

A WEEK'S HISTORY

The Important Happenings of a Week Briefly Told.

IN ALL PARTS OF THE UNION

All the Latest News of Interest from Washington, From the East, the West and the South.

THE LATEST FOREIGN DISPATCHES

FROM WASHINGTON.

Physicians' bills for attending President McKinley, for which congress appropriated \$45,000, will be paid at once.

The crop reports of the government show progress of corn favorable and winter wheat harvest nearly finished.

In the canal treaty to be drawn between the United States and Colombia, this government will incorporate provisions for mining stations.

The newly appointed minister to Washington, Liang Chen Tung, says he likes his new post and lauds America for fair dealing in the recent troubles in China.

President Roosevelt has issued an order barring political "pulls" and influence in securing discharges of enlisted men from the navy.

Gen. J. H. Smith, recently returned from the Philippines, has been placed on the retired list, having reached the age of 67 years.

The letter of General General Bagg to his wife reflecting on Colons is likely to cause his recall from Havana.

At the age of 75 years Gen. Charles B. Smith, United States army, retired, died in Washington.

In his final note of instruction to Gov. Taft Secretary Root wants the vatican assured that the removal of the friars from the Philippines is demanded only to meet wishes of Philippine Roman Catholics.

In the rolling mill mine near Johnston, Pa., where the fatal explosion occurred, work has been resumed.

For the arctic regions the Peary relief steamer Windward sailed from New York.

A girl named Emma H. King, inoculated with bovine tubercle bacilli by Dr. George D. Harvey, to prove consumption would result, died at Shipport, N. H.

In a collision at the Erie (Pa.) docks the revenue cutter Michigan was badly battered.

Miss Nina A. Phillips, a refined and well-read girl, committed suicide by jumping into the rapids at Niagara Falls.

The Baltimore baseball club has deserted the American league and sold out to Andrew Freedman, of New York.

In Vermont the local option league has nominated P. M. Clement, of Rutland, for governor.

On the builders' trial trip the new battleship Maine broke the world's speed record for battleships, registering 19.35 knots an hour.

Carthage has promised to give \$100,000 toward the \$250,000 needed to secure a highway of 650,000 ft.

Two Harvard students and 12 girls drowned by the capsizing of a boat in the Isles of Shoals, off New Hampshire.

WEST AND SOUTH.

In Chicago the big bull campaign in corn came to an end, the price slumping badly on the last day.

Democrats in the Eleventh Indiana district have nominated John C. Nelson for congress.

In Minnesota and North Dakota tornadoes have caused a loss of \$2,000,000 in crops and property.

A mob took William Ody, a negro, who attempted to assault Miss Virginia Tucker, a white girl, and burned him at the stake at Clayton, Miss.

Republicans of Wyoming have nominated Gov. De Forest Richards and all the other present state officials.

At Chicago a tidal wave swept Lake Michigan and covered breakwaters and beach structures, were shaken, and small boats thrown ashore.

The strike of freight handlers which has almost paralyzed Chicago business for the last ten days came to an end by the men voting to return to work.

The republicans have nominated H. O. Young for congress in the Twelfth Michigan district.

The Wisconsin republicans in convention at Madison adopted a platform endorsing the reelection of United States Senator Spooner and the administrations of President Roosevelt and Gov. La Follette.

For the seventh time John F. Lacey has been nominated for congress by the republicans of the Sixth district Iowa.

At Park City, Utah, two powder magazines of the Baby-West mine exploded and over 30 lives were lost.

The republicans in the Twenty-third Illinois district have nominated Joseph H. Crowley for congress.

The Texas democrats have nominated S. W. E. Latham, of Parker county, for governor.

The Michigan republicans have repudiated congressmen who fought Cuban reciprocity; Shelden H. C. Smith, Weeks and Apfin failed to get renomination.

STRONG AGAINST A STRIKE

The Sentiment of the Indianapolis Convention, and Danger of a Strike in Over.

THERE IS NO CHANCE FOR A WALKOUT.

The Question Whether the Assessment Recommended by President Mitchell For Anthracite Miners Be Used for Striking Situations.

Miners Cause Warm Discussion.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 15.—Friday morning the sentiment among the delegates to the miners' convention was fully as strong as ever against a strike, and all danger of such an event is now passed.

The anthracite men favoring a strike admitted that there was no chance of a walkout.

They were hopeless Thursday night when a majority of their own men were opposed to a strike, and Friday morning they came into the convention determined to stand as a unit by the recommendations of President Mitchell.

