

# VETO BILL PASSED

## POPE PIUS IS BETTER FOLLOWING OPERATION

Pontiff's Physicians Report a Decline in His Temperature and Say He is Resting Easily.

Rome, Aug. 11.—Pope Pius X is resting more comfortably and there has been a decline in his temperature as a result of a slight operation, his knee being punctured and a quantity of thick liquid drawn therefrom by Dr. Andrea Amici, who had been called in to assist the pontiff's regular physicians, Marchiava and Pezzati.

After the operation the swelling in the knee diminished perceptibly and the patient expressed much relief, the burning feeling that has annoyed him for several days becoming much less and the movement of the limb easier. The general condition of the patient is reported to be much more favorable than for some time. This is due, in part, to his removal from his small bed chamber to more spacious quarters, which, according to the pontiff himself, gives him the feeling of being in the open air. The walls of the new chamber are 20 feet high.

Despite his illness, his holiness verified the decision of the consistorial congregation, appointing Rt. Rev. J. J. Keane, bishop of Cheyenne, as archbishop of Dubuque, and Rt. Rev. Joseph Schrembs, auxiliary bishop of Grand Rapids, to be bishop of the new diocese of Toledo.

The *Osservatore Romano*, the official organ of the Vatican, has issued the following statement:

"Contrary to the exaggerated and fantastic news published by certain Italian and foreign newspapers, we can assure you that the condition of the health of his holiness has ameliorated and that the attack of gout in the right knee has diminished notably and unquestionably is yielding to treatment. Notwithstanding this, especially because of the excessive heat, his holiness will still need several days of care and treatment."

## MAY MAP OUT AIR COURSES

Captain Chambers, Aeronautics' Chief, Seeks to Avoid One Kind of Accident.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The misadventure of the army aviator, Capt. Paul Beck, who recently was lost an hour in the clouds and landed in a strange place rather violently, has served to direct attention to the efforts being made by Captain Chambers, in charge of naval aeronautics, to devise a plan to keep aeroplanes and dirigibles on their proper courses. The ordinary marine compass is almost worthless as a means of direction in the air, for the reason that there is no way in which the aviator can determine the extent of his drift once he loses sight of the earth.

Details of the naval plans for meeting this condition have not been worked out, but it is believed they have to do with the establishment of a vast system of base lines. How these are to be identified, however, is yet a matter of conjecture.

## REPORT BIG CROP DAMAGE

Promised Corn Yield of Country Cut

Third of a Billion Bushels in Month.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The greatest decline in the condition of crops during a single month since 1901—a general slump throughout the country, due to drought and intense heat—is indicated in the government crop report for August, published by the department of agriculture.

The report presents estimates of the damage done to all crops during July. It is the most discouraging as to general conditions that the department has issued for any single month in a decade. It indicates a yield per acre smaller than in any year during the ten-year period.

The promise of the corn crop is cut down 125,000,000 bushels, according to the report. The estimated crop on August 1 was 2,670,221,400 bushels. This compares with a promise on July 1 of 2,656,000,000 bushels and a final yield last year of a 3,125,908,000 bushels.

The spring wheat yield is brought down from 245,000,000 bushels to an indicated crop of only 209,575,000 bushels. There was a serious loss in condition of the oats crop, the suggested yield being \$18,000,000 bushels, or 200,000,000 bushels less than the big crop of last year.

Rye and barley were also hard hit, the indicated yield of rye being 30,671,000 bushels, against 33,029,000 bushels last year, and of barley, 139,000,000 bushels, against 162,000,000 bushels in 1910.

## AVIATOR DROPS 250 FEET

Bud Weinberg Wrecks Machine When He Attempts Flight at Mineola, L. I.

Mineola, L. I., Aug. 12.—Bud Weinberg, an aviator, while trying to qualify for pilot's license here, fell 250 feet, wrecking the foremost part of his machine and getting badly bruised himself.

Weinberg has set out upon his qualifying flights and when up about 250 feet attempted a figure eight. His motor suddenly stopped and the monoplane shot to the earth like a spent rocket.

