

BIG SENSATION PAGE CASE NOW STARTED AT CAPITAL

Said \$5,000,000 Raised by Corporations to Defeat President's Choice.

STORY TOLD IT IS SAID AT RECENT SWELL DINNER

Harriman Refused to Talk. Penrose Never Heard of It. Others Ridiculed It.

Washington, April 5.—Secretary Loeb today declared that no names were mentioned at the white house yesterday, with reference was made to some public man who had been present at a dinner and had told the story of an alleged combination to accomplish the defeat of the presidential campaign.

HARRIMAN ABSOLUTELY WILL NOT TALK OF IT. New York, April 5.—E. H. Harriman declined absolutely to talk about the report from Washington that the Standard Oil and associated interests had raised a fund of \$5,000,000 to prevent the nomination for president of any man of Roosevelt's choosing in 1908.

SENATOR PENROSE HAD NEVER HEARD THE STORY. Philadelphia, Pa., April 5.—United States Senator Penrose had today to say today about the report that he told at a dinner in Washington of a "conspiracy" to prevent the possible election of Roosevelt's choice of a successor to himself.

TRUSTEES OF ALABAMA UNIVERSITY MEET TODAY. Mobile, Ala., April 5.—A meeting of the trustees of the University of Alabama in session today in Tuscaloosa. Its purpose is receiving the trust of the Medical college of the University of Alabama, located in Mobile and the discussion of plans for the improvements of the university under "Greater University" idea.

KILLED HERSELF LIKE NOVEL HERO. Philadelphia, April 5.—With no other apparent purpose than to emulate a character in a novel which she was reading, Miss Lena Marco, 17 years old, of 1756 North Fifteenth street, killed herself last night by swallowing carbolic acid.

DEATH DUTIES GREAT SOURCE OF REVENUE. London, April 5.—It is now known that the receipts from death duties during the fiscal year just ended beat all previous records. The total amount received was \$1,900,000,000.

Bowlers to Banquet. Grand Rapids, Mich., April 5.—Bowlers in the Business Men's league will gather tonight around the board at the Paxton, at the first annual banquet of the new organization.

PAGE CASE NOW GOES TO THE JURY

Gregory Page, Himself, Was Last Witness For Defense.

FERGUSON MAKES SPEECH FOR PROSECUTION

Verdict Will Be Either Murder in Second or Third Degree or For Acquittal.

The Page murder case is now in the hands of the jury. The attorneys finished their arguments at 11:30 o'clock this morning. Judge Abbott used the remaining half hour of the morning in instructing the jurors, and at the hour of 12 they repaired to the jury room.

Attorney Ferguson began his first argument at 9:30 o'clock this morning—at the opening of court—the defense having rested its case until Thursday evening. His plea to the jurors was based upon the evidence of the doctors who were used as witnesses. Most of the physicians had testified that Jones' wounds had the appearance of having been inflicted by some heavy and hard instrument.

Doctors Wroth and Haines, who yesterday afternoon had the witness stand in behalf of the defense, had testified to the wounds of Jones, as they understood them, could have been produced by the fists, and in his argument this morning Attorney Dobson suggested that the blow in the eye might have been struck by Page with his fist and that the wound on the head may have been caused by the man striking his head against an object when he fell.

At 11 o'clock, when Mr. Dobson had finished his argument, the court adjourned and kept the floor for twenty-five minutes. His second argument was based along the same lines as the first.

It was now 11:30 o'clock and the attorneys heard the court's instructions read. Immediately following the instructions were read to the jury and the case was called on at noon. In his instructions Judge Abbott gave no signs of his impressions of the case. He merely stated the law in such cases, and the nature of verdicts that may be rendered.

Page's testimony yesterday afternoon, just before the adjournment, was to the effect that he found Jones in the saloon just after his wife had told him that he, Jones, had said to her. He went up to Jones and asked him if he saw the man. Jones replied that he was, and it was then that Page assaulted him. The defendant denied that he used any instrument in such case, and the nature of his wounds of themselves that caused his death.

Special to The Evening Citizen. Washington, April 5.—Report of Harriman's \$5,000,000 combine to defeat Roosevelt's candidate and policies at the next republican national convention, has proved a great sensation here.

TODAY'S SITUATION



The Middleman—Labor is beginning to get what it deserves; But where do I come in?

GRAND JURY RETURNED INDICTMENT OF 175 COUNTS

This Is What Banker Walsh Must Answer For in Courts at Chicago.

MISAPPROPRIATING BANK FUNDS FOR \$3,500,000

Chicago, April 5.—The federal grand jury today returned an indictment containing 175 counts against John B. Walsh, former president of the Chicago National Bank. The counts charge misapplication of funds and credits of the bank, and also allege that he made false entries in his reports to the comptroller of the currency.