The report of the committee on credentials was finished, announcing that there were 2,253 voters in the convention.

President Haskins, of Ohio, moved to amend the recommendation regarding the application of the relief fund to cover all existing strikes that had no enforcement of the executive board.

President Mitchell announced that all existing strikes were being cared for.

Vice-President Lewis asked that the convention go into executive session to discuss the assessment proposed, and it was decided that the afternoon session should be of an executive character.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 15.—At the conclusion of a secret session which lasted the entire afternoon, the recommendations of President Mitchell for the management of the anthracite strike were referred to a special committee which is to report back to the convention when it meets tomorrow morning.

This committee consists of President Mitchell, Vice-President Lewis, Secretary Wilson and the president of each district which is taking part in the convention. There is little doubt that the committee will urge the adoption of the resolution fixing the rate of assessment at ten per cent, or higher.

At the opening of the executive session Vice-President Lewis took the floor and delivered an energetic speech in which he recommended that the rate of assessment be fixed at ten per cent, and that the fund to be raised for the aid of the anthracite miners be extended to all of the striking miners where their strike has been sanctioned by the general organization.

He thought all the strikes should be taken care of in like manner.

President Mitchell then took the floor to speak for the adoption of the recommendation made in his speech of yesterday. He told the convention that he believed in the north-south fund, and it would be so depleted as to fall entirely of its purpose.

Mr. Mitchell assured the convention that he had no objection to the rate of assessment being fixed at ten per cent, and that the fund to be raised would be made up of the same sum.

This will leave us \$250,000 to raise each week from outside sources, and from the promises and offers that have been made us we are confident we will be able to do this.

To-morrow morning the convention will be informed by the Illinois delegation that the miners of that state have voted a donation of \$50,000 to the cause of the anthracite strike. The money will be available at once.

IN THE FAMILY OF NATIONS.

A Significant Telegram From Mr. Squires, American Minister to the Republic of Cuba.

Washington, July 15.—The new government of Cuba is being rapidly established in the family of nations.

A cablegram received at the state department from Mr. Squires, our minister at Havana, says that up to date the republic of Cuba has been formally proclaimed by the United States, Great Britain, France, Spain, Switzerland, Haiti, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Guatemala.

Both Players Killed in a Fight.

Metropolis, Ill., July 15.—Sam Faughn, a professional football player, was shot and killed in a street fight before an immense crowd Friday by Jaeger Abbott, of Rock Hill. The shooting occurred near the Julian hotel about 30 p. m. while the streets were packed with visitors attending the street fair and carnival.

Abbott, it is said, was intoxicated and made his way to the hotel before some women in the hotel. Faughn tried to quiet him, when Abbott drew a pistol and shot him in the chest.

TO BUILD A ROAD IN CHINA.

The American-China Development Co. Will Issue \$40,000,000 5 Per Cent Gold Bonds.

AMERICA WILL FURNISH SUPPLIES

The Road Will Connect Canton With Hainan, and Will Traverse a Country With a Population Twice as Great as United States.

New York, July 15.—It is learned from an authoritative source, says the Journal of Commerce, that tentative arrangements have been made for placing the \$40,000,000 in bonds which the American-China Development Co. has been authorized to issue by imperial decree of the Chinese government.

These bonds are for the purpose of completing the railroad between Han-Kow and Canton. It will be a matter of several months before the bonds can be engraved and ready for delivery, and it is hardly considered probable that the transaction involving their sale will be completed within a year.

There is, therefore, little indication of any very active physical work in the completion of the new road, though the direct stimulus of the bond issue. It can be learned whether the entire issue of bonds will be taken in this country or whether European subscriptions will be invited. It is considered probable, however, that the issue will have an international character, as the board of directors of the American-China Development Co. has foreign members.

The necessary funds with which to begin the practical work of building the first section of the road were subscribed by the stockholders some time ago, and were deposited with J. P. Morgan & Co. The new bonds are a gold issue, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent, and running for 30 years.

A highly important feature of the enterprise is the large amount of equipment and supplies which will be authorized to be placed in this country, this being the cheapest market. The railroad is to be virtually a continuation of the Lu-Han line. The objective point of the road is Han-Kow, which has been aptly described as the "Chicago of China." Although divided from the adjoining town of Hanyang by the Han river, and from Wu-chang, which is the capital of the province, but the waters of the Yangtze river.

Han-Kow constitutes, with its neighboring cities, one of the great centers of population numbering considerably over two million souls.

By THEIR DESERTS.

