

For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, increasing cloudiness and probability rain; southeasterly winds, slightly warmer.



SCHOCK WELL IN THE LEAD

Progress of the Great Six-Day Bicycle Race.

MAKING WONDERFUL SCORES

Lawson Met With a Bad Accident, But His Game Qualities Keep Him to the Front—Albert Showing Up in Splendid Form—Scenes and Incidents.

Table with columns: Name, Miles, Laps. Includes Schock, Lawson, Albert, Golden, Cassidy, Ford, Riviere, Muller.

The great six-day race at Convention Hall is now in full swing, and interest in it is being increased and intensified.

In the afternoon the Kramers—brother and sister—gave a wonderfully clever exhibition of fancy and trick bicycle riding on the clear space inside the big ellipse.

The twenty-four hours of racing which ended at midnight amounted in both incidents and accidents, and riders whose chances were thought to be bright had changed places with those who had trailed behind.

Late in the afternoon Lawson, the "Terrible Swede," who had been leading since the second hour of the race, had a most unfortunate accident, which may cause him to lose the race.

The erratic riding of Riviere, the Frenchman, was at first a source of much amusement, but it finally became necessary to remove him from the track, as his reckless riding caused near throwing the other riders.

Schock, the veteran of so many similar races, rode like a Roman champion all the afternoon and evening, and with the exception of a momentary delay in changing wheels, he has not left his saddle, and, like Albert, has not left the track a moment.

Frank Albert is riding in splendid form, and his steady, even but promise great things for his chances in the coming days.

Lucie Ford has played in hard luck, for he has had trouble with his wheel from the start. His misfortunes have earned him the most generous sympathy of the crowds, and when he appeared on the track, after a rest last evening, he was heartily cheered.

Muller evidently has very little intention of staying with the leaders. He was on the track only a short while during the day, and is even now practically out of the race.

Riviere came on the track again at 8 o'clock and he started in at a merry clip but appeared to be in poor condition. After gaining half a dozen laps he showed down and kept with the bunch for more than an hour.

Albert left the track for the first time shortly after 10 o'clock. He took half an hour's rest, and after a good rest he started again in good form. He looks to be in first-class condition. At 10 o'clock the score stood:

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KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION.

A Boiler in an Electric Railroad Power House Blew Up.

Elmira, N. Y., March 29.—A boiler exploded in the West Side electric street-railroad power house this morning.

Frank Albro, the fireman, was instantly killed and the engineer, Philip Knufel, was seriously injured. Two other employes in the building escaped unharmed.

DR. LUIS SENTENCED.

Eighteen Months in Jail and Five Hundred Dollars Fine.

Baltimore, March 29.—Dr. Joseph A. Luis, who was on Friday last found guilty in the United States district court, of conspiracy, and of sending an armed military expedition against a friendly nation, was sentenced today to eighteen months in the Baltimore jail and to pay a fine of \$500.

Counsel for Luis argued for two hours for a retrial; this being flatly refused by Judge Morris, they directed their attention to an effort to have the judge suspended and admit the Cuban patriot to bail, pending an appeal to the Supreme Court, but all to no purpose.

FECHNER'S FATAL DRAUGHT

A Washingtonian Takes His Own Life in New York.

New York, March 29.—A gray-haired man staggered into the City Hall police station early this afternoon.

"Sergeant," he said to the officer behind the desk, "I've taken carbolic acid."

The man dropped into a chair and immediately lost consciousness. An ambulance was called and the man was taken to the Hudson Street Hospital.

A search of hospital records proved him to be George W. Fechner, of No. 226 Second street northwest, Washington, D. C. He is in the jewelry business and had been traveling in the jewelry line.

That man was within the letters which he had carried, and which were from his wife, who is in Washington at the present time. At 5:30 o'clock Mr. Fechner died at the hospital.

George W. Fechner lived with his wife and one daughter at the number given in the above dispatch. He came to Washington about ten years ago.

He was a jeweler by trade, and until last summer was proprietor of a store on Pennsylvania avenue, between Second and Third streets.

For some time his brother, Sunday Fechner, was associated with him, and was quite prosperous. Less than a year ago he sold out his business, and since that time has traveled about the country in various cities, selling jewelry at auction.

He returned home about two weeks ago, but soon went again to New York. The first intimation Mrs. Fechner had that anything was wrong with her husband was last evening, about 5 o'clock, when she received a telegram from the Hudson Street Hospital, stating that Fechner was in a critical condition and liable to die.

