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CAR VICTIMS IN 36 MOS.

Killed	161
Injured	1030
Total	1191

Walter L. Vail, capitalist and ranch owner, known in commercial circles as the "Cattle King," died suddenly at his home, 128 Burlington avenue, early yesterday morning. His death came as a complete surprise, as his physicians had pronounced him out of danger and he was thought to be in a fair way recovery.

Mr. Vail was struck by a Grand avenue car at Seventh street and Grand avenue Thursday evening, as he was crossing the street with his wife, after just having returned from a trip to Redondo. He was knocked down, sustaining three broken ribs, a broken shoulder blade and internal injuries, but these were not considered serious and in a few minutes he was on his feet. It was the opinion of the attending physician that nothing was to be feared from this source.

There was continued and steady improvement in the condition of Mr. Vail until about 10:30 o'clock last night, when he had a sinking spell. He rallied in a few minutes and was thought to be better. About 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning there was another sinking spell and a quick end.

Mr. Vail was one of the best known men in Southern California and Arizona, where he also had large interests. For years he had been engaged extensively in raising and selling a large fortune. He was 54 years of age. He leaves a widow and seven children, Russell, Walter, Mary, Hans, Marion, Edward and Margaret.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

SEARCH FOR DENTIST TO FILL ELEPHANT'S TOOTH
 Public Feeds Animal Candy; It Goes Mad With Pain.

POPE ORDERS PRIVATE RAILROAD CAR REBUILT
 Has Not Been Used Since 1870; Excites Belief He May Leave Vatican.

YOUNG SON BEATS OFF ASSAULT OF MOTHER
 Brakeman's Skull Fractured by Blow of Ax in Reversing Attack.

APOSTLE DOWIE GOES MAD IN PLPIT.

Thinks Himself General, His Followers Soldiers, His Home on Battlefield.
 FANCIES HE IS WOUNDED.
 Appears From Mythical Battle With Limbs Bandaged and Minus Apostolic Robes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—John Alexander Dowie, founder of Zion City and first apostle of the Christian Catholic church in Zion, is insane. This fact was demonstrated yesterday evening in an address to his followers in 85th house, describes himself as a general, his hearers as his soldiers and his home as a tent on the battlefield.

The spectacle presented by Dowie as he harangued his faithful adherents was pitiful. His eyes glared with the fires of madness, his manner was nervous and his address incoherent and unreasonable. He fancied he had just won a mythical battle in which his general was slain and himself sorely wounded and he pointed to his warlike limbs which lay in battle formation in the lake, their guns protecting Zion from hostile invaders.

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OPERA SINGER IS ROBBED OF GEMS.

Adaberto Reports Losing Satchel on Car Containing Her Fortune of \$4,500.

Adaberto, the star soprano of the Lambeth opera company, who was robbed on a Long Beach car Saturday night of a satchel containing \$4500 worth of diamonds and jewelry. She claims a handsome woman with two companions, who sat behind her, is responsible for the loss, but detectives working upon the case have found no clue.

Adaberto, accompanied by Marco Vesella, leader of the Royal Italian band, and Bianca Paccini and Bartolotti of the opera company, left Los Angeles on the eleven o'clock car Saturday night to spend Sunday at Long Beach. Warned by Vesella not to trust her jewels out of her sight Adaberto says she put them in a small black bag. The jewels as she describes them include a diamond necklace for which she paid 18,000 francs in Paris, a pair of diamond earrings, three diamond brooches valued at \$200 each, a sunburst brooch worth \$100, and two watches worth \$150 each. She also had \$400 in money in the satchel.

As the singer describes the loss of the satchel it was left beneath the seat of the car when the party alighted to go to the Del Mar hotel. No one thought of it until they were entering the hotel. Vesella then turned and ran after the car but it went on to Seaside Park. He waited for it to return but as it was going only to the barns the crew refused to stop for him.

Vesella then went to the barns but the crew denied having seen the satchel. Inquires have been made today without avail. Adaberto accepts her loss philosophically but says the gems were all she had.

\$50,000,000 MINE MERGER
 ABSORBS \$4,000,000 FIRM
 Holdings of Combination Become Part of Consolidated Company.

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Dec. 2.—United States Senator Nixon and George Wingfield, the principal holders of the stock of the Goldfield Consolidated Mines Company, familiarly known as the fifty million dollar merger, have closed the deal and the sum of \$4,000,000 for the purchase of the Combination Mine and Mill Company to add to the holdings of the merger company. The consolidation also included four of the giant companies—the Mohawk, Jumbo, Red Top and Laguna.

GOSSIP NAMES SIR ALAN JOHNSTONE AMBASSADOR
 Diplomat Whose Wife is American Mentioned as Durand's Successor.

G. J. GRIFFITH LEAVES PRISON TODAY.
 Millionaire Angeleno Who Tried to Slay Wife Finishes Sentence. Claims He Will Work for Penal Reform Laws and for Temperance



Griffith J. Griffith, Millionaire Angeleno, Who Will Be Released From San Quentin Prison Today After Serving Twenty Months for Shooting His Wife in the Eye. In What He Claims Was a Period of Drunken Madness.

