

Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

On the 6th, the United States recognized the new republic of Panama as a de facto government.

The Sheldon State bank, of Sheldon, Ia., closed on the 4th. The officers said depositors would be paid in full.

Without the firing of a shot and amid scenes of great enthusiasm, the independence of the isthmus and the department of Panama was declared, on the 4th.

President Roosevelt, on the 6th, received the members of the executive board of the Women's Foreign Society of the Methodist Episcopal church, which had just concluded its annual convention in Baltimore, Md.

Minister Powell cabled the state department at Washington, D. C., on the 6th, that the insurgent army was marching on the city of San Domingo. He asked that an American man-of-war be sent there. The Baltimore was sent.

King Edward, in the presence of several thousand people, on the 3d, laid the foundation stone of the King Edward VII. consumption sanitarium, at Midhurst, Sussex, for the erection of which Sir Ernest Cassel gave the king \$1,000,000.

The cadets of the Western military academy, at Alton, Ill., constituted a part of the reception committee which met Gov. Richard Yates, on the 3d. The governor addressed a mass meeting of the citizens in the Spaulding auditorium.

The first trainload of returning Dowie "restorationists" arrived at Zion City, Chicago, on the 3d. Later, at intervals of an hour or two, train after train deposited its travel-stained crusaders. The day was devoted to prayer and thanksgiving.

The first national bank of Victor, Col., was closed, on the 4th, by direction of the acting comptroller of the currency, the examiner having reported the bank to be insolvent. James H. Lanzer, national bank examiner, was appointed receiver.

As showing the depth of the resentment over the success of the United States in the Alaskan boundary matter, during the performance of a minstrel troupe at Vancouver, B. C., on the 6th, the music of the American anthem was vigorously hissed.

Final burial services were held over the remains of Emma-Booth Tucker, on the 4th, in New York city, and the body was placed in a vault at Woodlawn cemetery. Later it will be interred in the army plot, where two of the commander's children are buried.

Congressman Slomp, in Bristol, Va., on the 5th, confirmed the rumor that Edward L. Wentz, the young Philadelphia millionaire who disappeared, was in the hands of abductors in the mountains of southwest Virginia, and that a ransom of \$100,000 was demanded for his release.

President Roosevelt was asked, on the 5th, to forbid the United States Marine band to accept engagements to play for pay. The request was made by President Miller, of the National Federation of Musicians. The president indicated his willingness to consider the question if presented to him in writing.

Rev. Ezekiel Light, aged 70 years, who for nine years was German Protestant chaplain at the Soldiers' home at Dayton, O., and who was prominent before the beginning of hostilities in the civil war as the preacher who left his pulpit to assist the slaves to escape to the north, died at Dayton, O., on the 6th.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Hendricks, widow of the late Vice-President Hendricks, was held in Indianapolis, Ind., on the 5th. Mrs. Hendricks left an estate of several hundred thousand dollars. Among the beautiful oral offerings was a large bunch of American Beauty roses from ex-President Cleveland.

Naval Constructor William J. Baxter supervising construction work at Cramp's shipyard, Philadelphia, was, on the 3d, ordered to take charge of the department of construction and repair at the New York navy yard. He succeeded to the duties performed by Rear-Admiral Capps, the new chief of the bureau of construction and repair.

Senator Frank H. Farris, of Crawford county, Mo., indicted on the charge of having accepted \$1,000 from former Lieut.-Gov. John A. Lee, in consideration of his vote against the anti-alcohol law during the 1901 session of the Missouri legislature, was placed on trial at Jefferson City, Mo., on the 2d, before Special Judge W. W. Graves, and Butler, Mo.

The request of Gov. Chatterton of Wyoming on the federal government for the return of the nine Indians who were captured near Edgemont, S. D., was complied with, on the 5th, and the prisoners were turned over to Sheriff Jack McBernett and posse at Crawford, Wyo. They were charged with murdering Sheriff Miller and Deputy Falkenburg.

The remains of Morris L. Estee, late United States district judge at Honolulu, were interred in San Francisco on the 5th, in Odd Fellows' cemetery after impressive services at the Masons' temple. The services were conducted by the California grand lodge of masons, and an eloquent eulogy was delivered by United States Circuit Judge W. W. Morrow.

