



CONGRESSMAN ENDS LIFE WITH A BULLET

Adams, of Philadelphia, Plays the Wall Street Game, Goes Broke and Then Dies.

CONFESSES FAULTS TO CANNON

Speaker Reads the Letter to the House Which Immediately Instructs Sergeant at Arms to Prepare for the Burial of the Dead Member— Representative an Able Man.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—Representative Robert Adams, of Philadelphia, died at the emergency hospital today, from the effects of a self-inflicted bullet wound.

Mr. Adams was discovered in a dying condition in his apartments at the Metropolitan club chambers shortly after 8 o'clock this morning. He was sitting in a chair. A bullet wound in his mouth and pistol lying near him made it clear that he had attempted to kill himself.

A letter received by Speaker Cannon from Mr. Adams this morning explained the cause of the suicide.

Lived Beyond Means.
Mr. Adams said in the letter that his debts exceeded his resources and forced him to abandon his official position. While he did not indicate an intention to take his life, he spoke of the form of his burial, indicating that he had then made up his mind to commit the rash act.

Not in years has there come to the membership of the lower house of congress such sudden gloom as came with the going out of Mr. Adams.

When the house convened there was an especially large membership, when the chaplain referred to the death of the late congressman, members were visibly affected.

Cannon Reads the Letter.
Then came a scene that has never had its parallel in the historic chamber of the law-body. The speaker rose and asked that the house indulge him while he read a letter from the dead, a letter received while the life of Robert Adams was passing away. A silence fell on the house that, but yesterday was surcharged with animation. The letter was as follows:

"Washington, May 31, 1906.
"Honorable J. G. Cannon,
"My dear Mr. Speaker:

"The fact that my personal obligations exceed my resources is my only excuse for abandoning the responsible position, I occupy in the house. I am willing to be buried at its expense, but I ask that no committee be appointed or memorial services held, as I have never been in sympathy with the latter custom.

"With assurances of my high regard,
"Sincerely yours, Robert Adams."
House Adjourns.

Following the reading of the letter Mr. Morrell presented a resolution directing the sergeant-at-arms to make the necessary arrangements for the funeral and exposure to be paid out of the contingent fund of the house, and then as a further mark of respect the house adjourns.

Representative Adams was one of the most popular representatives in congress and he has been identified with any matters of world wide importance. Mr. Adams was a society and club man and was at all prominent social functions in this city.

He Had Charge of Diplomatic Bill.
It was only yesterday that he, as acting chairman of the house committee on foreign affairs, managed the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill in its final passage in the house. As this bill has been before the house for the past week, Mr. Adams has been the principal figure in the house. There was nothing in his department during the consideration of the matter to indicate an unusual condition of his mind.

Traded in Stocks.
It is general known among Mr. Adams associates in the house that he was a dealer in the stock market and had been for many years. He had however, met reverses in this connection in the past and had at times also been a very successful operator.

Mr. Adams has always been a consistent Republican. He was born in February 26, 1849 and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania. In 1883 he began his political career as a member of the state senate of Pennsylvania and in 1889 entered the diplomatic service as American minister to Brazil.

He filled this post for a little over a year and then came back to re-enter politics, being elected a member of

the 53rd congress in which body he has served continuously ever since.

BURTON MUST RESIGN.

Bailey Starts Move to Kick Kansas Out of Senate.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Senator Bailey today introduced a resolution in the committee on privileges and elections for the expulsion of Senator Joseph R. Burton, of Kansas. Action on the resolution went over until next Tuesday. It is said that the sentiment of the committee that the resolution will be adopted if Burton does not resign before the next meeting of the committee.

TRUTH ABOUT PACKING HOUSES.

President to Publish a Supplement to the "Jungle."

WASHINGTON, June 1.—President Roosevelt has decided to send to congress the report made to him by Professor Charles P. Neill, commissioner of labor, and James B. Reynolds, of their investigations into the conditions of the meat packing houses of the West.

It has not been determined definitely when the report will be sent to congress, but it probably will go early next week and will be accompanied by a message from the president.

CHANGE IN POSTAL LAWS.

Bill for Consolidation of Mail Matter Classes Has Strong Backing.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Petitions signed by former Postmaster-General John Wauamaker, Charles Emory Smith, James A. Gary, Chairman of the Democratic National committee; the Columbia University faculty; the Barnard College faculty; the Columbia Grange, of New Jersey, and numerous others, urging passage of the bill for the consolidation of third and fourth-class mail matter, as recommended by Postmaster-General Cortelyou in his annual report, were submitted to the house today by the Postal Progress League.

CASSATT WILL NOT RESIGN.

