Tonight cloudy and cool; tomorrow fair; light northerly winds.

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INSURANCE AGENTS UNABLE TO OBTAIN LICENSES PAID FOR

Checks Sent to Superintendent Drake Over a Year Ago Not Cashed, and No Certificates Issued.

HAVE NO WARRANT TO WRITE POLICIES

Commissioner Macfarland Explains That Superintendent's Clerical Force Is Unequal to Its Task.

In the course of the general investigation under way in all departments of the District government, a deplorable condition of affairs has been unearthed in the office of the Superintendent of Insurance, Thomas E. Drake.

Checks submitted nearly a year ago by local insurance companies for licenses covering a portion of 1902 and all of the year ending April 30, 1903, have not been cashed, nor have any licenses been issued to a great number of companies.

In other words, nearly all of the insurance companies in Washington have been transacting their business eighteen months without a license, although Congress expressly stipulated that these licenses should become effective January 1, 1902.

The explanation offered by the Commissioners and Mr. Drake is that there have been no funds to conduct the office of the Superintendent of Insurance as it should be conducted. Both Mr. Drake and Commissioner Macfarland say they have done all in their power to influence the favorable action of Congress without avail.

Why the Companies Object.

The insurance companies complain that they cannot close their books on account of the outstanding checks. And, although Congress placed the local companies under license eighteen months ago, they have not received their licenses, and have nothing to show for the money expended, except the stub of the check. These checks, in most instances are for $66.66, $16.66 being for a one-third year, from January to April inclusive, 1902, and $50 for the license running from May 1, 1902, until April 30, 1903.

A careful canvass among the insurance companies this morning shows that the following prominent firms are doing business practically unlicensed: Thomas J. Fisher & Co., the B. H. Warner Company, Wolf & Cohen, John M. Green, Wescott & Story, the Riggs Fire Insurance Company, the Columbia Fire Insurance Company, and the Corcoran Fire Insurance Company. No company interviewed possessed a license, nor had its checks been cashed or returned.

Mr. Drake's Statement.

"My office is being criticised unjustly," said Mr. Drake this morning. "If some of these companies that are worried about their checks not having been cashed would send a representative to my office to ascertain the true condition of affairs their complaints would stop. The whole truth of the matter is that Congress has created an office without providing that office with the means to carry out its functions and duties.

"When I took charge here eighteen months ago the office force consisted of myself and one clerk. Now, after a year and a half of persuasion, I have secured two more clerks, one of whom has been loaned me by Commissioner Macfarland. The force should number a dozen competent clerks if the business of the department is to be transacted as it should be.

"It is true that these checks have not been cashed or returned, but the reason is manifest. These companies filed with their checks and applications for licenses voluminous documents, detailing their financial standing and their resources and setting forth the many reasons why they should be allowed licenses. Before these licenses can be granted it is necessary to examine and pass upon all these papers. Until the applicant is proven eligible we cannot accept the check in payment of the license. We have been working on these many papers incessantly and are about

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DR. STACK IN CHARGE AT GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL

Temporarily Appointed to Succeed Dr. Richardson.

MANY RADICAL DEPARTURES

Interior Department Finds Work Too Much for One Person—Accounts to Be Audited at Treasury.

By direction of the Secretary of the Interior, Dr. M. J. Stack, first assistant at the Government Hospital for the Insane, has been designated to act as superintendent until a permanent superintendent may be selected, which event may not occur until the early fall.

The Secretary has also directed that George W. Evans, the chief disbursing officer of the Department of the Interior, assume direction of all financial matters appertaining to the Government Hospital for th Insane, and until otherwise ordered make all disbursements of the appropriations provided by Congress for the institution.

To Examine Accounts.

The Secretary has also appointed a committee of expert accountants, composed of Waring E. Evans, of the finance division of the Interior Department, and Robert R. West, chief law clerk of the office of the Auditor of the Treasury for the Interior Department, to examine the office and accounts of the late superintendent, Dr. Richardson, and to close and adjust the same. The committee is now actively engaged in the performance of that duty, and will probably report to the Secretary in about ten days.

It is further stated that it is the intention of the Secretary to recommend to Congress at its next session the desirability of a separation of the administrative and financial affairs of the hospital, leaving to the superintendent the administrative care of the hospital and transferring all disbursements and other financial matters to the chief disbursing officer of the Department of the Interior, to be disbursed by him under the immediate and personal supervision of the Secretary. It has been found that the entire burden has been more than one person can bear and the proposed change will be a great benefit to the hospital, and will greatly improve the entire working system of the same.

