

WERE IN ROME WHEN LEO DIED.

Mrs. Charles L. Crane and Her Son Returned to St. Louis From Europe.

MEMORABLE SCENE DESCRIBED

Party Visited Venice, but Did Not Imagine Then That the Patriarch Would Become the New Pope.

Mrs. Charles L. Crane and her 18-year-old son Frank, of No. 456 Westminster place, who have just returned to St. Louis from a European trip, were in Rome the day Pope Leo XIII died, and observed many things that escaped mention in the cablegrams sent to all parts of the world.

Mrs. Crane says there was a rumor in the city, which was believed by many persons, that the death of the Pope took place three days before it was announced. Belief in the rumor was strengthened by the fact that the deaths of former Popes had been concealed for several days.

It was also believed that the College of Cardinals might not desire the world to know of the fact until certain matters of policy could be arranged. Mr. Crane said: "The Pope's death was announced on Monday afternoon. We had just returned to Rome from Naples, and first learned of the Pontiff's death from an extra edition of a Roman newspaper."

"An old man, I suppose he would be called a newsboy over here, boarded the street car upon which my mother and I were riding, and cried something in a loud voice, seeming to be much excited. His announcement was received with interest by persons who understood his language. Our guide told us that the paper contained the announcement of Leo's death."

"I was surprised to see a show of feeling in Rome. It is true that he had been sick for a long time, and his death was expected. All the visible sign of feeling I could discover was in the closing of the public affairs."

"The Roman newspapers did not seem to make a great deal of the event. In fact, the English and French correspondents were much more active in preparing news about it."

"Two days before the end came we visited the Vatican. To all of its apartments except the corner where the Pope's chambers were situated we were admitted, and nothing appeared to be out of the ordinary. We saw the council chamber where the new Pope is elected, a room of magnificent room, its most impressive features being the magnificent paintings."

"Mrs. Crane and her son engaged to sail on a steamer which left Cherbourg two days after Pope Leo's death, and there were in Rome when the funeral ceremonies were being conducted."

"They visited Venice, but as the new Pope had not been chosen at that time, were not particularly about looking up the residence of the church, which is now being used upon landing at New York, had become the head of the Catholic Church."

TO TELL OF CONVERSION.

National Superintendent of Glidons to Speak in Tent 'Glad Tidings.'

Charles H. Palmer, national superintendent of the Glidons, will relate at this evening's service at the tent 'Glad Tidings,' at Ninth and Julia streets, the circumstances of his conversion.

Mr. Palmer was converted in the Pacific Garden Mission of Chicago several years ago, it is said, under peculiar conditions. His address upon the subject has been well received elsewhere.

Mr. Palmer will speak again in the tent service to-morrow night. This service will consist of a series of meetings, which have been conducted under the auspices of the Markham Memorial Presbyterian Church, and which have been well received.

Sunday night there will be a communion service in the church, and a meeting of the assembly will be held in the congregation.

The Reverend Charles Stetle, who will conduct the service, Mr. Stetle will remain in the city until the fall meeting of the presbytery of St. Louis in Kirkwood September 15.

Hebrew Picnic Postponed. Out of respect for I. V. Welasko, a director of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, who died several days ago, the Board of Directors of the association, at a special meeting, decided to postpone for thirty days all entertainments planned. The picnic arranged for next Sunday was postponed.

Start by a Hay Wagon. John Marquard, 63 years old, living at No. 315 1/2 Howard street, sustained a compound fracture of the left leg yesterday as the result of jumping from a wagon load of hay that was in the act of overturning. In turning the corner the wagon fell over, and the top-heavy load overturned, and, to save himself from being caught under it, Marquard jumped. He was taken to the City Hospital and the fracture was reduced.

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Macedonian Committee Issues List of Places Where War Has Caused Most Harm.

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Enrollment of Additional Troops Indicates Seriousness of Situation - Wires Are Cut Close to Salonica.

Sofia, Aug. 26.—The Macedonian Committee has issued a black-bordered list of seventy villages which have been pillaged and destroyed in the Vilayet of Monastir, to which are added instances of revolting outrages perpetrated on women.

The publication of this sheet has created a sensation. The revolutionists at Kishovo are reported to have six quick-firing guns. In a fight which has just occurred in that district the insurgents defeated and slaughtered an entire detachment of eighty soldiers.

