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COLD WAVE FOLLOWS LAKE STORM

FIRST TOUCH OF WINTER USHERED IN BY DEATH DEALING GALE IN THE NORTH

STEAMERS WRECKED

The Mataafa Goes to Pieces Near Duluth and Thousands of People Watch Life Saving Crew's Attempts to Rescue Sailors—Nine Are Lost and Fifteen Are Saved.

SHIPS WRECKED IN GALE. Crescent City Near Duluth. Unknown schooner Presque Isle. J. M. Spaulding Off Fort Gratiot. Appomattox Near Milwaukee. J. H. Outwaite Off Sheboygan. Alcona Green Bay, Mich. Charles M. Warner Nine Mile Point, Lake Huron. Elphelcke Sheboygan Harbor. Sidonia Sheboygan Harbor. Rosemount Near Ft. William. D. C. Whitney Port Washington. F. A. Georger Near Sheboygan. Wm. Eidenborn Near Duluth. VESSELS REPORTED MISSING. Angeline Lake Superior. Panther Lake Erie. Jas. Mowatt Lake Huron. Maderia Lake Superior. Mohegan Lake Huron. Mingo Lake Huron.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—The northwest, middle west and the southeast sections of the country are today experiencing the first touch of winter. During the night the temperature dropped from 28 to 40 degrees and at 7 o'clock this morning registered 6 degrees above zero at St. Paul, the coldest point, however, being Helena, Mont., where the thermometer fell to 24 degrees below.

The cold wave was accompanied by snow flurries and chilling winds, causing disarrangement in railroad train schedules. The severest delay occurred on the roads in the northwest, where several trains are hours behind time. According to the weather bureau the eastern part of the country will be in the grasp of frigid temperature tonight and freezing weather will extend as far south as the interior parts of the gulf and the south Atlantic states.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—Twenty-six lives, it is feared, have been lost and fully a score of vessels were driven ashore by the hurricane that swept over the great lakes Monday night and yesterday. Six vessels are missing, caught between ports at the height of the storm. Fears are entertained for their safety. The financial loss is estimated at possibly \$2,000,000. No accurate figures of the loss of life are obtainable. With one exception the crews were removed from all the wrecks reported.

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 29.—Nine dead, including the entire engineering crew, is the terrible result of the wreck of the steamer Mataafa at the mouth of the Duluth ship canal yesterday evening. Desperate efforts were made to get a line to the boat, but without avail. In the presence of thousands of people who watched the scene breathlessly, a line was fired over the ship from a cannon three times. Once it was caught and those on the forward end of the boat began to haul it in, but the rocks on the bottom cut it in two. At midnight the officials of the company owning the boat advised the crew to give up until daylight. When the storm died out somewhat this morning the life saving crew was able to hit the boat and the work of bringing the crew ashore was begun at once.

Fifteen Live; Nine Are Dead. In the forward end of the boat all were safe, but in the stern none were saved, all having succumbed to the cold and drowned. In the first boat load seven men were brought to shore and later eight more were rescued. The names of the lost are: WILLIAM MOST, chief engineer, Cleveland.

SECOND ENGINEER CLAUDE FARRINGER, Cleveland. JAMES EARLY, Buffalo. WILLIAM GILCHRIST, oiler, Winton, Ont. CARL CARLSON, oiler, Chicago. HENRY WRIGHT, steward, Cleveland. WALTER BUSH, second cook, Amherstburg.

IN SIX LINES QUILTS GAME

NO MORE IS GIVEN TO TARIFF IN PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

IS NOT FOR REVISION

At Any Rate, The Tone of the Short Paragraph in the Message to be Read to Congress Next Week Does Not Indicate Desire for Change.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE].

Washington Bureau of the Courier, Washington, D. C., November 29.

In his message to congress, which will be delivered simultaneously to the senate and house next Tuesday at noon, the President will devote approximately six lines to the tariff. These six lines will not be in the nature of a recommendation to congress as to the action on the tariff question as a question, but will deal with the subject of revenue from the standpoint of economy and retrenchment in expenditures. What is the significance of giving practically not a word to the subject of tariff revision as an economic problem in a message that will contain thousands of lines?

