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The young woman took poison on June 19 and lingered until July 4. It was thought at first by the doctors that she was going to recover. She steadfastly refused to disclose the reason for her desperate act.

Some friends in Boston of the dead woman telegraphed the desire that she should be cremated here, but the French law forbids the cremation of the bodies of persons who have been murdered or have committed suicide. The body will therefore probably be buried in Paris.

BOSTON, July 7.—Agnes Firth MacDuff, whose suicide is reported from Paris, was one of the few American women aviators. She went to Paris about May 1 to complete her aerial education after showing marked skill and daring at Hempstead, L. I. Friends in this city and in Cambridge, where she resided, say they are at a loss to understand how she happened to take her life, as she was a remarkably cheerful and bright young woman.

Miss MacDuff was born in Tilton, N. H., seven and a half years ago, and during childhood her parents moved West, settling on a ranch near Denver. Miss MacDuff was always fond of outdoor life and she became an expert horsewoman.

In 1908 she came East to complete her education and lived in near Boston until she went abroad two months ago. Part of the time she had an apartment at No. 355 Massachusetts avenue, Cambridge. Soon after arriving here she entered Wellesley College, but did not graduate.

When she took up aviation she decided to learn to fly a Deperdussin monoplane, the speediest machine in the world, and one which no woman had ever piloted before. It was the airplane in which Jules Verne made many of his famous flights.

American Girl, Aviation Pupil, Who Killed Herself in France



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WALL STREET

Market Closing.—After 2 o'clock prices shaded off, but business diminished in volume, and at times came almost to a complete standstill. There was a disposition to wait for further developments from Pittsburgh, although the reported insolvency did not induce any long selling of importance in the market.

The stock market opened fractionally off from the closing price of last Thursday with trading very light, and confined to the prominent stocks. After the first fifteen minutes prices of the active stocks moved up to the level of Thursday's close, but with the demand so small that prices soon receded to the prices that prevailed at the opening.

There was little change in the character of the trading. Prices remained close to the level level, with a few fluctuations on a very small scale, between 1 and 2 o'clock.

Table with columns: Stock Name, High, Low, Last, Change. Includes Amalgamated Copper, American Beet Sugar, etc.

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11,000 SERBIANS DIE IN BATTLE WITH BULGARIAN ARMY

Entire Timok Division Put to Rout at Deslinici After Fierce Fighting.

SURROUNDED BY ENEMY.

Death Roll of Three Balkan Nations in Week's Conflict

Total 40,000.

VIENNA, Austria, July 7.—Eleven thousand officers and men of the Serbian Timok Division were killed during the battle with the Bulgarians, in which it was defeated, according to the Sofia correspondent of the Reichspost. The division consisted of 15,000 men, who were surrounded by a Bulgarian army which outflanked them. Only 4,000 of the Serbians survived, and these were taken prisoners.

According to other newspaper reports a Bulgarian column, composed of 14,000 troops, has succeeded in reaching the Serbian town of Vranja, and is threatening the line of retreat of the Serbian army. The Bulgarians presumably were pushed forward from Egri Palanka.

The mobilization of the Roumanian army will be completed by Thursday, Friday, according to despatches from Bucharest. The Roumanian troops are expected to cross the Danube into Bulgaria immediately, and as a result of this step it is assumed that Bulgaria will be compelled either to agree to the Roumanian demands to permit Roumania to occupy the territory she desires or to engage in war.

SALONICA, July 7.—Part of the Greek right wing has driven the Bulgarians across the River Struma and is now marching on the town of Serros, and inflicting severe losses on the Bulgarians.

ATHENS, Greece, July 7.—The Greek casualties since the beginning of fighting against the Bulgarians total 10,000 killed and wounded according to official reports. After the battle for the possession of Kilkish the right wing of the Greek army forced the Bulgarians to retreat across the River Struma and the Greek left wing after severe fighting occupied the heights to the South of Lake Doiran and then pursued the retreating Bulgarians toward Strumitsa, capturing twelve field guns, and inflicting severe losses on the Bulgarians.

LONDON, July 7.—A despatch from Sofia to the Central News says official messages received from the front report the occupation of Nigrita to the west of Lake Thynnos by the Bulgarian troops, who have also captured other important strategic positions from the Greeks. Gen. Ivanoff, commander of the Bulgarians, by a surprise attack dispersed a large part of the Greek army, numbering 30,000 men, under the personal command of King Constantine.

The Serbian Minister here denies the defeat of the Timok division of the Serbian army and says it yesterday captured the town of Krivovo from the Bulgarians, but according to other reports, it is not certain that the Timok division was engaged in that operation.