A Turkish courier carrying 4000 francs intended for the pay of the troops has been captured by insurgents near Eurovotchovo. The rebels have blown up the bridge over a deep ravine on the high road between Loesograd and Demirghand. The Macedonian committee has issued a list of the representatives of the great Powers at Sofia, urging their Governments to take action.

Constantinople, Aug. 26.—The Government has decided to call the colors of all the remaining European reserves belonging to the number of other reserves, which will bring the total of the Turkish soldiers in Macedonia to 100,000 men.

The enrollment of such large bodies of troops indicates the seriousness of the situation, and heretofore the Turkish Government has been endeavoring to suppress the rebellion. Ibrahim Pasha, the new commander of the troops, is reported to have been dispatched to Florida from Monastir.

Salonica, Aug. 26.—The telegraph wires have been cut between Salonica and Vardar, twelve miles southwest of this city.

TELEPHONE GIRLS ANNOYED DECLARED OF UNSOUND MIND.

On Third Trial, Adolph Ross, Who Disturbed Peace of Bell Operators, Is Ordered Sent to Asylum.

Adolph Ross was adjudged insane by a jury in the Court of Criminal Correction last night. He was charged with disturbing the peace of young ladies employed at the Bell Telephone Company, Tyler Station, Eleventh and Chambers streets.

Ross was arrested January 7 by Detective James Cullen. He was tried in the Second District Police Court and fined \$100. He then appealed the case. "The case was tried twice before in the Court of Criminal Correction and the jury disagreed each time."

Three physicians testified in behalf of the defense that in their opinion Ross is insane and not accountable for his actions. Two physicians testified for the State that they did not believe Ross was insane.

Judge Moore, in his charge to the jury, returned, committed Ross to the Insane Asylum, and the defendant was taken to the institution by Deputy Sheriff Edward Noonan.

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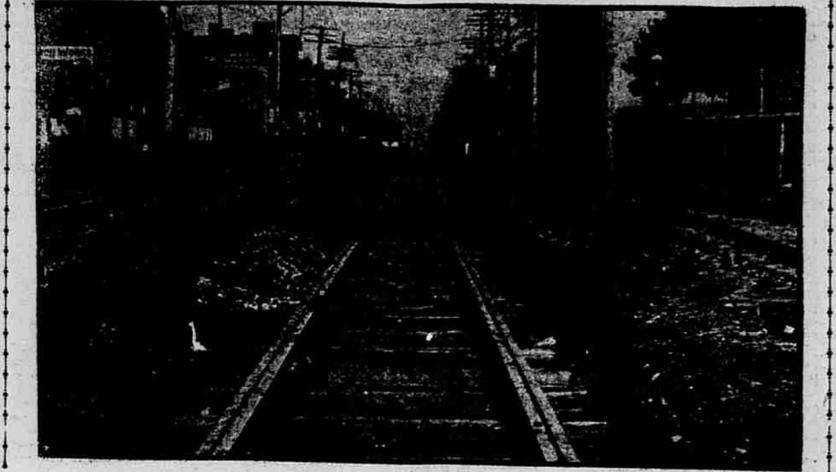
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MANCHESTER AVENUE PROPERTY OWNERS PROTEST AGAINST THREATENED CLOSING OF THE STREET.



Manchester avenue, looking east from Newstead, showing street and car-track reconstruction. Citizens protest against the closing of both sides of the street.

A mass meeting of property owners, residents and business men of the Tower Grove and Rock Springs districts was held at Muth's Hall last night to protest against the threatened closing of Manchester avenue by the Suburban and Meramec Highlands Railroad Company.

Resolutions were adopted calling attention to the facts concerning the delay in grading this thoroughfare, upon which the people of Cheltenham, Benton and Clifton Heights depend for their entrance to the city, condemning the St. Louis and Meramec River Railroad Company for its neglect in pushing the work and calling upon the Mayor and Street Commissioner to prevent the closing of the street and to aid in expediting the work.

Residents of these districts have been subjected to great trouble, and have suffered financial loss by a series of delays in the improvement of many streets, which are in various stages of reconstruction.

Especially is this true regarding the grading, paving and laying new tracks, which for the past several weeks has kept Manchester avenue in a condition of upheaval, from Sarah street to King's highway, and which now threatens to close part of the avenue entirely.

