

DRAGGING RIVER FOR THE BODY OF MISSING GROCER

Police in Final Effort to Locate W. S. Eskridge Here. Meanwhile Topekan's Heavy Debts Bring New Trails. SUITS FILED IN COURTS TODAY

MYSTERY DEVELOPMENT

Kaw river is dragged and dynamited this afternoon in effort to locate body. Warrant is sworn in by the Poshier Mercantile company...

Hunt for Body in River

Even among the police opinion today appeared to vary as to the solution of the mystery. Chief G. G. Hannan...

No Facts on "Woman" Rumor

Efforts of Clyde Treaner, chief of detectives, today to run down rumors and gossip about a woman being implicated in Eskridge's disappearance...



From photo by J.C. Whitely. Eskridge's Dodge sedan as it looked when dragged up the bank from the river following its discovery upside down in the stream Wednesday morning.

The Weather

UNSETTLED BUT NOT COLDER. Weather Without Winter Winds Keeps Coal Piles From Diminishing. WEATHER FORECAST FOR KANSAS...

UNIONS GO TO WAR

Imported Gun Men Used in Chicago Squabble. Bribed Union Leader Is First To Be "Bumped Off."

Chicago, Feb. 5.—A \$2,000 consideration alleged to have been accepted by Maurice Enright, labor leader and gunman...

TO DECIDE ON HIP FLASK

Chicago Banquet in Court for Transferring Booze in His Pocket. Chicago, Feb. 5.—Whether the hip pocket flask is outlawed by the national prohibition law will be determined in Federal court...

Their Death Pact Failed

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 5.—Glen Summerwell, 17, and his 15-year-old brother probably will recover from bullet wounds inflicted by the one-day bridegroom...

JEWEL ROBBER IS CAPTURED

New York Thief Accused of Stealing \$300,000 Worth of Precious Gems. Denver, Feb. 5.—George Davis, 41, skilled worker in the Denver mint, was arrested here today charged with being a fugitive from justice after robbing the Chicago jewelry firm of Helmer...

ENTIRE NATION IS HIT BY FLU

St. Louis, Feb. 5.—Six hundred and eighty-two new cases of influenza were reported to the health department today for the twenty-four-hour period ending this morning. This is 75 less than the number reported yesterday morning...

ALLIES DEMAND TEUTONS PUNISH QUITTING EVOY

Entente Messenger Went to Berlin on Same Train. Carried War Criminal List Von Lersner Refused. BRITISH ESPECIALLY BITER

MUST INTERN EX-KAISER

London, Feb. 5.—If Holland persists in her refusal to intern the allied demand for extradition of the former kaiser, the British government...

Hun Cabinet May Resign

Berlin, Feb. 4.—Resignation of the German cabinet as result of the allied demand for German war guilty was foreseen...

Crown Prince "Wanted"

The former crown prince, Field Marshal von Hindenburg, Erich Ludendorff, General von Falkenhayn, Admiral von Tirpitz, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg...

FLU EPIDEMIC RESPONSIBLE FOR POSTPONEMENT TOPEKA CONFERENCE

Acting upon request of Dr. S. J. Crumrine, secretary of the state board of health, the state highway commission today cancelled dates for a commission...

GREY SPOKE FOR HIMSELF

Washington, Feb. 5.—A statement from the British government declaring that Viscount Grey spoke for himself alone when he wrote his famous letter to the London Times...

STOLEN GOLD IS RECOVERED

Mint Worker Took Government Metal Bars Worth \$35,000. Denver, Feb. 5.—Orville Herrington, 41, skilled worker in the Denver mint, was arrested here today charged with being a fugitive from justice after robbing the Chicago jewelry firm of Helmer...

FEW MORE DAYS TO GET YOUR NAME ON CENSUS

The work of the census enumerators has been completed. It is now time for Topeka citizens to investigate among the members of their families and ascertain if all have been listed...

'Dad' Kinne, Loved by All, For Thirty Years a Street Car Conductor, Dies Today

Oldest Street Railway Employee in Point of Service in Country—Known by Every Child on Washburn-Huntoon Line in Topeka. "Dad" Kinne is dead. Dean of Topeka street car conductors...

The end came to "Dad" Kinne—his real name was John R. Kinne, but he was known and referred to in Topeka only as "Dad"—at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of Samuel A. Kinne...



"Dad" Kinne.

The Kinne family is a family of street car men. "Dad" and all of his sons have served at some time or another as conductors or motormen on the Washburn-Huntoon line...

CALL OFF STATE ROAD SCHOOL

British Government Disavows Official Responsibility for Times Letter. Washington, Feb. 5.—A statement from the British government declaring that Viscount Grey spoke for himself alone when he wrote his famous letter to the London Times...