The cause of his illness was not stated, and she did not know that her husband had attempted his life. She left for New York with her daughter about an hour later.

DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

Various Bills of Local Interest Introduced in Both Houses.

A favorable report has been made by the Senate Committee on Judiciary on the bill to establish a National University in the District.

Senator Gallinger introduced a bill Saturday to open a street through block 201, from Fourteenth to Fifteenth streets, corresponding to Wallace and Caroline streets. It is to be fifty feet wide.

Senator Vest yesterday afternoon introduced an amendment to the sundry civil bill, providing for the payment of \$50,000 to W. B. Austin, Co., for supplies furnished for the eleventh census.

Senator Clark, of Wyoming, has introduced a bill vacating President Cleveland's order relative to forest reservations in the West.

Senator Gallinger yesterday presented petitions from the Medical Association of Washington, in favor of the bills to regulate the adulteration of drugs and sale of poisons in the District.

The members of the Joint Select Committee on Charities and Reformatory Institutions in the District held a meeting yesterday afternoon in the room of the Senate District Committee. For two hours there was a general discussion of the subject of charities. No decision has yet been reached as to whether formal hearings will be given the representatives of the different institutions, or whether the committee will rely upon formal official reports in mapping out its work.

The different institutions, whose interests are to be considered are: The Reform School for Boys; the Reform School for Girls; St. Elizabeth's; the Keniall Green Deaf and Dumb Asylum; Industrial Home School; Children's Hospital; Washington Hospital for Foundlings; St. Ann's Infant Asylum; German Orphan Asylum; Church Orphanage, of St. John's Parish; St. Rose Industrial School; St. Joseph Male Orphan Asylum; Newsboys' and Children's Aid Society; Emergency Hospital; Columbia Hospital; Home for Invalids; and the Washington Dispensary Hospital, Garfield Hospital, Providence Hospital, and Freedman's Hospital.

Populists Hold a Caucus. The Populists of the House and Senate held a joint caucus last evening, at which an address was issued defining the position of the People's party on the tariff bill. Their address declares that the pending tariff measure in the House is for the purpose of side-tracking real and vital issues.

The address further declares that "lack of revenue is not the result of defects in the bill the Wilson bill, as it was passed by Congress, but resulted from a decision of the Supreme Court, which declared the income tax unconstitutional. The most direct and effective method would be to restore silver and increase the circulating medium so as to restore the level of prices which existed prior to the demonetization of the metal."

THE TARIFF SITUATION



JUDGE DAY WILL GO TO CUBA

McKinley's Lifelong Friend Accepts a Special Mission.

WILL HASTEN HIS DEPARTURE

After Having Refused the Solicitor Generalship the Eminent Ohioan Surrenders to the Personal Wishes of the Executive and Consents to Undertake the Trust.

Judge John R. Day, of Canton, Ohio, will go to Cuba as the duly accredited representative of this Government. His special mission will be as an envoy of the President to examine into and report the true state of affairs on the island.

Judge Day came to Washington Saturday, and not until late yesterday afternoon did he surrender to the pleadings of President McKinley and consent to perform the mission. He left the city last night for his Canton home, but will return and leave for Cuba at the earliest possible moment.

The eminent Ohioan, who was offered and refused the solicitor generalship, was the President's guest at luncheon yesterday, and it was at that time that he accepted the tender of the honorable position. The President urged upon him the necessity of his early arrival upon the scene of the struggle of an oppressed people for liberty.

The envoy was especially admonished to examine into the manner and cause of the death of Dr. Ruiz and the circumstances leading to the tragic end of the American dentist.

Hon. George A. Hay, of Coshocton, Ohio, a lifelong friend of Judge Day, said last night: "Judge Day's character is such as to make him the most universally beloved man in the State of Ohio. I don't believe that there is a man whom President McKinley would more willingly seek if in need of counsel. Both have been the closest and most intimate of friends and neighbors for years."

Judge William R. Day was born in Portage county, Ohio, forty-nine years ago, and comes of a legal family. His father, Luther Day, was for many years a justice of the supreme court of the State. Judge Day was for a number of years judge of the common pleas court, and was appointed by ex-President Harrison, in 1889, to the Federal district bench for the Northern district of Ohio. This offer he declined at the instance of then Congressman McKinley, but announced falling health as the cause of his declination. He was spoken of as probable Attorney General when Major McKinley's election as Chief Executive became assured. He

PALMER THE LUCKY MAN

The President Decides to Make Him Public Printer.

