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## NEWS OF WEEK SUMMARIZED

Important Events at Home and on Foreign Shores Briefly Told.

### PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

George Herbert McCord, a well known landscape artist, died from apoplexy in his studio in New York.

Mrs. Fanny Friedman is dead in New York at the age of 112 years. She was born in Hungary Jan. 3, 1797, and has been ill only a few days.

Gen. Sir O'Moore Creagh has been appointed commander-in-chief in India, to succeed Gen. Lord Kitchener when the latter retires in August.

Rev. James Stuart Dickson, corresponding secretary of the college board of the Presbyterian church, died at East Orange, N. J. He was fifty years old.

Col. Samuel H. Stone, former state auditor of Kentucky, died at his home in Louisville, aged fifty-nine years. He was one of the most brilliant men in Kentucky.

Otho Herbert Dilley, musician, director and composer of popular songs, died from consumption at his home in Snecsville, Ohio. He was thirty-five years old.

Joseph H. Russell, who went to Montana as a prospector in 1867, is dead at Helena. At one time he disposed of mining property to James J. Hill and the late Col. Broadwater for \$110,000.

The president has withdrawn the nomination of William G. Wheeler to be United States attorney for the Western district of Wisconsin. Mr. Wheeler has accepted a more lucrative position as attorney for the Chicago & North-Western railway in Wisconsin.

### ACCIDENTAL HAPPENINGS.

A slight scratch from a nail on his thumb nearly a month ago resulted in the death from lockjaw of Dr. J. O. Jolly of Dixon, Neb.

Three men were killed when 100 quarts of nitroglycerin exploded in the construction camp of Boxley & Carpenter at Blue Sulphur, W. Va.

When driving near Laporte, Iowa, Benjamin Brandt, sixteen years old, was killed by a bolt of lightning that also killed the horses and demolished the buggy.

John Ott of Heildersburg, a suburb of Pittsburg, carried his father and mother out of their burning home only to find that his father was badly burned and his mother was dead.

As a result of playing with matches Stephen Keefe, three years old, was burned to death in Washington. Mrs. Marie Keefe, his mother, was badly burned in an effort to save his life.

Will L. Payne of Lansing, Mich., a stockman, was killed and six others injured, one seriously, in a rear-end collision between two Union Pacific stock trains in the yards at Fremont, Neb.

The establishment of the Zellerbach Paper company in North Los Angeles was burned, the loss being estimated at \$300,000. The fire for a time threatened the center of the wholesale district.

When trying to save her two children, Mrs. Grazia Pettinate of New York was burned to death, following the explosion of a can of kerosene, with which she had attempted to quicken the kitchen fire.

Kenneth English, a junior in the Marion, Iowa, high school, while attempting to board a moving freight train, lost his footing and was struck on the head by a car and received injuries from which he died.

Mary Stottenberg, the fourteen-year-old daughter of Fred Stottenberg, a farmer living near Mason City, Iowa, was run down by an auto. Both wheels passed over her body and physicians say she will not recover.

### CRIMES.

Armed with a revolver, a man smashed the window of Groth's jewelry store at Montreal and escaped with a tray containing diamonds valued at \$3,000.

Two little girls were injured in a fight between opposing factions of the German Evangelical church at Globeville, a suburb of Denver. A dozen shots were fired.

Five years in the Fort Leavenworth penitentiary was the sentence imposed upon Thomas M. Hayes, former receiving teller of the American National bank of Washington, convicted of embezzlement.

Discovery was made at Columbus, Ohio, that two safes in the office of H. G. Fitzgerald & Co., dentists, had been picked by professionals and robbed of gold filling material, said to be worth \$2,300.

## ROCHESTER SWEEP BY FIERCE FIRE

Several Sections of City Destroyed, Causing Damage of About Half a Million.

### FAMILIES ARE HOMELESS

Militiamen Guard the Burned Districts—Several Firemen Hurt by Falling Walls.

Rochester, N. Y., April 15.—Swept by a twenty-five-mile gale, fire yesterday destroyed several sections of the city and did damage estimated at half a million dollars. For a time it was thought a great portion of the city would be swept, and aid was summoned from Buffalo and Syracuse.

One hundred families are homeless and militiamen are guarding what little the people saved of their household effects.

#### Call for Relief.

Mayor Edgerton has issued a call for relief funds for these families. Some are quartered in precinct houses, and a large number are spending the night in a public school. A heavy rain set in at 6 o'clock last night, and while it helped in extinguishing the smoldering ruins, it was a hardship on the homeless. Thieving, which started early in the day, has been stopped by the militia.

