

GREAT PUBLISHER DEAD.
Following a stroke of paralysis, Rev. Dr. William B. Palmer of St. Louis, editor of the Christian Advocate, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. B. Palmer, in Richmond, Va. Dr. Palmer had been in every country on the globe and was a leading figure in the Methodist Episcopal church. South. He assisted in establishing the College of the Holy Spirit in Mexico and the Palmer Institute in Japan. He inherited lands in Virginia, where he was born, worth \$10,000,000, but rather than dispossess poor squatters he gave them the property.

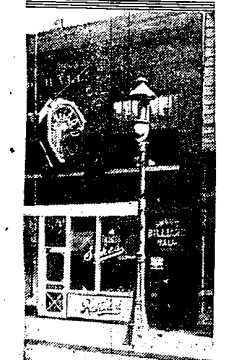
ANOTHER LIE NAILED.
Bliddeford Journal: The old, old story that Marie Antoinette's hair grew gray during the night after she was condemned to be executed has at last been consigned to the category of historic myths. It is now declared that her hair was gray long before she was imprisoned, and that it showed gray at the time of her execution because she had been deprived of her preparations during her term of imprisonment.

STILL WORKS AT AGE OF 104; HELD JOB 81 YEARS.
Philadelphia, Pa. — Jake Hucheb rounded out a pleasant celebration of his one hundred and fourth birthday by eating a half section of a juicy cherry pie. Jake is employed on a farm hand on the country estate of D. H. Kirkner III, in Roxborough. He has held his present job for eighty-one years and has never once tired of his work.

PLENTY OF FANS THERE.
It may be too hot to work in a comfortable chair in a shady office but not too hot to sit on the hard and sunny baseball bleachers.

THE OLD ERA AND THE NEW.
Japan now presents to the world the spectacle of the only eastern nation where the generation which is now coming into control has grown up under the influence of the full flood of western thought. The fathers of the Meiji era introduced the trappings of the modern state, the forms of a constitutional government; they founded schools and built factories; they established a modern army and navy. "Japan must be strong," they said, "if she is to exist as an independent, self-respecting state, and to be strong she must have the apparatus for making money and for self-defense."

VICE WAR FOLLOWS DETECTIVE'S DEATH



Swan's billiard hall and Major Funkhouser.

CHICAGO.—(Special)—The shooting last week of Detective Stanley Birns in Swan's billiard hall during a police vice raid has caused the police to redouble their efforts to wipe out the Twenty-second street segregated district. Two weeks of investigation have been started and announcement made of a police shake-up, with an increase of 1,000 men to strengthen the force.

Chief Gleason, of the police department, has started a war on vice, which he says will be the biggest thing of his kind in Chicago's history, while State's Attorney Macley Hoynes says he will do some investigating on his own.

Major M. L. C. Funkhouser, of the morals squad, has promised shortly to issue a report embodying shocking revelations of vice conditions and the machinations of the vice bosses.

W. C. Dannenberg, morals inspector and the director of raids in the vice regions, has announced that his activities will be doubled and promises a raid for every resort discovered.

Mayor Harrison has intimated that he will hurry back from his summer home at Huron Mountain, Mich., to help in the new crusade.

In the meantime politicians who look to the segregated district for support are busy supporting cover and fighting for a soft pedal on the rising protest over the exposed conditions.

MEXICAN NATIONAL PALACE HAS HAD FIVE TENANTS IN LITTLE MORE THAN THREE YEARS; HOW LONG WILL GEN. CARRANZA STAY?



At the left, Francisco de la Barra (top) and Francisco Carranza; Mexican national palace; Victoriano Huerta and Francisco Madero (center); right, Venustiano Carranza and Porfirio Diaz.

MEXICO CITY.—(Special)—In a little more than three years five presidents of Mexico have held forth in the national palace. In another month another president will be installed. The sixth to take the reins of government since the beginning of the Madero revolution late in 1910 will be Venustiano Carranza, commander-in-chief of the Constitutional army. Speculation is already rife as to whether he will be strong enough to bring peace to the distracted republic and wise enough to solve her many problems.

On May 25, 1911, Diaz resigned the presidency. Francisco de la Barra was chosen provisional president until an election could be held. Madero was inaugurated on Nov. 6 of the same year. A little more than a year later Madero was killed and Huerta became provisional president on Feb. 18, 1913. On July 15 Huerta fed, giving the reins of government to Francisco Carranza.

Carranza was practically unknown outside of Mexico prior to the spring of 1911. He had for a few years previous to that time been a justice of the supreme court of Mexico, an office which he owed to the friendship of Porfirio Diaz. It was in the spring of 1911 that Carranza gained a reputation outside of Mexico by bringing

LIGHTNING GUILTS CHAIN.
LENTSVILLE, N. C.—Lightning perpetrated quite an unusual freak here during a storm. Harry Evans had a cow tied with a chain which had been lengthened with a piece of rope some three feet in length and this piece of rope was tied to the balter. The lightning struck the post to which the chain was tied, completely shattering it, and followed the chain down to where the rope was fixed. The chain links were melted into a solid mass and could easily be broken apart with the hand.

The rope saved the cow.

ELECTRIC PROGRESS.
London Free Press: The idea that we have about reached the limit in electrical development is not borne out by the predictions made at the National Electric Light convention at Philadelphia. Experts who are world-famous told the delegates that within ten years the \$500 electric automobile, with an upkeep of \$10 a month, would be here, and that vegetable growth could be increased 15 per cent by the use of electricity as a stimulant.

STOCKHOLDERS WANT SOME OF HIS MONEY

AMERICAN DIAMOND MAN FINDS GEMS IN PARIS HIGH.
PARIS.—E. M. Gattie, an American diamond merchant, says that although he never saw them so hard in France, fine gems are abnormally high in price. They are, he said, in the hands of rich concerns, and the only chance to obtain them is to get acquainted with a broker or some one who needs money. A member of the diamond syndicate explained to Mr. Gattie that the diamonds are not due to the workings of a trust, but that the mines no longer are producing first-class stones.

COST OF KILLING IN WAR.
San Francisco Star: The cost of killing in modern war is high—about \$15,000 to kill a man. In the Boer war it cost \$40,000 to kill a man, and in the Balkan war it cost \$10,000 to kill a man. In the Canal Zone Colonel Gorgas spent \$24.3 to save a life. Sanitation in the Canal Zone cost only \$5 per cent of the expense of building the canal. It is cheaper to save life than to destroy it. Colonel Gorgas saved 6,130 lives by spending the average cost of killing one man in war—\$15,000.

UNITED STATES LEADS WORLD.
The wealth of the United States, income-producing property of all kinds, including land, factories and railroads—is now not far from double that of any other country on earth, according to Sir George Paish of the London Stock Exchange. He figures that the increase in wealth of the four chief nations in the last century has been 580 per cent in Britain, 400 per cent in France, 700 per cent in Germany, and 8,500 per cent in the United States.

CABIN LINED WITH MONEY.
When Charles Perrine, of Newton, Kan., aged 73, was taken from his cabin to the hospital, where he died, it was thought he was a pauper. His relatives found his cabin contained more than \$5,000 in different hiding places. In the clothing he wore \$1,800 was found.

FURIES FIRE BURNS COTTAGE.
Two members of the militant suffragette arson squad attempted a few days ago to burn the cottage at Ayre, where Robert Burns, the poet, was born January 25, 1759. One of the furies was captured by the night watchman.

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