

### EUROPEAN CANALS

#### ERIE SYNDICATE SECURE CONTROL OF WATERWAY.

#### RUN BY ELECTRICAL ENERGY

Will Land Goods at English Inland Towns—Now Merely a Question of Securing the Consent of the British Parliament.

(By Associated Press.) London, Jan. 14.—One of the most important of American commercial enterprises in Europe has just culminated here. It consists in the securing of all water routes for American cargoes for grain and other commodities from inland ports in the United States to inland ports in Europe and embraces the purchase by American capital of several British and other canals.

Frank W. Hawley, vice-president of the Erie Canal Traction company, has been on this side several months quietly securing concessions for the operation of European canals by electricity. The Erie concern today secured control of about 5000 miles of canals in England and on the continent. As a result cargoes will shortly be shipped on the same bill of lading from Duluth, Minnesota, to Brussels, Ghent and Cologne, and later to many points in the United Kingdom, France, Germany and Italy.

The power plants will be erected with American capital, though their control will nominally remain in British hands. Mr. Hawley said today to a reporter: "Yes, it is true that the traction company is making considerable progress in securing all-water routes by electrically operated canals through Europe. I cannot tell you the names of the English canals which will figure in parliament.

Get Consent of Parliament. There are in the United Kingdom 1138 miles of canals, owned by railroads which do not make a very good financial showing; but 2768 miles of English canals independent of railroads show earnings of £729 per mile, which are greater than those shown by many American railroads.

However, we have been able to get control of only a portion of those, because their operation and maintenance expenses are over 70 per cent of their gross receipts. The largest canals in England, viz: the Birmingham, Grand Junction, Leeds and Liverpool, Oxford and Bridgewater, are not far removed from the sources of electric power supply, at least nothing like so far removed as the canal at Oakland, California, where the power is transmitted from the Yuba river a distance of 140 miles.

Therefore, it is merely a question of getting the necessary consent of parliament for the conveyance of this electric energy before the English canals will be equal to the canals of America and Belgium, where electric energy has resulted in increased facilities."

#### CALIFORNIA FRUIT CROP.

#### Seems to Be a Shortage in Oranges This Year But Quality Good.

(By Associated Press.) Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 14.—The following summary of the orange crop is made by the Express:

Southern California will ship a total of 20,000 cars of fruit during the present season. The new crop is expected to fall short more than 4000 cars of the output last year. The estimated shipment of vegetables will aggregate 2000 cars.

The figures quoted were gathered by the Trans-Continental railroad companies, with headquarters in Los Angeles, and are considered reliable. Frost has not damaged oranges up to this time, but the new crop of summer lemons will be short. Last season the total shipments aggregated 24,531 cars of citrus fruits. Oranges this year are smaller in size, a fact to which nearly all of the shortage is stated to be due.

Shipments of the new crop to Saturday aggregated 3233 cars as against 3299 cars for the same time last year. The new crop is of a superior quality and the average this year is the largest in the history of the industry in this section.

Present prices are considered fairly high, with indications for an excellent market.

#### COLORED CENTENARIAN DYING.

#### He Well Remembers the Death of George Washington.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 14.—Peter Lee, who has been in the employ of the Stevens family of Castle Point, Hoboken, N. J.,

upwards of 100 years, is dying at Castle Point.

The date of his birth is somewhat uncertain, but it is probably in 1795 or 1796. He was born in Hoboken of slave parents, the property of Col. John Stevens.

He became free in the course of years, but only once was he separated from the Stevens family. He declared he remembers the general mourning for the death of George Washington, in December, 1799.

He can recall the days preceding steam navigation when horse boats furnished the most advanced method of transportation across the Hudson river.

#### WAS A BAD JOKE.

#### Russian Prince Says Dr. Ular's Exposure Is Not True.

(By Associated Press.) London, Jan. 14.—Prince Ukhomsky, head of the Russo-Chinese bank, has declared the three alleged secret documents communicated to the Times January 3 by Dr. Ular, a prominent student of Chinese affairs, to be "a bad joke from beginning to end."