HARD FIGHT MADE BY PEASE

After a Long Conference With Senators Cullom and Mason Last Night Mr. McKinley Determined Upon the Nomination of Mr. Benedict's Predecessor as His Successor.

Frank M. Palmer, of Illinois, will be appointed Public Printer to succeed Thomas E. Benedict.

This was finally decided upon by President McKinley late yesterday afternoon, after a long conference with Senators Cullom and Mason. Mr. Palmer's nomination will probably be sent to the Senate today.

Mr. McKinley has had a decided preference for the Illinois man from the beginning, but on account of the strong influence brought to bear in favor of L. B. Pease, of Woomoosket, R. I., decided to carefully weigh the matter before making a selection.

Mr. Pease was warmly supported by both Senators Aldrich and Wetmore, who have repeatedly called at the White House to urge his appointment.

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UNFORTUNATE BABY NEUSE

A Mother Falls With Her Child Down a Hatchway.

Vain Effort to Save the Baby—It Is Suffering From Concussion of the Brain.

Baby Neuse, the five-months-old child of John Neuse, a canal boat captain, was brought to the Emergency Hospital last night suffering from concussion of the brain, caused by a fall from the deck yesterday afternoon.

The accident to the baby was a somewhat peculiar one. The little one's father runs a coal boat between Cumberland and Georgetown, and after unloading at the latter port the boat was tied up in dock yesterday afternoon. The mother was walking about the deck yesterday evening carrying the baby in her arms. In some manner she made a misstep, and being unable to save herself, fell head foremost through the hatchway, seven feet into the empty hull of the boat. She made a desperate effort to save her child, but was unable to do so, and the little one fell with full force upon the rough boards covered with dirt at a coal dust, with the mother's whole weight upon her.

The woman and child were taken to the hospital, where it was found that the child had sustained a frightful bruise upon the head and was suffering from concussion of the brain.

Dr. Lawrence, who treated the case, did everything possible for the little sufferer, but her condition is regarded as serious. The mother was badly bruised, but will recover.

The last time that Capt. Neuse's boat was tied up in dock at Georgetown his six-year-old daughter Rosa was accidentally killed by two ten-year-old white boys, and she was also treated at the Emergency Hospital by Dr. Hoop. Her condition was for some time regarded as serious, but finally recovered.

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CONCLUSIVE THAT HE INTENDED TO APPOINT THE ILLINOIS MAN TO THE POSITION, IT WAS HIGHLY INDICATIVE OF THE FACT, AND IT IS SAID THAT THE SENATOR ADRICH READ THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL, AND IMMEDIATELY GAVE UP ALL HOPE OF LANDING THE POSITION FOR THE WOOMOSKET EDITOR.

The President, it is said, imparted similar significant information to Gov. Braden, the Republican Warwick of Rhode Island, who came on here purposely to urge Pease's case.

Mr. Palmer's appointment will, it is thought, give general satisfaction. The story published in an afternoon local paper to the effect that the President and Senator Mason had a personal difference in regard to the appointment of Tom Needles for Commissioner of Indian Affairs, was absolutely without foundation. Senator Mason so characterized the story last night, and said that he sustained the most amicable relations with Mr. McKinley, and that nothing had ever occurred to cause a rupture between them.

"The Needles story," he concluded, "is without foundation, and how such a scandal could have originated is beyond my comprehension."

MORE TROOPS WANTED.

Foreign Admirals Ask Their Governments for Men.

Cuba, March 29.—It has been arranged that a force of Austrians shall occupy Izzedin, the fort at which place was attacked by insurgents yesterday from the heights above the town of Suda. Each of the foreign admirals have asked his government to send 600 troops in order that the insurgents may be held in subjection.

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ROBERT P. PORTER'S MOTHER DEAD.

New York, March 29.—Hon. Robert P. Porter has just received news of the death of his mother, Mrs. Jane Porter, at Cambridge, England. Mrs. Porter was eighty-five years of age.

PROMINENT PHYSICIANS SENT TO PRISON.

Paris, March 29.—Drs. Boileux and Lejarrige, both of whom are prominent physicians of this city, have been sentenced to five years' imprisonment each, for performing an illegal operation on a girl named Thompson, which resulted in her death.

THE WIND FANS THE WATERS

Waves Blown Against the Levees in Many Places.

MEN HASTEN TO THE RESCUE

Helena's Mayor Calls All Able-Bodied Help to the Front—Breaks in the Levees as Wide as Rivers—Magnificent Regions Laid Waste and Homes Ruined.

