

TRACTION CONDUCTOR ROBERT STEWART IS SUICIDE WITH ACID

Falls Dead along a Bank of Elk Creek Near Haymond Heights.

CAUSE IS UNKNOWN

Acts Queerly and is Off Duty on Broad Oaks Line a Few Days.

Robert Stewart, a Broad Oaks street car conductor, committed suicide at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning on the Elk creek bank near Haymond Heights by swallowing a large quantity of carbolic acid.

The man was seen by a colored fellow to fall and the latter gave the alarm. Two physicians hurried to the scene to find Stewart dead. At first a woman named Goldie Costello reported that she had seen the negro strike Stewart with a rock but there were no evidences of that.

The doctors found Stewart lying on his face. They turned him over to examine his heart and found his mouth and throat badly burned. Carbolic acid odor was detected and the burns indicated that it had been used. In a search a bottle cork was found about 100 feet from the body, but no bottle could be found. It is supposed that after swallowing the acid, Stewart threw the bottle into the creek. Death must have come within two or three minutes after he swallowed the acid.

Dr. S. M. Mason, coroner, was called and he began an investigation into the death of Mr. Stewart. The coroner states that there seems to be no question about how he came to his death at his own hand. But as his watch was missing, he is undertaking to ascertain where it went and whether the colored fellow, whose name is unknown, stole it after Stewart fell. Money to the amount of \$11 was found in Stewart's clothes, practically all he was known to have had in his possession. Coroner Mason is also trying to learn where the carbolic acid was purchased. It is possible that he may empanel a jury in the case.

For several days Mr. Stewart had been off duty and had just returned from a visit to his parents at Overfield. Tuesday morning at 5 o'clock he left his home at stop, No. 11, at Broad Oaks, presumably to go to work but he did not report for duty and he was seen wandering in the eastern section of the city, although no one suspected that he had any intention of ending his life.

For a year or more he had been in bad health, threatened he believed, with consumption, and this appears to have preyed on his mind and doubtless led up to his act of suicide.

Mr. Stewart was 40 years old. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stewart, of Overfield, and married, his wife being Miss Florence Reed, daughter of Fielding Reed, before her

FRIENDS URGE HIM FOR CABINET PLACE



Harry C. Garber.

Harry C. Garber, at one time Democratic national committeeman from Ohio and a power in Ohio Democratic politics, is being urged by his friends for a place in the Wilson cabinet. It is believed that Wilson may go to Ohio for one of his cabinet members, and he is said to regard Garber with favor.

marriage to him. The parents and wife survive as well as three brothers, namely, Hode B., of this city; Stephen, of Overfield; and Scott, residing up Elk creek in this county.

The unfortunate man had been in the employ of the local traction company six or seven years, and he was a popular conductor who enjoyed the esteem of the company and the public.

HURRICANE

On the New Foundland Coast Causes Trouble to Steamships.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 1.—With a Hurricane which has swept the New Foundland coast for nearly a week still raging, the steamer, Nevada, is long overdue. It has on board a crew of thirty men.

Four fishermen were drowned at Fichot island and the schooner, Ambition, put into a little port of St. Lawrence last night with the word that its captain had been washed overboard.

TWO CARS OF PRUNES SENT BY PARCEL POST BY SAN JOSE

That City Hopes to Hold the County's Record for the Day.

SAN JOSE, Calif., Jan. 1.—Residents of San Jose are hopeful that for this day their city will hold the country's record for the parcels post. Among other things two car loads of prunes done up in packages were sent out on early trains to all parts of the country, each package containing directions for cooking the prunes.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—Fifty-eight souvenir spoons engraved to represent the forty-eight states of the Union and the insular possessions, a gift from former Postmaster General Wannamaker to President Taft, were contained in the first package sent by parcels post from Philadelphia today. An elaborate reception attended by prominent state and city officials preceded the ceremony.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 1.—The silver loving cup sent by Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock to Postmaster Morgan in New York City was the first package shipped by parcels post in this country. The loving cup was posted at Washington early this morning and after the shipment was weighed and the necessary stamps placed on it, the shipment left Washington on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad on St. Louis and New York express train, No. 512, which left Washington at 2:45 a. m.

