

TWO BALTIMORE BANKS SUSPEND

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BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 19.—This has been a day of marked excitement and subdued anxiety in the financial and business circles of Baltimore. Luckily a dozen events were arranged to provoke a wholesale run on banks did not reach the great army of depositors throughout the city, thus giving ample time for conservative leaders of business to allay popular apprehension before it reached dangerous proportions.

The day began with the announcement of the failure of the Maryland Trust company, and except to a few the news came as a bolt out of a clear sky, spreading consternation in all directions. To these few it was known that the trust company had long been struggling with "undisputed securities," that it had sustained heavy withdrawals of deposits and that finally, on Saturday last, it had failed in its efforts to negotiate a \$2,000,000 loan in London.

MANY RUMORS AFLOAT. The suspension of the Union Trust company, which happened at a late hour in the day, gave impetus to many baseless rumors, which, in the case of institutions, which might well have created a panic had they been given currency early in the day.

It was agreed among the conservative leaders, and so given out, that there is nothing alarming in the general financial situation in this city, and that the mere fact that temporary difficulties overtook one or two concerns is no reason why other perfectly solvent institutions should be regarded with suspicion. One of the most prominent bankers in Baltimore said:

Time to Keep Cool. "It all depends upon how the people of Baltimore act. If they do not lose their heads the trouble will blow over in time and nobody will be hurt; but if they become hysterical, the consequences will be serious. This is a time to use calm judgment."

Allan McLane, third vice president of the Maryland Trust company, was appointed to take charge of the affairs of that company. Miles White, Jr., first vice president of the Union Trust company, was appointed to take charge of that institution. Mr. McLane gave bond in the sum of \$2,000,000 and Mr. White gave bond in the sum of \$1,000,000.

The last statement of the Maryland Trust company, issued on June 30, 1903, showed capital stock of \$2,125,000, surplus \$2,437,500 and undivided profits of \$677,988.88. The company has demand and time deposits amounting to \$5,772,817.15.

The Union Trust company at the close of business on March 31, 1903, had a surplus of \$1,000,000, and undivided profits of \$159,687.55. The Union Trust company had deposits amounting to nearly \$2,000,000. The filing of the first applications for receivers for the embarrassed companies was followed by petitions for receivers for both companies.

Liabilities Nearly \$11,000,000. The total liabilities of the two companies exceeded \$10,000,000.

The cause of the Maryland Trust company's failure was due, as set forth in the statement of Receiver McLane, to the investment in the securities of the company in Mexican railway securities which could not be marketed. The Union Trust company failed because of a run on the company's deposits, about \$150,000 having been withdrawn by depositors today, but the real troubles of the company had their origin in the organization of the South and Western railway in Virginia, which was a capitalization of about \$11,000,000 was contemplated. The Union company was the fiscal agent for the Virginia enterprise, and the Maryland company was the fiscal agent for the Mexican railway.

Through these two failures followed so closely it can be stated on unquestioned authority that there was no connection whatever between the two. The Maryland Trust company and the Union Trust company were jointly interested in any enterprise. Neither company managed trust estates.

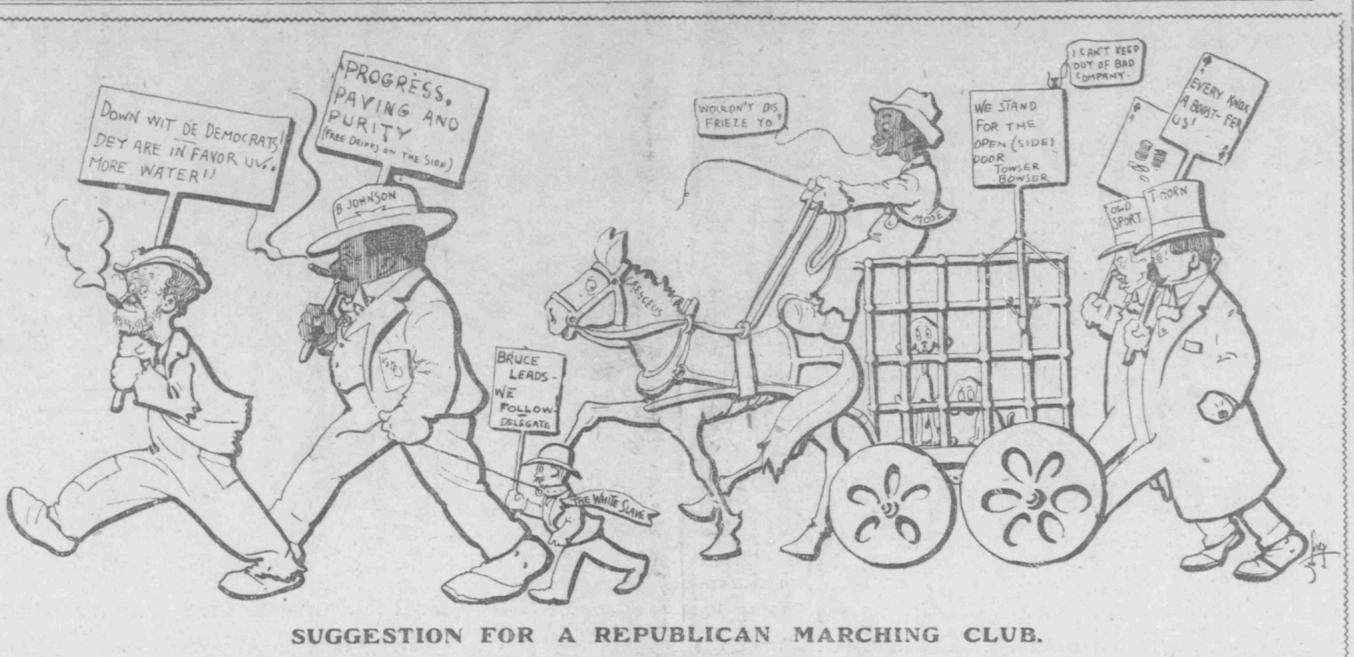
Other Recent Troubles. There have been other financial troubles in Baltimore recently involving the City Trust & Banking company and the Hammond Ice company and William J. Middendorf & Co., but it is not believed they were in any manner fore-runners of today's suspensions. J. W. Middendorf, speaking for his firm, and J. L. Williams & Sons of Richmond, said today:

