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AROUND THE STATE.

Items of Interest Culled From the Louisiana Press.

St. Joseph's College, Near Covington, Destroyed by Fire—Cotton and Rice Crops Damaged by Cold and Rain.

An unidentified Italian was stabbed to death by a companion at Calumet station.

Mary La Nasa, aged three years, was run down and killed by a trolley car in New Orleans.

Thos. L. Bradley, a traveling man, was held up by negroes at New Orleans and robbed of $100.

Charles Gendusa, an Italian merchant, was shot and killed at Dorceyville by a fellow countryman.

Henry Boudreaux, a resident of St. James parish, was drowned near Morganza by falling from a barge.

One hundred cases of smallpox were reported at two lumber camps near Mansfield, but no deaths have resulted.

The steamer Chirripo arrived at New Orleans from Costa Rica with a record cargo of 61,000 bunches of bananas.

Joe Robertson, a negro, was drowned in lower Bayou Grand Caillou, near Houma, by the capsizing of a pirogue.

While boring a well on his farm near Coushatta, J. H. Pylant was painfully injured by the collapse of the derrick.

Newman Ragan, 15 years of age, accidentally shot and killed himself while out hunting near his home at Ponchatoula.

The St. Martinville Progressive League has launched a movement to construct a waterway to the Anse-la-Butte oil field.

W. B. Farrar, manager of the L. V. Fowler Commission Company of Shreveport, was arrested on a charge of embezzling $40,000.

It is believed that the recent heavy rains in the vicinity of Estherwood will result in the loss of twenty-five per cent of the rice crop.

It is estimated that the recent cold spell of weather caused a loss of between 5000 and 7000 bales of cotton in the Shreveport territory.

United States Civil Service Commissioner John A. McIlhenny and Miss Anita Stauffer were married in the St. Louis Cathedral at New Orleans.

St. Joseph's College, near Covington, was destroyed by fire and Brother Joseph Buck was cremated. The property loss will aggregate $75,000.

An unidentified person, supposed to be either Ed Curry or L. H. Beard, of Hattiesburg, Miss., was killed in an Iron Mountain freight wreck at Carlin.

Antoine Sessums, a Syrian, was caught between a coach and the depot platform while attempting to jump from a train at Ruston, and fatally injured.

While hunting near Hammond, A. T. Johnson, manager of the Pennamich Lumber Company, was accidentally shot by a friend and killed almost instantly.

Two young men were killed and two others seriously wounded as the result of a deadly affray which occurred at Hico, near the line of Claiborne and Union parishes.

First Police Lieutenant Henry Basch, the oldest member and longest in service on the force at Shreveport, refused an advance in salary from $90 to $100 a month, suggesting that the $10 be donated to charity.

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NEW ORLEANS LETTER.

Christmas Display in the Windows—Hackneyed Attractions at the Tulane—Fashions in Hair, Veils and Dress.

Staff Correspondence of The Chief.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 4, 1907.

The Christmas stir has begun in real earnest, and as that feast of gift-giving and good cheer approaches, the holiday shoppers begin to throng the streets and stores and business is kept humming at a merry rate. Holmes' Christmas window is really a delight to the eye, and grown-up and youngster alike are attracted by its inviting assortment of toys and gifts displayed amid an environment of cotton snow and tinsel ice. All the stores are beginning to blossom out gaily under the deft hands of the decorators, and every one presents a most engaging picture in holiday attire.

It is distinctly disappointing to local theatre-goers to know that the bill at the Tulane for Christmas week will be "The Prince of Pilsen." While this little opera easily ranks among the most charming and original of present-day musical comedies, it has been produced here for so many successive seasons since its first introduction to the public that it has decidedly begun to pall and has lost much of the charm and freshness which characterized it in the beginning. The Tulane management, however, never fails to put in an old and hackneyed play for Christmas week, knowing that no matter what the bill happens to be, the house would be filled. Thank goodness, the offering at the Shubert will be worth while, as Blanche Bates has been booked to appear in "The Girl of the Golden West."

"Where are the locks of yesteryear?" It is more than possible that nine out of every ten women would like to know just WHERE, indeed, as locks like our grandmothers used to have seemed to have passed with them into dim obscurity. Beautiful suits of hair apparently obtain today in fiction alone, and as Fashion decrees that the head must be most elaborately coiffured, false hair merchants are reaping a harvest. I know one girl whose hair is always done exquisitely, crowning her head in a wealth of puffs and coils that are beautiful to behold and to the inexperienced eye might indicate the possession of an abundance of natural tresses; yet the maiden in question frankly confesses to the employment of two braids, two "rats" and nine false puffs in the construction of her wonderful coiffure. Dismantled and unbound, her hair reaches only a bit below her shoulders and is really distressingly thin. Some of the new ways of dressing the hair are lovely, and not only require a lot of false "fronts" and such, but plenty of patience and a decided knack as well. The row of puffs worn at the back of the head just below the surmounting coil look graceful and pretty under the wide, curved brims of the new hats, and indeed, are almost a necessary adjunct as a space filler since maline, which formerly served this purpose, has been abandoned. For evening wear the puffs are arranged in a semicircle effect across the front pompadour, while the hair back and front and to the sides is elaborately waved and rolled.