PERCY WILSON SELECTED MAYOR OF SILVER CITY

Special to The Evening Citizen. Silver City, April 5.—After one of the bitterest fights in local politics the people of Silver City place as ever known, the "dry" candidate for mayor, wins over the "wet" one. The successful candidate is Percy Wilson, an attorney at law, and the defeated candidate is F. J. Rose, the proprietor of a saloon.

STATE EXAMINERS OF TEACHERS IN MISSISSIPPI

Jackson, Miss., April 5.—Prof. H. L. Whitfield, state superintendent of education, has commenced the spring examinations of teachers by county boards of examiners in the seventy-seven counties of the state. The examination commences today for white teachers, and will continue tomorrow for colored teachers.

FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS ARE NOW TIED UP IN PRODUCE

Such Claimed to be Financial Condition in Canada Making Money Scarce.

WILL REMAIN SO TILL RIVER NAVIGATION OPENS

Montreal, April 5.—The great depression in the market values of Canadian securities, which has been the feature of the Montreal and Toronto stock exchanges for the past three weeks, has, besides a sympathetic decline with the New York and London markets, been due also to the unprecedented stringency of money throughout the Canadian banks. Senator Forget, who is intimately in touch with the financial situation, said that this large amount of money is tied up in produce awaiting transportation within the Dominion. It is pointed out that this sum lying dormant has been of little importance to the situation prevailing today on the stock market.

POLICE OF HOUSTON, TEX., HAVE FAILED TO STOP GAMBLING

Mayor Will Take Drastic Action to Compel Force to Obey His Orders.

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, IS IN THE SAME FIGHT

Houston, Texas, April 5.—A committee of business men has been named to wait upon the commissioners for the purpose of closing the local pool rooms. It is reliably stated in municipal circles that the commission is heartily in favor of the move and will order the betting arena closed.

MONTGOMERY AFTER THE KNIGHTS OF GREEN CLOTH

Montgomery, Ala., April 5.—This city is making a big fight on the purpose of closing the saloons and purposes driving them out of town. The chief of police has given notice to many of them who came from Birmingham that they must get out. The agitation in Birmingham against the police purpose to send the wave back to its source, the chief keeps his men at the stations watching the trains for any men looking like gamblers, and they are at once told not to stop, but to return at once. Several prominent gambling places have shut their doors, and may remain closed. But the chief doesn't propose to stop with them, but will go right on and uproot the whole business, so that not a gambler will be left in the town to take in strangers.

OPENING TEXT BOOKS MARKET IN TENNESSEE

Nashville, Tenn., April 5.—The parents of school children are much interested in a bill before the legislature allowing general trade in school books. The bill amends the Tennessee law so that any merchant may buy or sell books that are adopted by the state authorities. It prescribes that the contractor shall deliver to any merchant any adopted books before the books are contracted for. It is made a misdemeanor to refuse to deliver the books or to ship and supply them as ordered. This is a big trade difference in the school book trade.

MILITARY ATHLETIC TOURNAMENT OPENS

Brooklyn, N. Y., April 5.—The military athletic tournament which has heretofore been held in the Madison Square Garden, will be held in the thirteenth regiment armory, this city this year, tonight and tomorrow night. It will consist solely of athletic sports this year.

PROPOSALS FOR NEW YORK STATE BONDS RECEIVED

Albany, N. Y., April 5.—Proposals for \$5,000,000 worth of state bonds for New York, at three per cent, for the canal, have been received today by State Controller F. Glynn. No bids were accepted for less than par. It is expected that there will be ample bids for the placing of the bonds, but if not they will be taken over for the canal and good roads sinking funds.

LOUISIANA WAS SWEEPED BY A TORNADO

Many Lives Were Lost and Much Property Destroyed in Storm Track.

CARS WERE BLOWN FROM THEIR TRACKS IN YARDS

Insane Asylum Was Wrecked and Three Inmates Killed. Others Injured.

Alexandria, La., April 5.—Several persons were killed and many injured, and a hundred factories, stores and dwellings totally wrecked by a tornado that passed Alexandria at midnight. The bodies of four persons have been removed from the debris. Thirteen persons, some fatally injured have been taken to the hospital.

CALAMITY GROWING IN EXTENT AND MORTALITY

Reports from the surrounding country tell of much property damage and loss of life. The list of dead is growing and a great many are injured. All buildings in the path of the tornado were badly damaged. A number of passenger cars in the yards of the Iron Mountain railroad were swept from the tracks and heavy pieces of wreckage were blown entirely through some coaches.

MANY NEGROES REPORTED AS HAVING BEEN KILLED

New Orleans, La., April 5.—A special from Bayou Sara, La., reports serious damage in West Feliciana parish as a result of the tornado that swept this section of the state early today. Many negroes are reported killed.

WRECKED INSANE ASYLUM KILLED THREE INMATES

Jackson, La., April 5.—A tornado swept through this town this morning wrecking the state insane asylum and killing three inmates.

