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## NEWS OF THE WORLD

Industrial, Political, Domestic and Foreign  
Happenings of Minor Importance  
Told in Paragraphs.

Stool mill in the Homestead, Pa. district started a double turn at midnight Sunday night.

E. H. Harriman has bought a one-third interest in the Huntington electric lines along the Pacific coast.

E. Cares, a freight handler, committed suicide at Terre Haute, Ind., by throwing himself in front of a street car.

Coke operators in the neighborhood of Pittsburg, Pa., have decided to sustain prices by regulating the production.

The brig Tanner, from San Diego, went ashore near Port Angeles, Cal., and will probably prove a total loss. The crew reached the shore safely.

The Pan-American Exposition company, operating between New York, Cuba and Central American points, has acquired a monopoly of the shipping business in Yucatan.

Will Newsum, a river pilot, shot and killed John Burrell, a lumberman, near Decatur, Ala., the result of a quarrel. Burrell went South from Saginaw, Mich., several years ago.

In a collision between a trolley car and a wagon at Kansas City, R. E. Wedge, Mrs. Kate Wedge, Archie Cross, Mrs. Hattie Cross and Mrs. Nettie Cross were seriously injured.

United States customs inspectors have seized 17,000 pounds of wool, valued at \$3,000, from Marshall H. Maynard, a farmer near Champlain, N. Y., two miles from the Canadian line. The wool was smuggled from Canada. Maynard was convicted of smuggling Chinamen into this country and served a sentence.

The Women's Society of Home Missions of the synod of Illinois of the Presbyterian church elected Mrs. C. W. Robinson of Bloomington president and Mrs. Margaret C. Monroe of Chicago corresponding secretary at its annual meeting at Springfield.

A subcommittee of the Philadelphia city councils has decided to report favorably upon the acceptance of Andrew Carnegie's offer of \$1,500,000 for free libraries, providing the city expends \$150,000 yearly for their maintenance.

Officials of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad charge that an ordinance, granting a strip of land for a passenger station in Pittsburg, is being held up by members of the council because the road will not produce a profit for its passage.

E. R. Kramer, cashier of the First National Bank of Allegheny, Pa., dropped dead at Sewickley. He had been with the bank more than thirty years. Worry over the failure of the Federal National Bank is thought to have caused apoplexy.

Vanier L. Oldroyd, a union machinist, was shot dead at Columbus, O., by Charles F. Weaver, a nonunion machinist, in front of the former's home in St. Clair avenue. The tragedy is an outgrowth of the recent strike of machinists at the Hocking Valley shops.

A bequest of \$35,000 to Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg, Pa., is provided for in the will of Rev. J. H. W. Stuckenburgh of Cambridge, Mass.

It is reported that the differences between Colombia and Nicaragua growing out of the aid the revolutionists of both countries received during the recent rebellion will be arbitrated by President Diaz of Mexico.

Third Assistant Secretary of State H. H. D. Pierce has returned to the United States after an extended tour through Europe for the purpose of inspecting the American consulates. He will shortly submit his report to Secretary Hay.

Andrew D. White, former ambassador to Germany, was to have been the guest of honor at a reception given by the Deutsche Gesellschaft Wissenschaftlicher Verein at New York, but owing to illness he was unable to be present. It was stated that he had overtaxed his strength at the Holls memorial exercises held at Columbia university.

Gov. Yates has accepted the resignation of D. F. Munger of Princeton, Ill., as trustee of the western hospital for the insane at Watertown, Ill. Mr. Munger will remove to Indiana.

General David G. Gregg of Reading, Pa., was elected commander in chief of the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States at the annual meeting in Philadelphia.

William A. Wollendorf, aged 28 years, of Tremont, Ill., was killed at Peoria by a loaded wagon falling off a bridge and crushing him under the load.

The jury in the Samuel Montgomery murder case at Sparta, Wis., brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree and Judge Fruit sentenced Montgomery to prison for life. Montgomery murdered his wife.