Weinberg landed on his face and right side, fracturing his cheek bone and receiving many contusions.

Weinberg had just got out of the hospital as the result of a collision when he was doing "lass cutting."

## ACTOR DIES IN HOTEL FIRE

American Perishes in Carlton House, London, During Spectacular Blaze—Other Guests Escape.

London, Aug. 10.—Jameson Lee Finch, an American actor, perished in a fire which destroyed a portion of the Carlton hotel, where he was a guest.

This death was the only one resulting from the fire, which, however, was due to exciting scenes and considerable loss to the building through fire and water.

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## SECRETARY FISHER GOES FISHING IN ALASKA

## PERKINS IS VICTOR

## SPARKS FROM LIVE WIRES

Reports from Angola, Portuguese West Africa, say the natives have risen at Lunca Hullu and other places and attacked the European settlements.

Fire on the Queensland docks at Antwerp, where cotton is stored, did damage amounting to \$1,000,000. Immense quantities of saltpeter were destroyed.

President Taft has received a watermelon weighing 104 pounds to help him keep peaceful during the "dog days" between now and the time congress adjourns. It came from Texas.

It is announced that "Al" Hayman, for twenty years one of the most important financial figures in the American theatrical world, will retire from active business and henceforth make his home abroad.

W. J. Calhoun, American minister to China, sailed from Southampton for New York on the steamer *Kronprinzessin Cecilie*. Passengers on the Olympic sailing for New York included J. Pierpont Morgan.

Vice-President Sherman, whose son, Capt. Thomas M. Sherman, is on duty with the militia at Pine Camp, N. Y., has offered to ship two carloads of ice a day from Utica at his expense to be distributed among the troops.

The highest price paid for milk in Milwaukee is soon to be established. Arrangements have been made by a dairy company to purchase all the milk from Pauline Wayne, President Taft's cow, for five dollars a gallon.

Thirty tons of antiquities dug from the ruins of several ancient Egyptian cities were unloaded in New York from a German freighter. The shipment was consigned to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and represents several years' work.

With the co-operation of the bureau of plant industry of the department of agriculture the bureau of Indian affairs is spurring the Indians to follow agricultural pursuits and incidentally is teaching them how to farm their allotments with profit.

**Afraid to Exceed Authority.** The committee's decision not to press the inquiry into campaign contributions was based on the conclusion that the house resolution did not give authority to go into this subject. It was said that Representative Littleton of New York insisted that the committee would transcend its power.

Several members of the committee asserted that Mr. Perkins had been freed only from answering the questions regarding his personal contributions and that the matter of the United States Steel corporation and the New York Life Insurance company campaign gift had not been decided finally.

### Ask President for Facts.

Chairman Stanley and Representatives Littleton and Sterling of the committee and Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, had a conference with President Taft at the White House following the executive session. All refused to discuss the conference. Chairman Stanley and his associates, it was learned, had gone to the White House to ask the president to release the reports of the commissioner of corporations on the steel industry with a view to getting some of the information sought by the inquiry.

President Taft, it was said, promised to give the committee all information in the possession of the bureau of corporations in regard to the steel trust which could be furnished within the law.

## PLAN SEVEN GREAT HIGHWAYS

Senator Cullom Introduces Bill for National Roads to Center in Washington.

Washington, Aug. 12.—If a bill introduced in the senate by Senator Cullom of Illinois is enacted into law, the national capital will become the center of a wheel of seven great national highways passing through every state in the Union.

The seven great highways contemplated in the bill will have one terminus in Washington. The other ex-



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tremities proposed are Portland, Me.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Seattle, Wash.; San Francisco, Cal.; San Diego, Cal.; Austin, Tex., and Miami, Fla. It is proposed that they be called respectively: The Washington National highway, the Roosevelt National highway, the Lincoln National highway, the Jefferson National highway, the Monroe National highway and the Lee National highway.

It is estimated that the cost of the proposed highways would not exceed \$148,000,000.

