

THREE IN WRECK

DERAILMENT OF BURLINGTON PASSENGER TRAIN NEAR ALBIA SUNDAY MORNING.

TRAIN CATCHES FIRE

Bodies of Two of the Victims Burned to a Crisp—Mother and Her Child Perish—No Known Cause for the Accident—Quick Rescue Work.

From causes entirely unknown and without the slightest warning to either passengers or crew, Burlington train No. 3, was yesterday morning derailed and completely wrecked four miles west of Albia.

The dead. MRS. W. E. MITCHEN, Albia, aged 35 years. MILDRED MITCHEN, Albia, aged 4 years. THOMAS E. BEATTY, Lucas, aged 46 years.

The Injured. W. P. Martin, Chicago, face bruised, right leg sprained.

C. E. Blair, Lamoni, traveling salesman for J. H. Merrill & Co., Ottumwa, four inch scalp wound, right hand burned, hip injured.

Bub Ferguson, Osceola, three ribs broken, right wrist cut. E. T. Browning, Yates Center, Kansas, hip injured, internal injuries.

Mrs. J. H. Robinson, 127 North Washington street, Ottumwa; body bruised and back strained.

Caleb Allen, Chicago, waiter dining car, back injured.

Will Branch, Chicago, cook dining car, back injured.

R. Price, Chicago, cook dining car, leg sprained and bruised.

S. T. Williams, Chicago, porter, leg hurt, back sprained.

Traffic Not Delayed. The wreck took place at Cedar Creek, a small stream about 500 yards east of Tower 307, on the north, or west-bound track.

Trainmen Little Hurt. The ill-fated train was in charge of Conductor R. W. Robinson of Burlington, a brother of Trainmaster M. W. Robinson of the Ottumwa division.

Engineer William Wallace, of Burlington, was at the throttle. None of the crew were injured seriously, although Conductor Robinson was badly shaken up.

Had No Warning. The train was running about forty minutes behind time after leaving Albia and Engineer Wallace was taking advantage of the long straight hill between Albia and Tower 307 in order to catch up as much as possible with the schedule.

Engine's Wild Run. The speed at which the train was running carried the engine, baggage car and smoker across the bridge, the side girder literally scraping the north side of each of the two chair cars.

WILL TAKE VACATION

RECESS ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS FOR THE HOLIDAYS—HALE FOR CHAPLAIN.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The house today adopted a concurrent resolution providing for a recess adjournment from December 19, to January 4.

Hawaiian Delegate on Committee. The speaker has appointed Delegate Kalanialoale of Hawaii as a member of the committee on territories.

Rev. Edward E. Hale Chosen. The republican senators in caucus today decided upon Rev. Edward Everett Hale of Boston for chaplain of the senate beginning January 1.

Bailey Opposes Cuban Bill. When the senate convened today, Bailey, of Texas, spoke on the Cuban bill. He opposed the measure, declaring it to be vicious, both as a matter of law and policy.

Nominations for Postmasters. Nominations for postmasters in Iowa today were: Charles A. Reynolds, Harlan; Cornelius C. Platter, Red Oak; Lovett E. Sherwood, Shell Rock.

Consider Pension Bill. The house went into a committee of the whole for the consideration of the pensions appropriations bill today.

CHARITON. Important Happenings in Lucas County Seat.

Chariton, Dec. 14.—The people of Chariton and vicinity enjoyed their first sleighing of the season Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Churchill of Derby were in the city Saturday on business.

Fred Amberling, one of the prosperous farmers of Benton township, was a county seat visitor Saturday.

Miss May Van Ansdie, one of the teachers in the Russell schools, spent Sunday at her home just east of Chariton.

Mrs. Fred Deeds and children went to Afton Saturday for a brief visit with relatives.

W. J. Prather of Center township, was a business caller in the city Saturday.

Saturday was the day of the springing match which the county superintendent has revived among the rural schools.

