

WANTS TO RETURN WITH WIFE'S BODY TO GERMANY

In Event of Death of Former
Empress, Kaiser Will Ask
to Leave Holland Under
Guard.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—Will the former Kaiser be permitted to attend the burial of his wife in Germany, is a question which is being discussed in former court circles and by friends of the former ruler.

The former Empress, according to reports from Doorn, received here, is nearing an end, and one report declares she is dying. Her expressed wish to be buried on the soil of her own country from which she voluntarily exiled herself to be with her husband, will be complied with.

She will be buried at Potsdam where also is the grave of her youngest son, Joachim, of whose suicide she has never been told. She was only told that he died suddenly.

Preliminary steps looking to the granting of Governmental permission for the former Empress' remains to be brought to Germany have already been taken.

Among the few friends still loyal to the former Kaiser, there is concern as to what effect the death of the Kaiser's will have upon Wilhelm's mental condition.

Whether Holland will permit the former Kaiser to leave there under guard and guarantee his return in order to permit him to accompany the last remains of his wife to his own country from which he is banished and whether the German Government would permit even if Holland is willing, are questions which will arise within the next day or so if Wilhelm should insist upon the privilege.

PITCHED BATTLE AT PRISON DOORS

One Killed and Several Were
Wounded in Mob's Attempt
to Lynch Negro.

Bristol, Va., Dec. 8.—Tate Blondell, a hatter, was killed and several men were wounded during a pitched battle resulting from the attempt of a mob to lynch a Negro named William, who is accused of assaulting and robbing Fred Robinson, an aged merchant of Appalachee. Reports received here tonight said another mob was being formed at Appalachee. A machine-gun has been mounted in the jail and Sheriff Corder has issued orders to the jail defenders to "shoot to kill."

Blondell was killed, according to witnesses, while leading a charge on the front door of the jail. Members of the mob, according to Sheriff Corder, fired first and their fire was returned by deputies from the doors and windows of the jail. John R. Lewis, one of these wounded, is said to be in a serious condition with three bullet wounds in his chest.

Robnett, victim of the assault is said to have been beaten into insensibility and is not expected to live.

DISCOVERY OF GOLD IN FRENCH GARDEN

Little Village Near Paris is
Excited While Sample is
Being Tested.

Paris, Dec. 8.—All the inhabitants in the peaceful valley of the Chevreuse, about fifteen miles from Paris, are in a wild state of excitement over the discovery in the back garden of one of them of what they hope will prove to be a profitable gold mine. The hope is still far from a certainty, for the analysis of the discovery has not yet been completed, but the wildest curiosity and expectation reigns in the valley, which formerly was famous only for beauty and undisturbed rusticity.

The man responsible is a well digger of the name of Paul Felix. He was employed by a householder to dig a new well in a back garden, and got down to a depth of ninety feet. There he struck what, to him, appeared a curious layer of clay, and when he handled it he found that his hands were covered with beautiful golden scales.

Paul is not an excitable character. He did not at once rush through the village shouting "Eureka!" He went on digging and wondering. Then he consulted the proprietor of the ground. With

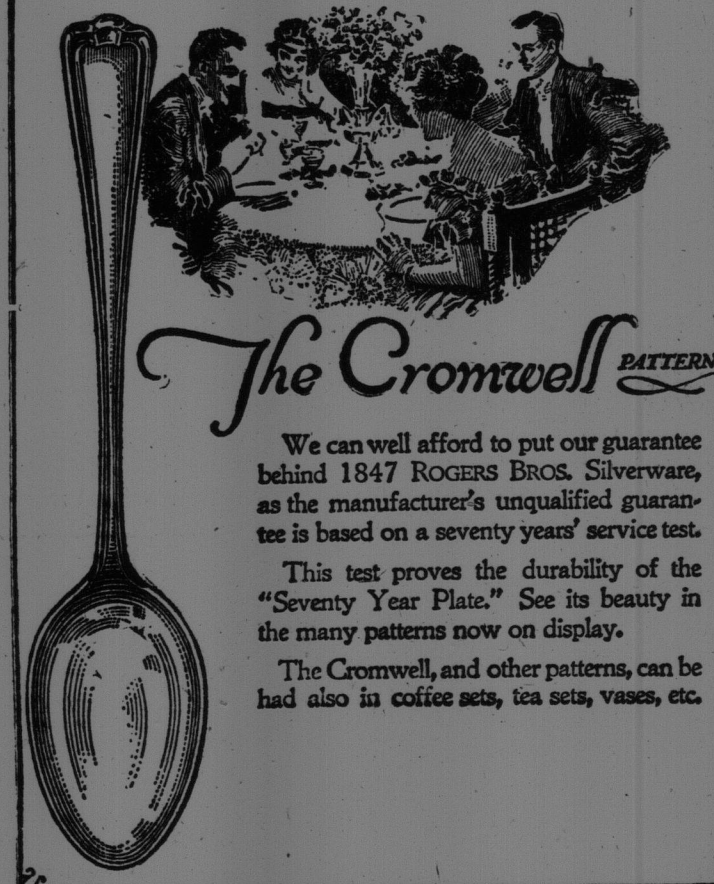
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difficulty he concealed his excitement and went to the mayor of the village of Gif, in which his garden lies. The mayor, too, is a cautious fellow. He had heard about gold mines in back gardens before, but in case the well-digger should be right he instructed the local policeman to stand on guard at the garden gate and sealed the well with an official seal. Then he sent a handful of clay to the National Laboratory in Paris to be examined. There the authorities, in the usual leisurely manner, are taking the week-end to decide the matter and the whole valley is in a torment of uncertainty.