War Secretary Root has arrived in Paris and is the guest of Ambassador Porter. He will meet a number of leading officials there and will return to London before sailing for Washington. President Loubet received Ambassador Porter, who presented Secretary Root.

A resolution addressed to President Roosevelt and Secretary of the Navy Moody protesting against the use of wine in the ceremony of launching the battleship Connecticut was adopted at the annual convention of the Sons of Temperance of Connecticut.

Prof. Willard Clute of Binghamton, N. Y., has accepted the call to teach geology in the Joliet, Ill., high school.

Anthony Drexel, who had been in this country only a fortnight, sailed from New York and, with Mrs. Drexel, will spend the winter on the other side.

Rt. Rev. James Thoburn, bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church for India and Malaysia, has sailed on the St. Louis, from New York, for Southampton, en route to India, where he has been engaged in missionary work for forty-five years.

Dr. Poindexter S. Henson, formerly of Chicago, now pastor of a Brooklyn church, in formally accepting a call to Tremont Temple of Boston, wired the trustees: "Believing it to be the will of God, I will come to you."

Miss Reel's Henderson of Ashland, Ill., has gone to the Navajo Indian reservation, New Mexico, to be matron of an Indian school.

Janauscheck, the actress, has received an offer of a home for life from the Actors' Fund, home in New Brighton, L. I., and from the Edwin Forrest home, Philadelphia, but probably will decline both.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Ian S. M. Hamilton, K. C. B., quartermaster general of the British army, who has been visiting Canada and the United States for a month, is booked to sail on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Bremen.

The Canadian parliament has been prorogued. It met March 12 and the session has been the longest one on record.

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America and the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners are to be merged into one national organization Jan. 1, 1905.

At the Universalist church convention in Washington former Gov. F. E. Perham of Maine said the trend of most of the religious denominations now is toward Universalism.

Settlement has been made at Birmingham, Ala., of the plate mill scale for the Southern plants of the Republic Iron and Steel company, also for the Tennessee Coal Iron and Railroad company, and work will be resumed Monday.

A communication from United States Minister Deaure at Bogota indicates that the present session of the Colombian congress is not expected to make any further progress with the canal legislation.

E. Manuel, a second term, was shot by the guards and killed while attempting to escape from the Folsom state prison at Sacramento, Cal.

The convention of the Army and Navy Union of the United States closed at Pittsburg. Hugh H. Henry of Weehawken, N. J., was elected president.

Speed Frye, aged 11, and George Gabbert, aged 10, of Danville, Ky., engaged in an altercation while on their way to school and Gabbert was fatally stabbed.

Michigan prison officials deny that the Supreme Court decision in the case of Convict Harney, granting him a lengthy period of good time, applies to others and do not fear a general exit of convicts.

The ninth annual meeting of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs ended at Cairo, following a talk by Mrs. J. W. Hener of Chicago, chairman of the music committee, on "Folk and National Songs."

Over one thousand men are continuing the search for L. Wentz, the wealthy young Philadelphian, who mysteriously disappeared ten days ago at Big Stone Gap, Va. Rewards for his recovery aggregate \$30,000.

William Marks was instantly killed and Patrick Hardy fatally injured at Butler, Pa., by an explosion of nitroglycerin.

The cable supply schooner Julia Whalen has been wrecked on a reef at Midway Island in the Pacific.

Democrats of Springfield, Ohio, are making a hard fight to defeat Stewart, a Hanna man, nominated for the legislature.

The case of Whitaker Wright, the company promoter, against whom the grand jury at the Old Bailey found a true bill Oct. 20, on the charge of attempting to defraud the stockholders of the London and Globe Finance Corporation, was adjourned until the November sessions on the application of Wright, whose defense is not ready.

Felix Hall, a negro, was hanged at Birmingham, Ala., for murder. When the drop fell the rope slipped and after ten minutes of agony the man was hauled up and hanged a second time. This time his neck was broken.

W. S. Love of Savannah, Ga., who was reported missing, has been found at Denver, Col. He denies he had sought to hide his identity and was working under his right name and had given Savannah business men as reference.

