



BROOKLYN BRIDGE FIRE HALTS THE HUMAN TIDE

Trifling Blaze on Elevated Track Holds Back Traffic During Rush Hours.

CONFUSION; NO ONE HURT

Firemen with Extinguishers Do Quick Work and Police Save Heads Thrust Out of Car Windows.

The ebb tide of Brooklynites had already set in with a vengeance yesterday afternoon, when the Brooklyn Bridge caught fire and dammed the human flow. The block lasted half an hour, and every minute the confusion became worse.

PASS ACCESSION OATH

Commons Adopt Amended Measure, 410 to 84.

London, July 27.—The King's accession declaration bill, in an amended form, passed its second reading in the House of Commons to-day by a vote of 410 to 84.

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The bill, as it now stands, provides that the pronouncement against Catholicism shall be eliminated, and that the clause "and declare that I am a faithful Protestant" be substituted.

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LIABILITIES OF \$12,500,000 Assets of Niederdeutsche Bank Estimated at \$3,000,000.

Dortmund, Germany, July 27.—The list of bank failures in Germany through excessive speculative operations has received a striking addition in the insolvency of the Niederdeutsche Bank, against which bankruptcy proceedings were begun to-day.

The liabilities of the bank are placed at \$12,500,000, while its capital is \$3,000,000, having been increased from \$250,000 in the last three years. It is reported that depositors will lose the greater part of their money and the members of the board nearly the whole of their private fortunes.

The Imperial Bank of Germany tried to organize a movement among the large banks of Berlin to save the Niederdeutsche when the first reports of its embarrassment became public, but the institutions after investigating the condition of the involved bank decided that they could not help it.

It is believed that all difficulties have now been removed, and that the bill will survive the committee stage and be accepted by the House of Lords without further trouble.

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MARQUIS AND WIFE IN LOCOMOTIVE CAB

Acting Ambassador of Italy Rushes to Boston on Special Schedule.

IN TIME TO MEET GUEST

Marchese di Montagliari Loses Track of Time Playing Tennis at Manchester-by-the-Sea.

Manchester-by-the-Sea, Mass., July 27.—Marchese Paolo di Montagliari, counselor and chargé d'affaires of the Italian Embassy at Washington, in the absence of an ambassador allows no railroad schedule to stand in the way when there is a woman in the case and an appointment to be kept.

He proved that this evening, when he hired a special engine and with his wife rode in the cab with the engineer and fireman to meet the express from New York which was bringing a guest to the summer embassy here.

Only eight minutes before the New York train was due in the South Station, Boston, the acting ambassador and his wife, grimy with soot and cinders, were helped from the cab in the North Station. They rushed to the carriage entrance, jumped into a taxicab and were whirled across the city just in time to greet Donna Anna Maria Strozz, of Florence, Italy, as she stepped from the New York express on time.

Returning to the North Station, the three made the 6:20 p. m. train, and were back in the summer embassy at 7:30 o'clock, after a short spin in a waiting automobile. Dinner was awaiting them.

Because of the many special affairs to-day Marchese di Montagliari almost forgot that he was to meet his guest until late in the afternoon. The clock in the village church had struck 4 when he was reminded of the important engagement.

With his wife he was playing tennis at the Essex Country Club. The band concert had attracted many members of society to the club, and the lawns and verandas were crowded when the couple raced to the clubhouse and in a short time reappeared in a change of attire and jumped into their automobile.

Unheeding of speed limit the machine was taxed to the utmost to the Manchester station, where it arrived just in time for the Marchese to see the last car of the 4:19 o'clock train for Boston swing around the bend out of sight. He did not stop for an expression of his opinion, but immediately sought information from the station agent.

There was nothing to be done in the way of getting a special train, and he was about to give up when a blast from a whistle was heard.

"What is that?" asked the acting ambassador. "That is the engine which has just taken the Millionaires' Express to Magnolia," was the reply.

"I'll take it," cried the acting ambassador, and the station agent ran to the platform just in time to flag the engine speeding back to Salem to put up in the roundhouse for the night. Lifting his wife aboard, Marchese di Montagliari followed into the cab and rode the twenty-five miles to Boston as fast as the schedule would allow.