An Illinois Woman Kills Husband and Brother-in-Law—Shooting Was Done in Self-Defense.

Carbondale, Ill., July 15.—The Jaubert brothers, who operated a small coal mine near Carbondale, were both shot to death at their home early today morning by the wife of one of them.

They had returned about eleven o'clock, intoxicated, and the husband demanded his supper. Mrs. Jaubert began his preparation, and her husband followed, broke in the door and renewed the assault, whereupon the infuriated wife fired three shots into his body, one passing through his heart, causing his instant death.

The brother, who was a witness to the tragedy, attempted to strike the woman, whereupon Mrs. Jaubert emptied the two remaining chambers of the revolver into his body, inflicting a wound from which he died shortly afterward.

The scene of the tragedy and the floor of the house presented a terrible sight. The woman gave the alarm and surrendered to the officers.

This morning Coroner E. E. Kane inquired a jury, who, after hearing the evidence, exonerated the wife. The brothers have been noted for their brutal ways, and the wife has for years stood the abuse that a drunken husband was wont to inflict.

BY THE KING'S COMMAND.

Official Notice That the Coronation of King and Queen Will Take Place August 9.

London, July 15.—An official notice was issued this morning that by the king's command the coronation of King Edward and Queen Alexandra will take place August 9. Rehearsals of the procession from Buckingham palace to Westminster abbey took place Thursday morning, and the officials of the various state departments are again busy with preparations for the crowning.

Dependent Girl Kills Herself.

St. Louis, July 15.—Maud McManus, aged 15, No. 124 Olive street, swallowed carbolic acid and died at the city hospital. On a photograph of her sweetheart, Frank Miller, was written "I'll die with you." She was dependent.

A Russian Tailor's Crime.

New York, July 15.—Hyman Hoffman, a Russian tailor, shot his wife Sophie through the mouth and then killed himself by swallowing carbolic acid. Mrs. Hoffman is dying in a hospital.

Found Dead in New Mexico.

Santa Rosa, N. M., July 15.—The unknown man found dead here June 20, supposed to have been murdered, has been identified as W. H. Graham, of Sheridan.

Jealous Wren Still Burning.

Jennings, La., July 15.—Little progress has been made toward extinguishing the fire at the Jennings well, and it continues to burn with all the fury that it did on last Tuesday night.

Typewriter Thief Gets Four Years.

Kansas City, Mo., July 15.—Harry Mercer, a typewriter thief, who has operated in several western states, was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. He pleaded his own case.

MISSOURI LAND SALES.

Missouri Land Sale.

Bill was filed in the circuit court at Kansas City in a land case involving some \$40,000. The petition is signed by Anna and G. E. Bishop, of Grain Valley, and is against Bettie and George Jennings. It asks that a deed made by W. R. Bishop, conveying the defendants land, which he deeded to them in October last, when he was 85 years old, be set aside. Bishop was living with Bettie Jennings, his niece, and in consideration of her care and attention so long as he might live and her erecting a monument over his grave when he died, he deeded her 296.91 acres in Jackson county, and 300 acres in Lafayette county, with some lots in the town of Grain Valley. The whole is estimated at worth \$40,000. Bishop died last May. The suit states that the deed was given under undue influence, the signer being old and of weakened mind. The property is said to be of much greater value than was the service rendered. The plaintiffs are children of Bishop's brother.

Recent Deaths.

James H. Brooks, one of the best known men in central Missouri, at the home of his brother at New Madrid, Mo., died at 70.

Mrs. Elsie Bridges Krein, aged 70, who was once one of the celebrated actresses of the country, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Winona Bridges, in Kansas City.

Dr. Hiram T. Bargrave, at Polo, aged 38, of typhoid fever.

H. W. Moore, a prominent business man of Palmyra.

J. C. Chiswell, at Marshall, aged 60. Joseph Maurer, at Armstrong, aged 41.

Mrs. H. G. Heathman, at Higbee, aged 81.

Mrs. Rebecca Howard, aged 95, at Centralia. She had lived in the same house in which she died for 93 years.

Fred Knight, aged 25, at Higbee.

Field on General Principles.

Headley Louis Gorton, a notorious criminal, whose principal work has been along the line of train robberies and stage hold-ups in southern California, was arrested by detectives in Kansas City. The Kansas City police had nothing against Gorton, but arrested him on general principles, and had instituted inquiries to see if he was wanted elsewhere. Gorton's most notable feat was the holding up, with the aid of a companion, of a Southern Pacific passenger train at Chippewah Gap, California, in 1888. The robbery netted the highwaymen \$6,000. Gorton was arrested in Kansas City some ten years in San Quentin penitentiary.