The scholars from each district in the township met at the high school building and they were given 250 words to write when they exchanged papers.

Some misspelled as high as sixty of the words, while one girl, Miss Edna Howard of Manchester township, who is 9 years old, was perfect.

One scholar from each township was chosen to go to Albia next Saturday, where they will spell against the like number from the rural schools in Monroe county.

Friends in the city received invitations Saturday for the wedding of Miss Anna Warner to John S. Allen, which will take place at Allen, Neb., Wednesday evening, December 23.

The bride to be will be remembered as she formerly lived here.

WAS THOUGHT LOST. Frank Bradbury of Ottumwa Probably Heir to Rich Manufacturer.

New York, Dec. 14.—It is surmised that the \$1,000,000 fortune to which Frank Bradbury of Ottumwa has fallen heir is the estate of William D. Bradbury, a wealthy piano manufacturer who died in 1856.

It was stated today by those connected with the Bradbury piano company that the estate had long since been settled and nothing whatever was known of Frank Bradbury.

PROSECUTION IN GRAND RAPIDS SCANDAL REQUESTS THIS ACTION. Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 14.—At the opening of the December term of the court twenty cases growing out of the Lake Michigan water deal scandal were postponed for a week at the request of the prosecutors.

The sentence of Lant K. Salsbury, convicted of accepting a bribe, was deferred until the next term of court. In police court, Alderman Malachi Kinney was bound over to the superior court for trial in bond of \$2,000.

REPAIR WORK PROCEEDS. As soon as possible men were put to work clearing the debris from the bridge and repairing the track.

TO PROTECT PANAMA

UNITED STATES MARINES START TO MEET COLOMBIAN TROOPS.

Colon, Dec. 14.—A company of marines from the United States ship Prairie landed here today under command of Captain Butler, and left for Panama, whence the marines will be sent to police on the coast south of Panama.

This step is in consequence of the receipt of information that Colombian troops had landed in that direction with the object of marching on Panama.

If this is confirmed it will mean the beginning of a long campaign of guerrilla warfare on the isthmus. The destination of the marines is said to be Yaziva, up San Miguel gulf and the Tuira river.

Reyes Promises Truce. Washington, Dec. 14.—General Reyes called at the state department today and was closeted with Assistant Secretary Loomis for nearly an hour.

Hostilities Suspended. In reply to a question the general said he had given assurances to this government that pending the result of his diplomatic mission to Washington there would be no hostilities on the part of the Colombian troops.

Guarantee Only Temporary. As to what would be done after that the general would make no statement.

FOUNDRY BURNS. Big Manufacturing Plant at Waterloo Entirely Consumed.

Waterloo, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Waterloo foundry, one of the largest and most prosperous manufacturing plants in this city, was burned to the ground today.

The loss is \$75,000 and the insurance about \$55,000.

LAND MARINES. JAPANESE SUPPRESS RIOTING AT MOKPHE AMONG COREAN COOLIES.

Seoul, Dec. 14.—The Japanese landed marines at Mokphe yesterday to suppress rioting among the striking Korean coolies employed in the foreign concessions.

It is reported that the marines fired upon the mob, killing several people. The affair may cause local complications and it is possible that Russia may send a warship should the Korean government resent the landing of the Japanese.

Only Local Significance. Washington, Dec. 14.—Minister Allen at Seoul, cables the state department that the landing of Japanese marines at Mokphe has no significance, as the trouble is purely local.

TRIAL IS IN PROGRESS. Jesse Harlan on Larceny Charge Before Justice J. A. Ballard.

The preliminary trial in the case of the State of Iowa vs. Jesse Harlan, is being held this afternoon in Justice J. A. Ballard's court.

Harlan is charged in an information filed before Justice G. L. Campbell with larceny from a building in the night time. The information was filed by J. H. Darner, a farmer residing about 12 miles northwest of Ottumwa.