By a vote of eight to ten, Mayor Devereaux casting the decisive vote, the city council of Springfield, Ill., on the 3d, ordered City Attorney Fitzgerald to dismiss about one hundred suits in debt which he had brought in the Sangamon (Ill.) circuit court against persons who, it was alleged, had frequented gambling houses and poolrooms in Springfield.

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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

E. S. Platt, of St. Louis, attempted suicide at the Hotel Duquesne, in Pittsburgh, on the 4th, by shooting himself in the breast. He was removed to the Homeopathic hospital. Business troubles were said to have prompted the deed.

Mrs. Thomas Briggs, 35 years old, swallowed a quantity of laudanum, in St. Louis, on the 4th, after a quarrel with her husband. A physician was summoned and the woman was hurried to the city hospital, where it was said her condition was serious.

The police of East St. Louis, Ill., in their effort to locate Frank May, an employe of the May dry goods store, hope at the same time to locate the whereabouts of \$575 that disappeared from the company's safe on the 4th.

Another arrest was made at Belleville, Ill., on the 4th, in the lynching case, making a total of 11 men taken into custody to answer for rioting at the time of the violent death of the negro school teacher, Wyatt.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Burlington railroad, held in Chicago, on the 4th, the outgoing board of directors was re-elected for another year without change.

Marshal Smith of Ashley, Ill., on the 4th, shot and seriously wounded Chas. Knight and his brother, while attempting to serve a warrant on Knight.

While Alfred Berger, in charge of a marshal, was waiting for a train in Chicago, on the 5th, for Monmouth, Ill., where Berger is accused of robbing a bank, the prisoner's only sister, Hattie Berger, was being taken by detectives to Milwaukee, where the police declared three charges of burglary had been made against her.

William McCollough, of New York, committed suicide at a boarding house in Bloomsbury, a suburb of London, on the 5th, by inhaling gas. Papers found in his room indicated that McCollough was connected with the sale of Texas by President Miller of the National at San Diego, Cal.

The steamer H. K. Bedford sank, four miles south of Sisterville, W. Va., on the 5th, while on her way to Wheeling. She struck a rock during a dense fog.

On the 5th, James Lynchbaum, the released Irish fugitive, took out his first naturalization papers at Indianapolis, Ind.

The strike of cannery employes by the large packing houses of Chicago was settled, on the 5th, and the men returned to work, on the 6th. An offer of a six-per-cent. advance for unskilled and of seven per cent. for skilled workmen was officially accepted by the strikers.

After being lashed to the stump of a mast for three days, Capt. Gabrielson and nine members of the crew of the water-tender schooner John W. Linnell reached New York city, on the 5th, aboard the Italian ship Gabrielle d'Annunzio. The whaler Belvidere, which arrived at San Francisco, on the 5th, reported that three deserters from the whaler Bonanza drifted to sea on an arctic floe and perished. The men tried to reach land, but were pursued and were forced to take refuge on the floe.

Following a trivial family quarrel, John Link, a well-to-do farmer of Marquette, Mich., went into a field, seated himself on two sticks of dynamite and lit the fuse. A searching party, on the 5th, gathered up his remains in a basket.

A plot to effect a wholesale delivery in the Folsom (Cal.) penitentiary was discovered, on the 5th, by the warden. The convicts planned to overcome the prison officials, seize a locomotive and escape. Many weapons were found.

F. W. Whiting was bound over to the United States grand jury at Junction City, Kas., on the 5th, on the charge of complicity in the post office robbery at Merrill, Kas.

The president, on the 5th, received the resignation of Judge O. P. Shiers, of the federal court of the northern district of Iowa, to take effect December 1.

An explosion of oil occurred at the Pennsylvania roundhouse, at Pittsburg, on the 6th. Two persons were so badly burned that they died soon after the accident.

The south-bound Chicago-Cincinnati Monon train, which left Chicago, on the 5th, passed through a severe snow storm 80 miles out of Chicago.

The store of the Cobs Clothing Co., at Peoria, Ill., was destroyed by fire which started shortly after midnight, on the 6th. The stock of goods was valued at \$15,000, and the loss was estimated at about \$10,000. The police arrested the proprietor of the clothing company and his clerk. They were held on a charge of arson.

Justice Pritchard, of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, on the 6th, issued four "alias" bench warrants for the arrest of State Senator George E. Green, of New York, who is under indictment by the grand jury of the District of Columbia for complicity in the postal frauds.

