

AMERICAN WINS IN INTERNATIONAL BALLOON RACE

(By Associated Press.) ZURICH, Switzerland, Oct. 6.—All Zurich tonight toasted America and her champion balloonist, Edgar W. Mix, who, after a remarkable and dramatic struggle against the wind, and rain storms, carried off first honors in the international balloon race for the Gordon Bennett cup by sailing from Zurich to the heart of the forest in North Waw-saw, Russian Poland. It is calculated that Mix covered between 648.94 miles and 695.53 miles. Alfred Le Blanc, the French pilot, was placed second with a distance of 517.81 miles, while Captain Nessler, one of the Swiss pilots, was third, with 496.80 miles.

CANADIAN BUFFALO PARK DESTROYED BY PRAIRIE FIRE

(By Associated Press.) CALGARY, Alberta, Oct. 6.—Today word was brought here that the Canadian buffalo park at Wainwright, Alberta, had been destroyed by the prairie fire which has been burning in that section for a week.

W. R. HEARST TO RUN FOR MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY

Friends Nominate him Without his Consent and Despite his Statement that he Would not be Candidate.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—William Randolph Hearst was nominated for mayor tonight at a mass meeting called by his admirers, without his authorization. The action was taken despite Mr. Hearst's authoritative statement last evening that he would not be a candidate. Resolutions were adopted directing that a committee of five be appointed to take steps for naming a city, county and borough ticket, which is to be placed in nomination by petition. The demonstration following the nomination of Hearst lasted fully 20 minutes. The platform, as indicated by the speakers, will express distrust of the intentions of both the republican and democratic parties, which have already nominated their fall local tickets, declaring that a silent alliance exists between Tammany and the local republican machine which would make good government under either an impossibility. It will declare for municipal ownership of the subways, an economic administration, and adequate school and transit facilities. The principal address of the evening was made by William M. Ivins, the republican candidate for mayor against Hearst and McClellan four years ago.

LIFTED IN COFFIN ALIVE FROM BOTTOM OF 150-FOOT CLIFF

(By Associated Press.) JACKSON, Cal., Oct. 5.—Lying unconscious in a coffin, Cecil Miller, a 16-year-old boy, was drawn up a 150-foot cliff on the bank of the Cosumnes river near Plymouth, yesterday. While hunting on the edge of the embankment young Miller stepped on a large flat rock on the Eagle's Nest bluff, which suddenly gave way and precipitated the boy down the steep bank to the water's edge. A companion ran to Plymouth, a distance of three miles, for assistance. Believing that Miller was dead, a coffin was taken along by the rescue party. After much difficulty two men and the casket were lowered over the bluff. The boy was found alive but unconscious and terribly injured. He was placed in the coffin and raised to the top of the bluff. The rescue work was hazardous and required several hours. It was midnight before the boy was finally placed in a wagon and taken to the town.

YERINGTON BEGS FOR LOWER TAXES

GOLDFIELD, Oct. 6.—The most important case before the board of equalization was the request of the Southern Development company, in which James A. Yerington is heavily interested. This company claims under certain priority provisions of the federal law, 21,000 acres of land where the camp of Lucky Boy is located. By a ruling of the county board made some time ago, the tax levy against this property was raised from 25 cents to \$1 an acre. Parties appearing for the company yesterday sought to have the old rate restored, but the board refused, and the rate of \$1 per acre was allowed to stand.

NATION'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE SPENDS NIGHT AT GATES OF THE YOSEMITE

MRS. GUNNESS' PARTNER IN CRIME REPORTED DYING

(By Associated Press.) LA PORTE, Ind., Oct. 6.—Ray Lamphere, who was convicted as an accomplice of the arch murderer, Mrs. Gunness, has but a few more days to live, according to the prison physicians. He is said to be suffering from consumption. State's Attorney Smith says he is confident the prisoner will make a confession clearing away every detail of the Gunness death farm mystery when he realizes that his end is at hand. Up to the present time he has protested persistently that he knows nothing about how Mrs. Gunness killed and disposed of her victims.

MINISTER EXPELLED FOR FIGHTING "DRYS"

CANTON, Ohio, Oct. 6.—Members of the Stark County Ministerial Federation today expelled Rev. W. A. Higby, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church, for his action in fighting the cause of the "drys" in the recent county saloon election.

Today President Taft Will Witness the Wonders of Far Famed Valley— Engine on Train Was Number 23 and She Balked.

