS HAS

Never Takes Whiskey or Brandy, He Asserts, Unless He Is Ordered to Do So by His Doctors. DISLIKES HARD LIQUORS

MRS. P. C. KNOX HURT Hurlled Out of Auto When It Skids Near Atlantic City.

STOLEN BABY IS FOUND IN BRONX Four-Year-Old Freda Libowitz, Kidnapped Sunday by Annie Boyarsky, Deserted After Curls Are Cut.

AUTO RECORDS BROKEN English Chauffeurs Make 914 Miles in Twelve Hours.

COLUMBIA JUNIOR MISSING Mind Unbalanced, It Is Believed, by Worry Over Examinations.

TENNIS NIGHT AND DAY H. P. Whitney Plans Big Indoor Court, to Cost \$110,000.

LABOR MEN BLAME RALPH Tell Wilson He Is Hostile to Compensation Act.

OPPOSE COMPENSATION BILL. ATLANTIC CITY TOUR. DANISH CABINET TO RESIGN.

COURTHOUSE DECORATED FOR ROOSEVELT LIBEL ACTION.

Crowd outside the building at Marquette, Mich., where trial is now under way.



JACOB A. RHEIS, Who testified for the Colonel.

USES AXE ON WIFE, THEN DIES IN FALL

Swift Justice Overtakes Man Who Makes Murderous Attack on Mother of His Three Little Girls.

WOMAN MORTALLY HURT

Says He'll Kill and Escape, but Crashes Down 75 Feet When Trying to Leap from Six-Story Roof to Another.

WANTED TO BUY 14TH ST.

Harlem Boys Had Purchased \$7 Worth When Caught.

HAMMERSTEIN PAYS MORTGAGE OF \$240,000

London Is Now Wondering Where the Impresario Got the Money.

FALL IN PICTURE PRICES

But Antique Chairs and Beauvais Tapestry Are Booming.

TOWN BREAKS BABY RECORD

Eight Out of 17 Homes Visited by Stork in One Night.

\$10,000 IN CLOTH STOLEN

Driver's Helper Missing, Too—Police Get Empty Wagon.

'FRISCO SYSTEM IN RECEIVERS' HANDS

Big Western Railroad, 7,500 Miles Long, Unable to Meet Maturing Obligations of \$2,250,000.

FEDERAL COURTS APPOINT

Two Named in St. Louis and Two More in Chicago for Chicago & Eastern Illinois—Stocks Break Violently.

St. Louis, May 27.—Thomas H. West, chairman of the board of directors of the St. Louis Trust Company, and B. L. Winchell, president of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Company, were appointed receivers for the railroad in the Federal District Court here late this afternoon.

The appointment of receivers here took place about an hour after the appointment of ancillary receivers for the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, a subsidiary of the 'Frisco, by the United States District Court in Chicago.

The application for the appointment of receivers for the St. Louis & San Francisco was made to Circuit Judge Walter H. Sanborn, who came here from St. Paul to-day especially to hear the 'Frisco matter, by the North American Company, which is said to be creditor of the 'Frisco to the extent of \$400,000.

A receivership was urged as the only solution of the financial difficulties of the road by James Campbell, of St. Louis, president of the North American Company. The immediate cause of the receivership was the maturing on June 1 of short-time notes issued by the railroad for \$2,250,000, which bear 5 per cent interest.

The impending crisis in the affairs of the 'Frisco has had a depressing influence on its stock for some time, and last week Chairman Yoakum of the board of directors came to St. Louis to consult local interests concerned in the welfare of the road as to the best course to pursue. At first it was rumored that some means would be found to tide the company over its pressing necessities, but this hope was dissipated early to-day, when Judge Sanborn and attorneys and directors for the railroad went into secret conference.

At noon it became known in financial circles that petitions were being prepared for the appointment of receivers, and the scurrying about of attorneys representing various interests started rumors that this proceeding would be opposed.

Lehmann and Nagel Apply.

These rumors were verified in part when the formal application was presented to Judge Sanborn late this afternoon. Frederick W. Lehmann and Charles Nagel, attorney, representing certain creditors, said they preferred to have as receivers men who were in no way connected with the railroad, thus opposing the appointment of President Winchell and Mr. West, whose trust company has looked after many of the financial affairs of the road. Mr. Nagel also asked that the receivership be made temporary until he could get definite instructions from his clients.

These objections did not prevail with the court, who appointed Mr. West and President Winchell receivers. Thomas T. Fauntleroy, of St. Louis, was appointed special commissioner to represent the court in the future proceedings.

The application for the appointment of receivers was laid before the court by Henry E. Priest, representing the directors of the railroad and the principal bondholders and acting in behalf of the North American Company. He asked the appointment of Mr. West and Mr. Winchell.

The North American Company is understood to hold as collateral for its

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This Morning's News.

Table listing various news items and their page numbers, including 'Uses Axe on Wife, Then Dies in Fall', 'Stolen Baby Found in Bronx', 'Hester Breaks with Sulzer', etc.

COAL MINE AN INCUBATOR

Its Superintendent Hatches Eggs Over a Hot Spring.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.) Big Run, Penn., May 27.—J. H. London, superintendent of the Eleanor coal mines, near here, has turned the mine into an incubator.

London placed twenty-three white Wyandotte eggs in a basket and hung them in a small dry room of the mine where hot water continually bubbles from the ground. The temperature varies less than a degree the year round.