Indications are not wanting that an erroneous idea of the President's views on the tariff question is prevalent in some quarters. For weeks it was claimed that the President was equally interested in the passage of a railroad control bill and in taking up of the tariff with a view to revising the Dingley schedules. It was declared that the President, regarding the railroad question as the more pressing, although not the more important, had decided not to push the tariff revision at this session of congress, but to give his attention exclusively to the railroad program. It was announced that he would later turn his attention to the tariff and advocate revision with the same vigor that has marked his recommendations for railroad rate legislation.

While this appears to have been the impression prevailing in the east as well as in the west, nobody seems to have had any warrant for these conclusions. During the past few days several things have happened and some hints have been dropped that suggest that perhaps no one has been authorized to define the President's views on the tariff question.

Where He Stands.

It is assumed, of course, that the President stands on the republican platform of 1904, which was in fact a declaration very similar to that of 1900 and which points out the prime necessity of maintaining the protective principle, at the same time making it clear that the schedules are not sacred any more than changed when business conditions have changed so as to justify it. In his speech at Milwaukee and at Minneapolis two years or so ago the President planted himself very squarely on the platform and his speeches were interpreted at that time

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QUIET REIGNS

FIVE HUNDRED OF THE 600 MATYLENE ARE WITHDRAWN

Mytilene, Nov. 29.—All is quiet, so peaceful is the population that 500 out of the 600 men landed from the allied fleet have been withdrawn, their continued presence ashore being deemed by the commanders quite unnecessary.

ROBBERS AT STORY CITY.

Postoffice and Meat Market Are Entered by Gang of Burglars. Webster City, Nov. 29.—(Special.)—The postoffice and the Alsager meat market at Story City were burglarized last night and the robbers escaped on a hand car over the Iowa Central, evading their pursuers, cutting the telegraph wires and leaving no clue to their identity. The robbers secured \$1,000 at the postoffice and \$20 at the meat market.

TAGGART MOTION UP TODAY.

Judge Eason Hears Plea for a New Trial.

Wooster, Ohio, Nov. 29.—The arguments in the motion for a new trial of the Taggart divorce case were heard by Judge Samuel B. Eason today. Mrs. Taggart's attorneys requested that the date for the hearing be set. They decided that the motion should be heard before another judge than Eason, claiming that he was biased at the former trial.

DENOUNCES AGREEMENT.

Germany Declares Reciprocity Arrangement Is Unsatisfactory. Washington, Nov. 29.—The German government today through its embassy here formally denounced to the state department the agreement of July 10, 1900, drawn under Section 3, of the Dingley act, which regulates the admission of certain German products to the United States in return for minimum tariff rates on American products. The agreement will expire on March 1 next.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PUTS BAN ON FOOTBALL

CONFERENCE CALLED

Committee on Student Athletics Invites Representatives of Other Universities and Colleges to Attend Meeting to Discuss Reforms.

New York, Nov. 29.—Columbia university has abolished the game of football, as at present played, as one of the sports in which students of the university will be permitted to engage.

This action was taken at a meeting of the Columbia university committee on student organizations held last night at the university, at which were present the members of the committee, Professor Lord, chairman, Professor Mitchell and Professor Odell and also President Butler and Dean Kirchwey and Professor Bogert, the two latter former chairmen of the committee.

Committee's Action Final.

The action of this committee is final. The students are not permitted to play without the consent of the committee and if they do so they render themselves liable to expulsion. Professor Lord said after the meeting of the committee: "The reasons for this action need no explanation. They must be present to the mind of everyone acquainted with the game as now played. Only by such radical action can the university and college life be rid of an obsession which, it is believed, has become as burdensome to the great mass of students as it has proved itself harmful to academic standing and dangerous to human life."

University Calls Conference.