Because of the numerous fires in Rochester recently the board of fire underwriters has increased rates here on all buildings except dwellings 25 cents on every \$100. The increase went into effect at 5 o'clock yesterday. The Palmer building, a four-story brick structure devoted to manufacturing interests, at Main and Gibbs streets, was the starting point of the conflagration, which spread over a wide area, and then jumped nearly a mile and started a second series of fires.

#### Fifty Homes Burned.

Buildings destroyed, in addition to about fifty residences, were the Palmer building, Temple Birth Kodesh, First Reformed Church of America, the Ward apartments and First German Luther Zion church. The St. Peter's Presbyterian church, the Palmer lumber yards and several small firms on Main street were damaged.

Several firemen were injured by falling walls or were overcome by smoke, but none was seriously hurt.

Rochester is terror-stricken. Yesterday's conflagration was the culmination of an uninterrupted series of fires, many of which have been charged to incendiarism. The flames are still smoldering in dozens of places and the wind is increasing in velocity.

### WILL HAVE 13 IN JURY BOX.

Judge Seeks to Prevent Failure of the Calhoun Case.

San Francisco, April 15.—Thirteen jurors will hear the evidence in the case of Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railroads, charged with offering a bribe to a former supervisor. Provision for the odd juror was made yesterday by Superior Judge Lawlor and after the defense had opposed any such departure.

In rendering his decision the court expressed a determination not to endanger the work of the thirteen weeks by neglecting any precaution that might insure an uninterrupted trial.

### WHEAT AGAIN GOES UP.

New High Record Marks for All Deliveries.

Chicago, April 15.—Wheat prices again rose yesterday to new high record marks for all deliveries, July advancing to \$1.17-1/2 and September to \$1.09-1/2 per bushel. At the same time the May option sold at \$1.28. The market slumped sharply on realizing sales, but regained part of the loss. At the close prices were 3-4/8 lower to 1-1/4 higher compared with final quotations of the previous day. Corn and oats closed easy and provisions were steady.

### Trachina Fatal to Six.

Sioux City, Iowa, April 14.—Three persons are dead and three others are at the point of death in the German Lutheran hospital here as a result of eating trachina infected pork sausage last Thursday. All are members of the family of John Kolpin, a Galva (Iowa) druggist.

### Woman Kills Rival.

Muskogee, Okla., April 15.—Mrs. Grant Huddleston, mother of six children, last night shot and killed Miss Pearl Cox, whom she charged with seducing her husband's affections. Huddleston witnessed the shooting.

### ALL READY FOR DRAINAGE WORK

Commission Has Surveys, Plans and Estimates Prepared.

All preparations for a big season's work of the state drainage commission have been made. Everything has been planned, ditches surveyed, all estimates made and maps and plans drawn. Work will begin in earnest immediately after the passage of the appropriation bill fixing the amount available for drainage.

The commission expects no less than it received from the last legislature two years ago, when it was given \$100,000 for each year.

All ditches for draining state lands have been surveyed in St. Louis, Aitkin, Hubbard, Marshall, Roseau, Kittson and Polk counties.

About ten co-operative ditches, which are built by the state with the co-operation of counties in the improvement of river channels, have been planned.

The state land ditches, built by direct assessments in which the state pays a pro rata portion of the cost, have been surveyed in localities where the land if drained, will be immediately available for agricultural purposes.

No ditches have been planned so far in lands heavily timbered, the work being confined to meadows and swamp lands.

Several of the projects under consideration will, if carried out, entirely exhaust the appropriation for one year. Contracts have been delayed awaiting the appropriations and will not be let for about two months. This wait has caused a delay in the entire system of the work.

The commission is at present seeking a plan whereby the work will not be needlessly delayed pending action by the legislature. It is thought that the appropriations can just as well be made several years in advance.

### ARREST FORMER OFFICIAL.

Extradition Papers Issued for Former Treasurer of Beltrami County.

Oliver J. Shinn, former treasurer of Beltrami county, who is accused of having decamped six years ago with nearly \$400 of the state's cash, has been arrested at Portland, Ore., and will be brought back to face trial.

Extradition papers have been issued by Gov. Johnson to the governor of Oregon, and Sheriff Hazen of Bemidji is on his way to secure the fugitive.