His Work Too Heavy.

Friends of the late Superintendent Richardson are unanimous in declaring that his death was hastened by the attempt to administer both the executive and financial affairs of the hospital. His increasing nervousness and weakness was noted by his friends many weeks before his death, and he was urged time and again to take a rest, but he was enthusiastic over the administration of the institution, and when supposed to be resting, his mind was actively engaged in considering plans for its improvement.

The disbursement of the finances connected with the erection of the thirteen new buildings was taken off his hands by Mr. Evans, but Dr. Richardson continued his personal supervision of the operations. The new buildings, and the added comfort they would give the patients, were a hobby with the superintendent.

SEVENTY-FIVE DEAD AT OAK FORD PARK

Twenty Bodies Have Been Recovered Thus Far.

FLOOD AT TURTLE CREEK

Citizens Remain Awake All Night, Fearing Homes Will Be in Danger.

JEANNETTE, Pa., July 6.—It is estimated this morning that the number of lives lost as a result of yesterday's disastrous cloudburst and flood at Oak Ford Park will reach seventy-five.

Twenty bodies have been removed so far, but most of them are unidentified and are those of foreigners. The known dead now are:

GERTRUDE KEEFER, of Jeannette, aged 24.
KATE KEEFER, of Jeanette.
Mrs. LEVI BAKER, of Jeannette.
Mrs. PHILOMENA NIGA, of Jeannette.
ALEX. VICTOR.
GEORGE WILLIAMS, aged 36.
JOHN McCUSKEY, aged 48, of West Jeannette.
JOHN FLEMING, Greensburg.
EDWARD SMITH, a negro, aged 10.

Bodies Buried in Mud.

Headquarters for the direction of rescue work have been established in the basement of the Methodist Church. Many of the bodies will probably be found a long distance from the park, and most of them will probably be recovered today, but there are doubtless a number which have been buried in mud and will not be found for some time.

Oak Ford is destroyed, with the exception of the dancing pavilion. It is estimated that the damage will aggregate $100,000 to the park owners. The Pennsylvania Railroad, it is estimated, will lose $50,000 from flood damage.

Communication Cut Off.

The greatest excitement and confusion prevails here, and the difficulty of sending or getting information is all the greater, owing to both telephone and telegraph lines being down.

There is only one telephone wire from Jeannette to Pittsburg, and it is in bad condition.

Turtle Creek Overflows.

WILMERDING, Pa., July 6.—About 1 o'clock this morning the full force of the flood reached Wilmerding and Turtle Creek. Turtle Creek banks were soon filled to overflowing. Many of the people of the town remained awake throughout the night, fearing that their houses would be in peril.

About midnight the creek began to rise rapidly and the police ran from house to house alarming those living in the flooded section. Penn Avenue and First Street, in Turtle Creek, were soon thronged with men and women and children who had forsaken their homes. The women and children were provided for by neighbors.

Pennsylvania Tracks Covered.

Through Wilmerding proper, the Pennsylvania tracks were covered with more than a foot of water, while the Westinghouse Air Brake Works were flooded. The plant employs about 2,000 men, who will be thrown out of work for several days. Penn Avenue, in Turtle Creek, had a foot of water in the street, while cellars were flooded. The houses and stores along First Street were also flooded.

Shortly after 3 o'clock the waters began to fall as rapidly as they had risen. At 9 o'clock this morning the creek had resumed its normal condition and the water had left all of the streets covered with mud and debris. No bodies were found in the debris.

POPE LEO STILL LIVES, BUT FINAL COLLAPSE EXPECTED AT SUNSET

Roman Pontiff Lifted From His Bed Last Night in Order That He Might Breathe More Freely---The Effect Was Marked and He Was Able to Partake of Nourishment---Doctors Lapponi and Mazzoni Hold Another Consultation.

CARDINAL OREGLIA SLEEPS IN VATICAN, NEAR AGED SUFFERER

Penitentiary of Conventuals, Which Prays at Bedside of Dying Pontiffs, Has Not Yet Been Summoned.

Messages From Throughout the World Pour Into the Vatican, Expressing Sorrow and Hope of the Faithful.