Western Spreads, Corn Ruined.

South Boone county farmers report that in spite of the damage to work and rain the wheat fields are yielding from 22 to 32 bushels to the acre. The crop is one of the best that has been harvested in many years. Along with these favorable reports comes the news that the low bottom lands are under water, and the corn crop in these bottoms has been practically ruined. Crops on the high bottoms have been greatly injured by the overflow. Several islands in the river have also been overflowed and a number of people have been compelled to move to main land.

Two Children Drowned.

Two sons of Charles Lewis, aged six and eight years, respectively, were drowned in Boone Female creek, near Rutland, Boone county. The children, with an older brother, were playing near a deep pool in the creek, when all three fell in. Their father was threshing in an adjoining field. He saw the children fall in and hastened to their rescue. He managed to save the eldest boy, who is 11 years old, but was unable to save the younger children.

Stolen from Cemetery.

A burglar-proof vault, designed to contain the remains of H. W. Moore, a prominent citizen of Palmyra, was stolen from the cemetery in that town. The vault was taken to the cemetery and placed near the grave. Shortly before the hour of the funeral the vault was missed. Its disappearance is shrouded in mystery.

Hotel-Kepper Arrested.

James T. Howell, proprietor of a hotel at Oregon, was arrested on the charge of sending obscene letters through the mails. He waived preliminary hearing, and gave bail for his appearance at the next term of the federal court.

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Cloudburst at Mokone.

A cloudburst caused considerable damage at Mokone. The lower rooms of many houses were flooded, and occupants moved into upper stories.

Largest Man in Missouri.

Thomas Bader, the largest man in central Missouri—497 pounds—died in Mexico. The body and casket together weighed nearly half a ton.

Killed by a Fall.

Louis Edmonson, a prosperous farmer near Nixonton, fell from his hayloft and was killed. The coroner's jury said death was accidental.

Veteran Sentenced.

At Lebanon, Harry Armstrong, a Spanish-American war veteran, was fined \$10 and sentenced to 30 days in jail for wife-beating.

Gambler Committed Suicide.

Daniel M. Murphy, a gambler, whose home was in Galveston, Tex., committed suicide in Forest park, St. Louis, by shooting.

Severe Storm in Saline County.

A severe wind, rain and hail storm passed over Saline county, doing considerable damage to corn, wheat, oats and gardens.

They Struck Gas.

While boring for water in one of the principal business streets at New Franklin, the prospectors struck a natural gas well.

High Water at St. Louis.

The Mississippi river is higher at St. Louis than it has been for several years.

MISSOURI CROPS.

Rain Is Needed in Southeastern Counties.

Columbia, Mo., July 17.—The United States department of agriculture, climate and crop bulletin of the weather bureau, Missouri section, for the week ending July 14, says:

In the northern sections of the state, the past week averaged somewhat cooler than usual, but in the central and southern sections, the mean temperature was very near the normal. There was about the average amount of sunshine in the central and northern sections. The precipitation of the week exceeded 1 inch over the northwest section, the northern portions of the central and south-west sections, the western portion of the northeast section, and portions of the northwest section receiving from 2 to over 4 inches, but over the eastern and southern counties it was generally light, and in portions of the southeast section there was none. In a number of the extreme southeastern counties rain is needed.

The principal farm work of the week has been the stacking and threshing of wheat and the cutting of oats and hay, and in a majority of the northern and western counties it has been retarded to a greater or less extent by showers, and some further damage has been done to grain in shock and also to that yet standing in the fields. The damage has not been great, however, except in a few localities. In a few of the extreme northwestern counties considerable wheat still remains uncut, it having been impossible to get into the fields with machines. Oat harvest has progressed as rapidly as the weather would permit, and while there has been considerable loss in some localities, the bulk of the crop has been put in shock in fair condition. Much damage by rust is reported in a few counties. In the southeastern and extreme southern counties the weather has been very favorable and work has progressed rapidly. Threshing returns continue to show heavy yields of wheat, but in many places the quality has been impaired to some extent by the frequent rains. In the northwestern and western sections, a considerable portion of the corn crop has not received the cultivation it should have had and many fields are very weedy; but nevertheless the crop is doing well, and is getting ready for earing well. In the extreme southern counties some of the earliest fields are now in the roasting ear stage. In a few of the extreme northwestern counties some corn has been seriously damaged by excessive rains and the flooding of lowlands, while in a number of the southern and extreme southern counties the crop is needing rain, reports of being being received from Pemisot county. Cotton is also suffering for rain in Pemisot county and is shedding, but in New Madrid county it is doing finely. Flax, in the north and west, is doing well, and some has been cut. Kaffir corn, sorghum, cow peas, millet and tobacco are doing well. Pastures continue in good condition, but in some localities in the southeast section stock water is becoming scarce. Early potato crops are ripening, and potatoes in the southern counties there is some complaint that they are rotting. Apples are not dropping as badly as they were, and reports indicate that what are left will be of good quality.