The difficulties of the Maryland Trust company have no relationship to ours. Neither our firm nor Mr. Williams owes a dollar to the Maryland Trust company, nor does that company owe us anything. Among the alarming rumors afloat was one to the effect that the municipality of Baltimore had millions of its treasure realized from the Maryland railroad involved in today's failures. Investigation proved, however, and the finance commissioners have so announced, that the city has only \$200,000 invested with the Maryland Trust company, and that this is secured by three bonding companies of this city.

MORE TROOPS NEEDED. (Special to The Herald.) Washington, Oct. 19.—General Baldwin, commanding the department of Colorado, has recommended to the war department that the garrison at Fort Washakie, Wyo., be increased by an additional troop of cavalry. This recommendation has been endorsed by Indian Commissioner Jones, to whom it was referred by the war department, and it is believed additional troops will be sent.

HEART FAILURE WHILE ON THE TRAIN. (Special to The Herald.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Senator Teller, who arrived here this morning, was taken alarmingly ill on his journey between Chicago and this city, and for a short time his condition was regarded as extremely critical. While in his berth the senator was seized with a severe attack of heart failure, caused, it is believed, by acute indigestion. The trouble yielded to medicine which Mrs. Teller had with her, similar to that which had been used with success in previous attacks, and when the senator reached here he had almost recovered his usual health.

To a local reporter he said today: "Colorado Democrats favor the nomination of either Senator Gorman or Judge Parker for the presidency. The question has never been considered to an extent that it has been necessary to make a choice between the two. I believe either would be satisfactory to the west."



TOWN TERRORIZED BY BANDITS

Attempt to Blow Up a Bank Building at Newburg, Ore., Citizens Being Held at Bay—Robbers Escape Without Booty.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 19.—A special to the Evening Telegram from Newburg says: For two hours this morning this place was practically under control of a gang of bandits whose object was to blow up the building of the Bank of Newburg and loot the vault of the money on deposit. Though several charges of dynamite were exploded, the steel vault failed to give way, and, fired of their attempt, the bandits finally departed on horseback, going in a northerly direction toward Portland. It is believed there were three in the party. The vault contained probably \$20,000, and had the safe crackers succeeded in blowing open the vault, their booty would have been a rich one. A report from the brick building presents a sorry appearance. At 3 o'clock the citizens of the town were awakened by a series of muffled explosions, the vigorous ringing of a town fire bell and occasional rifle reports. Almost to a man they turned out to see what was the cause of the disturbance. It was money, and the robbers had taken possession of the bank, and the crowd turned its attention in that direction. By the time the people reached the scene, however, the bandits had succeeded in getting away. Those in the immediate vicinity of the bank had been watching the proceedings since shortly after midnight, but, covered by two men with rifles, they dared not give the alarm. Occupants of the bank building were compelled to remain in their quarters while the walls threatened to go down with every explosion. Belated residents returning to their homes were warned to remain silent on the penalty of death, and, cowed into submission, they obeyed the orders of the bandits.

