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CURRENT HAPPENINGS

FAITHFUL CHRONICLE OF ALL IMPORTANT ITEMS.

BIRDSALL WARMS UP

IOWAN IN VIGOROUS ASSAULT ON SHIP SUBSIDY.

Hinschaw Spurned Offer and as Result Subsidy Hunters Are on His Trail—Holds Roosevelt the Only Great Man Ever Born in New York.

General debate on the ship subsidy bill in the national house of congress terminated at 2:15 o'clock p. m. Thursday, whereupon the bill was read under the five minute rule for amendments. From that time until the recess at 6 o'clock amendments were offered to the bill and the discussion proceeded thereon. The leaders on both sides were drawn into the debate. By a vote of 112 to 127 the house defeated an amendment excepting the Sierra, the Sonoma and the Ventura, of the Oceanic line, from the operation of the bill, and empowering the postmaster general to make contracts with citizens of the United States for carrying mail on steamships.

Representative Birdsall, of Iowa, in opposing the bill criticized Mr. Grosvenor for his methods in reporting the measure. During his address Mr. Birdsall, speaking of President Roosevelt, said:

"The present occupant of the White House is the only real great man who was actually born in the great city of New York."

Mr. Birdsall also asserted that Mr. Hinschaw, of Nebraska, had been tendered a liberal donation by the ship subsidy men for his campaign, but that he had indignantly spurned it.

"And now," he added, "they propose to follow him up in his district and defeat him for re-nomination or at the polls."

FAST TRAIN WRECKED.

Engineer Killed and Several Passengers Hurt on B. and O.

Baltimore and Ohio train No. 19, westbound running eighteen minutes late and forty miles an hour, was wrecked Thursday night near Indian Creek, seven miles east of Connellsville, Pa. The entire train, consisting of a combination smoking and baggage car, two day coaches and the private car of Robert J. Finney, superintendent of the Pittsburgh division of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, left the rails, and after running for 200 feet along the ties was thrown into a ditch at the foot of the mountains, where the wreckage was completely buried.

Wiley Irwin, engineer, of Pittsburgh, was killed, the fireman fatally injured and the baggagemaster, express messenger, conductor and six passengers seriously injured. About thirty passengers were more or less cut and bruised.

BULLETS END LIVES OF FOUR.

A Horrible Tragedy is Enacted in Illinois.

Thomas Baldwin, a rich farmer and former merchant, aged 68, of Colfax, Ill., shot and killed Charles Kennedy and wife, Mrs. Samuel Eisman and daughter Cora.

Baldwin was under bond, charged with criminal assault on Cora Eisman aged 14. He settled with the girl's father for a sum of money, but was subsequently arrested. He blamed the Kennedy and Mrs. Eisman for the prosecution.

Baldwin narrowly escaped lynching at the hands of angry farmers. He surrendered to a deputy sheriff at Arrowsmith and was driven hurriedly to Saybrook and brought by train to Bloomington.

Michigan Democrats Meet.

The first session of the Democratic state convention of Michigan Thursday called for the nomination of two justices of the supreme court, two regents of the university of Michigan and a member of the state board of education was devoted to organization.

Sixty-Five of Crew Ill.

The battleship Connecticut, of whose crew sixty-five contracted typhoid fever while cruising in the West Indian waters, arrived in New York Thursday. Fifteen are in a critical condition.

To Work on Robbery.

John E. Wikke, chief of the secret service, arrived in Chicago Thursday and immediately took charge of the investigation of the recent robbery of the subtreasury.

SEEKS LUNACY TRIAL.

Jerome Moving Steadily to That End for Thaw.

Interest in the Thaw trial Wednesday centered in the maneuvers of District Attorney Jerome, who seemed to give further indication of his purpose in the near future to apply for a commission in lunacy to report on the present condition of the defendant's mind.

The witness stand for the greater part of the day was occupied by Dr. Evans, director of the New Jersey hospital for the insane at Morris Plains, N. J., an alienist for the defense who was up for cross-examination.

Mr. Jerome seemed to direct his efforts at getting from Dr. Evans information as to the exact recognized forms of insanity from which the expert declared Harry Thaw was suffering at the time of the "brain storm" which resulted in the killing of White.