Sarah street, which intersects Manchester avenue, is also torn up, so that a fire which occurred there early Tuesday morning was rendered more alarming by the bad condition of the streets.

The foods that followed the downpour of rain the same night did much damage, but the proposed closing of both sides of Manchester avenue has alarmed business men, and the prospect of months of delay in completing the improvement caused a large attendance at last night's meeting.

President F. A. Hiller of the Tower Grove Improvement Association and many members of the railroad company were compelled to do the grading. The company has let the contract for the grading of the street to John P. McMahon.

The paving of the remainder of the street by the railroad company is believed the closing of the street necessary. McMahon, the contractor, explained at length the work being done. He said that it had been charged that there were only two or three wagons and half a dozen men employed. He said there had not been less than a dozen teams and fifty men on the job since his beginning, eleven weeks ago.

"It was a matter of necessity to close the street in order to do the work. The grading could be done quicker and the street-car tracks would be rapidly paved, so that while there would be a clay road on the side, there would be a granite pavement along the tracks, which would be available for the street cars."

Superintendent O'Donovan of the Meramec Highlands road explained that the Suburban Company was doing all it could to hasten the work, and was just as anxious to complete it as the residents of the avenue. J. C. Travilla of the Street Department said that it was customary to grant the contractor the privilege of working under grading contracts. The city had nothing to do with that work, but was waiting to see when he had completed grading and paving the tracks.

Nicholas Feilgreen, a contractor and property owner on the avenue, declared that there was no necessity for closing the street and thought that the delay is inexcusable.

Beau and Nettie Nelson, Lizzie Freiligh and La Belle Voss, who were the topplers at Haskagen's Park this week.

Willard & Willard, in their slack-wire and contortion performance, are the topplers at Haskagen's Park this week.

"Frou-Frou" with both Lawrence Hanley and Vrou-Frou in the cast, is the bill at Koerner's Garden. A new play, "The Girl From Missouri," will be produced next week. Dorothy Salisbury is to be seen in the title part.

The Century will open September 6 with a revival of "The Storm."

BULL WHIPPED BEAR IN ARENA. Novel Fight, Across Line From El Paso, Witnessed by Big Crowd.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 26.—A fight between a wild bull and a big brown bear last night at the El Paso arena was witnessed by a large and excited audience. The bull was the aggressor throughout the contest.

The fight was exceedingly spirited, the bear being a fiercer opponent to the bull than the lion, which recently fought him. The bear was severely gored and tossed and bled profusely from the head, but survived, however.

Once during the bull's fierce onslaughts, the bear caught his enemy by the nose and, with bulldog tenacity, held on for more than a minute. The bovine loudly bellowed in agony. The bear was badly injured, but he was not killed.

BOY BITTEN BY A MAD DOG. Attacks August Stuckenberg, 7 Years Old, at West End Heights.

Several hundred persons at West End Heights yesterday afternoon were thrown into a panic by a mad dog which attacked August Stuckenberg, 7 years old, who was playing on the grounds and bit him three times in the back.

Mounted Policeman Borden chased the canine and shot it while on his horse. The animal was severely gored and tossed and bled profusely from the head, but survived, however.

August Stuckenberg is a son of the restaurateur, and lives in the cottage on the grounds. The boy was playing with other children when the dog ran into the grounds, frothing at the mouth and barking. Immediately came a scramble by every person who saw the canine for places of safety.

The dog caught August, bore him to the ground and sank his teeth three times into his back before he could be driven off.

FLOATING DOWN TO ST. LOUIS. Shamrock IV Will Be a Feature on the Lagoon.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. El Paso, Tex., Aug. 26.—A "gondola" which is expected to be a feature on the lagoon at the World's Fair in St. Louis, is slowly sailing down the Missouri river to the mouth of the Colorado.

The "gondola" is called Shamrock IV and was launched at Saturday. It is thirty-four feet long and can carry a dozen passengers. The owner of the craft expects to reach St. Louis within ten days of the starting from Omaha, and it is due to pass Kansas City some time during the next thirty-six hours.

DIED FROM HIS INJURIES. Joe Hammer Had Right Arm and Leg Amputated.