The difficulty of having the net face veil fit closely over the face with the present-day hat of huge proportions has been overcome by the use of the long bar veil pin. The veil is arranged around the rim of the hat in the usual way, then the two sides are drawn snugly together at the back of the head and secured with the veil pin. The newest veil is two yards wide and perfectly square. It envelops the entire hat, the four ends being fastened with a pin at the back.

Dame Fashion has set the seal of approval upon messaline and liberty gauze as materials for evening gowns. One-piece dresses made up in the paler shades and trimmed with the new all-overs and insertions picked out in gold thread or a color to harmonize with the gown, are extremely chic and effective. No dressy dress is complete without "frogs," tassels or ornaments of like description. Evening wraps are exceptionally handsome this season, and range all the way from simple circular capes to elaborate and much-braided broadcloth coats.

The active social season is upon us and invitations for a few of the earlier carnival balls have already been issued. E. B.

Difficult.

A teacher in a certain eastern school asked her class to draw a picture of that which they wished to be when they grew up. The pupils went diligently to work with paper and pencil, some drawing pictures of soldiers, policemen and fine ladies, etc. They all worked hard, but one little girl, who sat quietly holding her pad and pencil in hand.

The teacher, observing her, asked: "Don't you know what you want to be when you grow up, Anna?"

"Yes, I know," replied the little girl. "I know I want to be married, but I don't know how to draw it."—Harper's Weekly.

Why don't you get busy and pay that poll tax?

THE WORLD'S NEWS.

Flashes of the Telegraph Wires From Near and Far.

Notorious Venezuelan Bandit Ambushed and Slain—Woman Doctor's Terrible Record—Japanese Ambassador to the United States Recalled.

Several villages were pillaged and burned by Kurds in Turkish Armenia.

Over two hundred lives were lost during the recent storms on the Black Sea.

Two persons were killed and six injured in an elevator accident at Chicago.

Fire at Natchez, Miss., caused a $42,000 loss in the heart of the business section.

Five persons were killed in a collision between a train and a trolley car at Waterbury, Conn.

Gen. Rafael Montilla, a notorious bandit and insurgent of Venezuela, was ambushed and slain.

Fire at Houston, Texas, destroyed property in the business portion of the city valued at $500,000.

One man was killed and four painfully injured in an automobile accident near Escanaba, Mich.

A German launch collided with a Chinese boat at Amoy, China, and several people were drowned.

Horace S. Davis, a business man, was shot and killed by a burglar in his home at Kalamazoo, Mich.

Edouard Berlin, a Frenchman, claims to have invented a system for sending photographs by telegraph.

Charles L. Ferguson, Jr., was drowned in a bath-tub while taking a bath at his home at Ossining, N. Y.

In the past two months forty-nine children have been stolen from their homes by kidnappers at Mexico City, Mex.

Herbert Cochran and Will Sowell were drowned near Pensacola, Fla., by the capsizing of a schooner in a squall.

The United States government has requested the Japanese government to check Japanese immigration to this country.

Mrs. Joseph Spiro, of Birmingham, Ala., died at her home after swallowing alum, which she had mistaken for salts.

Three people were killed and a number badly hurt in a Baltimore and Ohio passenger wreck at Shenandosh Junction, Md.

One man was killed and a number of other persons injured by the explosion of a gas plant in a residence at Adrian, Mich.

A freight wreck occurred on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, at Philadelphia, Pa., and three trainmen were killed.

Earl Ira McDonald, heir to an estate worth $150,000,000, was killed in an automobile accident at a point near New York, N. Y.

John Whitley shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide by leaping from the ninth floor of a hotel at New York, N. Y.

A. S. Haines was appointed district passenger agent of the Illinois Central Railroad at Marshville, Tenn., to succeed F. R. Wheeler.

James Kenzburry, an aged American who has been in prison at Guadalajara, Mexico, for the past twenty years, was liberated.

Miss Agnes Templeton, a missionary to the Indians at Valverde, N. M., was murdered and a Mexican is charged with the deed.

The steamship companies have agreed to raise the steerage passenger rates in an effort to check the eastward flow of emigration.

George Bea, a bridegroom of a few hours, was set upon and beaten to death near his home at Brownsville, Pa., by rejected suitors.

H. J. Groves, managing editor of the Kansas City Post, succumbed to wounds inflicted by General Richard Howe, a member of the staff.

Neil Sanders a negro, who criminally assaulted a farmer's wife, was shot to death by a mob near Opp, Ala., and the body dragged through the streets.

Three persons were killed and twelve seriously injured in a passenger wreck on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad thirty-two miles north of Mobile, Ala.

Eleven miners in the Fremont gold mine in California were shut off from the surface by a severe fire which raged at the 1100-foot level, and all hope of rescuing them alive has been abandoned.

"Dr." Lucy Hagenow, an object of attack by the medical societies in Chicago, Ill., for thirty-seven years, during which time she had caused the death of a thousand women, was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment for murder.

Moved by a mother's tears and pleadings, Ambassador Creel, of Mexico, wired from Washington, D. C., to Jose Marie Sanchez, governor of the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, recommending that the sentence of Dr. Charles S. Harle, William Mitchell and Leslie Hulbert, Americans condemned to be shot there, be commuted to twenty years' imprisonment.