Dr. Evans had testified that in his will Thaw displayed evidences of a melancholic state of mind. The district attorney dwelt for an hour or more on the subject of melancholia and asked the expert if it was not true in acute melancholia there is a recurrence of the affliction in at least one-third of all cases.

Dr. Evans said there was.

Mr. Jerome said he intended calling as a witness in rebuttal Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton, the alienist who was first employed by the Thaw defense, but who has not heretofore figured in the trial. Dr. Hamilton recently returned from Europe and in a published interview just after he landed was reported to have said that he came to the conclusion that Thaw was insane at the time of the tragedy and that he is insane now. The district attorney also states that he would call Dr. Charles F. Bingham, of Pittsburgh, the Thaw family physician, in rebuttal. Dr. Bingham was on the stand for a short while Wednesday, but Mr. Delmas objected when Mr. Jerome started in to cross-examine the physician as to insanity in the Thaw family on the ground that the witness had not qualified as an expert.

POISONS WIFE AND CHILD.

Denver Man's Illicit Love Leads to Double Murder.

Benjamin C. Wright, of Denver, Colo., solicitor for the International Correspondence school, of Scranton, Pa., is held a prisoner in the city jail there on a charge of murder, having confessed to Chief of Police Michael Delaney Monday in the presence of witnesses that he poisoned his wife Cora and his daughter Genevieve, who were found dead Monday in their home in that city. Infatuation for Stella Good, for whom the policeman claim to have learned Wright had neglected his family, is supposed to have been the motive for the crime. According to the statements of hospital physicians Wright himself had taken no poison and was shamming when he seemed to be unconscious. The contents of his stomach were examined and no poison was found.

Wright did not disclose the nature of the poison given his wife and child, but it is known they died in agony.

LOTTERY TICKETS SEIZED.

Large Number Sent Over on Atlantic Liner.

Customs inspectors at Hoboken, N. J., seized 500,000 lottery tickets Tuesday night, when, according to the officers, the tickets were being taken ashore by two stewards of the Hamburg-American liner Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. The news of the seizure was not made public until Thursday night. Lottery tickets are classed among illegal importations. The stewards who it is alleged had been engaged to deliver the tickets to agents of the Hamburg Lottery company in New York, were not arrested, as the Hamburg-American line, which is responsible for them will compel them to appear when wanted. The tickets ranged in price from \$1 to \$5.

Fight Over Court Grows Hot.

The fight between East St. Louis and Mt. Vernon, Ill., over the situation of the appellate court, fourth district, gives promise of being one of the hardest fought battles ever before the legislature. The reason advanced by East St. Louis for the removal is that one-half of the court business comes from St. Clair and Madison counties.

600 Japanese Coolies Land.

The 600 Japanese coolies who came in on the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia Tuesday night were allowed to land at San Francisco Wednesday by Commissioner of Immigration North, notwithstanding that he had received no instructions to hold them, the amendment to the immigration bill being not yet in force.

Disaster in Montreal.

Rochelle Protestant school at Montreal, Quebec, burned Tuesday afternoon. Bodies of 18 children have been taken out of the ruins. The body of one teacher has also been recovered and it is feared ten more are in the ruins.

School Superintendents Elect Officers.

Frank B. Cooper, of Seattle, Wash., was Wednesday elected president of the department of superintendents of the National Educational association. The next convention will be held at Washington, D. C.

Prominent Horseman Dead.

Henry W. Conner, of New Orleans, president of the new Louisiana Jockey club and prominent in cotton exchange circles, died Wednesday.

DIE IN A FIRE TRAP.

Teacher and Sixteen Children Killed at Montreal.

Principal Maxwell and sixteen children perished in a fire at Montreal, Can., Tuesday afternoon in the Hochelaga school of the Protestant school commission.

The fire was first noticed by workmen employed nearby. The teachers were notified and the work of getting the children out of the building began.

The kindergarten department was located on the second floor, and it was here that the loss of life occurred. The children were started out, but found the lower hall full of smoke and refused to descend. They retreated to the rooms whence they had come.

The fire by this time was making its way upwards and the smoke growing so dense that even the experienced firemen could not stand it.

