

NEWS OF WEEK SUMMARIZED

Important Events at Home and on Foreign Shores Briefly Told.

PERSONAL.

C. P. Taft has given \$10,000 for a park shelter house at Cincinnati, to be named after the president.

Former Judge W. W. Howe of the Louisiana supreme court died at New Orleans, aged seventy-five years.

Capt. Henry C. Kelly, one of the experts who made transportation by pneumatic tube a success, is dead in Chicago.

Paul Stanley, comedian and composer of the song, "Ta-Ra-Ra Boom-De-Ay," is dead at Denver after a lingering illness.

Henry Clay Cullom, brother of Senator Cullom, died at Peoria, Ill., aged seventy years. His death was the result of a paralytic stroke.

Lewis McClough, formerly president of the state agricultural college of South Dakota, died at New Britain, Conn., aged seventy-three years.

Lieut. Herman E. Mitchell, son of former Senator Mitchell of Oregon, has resigned his commission in the army. The action is voluntary. Lieut. Mitchell desiring to live abroad.

Mrs. Benjamin S. Edwards, eighty-nine years old, daughter-in-law of Ninian Edwards, one of the early governors of Illinois, died at Springfield, Ill. Mrs. Edwards was sole survivor of the adult witnesses of the wedding of Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd.

CASUALTIES.

Two men were killed and a third was seriously injured by a boiler explosion at Gardiner, Me.

Clifford La Rue, a young man living near Spencer, Iowa, while hunting, was instantly killed by the discharge of the gun, the top of his head being blown off.

M. A. Harlan of Alden, brakeman on the Illinois Central, was killed at Reinacker Siding, Iowa. The accident is the fourth to occur there during the past month.

A hot flat iron which Joseph D. Druse, a farmer of Design, Ill., took to bed with him two months ago burned one of his feet so badly that he died from blood poisoning.

Seven passengers were injured, some severely and two perhaps fatally, when a passenger train ran into an open switch and crashed headlong against a switch engine on a side-track in the yards at Sanderson, Tex.

While crossing the North-Western railway tracks about a quarter of a mile from Daggett station, Mich., where his mother was waiting for the train, George Eck, nineteen years old, was struck and killed by a passenger train. His head was crushed and his body terribly mangled.

FROM OTHER SHORES.

A dispatch from Murca de Paneyos, a little town about fifty miles from Braganca, Portugal, says that during the celebration of a festival there the people sacked and burned the tax collector's building.

Dr. A. D. Foster, surgeon in charge of the American marines at Amoy, China, reports sporadic cases of the bubonic plague in Amoy. He recommends the detention and disinfection of passengers for the Philippines before they embark.

King Edward witnessed two flights by Wilbur Wright at Pau, France, and showed an equal amount of enthusiasm with the other spectators in the remarkable accomplishments of the American aviator. The king complimented Mr. Wright on his successful demonstration.

The reports publishing in the United States that serious complications threaten Salvador or any other Central American state are without foundation. There has been no declaration of war, the international situation does not cause alarm, and Nicaragua internally is at peace.

OTHERWISE

The California assembly passed a bill making it a misdemeanor for one man to treat another in a saloon.

Norval Bappte, world's champion professional ice skater, again was defeated by Morris Wood of New York at Cleveland in the final contest of the indoor meet.

The constitutionality of the New York public service commission law was sustained by a unanimous decision of the appellate division of the supreme court.

BOY IDENTIFIES HIS KIDNAPPERS

Man and Woman Arrested at Cleveland Are Confronted by Willie Whittle.

ACCOMPLICE TAKES POISON

Suicide Believed by Police to Have Been Implicated in Plot—Grand Jury Takes Case.

Cleveland, March 26.—Willie Whittle yesterday identified the man and woman held on suspicion by the Cleveland police as the persons who kidnaped him from the school at Sharon, Pa., last Thursday and held him for the \$10,000 ransom, which was paid by his father, Attorney James P. Whittle, Monday.

Willie said the man, who gave the name of James H. Boyle, was the one who took him from school and carried him through a tortuous route to Cleveland, then to Ashtabula, back to this city, and placed him in the house in the East end, where he was held until the money was paid.

Woman Acted Part of Nurse. Willie also declared that the woman was the one who cared for him at the house where he was detained and who acted the part of a nurse.

Boyle said the woman is his wife. The police have no other identification of the couple than the names given. So far as the man is concerned, the police believe the name is correct. Boyle is said to reside in Sharon and is a plumber by trade.

The woman, who is accredited with being the wife of Boyle, declared soon after her arrest that her identification would cause a sensation in Sharon. When the identification was completed Mr. Whittle would say nothing regarding the woman. He said he knew Boyle slightly.