Almost at the hour when the body of young Harold Moore, the Union college student, who was killed in a football game with the University of New York team last Saturday, was being laid to rest in Ogdensburg yesterday, the faculty of the University of New York took definite action looking to the abolishment of the game of football as it now is played. Every college whose football team has played against New York university since 1885 when the latter's team was organized, has been invited to take part in a conference fully to consider and dispose finally the future of the game.

With the call for the conference went the announcement that the New York university delegates will support a resolution that the present game of football ought to be abolished.

The colleges invited to the conference, nineteen in number are:

Union Trinity Fordham Syracuse Haverford Ursinus Hamilton Rensselaer Lafayette Wesleyan Steubenville Lehigh West Point Amherst Rutgers Columbia Swarthmore

Questions Are Submitted.

The invitation which was sent to each of the colleges suggests the following questions for consideration: Ought the present game of football to be abolished? If not, what steps should be taken to secure its thorough reform? If abolished, what game or games may be possible in its place? Each college or university is invited to send a representative of its faculty and a representative of its athletic organization, making a possible membership of forty.

President Summons Harvard Coach.

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 29.—Wm. T. Reid Jr., Harvard's head football coach, has been summoned to the White House by President Roosevelt, to "talk over the football season." Reid will probably go to Washington Friday.

Heston Deserts Drake?

Stout City, Nov. 29.—Willie Heston, one time Michigan's famous half back, who has coached Drake university through the football season just ending, has disappeared from Drake, and the announcement is made that he had accepted an offer of \$500 to play at Canton, Ohio, tomorrow.

The Canton Athletic club meets the Massillon Athletic club tomorrow and each has procured as many stars as possible, regardless of cost.

Drake's most important game will be played with Ames on Thursday and considerable feeling has been caused by reason of Heston's desertion. The athletic board of that institution announces, however, that Heston asked and obtained full and free consent from all the authorities before his departure.

SEEK HOMES

UNWILLING RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ARE REFUSED CITIZENSHIP IN JAPAN

Victoria, Nov. 29.—Fail to secure citizenship when released, the Russian Poles and Jews captured by the Japanese when fighting for Russia, arrived here yesterday by the steamer Iyo Maru. The Poles say 1,200 Russian prisoners applied for Japanese citizenship, when released, preferring to remain in Japan, but the Japanese government refused to naturalize them.

NEW STRIKE IN RUSSIA

TELEGRAPH SERVICE IS ALMOST ENTIRELY PARALYZED BY ORDER

MORE TROUBLE IN SIGHT

Workmen's Council in St. Petersburg is Deliberating Over Date for Beginning of General Political Strike—Capital Isolated From Interior.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 29.—The situation here again suddenly grown exceedingly grave. The Russian capital is shut off from telegraphic communication with the interior. A Pan-Russian strike of telegraph operators declared yesterday, has gone into operation.

New General Strike.

The workmen's council is deliberating when to declare a general political strike throughout Russia, and tomorrow is predicted as the time. They allege the unwarranted arrest of a member of the peasants' congress at Moscow and also call on the people to compel the employers of St. Petersburg who locked out 70,000 men to open their doors.

Telegraphers Are Confident.

Moscow, Nov. 29.—(By telephone) via Paris.—The congress of telegraphers in session here boasts that every telegraph office in Russia will close within forty-eight hours.

Communication Is Interrupted.

Berlin, Nov. 29.—(Evening).—The Imperial postoffice announces that all telegraph communication with Russia has been interrupted since noon.

Trouble at Vladivostok.

Tokio, Nov. 29.—The Russian cruisers Rossia, Gromobol and Bogatyr arrived at Nagasaki today from Vladivostok. Captain Essen, in an interview, said they left Vladivostok in the midst of a disturbance. There is much speculation as to why the warships left Vladivostok.

NEW ROAD TO PACIFIC

MILWAUKEE AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURE OF ENORMOUS SUM FOR THE WORK

Chicago, Nov. 29.—At an expenditure of over \$60,000,000 the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road will at once commence the construction of the extension of its lines to the Pacific coast from its Missouri river points and make Seattle and Tacoma its western terminal instead of Everts and Chamberlain.