(By Associated Press.) EL PORTAL, Cal., Oct. 6.—The president is safely stowed away tonight in this remote little settlement at the foot of the Sierras and near the gateway of the Yosemite valley. Clad in khaki riding trousers, soft shirt, khaki coat, boots and cap, the president tomorrow morning will start out of El Portal on a three days' sight seeing trip. By stage and on foot, Taft will visit the giant Sequoias in the Mariposa big tree grove. The party will leave here early in the morning by coach and will be driven to Wawona, at the edge of the grove, where the real monarchs of the forest grow. Taft will be driven through a tunnel cut through one of the old trees which is said to have been standing from three to five thousand years. Friday afternoon the president will enter the park from one of the highest points and after a trip to all the show places on the upper levels, will begin the descent to the floor of the valley. It will be the president's first trip into the Yosemite. Yesterday while the president was at San Francisco he heard that it was the plan of the park officials to have a troop of cavalry act as his escort for a day among the big trees, but this has been dispensed with at his request as he wants the trip through the park to be devoid of any spectacular features. John Muir, the noted naturalist, joined the presidential party at San Francisco this morning and will personally explain the wonders of the park and valley to Mr. Taft. The president will be accompanied into the big tree grove and into the park by the members of his own party, and the California delegation, consisting of Governor Gillett, Senator Flint and Representatives McKinley, Needham and Englebright. Mr. Taft made several car end addresses at thriving little California cities during his trip today. At Merced the president was presented with another golf stick made of eucalyptus wood and gold mounted. This presentation called forth a golf speech, in which the president suggested that the unimproved land of the west be turned into open golf links for the public. The game of golf, he said, was an old Scotch game and was played in Scotland by everybody, from boys to old men, and from the poorest to the wealthiest. Continuing, Taft said: "We do not need games in this country for boys from fifteen to twenty-five or thirty years of age, because we already have them. I suppose I am looking at some baseball 'fans' equal to myself in that regard. I don't know how it is with you, but I've got beyond my baseball playing days. The game of golf, on the other hand, remains with you from the time you are fifty to seventy." The president then told of a gentleman nearly eighty who had beaten him at the game. Golf, the president said, leads you to walk without realizing you are walking. And when you play a game of eighteen holes and walk upwards of four or five miles, there's only a pleasant feeling of fatigue and none of that violent exercise you have in baseball or tennis. The president's train while winding slowly up the canon of the Merced river from Merced to El Portal this evening bumped into a handcar which a section hand was trying to get off the track. The car was little damaged and no one was hurt and there was no delay. The train became stalled on the heavy grade below El Portal and it was necessary to cut it in two, the president coming in on the second half. The engine was No. 23.

INDIAN CONFESSES TO THE MURDER OF SCHOOL GIRL

Waylays Girl on her Way Home From School and Chokes Her to Death.

(Associated Press.) WOODLAND, Cal., Oct. 5.—Wilbur Benjamin, a full blood Indian, confessed tonight to the murder of Violet Gilmer, a 15-year-old school girl whose body was found near Rumsey today. Benjamin stated that he had waylaid the girl as she was on her way home from school Monday. She repulsed his advances and he choked her to death, after which he threw the body in the bushes which line the mountain trail over which the girl traveled twice a day, to and from school. Extra precautions to guard the jail are being taken by Sheriff Brown tonight as public feeling has been inflamed by the confession and open threats of lynching are being made. The officers fear trouble before the night is over. Benjamin is about 22 years old and is fairly well educated. He formerly lived at Grimes, in Colusa county, and attended school there.

PASSENGER WITH GUN TAKES CHARGE OF CAR

(By Associated Press.) LOS ANGELES, Oct. 6.—"Cut it out, beat it. If you touch the bell-cord again before we get to the end of the line, I'll slip you one of these." "One of these" referred to the bullets in the chamber of a pistol held in the hand of S. R. Radcliffe, the author of the above remarks, as he pressed the weapon against the stomach of Conductor J. M. Crossman, of a Hooper avenue car last night. Crossman "beat it" according to orders while the car ran several blocks while the passengers were terrified. Finally the motorman stopped the car to see what the noise was about and a nearby policeman came to the rescue and took Radcliffe to the station. Conductor Crossman had reproved Radcliffe for expectorating on the floor of the car and the latter hotly resented the conductor's interference with his spitting "rights." A complaint, according to statements made last night, charging him with wielding a deadly weapon, was filed today, and meanwhile Radcliffe's sanity is being investigated.

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RESCUERS FIND REMAINS OF 25 COAL MINERS

(By Associated Press.) LADYSMITH, B. C., Oct. 5.—At dusk this evening 25 bodies had been removed from the Extension mine of the Wellington Colliery company, where 23 men lost their lives following the explosion of fire damp yesterday morning.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY ROBERTS SUCCEEDED BY SANFORD

CARSON CITY, Oct. 6.—Yesterday quite a surprise was sprung on the residents of this county when District Attorney Roberts filed his resignation with the board of county commissioners. The resignation was immediately accepted and Attorney George L. Sanford was nominated for the position by Commissioner Esser and elected to the position by a full vote. Attorney Roberts in resigning said that he had leased the Appeal and that his business would require his entire time and he would be compelled to relinquish his office to attend to his other duties. Mr. Sanford stated later in the afternoon that he would appoint Mr. Roberts as his deputy and that Mr. Roberts would have charge of the cases the county has filed against the bondsmen of County Treasurer Patterson for the money deposited

TO COUNTS ACTIVITY OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS

(By Associated Press.) CHEYENNE, Oct. 6.—A movement to counteract the activities of the Industrial Workers of the World and at the same time to wield great political power, is believed to be the impelling motive of the Wyoming State Federation of Labor, which has recently been organized and will establish headquarters here, at once, James Buckley of Cumberland, is president. The organization includes all the labor bodies of the state, including the United Mine Workers, with 10,000 members. The organization has been perfected so quietly that few knew of it. Yesterday's session of the board of county commissioners was spent in the allowing of county bills. The board will remain in session several days before adjourning.