Capt. Carson tried to get Mrs. Maxwell to go down the ladder, but she refused and rushed back into the back part of the building in search of the children. Later she was found lying on the floor with a child beside her.

The deaths were caused by asphyxiation. There were no fire escapes on the building.

Mrs. Sarah Maxwell, principal of the school, was 31 years old. The children who were killed ranged from 3 to 8 years.

It is asserted at the office of the building commissioner that official notice was served on the school commissioners in November that not only this school, but fifty others in the city, must be provided with fire escapes. None had been built at the Hochelaga school. Another point to be explained is why the kindergarten class had been taken to an upper floor.

CALLS STOESEL A COWARD.

Sav Officer, Who is on Trial for Life is Accused of Treason.

A secret report on the defense of Port Arthur, which is the basis of the indictment on which Lieut. Gen. Stoessel, Lieut. Gen. Fock, who commanded the Fourth East Siberian division at Port Arthur, and Maj. Gen. Reiss, chief of staff of Stoessel, are standing trial for their lives before the supreme court martial at St. Petersburg.

It is of the greatest interest, as explaining the decision to try these three officers and nolle prosequere the other defenders of Port Arthur. The report, which was written by Lieut. Gen. Smirnov, actual commandant of the fortress, is sensational in the extreme. It categorically accuses Stoessel of cowardice and incapacity, and finally of deliberate and treasonable hastening of the surrender to save his own life, and in defiance of the decisions of two successive councils of war. The report is biased in the extreme, and breathes most bitter personal enmity, and shows that the high officers of the Port Arthur garrison in the darkest days of the siege were almost at each other's throats.

PHARMACY COLLEGE CONTRACT.

Job of Building School Let by Creighton to University.

The contract has been let to P. J. Creighton and Sons for the erection of a \$30,000 home for the Creighton School of Pharmacy at Fourteenth and Davenport streets, Omaha. Excavation has already been started, and the building is to be completed in September. In time for the opening of the fall term. The building will be three stories in height and will be 60 feet in width by 72 feet in length. It will join the Creighton College of Medicine on the west. The school of pharmacy, at present housed in quarters in the Edward Creighton institute.

BOY LOSES BOTH HIS HANDS.

Caught in Corn Shredder and Badly Crushed by Machinery.

At the farm owned by James Sinclair, between Falls City and Preston, Paul Schmidt, 21 years old, met with a frightful accident Monday evening. He and his father were operating a corn shredder when the boy's hands were caught in the machine and both arms were so badly crushed that the right hand had to be amputated above the wrist, and the left hand above the elbow. He has been taken to his home in Falls City. It is thought he will live.

LUMBERMEN DENY AGREEMENT.

Retailers Insist Prices at Wholesale Have Increased.

The hearing in the lumber cases at Lincoln was continued through out Tuesday, the state putting on a dozen or more witnesses, each of whom swore the state association had never attempted to fix prices or attempted to restrain trade. W. H. Harrison was asked about the increase in the price of lumber and produced figures to show the prices had been increased to the retail dealers.

Smallpox at Florence.

The village of Florence is now in the throes of a genuine smallpox scare, eight children having been stricken with the disease in a severe form. Schools have been closed and all public or private meetings of every character have been suspended. The whole community is being vaccinated and a general feeling of uneasiness prevails.

Child Burned to Death.

The 5-year-old daughter of George Camm was burned to death near Valentine in a barn. Her little brother set the fire with matches. He ran out of the barn, but the little girl became frightened, hid in the hay and was cremated. Her body, buried to a crisp, was found later.

Pleas Guilty to Incest.

John P. Bridges, of Nebraska City, who is charged with having had his daughter and incest, was arraigned in the county court, pleaded guilty, waived examination and was bound over to the district court, he giving a surety bond in the sum of \$1,000.

Gets Sick on Arrival Home.

Charles McAllister, who returned Friday night from Central America, was taken ill Saturday while waiting for a Burlington train, which he intended to board for his home at Grand Island. He is at the Market hotel under the care of a physician.

Nebraska State News

FARMERS WANT SUGAR FACTORY

Lincoln County Beet Growers Will Try to Get New Plant.