It alleges that Harlan, who lives not far away from the home of Darner, stole twenty-four bushels of corn, which he brought to Ottumwa and sold to a local dealer. The case went to Justice Ballard this morning on a charge of venue.

NO BALLOT TAKEN. Judgeship Contest Will Remain Unsettled Until After Holidays.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The Iowa congressional delegates met today for consideration of the judgeship contest for the northern Iowa federal district but adjourned until after the holidays without taking a ballot.

SUSPICIOUS. TWO DYNAMITE STICKS FOUND IN AN UNFINISHED BUILDING.

New York, Dec. 14.—Two one pound sticks of dynamite with fuming caps and fuses attached were found today by laborers in a building in progress of construction at Forty-third street and Broadway.

A mysterious explosion occurred early Sunday morning in this building and the Broadway tabernacle at Forty-third street and Broadway.

The contractors on which have been employing members of the new housemiths' union, formed some time ago apparently in opposition to the union of which Sam Parks was a walking delegate.

THE WEATHER. Iowa—Fair tonight and Tuesday. Slightly warmer Tuesday.

Illinois—Fair tonight and Tuesday; with no decided change in the temperature.

SAY LAW IS VIOLATED

ATTORNEY-GENERAL KNOX AND ASSISTANT PREPARE BRIEF IN BIG CASE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The brief of the government in the case of the Northern Securities Company Acted Contrary to Interstate Commerce and Anti-Trust Laws, and Asks Questions

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The brief of the government in the case of the Northern Securities Company, and others vs. the United States on appeal from the decision of the federal court was made public today.

The document was prepared by Attorney General Knox and Assistant Attorney General Day and covers 180 printed pages.

Two Reasons Presented. The brief sets forth the following specifications as to the reasons for the action of the lines of railway operated by the defendants, namely the Great Northern Railway Co., and the Northern Pacific Railway Co., are parallel and competing, and the combination is in restraint of interstate commerce and a monopoly.

Questions As to the Cause. After quoting the concluding paragraph of Justice Thayer's opinion summarizing up the argument bearing upon the facts of the case the following questions of law growing out of the statement of the facts are presented.

"Has the combination been accomplished by means of the Securities Co. in violation of an act of congress called the anti-trust act?"

"Have the defendants monopolized or attempted to monopolize any part of the interstate or foreign commerce of the United States in violation of the anti-trust act?"

"Was the relief granted by the circuit court authorized by law?"

The government maintains that each of these questions should be answered in the affirmative.

Court Hears Arguments. Immediately after disposing of the routine business the supreme court today began hearing arguments in the case of the Northern Securities Company, James J. Hill, J. Pierpont Morgan, Daniel S. Lamont and others vs. the United States, coming to this court on an appeal from the decision of the circuit court for the district of Minnesota.

Lower Court's Opinion. That decision was to the effect that the purchase of the greater part of the stock of the two railroad companies constituted a merger, and was contrary to the Sherman anti-trust law.

The case involves the monopoly of interest principle. The courtroom was crowded when John G. Johnson, representing the Securities company, made the first argument.

NEW TRIAL ASKED. DEFENSE IN CASE OF HARLAN VS. TRACTION COMPANY, FILES MOTION.

Plaintiff Was Recently Given \$2,500 Damages—Grand and Petit Juries Drawn for the January Term of Court.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—A motion for a new trial has been made by the defense in the case of Mrs. Clara P. Harlan vs. The Ottumwa Traction & Light Co., in which a verdict was recently returned giving the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$2,500.

No decision has been given as yet by Judge Bickelberger. The case is one in which the plaintiff brought suit to recover the sum of \$7,500 as administratrix of the estate of her late husband, who was injured in a street car accident on the bridge July 4, 1902.

The grand and petit juries for the January term of the district court, which will convene January 4, were drawn this morning. Judge M. A. Roberts will preside at the coming term.