ACCUSED ON STAND OF PLOT TO SHAKE DOWN J. P. MORGAN

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CONFESES MURDER OF PEARL BRYAN AND SEVEN OTHERS

Prisoner Startles by Admitting Crime for Which Two Students Were Put to Death.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 7.—Arrested on the charge of having paid a bad check at a seaside resort, Simon P. Heintz, who is in jail here to-day started officials of the Sheriff's office with a purported confession in which he detailed a series of eight murders in Ohio.

These include the slaying of Pearl Bryan, for whose death the medical students, Jackson and Walling, were executed.

Some of the circumstances of the crimes, as related by Heintz, do not coincide with facts and county officials were inclined to believe the prisoner was suffering from insanity.

Heintz said he started his career of murder in 1896 with the killing of a farmer named Dedricks and his wife and the stealing of \$5,000, which he hid away. In 1900 the prisoner had killed two farmers named Fletcher and Butler, at Kenton, Ohio.

Pearl Bryan was supposed to have been killed in Cincinnati, but Heintz, since asserted that he murdered the girl in Toledo and then shipped the body to Jackson and Walling in Cincinnati.

WILSON APPOINTS FREDERICK C. PENFIELD AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRIA. Diplomat and Author, Who Has Travelled Much, Is Well Known Here.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—President Wilson today appointed Frederick C. Penfield, Courtlandt Penfield Ambassador to Austria-Hungary.

Frederick Courtlandt Penfield, who claims Pennsylvania as his native state, but who has lived in New York for many years, is a distinguished diplomatist, author and traveler.

Mr. Penfield is an ardent Democrat and his most recent work in behalf of the party was to raise a fund for the Wila campaign. He and Joseph Galsay together contributed largely to the fund from their own pockets. At least \$50,000 was raised by Mr. Penfield and later, when the Congressional campaign contribution committee was investigating, Mr. Penfield's donations were referred to by W. F. McCombs.

The new Ambassador received an honorary degree of M. A. from Princeton University in 1907 and he has been a close personal friend of President Wilson for many years.

He is a member of several geographical and other learned societies, and wears decorations conferred upon him by foreign rulers. In his earlier days he was engaged in newspaper work in Hartford. Later he served as vice consul in London and under the last Cleveland administration was appointed diplomatic agent and consul-general in Egypt, with the rank of Minister Resident.

Mr. Penfield was twice married. His present wife is Mrs. Anna Weightman of Philadelphia, who inherited a fortune of \$25,000,000.

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PAUL ARMSTRONG ORDERED TO PAY FEES OF \$1,500. Unless Playwright Does So He Will Have to Keep Out of New York, Says Wife's Counsel.

Although it was declared before Supreme Court Justice Goff today that Paul Armstrong, the playwright, had an income of \$15,000 a year, by the counsel for Mrs. Armstrong, it was declared by the attorney for the playwright that he could not pay referee's fees of \$1,500 for the defendant's suit. The lawyer said that Armstrong is entitled to an absolute divorce from him.

This was brought out when an application was made by Edward Sandford of No. 27 William street to compel the playwright to pay the fees amounting to \$1,500, but Armstrong's lawyer declared that his client did not have any such amount. The lawyer said that Armstrong was now in California and was out of the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

"In that case, I shall grant the application for an order requiring him to pay the fees," said Justice Goff.

"Thank you, Your Honor," responded Lawyer Sandford. "The defendant has a guaranteed income of \$15,000 a year. With your order we'll get the money or Armstrong will forever have to remain out of New York, the recognized market for new plays."

It developed later that the \$15,000 guaranteed income was the salary guaranteed to the playwright by the Paul Armstrong Amusement Company, of which Armstrong is the organizer and head.

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FIRST NATIONAL IN TROUBLE BEFORE THE CONSOLIDATION.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Fremont reports on the condition of the First National Bank of Pittsburgh seem to indicate that the prospect of a new office building, in which the bank has its home, is connected with the difficulty. The bank's capital is \$1,000,000. How much of that, if any, is impaired has not been definitely determined.

Under the consolidation of the First National Bank with the Second, the office of the First actively engaged the attention of the Comptroller's office, and less than three years ago the bank managers compelled the "charging off" of nearly \$1,000,000 worth of assets that had been believed should be carried on the bank's books.