Chicago and the entire lake district was in the grasp of the first real cold wave of the season, on the 6th. A half inch of snow fell, and remained on the ground the greater portion of the day.

Kirby S. Platt, St. Louis contractor, who, on the 4th, shot himself at Pittsburg, with suicidal intent, died, on the 6th, at the Homeopathic hospital from the effects of the wound.

John Morgan and Harry H. Hazard were placed in the St. Louis jail, on the 6th, by Deputy United States Marshal Wild, on a charge of burglarizing the Caldwell (Mo.) post office.

Magistrate Elijah Upton, on the 6th, shot and killed Tom Stewart, a well-to-do farmer, at Richmondville, Ky. The shooting was the result of the issuing of a warrant by Squire Upton for Stewart's arrest upon the application of the latter's son, following a quarrel over politics.

Thomas F. Ward, former vice-president of the Lemar (Pa.) national bank, who pleaded guilty a month ago to the embezzlement of \$12,000 of the bank's funds, was set free, on the 6th, after serving 30 days in jail.

By the explosion of the boiler operating a husking machine on the Ohio State university farm, near Columbus, O., on the 6th, Engineer Charles W. Pepper was blown a hundred feet and met instant death.

Examination, on the 6th, of the books of the Bank of the Chickasaw nation, at Tishomingo, I. T., which failed showed liabilities of \$100,000, of which nearly \$50,000 was due to depositors. All efforts to locate Kirby Purdon, the missing president of the bank, have failed.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

On the 7th, President Roosevelt entertained at luncheon John A. Slicher, editor of the Weekly, and Victor Billam, the cartoonist. Fully a dozen senators were received by the president and twice that number of representatives. Consul-General Gudge, who sailed for Panama, on the 6th, said good-bye to the president.

H. M. Bacon, chief clerk to the third assistant postmaster-general, was, on the 7th, appointed temporary chief of the classification division of the post office department, succeeding William H. Landvoigt, whose resignation was recently asked by the postmaster-general.

Two thousand men were laid off by the Illinois steel works at South Chicago on the 7th. In addition to this reduction, 1,000 men who were previously discharged and who expected to resume work were informed that there was no work for them.

E. P. Broughton, formerly general superintendent of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad, fell dead in the cafe of the Alta Vista hotel, in Colorado Springs, Col., on the 7th. Heart disease was the cause of death. He was 39 years of age.

Frank W. Tracey, president of the First national bank of Springfield, Ill., and a member of the committee on uniform laws of the Bankers' association, died at his home in that city, on the 8th, of a complication of diseases, aged 69 years.

"Capt." George Wellington Streeter, of district of Lake Michigan fame, who is under penitentiary sentence for manslaughter, was, on the 7th, at Chicago, granted a petition for appeal to the United States supreme court.

Gov. Yates of Illinois, on the 7th, honored a requisition from the governor of Kansas for the extradition of Bert March, under arrest in Chicago and wanted in Atchison, Kas., on a charge of grand larceny.

At the caucus of the republican members of the house of representatives, on the 7th, James G. Cannon, of Illinois, was unanimously chosen as the candidate of the majority for speaker of the house.

Sir James Ritchie was sworn in as lord-mayor of London, on the 7th, with the usual quaint ceremonies, succeeding Sir Marcus Samuel.

Gen. Francis V. Greene, police commissioner of New York, was the guest of President Roosevelt at dinner, on the 5th.

Senate-President Pro Tem. Freyre called the senate together, on the 9th, in extraordinary session; the proclamation of the president was read. Roll call showed 70 members present; a committee of two appointed to join house committee to notify the president. On motion of Mr. Allison, the senate adjourned at 12:15. House—The Fifty-eighth congress convened in extraordinary session, on the 9th, in accordance with the proclamation of President Roosevelt, for the purpose of enacting legislation necessary to make effective the Cuban reciprocity treaty. Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, was elected speaker, and appointed a committee to join senate committee to notify the president. On motion of Mr. Payne, the house adjourned at 3:30.

Sutter Bros. led tobacco merchants, with establishments in Havana, New York, St. Louis and Chicago, went into voluntary bankruptcy, on the 9th. The Chicago Title & Trust Co. was appointed receiver. The liabilities were placed at \$1,500,000, with assets exceeding that figure by \$1,000,000.

The name of Col. Clarence Edwards, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, was taken under consideration, on the 9th, for promotion to the rank of brigadier-general, to fill a vacancy which will be created by the retirement of Gen. Young, in January.

