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ARE THAT THE WEATHER  
WILL BE FAIR TONIGHT  
AND TOMORROW.

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## MORE THAN A DOZEN PERSONS INSTANTLY KILLED IN A DISASTROUS FIRE

### Seven-Story Apartment House in New York Is Destroyed and Members of Twenty-Four Families Have Narrow Escapes From Death—Many Thrilling Rescues Are Made by Firemen, Several of Whom Are Seriously Injured

New York, March 19.—Failure of his family of the police to discover any trace of him, has led to the fear that John W. Simpson, a well-known insurance man, and formerly president of Marietta college, in Ohio, met death in the fire which early today caused the injury of a dozen persons and endangered many others in the seven-story apartment building at 24 Central Park South.

school at Laceyville near here, was arrested today, charged with thrashing Miss Ruth Russell, a 19-year-old girl pupil. The charge was made by Judson Russell, father of the girl, and Keller gave bail. It is alleged that Miss Russell, in a spirit of playfulness, poured some water on Prof. Keller's chair, and when he sat down there was a splash and some discomfort. He thrashed the girl, who is almost as big as he is, until there were black and blue marks upon her body.

Nashville American—And induced Carmack to come to Nashville as its editor. Whether the men were in thorough accord, is a disputed point. Carmack's friends say not. Colonel Cooper swore on the stand that they were close friends until Governor Taylor opposed Carmack for re-election to the senate. This fight was long and bitter. A feature of it was a series of joint debates, and Carmack lost. Cooper supported Taylor, but Robin, the boy who killed the senator, supported the latter.

New York, March 19.—The fire which swept through the seven-story apartment house in West 53rd street near the Hotel Plaza last night was not under control until 1 o'clock this morning and at that hour two persons were missing. They are Prof. Pezaro Simpson, said to have been connected with Marietta college, Ohio, and Margaret Hillhouse, a 11-year-old girl, who lived on the fifth floor with her parents. There is hope that both escaped and were lost in the crowd.

## SHARPE IS A FREE MAN

### Cooper's Fate Undecided—History of Famous Case

Nashville, March 19.—John D. Sharpe was today acquitted of the charge of murdering former United States Senator E. W. Carmack, but the two principal actors in the now famous tragedy, Robin and Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, are still in jail while the jury reported this afternoon that they were unable to agree upon a verdict for father and son, are again in the jury room, whether they were sent by Judge Hart for further consideration of the case.

## TOURIST FOUND DEAD

### Companion in a Dying Condition Raves at His Side

Fernie, B. C., March 19.—Two English tourists were found in a shack near the Great Northern station yesterday, one dead and the other in a dying condition. The first appeared to have been dead for about two days. The other is demented and can give no account of himself or the dead man.

New York, March 19.—More than a dozen persons were instantly killed and members of twenty-four families had narrow escapes from death by fire when a seven-story twin apartment building known as the Fifth Avenue apartments, at 24 Central Park South, was burned early today. The loss is about \$250,000. The building was separated from the Hotel Plaza only by a smaller building and the hotel office was made a hospital for the injured while many wealthy residents of the hotel watched the blazing building from the hotel windows and doors. When the firemen reached the scene, men, women and children were sitting on window ledges or hanging out of the windows gasping for breath, and others, overcome by smoke, were being held in position by their relatives. One girl was standing on a window ledge on the sixth floor preparing to jump into the street despite the warnings of pedestrians who gathered below.

"I will bring in the jury anyhow," said the court. "Bring in the defendants."

There was a hustle and scurrying of deputies through the corridors and the defendants entered. The court room was nearly empty. Mrs. Butch and Mrs. Wilson, pale and wan, were with the Coopers, and Mrs. Sharpe, as always, was at her husband's side. The jury was polled and Judge Hart said:

## KIDNAPED BOY NOT FOUND

### Father Willing to Pay \$10,000 Ransom for His Restoration

Sharon, Pa., March 19.—From reports received this afternoon concerning the kidnaping of William Whittia, it is believed the lad was drugged by his abductors immediately after they had taken him from school and placed him in their buggy. The accounts of several persons who are alleged to have seen the two men and boy driving along the road toward Warren, Ohio, agree that the boy was wrapped in blankets and was apparently asleep on the lap of one of the men.