Go Before Grand Jury. Immediately after Willie Whittle had seen the men and women at the central police station they were taken to the county court house and there appeared before the grand jury. They were examined for the purpose of aiding the jury in its attempt to find an indictment against the two prisoners.

Immediately after leaving the grand jury room Mr. and Mrs. Whittle, Willie and the janitor of the Sharon school, which Willie attended, left for Sharon.

Accomplice Kills Self.

A woman known as Mary Diener, who the police say may have been an associate of the kidnapers, or was implicated in the plot, committed suicide yesterday by drinking morphine. The woman drank the poison while standing in front of a drug store in the East end, not far from the house in which Willie Whittle was detained. She died in an ambulance while being taken to a hospital.

"That Woman Again?" Mrs. Maud Forker, who is the wife of Harry Forker, brother of Mrs. Whittle, was seen at her home in Norfolk, Ohio, yesterday. When she was given a description of the woman under arrest here, she exclaimed, "That woman again!"

She then broke down and wept bitterly. Mrs. Forker would say nothing more nor explain her remark.

The police were able yesterday for the first time positively to locate the house in which the Whittle boy was held in Cleveland. It is the Granger, a down-town apartment house of the better order.

CONGRESS.

Democratic Leader Discusses New Tariff Bill.

Washington, March 25.—Declaring, among other things, a mistake was made in the Payne tariff bill in not arranging the revision on the basis of raising revenue only on every item, Mr. Clark of Missouri, the minority leader, yesterday held the attention of the house for more than five hours in discussing the measure. Incidentally he pointed out that much time would have been saved in the consideration of the bill had the Democratic member of the committee been consulted about the various provisions of the proposed law.

ALBERTI BREAKS DOWN.

Former Danish Minister of Justice Taken to Hospital.

Copenhagen, March 26.—The health of M. Alberti, the former minister of justice, who surrendered to the Danish authorities last September and confessed to a series of frauds by which he realized \$2,300,000, has broken down and he has been removed from the prison where he was awaiting trial to a hospital. Owing to the fact that Alberti may commit suicide, he is being carefully guarded day and night.

WAS STRONGER THAN INTENDED

Witness in Wisconsin Primary Inquiry Admits He Wrote Sensational Letter.

Madison, Wis., March 26.—Lester Tilton of Neillsville, who was charged by Senator John Blaine with having received \$500 or more of the Stephenson campaign fund, furnished the sensational part of the testimony at the senatorial primary inquisition yesterday, when he denied that such an amount was offered by Stephen's agents as his campaign expenses if he would run for the assembly and promise to vote for Stephenson for United States senator.

However, Tilton admitted the authorship of a letter to John A. Aylward, Democratic candidate for governor, in which he told Aylward he had been offered financial support from "Stephenson and the liquor interests."

After the letter was read Tilton said it was a little "stronger" than he meant to have it understood, saying he merely had been offered money by M. C. Ring if he would "get out and hustle for Stephenson." No mention, he said, was made of his running for the assembly as a contingency.

John A. Aylward stated that in a conversation with Tilton the latter told him that Stephenson men had offered him first \$500, then \$1,000 and finally \$1,500 if he would run for the assembly and make the promise to support Stephenson for senator, and that he (Tilton) had refused.

HILL PRAISES FARM SCHOOL.

Tells State Agricultural Graduates to Be Proud of Their Vocation.

St. Paul, March 26.—James J. Hill was the guest of honor yesterday at the graduation exercises of the state school of agriculture. His address to the students just about to enter upon the real battles of life was prepared and delivered with the same care and exactitude with which Mr. Hill has always been wont to treat the subject of agricultural betterment and progress.

After reviewing the history of agricultural education in this and other countries during the past two decades, Mr. Hill dwelt on the splendid work done by the state institution.

He told the graduates to be proud of their vocation.

At the close of Mr. Hill's address President Cyrus Northrop presented diplomas to 108 graduates, 75 boys and 33 girls, the largest graduating class in the history of the school.

VAN DAMME IS FOUND GUILTY.

Hennepin County Jury Makes Quick Decision in "Suitcase Baby" Trial.

Minneapolis, March 26.—"Guilty" was the verdict returned against Dr. W. C. Van Damme yesterday afternoon by the jury charged with probing the alleged criminality of the acts which led to his being arrested in a Minneapolis saloon with a live newly born baby in his suitcase. It took the jury just one hour to decide that Dr. Van Damme, who was released from the state penitentiary last summer, after serving four years for a similar offense, had been guilty of criminal practice in his treatment of Mary Lee and of her baby.

SPARK FELL ON POWDER.

Cambria Miner at Negaunee Killed in an Explosion.