The Lincoln County Beet Growers' association, which was recently founded, held a public meeting at the Con-way opera house at Sutherland Saturday afternoon. As well as furthering the interests of the grower to a material extent, it is the intention of the association to erect a beet sugar factory in this county. The association will ask from factory people \$5 per ton for all beets grown and an additional sum of 25 cents a ton for all beets sliced and delivered at the factory after Nov. 15; the factory shall accept all beets ordered, each week regardless of the supply of cars. The other terms of the association's contracts are about the same as ordinarily used by the factory and the grower.

At the Saturday meeting numerous farmers signed contracts to grow certain acreages for a period of three years, it being the intention of the association to secure enough contracts of this nature among its members to run a factory for a time, providing one can be secured. By taking this will be in a position to talk business to those desiring a location for a factory and at the same time secure material assurance that a factory will be established providing the growers do their part.

WIFE BEATER SENT TO JAIL.

Richard Titus Pleads Guilty to Assault and Battery.

Richard Titus, of Table Rock, who pleaded guilty to a charge of wife beating, was sentenced by Justice Marble to fifteen days' imprisonment and to pay the costs of prosecution. Titus came to Table Rock from Missouri a few months ago with his family. The alleged attack on his wife was made on Sunday. Both the sheriff and county attorney came out from Pawnee City to attend the trial. The complaint charged him with assault and battery, to which he pleaded guilty. Sheriff Martin took him to Pawnee City to serve his sentence. Should there be further trouble after his release, an effort may be made to commit him to the asylum under the dipomaniac act.

PAWNEE CITY MAN ATTEMPTS TO GET OFF WHEN TRAIN DOES NOT STOP.

Louis A. Lohmiller, of Pawnee City, was found in a dying condition at the intersection of Main street and the Rock Island railway. It would appear that he was on a train from the west, No. 1094, which stops at stations only to take on stock, and as it was going through without stopping, when it reached the crossing, which is just east of the depot, it is evident that he must have jumped from the train and struck on his head, crushing in the skull. He died about 3 a. m. At the inquest it was learned that none of the train crew knew he was on the train. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death. The funeral was held at the Methodist church, Rev. C. W. Shepherd officiating, and the body was interred in Pawnee City cemetery.

RAILROADS SWING THE CLUB.

Special Rates for Convention, It is Intimated, May Be Refused.

Prof. John Matzen, secretary of the Northern Nebraska Teachers' association, which meets at Fremont next month, has received notice that his request for special rates on the convention will not be acted on until after the legislature ends its consideration of the rate question.

Big Prices for Land.

J. P. Rhynolds, residing five miles west of Oxford, recently refused \$75 per acre for his quarter section of alfalfa land. A short time previously E. W. Giles sold a ten-acre tract half mile east of the city for \$300 per acre. This place has an orchard, but the building improvements are ordinary.

Colder Weather in Northwest.

After nearly a month of the most pleasant weather the thermometer at Alliance Tuesday morning stood at 25 degrees above zero, with a northwest wind and snowing. This is a drop of 40 degrees since Monday evening.

Getting Ready for Spring Elections.

One of the secret clubs in Nebraska is getting ready for the spring campaign, with indications that the license question will not be as generally discussed as usual.

Cut Leg on Wire Fence.

While out riding a wild colt, Lawrence Lindor of Omaha and Nebraska cut his leg on a wire fence and cut his left leg below the knee to the bone for about six inches.

Vote Railroad Bonds.

The election at Aurora to vote bonds in aid of the Omaha and Nebraska Central railway was held in Aurora, Hamilton, Union and Scoville precincts Monday. The bonds carried in all but Scoville. The amount of the bonds carried is \$17,500.

Victim of Corn Sheller.

Fred Gulber of Kansas City, while working with a corn sheller, had his hand caught and so badly lacerated that he lost two fingers and it is doubtful if he will save his hand.

DIVORCE CASE IN LECTURE.

Rev. Hunt Discusses Basset Suit at Omaha.