LAYMEN OF WYOMING CONFERENCE MEET

Lestershire, Wyo., April 5.—The laymen of the Methodist Episcopal conference are holding a meeting here today. Bishop Luther R. Wilson, one of the new bishops, will preside at the conference composed of ministers and laymen. According to the by-laws adopted at the last convention all lay members of the Methodist Episcopal church over twenty-one years of age are entitled to all the privileges of the association at its annual meeting, but that churches may be sure of representation they are urged to send delegates, one for each hundred members or a majority. A rousing meeting is expected, as a number of distinguished speakers will take part.

RUAIAS AND SOLDIERS CLASH IN CUBA

Havana, April 5.—Trouble is reported between the rurales and enlisted men of the Eleventh cavalry in the disreputable district of the city of Pinar del Rio. The rurales were armed with machetes, while the soldiers had no weapons. It is said that three American officers aided the enlisted men, using their swords, and one of the rurales was wounded in the hand.

SIR WILFRED LAURIER AT COLONIAL CONFERENCE

Ottawa, Ont., April 5.—Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Frederick Borden are in London in attendance of the colonial conference, which assembled today. Several important social functions have been arranged in honor of the colonial visitors. Mr. Laurier will preside at the banquet of the 1900 club to the colonial premiers, to be held on Thursday, April 18, at the Albert Hall, and will be supported by all the members of the late unionist administration. The colonial premiers will be the guests of the Eighty club on Friday, at a dinner to be given at the Hotel Cecil. Mr. Asquith, the chancellor of the exchequer, will preside, and Sir Wilfred Laurier and General Botha will be invited to speak.

ANNUAL DANCE OF THE NEWMAN CLUB HELD

New York, April 5.—The Newman club, of Columbia university, a Roman Catholic organization of alumni and students, will give their annual dance at the Hotel Astor tonight.

STRIKERS IN LOUISIANA DANE SHIP YARDS

They Are Notified That No Further Acts of Violence Will Be Tolerated.

MILITIA IS PRACTICING FIRE DRILL IN ARMORY

Two Hundred Strike Breakers Are on Their Way to Work in the Yards.

Lorraine, Ohio, April 5.—There are ominous preparations for trouble in the ship yards' strike. Company B, Fifth Infantry, O. N. G., has assembled in the armory and the company is being put through a firing drill by Captain Gove. The captain has been notified to be ready to go out at a moment's notice.

NO NECESSITY FOR THE GOVERNOR TO ACT

Columbus, Ohio, April 5.—A riot at Lorraine because the ship yard officials there imported strike-breakers caused the local services of Joseph E. Willard, a member of the commission, has been in Portsmouth and has made a personal inspection of the local situation, after which the mayor complains. The mayor is solicitous in this matter, as he wants the city to put its best foot forward in the accommodation of passengers bound to or from the Jamestown exposition.

HEARING OF COMPLAINT AGAINST TRACTION CO.

Norfolk, Va., April 5.—The street corporation commission is hearing today Mayor Reed's complaint against the Norfolk and Portsmouth Traction company's local services. Joseph E. Willard, a member of the commission, has been in Portsmouth and has made a personal inspection of the local situation, after which the mayor complains. The mayor is solicitous in this matter, as he wants the city to put its best foot forward in the accommodation of passengers bound to or from the Jamestown exposition.

JEROME WILL ON GRAND JURY HAS UP REPORT

Will Argue Against Commission's Finding and Then Summing up Will Begin.

New York, April 5.—It is learned from an authoritative source this afternoon that Jerome will not apply to the appellate division of the supreme court for a writ of prohibition against the continuance of the Thaw trial. Jerome will argue before Justice Fitzgerald on Monday against the confirmation of the report of the commission in lunacy. At the conclusion of this argument the summing up in the case will probably proceed.

STENOGRAPHER GIVES BAIL FOR \$100,000

New York, April 5.—Frank Hill, former stenographer for Harriman, who was arrested yesterday on the charge of selling the now famous Sidney Hill, a more indignant against high officials in connection with the Home telephone bribery case and three more indictments against high officials in connection with the affairs of the rival company.

JAPAN WANTS EMBASSY AT THE CAPITAL OF TURKEY

London, April 5.—Japan has opened negotiations with Turkey, according to a special dispatch from Constantinople, with a view to establishing embassies of the two countries at the respective capitals of the countries. Russia, it is stated, raised objections, but Japan insisted that she is entitled to the same representation on the Bosphorus as are the other great powers. Turkey is the only prominent power in which Japan is not represented by accredited legations.

TOO MANY PILLOW SLIPS FOR JUST ONE BED

"Too many pillow slips for just one bed," remarked Judge Craig in police court this morning as he fined a Pullman car porter \$10 and costed. For some time the Pullman company has been missing linen from its cars and special officer Ben Williams and special officer Ben Williams by local officers he searched the porter's room and found an even fifty pillow slips bearing the Pullman company's name. The porter was promptly arrested and the porter said the fine, promised to be good and went back to work.