The loving cup was delivered at the New York postoffice at 8:30 and (Continued on page five.)

CHILD DIES.

The four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Haddock died at their home at Wilsonburg Wednesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock after a short illness of double pneumonia. The funeral arrangements have not been completed as yet.

SOLONS

May Not Organize Glasscock's Special Session of Legislature At All.

CHARLESTON, Jun. 1.—Al though both parties of the Senate and House have held a number of conferences during the last twenty-four hours no action has been taken in any of them.

Tonight the Republicans of the House will caucus on the House organization. The Democrats House organization will also hold one, while the Republican senators will do likewise rather late this afternoon or evening but the Democratic senators will probably defer their caucus until tomorrow on account of the absence of Senator Kidd whose daughter and niece are ill.

G. M. Seibert, of Berkeley, will be the Democratic caucus nominee for speaker and M. M. Neely of Marion for clerk. W. Taylor George, of Barbour looks a sure winner on the Republican side with Stanley Hodges of Pemberton for clerk, although Guy Pritchard of Marion has a good following. Hodges's previous experience as assistant clerk has been helpful to him.

The presidency of the Senate points to Hearne with McCrum or Hood as second choice.

The Democrats will name either Preston or French. Indications, however, are strong that there will be no organization of the Senate until January 8, the date for the beginning of the regular session. All the candidates for United States senator had increased their force of workers today. Like the Republicans the Democrats are not likely to caucus on the senatorial matter.

BIG FIRE

Rages in the Wholesale and Office District of St. Louis.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 1.—Fire in the wholesale and office district here today resulted in a property loss of \$560,000. The fire started in the New York Life Insurance Company's building annex.

CRAZY MAN TRIES TO SLAY HIMSELF

STARTS REVOLUTION IN GAY OLD GOTHAM



Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish.

Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, a leader of New York society, has started a social revolution in Gotham. She insists that late hours and dissipation on the part of the young folks must cease. The social functions over which she presides come to an end at midnight. "The frivolity," says Mrs. Fish, "the utter lack of religious feeling, the wildness of some of our fashionable leaders is certainly leading toward a social revolution. If something is not done soon I don't know where we will be. And in particular our American society is becoming materialistic and vulgarized."

CAUCUS

Of Republican Legislators is to Be Held at Capital Tonight.

HEARNE IS LEADING In the Contest for the Presidency of the State Senate.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 1.—The preliminary skirmishes that will mark the formal opening of the 1913 session of the legislature, beginning with the special session Thursday, started in earnest today. With practically all of the law makers on the ground, party leaders are beginning to round up their forces preparatory to effecting an organization. Conferences of the Republican members of the House were scheduled for today, to be followed tonight by the regular caucus. The Republican fifteen in the Senate will also get together in order to discuss the probabilities of retaining a complete Republican administration of state affairs to accomplish which makes necessary the election of a Republican president to the Senate. Indications, however, are that it will be Thursday morning before the Republican senators go into caucus.

The House Democrats have issued a caucus call for today. Septimus Hall of Wetzel and former speaker Wetzel of Jefferson have declined the minority honor for speaker and it was practically decided to throw it to C. M. Seibert, of Berkeley county, one of Watson's strongest supporters at the 1911 session. The selection carries with it the designation of minority floor leader. With the announcement that Scherr of Kanawha would take up the fight anew the speakership fight which will be decided tonight assumes a three cornered appearance, between Scherr, Duty, of Ritchie and George of Barbour county. Penwell of Wood has withdrawn in favor of Duty.

Joseph H. Miller, a prominent young business man of Morgantown was a guest of Samuel R. Bentley Tuesday night.

Claude B. Cutright Attempts to Commit Suicide in County Jail Cell.

BROKEN PLATE USED Cuts His Throat on Both Sides and Severs a Jugular Vein.

Claude B. Cutright, formerly a prominent lumber dealer and insurance agent of the city, who was adjudged insane and committed last Friday to the state hospital for the insane at Weston by Justice G. H. Gordon, is suffering from wounds but not fatal cuts in his throat, which were inflicted by himself Tuesday evening in the county jail with a piece of broken plate. Attending physicians say he will recover provided he does no further injury to himself. He is in St. Mary's hospital.