GO AWAY TO CARRY SPEARS. Young Mother and Maid, Who Knew Footlights' Gleam, Disappear.

The joys of a spear carrier's life behind the footlights in a Broadway theatre, as pictured by Mattilda Lautenberger, who once carried a spear herself, was thought last night to have been the means of luring Mrs. Lottie Westland, of No. 77 Georgia avenue, East New York, away from home.

Mrs. Westland disappeared on Monday. When Charles Westland, a chauffeur employed in Manhattan, returned home last evening he found a postcard which seemed to explain why his wife had deserted him and their infant.

"We'd rather carry a spear than carry a baby," was written in a feminine hand on the postcard. There was no signature. "I cannot believe Lottie sent that card," said the young woman's mother-in-law. "She was affectionate and a good wife, and Charlie always treated her well."

The Lautenberger girl was formerly a chorus girl. Recently she was taken in as a maid in the Westland family.

OLD PHYSICIAN DROPS DEAD. Dr. Richard H. Stone Had Practised in Brooklyn for Forty Years.

Dr. Richard H. Stone, of No. 178 Jay street, Brooklyn, who had practised in that borough for forty years, dropped dead last evening in the sidewalk in front of No. 232 Fulton street. The body was taken to the Brooklyn Hospital, said the cause of death was apoplexy, brought on by the heat, from which the physician, who was seventy-five years old, had suffered much during the last three days.

Dr. Stone was born in Windsor, Vt. His undergraduate years he spent at Dartmouth College. Upon graduation he came to this city, and in 1866 received a degree in medicine from the College of Physicians and Surgeons. He was a member of Community Lodge, F. and A. M., and of Plymouth Church. Three daughters survive him. The burial will be in his birthplace.

FIRE IN BIG TENEMENT HOUSE. Blaze Threatens Famous Neighborhood House for a Time.

Fire did \$500 damage last night in the four story double tenement house, No. 74 Tenth avenue, owned by John D. Rockefeller. It threatened the famous Neighborhood House, which is just north of the fire, but the fire was extinguished in half an hour. The fire started on the second floor, occupied by the Legal Aid Society, and was discovered by Patrolman Wood, who was on duty at the time. The flames spread to the third and fourth floors, which were occupied respectively by Miss Alice White and Miss Helen M. Hall.

The Neighborhood House was opened about a year ago for the purpose of helping poor Irish families.

HARDING NOMINATED ON REGULAR PLATFORM

Attempt to Place Longworth at Head of Ohio Ticket Proves Futile.

RESULT WILL PLEASE TAFT

Had Approved Draft of Platform—Garfield Withdraws—Burton Broke Compact, Says Cox.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, July 27.—With Warren G. Harding as candidate for Governor, nominated by a combination of regulars and Progressives, and a platform pronounced good by both sections of the party, the Ohio Republican convention broke up and went home to-day in a state of much contentment.

The platform, adopted with only a few scattering cries of "No!" contains the strong endorsement of the President and of the purpose and tendency of the tariff law demanded by the regulars. It contains the conservation plank and all but one of the state planks wanted by the Progressives. The omission is that of the demand for a law for the recall of unfaithful public servants. This was a feature of the Garfield platform, given out Monday night.

Despite the efforts of Senator Burton's Cuyahoga County delegation to stampede the convention for Nicholas Longworth, and George B. Cox's every effort in behalf of Judge O. B. Brown, of Dayton, a combination of the Progressives with the national administration men broke up the fight on the third ballot. Then Cox, yielding to the inevitable, cast the ninety-one Hamilton votes for Harding, and that finished it. The continuation of the rollcall was a joke.

Garfield Administration Combination. The withdrawal of James R. Garfield and Carmi A. Thompson, before the beginning of the vote, brought about a Garfield-administration combination that twenty-four hours ago would have seemed to the delegates impossible. All the Garfield votes outside the Cuyahoga delegation, and a few that clung to the undeveloped candidacy of the former Secretary of the Interior, were cast for Harding. Walter Brown, of Toledo, and Wade H. Ellis, state chairman, were influential in lining up the other delegates for the Marlon man. The understanding that the President was not satisfied by the candidacy of Judge Brown did the rest.