NEW PRESIDENT OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY OCCUPIES THE CHAIR

Abbott Lawrence Lowell Succeeds Eliot at the Cambridge Educational Institution.

(By Associated Press.) CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Oct. 5.—Abbott Lawrence Lowell seated himself today in the president's chair of Harvard university, from which he proclaimed his policies and distributed the celebration gifts of the university to 30 men of letters who came from various parts of the world to pay him tribute. In outlining his policies, President Lowell declared himself in favor of men learning one thing well and something of everything.

YOUTH SHOT BY DRUNKEN POLICE CAPTAIN DIES

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Bernard Lagan, who was shot by Police Captain Michael J. Conboy on June 5, died today. Captain Conboy was taken into custody on the charge of murder. Lagan, it is said, was endeavoring to assist Conboy to his feet and the officer, whose mind was confused by drink, shot the young man through the abdomen.

AMERICAN HUMANE SOCIETY MEETS AT ST. PAUL

(By Associated Press.) ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 6.—Abuses in the transportation of livestock, and cruelty in catching fish, especially by the use of dynamite, were the two principal topics discussed before the 23rd annual meeting of the American Humane society, which began a three days' session here today.

WORK STARTED ON RENO'S NEW THEATRE

The Reno Gazette of Tuesday says: Laborers armed with picks and shovels and two teamsters driving teams hitched to big scrapers are today at work on the site of the new Nixon-Aylesworth theatre excavating for the foundation. They are rushing the work with all possible speed and before noon had quite an excavation. Contractor Robb states that this work will be hurried and that the theatre will be open and ready for business by the middle of January.

While men are at work on the excavation, other laborers are hauling lumber, brick, stone and other material and piling it around the site for the new building, so that there need not be an hour's delay in the construction of the new building. It is possible that while this weather lasts the work will be continued into the night by means of electric lights so that there will be no delay in the final completion of the structure.

In the Nye and Ormsby County bank. Mr. Sanford is a republican and a competent young attorney, one fully competent to attend to the duties of the office. He is an earnest worker and a hard student and his appointment has met with general approbation of the majority of the voters of the district.

MINISTER TO PEKIN RETURNS TO THE CAPITOL

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6.—Hon. Charles R. Crane, the American minister to Peking, who was recalled to Washington Monday by a telegram from Secretary of State Knox, started for the capital today. Before the president departed for the Yosemite he summoned Crane and they breakfasted together, at which time it is believed important matters relative to the far eastern situation were discussed.

STEAMER ARRIVES WITH JAPANESE POACHERS

(By Associated Press.) SEATTLE, Oct. 6.—The steamer Humboldt arrived from Alaska today with 35 Japanese seal poachers, who have just finished terms of imprisonment at Sitka and are still prisoners, charged with being unlawfully in the United States. They will be deported to Japan.

Professors Voss and Tatro will play at the Nevada Club this evening after the show.

He placed himself on the side of Intercollegiate sports and also stated his belief in the segregation of the freshmen and the drawing together of the ties among the upper classes. Charles William Eliot, the former president of the university, read telegrams of good wishes from President Taft, from the minister of education in Prussia, and from Adolphus Busch, who announced that he had increased his gift to the building fund of the German museum to \$150,000.

DEMURRER IN BONANZA LIBEL SUIT ARGUED

DECISION WILL BE RENDERED IN FEW DAYS IN CASE OF GOLDEN VERSUS BOOTH

Arguments on the demurrer to the amended complaint in the case of Frank Golden versus W. W. Booth, were heard yesterday in the district court before Judge M. F. Averill. This is the case in which Golden avers that he had been libeled by an article printed in the Bonanza of June 3, 1908, and on which the demurrer to the original complaint was sustained by Judge O'Brien, and the case thrown out of court. An amended complaint was filed and yesterday's arguments were the result. All yesterday afternoon was used and a night session held to complete the arguments. The question was submitted to the court at a late hour and a decision will be rendered in a few days. Hon. Key Pittman represented the defense in the case, while Golden was represented by W. B. Pittman.

ALTERS RECORDS RECEIVES A FIVE YEAR SENTENCE

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—James C. Tomalty, formerly chief bookkeeper in the office of the city treasurer, who was recently convicted of altering public records, was today sentenced to five years' imprisonment by Judge Cabanis.

SHOSHONE SHIPMENT

Last week the Montgomery-Shoshone mine made another of its regular shipments of bullion, consisting of six bars aggregating about \$18,000. Everything is so well systematized at this property, and the usual routine so quietly maintained that there is seldom anything of a news character to report. All departments are working well, with the ore reserves steadily increasing. Professors Voss and Tatro will play at the Nevada Club this evening after the show.