The plate with which Mr. Cutright attempted to commit suicide was sent to him with a dinner in a basket from his family at their home on Fifth street, Glen Elk. He broke the plate into three or four large pieces and with a triangular piece that had a sharp point he plunged it into his throat several times on both the left and right sides. A wound about an inch long was inflicted on the left side and a deep, jagged cut about three inches long on the right, where the external jugular vein was severed. Prisoners in adjoining cells heard Cutright break the plate and thinking he might harm himself with it called for help. Attendants promptly responded and found Cutright upon the floor of his cell weltering in a pool of his blood. Physicians were hurriedly summoned and they staunching the wounds, dressed them temporarily and had the patient removed at once to the hospital, where further treatment was rendered.

Mr. Cutright has been violent at times since he was placed in the jail. A day or two after he was incarcerated there he was taken to the hospital for treatment, but he became so violent there that he could not be managed and he was taken back to the jail. At times three or four men had to hold him.

The necessary papers committing him to the insane asylum had been forwarded by Justice Gordon to the authorities of that institution and had been returned with the proper acceptance and indorsement required for the admission of a patient. It was planned to take him from the jail to the hospital Wednesday or Thursday. He will not be taken there now until he sufficiently recovers from his wounds.

OIL WELL

Drilling in Various Sections of This County is Quite Active Now.

Near Wallace, Sardis district, this county, the South Penn Oil Company's No. 7 on the J. B. Whiteman farm is still drilling in the sand and has filled up 1,000 feet with fluid.

On the West Fork river, Clay district, the Bull Moose Oil Company's test on the F. C. Richardson lot, located east of No. 9 on the Lucas Brothers farm is producing 1,200 barrels a day. The Philadelphia Company's Nos. 8 and 9 on the Lucas Brothers farm are holding up at 500 barrels a day.

On Turtle Tree Fork, Tenmile district, Chidester and Davison are down 1,200 feet at a test on the Millie Morris farm and fishing for a string of tools. On the West Fork river, Union district, C. A. Batchelor has made the location for a test on the James K. Lowther farm. On the same stream in Eagle district, Manion and Company have started to drill a test on the W. C. Hursey farm. On Rook Camp run, Sardis district, C. A. Barren is due in the sand at a test on the F. L. Swiger farm. In the same locality, the Vesper Oil Company is drilling a test on the R. C. and W. L. Perry farm.

PROCESS SERVERS FOR THE CONGRESS ARE STILL EVADED

TO TESTIFY BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE



Gen. Louis Mena.

General Luis Mena, leader of the recent revolution in Nicaraguan outbreak. Mena was detained by U. S. officials in Panama after his surrender, and has only recently been released.

An Order May Be Issued to Break into Rockefeller's Homes.

SAID TO BE ABSENT

Report Has It That He is at the Home of His Son at Greenwich.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—After an all night watch by forty-eight deputy sergeants-at-arms of Congress at the Tarrytown and Fifth avenue homes of William Rockefeller, it was declared today that a formal report would be made today to Congress that Rockefeller was deliberately evading the process servers who seek to subpoena him before the money trust investigation committee.

It is forty-four days since the subpoena was issued for Rockefeller. Sargeant-at-arms Riddell said that if the House is convinced that Rockefeller is deliberately evading service, it would be within its power to issue an attachment enabling him to break into the Rockefeller home to find him.

It was reported, however, that Rockefeller was in neither of his homes but with his son at Greenwich, Conn.

SOCIALISTS

Have a Ticket in the Field at Adamston for the Election Tomorrow.

Adamston Socialists have nominated the following Adamston ticket for the election there tomorrow:

Samuel Powell for mayor, Clarence Kidd for recorder and Dr. E. E. Leason, Clarence Baxter, Harry Bohman, Barnie Kernan and John Frazier for councilmen.

LABOR CONVICTS

Are Formally Enrolled at the Federal Prison at Leavenworth Today.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Jan. 1.—The thirty-three labor union officers sentenced at Indianapolis for complicity in the McNamara dynamite plots arrived at the federal prison here this morning. They were immediately photographed, dressed in penitentiary clothes, and formally enrolled as convicts.