The adoption by the committee on resolutions this morning of the platform as originally drafted by Senator Dick and Wade C. Ellis, state executive chairman, and sanctioned by President Taft, put James R. Garfield out of the race.

A determined fight for the candidacy of Nicholas Longworth was started last night by Wade H. Ellis, Walter F. Brown, chairman of the state central committee, and Joseph I. Garretson, editor of "The Cincinnati Times-Star," the newspaper owned by Charles P. Taft, immediately after the delivery of the Cincinnati Congressman's address as temporary chairman of the convention. It was believed by these men and many other friends of President Taft that Longworth's speech had made such an impression on the delegates that there was a good chance for his nomination to-day. Senator Burton's support was enlisted and he secured the vote of the Cuyahoga County delegation for Longworth.

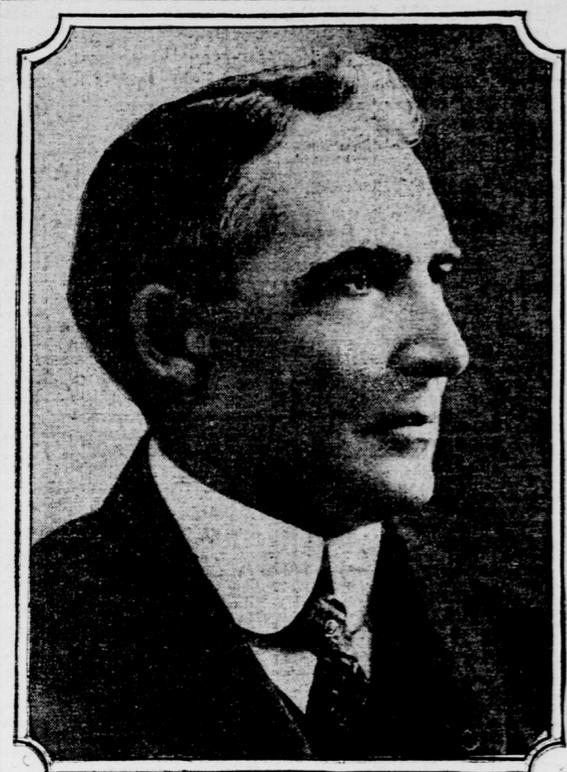
Cuyahoga for Longworth. Only two candidates, Warren G. Harding and Judge O. Britt Brown, of Dayton, were placed in nomination at the convention. On the first ballot Harding received 485 votes, Brown 413 and Longworth 92. Longworth lacked only four of receiving the entire vote of the Cuyahoga County delegation. The wild enthusiasm with which Harding's name was received showed at the start that he had the convention.

Cries of "Saloonkeepers' candidate" and "Cox man!" greeted the mention of Brown's name. The vote showed plainly that Cox had overestimated his strength. On the second ballot Harding gained 134 votes over his opponent, and J. B. Foraker received three votes from Gallia County and one from Madison.

For three-quarters of an hour after the second ballot pandemonium reigned among the delegates before order could be restored. Delegates pulled and hauled each other in their efforts to obtain support for their candidates. Taft men made every effort to induce Cox to throw the Brown strength to Longworth, but he refused. Had he done this he might have caused Longworth's nomination.

Harding's nomination came on the third ballot, amid the wildest enthusiasm.

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MINIET MADE PRISONER

Cuban Insurgent Leader Captured—One Man Killed.

Havana, July 27.—General Miniét, who two days ago started an uprising near El Cane, was surprised in camp to-day and captured by a detachment of the rural guard under Lieutenant Carrillo. One of the insurgents was killed, Miniét and two others were taken prisoners and the others escaped.

Lieutenant Carrillo and his detachment came on General Miniét and his band of insurgents while they were encamped, and immediately opened fire. The insurgents returned the fire, but when the rurales charged them they broke and fled, abandoning their arms. One of the insurgents was killed instantly, while Miniét and two others were taken prisoners. The rest of the band is hotly pursued by the guards. None of the guards was hurt.