The following grand jurors were drawn: The Grand Jury. W. W. Connelly, Agency; P. Callen, Egan; H. P. Derby, Blakesburg; Frank Emery, Hedrick; A. J. Fairchild, Kirkville; Samuel Johnson, John Parson; J. A. Young, Ottumwa; O. O. Phelps, Hedrick; E. N. Sterner, Agency; Samuel Vance, Eddyville; C. R. Worley, Chillicothe.

Injunction Case Settled. The case of J. F. Dings vs. the Ottumwa Telephone Co., which has been in the courts for nearly two years was settled by agreement today.

The case was brought by the plaintiff to enjoin the defendant company from maintaining a large telephone pole on the west side of South Wapello street, near the alley between Main and Second streets.

According to the terms of the settlement, the company has the right to maintain the pole for four years and to furnish the plaintiff with free telephone service. The costs of the case were taken against the defendant.

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COUSINS FAVORED

BRILLIANT IOWA CONGRESSMAN FOR TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF CONVENTION.

Des Moines, Dec. 12.—Private advices from Washington leave no doubt that Congressman Robert G. Cousins of this state will be the temporary chairman of the national republican convention. His name was the only one suggested at the meeting of the national committee and while the matter was not formally considered at this meeting, it was the understanding that Cousins was Hanna's choice for temporary chairman and as such would not be opposed.

Back of this selection is an interesting story. It happens that he is an intimate friend of Senator Hanna. When the latter read Cousins' famous stand-pat speech which started the republican state convention here last June by almost openly defying Governor Cummins, who had just been nominated and announced denouncing the platform for its tariff-reform features, he hastened to congratulate Cousins and told him that he was assured an eloquent exponent of true republican principles. He suggested at the time that he knew of no one more capable of expounding the traditional principles of the party, particularly protection, at the national convention, and at that time the movement to make Cousins chairman was launched.

LABOR UNIONS WATCHFUL. Will Keep an Eye on Legislature the Coming Winter.

Sioux City, Dec. 14.—Representatives of organized labor believe that an attack on their interests is to be made in the coming legislature under the guise of insurance legislation.

Representatives of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and the Order of Railway Conductors have been inquiring into the proposed legislation for the regulation of fraternal insurance.

They say that it would be severe and have a joint committee represent their concerns.

It is proposed to maintain a lobby at the capitol in January by the board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers will meet here to determine its course. The other organizations will probably be invited to unite and have a joint committee represent their concerns.

"TOD" SLOAN WINS. American Secures Damages From French Jockey Club.

Paris, Dec. 14.—In the case of "Tod" Sloan the American jockey against the French Jockey club for \$40,000 damages for being warned off the turf in connection with Rose Demais' winning the Prix de Diane at Chantilly in May last, the court today found in favor of Sloan. The amount of damages will be assessed later.

The court while holding that Sloan's complaint was justified, pointed out that he had not shown that the course of the club had caused him serious prejudice and limited damages to the expenses of the action.

LONG WAY AROUND. Peace Will Come, but Slowly in the Far East.

London, Dec. 14.—After a careful examination of the Russian draft of the agreement between Jockey and Japan the foreign office here is inclined to believe that its immediate acceptance by Japan is unlikely and looks for a series of Russo-Japanese pourparlers dealing with modifications of the foreign office regards the draft as a distinct step toward a pacific settlement.

COLDEST WEATHER THIS WINTER EXPERIENCED AT 7 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING. Saturday night for the first time this winter the thermometer at the local weather station registered below the zero mark.

At 7 o'clock this morning Voluntary Weather Observer E. Livingston recorded the weather as being two degrees below zero, one degree colder than Saturday's mark. Since 7 a. m. the thermometer has risen twenty degrees.

MISSISSIPPI FOR ROOSEVELT. Story That Republicans Will Oppose President is Denied.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 14.—Chairman F. D. Frazier, of the state republican committee last night gave out a statement denying the report printed in the north that the vote of the Mississippi delegation will be cast against President Roosevelt in the next national convention. He says Mr. Roosevelt will receive the solid support of the Mississippi delegation.