Shinn is charged with having collected \$355.40 interest on June 1, 1903, on state timber, from the J. Niels Lumber company, while treasurer of Beltrami county. By tearing a receipt from the back of his regular book he evaded notice for some time, it is said. When discovered he fled and was not heard from until the authorities arrested him at Portland. Steps were taken immediately to bring him back.

Shinn's sureties made up the loss of \$355.40, with interest of \$115.40, and have been trying to locate him ever since. The man was well liked in the community and many would not believe that he taken the cash until after he had failed to show up.

### MAKES NEW BUTTER PRIZE.

A new feature is to be added to the butter scoring contests this year, and known as the "improvement" contest. The idea is to give a prize to the contestant who shows the largest percentage of gain this year over his record for last year, irrespective of whether he stands near the top or the bottom of the list.

The state dairy and food commission believes that this will supply an incentive to the man who did not win any prizes last year to strain every nerve to better his dairy products this year.

Last year about 200 butter and cheesemakers took part at different times, although only eighty-five entered in all six contests. The first prize in each of the three classes, whole milk, butter, hand separator butter and cheese, was a trip to New York, and the second a trip to Chicago. Arrangements are now being made for the contests, the first of which will probably be held at the Booth cold storage warehouse, St. Paul, about the middle of next month.

### NO RACE SUICIDE HERE.

Vital statistics for 1908 showed up well in comparison with those of previous years. The state department of public health reports that in the past year there was 44,274 births and 22,160 deaths.

"No race suicide here," said Dr. H. M. Bracken, gloating over the complete nature of the report. "I think that the great increase in the number of reported births and deaths is due largely to the operation of the new law which has been in force during the past year, forbidding the burial of a body without a burial permit."

Detroit, Minn., April 15.—The body of K. T. Olsen, a bachelor, fifty-three years old, living near Westbury, was discovered by Soo section men near Callaway. Three passenger trains passed over the body before it was discovered.

## UNITED ATTACK ON INTERSTATE BOARD

Western Railroads Combine to Test Constitutionality of Commission's Acts.

### LUMBER CASE USED AS TEST

St. Paul, April 15.—A united attack through the United States courts against the interstate commerce commission as an institution was begun before Judge Frederick N. Dickson, special master in chancery, in the federal circuit court yesterday morning by a combination of the Union Pacific, Great Northern and Northern Pacific, and, with the exception of the Santa Fe and the Gould lines, every other railroad operating west of the Missouri river.

A final and conclusive decision by the United States supreme court, to the effect that the powers and functions authorized by congress and exercised by the commission are unconstitutional, is what the carriers are after, and their army of lawyers here claim to have a strong case.

#### Lumber Case as Fulcrum.

A recent meeting of the commission is to be used as a test of the constitutionality of the authority of that body. This ruling is conceded to be a typical one and one on which a decision by the highest tribunal of the nation would be vital. The case is the one in which the commission ordered the Northern Pacific, Union Pacific and Great Northern and other Western railroads to reduce the freight rates on lumber shipped eastward from the Pacific coast. These rates the roads had increased on what they claim to have been justifiable grounds. The increase amounted to 10 cents per hundred. The commission ordered that the original rates be restored west of the Missouri river, but allowed an increase of 5 cents per hundred pounds on coast shipments destined to points east of the Missouri.

#### Rates Are Confiscatory.

The most formidable feature of the prosecution will be the fight to introduce evidence tending to show that the rates ordered by the commission are confiscatory, and therefore in violation of the fourteenth amendment of the constitution of the United States. Thomas Cooper, land commissioner of the Northern Pacific, testified yesterday as to the cost of reproduction of that road. The railroads expect to show that, according to that cost, the rates ordered by the commission are confiscatory and therefore unconstitutional. Mr. Cooper's cross-examination will be continued today.

### WHOLE FAMILY IS WOUNDED.

Daughter Also Is Injured and Man Then Shoots Himself.

Blue Earth, Minn., April 15.—Knut Olsen of Kiester, near this city, attempted to kill his wife last evening by shooting her with a shotgun. Some of the shot entered her jaw, knocking out several teeth, and several scattering shots struck his little daughter. He then went to a closet and shot himself. Small hope of his recovery is entertained. The condition of his wife and daughter is not thought to be dangerous. Bitter feeling exists against Olsen.

### WRAPPED IN BLAZING OIL.

Fireman Is Seriously Burned in a Fire at Sioux City.