Negaunee, Mich., March 26.—A spark dropping from his candle is believed to have been responsible for the instantaneous death of Philip Abbott in the Republic Iron and Steel company's Cambria mine here. Abbott was tamping drill holes he had charged with powder and was standing directly over one of them when an explosion occurred. His body was frightfully mangled. His son was working with him at the time. He was fifty years old and was a former city alderman.

COUNTY TREASURER IS GONE.

Second Alleged Shortage Since His Incumbency.

St. Paul, March 26.—Peter W. Ehr, resigned treasurer of Carlton county, is missing and a shortage of \$3,852.95 in the county's treasury was reported to Gov. Johnson yesterday by Public Examiner Anton Schafer.

Last July it is said a discrepancy of \$3,000 was found in Ehr's accounts, but this was made good, it is claimed, by his bondsmen, and he was re-elected to the office.

IMMIGRANTS MOVE WEST.

2,000 Pass Through St. Paul During the Past Week.

St. Paul, March 26.—About ten special full-car consignments of immigrants, mostly from Northern European countries, have passed through St. Paul the past seven days. Others have passed through on regular coaches. Immigration officials at the union depot believe that more than 2,000 Northern Europeans have gone West, through St. Paul, during the past week.

MRS. LORILLARD TAKES HER LIFE

Tragic Death Shocks Social Circles at Capital as Nothing Else in Years.

SUICIDE DENIED BY FAMILY

Husband Declares It Was an Accident, but Coroner Issues Certificate of Suicide.

Washington, March 27.—Weary of the gay whirl of society and face to face, as she believed, with years of physical suffering, Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, Jr., aged forty-nine, wife of the tobacco magnate, committed suicide by asphyxiation at her home near the fashionable Du Pont circle in this city yesterday. Her tragic death has shocked the first social circles of the capital as nothing else in years. In spite of the coroner's certificate of death by suicide, members of the family declare that Mrs. Lorillard died of heart failure.

Death Was Dramatic.

The death was made more dramatic by occurring only a few hours after Mr. and Mrs. Lorillard had been the guests of Mrs. Townsend, on Massachusetts avenue, at a dinner given in honor of Lady Paget. In fact, it is believed that as soon as Mrs. Lorillard arrived at her home, shortly after midnight yesterday morning, she began to prepare for her death.

About 8 o'clock yesterday morning the butler detected an odor of gas. His investigation led him to the bathroom of Mrs. Lorillard's suite, where he discovered the body of his mistress stretched lifeless on the floor. Physicians were immediately summoned and every method known to science was resorted to in an effort to restore life, but without success.

Accident, Says Husband.

Coroner Nevitt, after an investigation and autopsy, issued a certificate of death by suicide from gas poisoning.

Mrs. Lorillard was subject to attacks of despondency, it is said. Last night Mr. Lorillard stated that in his opinion the death of his wife was due to an accident. He says that Mrs. Lorillard was seemingly in the best of spirits when they separated to go to their apartments Wednesday night.

The Lorillards were prominent in social and diplomatic life of the capital.

MAY ABANDON OIL TRUST SUITS.

Government Will Await Decision in Case Coming Up at St. Louis.

Chicago, March 27.—United States District Attorney Sims and Special Attorney James H. Wilkerson returned from Washington, where they went last week to confer with Attorney General Wickersham. Both men preserved an absolute silence regarding their trip. It is learned from other sources that the 4,000 counts pending against the Standard Oil company will be held in abeyance until the federal courts have passed on the pending suit to dissolve the Standard's charter. This case will come up in St. Louis on April 6.

If the government loses the dissolution suit, it is probable that all the Chicago indictments will be quashed and the cases wiped off the records.

MAKES FOR PEACE IN BALKANS.

Abdication of Crown Prince Lends New Aspect to Situation.

London, March 27.—The Balkan difficulty has assumed a somewhat new aspect owing to the sensational news of the abdication of the Serbian crown prince. The prince hitherto has been considered the leader of the war party at Belgrade and his firebrand speeches have done much to inflame the feelings of the Serbian people. There are not wanting both here and at Vienna those who believe that a political move underlies the renunciation. Whether or not this is the case, it is certain that the removal of the crown prince from the scene is a step making for peace. It will be easier under present conditions for Serbia to retreat from a difficult situation.

COOL HANDS HOLD UP TRAIN.

Highwaymen Get Away With About \$400 in Cash.

Denver, March 27.—Two highwaymen entered a Pullman car in the Denver & Rio Grande yards at West Denver early yesterday morning, held up the passengers, six in number, and the conductor and porter, and got away with about \$400 in cash. The only woman passenger, Mrs. N. R. Hussey of Booth Bay Harbor, Me., was not molested. So far no trace of the robbers has been found.

Counterfeiting Charged.

Kansas City, Mo., March 27.—Charged with being counterfeiters, Charles King, Dan Kelley and Mary Cook were arrested here yesterday after a raid on a house in which supposed counterfeiting material was found.