KILLED INSTANTLY. H. L. Carpenter Crushed Under Passenger Train at Waterloo.

Waterloo, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—H. L. Carpenter, a prominent dairyman living near here, was instantly killed by an Illinois Central passenger train this morning in this city.

MUNTERVILLE. C. A. Smith, Bladensburg; Will Waddington, Chillicothe.

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WRECKS WERE MANY

HEAD-ON COLLISION ON MILWAUKEE KEE SUNDAY NEAR DES MOINES.

Adel, Dec. 14.—Owing to a misunderstanding regarding train orders, two extra Milwaukee freights collided with fatal results two miles east of here early Sunday morning. Three men were killed and five were injured.

The Dead. DYER, OSCAR, D. fireman of east bound train, Des Moines.

FINNICUM, FRANK, engineer, west bound train, Des Moines.

WARD, WALTER, engineer east bound train, Des Moines.

The Injured. Bellman, H. H., brakeman, west bound train, Des Moines, scalded and bruised.

Chambers, George, engineer west bound train; Des Moines, head bruised.

Fields, brakeman east bound train, Des Moines, cut about head.

Flynn, John S., conductor west bound train, Des Moines, back hurt.

Richey, S. C., conductor east bound train, Des Moines, slightly bruised.

Trains Meet in Deep Cut. The wreck took place in a deep cut at a point known as Graham's crossing. The west bound train was a double header. Both trains were running nearly forty miles an hour and crashed together with only a moment's warning to the engine crews.

The wreck of the three engines had been complete and they are only fit for scrap iron. Fourteen cars also were demolished. The two cars next to the engine of the east bound train were filled with hogs and all were killed or crippled.

Engineer Tried to Stop. Engineer Finnicum, engine 48, must have discovered the approach of the train from the west at a point about 150 feet from where his body lay. Sand was found on the track where he jumped, and he would have no doubt escaped had he not struck a resting post with his head with sufficient force to crush his skull.

The crew of the eastbound train, Brakeman Fields says, were not aware of the danger until the trains collided. It is reported that Operator Clive and the dispatcher at Des Moines discovered that an error had been made in the orders and endeavored to raise Wapello by telephone and telegraph, but did not do so in time to head off the westbound train. Then they tried the Adel office and lost the blocking of the eastbound train by only one minute.

Five Killed on Baltimore & Ohio. Piedmont, W. Va., Dec. 14.—Five men were killed and several severely injured by the overturning of two engines attached to a heavy Baltimore & Ohio freight train on the seventeen mile grade Sunday near this city.

The Dead. CARTER, J. V., fireman, Cumberland, Md.

ERVIN, ERNEST D., engineer, Cumberland, Md.

ERVIN, EMORY, engineer, Tunnelton, W. Va.

HAYES, JOHN, brakeman, Staunton, Va.

NINE, WALTER B., fireman, Terra Alta, W. Va.

The Injured. E. C. Biecker, fireman, Terra Alta, W. Va., legs, arms, and head cut and bruised.

B. F. Bollinger, brakeman, Grafton, W. Va., seriously crushed.

Michael J. Gibson, engineer, Cumberland, Md., fatally crushed.

While descending the "seventeen mile grade" the train to which were attached two engines left the track. The engines and nearly all of the twenty-four loaded cars tumbled into a deep ravine, carrying the trainmen with them. The tracks were torn up for nearly a hundred yards.

Fourteen Killed in Spain. Madrid, Dec. 14.—The collapse of an embankment near Cordova Sunday derailed a train. Fourteen persons were killed and many injured.

IOWAN WINS HONORS. J. Wolfe, of Dubuque, Gives Medal by American College at Rome.

Rome, Dec. 14.—The students of the American college this year rank the highest in its history. Commencement was held today. In scripture Fitzmaurice was the prize winner, and J. Wolfe, of Dubuque, won a medal.

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