Sioux City, Iowa, April 15.—Spontaneous combustion in the glazing room of the City Sash and Door company's factory started a fire which did \$10,000 damage to the building and contents. Fireman Lew Humphrey was enveloped in flames when a barrel of oil exploded and was seriously burned.

### FEVER RAGING AT RICHVILLE.

Schools Are Closed and All Public Meetings Suspended.

Fergus Falls, Minn., April 15.—Scarlet fever is prevalent in the village of Richville, this county, and the board of health has decided to close the schools and suspend all public meetings. Shirley Shaw, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, died of the disease.

### Stock Shipments Good.

Thief River Falls, Minn., April 15.—That this section of the state is fast becoming well known for its stock is evidenced by the fact that twenty carloads of cattle were shipped from two small stations on the Great Northern line, just north of this city, last week.

### Marathon Race Is Fatal.

Pittsburg, April 15.—William H. Howick, seventeen years old, died last night as the result of running a Marathon race three weeks ago. Howick won the race, but never has been well since.

## PEACE REIGNS IN CONSTANTINOPLE

New Cabinet Takes Hold and Sultan Ordains Observance of Sheeri Laws.

### SULTAN'S NAME IS ACCLAIMED

During Whole Outbreak the Troops and People Remain Loyal to the Sultan.

Constantinople, April 16.—After the stirring events of Tuesday and the early part of yesterday in the Turkish capital, the successful formation of the cabinet and the issue of an imperial proclamation ordaining the observance of the Sheeri laws and the preservation of the constitution served to bring about a comparatively peaceful situation here last night. The members of the new cabinet, of which Tewfik Pasha is the grand vizier, have been installed in office.

#### Relieves the Tension.

The formation of the cabinet, although it is not composed according to general expectations, has greatly relieved the tension of the last thirty-six hours. The majority of the people passed a sleepless night, owing to the continued discharges of musketry. Last night the city was quiet. Confidence is gradually returning, although the military situation will require all the energies of the new government for its successful handling and the promulgation of wise measures so that the army may be placed on a more satisfactory basis.

#### Soldiers Lead Rising.

It is noteworthy that while the revolution of last July was the work of officers, the present movement was carried forward by the soldiers, aided by the religious party, the leaders in the movement being the very troops, the Saloniki Chasseurs, which heretofore had been the malastay of the committee of union and progress. The rising has resulted in the complete obliteration of this committee and its newspaper organs.

#### Remain Loyal to Sultan.

During the whole thrilling momentous episode the salient features of the revolution were the loyalty of the troops and the people to the sultan, whose name was frequently acclaimed, and the absence of attacks on the lives and property of citizens.

### KILLED IN RUNNING FIGHT.

Italian With Black Hand Record Shot in Brooklyn Streets.

New York, April 16.—Andrew Gambino, a young Italian barber, who three years ago killed a man with two loads from a shotgun, was killed last night in a running battle with three countrymen through Brooklyn streets, while several thousand persons looked on. The Brooklyn branch of the Italian detective bureau credits Gambino with a conspicuous Black Hand record.

Pietro Zarcone, a butcher, told the police that Gambino approached him and demanded \$50 under penalty of death. Gambino also drew a pistol and the battle began.

### NEW STATE GAME OFFICIALS.

Two Wardens and Fish Commissioner Named in North Dakota.

Fargo, N. D., April 16.—At a meeting last night of the game and fish board of control, under the new law, Capt. W. R. Main of Fargo, father of the bill providing for the first fish hatchery in the state was selected fish commissioner, with a salary of \$1,200, and W. N. Smith of Grafton, and Ole Berke of Abercrombie were elected wardens at salaries of \$1,500 each. The law abolishes spring shooting, with severe penalties.

### GOTCH RETAINS TITLE.

Easily Defeats Bulgarian in Wrestling Match.

Chicago, April 16.—Frank Gotch of Humboldt, Iowa, succeeded in retaining his title as champion wrestler of the world last night by defeating Yusif Mahmut of Bulgaria in a fast and furious match. The much-touted Bulgarian was as a child in the hands of the American master of mat strategy. Gotch won both falls with croich and half-nelson holds, respectively, in 8 minutes and 9 minutes and 10 seconds.

### Again Threatened by Black Hand.

Chicago, April 16.—Joseph Arrigo, who was shot at as he lay in his bed last Monday morning because he had failed to comply with demands made in two letters from the Black Hand, received another letter signed by the blackmailing society last night, threatening him with certain death unless he deposited \$1,000 in a certain spot by 10 o'clock today.