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ANOTHER BOXER MOVEMENT.

A Rumor in St. Petersburg That Mongolia Will Ask For Russian Protection.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—A recurrence of the Boxer movement in China is feared by the Sejet, which is in receipt of private information to the effect that Boxer agents are swarming over Mongolia. The mass of the population is in sympathy with the Boxers, while the Lamaites are in sympathy with Russia. Rumors are in circulation in Mongolia that the Lamaites will petition the Russian government to extend its protection to them. Mongolia remained quiet throughout the recent Boxer massacre in China.

A Gift From J. Pierpont Morgan.

New York, July 15.—J. Pierpont Morgan has sent to the American Museum of Natural History in this city two of the most magnificent sapphires in the world, says the Times. They are to be added to the collection donated by him to the institution. The two latest additions are a star sapphire, probably the largest in the world, and a yellow sapphire.

Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Denver, Col., July 15.—With a parade and pontifical high mass, the 15th annual convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians began here.

IN AND ABOUT PARIS.

As many of the Paris hospitals are not up to modern requirements, it is proposed to pull them down and build new ones. The cost would be \$15,000,000.

Newspaper editing has its difficulties in Paris. The France, a local journal, is reduced to accepting casual and amateur assistance by the fact that all its professional editors are imprisoned in fortresses for less majesty.

A French physician has ascertained by experiment that smoking is of use to medical men exposed to infectious diseases. It has no effect on typhoid germs, but it greatly retards the growth of the bacilli of influenza, diphtheria and tuberculosis.

Severe storms and a fine system of sewer tunnels, a confining labyrinth of galleries runs for miles under north Paris, in which the mushroom farmer has only entrance by the rude and insecure ladder dangling loosely in the center of the pit, by which access to the farm is gained.

RAIN IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH-EASTERN COUNTIES.

Heavy Rains in Central Iowa Have Ruined Crops.

Keokuk, Ia., July 15.—Heavy rains in central Iowa, Thursday and Friday are sending a flood down upon prosperous Missouri farmers which will ruin many of them and cause losses aggregating, at a conservative estimate, two and a half million dollars. There seems to be no hope for the country between the Mississippi river and the Missouri bluffs between Keokuk and Hannibal, 300 square miles, mostly planted to corn, with some thousands of acres of wheat in the shock. The water had touched the larger line the first of the week and had begun to recede when heavy floods started again in the Des Moines, Skunk and Iowa rivers. With a stage in the Des Moines river only three feet below the tops of the great levees, the river began to rise three inches an hour at its mouth here today, continuing until the fact of the safety was wiped out this evening. A rise of one and a half feet in a short time this morning at Ottumwa, and a further rise throughout its length below the capital city, was prevented from running out freely by a rise of a foot and a half at Haverhill last night, increasing and coming down rapidly.

Warnings Sent Out.

This afternoon the observer of the weather bureau at Keokuk sent telegraphic warnings to all points south to prepare for danger. The crest is expected here Saturday or Sunday. The Egyptian levee, which stood the flood just receding, after strenuous efforts to hold it, including the destruction of farm houses to secure space for strengthening the dike, is only slightly above the water now and the coming flood in the Des Moines will top it certainly. This will let the water into hundreds of square miles, including the town of Alexandria, Mo. The inhabitants there are preparing for an overflow of the entire town to a depth of several feet.

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More Rains Falling.

Reports late this evening show tremendous rains along the Des Moines river and tributaries. Six inches fell at Gordon and nearly that much at Ottumwa. Bains all over this section continue tonight with two inches as a general minimum rainfall and much reporting five inches. These rains will reach the lower river and flooded districts by Sunday, with a still further rise and inundation. Both the Des Moines and Mississippi rivers are rising faster as night progresses. Late reports show that half the country for a distance of 30 miles from La-grange and Hannibal were under water long before the crest of the flood arrived.

Terrific Storm at Peoria.

Peoria, Ill., July 15.—This region