Present Illness of the Pope Attributed to His Failure to Heed the Advice of His Physicians.

ROME, July 6.—Pope Leo was still alive this morning, and though his holiness showed another glimpse of that remarkable vitality which has astonished people for years, there is no hope. The final collapse cannot be delayed much after sunset.

Prof. Mazzoni and Dr. Lapponi were in attendance on the Pope, or at close call, all night. For hours the progress of the disease made it difficult for his holiness to breathe. To relieve this the doctors had the Pope lifted from his bed and propped in an armchair. The effect was marked. His breathing became more regular, and twice he was able to partake of nourishment, something he had not done for hours before. Soup was given him, and it was then that his holiness showed a flash of renewed vitality.

Passed Sleepless Night.

Drs. Lapponi and Mazzoni held a consultation this morning and indicated the slight improvement in the Pontiff's condition in the following bulletin:

"Although his holiness passed an almost sleepless night, he is not so uneasy as he was yesterday. The patient has been benefited by injections of digitalis and camphor. His chest is normal. There is a slight cough and some catarrhal emission. Suffici[illegible] has been taken. The p[illegible] The general condition [illegible] remains grave, but it [illegible] worse."

Dr. Lapponi a little [illegible] ness of his holiness [illegible] usual course. He was breathing [illegible] but his weakness was more marked. Dr. Lapponi's words carried no hope for the distinguished patient.

Penitentiary Not Summoned.

At an early hour this morning it was noted that the penitentiary of the Order of the Conventuals had not been summoned to the Pope's apartments. This body has the privilege of praying at the bedside of a dying Pontiff, and is with him to the last. The fact that it has not yet been summoned leads to the belief that the Pope will at least survive the day.

Cardinal Oreglia, dean of the sacred college, and who, when the Pope's illness apparently became hopeless, assumed the position of acting Pope, is occupying rooms on the third floor of the Vatican, immediately above the Pope's apartment.

Messages Pour In.

Messages are pouring in from all over the world, inquiring after the Pope's condition, and expressing the hope that he will recover. An early visitor at the Vatican, on the same mission, was the French ambassador to Italy. He was

IMPORTANT STAGES IN PONTIFF'S LIFE

Born at Carpineto	March 2, 1810
Entered college at Rome	1824
Matriculated at Gregorian University	1830
Entered College of Noble Ecclesiastics	1832
Appointed Domestic Prelate by Gregory XVI	1837
Referendiary to Court of Segnatura	March 16, 1837
Order of priesthood conferred	December 31, 1837
Apostolic delegate at Benevento	1837-1841
Governor of Spoleto	1841-1843
Papal Nuncio at Brussels	1843-1845
Made Archbishop of Perugia	1846
Created Cardinal	December 19, 1853
Made Cardinal Camerlengo	July, 1877
Elected Pope	February 20, 1878
Revived Roman Catholic Hierarchy in Scotland	March 4, 1878
Encyclical condemning communism, socialism and nihilism	December 28, 1878
Encyclical against heresy, socialism	November 5, 1882
Recognized unity of Italy	October 7, 1883
Encyclical condemning liberalism	November 6, 1885
Celebrated golden jubilee	1887
Celebrated grand jubilee	1888
Encyclical on socialism and labor	May 16, 1891
Celebrated Episcopal jubilee	February, 1893
Issued appeal to England for reunion of Christendom	April 14, 1894
Celebrated sixtieth anniversary of his first mass	February 13, 1898
Declared 1900 a year of universal jubilee	May 11, 1899
Held consistory and created eleven new Cardinals	June 19, 1899
Celebrated ninetieth birthday	March 2, 1900

CHURCH HAS LIVED ONE HUNDRED YEARS

New York Avenue Presbyterian Church Centennial.

BE OBSERVED IN NOVEMBER

Was Founded in May, But Celebration Postponed on Account of Absence of Many Members.

New York Avenue Presbyterian Church will celebrate its centennial anniversary next November. At a recent meeting of the session of the church, it was decided to set aside a week in November for this celebration, though which week, has not yet been decided. The old church was founded in May, 1803, but on account of the warm weather and because a large number of persons had already gone from Washington for the summer, the memorial services were postponed till the fall.

Program of the Event.