Joe Hammer, the 14-year-old boy, whose right arm and leg were mangled by an iron Mountain freight train yesterday, died at the City Hospital last night at 7 1/2. Both limbs were amputated upon the arrival of the boy at the hospital.

Young Hammer, with several companions, was jumping freight trains at the foot of President street yesterday. Hammer lost his hold after boarding a car, was thrown under the wheels and severely crushed.

REYNOLDS FAVORS GRAVEL SURFACE ON LINDELL.

Attorney George D. Reynolds made a statement yesterday of the position of the property owners on Lindell boulevard in regard to the proposed improvements for that street. He also addressed a communication to the Street Department on the subject.

In speaking of the matter, Mr. Reynolds said that the property owners do not oppose reconstruction, but that they were against anything of the kind which was not a real improvement. Furthermore, he said that citizens living on the street were opposed to anything of an experimental nature, as the street is the great park driveway of the city.

In this experimental list, Mr. Reynolds includes brick asphaltum in any form, so-called bituminous macadam, and creosoted wood blocks. His idea is to declare the street a boulevard, and to have the street paved with the best material, and then on the present foundation, which the Roman roads, reconstructed with clean sharp gravel.

In the opinion of Mr. Reynolds, all of the property owners on Lindell boulevard are in favor of the improvement of this kind, and would cheerfully promote the work of reconstruction along the street.

HAWES RETURNS SEPTEMBER 1. Will Address Grand Erie of Eagles in New York.

Harry B. Hawes is expected to arrive in New York from his European trip September 1, and on September 3 will respond to an invitation to address the national convocation of Eagles, which will be in session in New York at that time.

Mr. Hawes, who is an Eagle of prominence, will urge St. Louis's claims to the national convention for World's Fair year.

"Mr. Hawes was requested by letter a short time ago to address the Grand Erie at New York and invite the Eagles to meet in national convention in St. Louis during the World's Fair," said John Mooney, a prominent Eagle, last night. "I have heard nothing to the contrary, so I suppose he will arrive September 1 as scheduled and present our claims."

"W. J. Flynn and F. N. Kleiber, past worthy president of the Eagles, departed yesterday for New York, and will make arrangements for the accommodation of the hundred or more Eagles from St. Louis, which will attend the Grand Erie. We depart Friday, and will probably meet Mr. Hawes when he steps from his steamer."

NEGRO PYTHIAS CONVENTION. Preparations Made for 5,000 Visiting Members.

Extensive preparations are being made for the twelfth biennial session of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias (negro), which opens here next Monday. Between 4,000 and 5,000 members from all sections of the country are expected to attend.

A camp for the unformed rank will be established at Hoehn's Grove. In this accommodations for more than 2,000 visitors will be arranged. Low rates have been secured from roads all over the United States, and the largest attendance in the history of the organization is expected.

Among the entertainments to be given in course of the meeting are a presentation of the drama, "Damon and Pythias," by the Dramatic Club at the Grand Music Hall; exhibition and competitive drill, to be followed by a military parade on Broadway street, and a series of social and several receptions. The session will last until Thursday.

INVITATIONS ISSUED FOR MONTANA HANGING. Helena, Mont., Aug. 26.—Sheriff Robertson of Livingston has just issued invitations for the hanging of Martin Zimlar, who was convicted of the murder of George Reider. The invitations are printed on white paper with a heavy black border. In the upper left-hand corner of the invitation is a printed portrait of the condemned man. The execution takes place Friday.

Money for Iron Mountain Twins. The fame of Austin and Greer Murray, "the iron mountain twins," is by no means local. Yesterday the most of the twins received a letter from Mrs. Henry Ryan of Warsaw, Ok., in which she was to be

RECEIVED NAMED FOR MEYER STORE.

Broadway Dry Goods House Will Continue Business Without Interruption.

CHARLES A. STACY IN CHARGE.

Officers of the Company Will Buy Goods and Conduct the Trade Under Court's Direction.

Following an application made yesterday in the United States District Court by three creditors of the Meyer Store Dry Goods Company, Broadway and Washington avenue, asking that that firm be declared a bankrupt, a receiver was appointed, who will direct the affairs of the company, assisted by the present officers, under the jurisdiction of the court. The store will not be closed.

Charles A. Stacy was selected by the creditors to act as receiver. He was required to make a bond for \$150,000. Business will be resumed as usual this morning, and the firm expects to continue in business indefinitely, and to surmount any little difficulties they have encountered.