Sends Wireless Telegram from Mid- Ocean Denying Rumor.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, June 1.—The Associated Press today received the following telegram from the steamer Amerika by wireless from President A. J. Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company:

"No truth in the rumor referred to in your Memorandum that I intend resigning presidency of the Pennsylvania Company.

"CASSATT."

MASTLESS CRAFT AT SEA

Schooner Edward P. Avery Van- ishes After Hitting a Vessel.

BOAT GEORGE MAY MAKES PORT

Maryland Pilots Offer Aid to the Lat- ter Vessel, Which is Refused—

Munson Liner Hails the Missing Schooner and Passes Them By.

(By Associated Press.)
NORFOLK, VA., June 1.—The three-masted schooner George May, Captain Davis, of Philadelphia, was towed into Norfolk today with her bowsprit and headgear gone and badly leaking from a terrific collision at sea with the New Haven schooner Edward P. Avery Captain Philbrook, forty miles southeast of Winter Quarter lightship, May 28, at 3 a. m.

The May was first spoken this morning by the Maryland pilot boat "Pilot," ten miles off the Virginia capes, and refused aid. She beat in toward the capes and was later picked up by a tug, Captain Davis, of the May, reports that the collision between the two vessels resulted in the dismasting of the other vessel, which disappeared and was unknown to him except by reports filed by the Munson liner Olinda, from Cuba, which reported having spoken the crew of the Avery at sea.

Nothing has been heard at this port from the Avery. The May was bound from Jacksonville, Fla., to Philadelphia with lumber and the Avery was bound from New York to Brunswick, Ga., light.

The Avery according to a late report has been towed into New York.

Postmasters Named.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—The President today sent the following nominations to the senate: Virginia—F. L. Hartsea, Christianburg.

CHEAP C. & O. COAL ACCEPTED BY CLOWES

Former Member of the Asylum Board Explains How to Keep Warm at Small Expense.

FUEL COST ONLY FIFTY CENTS

Graft Charges Are Now Being Investi- gated by the Legislative Probing Committee—Witness Admits Get- ting Stuff from Railroad Big D Receiving Household Supplies.

(Special to the Daily Press.)
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., June 1.—Eugene H. Clowes, of this city, former member of the special board of the Eastern State Hospital, which is now undergoing an investigation by a legislative committee, was on the rack all day today.

Mr. Clowes was called upon to explain the charge of graft which has been lodged against him. Mr. Clowes acknowledged accepting five of six tons of coal from M. O. Brooks, Superintendent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Coal and Coke Company but said that he intended to purchase the coal.

Cheap Coal for Clowes.

Mr. Brooks, Mr. Clowes said, met him in the street and told him that he could furnish him coal cheaper than he could purchase it elsewhere; that no price was named and that the coal was delivered. When he asked Mr. Brooks later for a bill he was told that the only charge was for the hauling of the material. Mr. Clowes contended that he paid fifty cents a ton for the coal.

Declined to Accept Supplies.

The graft matter was sprung at the morning session when Chairman Sandler asked Mr. Clowes if he had accepted a gratuity from Mr. Brooks. Mr. Clowes said that other people who had contracts to furnish provisions for the asylum had offered to send him supplies, but that he had declined.

Colonel George Wayne Anderson, counsel for Mr. Clowes, asked that his client be not cross examined by Colonel Lawless, counsel for Dr. Foster, except upon such matters as related directly to the Foster end of the investigation. The Anderson committee refused to pass upon the matter at the time, and Colonel Anderson later withdrew his objection.

The cross examination developed only the fact that the fifty cents a ton was for the hauling and not in payment for the coal.

Forty Men Killed in Riot.

(By Associated Press.)
EL PASO, TEXAS, June 1.—A report is in circulation tonight that all the Mexicans employed at the W. C. Green mines in Mexico are on strike, and that forty men have been killed in a riot.

Samuel-Hunter.

Dr. R. Martin Samuel and Miss Rosa Sarah Hunter were married Thursday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church by Rev. E. T. Wellford.

REPORTED SALE OF RAILWAY PROPERTY POSTIVELY DENIED

President W. J. Payne Says Rumors Are Absolutely Without Foundation.

Persistent rumors to the effect that the Gould interests had purchased practically all of the street railway properties on the Virginia peninsula and in and around Norfolk were circulated here yesterday and Thursday. Another rumor was to the effect that Mr. W. J. Payne, president of the Newport News and Old Point Railway Company, had sold out all of his interests on both sides of Hampton Roads.

When seen yesterday, Mr. Payne emphatically denied the reports, saying that there was absolutely no ground for such rumors.

Mr. Payne went on to say that he had been detained here for several days on account of the resignation of Mr. Carr as general manager. No successor to Mr. Carr has been appointed and Mr. Payne is giving the affairs of the railway companies a great deal of personal attention.