A committee consisting of the Rev. Dr. Radcliffe, pastor of the church, chairman, and members of all the different church governing boards, has been selected to make the arrangements for the centennial celebration. The services will include historical sketches of the church and its position in Washington. Many distinguished men have been asked to deliver addresses.

The New York Avenue Church is notable not only because its life practically covers the entire history of Washington, but because of the many prominent men who have attended the church as regular members. John Quincy Adams, Andrew Johnson, Franklin Pierce and Abraham Lincoln all attended this church during their administrations. There has also been a great number of Vice Presidents and other public men in the congregation.

The church, when first founded, occupied a site on F Street and was known as the F Street Presbyterian Church. Another Presbyterian Church was formed and built an edifice on the present site of the New York Avenue Church.

MOODY DENIES WORDS PUT INTO HIS MOUTH

No Truth in Alleged Lynching Talk With President.

WAS ENTIRELY MISQUOTED

Conversation Attributed to President and Himself Never Took Place. Whole Story Preposterous.

Secretary Moody is indignant over the publication this morning of an alleged interview in which he was made to say that the President, under certain circumstances, would condone lynching.

Secretary Moody was quoted as saying "When recently I traveled with the President, and the car was surrounded by a large but friendly crowd I remarked to the President the possibilities of personal danger. He replied that if an attempt was mode upon the President he would condone the lynching of the guilty party."

The interview then went on to say that Secretary Moody had suggested to the President the possibility of thus punishing the wrong person, and that when the matter was presented to him in this light, the President agreed that there were dangers which deprived all lynchings of justification.

Secretary Moody declared this morning no such incident as described ever took place between himself and the President; that the President never made any such remark to him, and further, he never uttered the remarks attributed to him in the interview.

"You may say," said Secretary Moody, "that I was entirely misquoted. No such incident ever occurred in connection with the President, and I certainly never made the preposterous statement ascribed to me."

STREET CAR TRAFFIC MORE THAN DOUBLED

Increase in Passengers and Single-Track Mileage.

CENSUS BUREAU REPORT

Remarkable Growth of the Business in the Decade From 1890 to 1900.

Every man, woman, and child in the United States took, on an average, sixty-three rides on street cars last year, according to the report of the Census Bureau on Street and electric Railways of the country, published today. That was thirty-one rides more than they indulged in in 1890, the increase being largely due to the sustitution of electric for animal power and possibly the increased prosperity of the people.

Altogether the 987 companies, owning 22,576 miles of track, carried 4,809,554,438 fare-paying passengers, not counting those who rode on trasfers, or those whose nickels were "knocked down" by the conductors. Adding the transfer passengers, the roads carried a total of 5,871,957,830 people. Two hundred and sixty-five passengers were killed and 26,690 injured, and of the employes 122 were killed and 3,699 hurt.

The par value of the capital stock and funded debt outstanding, as reported, amounted to $2,308,282,099. The average net capital liabilities per mile of single track owned for the companies representing both factors, were $93,287. The total income and expenses of the operating companies amounted to $250,504,627 and $214,907,250.

The companies gave employment on the average during the year to 133,641 wage-earners and paid $80,770,449 in wages. There were 7,128 salaried officials and clerks employed, to whom $7,439,716 was paid in salaries.

The single track mileage increased from 8,123 miles in 1890 to 22,576 miles in 1902, or 177.94 per cent, and the number of fare passengers increased 137.74 per cent.

HOLD-UP IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, July 6.—At 1 o'clock this morning G. E. Welch, an elevator conductor, was attacked by three masked hold-up men, who beat him into insensibility in the shadow of the elevated structure at Lake and Peoria Streets and robbed him of $75 and a gold watch. Detectives found three suspicious characters not far from the hold-up and arrested them.

DEWEY RESIGNS POST; MILES TO SUCCEED HIM

Change in Presidency of Jefferson Association.

ADMIRAL SENDS LETTER

Members of Board Certain Army Leader Will Accept the Position.

Admiral Dewey, president of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association of the United States, has sent his resignation to the board of governors, because of his inability to give to the great national project as much time as he thinks the head of the association should give in order to insure its success. The Admiral sent the following letter:

"I regret to state that I find myself unable, owing to the pressure of official and other duties, to devote to the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association the time and personal attention which I think the president of such an organization should give to it. I therefore, beg leave to tender my resignation as president, and ask that it be accepted as soon as possible."