Paul Felix is the hero of the hour, but is far from being a foolish optimist. It might be gold and then it mightn't, is all he will say about the matter, and

complaints that in these days of paper money it is so long since he saw a gold piece that he might easily be mistaken. In the south of France, a small amount

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of gold is found in river beds, but not in sufficient quantities to yield a great profit, and unfortunately for the hopes of the people of Gif and the Chevreuse valley, a journalist has been down there and brought back a handful of their golden sand. He submitted it to a quicker work analysis than those of the National Laboratory and he has pronounced against it. But in Gif hope is dying hard.

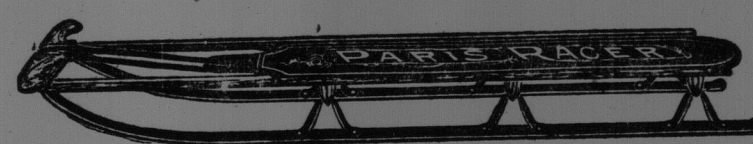
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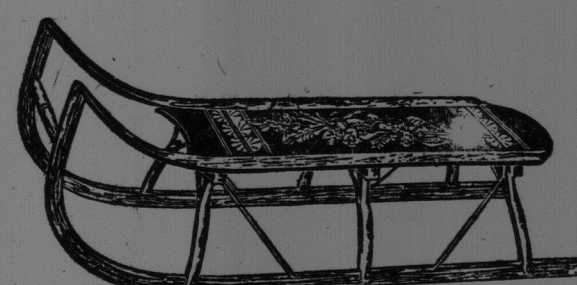
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URGES BOARD TO PICK IMMIGRANTS

South Dakota Senator Believes Assimilability Should
Be the Controlling Factor.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The controlling factor in selective immigration should be assimilability, says Senator Sterling of South Dakota. Senator Sterling is a member of the committee on immigration. He recently studied the immigration examination methods in vogue at Ellis Island. He boarded the Olympic when that vessel arrived at quarantine last week and, entering the steamer, went through the process to which immigrants are subjected before being admitted to the United States.

Senator Sterling has announced that he would introduce a bill to create a federal board of five commissioners on immigration, with power to fix ethnic and nationalistic restrictions on immigration. Representation on such board, the senator

said, would be apportioned among the manufacturing, commercial, and agricultural interests of the country, with limited discretion to modify the controlling element of assimilability to meet the industrial needs of the country.

"There are certain people whose political ideals and adaptability make them more readily assimilable in American than other groups and nationalities," said Senator Sterling. "I have in mind particularly people from Great Britain and the Scandinavian countries. The character of immigration from those countries is such that there need be little restriction as to numbers or otherwise. I might say that the Italians, the Greeks, the Jewish of many nations, have exhibited tendencies to form distinct communities in the United States.

"As to the right of any government to admit or exclude other nationals is unquestioned, I believe that such right and duty can be delegated to a federal board to make selective choice among peoples desiring to emigrate to the United States, and there appears to be unlimited numbers who so desire.

"To provide for adequate labor reserves the consideration of assimilability, which to my mind is most important in selective immigration, could at times be modified by a competent, well-informed federal board to the advantage of the manufacturing, mining, and agricultural needs of the country. The federal board on immigration, which I have in mind, should be composed of the secretary of labor, ex-officio, and four members representing manufacturing, agricultural and commercial interests.

"With such a board in control of immigration the arrival of readily assimilable immigrants would be continuous, and the flow of other types would accord with the industrial needs of the country, and in such limited numbers as to tend to centre upon such less desirable types more of those Americanizing influences which, in time, I believe, would convert them to accepted American notions in politics, economics, and social relations."

NIVELLE'S MISTAKE

Mistook Elevator Man for Moroccan Colonel.

Boston, Dec. 7.—Theodore Roosevelt Jennings is an elevator man at the city hall. After he had carried General Georges Nivelle and his party to the office of Mayor Peters today, he almost lost control of his car, when the defender of Verdun said to him:

"Ah, Mon brave enfant, I did not think to meet you here. I would hardly recognize you without your fez and your buggy trousers of the war time. You fought valiantly for France."

Jennings hastily explained:

"These trousers are pretty baggy," he stammered, "but I been faithful to this

here elevator throttle clear through the war, general, much as I wanted to get away from it. But they also served who star's an' waits, I reckon."

Then General Nivelle, who had mistaken Jennings for a Moroccan colonel, who fought under him at Verdun and on the Aisne line, recognized his mistake and laughed more heartily than anyone else in the party.

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