\$300,000 FIRE LOSS IN SOUTH BOSTON

Volunteer Fighters Unable to Quench the Flames Ask for Aid From Danville.

MANY FACTORIES ARE DESTROYED

Major Edmondson Alone Loses \$100,000 Worth of Property—Business Houses, as Well as Many Dwell- ings, Are Burned—Resident District Saved After a Desperate Struggle.

(By Associated Press.)
SOUTH BOSTON, VA., June 1.—Fire which broke out here this afternoon at 1 o'clock entailed a financial loss estimated at \$250,000 to \$300,000.

The fire is supposed to have originated from a lighted cigarette or match thrown in the stables of Edmondson's warehouse. For three hours the flames raged with unchecked fury, destroying many of the business houses in the town.

Volunteers fought the fire until 3 o'clock, but realizing that on account of an unfavorable wind they could not cope with the flames, and a message was sent to Danville, a distance of 32 miles, asking assistance of the fire department of that city.

Danville Sends Aid.

An engine was immediately sent, and with the assistance of this force and a change of the wind, the fire was checked just in time to prevent the destruction of the heart of the residential section.

The heaviest loser is Major H. A. Edmondson, whose loss is about \$100,000 with insurance of \$30,000.

The following buildings and stocks were destroyed, with approximate losses:

Buildings Destroyed.

Edmondson's warehouse, \$20,000; First National bank and a jewelry store of L. C. Ingle, \$10,000 (the stock of jewelry and the bank books were saved); the department store of S. F. Gillman, with goods valued at \$20,000. The building was owned by Major Edmondson, and valued at \$15,000.

The Jacob Summersfield furniture store, \$7,000; harness and saddle factory of J. B. Griffin & Co., \$10,000; Farthing & Mangull, photographers, \$500. The building was owned by Major Edmondson.

Garland hotel, \$12,000; insured for \$6,000.

C. C. Firscheot's dwelling, \$12,000; insured for \$6,000.

C. C. Firscheot's dwelling, \$20,000; insured.

Three brick factories owned by Major Edmondson, \$30,000. Tobacco stored in these factories, belonging to The Imperial Tobacco Company and H. A. Edmondson & Son, \$100,000. Eight residences, aggregating a loss of \$20,000.

South Boston Telephone exchange \$2,500.

SMOOT MUST GET OUT SAYS COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

Senate Will Be Forced to Act Upon the Recommendations of This Session of Congress.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 1.—That Reed Smoot is not entitled to his seat in the United States senate as a member from Utah was the decision of the senate committee on privileges and elections declared today by a vote of 7 to 5, and was carried by Senators Burrows, Dilliver, Pettus, Overman, Bailey, Dubols and Frazier voting in the affirmative, and Senators Foraker, Dillingham, Hopkins, Beveridge and Knox in the negative. The vote of Senator Depew was not cast.

Votes were had on the constitutional questions of expulsion and exclusion, after which the members of the committee expressed themselves in favor of a vote in the senate at the present session of congress.

The resolution on the subject of exclusion was offered by Senator Foraker as a test of the question wheth-

er Senator Smoot should be ousted from his seat by a majority vote of the senate, or whether by a two-thirds vote of the senate he shall be expelled from his seat.

The resolution declared that it is the sense of the committee that Senator Smoot's seat shall be declared vacant. If carried this would be equivalent to a recommendation that he be excluded by a majority vote. It was lost by a vote of 7 to 5. Senator Bailey then offered a resolution declaring the sense of the committee to be that Senator Smoot should be expelled from his seat, which would be a recommendation that the senate take the course requiring a two-thirds vote of the senate to unseat him. The result was a tie vote.

During the last week petitions have been sent to senators from nearly every state and territory protesting against Senator Smoot being retained as a member of the senate. The signers were women and from nearly every state.

The effect of the resolution adopted will be to place squarely before the senate the question whether Senator Smoot shall continue in his seat and leave to that body the decision as to the method of procedure.

The report under the instructions of the committee will be ready to be offered to the senate on next Friday. Chairman Burrows and Senator Dubols express themselves as confident that a vote will be had at the present session.

LIGHTNING STUNS TWENTY.

Strikes Ship Under Which They Had Taken Refuge from Storm.

(By Associated Press.)
BALTIMORE, MD., June 1.—During a brief thunder-storm yesterday

sixty men employed about the ship Babcock, one of the Arthur Sewell fleet, which is out of water at one of the local shipyards undergoing repairs to her copper bottom, took refuge from the storm under the sides of the ship.