ASSISTANT CASHIER MISSING AND BANK LOSER A LARGE SUM

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 19.—A special from Mankato, Minn., says: The Mankato State bank was closed today pending an investigation of the books of the assistant cashier, Alfred A. Buck, who has disappeared. Mr. Buck went to Walker a week ago Saturday on business and left there ostensibly for Duluth on Tuesday, and since then nothing has been heard from him. He is the only son of Judge Daniel Buck of this city, a former justice of the supreme court, who is president and owner of half the stock of the bank. To his wife Buck confided the statement that he was short in his accounts and that he wanted to leave for parts unknown. A letter from the missing official said that the shortage of the writer was \$18,700 with the bank and between \$7,000 and \$8,000 with his father, who had placed personal funds in his possession to loan. The capital stock of the bank is but \$10,700 and the deposits \$22,000. The bank directors took steps at once to protect the interests of the depositors. Reports from Mankato today said that the shortage has been found to be \$20,000, but that the bank will reopen in two or three days. Judge Buck places his loss at \$22,500. Buck, who is 32 years old, is a native of Iowa, and has been living in the Mankato for twelve years ago he was made the victim of blackmail by a Chicago family, foolishly paying every demand, fearing the result of exposure to the health of his parents if he refused, and the total amount paid over is \$30,000. Mr. Buck was mayor of Mankato two weeks ago, when he resigned because of public criticism of lack of restraint over a street carnival.

CHILD DROWNED IN IRRIGATION DITCH

(Special to The Herald.) Dillon, Mont., Oct. 19.—Ruth Aiken, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Aiken, was found drowned in an irrigation ditch about a mile below Dillon last evening by the father and John Kent. The little one was 2 years old and had been missing since 2 o'clock in the afternoon. A general alarm was not given until evening, at which time a large number of people scoured the country with lanterns and the body was found about 9 o'clock, the child having been dead for several hours. The funeral was held this afternoon.

NEGRO MURDERERS FEAR THE LYNCHERS

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 19.—Fred Tutcher, who was shot yesterday by the negro William Mason, died at Christ hospital tonight. Mason and his accomplice, Thomas Demoss, are in the county jail. The authorities are taking every precaution against mob violence, but expect that an effort will be made to gain possession of the negro, as many threats have been made. Mason confessed to the crime and is in great fear that he will be lynched.

DENIED BY ROOSEVELT. Washington, Oct. 19.—President Roosevelt authorized the statement that there is no truth whatever in the rumors of differences of opinion between members of the cabinet, growing out of the report which has been made to him by Charles J. Bonaparte and Helms Conrad of their investigations into charges affecting the postal service.

ATTORNEY GENERAL AGAINST TAXING FOOD

London, Oct. 19.—Speaking at Inverness tonight, Sir Robert Finlay, the attorney general, said he did not favor the taxation of food as a method of giving preference to the colonies. He thought the threat of retaliatory duties to be a strong weapon with which the government might secure wider markets for British trade. He doubted the efficacy of preferential treatment to the end of consolidating the empire, and said he thought an imperial council in which the colonies would have a share in the affairs of the empire would do more to bring about consolidation than any conceivable tariff system.

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OFFICERS IN CLOSE PURSUIT BROTHER OF THE DEAD BANDIT IN CUSTODY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—Crazed by fear of arrest in connection with the robbery of the Manhattan hotel at Point Richmond last Saturday night, George Nottingham, son of a wealthy and prominent resident of Walnut creek, shot and killed himself in the room and his former wife at 120 Noe street this morning. Nottingham, who was also known as William Wills, was a structural iron worker by trade. He has frequently been involved in trouble with the police and was only recently released from San Quentin, where he served one term for highway robbery.

The robbery at Point Richmond was committed by George Nottingham and his brother Walter, and after the robbery of the hotel the two men made their escape, going in the direction of West Berkeley. Deputy Sheriff Mattoza and Lindley were in pursuit of the robbers and started in pursuit as soon as possible.

Battle With Officers. At Munday's saloon, on the corner of San Pablo and University avenues, in West Berkeley, the two deputies met the brothers and Mattoza spoke to them, not suspecting that he had overtaken the men who he was after. The four were in conversation for about two minutes, when suddenly George Nottingham jumped behind his brother, drew two revolvers and opened fire. Mattoza pulled his gun and returned the fire.

The brothers then retreated down University avenue toward the West Berkeley station. Mattoza and Lindley followed closely and kept up the fight. After the battle had covered nearly two blocks the men jumped behind some bushes and made off in the darkness.

Walter Nottingham, the younger of the two men, was arrested at Martinez last night and is now in the city jail. The whereabouts of the elder brother could not be ascertained, although it was suspected that he had made his escape to the east side of the city. Detectives Ryan and Taylor were detailed to keep a close watch for him on this side, and it is supposed that Nottingham, seeing the hopelessness of his escape, was cut off, decided to end his life.

Suicide at Bedside. Early this morning he entered the room of Hatlie Nottingham, his divorced wife, who lived with her father, Thomas Scott, at 120 Noe street, and seated himself on the side of the bed. Learning over her, he kissed his divorced wife and whispered: "Will you forgive me, Hatlie?" Before the startled woman had time to realize what he was going to do, two pistols rang out and the lifeless body of Nottingham fell to the floor, with the blood streaming from two bullet wounds in the left breast.

Nearly crazed by the terrible sight, the woman ran screaming from the room and called for assistance. A physician was called in, but found an examining the body that the man died instantly. The dead man left a note, in which he exhorted his brother to intentional wrongdoing, but he committed the crime and forced his brother to participate in it while he (George) was under the baneful influence of some drink.

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