Dr. Ular maintains the authenticity of these documents and has challenged Prince Ukhomsky to bring the matter before arbitrators.

The documents referred to went to prove the existence of a bargain negotiated by the late Li Hung Chang and Russia, through the medium of Prince Ukhomsky, under the terms of which the Boxer movement was to be turned against the foreigners.

Russia engaged to protect the empress dowager against the western powers in return for the power to occupy Manchuria and a free hand in Mongolia.

#### FORGERY CHARGED

#### BANK PRESIDENT OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS, UNDER ARREST.

Charges Are Only Technical. Mr. Withers Claims That He Is Merely the Victim of the Venom of Another Banker; That There Is Nothing Wrong.

(By Associated Press.) Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 14.—J. B. Withers, president of the American National bank of Beaumont, Texas, until recently, is at the Midland hotel in the custody of a United States marshal who placed him under arrest last Saturday upon a charge of forgery of about \$25,000 worth of notes and \$8000 worth of stock of the First National bank of Howe.

He is also said to be under indictment at Beaumont on a state charge. His arrest here was upon a warrant issued by the United States commissioner in Beaumont.

The arrest has been kept secret because Withers has been trying to adjust matters at Beaumont by telegraph.

Marshal Durham left town immediately after Withers' arrest, for Joplin, where the federal court is in session, his deputies taking the responsibility for keeping the arrest secret.

#### Charges Are Technical.

Withers is registered at the Midland as John B. Withers and one. He is in a room with a deputy marshal.

At an early hour this morning he said: "There is no shortage in the bank and the charges against me are merely technical. I organized the bank a year ago and was its president.

"We had some difficulty and I withdrew from the bank three weeks ago. Several months ago, I had trouble with another banker who runs a bank in Sherman, Texas.

"He had it in for me for political reasons and I got a letter a few days ago informing me that the state bank of Beaumont had been requested to make an investigation of the American National and that the investigation had been instigated by my enemy.

"I got telegrams from four directors of the bank today, who tell me that there is no shortage and they have the best of feeling toward me."

#### ACTORS PAY FOR POSITIONS.

#### Man in Pittsburg Took This Method of Staging Play.

(By Associated Press.) Pittsburg, Jan. 14.—Edmund Palmer, also known as John Fay Palmer, of Boston, was arrested here today as a suspicious character. Two weeks ago he registered at the St. Charles hotel and advertised for stage people in the daily papers.

The applicants were told that he had a play, written by himself, known as "The Egyptian." This he intended to put on the road and would necessarily have to coach his company. He made each applicant pay \$10, then \$40 more, and \$50 more was to be taken out of their salaries while on the road.

Palmer had a list of about fifty women and a few men from whom he had received about \$1000. He told the officers that, being a poor man, he took this method of staging his play; that he had lived up to his agreement with the people contracting with him and intended starting out on the road with his play within a week.

#### OVERISSUE OF MINING STOCK.

#### Books of the C. K. N. Company to Be Investigated by Experts.

(By Associated Press.) Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 14.—A sensation in mining stock circles was created today by the announcement that the C. K. & N. Gold Mining company had been victimized by overissue of shares. President G. A. C. Duer and Directors W. H. McIntyre and Harry Hutchinson confirm the report, but claim that the overissue will not exceed 150,000 shares.

The books of the company were today turned over to the Colorado Title & Trust company to be examined. W. Y. Brent, who now resides in Chicago, was secretary of the company in 1895 and 1896. He was succeeded by Judge J. L. Semmes, who recently died.

The C. K. & N. stock has been actively traded in as a prospect for several years. In the present slump it is selling around 3 cents. The stock will be dropped from the exchange list pending investigation.

### WITHOUT PARALLEL

#### LONDON TIMES MAKES OUT A CASE AGAINST GERMANS.

#### SCATTERED ON THE STREETS

Newspapers Deprecate Times Article as Unwise and Say That No Good Can Come of Setting English and German Peoples by the Ears.