By a mail vote of the board of governors of the association, representing the thirteen original States, Admiral Dewey's resignation was accepted, with regret. Notification of this action was sent to the admiral today.

To succeed Admiral Dewey the board has selected, without opposition, Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles and notification of this action has been sent to the new president today. General Miles is absent from the city, but members of the board feel assured that he will accept the position. The headquarters of the association have been moved to room 9, Kellogg Building, on F Street near Fourteenth.

FORT MYER BATTERY ON PRACTICE MARCH

Captain Foote, commanding the Fourth Battery of Field Artillery, stationed at Fort Myer, left that post this morning, with about eighty men and eight pieces of artillery. The battery is to remain away from the fort for more than a month, on a practice march

Its destination is Mount Gretna, Pa. It will take several days to get there. After the battery is encamped it will be joined by the Pennsylvania National Guard.

It is believed Captain Foote and his cohorts will return about August 23.

POLICE UNABLE TO COPE WITH INDIANA RIOTERS

Negroes' Houses Bombarded by Mob at Evansville.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., July 6.—The race riot that raged here all night seems to be growing worse. The police are utterly unable to cope with the mob, as it now numbers several hundred as against sixty patrolmen.

Just after dawn the mob bombarded the houses of negroes in Baptist Town. The police say that many people were injured in a battle that followed, and that there are probably some deaths. The mob had started for the magazine just outside the city. There was an unconfirmed report that several houses had been blown up.

Up to this time the militia has not rallied, but efforts to get it together are in progress.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 6.—Governor Durbin is hurrying from Anderson to this city.

EXCEEDS THE LIMIT.

Theodore Michaels, charged with storing hay and straw in quantities greater than twenty tons, in a stable in G Street northwest, was fined $25 when tried in the Police Court today.

EARTHQUAKE SHIFTS BEACH.

TACOMA, Wash., July 6.—Skaguay advices state that a recent earthquake so shifted the beach at Dyea that the tides now run up into the town a mile farther than before. Many houses have floated away into Lynn Canal.

RECEIVES CREDENTIALS OF GERMAN AMBASSADOR

Baron Speck von Sternburg Officially Notified of Promotion.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, now at Terrance Hall, The Weirs, N. H., has been advised by his government of his appointment as ambassador of Emperor William to the United States.

His elevation to the ambassadorship was expected on July 1, upon which date the leave of his predecessor, Herr Holleben, expired.

Baron von Sternburg was accredited to this country as a special envoy during the absence of the German ambassador, and his promotion is received here with great gratification.

It is probable that he will not present his new credentials until his return to Washington next fall.

THOUSANDS OF REAPERS IN KANSAS WHEAT BELT

TOPEKA, Kan., July 6.—Twenty-five thousand men labored from early morning till late at night in the Kansas wheat belt yesterday. In twenty counties where the harvest is ready thousands of reapers were in action. Church services in many rural districts were wholly abandoned. The farmers do not think they are violating one of the commandments by utilizing Sunday in saving their wheat. Many women helped the men in driving the teams attached to the big reapers and headers and others in carrying water to the fields for the harvesters.

FROG SKIN GRAFTED ON PATIENTS' HAND

ANN ARBOR, Mich., July 6.—At the Homeopathic Hospital here, Dr. F. S. Westfall has succeeded in grafting twenty-five square inches of frog skin on the hand of Albert Witte. Witte's hand was injured in machinery and blood poisoning followed. Slices of white skin were taken from the legs and stomachs of frogs and placed on the hand. Rubber tissue and an outer dressing were put on and kept moist with a salt solution. After ninety-six hours it was found that the frog skin had become set and formed a red, healthy skin on the hand.

WEATHER REPORT.

Fair weather is indicated for tonight and tomorrow, except on the south Atlantic Coast tonight, and in the east Gulf States tomorrow where showers are probable.

The temperature will rise in the upper Ohio valley, and in the lower lake region, and somewhat warmer weather will prevail tomorrow in the middle Atlantic States.

TEMPERATURE.

9 a. m.	56
12 m. (noon)	82
1 p. m.	84

THE SUN.

Sun sets today	7:39 p. m.
Sun rises tomorrow	4:29 a. m.

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today.....6:21 a. m.
High tide tomorrow, 6:34 a. m., 6:21 p. m.
Low tide tomorrow, 12:29 a. m., 1.05 p. m.