WILL RETURN TO LOS ANGELES AT ONCE.

Twenty Months' Prisoner Seeks to Go Out of San Quentin Secretly.
 REFUSES TO QUIT CELL.
 Convicts Lured by Money of Rich Criminal Flock Round Him in Penitentiary.

SAN RAFAEL, Dec. 2.—The son will hardly be clear of the Contra Costa hills tomorrow morning before San Quentin prisoner will lose his millionaire convict, Griffith J. Griffith, who will in 12 o'clock tonight have served twenty months' actual time for shooting his beautiful wife in the eye at Santa Monica about three years ago.

Griffith has schemed for weeks to make his outgoing as secret as possible, and he does not hesitate to assign as a reason the fact that he does not relish the notoriety given to him in simple measure, both at the time of the shooting and his trial and conviction.

Tonight he refused to leave his cell for an interview of any sort, and sent out word that he had no statements of any kind to make—that all he wanted was to be let alone. So strong was his stand on this point that the warden, who has been a model prisoner, it is probable that he would have given up his cell, and then society had to take him from his cell to undergo the ordeal of an interview.

Weeks ago he ordered his clothing, and that is now on hand at the prison ready for him in the morning, when he will enjoy his first concession at the prison—that of being allowed to leave the institution in order to catch the first train for San Francisco.

Though Griffith has refused to talk for an interview, he has not failed to tell his friends at the prison just what he intends to do after his release. In the first place, he is going to look after his property interests, which he claims have been neglected since his imprisonment. He will attend to his first and then society had to take the benefit of his two years of penal servitude. He is going to head-off more properly, laws and methods which he claims have been neglected since his imprisonment. He will attend to his first and then society had to take the benefit of his two years of penal servitude. He is going to head-off more properly, laws and methods which he claims have been neglected since his imprisonment. He will attend to his first and then society had to take the benefit of his two years of penal servitude.

GAS SHORTAGE AGAIN SEIZES CITY.

Supply is Meager From Noon to Night; Fails Entirely in Outlying Districts.

Gas was short all over town again yesterday afternoon.

In the outlying districts, especially in the southwest, the supply failed entirely last evening in many homes and business places. Near in, and on the main thoroughfares, the pressure was light, but nowhere outside of the downtown and business districts was there anything like a normal supply.

The shortage was more apparent about the supper hour, especially on the short and side streets in the newly built-up sections, clearly indicating that the main trouble was in the size of the mains, which are too small to carry a sufficient supply, as has been contended by the city meter inspector and Mayor McAlister.

Complaints also came in from outlying districts on the East Side, where there has been much building during the last few months and where only two-inch mains are on many of the streets.

Out to the University district the supply entirely failed for a time and during the greater part of the afternoon and evening there was more or less trouble.

After the supper hour there was a slight improvement, but not until a late hour was the service anything like it should be.

"Poor pressure for a while, I guess," was the only explanation vouchsafed at the office of the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Company.

TIES UP RAILROAD TO SAVE BROTHER.

Conductor Backs Train 30 Miles, Rescues Lost Brake-man; Is Not Discharged.

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 2.—The Santa Fe Central railroad was tied up during a wild rain and snowstorm last night, when Conductor E. E. Friday of a combination freight and passenger train, ordered the train crew to back the train for over thirty miles in a search for his brother, 21 years old, who fell from the roof of a car while setting a brake and ran over.

"What do I care for the railroad? He is my brother," said the conductor, when passengers protested. The boy was found with one arm crushed to pulp by the wheels and his head and face lacerated, trying to make his way along the tracks to the nearest station. He had saved himself from bleeding to death by tying his handkerchief about his left arm, shutting off the blood, which was spouting from a severed artery.

The young brakeman answered the signal for brakes at the top of Clark's hill, twenty miles from here. He climbed out over the slippery cars to set the brakes and was thrown under the train. His face struck a tie, cutting deep gashes, and a wheel crushed his arm, which was amputated here today.

The train reached here several hours ago and the conductor was called once by the superintendent and reported that he tied up the line to save his brother's life. He was not discharged.

ATLANTIC SHIPPING.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Arrived—Steamer C. F. Tietjen, Copenhagen; Minnetonka, London. Sailed, Memphis, London.

Weather at the Old Home.
 By Telegraph From Washington.

	Mean Temp.
Buffalo, cloudy	34
Chicago, cloudy	35
Des Moines, fair	40
Denver, clear	50
Galveston, cloudy	54
Kansas City, clear	46
Los Angeles, light rain	51

PHELAN BUILDING TO BE REBUILT FOR \$2,000,000

Steel Ordered for 10-Story San Francisco Structure on Old Site.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—The Phelan building will be rebuilt, at a cost of \$2,000,000, at the corner of

3 FIRMS IN COURT FOR SELLING BIRDS' PLUMAGE

Kansas City Houses Prosecuted for Violating Game Laws.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 2.—Benjamin Janney, deputy game warden, swore to a complaint yesterday against the River Bird

Electric Hits Wagon Filled With