(By Associated Press.) London, Jan. 14.—A remarkable article appears in the Times under the caption, "Literature of German Anglophobia," recounting the character of the anti-British cartoons which have appeared in the German newspapers, which the Times says, "in coarseness, obscenity and venom are without a parallel in modern times."

The wisdom of the publication of the articles at this juncture is much questioned. The Star says: "The Times today, of all days, begins a series of articles on the offensive German caricatures. Every newspaper has long been aware of these caricatures, but the responsible journals have not advertised these insults simply because no good could be done by setting the British and German people by the ears.

"Hounding toward an Abyss. "The Times ought to hesitate before it deliberately flogs the passion of the people. Are our publicists dead? Cannot they see the abyss towards which they are hounding this long suffering nation?"

The Times article says: "The papers are not gutter-sheets, but are sold everywhere, at the stations of the state railroads, even at Potsdam station, where the emperor is constantly traveling. He was finally obliged to personally order their removal.

"Neither are these papers anonymous. One of the most infamous of all, entitled, 'The Bear War,' bears on the title page the names of persons distinguished in the literary and artistic world of Germany.

"From purely a technical standpoint, the paper is an art production, but it is difficult to find words to convey a notion of the filth which its cultured artists and writers venture to lay before its cultured German readers.

#### Some Filthy Cartoons.

"British soldiers are represented as robbing the dead. Mr. Chamberlain's state coach is depicted as a cart laden with skeletons and King Edward is shown dead drunk in his bedroom, receiving the news of Cronje's surrender.

"But the crowning piece is a cartoon entitled, 'Hero Worship.' The then Princess of Wales with Queen Victoria, the Prince of Wales and the young princess by her side, is decorating a ally: 'The English princess decorating youthful soldier.

"The legend underneath reads textually: 'An English princess decorating the youngest soldier in the British army, with the Victoria cross, because, although only 13, he has shamefully abused eight Boer women.'

"This obscenity, sold in respectable shops, was eagerly bought by the public and lies on fashionable drawing-room tables.

#### CHILD CARRIED AWAY.

#### Bold Attempt at Kidnaping a Young Girl Frustrated.

(By Associated Press.) Berkeley, Cal., Jan. 14.—While returning to her home in Oakland, after having made a few purchases at a grocery store, 12-year-old Florence White was carried away in a wagon and later was left bound hand and foot, in a vacant lot.

The child was found about an hour later but it was some time before she regained consciousness.

She says that while walking along the street she was attacked from behind by a masked man who had gray hair. Smothering her screams, he threw her into a wagon and started off. The child's shoes were unlaced, and used to tie her hands and feet. She was left there, the police believing the man was frightened away from his intended victim.

She was badly bruised, evidently from rough handling, but otherwise was unharmed.

#### Will Be Tried Next Week.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 14.—Albert T. Patrick, who is to be tried next week on the charge of murdering William Marsh

Rice, was brought before Justice Bach in special terms of the supreme court on an adjourned writ of habeas corpus obtained in December by his counsel. It was arranged that his trial would begin January 13, but it was decided to postpone it until next Monday.

#### SPANISH ANARCHISTS ACTIVE.

#### Much Agitation Among the Andalusian Agricultural Workers.

(By Associated Press.) London, Jan. 14.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times says anarchist agitators appear to be again active in Andalusia, not only in the towns, but among the agricultural workers.

It is stated that at a secret meeting of a laborers' association in Jerez it was proposed that the property of the principal land owners be burned.

The members of the committee of the association in question have been arrested.

#### RANCH WAS ROBBED.

#### Billings Farmer Makes a Losing While Absent From Home.

(Special to Inter Mountain.) Billings, Jan. 14.—Robbers secured about \$100 worth of property from the ranch house of J. G. Ilig, three miles east of Billings, Saturday night.

The owner was away from the house at the time at a neighbor's spending the night. When he returned Sunday morning he found that a rifle, overcoat, new suit of clothes, some sheep pelts and sundry articles had been stolen.