Rev. E. Lawrence Hunt, the Brooklyn Presbyterian minister, appeared on the lecture platform in Omaha Sunday afternoon in a discussion of the Basset divorce case, in which he has figured prominently, and more generally of the relations of the church to the home. Mr. Hunt declared in strong terms his contempt for the decision of the Washington case, in which Mr. Basset was awarded a decree of divorce, and said the testimony produced by his enemies in that case was that of purchased need. He made little reference to Mrs. Basset's suit now on trial there.

"When the head of the house instead of being a god is like a devil," said Mr. Hunt, "then it becomes the mission of the church to the homes to teach the wife to become perfect through suffering. That has been the mission of the one who figures in this very sad case."

He denied the charge that he had been guilty of breaking up another man's home. He declared his greatest confidence in Basset would lead in the Washington suit, and vowed that he would appeal from the decision.

HELD FOR DEATH OF INFANT.

Young Father at Florence, Neb., is Charged with Killing Child.

A. F. Holemetz, recently appointed station agent of the Minneapolis and Omaha road at Florence, was arrested Monday pending investigation into the death of his 1-day-old baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Holemetz were married only a week ago.

The child was born Sunday. When Dr. Rooney left the house Sunday evening the baby was doing well, and on Monday morning when he returned to the house the baby was missing.

Mr. Holemetz said his husband had disposed of it. The doctor went to the depot and Holemetz told him the child had died during the night and that as they wished to conceal its birth from his wife's folks, who live in Minneapolis, he did not wish anything said about it. The doctor then notified the marshal, and after a search the body was found at the depot in a suit case, wrapped in a towel. Holemetz then said he was sending the body to his brother at Randolph. He is being held pending further investigation.

KILLED BY JUMPING OFF TRAIN.

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WORK OF CONGRESS

The Senate Wednesday, by a vote of 28 to 42, rejected the resolution declaring Reed Smoot not entitled to a seat as a Senator from the State of Utah. Previously, by a vote of 49 to 22, on motion of Senator Hopkins, an amendment was adopted providing that two-thirds of the Senators present must vote to unseat Senator Smoot in order to make the order effective. The Senate then took up Senator Aldrich's financial bill, which was debated for an hour, when adjournment was taken until evening. At the night session the naval and rivers and harbors appropriation bills were passed. The post-office appropriation bill was passed by the House. All the provisions relating to increased pay affecting 90 per cent of the postal employees were restored to the bill.

The Senate completed the reading of the agricultural bill Thursday after most of the day had been spent in debate on the forestry system and the grazing land provision. Smearing under what they considered unfair treatment, the Democrats resorted to a systematic series of objections against provisions in the sundry civil bill in the House. They compelled the Republicans to maintain 100 members for a quorum of the committee of the whole and forced the reading of the bill in full, for the first time in this session of Congress, wasting nearly three hours' time. Several times, on demand, a quorum was counted at the night session, and many of the members appeared in evening dress. At 10:45 p. m. the committee rose for a quorum of ninety-six votes of the bill, and immediately thereafter adjourned.

The agricultural appropriation bill took up most of the time of the Senate at both the day and night sessions Friday. The grazing amendment was stricken out of the bill on a point of order raised by Mr. Aldrich. The conference and judicial appropriation bill was agreed to. The conference on the Indian appropriation bill reported, and Mr. Clapp gave notice that he would call it up Saturday. The military academy appropriation bill was reported and passed. It carries \$1,974,383, an increase of \$33,400 over the amount appropriated by the House. The House devoted practically its entire session to consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill. The work of special agents of the Department of the Interior was severely criticized as working unnecessary hardship to settlers in the debate on an amendment intended to limit their work to investigations to cases where there is ground to suspect fraud, which was adopted. The conference report on the omnibus light-house bill was adopted, and the measure now goes to the President. In committee of the whole 380 Senate private pension bills were passed in thirty minutes.