Two survivors out of a crew of fourteen men have arrived in Newport News, Va. They belong to a Nova Scotia fishing schooner which struck a reef off Cape Cod light. The men had been nine hours in the water when picked up.

For the first time in many years the saloons and gambling houses of Kansas City, Kan., have been closed tight. The threat to oust Mayor Gilbert from office for neglect of duty proved efficacious.

Baron Sternberg, German ambassador to the United States, will go to Germany to consult specialists regarding trouble with one of his ears. He will undergo an operation if the surgeons so advise.

Four postoffice robbers were convicted at Scranton, Pa. Two of them were given six years and the other two seven years' imprisonment.

The Bundesrat has elected Dr. Gutbrod, director of the imperial office of justice, president of the supreme court.

Norse Powell and Harvey Barnhart, farmers living near Hartford City, Ind., were fatally injured in a feud fight. There were nine combatants, men and women of both families participating. Two of the women were severely wounded, but will recover.

The evaporation works owned by Prescott & Remington at Paw Paw, Mich., were burned, causing a loss of \$10,000.

Police Captain Boyd of St. Louis has resigned pending a hearing on the charge of complicity in naturalization frauds.

Andrew Carnegie was given the freedom of Cork and subsequently laid the foundation of a free library to which he contributed \$50,000. Mr. Carnegie afterward proceeded to Queenstown to await the arrival of the steamer Cedric.

Two Croats arrested at Southampton, England, are wanted in Pittsburg for the murder of a contractor named Ferguson. The chief evidence against them is provided by money changers, who gave them Austrian currency for bills believed to have been stolen from Ferguson.

## RECEIVER FOR LOCKPORT BANK

State Examiner Has Receiver Appointed for Illinois Institution.

### SPECULATION IS CHARGED

President and Cashier Are Said to Have Squandered Funds in Stocks, Which They Bought Through a Chicago Brokerage Concern.

Joliet, Ill., dispatch: Speculation in stocks and dealing in margins, by which thousands of dollars of the depositors' money was squandered by the president and cashier, resulted in the closing of the State Bank of Lockport by an order of the court, at the instigation of State Bank Examiner Heath of Champaign. With a capital stock of \$25,000 and deposits of more than \$75,000 the total assets are only \$55,000. The aggregate liabilities are \$111,000. Asa F. Mather of Joliet was appointed receiver.

Dr. Charles H. Bacon, reputed to be Lockport's wealthiest citizen and a pioneer of Will county, was president of the defunct bank, and Andrew H. Butler, for years confidential clerk of Bacon, was the cashier. The closing of the bank caused a panic in Lockport.



U. S.—There, little girl, don't cry; why bother about any boundary lines at all —Chicago Journal.

port, which shortly afterward took on the proportions of a small-sized riot when the depositors learned that the bank had been wrecked through stock gambling. Most of the depositors are poor persons who had every confidence in the venerable president.

An angry and excited crowd gathered in front of the bank when it leaked out that the funds had been dissipated and clamored for their money. Several went to the residence of President Bacon, but could not obtain admittance. Excitement was at a high pitch all day, and threats were made that criminal action would be begun against both the president and the cashier.

From what can be learned, it seems that the stock speculating has been going on for about two years, and that both the president and cashier were in the deal. They bought, through a Chicago broker, Union Pacific stock outright when it was up to 112. They also purchased outright Alton common at 41, and a large block of United States Biscuit. After two dividends had been received on the Biscuit stock they bought 100 shares of Brooklyn Rapid Transit on a margin basis.

When the slump came shortly afterward they put up the stock they had purchased outright to protect the decline in Rapid Transit.

In the final crash the brokers disposed of all the stock to save themselves from further losses. In this deal the bank officials dropped about \$20,000. There is still to the credit of President Bacon on the broker's books about \$3,600. The bank officials also dealt extensively in Missouri Pacific, Alton preferred, and other stocks. It was reported that President Bacon had drawn out of the bank on his personal note as high as \$8,000 at a time, when there were the heaviest dealings in stocks.