Rockefellers Go to Virginia.

Augusta, Ga., March 27.—John D. Rockefeller and party, including Mrs. Rockefeller, Mrs. Spellman, Master John Rockefeller Prentice and Miss Mathilda McCormick, left here yesterday for Hot Springs, Va.

RIVER FLOODS ARE IMMINENT

Farmers Along Low Lands on the Minnesota River Report Dangerous Overflowing.

St. Paul, March 27.—The Minnesota River is rapidly becoming dangerous as the result of the heavy thaws during the last week. Reports from low places along the river are to the effect that the water is already overflowing the banks and damage is imminent.

The first overflow occurred Wednesday and the waters are rapidly rising. The ice has begun to break up and within a week high water is expected. Farmers along the river have been notified and are making all possible preparations to prevent damage.

The overflow comes unusually early this year and is made all the more dangerous by the heavy snows which have been prevalent.

With complete data of the river from Big Stone Lake to Belle Plaine the surveying party of the Minnesota drainage commission returned yesterday afternoon from a trip of nearly three months. The time was taken up securing data for straightening the river, deepening the channel, removing sandbars and establishing impounding reservoirs to take care of the unusual amount of water which annually does millions of dollars damage to the farms along the river's banks.

The engineers in charge of the work report that the plan which is being carried out is the most feasible and that the floods can be obviated.

PROBERS IN DISPUTE.

Wisconsin Primary Investigators in Acrimonious Debate.

Madison, Wis., March 27.—After consuming the entire forenoon with a seemingly fruitless examination of ex-Senator D. E. Rioridan of Eagle River, the senatorial investigating committee yesterday got itself embroiled in an acrimonious debate which lasted for nearly two hours. The scrap was over the propriety of discontinuing the Stephenson investigation, although most of the speeches were made to a motion by Assemblyman Bray that W. W. Powell, a former Hatton worker, be called to the stand. The upshot of the whole matter was that Powell was agreed upon as the next witness, the three senate members voting against calling him.

HEAR HISSES AND CHEERS.

Noisy Demonstration Before Iowa Senate Committee.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 27.—Hisses and cheers alternated yesterday afternoon at the monster demonstration before the senate committee on constitutional amendments and suffrage during the prohibition hearing, at which two thousand persons attended.

Speeches against the adoption of the resolution submitting prohibition to the voters were made by Judge M. J. Wade of Iowa City, national Democratic committeeman; Father Joseph Nugent of Des Moines; William McChrist of Sioux City, and Lamonte Cowles of Burlington.

8 YEARS FOR WOMAN SLAYER.

Manlaughter in First Degree Verdict Against Aurelius Bowen.

Pierre, S. D., March 27.—An eight-year sentence on a charge of manslaughter in the first degree given to Aurelius Bowen, at Highmore yesterday, is the result of one of the most brutal murders in this part of the state. The victim, Katherine Kihle, was shot in the back of her head in her claim shanty near Fort Pierre, and Bowen, a nearby homesteader, was charged with the crime.

JENNINGS, SLAYER ACQUITTED.

Morris, a Merchant, Cleared of Manslaughter Charge at Rapid City.

Rapid City, S. D., March 27.—Ed Morris, a merchant of Washita, S. D., who shot and killed David Jennings of Sioux City, was cleared of manslaughter on trial here. The judge instructed the jury to find a verdict of acquittal. It was shown that Jennings and the wife of Morris were intimate. Jennings was employed as clerk by Morris and was caught when the latter set a trap for him.

RENOUNCES SERBIAN THRONE.

Crown Prince George Accused of Causing Servant's Death, Takes Action.

Belgrade, March 27.—George, crown prince of Serbia, has renounced his right of succession to the Serbian throne. This action is the result of a bitter press campaign in which the crown prince was accused of being the cause of the recent death of one of his servants, a man named Kolakovitz.

Protests Innocence in Tears.

Bemidji, Minn., March 27.—In the district court William Lee, convicted of grand larceny in the second degree, was sentenced to serve an indeterminate term in the reformatory at St. Cloud. Lee, when asked if he had anything to say, cried and said that the court was sentencing an innocent man.

Sues Harriman for \$800,000.

New York, March 27.—A suit for \$800,000 has been begun here against E. H. Harriman by John Donovan, who claims that this sum is due him as commission on the sale in 1901 of the St. Joseph Railway, Light, Heat and Power company of St. Joseph, Mo.

Farmer Hold-ups Confess.

Sioux City, Iowa, March 27.—The "rube" highwaymen, Win and Charles Becken, farmers from the Winnebago reservation country, have confessed to robbing S. G. Graves of Nacora, Neb., of \$400. Their confession implicates Fred Kelo of Pender, Neb.