Chief J. Telling, former chief of the Reserve Division of the Comptroller's Office, was President of the First National until the consolidation with the Second, when he became a Vice-President of the new bank. Lawrence O. Murray, former Comptroller of the Currency, had virtually resigned his position two years ago to become President of the First National, but changed his mind, and Telling, who was Murray's active assistant in the Comptroller's Office, took the place.

John Stanton Williams, Assistant Secretary of the Reserve, and Thomas P. O'Connell, Comptroller of the Currency, are in Pittsburgh today. Secretary McLeod is in long distance communication with Mr. Williams preparatory to the issuance of his statement.

STOCK EXCHANGE NOT AFFECTED BY THE FAILURES.

Although the announcement of the appointment of a receiver for the First National Bank of Pittsburgh and the American Water Works and Guaranty Company, large holders in the bank, did not have an immediate effect upon the Stock Exchange, it was predicted in Wall street that the effect of the collapse of the water works concerns would be less than many quarters.

STILWELL HAS TWO DAYS TO DECIDE ON CONFESSION.

Convicted State Senator Said to Be Preparing Statement for Whitman.

Unless former State Senator Stephen J. Stilwell, convicted on the charge of demanding a bribe from President Kennel of the New York Bank Note Company, for reporting favorably on a bill in which Kennel was interested, makes a complete statement to District Attorney Whitman of the transaction before Thursday, he will be taken to Sing Sing prison to serve the sentence of four to eight years imposed on him by Justice Seabury in the Criminal Term of the Supreme Court.

It was reported today that Stilwell was engaged in writing out this statement in his cell in the Tombs. His lawyer, however, deny that he has anything to confess. Stilwell himself declines to talk of the reported confession. The stay of execution granted by Justice Seabury, at the request of the District Attorney, expires Wednesday.

Messenger Caught in Elevator. Abraham Shapiro, fifteen years old, of No. 4 Allen street, employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company as a messenger, tripped while entering an elevator in the Marbridge Building, Thirty-fourth street and Broadway, this morning. His left leg was caught between the floor of the car and the ceiling of the first floor. The boy was removed to the New York Hospital suffering from a bruised leg.

Swift & Company's sales of Fresh Beef in New York City for the week ending Saturday, July 5, averaged 11,311 cents per pound.—Advt.

World "Wants" Work Wonders.

FIVE CANOEISTS MISSING; ALL BELIEVED DROWNED DURING LAKE STORM

Their Craft Upset Near Buffalo After Trip Begun Last Thursday—Five Others Saved.

BUFFALO, July 7.—Five young men of a party of ten are missing and are believed to have been drowned when their canoe upset last night in a storm off Windmill Point in Lake Erie, five miles west of here.

Nine of the ten known to have been in the party when it left Toronto were William Cannon and Joseph Cannon, brothers, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Albert M. Jayner, Toronto; Thomas Brophy and Edward Rebeck, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Gray, Niagara Falls, Ont.; Carl Goodrich, La Salle, N. Y., and two young men named Bain and McMahon.

The party left Toronto in canoes last Thursday, paddled across Lake Ontario to Port Dalhousie, throughout the Welland Canal to Port Colborne, Lake Erie. They reached Crystal Beach yesterday and last night started for Buffalo, when they were caught in a storm. Their canoes were upset and five are known to have reached shore.

Bonfires were lighted along the shore for miles to serve as beacons for those supposed to be struggling with the waves. Up to noon today no trace of the missing had been found. The high wind interrupted telephone communication with Windmill Point and only meagre details filtered in from returning excursionists.

AUTO HIT BY TROLLEY, HURLED 70 FEET; TWO DEAD, TWO MAY DIE.

Two Sisters Killed in Toledo, Sister, Brother and Brother-in-Law Hurt.

TOLEDO, July 7.—Two sisters were instantly killed, another fatally injured and their brother may die from injuries received last night when a traction car struck an automobile in which they were riding. The driver of the car was also seriously injured.

Julia Delaney and her sister Gertrude were instantly killed. The former's skull was fractured and the latter's body was badly crushed. Katherine Delaney is dying from concussion of the brain.

WASHINGTON "DRY" FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Washington was actually "dry" yesterday, probably for the first time in its history. This was the first Sunday of the new Jones-Works excise law for the District of Columbia, and its strict provisions were enforced to the letter.

Not even a home-made registered guest at a hotel could have a drink with a meal. The exclusive clubs could serve nothing. Their officers had been warned that the "locker system" would be construed as a violation of the law. They also were notified that liquors actually bought on Saturday could not be used and served on Sunday.

No stringency is the new law that purchase of common alcohol for medicinal or commercial purposes at drug stores are registered in the same way as dangerous poisons.

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