The prisoners were taken to Santiago, where they will be sent to Havana for trial on the capital charge of engaging in armed rebellion.

Another rebel party is believed to be still in the field. All sections are reported tranquil.

A STIR OVER LIBERIA

American Financial Aid Causes Comment in London.

London, July 28.—The arrival of Roland P. Falkner and the decision of the United States to assist Liberia financially and otherwise are the subjects of considerable discussion in the English newspapers, centering around the possibility of this assistance extending to actual control or protection, amounting to an infringement of the Monroe Doctrine.

An article appears in "The Morning Post" suggesting that the motive for Germany's willingness to support the plans of the United States is the desire to see Monroism infringed, so that Germany might be able to pursue Pan-German schemes in South Africa.

These apprehensions, however, are generally scouted by the majority of the papers, which welcome the American policy as having no political motive.

Mr. Falkner arrived here yesterday. He is chairman of the American commission to Liberia and agent for the Liberian government in the negotiations for the refunding of the Liberian national debt. Mr. Falkner came from Hamburg, where he discussed with German bankers the proposed loan. He will now take the matter up with British financiers.

It was recently announced from Washington that a group of American bankers, associated with British, French and German financiers, were negotiating a loan of \$5,000,000 to permit Liberia to meet her obligations growing out of a loan made by a British syndicate.

MOTHER-IN-LAW DIDN'T GET OUT

Instead, Wife of Pittsburg Man Landed with Flatiron.

Pittsburg, July 27.—Albert J. Slackgear, a well-to-do coal operator of Wilkinsburg, tried to-day to eject his mother-in-law, Mrs. Amelia Mayhew, from his home upon the advice of counsel, following a recent court decision. As a result he is in the hospital to-night with a fractured skull.

When Slackgear went after his mother-in-law her daughter, Mrs. Slackgear, became extremely busy with a flatiron. She was a good shot, and landed with the iron squarely upon the back of her husband's cranium. He has not regained consciousness yet. The mother-in-law still reigns supreme.

HOT! HOTTEST! IN NEBRASKA

Over 100 Degrees Throughout State—Heat Wave Moving Eastward.

Omaha, Neb., July 27.—To-day was the hottest day in Nebraska for ten years. In Omaha the thermometer reached 104 degrees, according to the government reports, while at Fairbury the temperature ran up to 107 degrees. Fremont reports 109 degrees. Every weather station in the state to-day reports temperature above 100 degrees. The entire trans-Missouri country is a seething furnace, and the heat wave is sweeping toward the East. The government weather bureau sees no immediate relief in sight, and no rains are expected for the next thirty-six hours.

SAY PEARSON PARTED WITH BIG HOLDINGS

Wall Street Hears Syndicate He Heads Sold Heavily to Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

ALL IN RAILWAY SHARES

Sharp Gain on Stock Exchange Following Sudden Check of the Liquidation of Day Before.

There was a sharp recovery in prices on the Stock Exchange yesterday, following the severe break of the day before, and at the close of the net gains ranged from 1 to 3/4 points in the leading issues, United States Steel common, Union and Southern Pacific, Reading, St. Paul and Amalgamated Copper wiping out most of the loss on the preceding day. The inactive issues, like Missouri Pacific, Delaware & Hudson, St. Louis Southwestern preferred, also had substantial recoveries, the gains in this class of stocks at the close of the day ranging in most instances from 1/2 to 7 points.

Brokers attributed the advance in part to the unexpectedly good statement of the United States Steel Corporation, made public after the close of business on Tuesday, but the most important factor was the sudden cessation of the forced liquidation which was so much in evidence on the preceding day. In this connection it was learned from trustworthy sources, although the report lacked official confirmation, that a powerful banking syndicate, headed by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., had taken over several large blocks of stocks which have been overhanging the market.