King Edward, who was born November 3, 1841, celebrated his birthday in Sandringham, where there was the usual dinner to the tenants of the estate, at which the king and queen and other members of the royal family handed round the dessert.

A suit for \$5,000, instituted by John Wightman versus the C. & A. railroad, for damages for the death of his brother, S. A. Wightman, killed last May in Upper Alton, Ill., came up for trial in the circuit court at Edwardsville, Ill., on the 9th.

The president, on the 9th, pardoned J. B. Milby convicted in Kentucky of using the mails to defraud, and sentenced on October 22, 1901, to imprisonment for 15 months in the United States penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

On the 9th, the New York state commission for the Louisiana Purchase exposition at St. Louis fixed upon October 4, 1904, as "New York state day" at the exposition.

Lord Rowton, the famous philanthropist and founder of the Rowton Houses of London, which provide respectable lodgings for the poor, died on the 9th.

Missouri State Cleanings.

She Wants to Apologize.

Mrs. Katherine Angolia, of St. Louis, considered herself highly complimented when two well-dressed men helped her from a street car. She afterward discovered that her pocket-book, containing \$300 and checks for small amounts, was gone from her pocket. She immediately suspected the gallant men who helped her to the car, and reported the affair to the police, who were of the same opinion as Mrs. Angolia, and a systematic search was at once commenced for the strangers. Next morning Mrs. Angolia was visited by a lady, who brought the missing pocket-book with her, saying she had found it in the street. Now Mrs. Angolia wishes to apologize to the men she suspected, whose descriptions, together with a complete account of the "big touch," were published in all the daily papers.

Death Under the Wheels.

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Virginia's Mineral Exhibit. Virginia proposes to erect a building at the World's fair to show its mine and mineral resources. The building, as proposed, is to occupy a place in "the gulch," the outdoor mining exhibit space. It is to cover an area 150 feet square. The foundations are to be of iron, the superstructure of coke and the roof of slate, all from Virginia. The rocks are to be fastened to timber strutting, which will carry the weight, the ends being merely ornamental. Inside the building are to be shown the different varieties of marble which the state produces, as well as some of its other mineral products. The cost of the building is to be borne by the mineral interests of the state. It is intended to remove the building after it has served in St. Louis to a place on the grounds of the Jamestown exposition, which celebrates in 1907 the tri-centennial of the landing at Jamestown.

Youthful Couple Thrice Married.

Although but 29 years old, Mrs. Maggie B. Kneeling has been twice divorced and three times married, and yet she has had but one husband, F. W. Kneeling, who is only 23 years of age himself. The young couple came to St. Louis from Fort Worth, Tex., the other day, and, after obtaining a license, were married by Justice Robert J. Carroll. With them they had their 4-year-old daughter. When Justice Carroll asked the young woman how she had come to change her mind so many times, she declared that she had married her husband each time in order to get rid of him. Neither Mr. or Mrs. Kneeling would tell anything of their previous history, nor of their plans for the future.

Premiums Offered for the Best.

The St. Louis County World's Fair association has covered the county with big posters offering \$400 in premiums to exhibitors of the best specimens of agricultural and horticultural products displayed at a grand farmer's institute, to be held at Saengerbund hall, in Clayton, on Friday, November 20. Corn, wheat, rye, oats, barley, peas, potatoes, sweet potatoes, apples, pears, pumpkins, seeds, pecans, hickory nuts and walnuts are included in the premium lists. From these displays an agricultural exhibit for the county is to be selected and turned over to the Missouri World's fair commission for preservation.

Valuable Contributions.

The Missouri Historical society has made some valuable contributions to the Missouri state building at the World's fair. Among these are the original letter of credit from Thomas Jefferson to Meriwether Lewis, portraits of all the governors of the state, and specimens of ancient firearms used in the early days of the republic. Another document to be exhibited is a contract to build a church by St. Louis, undertaken by Pierre L'Esperance, for "1,200 livres in deer skins."

Alleged Kidnaper Arrested.

Thomas Costello, alias Murphy, of Omaha, was arrested in South St. Joseph by three policemen, after a desperate struggle, during which he was severely punished. A woman informed the police that he was an associate of Pat Crowe, and was one of the kidnapers of the son of Millionaire Cuddehoy, of Omaha. Costello made what he said was a