RAN INTO LIGHT ENGINE

Penny Train Wrecked—Sleepers on Fire—City Alarm Sounded. Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—A Pennsylvania railroad train en route from the south to New York, ran into a light engine at Frankfort, a suburb, today...

NEW YORK PESSIMISTIC

New York, Feb. 5.—The fall in commodity prices which has been predicted as an inevitable result of the drop in English exchange values will not restore normal conditions, Francis H. Sissac, vice president of the Guaranty Trust company, said today in an interview...

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FLU DROPS FIFTY PER CENT

Minneapolis, Feb. 5.—Flu dropped 50 cents a barrel at the local market today, the collapse of foreign exchange and the slump in the wheat market being given as the cause. Today's quotation—\$2.75 a barrel in 98-pound cotton sacks—is the lowest price standard flour has been selling for since the first week in March...

BIG BREAK IN RUBBER COST IS PREDICTED

Slump in All Markets Started by Low Exchange. Falling Off in European Demands Stops Export. RESERVE STOCK BEING DUMPED

Drop in Grain and Meat Prices First Indication

Period of Depression Sure, Declare New York Financiers. Washington, Feb. 5.—A big drop in prices of necessities is only a few weeks away, government officials agreed here today, if the present record low levels of foreign exchange rates continue...

MAY NOT BE DIVIDED

Official opinion is divided, however, as to whether in the long run this curtailment of exports will be beneficial to the United States. Although there is no tendency to hold a reduction of the present high prices is not to be urgently desired, many officials and economists declare that the present foreign exchange situation has a possible peril for the American consumer...

Much Food Stuff Held

Some idea of the quantities in which foodstuffs might be released in the domestic markets if foreign exchange rates in American markets were to be gained from inspection of the rate at which the United States now is shipping food abroad. In December, the total value of exports of breadstuffs, meats and dairy products was \$119,000,000. This total was divided as follows:

- Wheat, 5,500,000 bushels, valued at \$22,000,000. Flour, 1,200,000 bushels, valued at \$14,200,000. Fresh beef, 6,000,000 pounds, valued at \$18,000,000. Lard, 6,645,000 pounds, valued at \$18,406,000. Condensed milk, 76,783,000 pounds, valued at \$11,200,000.

Chicago Prices Slump

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Hard hit by the condition of the money market and further affected by embargoes, grain futures opened sharply lower here today. The range in corn was 2 cents down and in oats 1 cent. Traders here said selling at the top of the range. The price of trade for the first time in more than a year was in a condition of excitement nearing the pre-war season. Cash grains were affected. No dent was made in prices on finished products. Provisions sank with the grain and hog.

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Anti-Jazz Law Quickly Killed By City Dads

Racine, Wis., Feb. 5.—Personal liberty still breathes, Racine aldermen proclaimed today. They defeated an ordinance designed to end dancing to syncopated music. The measure was drafted by Mayor Armstrong who described jazz as "immoral, sensual and degrading."

41 CASES FLU HERE

Epidemic Seems to Have Abated Today in Topeka. Doctor Brown Warns Epidemic Not Over, Tho.

The influenza epidemic in Topeka seemed today to have abated somewhat, but Dr. Earle G. Brown, city health officer, warned that the epidemic has not yet been checked. Forty-one new cases had been reported to the city health department between 3:45 Wednesday afternoon and noon today. Wednesday's total up to 2:45 was fifty-two cases, a decrease of thirty-three cases from the day before.

GOING TO BE BURIED

New Yorkers Dig Out of Huge Snow Drifts. All Streets Blocked—Harbor Clogged With Ice Floes.

New York, Feb. 5.—New York today started to dig itself out of the most severe snow storm of the winter. Snow, heavy and piled up, fell steadily during the night and early morning hours, clogging the streets and sidewalks with drifts. Harbor street car traffic, delaying train service, seriously impeding navigation in the harbor and causing intense discomfort to pedestrians. Altitude squares of motor sweepers were kept busy all night cleaning tracks, street cars moved at a snail's pace and blockades were the rule.

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KANSAS PASSES CREST OF WAVE 'FLU' EPIDEMIC

Reports Today Indicate Cessation of Disease Spread. Unfavorable Weather May Occasion New Outbreaks. STANDS SECOND IN NATION

NEW YORK ALONE EXCEEDS KANSAS IN NUMBER CASES

Grand Total of 16,179 Shown in Crumrine Statistics. KANSAS FLU RECORD. Reported previous to Feb. 3... Reported Feb. 4... Reported Feb. 5...

FEDERAL RECORDS RECEIVED TODAY

Dr. S. J. Crumrine, secretary of the state board of health, showed that for the flu epidemic period ending Monday night, Kansas ranked second among the states in the number of cases recorded. The Kansas record of 8,650 Monday night had been increased to 16,179 at noon today.

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