## MICHIGAN IS CHAMPION SHIP

Battle Craft Is Awarded Pennant for Efficiency in Gunnery and Engineering.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The battle ship Michigan is the champion of the navy. The vessel was awarded the battle efficiency pennant for the highest combined first merits in gunnery and engineering for the year ended June 30, 1911. President Taft sent a letter to Capt. N. R. Usher, commanding the vessel, announcing the award, commanding the officers and men of the Michigan for their success.

## KANSAS CITY

GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1 Hard ... \$1 10 00 28

No. 2 Red ..... 87 14 00 28

Flour—White ..... 62 00 25

Oats, No. 1 White ..... 40 00 41

Rye ..... 36 00 35

ST. LOUIS

CATTLE—Native Steers ..... \$5 00 00 15

Stockers and Feeders ..... 4 00 00 15

Cows and Heifers ..... 3 00 00 15

HOGS—Heavy ..... 1 10 00 15

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## SHOOT JAIL GUARD

Convict in Iowa Penitentiary Is Aided by Confederates in Getaway.

## FUGITIVES ESCAPE IN AUTO

Release of Felon Is Effected by Ruse—Keeper Taken by Surprise and, After Being Wounded, Is Tied to Near-By Tree.

Anamosa, Ia., Aug. 12.—Several posses composed of penitentiary guards, deputy sheriffs and citizens, are searching the country south of here for Charles Smitsch, a convict, and two men who aided him to escape from William Hamaker, prison guard, who was shot by the men and then lashed to a tree. Hamaker will probably die.

### Use Auto to Make Escape.

The fugitives are said to be in an automobile which they rented in Viola, after having abandoned a horse and buggy in which they had made the initial part of their flight.

The posse is also making the chase in automobiles, according to reports received here.

Some one called up the prison office over the telephone and asked permission to see Smitsch. The permission was granted and the guards at the quarry, two miles west of the prison, where the convict was at work, were instructed to send him in. Hamaker was detailed to guard him. Guard Is Shot Down.

The two men when about a half mile away were suddenly confronted by two other men. One of the men shot the guard through the stomach and, to make sure that he could give no warning, tied him to a nearby tree. Then, taking Smitsch with them, they drove off.

Hamaker's cries were heard after nearly an hour and he was rescued and sent to the prison hospital, and is said to be dying.

## GIVES MILLIONS TO SONS

William Van Nortwick, Batavia Paper Paper Manufacturer, Gives Kin Wealth.

## AURORA, ILL., Aug. 12.—William Van

Nortwick, seventy-four years old, of Batavia, Ill., one of the largest manufacturers of paper in the United States as well as owner of other great industries, turned over to his son, John Van Nortwick of Batavia; his nephew, J. S. Van Nortwick of Appleton, Wis., and his son-in-law, E. G. Hobler of Batavia, properties valued at \$3,000,000.

John Van Nortwick will be president of the Appleton Manufacturing company, William Van Nortwick of Appleton will be president of the Combined Locks Paper company and E. G. Hobler will be president of the Green Bay and Mississippi Canal company. E. G. Hobler will resign as general manager of the Appleton Manufacturing company to be chairman of the executive committee of all the companies and Charles P. Hobler, who long has been associated with the Appleton Manufacturing company as general agent, will be elected general manager.

## FILES CHARGES AGAINST TAFT

Dr. J. E. Buckley of Chicago Demands That President Declare War With Mexico.

Washington, Aug. 11.—Dr. J. E. Buckley of Chicago has begun in the District supreme court the most remarkable legal proceedings on record. He asks that President Taft be brought into court and compelled to tell just why he does not inform congress of certain things which are now happening in Washington. In effect he has begun his action to compel the United States to declare war on Mexico, not by way of intervention, but by conquest.

Dr. Buckley claims to represent many American residents in the City of Mexico.

## HENRY C. FRICK QUITS U. P.

Says He Expects to Withdraw From Other Directorates—Board Accepts Resignation.

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