Hanging his basket of eggs several feet above the spouting hot water, London attended to the eggs as he would had they been in an incubator. At the end of the regular time for incubation, which occurred yesterday, the eggs began to hatch, and this morning London had twenty-one healthy chicks from his twenty-three eggs.

TOOK MERCURY BICHLORIDE AS B. S. WALKER DID

Wife of Bronx Druggist Swallows It by Mistake—Rushed to Hospital and May Live.

Mrs. Rae Chessman, thirty-one years old, wife of Samuel Chessman, a druggist, of No. 1102 Fox street, The Bronx, is in a serious condition in Fordham Hospital suffering from bichloride of mercury poisoning. The doctors are taking more than usual interest in the case, owing to the recent death of B. Sanders Walker, of Macon, Ga., who died on Thursday after a week's fight against the poison. The cases are parallel.

Mrs. Chessman went to her medicine chest in the darkened bathroom, picked out the tablet and swallowed it. Immediately she realized her mistake, and her husband gave her an antidote of whites of eggs and called in Dr. Eugene Dupin, of No. 1109 Fox street.

A few minutes later Dr. Schorr arrived from Fordham Hospital, and after applying a stomach pump rushed her to the hospital. She was conscious but in pain. Dr. Schorr hoped the use of the pump saved her, for she was in fair condition an hour afterward. He said, however, it would be impossible to know for six or seven days whether she would recover. The poison affects the heart and kidneys, paralyzing those organs.

DIDN'T DIE AS WALKER DID

Detroit Man Took Poison, but Doctor Made Him Live.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.) Detroit, May 27.—Thomas McCabe, who wanted to die, and who read in the newspapers the remark of B. S. Walker, the Georgia banker, who took bichloride of mercury by mistake, that that sort of death was not unpleasant, and who then swallowed eleven grains of the same poison, has completely recovered through an experiment of Dr. Andrew T. Sherman, a Detroit physician.

McCabe took the poison last Thursday morning. He was taken to a hospital. On Friday he was taken home again to die. His fingers were blue to the second joints, and his mouth was badly burned; while his heart was irregular and his pulse rapid. Dr. Sherman injected bicarbonate of soda. In three days McCabe was well enough to meet the physician at the door when he called, and to-day Dr. Sherman pronounced the man entirely out of danger.

EGG MAN IN PERJURY NET

Judge Orders Charge Against Bookkeeper for Firm.

Judge Hand, in the United States District Court, yesterday instructed Henry A. Guiler, an assistant District Attorney, to go before a commissioner with George W. Naylor, a bookkeeper, formerly in the employ of Willard P. Brown & Sons, of No. 139 Reed street, dealers in eggs, and prefer a charge of perjury against him.

Naylor was subpoenaed to bring to court the books of the firm when the federal grand jury was investigating charges that certain egg dealers had bribed railroad freight inspectors to pass exorbitant claims for eggs damaged while in the care of the railroads. Mr. Guiler, upon examining the books, found certain erasures.

Naylor said the erasures had been ordered by his employers. The bookkeeper told the grand jury, according to Guiler, that the entries had originally been "graff" and that he had changed them to "broke"—brokerage. Willard P. Brown, head of the firm, had ordered the changes, he said.

DRIVER'S HELPER MISSING, TOO—POLICE GET EMPTY WAGON

Herman Moritz, a manufacturer of cloth at No. 107 to 113 West 18th street, informed the Mercer street police last night that a wagon containing sixty-seven bolts of cloth, valued at about \$10,000, had been stolen from in front of a factory building in Washington Place in the afternoon.

Moritz said he had sent Charles Asch, the driver, to the factory in Washington Place to get 101 bolts of cloth. While Asch was loading the wagon his helper remained in the driver's seat. After sixty-seven bolts had been loaded Asch came down to find his helper and the driver missing. After a search, found the horse and wagon at Howard and Crosby streets. Every bolt of cloth was missing, as was the helper.

Table listing drinks: White Wines, Madeira, Champagne, Cocktails, Highballs, Beer, Tea, Mineral Waters. Also lists 'ROOSEVELT OCCASIONALLY TAKES' and 'ROOSEVELT NEVER TAKES'.

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Roosevelt Tells of His Lifelong Sobriety in \$10,000 Libel Suit Against Michigan Editor, and Is Corroborated by Friends and Physicians.

Marquette, Mich., May 27.—Theodore Roosevelt, a picture of ruddy vigor and perfect health, turned a square head and a square jaw in the direction of twelve farmers, teamsters, miners and woodsmen in court to-day and gave his character for sobriety as "not a total abstainer," but never intoxicated in his life.

When Mr. Pound, his counsel, after a brief outline of the plaintiff's case to the jury, called Mr. Roosevelt to the witness stand, the colonel, who had been inconspicuous among several prospective witnesses and visitors, stepped briskly forward.

"Now tell the jury," instructed the lawyer, and the client who had been prudent twisted his chair to face the jurors in their box and proceeded to "tell them," as directed.

"At public dinners I sometimes drink a glass of champagne, perhaps two; on an average, I may say one glass of champagne a month."

The witness snapped out his words in his peculiar, distinct, choppy enunciation, and added, after a momentary pause, with emphasis: "And I do that in public."

Judge Rebukes Laughers. Judge Richard C. Flannigan, presiding over the court, rebuked an outburst of laughter. "There was a fine bed of mint at the 'White House,'" continued the witness, who was left pretty much to tell his own story. Then his eyes sparkled and he said: "I may have drunk half a dozen mint juleps in a year."