He immediately came to town and apprized the police and sheriff. A search is being made for the guilty man.

#### ELEVATOR BURNED

#### IT WAS FULL TO ITS CAPACITY OF MALTING BARLEY.

Belongs to a Trust Company. Firemen Had to Work to a Great Disadvantage Owing to the Great Height of the Building—Was Fully Insured.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Jan. 14.—A loss estimated at nearly \$500,000 was caused by a fire that broke out at 1:45 o'clock this morning in the plant of the J. W. Well branch of the American Malting company. The property is situated at Fifty-second street and the Panhandle railroad tracks.

The fire started in the elevator, a great structure 150 feet high, covering an area 300 by 200 feet and having a capacity of 300,000 bushels of grain.

It was filled with barley almost to its capacity. The building and its contents is almost a total loss. Just south of the elevator are the Panhandle's freight yards and at the outset of the fire there was serious menace to a vast amount of rolling stock.

The burning elevator sent a great glare aloft in the light of which scores of men were scurried back and forth in strenuous efforts to roll the Panhandle freight cars away from danger of ignition.

In this they were only partially successful, for several freight cars were destroyed adjoining the elevator was a pickle factory on the west owned by J. A. Well. Great efforts were made to protect this plant, but it was somewhat damaged.

#### Firemen in Danger.

From the roof of this factory the firemen fought the flames in the elevator, but they worked at great disadvantage, owing to the great height of the building. When the flames broke through the roof of the elevator, large sheets of iron plates fell from the building and greatly added to the danger of the firemen.

The sheet iron plates were red hot and there was sufficient blaze to throw them clear of the building, endangering the lives of the men working near.

The American Malting company bought the elevator with the J. Well Malting plant at the time the trust was formed four years ago.

The company owns several other plants in Chicago and many more at other points in the West and some in the East. It carries insurance on all the property and it is believed the loss will be fully covered.

#### NOTTINGHAM, England.—Sampson's

ace factory, the largest one here, has been destroyed by fire. The damage is over \$100,000.

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### NEWS STORIES BRIEFLY TOLD

FRANKFORT, Ky.—The senate unanimously adopted Senator Burton's opinion commending Admiral Schley and inviting him to address the general assembly.

CLEVELAND.—An ordinance was passed in the city council over Mayor Johnson's veto to bond the city \$700,000, the money to be used to purchase a site for a new city hall building.

WASHINGTON.—Minister Wilson at Santiago de Chile has cabled the secretary at state that the government of Chile has adopted the extradition treaty as submitted by the government of the United States.

SEATTLE.—Direct postal money order transactions between the United States and China have been made possible by a recent arrangement of the postoffice department with Consul General Goodnow, at Shanghai.

BERLIN.—The Prussian syndicate which negotiated the previous government loans has concluded the new 3 per cent loans of 200,000,000 marks, of which Prussia issues 115,000,000 and the empire 85,000,000. The syndicate takes the loans at \$2.2 and issues them at \$3.89.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Mrs. Nordica has arrived here and appears to be suffering no inconvenience in consequence of the shake up she received in the Southern railway wreck at Rome, Ga. The diva is slightly bruised about the shoulders, but the injury is apparently inconsequential.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Hay and Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, have signed a protocol extending for one year the time allowed British colonies to adhere to the treaty entered into between the United States and Great Britain, defining the rights of inheritance of their subjects.

Southern Hotel. Soup—Vermicelli. Boil—Pork spare ribs and sauerkraut. Roast—Prime cut of beef, brown gravy; leg of mutton with dressing. Entrees—Lamb fricasee, with garden peas, stewed beef and German noodles, Boston baked pork and beans, baked meat pie.

Four cobler, lemon sauce. Vegetables—Stewed potatoes, stewed turnips, pickle beets. Specialties at 4:30 p. m.—Hot rolls, beefsteak, Hamburger, with mushrooms. Pickle pigs' feet, Bologna sausage, cold beef, ham, cornbeef, mutton and pork.

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### PALMIST.

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