Lightning struck a mast, and running down to the copper, shocked twenty of the workmen so severely that they required hospital treatment. Two of them sustained injuries from which it is feared they will die.

LYNCHERS OUT ON BAIL

Men Charged With Hanging White Man Must Stand Trial.

\$30,000 IN BONDS FURNISHED

Sheriff's Daughter Tells How the Men Entered the Jail and Took the Prisoner Out—Evidence Also Se- cured from the Girl's Father.

(By Associated Press.)

Charlotte, N. C., June 1.—As the result of the preliminary hearing before Superior Court Judge Walter H. Neal at Wadesboro, sixteen men charged with participating in the lynching of John V. Johnson, a white man charged with killing his brother-in-law, Monday morning, were today held in bonds of \$5,000 each for trial at the next term of the Superior Court of Union County, a neighbor to the county in which the lynching occurred.

The order signed by Judge Neal recites that after hearing the evidence, there is "probable grounds" to believe John Niven, Lester Johnson, Zeke Lewis, Elmer M. Dunn, John Jones, J. F. Dunn, May Gilledge, Lewis Adams, Jim Swink, Billy Deau and Frank Graham, guilty of the offense charged against them, and they were admitted to jail in the sum of \$5,000 each, which was furnished.

"The probable grounds" were established upon the evidence of Miss Alice Boggan, daughter of the sheriff, who was in the jail when the mob entered; Sheriff Boggan, H. D. Kendall, H. D. Kendall, Jr., Walter Meeks and J. L. Pratt. The two Kendall's turned state's evidence. The penalty is fifteen years in prison.

Amstedyk Reported.

The Dutch steamer Amstedyk, of the Holland-American line, which sailed from Norfolk for Amsterdam and Rotterdam on May 19, passed the Lizard on June 1 at 8 a. m.

QUEEN BLAMES HERSELF FOR DYNAMITE OUTRAGE

Death List Is Now Swelled to Twenty With Sixty Per- sons Bably Wounded.

SPLINTER STRUCK KING ALFONSO

General Weyler Among Those Hurt.

Despite the Wedding Fetes Madrid Is in Deep Gloom—Public Is in Fear of Another Attempt Upon the Lives of the Monarchs.

(By Associated Press.)

MADRID, June 1.—The nervous tension of the populace of Madrid has been wrought up to the highest pitch by the terrible happenings on King Alfonso's wedding day.

The King and Queen sought to reassure the public by appearing today in an open automobile unattended by a military guard.

Tonight the heavens are red with illuminations from the Scnovia bridge to the Atocha walk, and from the palace the royal family and their guests watched the lurid play of rockets and Roman candles, but all the brightness fails to lift the gloom that has fallen on the community, and seems but a reminder of the terrible events of the wedding day.

Every effort will be made to efface by the splendid spectacle of tomorrow's royal ball fight and the wedding ball, the memory of yesterday's tragedy.

Englishman Arrested.

The police today arrested an Englishman as the person fitting the description of the author of the outrage.

A member of the civil guard recognized Hamilton, the English suspect, as a companion of Manuel Morales, the Italian, who stood on the balcony from which the bomb was thrown at the royal carriage. The two men also were seen together at Barcelona.

Bomb Hid in a Bouquet.

The searches made by the police disclose the fact that the author of the outrage was a man of wealth. He left many valuables and fine clothes behind in his hurried flight. He bought a bouquet of flowers before the attempt and concealed the bomb within it. This bouquet was thrown amid the strewing of the flowers, which fell upon the coach as a greeting to their majesties. The would-be assassin rented an overlooking balcony at a fabulous price.

At the time he threw the bomb, the author of the outrage evidently suffered some injury or burn, as one of his garments he left behind shows blood stains.

Tire Bursting Scuds Like Bomb.

The bursting of an automobile tire today in the Puerta Del Sol caused a panic which threatened to be serious. The nerves of the people are so tense that the explosion of the tire was believed to be another outrage.

An examination of the royal coach shows it to be badly scarred and damaged, the lamps being shattered.

Weyler is Wounded.

General Weyler was seriously wounded by the bomb explosion. The magnitude of the attempt on the lives of King Alfonso and Queen Victoria increases. The number of killed is now given as twenty, and the wounded at sixty.

A jeweled decoration worn by King Alfonso was shattered by a splinter of the bomb. Queen Victoria is inconsolable, declaring that she is responsible for so many persons being killed.

ITALIAN GIRL ACQUITTED.

Jury Believes That She Was Justified in Her Acts.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, June 1.—Josephina Terranova today was acquitted of the murder of her aunt, Concetta Reggino. She was, however, not released, being remanded to the Tombs to answer to the charge of murdering her uncle, who was killed at the same time as his wife. Women in court kissed the girl.