The bank examiner came in unexpectedly and in less than ten minutes arranged to have no more deposits received. It is stated that the bank has been insolvent for fully six months, and that a false report was made to the state auditor three months ago.

New Church Is Dedicated. Arlington, Ill., special: The new St. Patrick's church, one of the finest buildings in the diocese of Peoria, was dedicated here by Bishop O'Reilly. Bishop Spalding of Peoria gave an address on education in the evening.

British Boat Given Up. Glasgow cable: The ship Milton Park of this port, which sailed for Liverpool March 21 for Fremantle, Australia, has, with her crew of twenty-four men, been given up as lost.

Hope to Catch Firebugs. Columbus, O., dispatch: The farmers in the northwestern part of Champaign county, now sleep with shotguns by their beds in hopes of catching incendiaries who have been operating about the county.

Crocker's Horse Wins. London cable: Richard Crocker's Clonmell, quoted at 2 to 1, won the race for the Great Sandling Plate of 1,000 sovereigns at Sandown park. Tea horses ran.

Orin Hickok Is Insane. Cleveland, O., special: Orin Hickok, famous driver and trainer of race horses who has been ill here, for some time, has been adjudged insane and sent to the asylum. He is 69 years old and it is feared his case is hopeless.

Pioneers Die Within an Hour. Belleville, Ill. dispatch: Peter Schaubert, aged 96, and Mrs. Ella Moller, aged 94, the oldest pioneer residents of St. Clair county, both living in Mascoutah, died within the same hour.

Servia Is Buying Guns. Berlin cablegram: The Servian government has ordered a large consignment of Krupp guns and ammunition, to be delivered on March 1 next. This is the first indication of a Balkan outbreak in the spring.

Reprieve for Murderer. Centralia, Ill., special: Gov. Yates has granted a reprieve for twenty-eight days to Antonio Romano, who was to have been executed at Geneva, Kane county, Friday, Oct. 22.

## TWO GUARDS ARE HELD FOR KILLING PATIENT

Coroner's Jury Charges Attendants at Bartonville Asylum for Incurable Insane With Murder.

Peoria, Ill., special: The coroner's inquest in the case of Thomas Hartley, inmate of the Bartonville asylum for the incurable insane, who died as the result of the injuries sustained in a struggle with two of the attendants, brought in a verdict finding that the deceased came to his death as a result of the injuries and recommending that the two guards, Edward Sorrels and Samuel Flynn, be held without bail on the charge of murder.

The two are confined in the county jail and their attorney announced that he would institute habeas corpus proceedings for the purpose of securing their release on bail if possible.

J. Mack Tanner, secretary of the state board of charities, and Frank D. Whipp, assistant secretary of the board, arrived in Peoria and were interested spectators at the coroner's inquest. Mr. Tanner announced that he would investigate the affair and visited the asylum for the purpose of making an examination of the building, in the corridor of which the struggle which preceded the death of Hartley took place.

### GOOD YEAR FOR THE Y. W. C. A.

Work in Chicago and Other Illinois Cities Is Greatly Extended. Galesburg, Ill., special: Reports of the work for the past year occupied

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Reports From Agricultural Districts Are Considered Favorable.

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Grain Shipments From Chicago Are One-Third Less Than a Week Ago, but Exceed Those of Last Year by Comfortable Margin.

Chicago dispatch: Dun's review of Chicago trade, published by R. G. Dun & Co., says:

"The position of general trade is one of continued steadiness, and is strengthened by favorable reports from the agricultural districts showing progress in farm work and the reopening of an important branch in the steel industry, assuring employment to several thousand men. Harvesting of the crops is well advanced, and the only difficulty in marketing is owing to deficiency in necessary cars, felt most throughout the Southwest. Gain appears in the receipts of leading products, except wheat, which shows disappointing volume.

Retail Buying Is Good. "Distribution of merchandise remains as large as in the corresponding week of last year, and consumption shows little change, the buying in retail lines being of the best and very strong in wearing apparel and other necessities. Considerable business in