The injured include: Mrs. Francis Hillhouse, burned about the head, arms and body. Bertha Hulsewath, governess for Mrs. Hillhouse, burned about the body. Mrs. J. W. Simpson, burned about the face, body and legs. Miss Minerva Simpson, aged 20, burned about the feet and legs. Mrs. Margaret Merrill, slightly burned.

"We are hopelessly tied up as to the Coopers," said Foreman Burke, "but we find John Sharpe not guilty."

"You will retire, gentlemen, and reconsider further as to the other defendants. Is there any reason, General McCann, why John Sharpe should not be discharged?"

"None, your honor."

"Mr. Sharpe, you are discharged from custody, acquitted," said the court with a smile.

Washington, March 19.—That there will be a great variety of opinions on the tariff bill when it reaches the senate is now certain.

Reductions on lumber schedules will be stoutly resisted by Senators Frye and Hale, of Maine, and by some of the senators from the Pacific coast and from the extreme northwest. Senators from Minnesota and North and South Dakota will try to secure free lumber instead of the more reduction proposed by the house bill.

On the third floor, the escape of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hillhouse, their son and governess, was cut off by the flames, but firemen carried Mrs. Hillhouse and the governess down the ladders at the front of the building, while Mr. Hillhouse was trying to escape by the rear fire-escape. The ladders at the front had been removed when Mr. Hillhouse came back, and he hung by his hands to the window sill, until firemen again raised the ladders. A hour and a half after the fire started all the floors collapsed and several firemen barely managed to reach the windows as the floors dropped out from under them.

With tears of disappointment in their eyes, the two daughters of Col. Cooper still congratulated the Sharpes heartily and listened in return to the good wishes in their own behalf. As they left the court-room, Reid Sharpe, younger brother of John, received the congratulations of friends and to all he remarked: "This is not the end of this case."

Senator Cummings, of Iowa, declares the tariff should be made still lower, and that he will do everything in his power to obtain further reductions.

It is believed that Minnesota, North and West Virginia, no trace has yet been found of the kidnapers of the 8-year-old son of James P. Whittia, a prominent and wealthy attorney.

MANC INDIANS ARE ON VERGE OF STARVATION  
Los Angeles, Cal., March 19.—Word was received here yesterday from the Warner ranch to the effect that the Indians located near there are on the verge of starvation. The Indians have become so hungry that they are resorting to cattle stealing.

Nashville, Tenn., March.—The Cooper-Sharpe trial just completed, has been one of the most remarkable murder cases in the history of the south, not only because of the prominence of the principals in the tragedy, but because of the reasons that led to the killing.

Senator Aldrich, chairman of the committee on finance, is giving great attention to the bill. He is fully convinced that many changes must be made to render the bill acceptable to the senate.

PRINCIPAL ARRESTED FOR THRASHING A GIRL  
Wilkesbarre, March 19.—Prof. Clayton Keller, principal of the high

the time is too short in this to disregard threats. If money will bring back the boy, I will readily pay the \$10,000."

The mother is prostrated at the Whittia home. She did not sleep last night and today sobs pathetically to her daughter, Salma, 10 years old. The mother refused to allow the girl to go to school today, the same school from which her boy was kidnaped yesterday.

The rig in which the boy was carried away was hired in South Sharon yesterday morning by a short, heavy-set man with a black moustache. He said he wanted to do some collecting and would return at noon.

At noon, a rig was found deserted at Warren, Ohio, which has now been identified as the one engaged by the kidnapers.

### KIDNAPING PUNISHABLE BY LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Pittsburg, March 19.—Preparations are under way to have a law passed by the legislature making kidnaping punishable by life imprisonment.

## TWO WATER TANKS BURST WRECKING PORTION OF PARKERSBURG

### Two Persons Are Killed, Three Fatally and Several Seriously Injured, Ten Houses Completely Wrecked and Forty More Badly Damaged—Church, in Path of Flood, Is Instrumental in Saving Many Lives—Break Is Work of Miscreant

Parkersburg, W. Va., March 19.—Two persons were killed, three others probably fatally, and many more slightly injured, and ten or more houses completely wrecked and forty more badly damaged, when two large water tanks, supplying the city with water, burst early this morning.

The Ann street school was selected for the experiment on account of the urgent need of something of the kind in that district. Although the food served cost about four cents for each child, the expense to each will be only one penny, and this amount will secure as many bowls of soup and as many buns as desired. The penny payment is to instill a spirit of independence in each child. Similar lunch rooms will be established in all other city schools.