Say Pearson Was Seller. These blocks of stocks, it was said, represented part of the holdings of a group of Anglo-American capitalists, headed by Dr. F. S. Pearson, who were reported last winter to have been large purchasers of American railway stocks, principally Rock Island preferred, Lehigh Valley, Wabash, Missouri Pacific and Denver & Rio Grande. The object of the syndicate, it was said at the time, was to get control of a line of railways running from the Atlantic to the Pacific Coast.

It was said yesterday that the syndicate found itself overextended and had been forced to liquidate a large part of its holdings, which were rumored to be in the neighborhood of 500,000 shares, valued at between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000. The exact amount of the securities transferred could not be learned, but in the aggregate it was said to be large and to represent the bulk of the syndicate's holdings of Rock Island preferred, Lehigh Valley and Missouri Pacific, as well as a substantial amount of the other stocks mentioned.

Kuhn, Loeb & Co. refused either to deny or affirm the report that they had purchased the securities referred to, or any other holdings, but bankers admitted that large amounts of stocks held by foreign interests had been taken over by American banking interests. Dr. Pearson had left the city before the report of the liquidation of the syndicate's holdings came out, but his secretary said that so far as he was aware there was no truth in the rumor. He said that Dr. Pearson, like other operators, had been obliged to put up more margin when the break in the market came, but that he had not been embarrassed, so far as he knew, to the extent of having to part with any of his holdings.

Pearson in Big Deals. Fred S. Pearson, whose syndicate holdings of Rock Island and other stocks are reported to have been liquidated, is a well known electrical engineer. He is credited with having influenced and largely directed the investment of upward of \$200,000,000 of English capital in Mexico, and nearly as much more in Canada and South America. He is largely interested in tramways in Mexican and South American cities, and was the purchaser of the railroad and lumber enterprises in Mexico at one time controlled by Colonel Greene.

He organized a \$40,000,000 company to take over these properties, and has consolidated them under the name of the Mexico Northwestern Railway, of which he is president. He is interested in many other corporations, including the Mexican Light and Power Company, Limited, the Rio de Janeiro Tramway Light and Power Company, Limited, the Mexico Trams Company and the Mexican Transportation Company. Notwithstanding his affiliations with English capitalists, Dr. Pearson is an American.

RACE SUICIDE IN PITTSBURG

Safety Director Says Young People Are Not Marrying Fast Enough.

Pittsburg, July 27.—John M. Morin, Public Safety Director of Pittsburg, astounded the natives to-day by coming out with a statement that he thought race suicide was running amuck in Pittsburg. He says the young people of the city are not marrying fast enough, and announces his intention of establishing public dance halls at which music is to be supplied by the city, and the young people will be always under the eye of the police. He also wants to have public skating rinks run by the city under similar conditions.

"I want to bring the young people together more in clean amusements, and I think this a good way," said Morin to-night. "I will certainly see that the right kind of people patronize these places and that all is well while they are there."

TO PROBE TEXAS POLITICS

Legislature Will Investigate Alleged Illegal Use of Money in Campaigns.

Austin, Tex., July 27.—An exhaustive investigation of the alleged improper use of money in the recent Democratic campaign to bring about the nomination of O. B. Colquitt for Governor by the anti-prohibition organization of the state is to be made by the Legislature.

The House adopted to-day a resolution providing for the appointment of a special committee to make the investigation on the broadest possible lines. Various other charges as to the alleged use of money in the last submission of a constitutional amendment providing for state-wide prohibition to a vote of the people and in the recent political campaign for state and district offices are to be probed.

MARSHALL P. WILDER DYING

Attack of Acute Indigestion Threatens Humorist's Life at Atlantic City.

Atlantic City, July 27.—Marshall P. Wilder, the humorist, is believed to be dying of acute indigestion, and although two doctors to-night are doing everything in their power it is feared he cannot live. Wilder has been feeling badly for the last three weeks, and last Friday had to give up and go to bed. Since that time he has gradually lost ground.

Mrs. Wilder is also ill from worry and constant nursing of her husband.

THE WORLD'S GREATEST PLEASURE ROUTE IS VIA THE HUDSON RIVER DAY LINE. Good music. —Advt.