Through the Senate devoted four hours to legislative matters Saturday, nothing was accomplished except speaking in the agricultural appropriation bill received further criticism on the forestry section. The Senate leaders expressed disinclination to permit much more talk on the bill. An hour was devoted to debate on Senator Aldrich's currency bill, and the time after 3 o'clock was devoted to eulogies of the late Senator Alger of Michigan and Representative Hild of Illinois. House of Massachusetts and Lester of Georgia. Under a rule reported from the committee on rules the House amended its substitute for the La Follette sixteen-hour railroad employes' bill, in line with the President's views, by an affirmative vote of 279, there being no negative votes cast. The House agreed to the conference report on the legislative executive and judicial bill, and then resolved itself into the committee of the whole for the further consideration of the sundry civil bill, holding a night session in the hope of completing the measure, which was passed at 11:45 p. m.

The Senate Monday passed the agricultural appropriation bill, carrying nearly \$10,000,000, the postoffice appropriation bill, carrying \$210,000,000; the pension appropriation bill, carrying \$45,000,000, and the bill authorizing the establishment of an agricultural bank in the Philippines. The principal amendment to the agricultural bill was offered by Senator Beveridge, which requires the date of manning and inspection to appear on the label. Another amendment offered by Mr. Beveridge, to require the packers to pay the cost of administering the meat inspection law, was defeated. The Senate also passed a bill granting a service pension of \$12 a month to army nurses who have reached the age of 62, \$15 a month at 70 years, and \$20 at 75. Senator Dewey addressed the Senate on his resolution for an investigation of the currency system. At the night session the Senate ratified the Santo Domingo treaty by a vote of 43 to 19, and passed 290 private pension bills, clearing the calendar. The House devoted the first hour of its session to eulogies for the late Representative John F. Rixey of Virginia, and as a further mark of respect took a recess for half an hour. Upon reassembling a resolution reported by the committee on rules was adopted providing for five hours of debate on the Littauer substitute for the Senate ship subsidy bill and for a vote on the measure not later than 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. Conference reports were agreed to on the Indian appropriation bill and the bill providing for the allotment and distribution of Indian tribal funds. The anti-tipping bill, applicable to the District of Columbia, was defeated without division.

National Capital Notes.

The Senate has passed a bill to establish an immigration station in New Orleans.

The House has passed a bill creating a new land district in Valley county, Montana.

The House passed a bill providing for a United States judge for the northern district of Alabama.

The District of Columbia appropriation bill, carrying \$10,724,532, an increase of \$87,298 over the amount passed by the House, was reported to the Senate.

HARRIMAN IN A RAGE.

Magnate Tells Commerce Commission Why I. C. Chief Was Ousted.

Edward H. Harriman told the Interstate Commerce Commission in New York why Stuyvesant Fish recently was deposed from the presidency of the Illinois Central railroad. He told his story voluntarily. In fact he insisted on telling it and would not be deterred by the government's inquisitor or even by his own lawyers, who frequently tried to interrupt him.

Asserting that Mr. Fish had used the Illinois Central railroad as a personal asset; that he had loaned securities to trust companies to pad their state-



EDWARD H. HARRIMAN.

ments, and that he had loaned himself \$1,000,000 of the road's funds, giving practically worthless securities as collateral, Mr. Harriman caused a sensation when he told that Stuyvesant Fish was ousted from the presidency of the road for misusing the company's funds.

Other secrets told by Harriman may be summarized as follows:

The Union Pacific bought only a dominant minority of Southern Pacific stock because it could rule the road without holding a majority.

When a plot by James R. Keene to grab the road and divide its surplus among stockholders was discovered in 1903 William Rockefeller came to the rescue. He took over some \$17,000,000 of Southern Pacific stock with a written guarantee that it would be repurchased without loss to him within a year.

The States of Washington and Oregon would be ten years ahead of where they are to-day if the government had permitted Harriman to take over the Northern Pacific.

The States mentioned would be ten years behind where they are now if he hadn't put through the Southern Pacific-Union Pacific deal.

But for the Sherman anti-trust law he would have a road from New York to San Francisco in a week.

MRS. HOLMAN'S DENIAL.

Husband Says She Has Given No Statement to Journal.

Charles J. Holman has issued a statement at Pittsburgh in behalf of his wife, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw's mother, denying



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that Mrs. Holman ever gave District Attorney Jerome a statement with which to embarrass young Mr. Thaw on the witness stand. Furthermore, he says Evelyn was always sent to Sunday school as long as her mother had control of her, and that her mother never left her daughter in care of