Reading Railway, 128 3-4.  
Rock Island Co., 23 1-4.  
Rock Island Co., pfd., 62 3-4.  
Southern Pacific, 118 1-8.  
Southern Railway, 28.  
Union Pacific, 178 1-4.  
United States Steel, 43 7-8.  
United States Steel, pfd., 110 1-8.  
Wabash Railway, 18.  
Western Union, 65.  
Standard Oil company, 651.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Waggle. The bodies were found in the ruins of their home.

The Seriously Injured. Mrs. John Maloney, both legs broken; hurt internally; probably will die. Mrs. Kate Karnes, invalid, badly bruised and shocked; may die. Clara Jones (colored), hurt internally; probably die.

Chicago Livestock  
Chicago, March 19.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 15,000; market steady; beefs \$4.60-7.00; Texas steers \$4.40-5.30; western steers \$4.00-5.40; stockers and feeders \$3.40-5.35; cows and heifers \$1.90-5.50; calves \$3.00-5.00.

Chicago Close  
Chicago, March 19.—Close: Wheat—May \$1.16; July \$1.03 7/8-1/4; Sept. 97 3/4-7/8; Dec. 98 3/4.  
Corn—March 64 1/2; May 66 1/2; July 65 7/8-5/8; Sept. 65 3/4; Dec. 58 3/4.  
Oats—May 54 3/8; July 48 1/2; Sept. 40 1/2-5/8.  
Pork—May and July \$17.60; Sept. \$17.60.  
Lard—May \$10.07 1/2; July \$10.17 1/2-10.20; Sept. \$10.32 1/2-1/4.  
Ribs—May \$9.25; July \$9.40; Sept. \$9.55.  
Rye—Cash 80-81; May 80.  
Barley—Cash 64-70.  
Timothy—March \$3.85.  
Clover—March \$3.75.

## COMMITTS BRUTAL CRIME

### Bairns Wife With Ax, and Almost Severs Her Head From Body,

Culpeper, Va., March 19.—After murdering his wife by braining her with an ax, Henry C. Wheatly, a Culpeper farmer, placed her head on a block of wood and almost completely severed it from the body.

## ATTEMPT TO ROB BANK

### Robbers Terrorize Town But Fail in Efforts to Blow Open Safe

Bald Knob, Ark., March 19.—While some of their number rode about the streets discharging their weapons and holding the populace in terror, others of a band of robbers worked for more than an hour today in an unsuccessful effort to dynamite their way into the vault of the Bank of Bald Knob, abandoning their task after firing nearly a score of blasts, which demolished the outer door of the safe, but failed to force the inner doors. One citizen was wounded in the parting fusillade of the band as they rode away.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF WORLD'S MARKETS

NEW YORK STOCKS.  
Amalgamated Copper, 68 1-8.  
American Car and Foundry, 48 3-8.  
American Locomotive, 50 1-2.  
American Smelting, 81 1-4.  
American Sugar Refining, 103 1-2.  
Anaconda Mining Co., 49 7-8.  
Atchafalaya Railway, 103 1-8.  
Atchafalaya Railway, pfd., 102 3-4.  
Baltimore and Ohio, 107 5-8.  
Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 71 3-4.  
Canadian Pacific, 167 1-2.  
Chesapeake and Ohio, 69 3-8.  
Chicago Northwestern, 177 3-4.  
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul, 144 1-8.  
Colorado Fuel and Iron, 32 3-8.  
Colorado and Southern, 68.  
Delaware and Hudson, 173 1-2.  
Denver and Rio Grande, 44 1-8.  
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd., 84 1-2.  
Erie Railway, 23 7-8.  
Great Northern, pfd., 140 7-8.  
Great Northern Ore Cuts, 65 3-4.  
Illinois Central, 142.  
New York Central, 124 3-8.

## INAUGURATION OF PENNY LUNCH AT SCHOOLS

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## COURT MARTIAL TO TRY CAPTAIN H. A. SCVERT

Manila, March 19.—A court martial has been appointed to try Captain H. A. Scvert, of the Ninth Cavalry for alleged irregularities in his accounts which were post quartermaster at Camp McGrath. Colonel Jacob A. Augur will be president of the court. The court martial which has been sitting on the case of Major Charles J. Clarke of the 26th Infantry has resumed the taking of testimony, and it is expected that the trial will be concluded shortly.