Helena, Ark., March 29.—The situation here today is worse than ever before. The river rose two and one-half inches during the last twenty-four hours and a stiff gale has been blowing, almost without a moment's cessation, since 8 o'clock last night.

Mayor Fritzen issued a proclamation this morning, calling the dangerous condition of things, and calling upon all able-bodied men and boys to create quads and put themselves under the command of the chief of the levees. The proclamation met with hearty and prompt response and at this moment 500 or 600 men are working on the levees, while many others are on the hill filling a long line of wagons with dirt to be conveyed to the weakest points.

The levees are in good condition, considering the long siege, but the heavy wind and the knowledge that the river is to rise for several days longer has nerve every man for a week-end fight.

Capt. Notty, of the rescue boat Titan, reports another break. It is at Wood Cottage Landing, a mile and a half above Knowlton. The break was 500 feet wide yesterday as the Titan passed there, although it occurred Saturday afternoon.

The break will get all the country not already inundated under water down to Laconia, and Capt. Notty thinks there is little doubt that that magnificent body of land will also be deluged.

CONVICTS AT WORK.

They Are Assisting the Citizens on the Levees.

Jackson, Miss., March 29.—News from the Mississippi River today is discouraging, not only the State administration, which has had 600 convicts made to work on the levees for a week or more, but the people of the great valley of the Mississippi, who have made up a long fight against the muddy waters, spending their money freely and using every means and energy in upbuilding and strengthening the levees, but they broke last night.

The crevasse at Lake Lee is now about 600 feet wide and all hopes of closing it have been abandoned. Levees on the Mississippi side are still holding, and a hard fight is being made to keep them intact.

The weather conditions are unfavorable, however, and at this long the rain is pouring down in torrents. Lake Lee is seven miles long, and the water from this break is going to flood thousands of acres of the finest farm lands in the world.

It will flood out forty miles wide over the growing corn, a depth of from one to five feet, and find its way to Deer Creek and thence into the Yazoo River, through which it will find its way back into the Mississippi, but after backing a strip of country about seventy-five miles long.

CLOSE TO THE DANGER LINE.

The River Rapidly Rising at St. Louis.

St. Louis, March 29.—The river is rising steadily at this point, and is now within about four feet of the danger line. Reports received from upper river points state that an immense flood is on its way down, and may be expected here within the next forty-eight hours, after which it will find its way back into the Mississippi, but after backing a strip of country about seventy-five miles long.

THE HELENA A SUCCESS.

The Gunboat Will Win Her Builders a Handsome Bonus.

New London, Conn., March 29.—The Helena, the second of the gunboats constructed for the Government by the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, on her official speed trial on Long Island Sound today developed a speed of 13.80 knots. The Government contract with the builders calls for 13 knots and a premium of \$20,000 was offered for each knot attained in excess of that. The conditions for the trial today were excellent.

The trial calculations, which are slightly against the ship, but 13.75 will be claimed for the Helena, and it is expected that she will be allowed a premium of \$20,000.

Gen. Fullerton's Body Not Found.

Cumberland, Md., March 29.—A piece of the steamer Ukraine, demolished in the wreck of the Young Taylor, on March 29, on which there was a part of the body of Gen. J. S. Fullerton, was found by William T. Siver, floating in the Yonahogheny River, eight miles from Oakland. This find substantiates the theory that Gen. Fullerton's body was knocked through the side of the car.

Prince Constantine at Larissa.

Athens, March 29.—Crown Prince Constantine and his party have arrived at Larissa, where the prince will make his headquarters. They traveled by rail from Volo without mishap, and were everywhere along the route received with much enthusiasm.

Gen. Peyton Wise Dead.

Richmond, Va., March 29.—Gen. Peyton Wise died at his home in this city this morning. He was a lieutenant colonel in the Confederate army, and a general of militia by appointment after the war. He was a nephew of the late Gov. Henry A. Wise.

Lambert Postponed.

Newport, Va., March 29.—The landing of torpedoes boat, No. 7, at Bristol, did not take place today, owing to an unfavorable tide. The event is postponed until tomorrow at high water, which will be about 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Deaths of a Day.

Capt. Joseph Dimmock, chief of Falmouth's old whaling captains, at Falmouth, Me., aged seventy-four.

Hon. Frank L. Noble, mayor of Lewiston, Me., yesterday, aged forty-three.

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