

# INTEREST

## STORIES FROM OVER GLOBE

**Robert M. Maloney, known on the stage as "Willard the Wizard," committed suicide in a hotel in the city of Cincinnati, O., by jumping from the fourth floor of cells, where he was being held pending action by the grand jury on a charge that he had sold life and taps in a hotel December 30 last.**

**The body of a woman, apparently young, from which the head, arms and legs had been cut, was found floating in the Hudson river at Schenectady, N. Y.**

**G. Gregory and William Devaney were arrested at Butte, Mont., on warrants charging the two with instigating the riot which broke up the parade of the miners' union.**

**State's Attorney Wesley Hoyne of Chicago appointed assistants to take charge of the criminal prosecution of former Senator William Lorimer, C. B. Munday and the other wreckers of the Illinois State Trust Savings Bank, following the close of the New York stock market for the day.**

**An agreement that will end the strike of about five thousand men in the Kanawha coal fields of West Virginia was reached at Washington by the representatives of the operators and the mine workers accepted proposals offered by the three coal companies appointed by Secretary of Labor Wilson.**

**President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, the first in a message to the senate and the second in a note to the chief executive, directly apply the principle of reciprocity in the treaty agreement with Colombia to the part of the United States played in connection with the separation of Panama from its mother country. The president transmitted the treaty to the senate with a request for its ratification.**

**General Villa, in answer to a message sent him, telegraphed the president of the United States, "I received your message, I am going to the front of the division of the north and continue to march on the City of Mexico as commander in chief."**

**Lazaro de la Garza, Villa's commercial agent at Juarez, issued an invitation for the Spaniards of the Laguna district to return to their homes.**

**General Villa's resignation as commander of the constitutional army of the central division has not been accepted and the alleged friction between Villa and General Carranza has been averted; says a statement issued from General Carranza's headquarters at Saltillo.**

**W. L. Brock, an American aviator, won the round-trip air race between Henden and Manchester, England.**

**William C. Niblack, receiver of the LaSalle Street Trust & Savings bank of Chicago took possession of the institution and immediately the bronze doors, closed at the week ago last Friday, swung open.**

**George T. Mays of San Francisco will be ambassador to Russia in a reply to a message from the White House at Washington.**

**Suit for \$100,000 damages for alleged breach of contract has been brought against Eugene Zimmerman of Cincinnati, father of the duchess of Manchester, by Miss Ivy Wareham, a dog fancier of New York.**

**Col. Theodore Roosevelt suffered a recurring touch of jungle fever shortly after the Emperor sailed from Southampton, according to a wireless message from the liner to London.**

**Premier Asquith has capitulated to the suffragists. He has consented to the admission of women to the House of Commons in Downing street, London.**

**Funeral services for Miss Lillian Nordica, the singer, who died recently in Batavia, were held in the King's Welsh House church, Grosvenor square, London, on Monday.**

**An explosion entombed 225 of the 600 coal miners employed in mine No. 1 at Hillcrest, Alberta, of the 43 rescued 20 are living. Experts estimate the 40 mine debris is still in the mine.**

**The betrothal was announced in London of the earl of Kintore, oldest surviving son of the duke of Devon, to Edith Haverley, daughter of the late O. Haverley of New York. The earl is aged sixty-four and is a widower with a son and two daughters.**

**During the thick fog which hung over the English channel, the North German Lloyd steamer, with 363 passengers and crew, was wrecked on the British coast near Portland, England.**

**A thrilling rescue was made of the crew and patients of the naval hospital ship Maine after she went ashore in the Gulf of Lorne. The Maine went ashore on fog, tearing a big hole in her hull.**

**The North German Lloyd liner Kaiser Wilhelm II arrived at Southampton on Monday, having escaped the peril of colliding with the British steamship Incomore in the English channel during a fog. The Incomore's bow was badly smashed.**

# THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

## ASSESSMENT ON CASH VALUATION TO BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN ONE YEAR.

## BARNES PRAISES NEW LAW

**Michigan to Have Most Complete Chain of Interurban Railways of Any State in Union in Few Years.**

**(By GURD M. HAYES.)**

Lansing, Mich.—Within one year the entire state of Michigan will be assessed on a cash valuation basis according to a law passed by the state tax commission. Nine counties have been appraised by the commission and at present the assessments in the remaining counties are being placed on a cash basis by the commissioners by supervision of the assessors of the supervisors throughout the state. This was made possible by an act of the legislature at the last session and as a result of the work of boosting the assessments of all property in the state to its cash value, the commission completed four years sooner than was anticipated two years ago, when the commission began appraising various counties and placing the assessments on a cash basis.

The counties which were appraised by the commission follow: Charlevoix, Gogebic, Ionia, Marquette, Allegan, Ingham, Oakland, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Calhoun, Jackson, Berrien, Grand Traverse and Isabella. Commissioner Barnes highly commended the action of the law makers in passing the bill which is assisting the commission to a great extent.

"The last legislature, recognizing that the supervisors were sworn to assess at cash values greatly increased the power of the commission by passing the law which the tax commission shall supervise and assist supervisors to the end that their assessments will be at cash value," said Commissioner Barnes.

"Under this law the commission organized a staff to assist supervisors. It placed in the entire force of examiners—50 in all—at the disposal of the supervisors of the state. It published a pamphlet on cash value assessments and has assisted the local assessing officers.

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