W. D. Meyer, treasurer of the Meyer Store Company, stated that the proceedings would not impair the workings of their business in the least.

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Mr. Meyer explained that the summer had been an exceedingly slow one for a business standpoint on account of much cool weather, but that prospects for a brisk autumn trade are bright. He said that the success of his firm is confident of future success.

TO OPEN THIS MORNING. The proceedings were instituted for debts aggregating \$368,772. The creditors are: I. Rosenbach of New York; the Rosenthal-Sloan Millinery Company of St. Louis and John Pullman of New York.

Mr. Meyer also said he sold \$124 worth of goods to Julius Meyer, Sons & Co., which debt was assumed by the successors of the firm, the Rosenthal-Sloan Company. The Rosenthal-Sloan Company seeks to recover the face of a note given by Julius Meyer, Sons & Co., April 30, 1902, and payable August 15, 1902. It also asked for a note executed July 1, 1902, by Julius Meyer, Sons & Co. for \$12,500, and for goods sold amounting to \$467.81. Pullman & Co. ask for recovery of an open account for \$18,146 for goods sold to Julius Meyer, Sons & Co.

After business hours yesterday the members of the firm called all their employees to the office, where they were addressed by Alexander Meyer, who assured them all their positions, and not to worry about the future of the firm.

"Be on hand in the morning as usual," he said, "and we will continue to pay salaries. We have no intention of closing the doors. The present officers of the company are: I. Rosenbach, president; W. D. Meyer, treasurer; and Charles W. Fellows, secretary.

The firm began business at 1717, 1902. Its officers formerly operated stores at Richmond, Va.

STATE EDITORS TO BE GUESTS OF EXPOSITION CO. Annual Meeting of Missouri Press Association Opens at Administration Building.

The annual meeting of the Missouri Press Association will open this morning at 10 o'clock at the Administration building at the World's Fair. Indications are that the gathering will be one of the largest and most important in the history of the organization. It will last throughout to-day and to-morrow.

Headquarters for the members have been established at the Laclede Hotel. From this place trolley cars will be run to the Fair grounds at 9 a. m. The Exposition management has arranged an extensive program of entertainment for the newspapermen, which will be carried out by members of the Press and Publicity Bureau, who are to be held in the Administration building. On both days luncheon will be served to the visitors on the grounds. About 4 p. m. to-day the editors will visit the Missouri Building, now in process of erection. In the evening they will be guests of the Exposition at Delmar Garden.

To-day's programme includes an address of welcome by President D. R. Francis of the World's Fair, and an address by Mrs. Bennett of the Publicity Department. W. L. Moorhead of Hopkins, Mo., will read a paper on "Newspaper Influence." An address on the "Success of Country Newspapers" will be delivered by B. A. Roy of St. Louis.

At the afternoon session the following addresses will be made: "The American Editor," by J. H. Forster, of St. Louis; "The Editor's Responsibility," by William Williams of Columbia; "Dignity and Honor of the Country Press," by John P. Campbell, of Hypocrite, Pa.; "The Editor and the Public," by J. H. Forster, of St. Louis; "The Editor's Responsibility," by J. H. Forster, of St. Louis; "The Editor's Responsibility," by J. H. Forster, of St. Louis.

FALL FROM CHURCH SCAFFOLD. Five Men Hurt When Frame Work Collapses.

Five men were injured by the collapse of a scaffold on a church at Virginia avenue and Haven street yesterday afternoon. The injured men are: Arthur McBride, No. 506 Vermont avenue, broken arm; James Thomas, negro, No. 1239 North Eighth street; Robert Battle, negro, No. 229 Walnut street; Henry Clark, No. 1819 Franklin avenue, and William Brual, whose address was not obtained. All but McBride escaped with slight bruises.

SHOT HIMSELF IN THE HEAD. Bystanders Tried to Wrench Revolver From Fred Heyde.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 26.—Former City Attorney Fred Heyde shot himself in the head in a North End saloon this afternoon. Bystanders attempted to wrench the weapon from the man's hand just as he pulled the trigger. The bullet ranged along the side of the skull.

Heyde is recovering. No reason is given for the deed, and Heyde refuses to discuss the matter.

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