IN LUCK

Is John M. Knox, Clarksburg's Popular Collector and Treasurer.

John M. Knox, city collector and treasurer, is in luck. He owns the lease on four and a half acres near the fifteen-hundred-barrel oil well recently drilled by the Bull Moose Oil and Gas Company north of Shinnston, and there is great demand for stock. He has sold many of the sixty shares and is now offering the residue at \$100 a share.

ENTOMBED

Miners Will Be Reached before Nightfall by a Rescue Crew.

TAMAQUA, Pa., Jan. 1.—Nine men entombed in the East Lehigh Coal Company's mine here yesterday by a rush of water from an abandoned working were still imprisoned today, but a rescue crew hopes to reach them before nightfall. Through a system of rappings they have made known that they are well.

STATE TROOPS MAY BE CALLED AGAIN

NEW YEAR

Is Ushered in with Roar of Whistles and Ring of Church Bells.

It is 1913. The new year got in on schedule time, promptly at midnight this morning.

And there was the usual ringing of church bells and blowing of factory and railroad engine whistles. Then there were the usual good wishes, all around, among those who had remained up to watch the old year out and the new in.

WAR

Will Be Resumed by the Allies a Peace Envoy Declares Today.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A meeting of the Balkan peace conference was interrupted today by Bulgarian minister Majoroff rising and leaving the room after making the statement that he was going to the British foreign office to inform the authorities that the allies were going to resume war.

John S. Cork, who is engaged in business in Toledo, O., returned here Tuesday night after spending the holiday season with his family here.

ROWDIES

Invade Church at Early Mass and Terrorize the Congregation.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 1.—A trio of drunken rowdies armed with revolvers invaded the Corpus Christi church at Newport, Ky., this morning, and terrorized the congregation at early mass. The Rev. VonMeir, rector, quieted the people and after a struggle men of the congregation disarmed and captured the ruffians.

NAME OF BROTHER FORGED TO CHECK

According to a Warrant Sworn Out by Kearns against Saterfield.

Constable Thomas R. Kearns went to Fairmont Tuesday where he arrested Frederick B. Saterfield upon a warrant sworn out by himself before Justice J. V. Carter charging Saterfield with forging his brother, A. L. Saterfield's, name to a check and giving it to him in payment for a debt. Saterfield waived examination and was held for the next criminal court which will meet in March. Saterfield lived in Clarksburg for several years and was renting a house in the East End of Hugh F. Burke. He owed Mr. Burke \$37.50 rent and as it was believed that he was to leave the city Mr. Burke placed the claim in Constable Kearns's hands for collection. Constable Kearns approached Saterfield for the money. He gave him a check for \$45, Mr. Kearns giving him \$7.50 in change. When the check went to the bank it was found to be a forgery and Constable Kearns acted as stated.

OFFICERS

Are Chosen for the Year by Northcott Camp of Modern Woodmen of America.

Officers to serve the ensuing year were chosen by Northcott Camp, No. 5748, of the Modern Woodmen of the World at a meeting Tuesday night in the Williams hall on Second street, as follows:

Consul, A. J. Smallwood; adviser, C. H. Ross; banker, R. E. Bailey; clerk, J. M. Coburn; escort, J. M. Windom; watchman, W. W. Mills; sentry, W. L. Baker; trustee, W. A. Fletcher.

Other camp business was also transacted. There was a good attendance of members and much interest was taken in the election.

JUDGE FAULKNER

Retires from the Circuit Court Bench after Long Period of Service.

MARTINSBURG, Jan. 1.—After having served as Judge of the Eleventh circuit for the last twenty-one years, the Hon. E. Boyd Faulkner, of Martinsburg, distinguished as one of the ablest jurists in this section of the east, today retired from office, and today was succeeded on the bench of this circuit by John Mitchell Woods, of this city.

ELECTIONS TOMORROW.

Town elections will be held at Adamston, Shinnston, Lumberport, Bridgeport, Broad Oaks, Stealy Heights and Northview tomorrow. The officers elected then will assume office February 1.