The construction of the extension was formally authorized yesterday at the meeting of the board of directors of the St. Paul road in New York City after the presentation of the report by President A. J. Earling of the conditions in the far west as he found them in his recent trip. The report of the action of the board of directors was wired to Chicago and its official announcement was made last night by Second Vice President E. W. McKenna.

It was announced that the work will require about three years for completion and will when finished add 1,500 miles to the St. Paul system. At present the mileage is over 7,200 miles, with 400 miles in various places under construction. The survey for the work are partially completed and to avoid difficulties several routes have been selected in places where there is any doubt of right of way grants.

TRUST IS COMPLETE.

New York First National Bank Has Majority of Stock.

New York, Nov. 29.—Practical control of the majority of the capital stock of the Lehigh Valley railroad has been acquired by the First National bank of New York, acting for the coal combination and the allied trunk lines. This deal, in conjunction with the recent purchase of the vast Coxe Brothers interests, makes the coal trust complete and puts it in a position to dictate its own terms to the miners and general public. Knowledge of this and other developments is undoubtedly responsible for the recent pessimistic utterances of President Mitchell as to the future of the miner.

RIOTING IN AUSTRIA.

Noisy Demonstrations Outside of Vienna Characterize Day.

Vienna, Nov. 29.—Rioting and noisy demonstrations of workmen throughout all Austria occurred yesterday simultaneous with the opening of the Austrian parliament in this city. The demonstrations which were only in the smaller places outside of Vienna, were the outgrowth of the popular indignation of the withholding of universal suffrage and were calculated by the leaders of the workers to bring the issue clearly before the assembly.

MINISTER TO CUBA QUILTS IN A HUFF



President Palma of Cuba, (top picture), and H. G. Squires, United States Minister to Cuba, (lower picture).

Havana, Nov. 29.—The American minister, Herbert G. Squires, has called his resignation to Washington.

The minister declined to be interviewed on the subject, but it can be asserted that the Cuban government cabled a message of complaint to Washington against Squires' attitude on the Isle of Pines question, following his persistent opposition to the Anglo-Cuban treaty, which the Cubans have chosen to consider unreasonable.

On receipt of Secretary Root's message with reference to the complaint, Squires immediately called his resignation.

Opposed by Palma. Minister Squires has long been strongly in favor of annexation by the

ASKS ORDER SIX MONTHS

PROSECUTION IN ST. LOUIS WANTS INJUNCTION AGAINST TERMINAL ASSOCIATION

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 29.—Acting in behalf of the government, District Attorney Dyer today filed a petition in the federal court for an injunction to prevent the Terminal Railroad association of St. Louis from continuing the alleged violation of the federal laws. Allegations are made that the association has destroyed trade and commerce and has worked incalculable injury to the shipping interests of the Mississippi valley and its dissolution is asked.

The association controls traffic across the Eads bridge and its charges increase the freight rates from points east of the Mississippi to St. Louis by a big percentage. The expense is so large that many large houses maintain branches in East St. Louis, Ill., to avoid paying the heavy charges for the transportation of goods across the bridge.

OHIO RIVER IS HIGH.

Points Along Waterway Report Damage From Floods.

Cincinnati, Nov. 29.—Heavy damage from floods and rain is reported from Ohio river points today.

Opposed Sunday; Resigns.

Burlington, Nov. 29.—(Special.)—Rev. R. L. Harsh, pastor of the Congregational church in this city, opposed the coming to Burlington of Evangelist William Sunday, Mr. Sunday's meetings have been so successful that Mr. Harsh, prompted by remorse for his former stand against the evangelist, today tendered his resignation.

THREE BUSINESS BLOCKS IN IOWA TOWN ARE WIPED OUT.

Webster City, Nov. 29.—(Special.)—Fire this morning wiped out three blocks of the business portion of Webster City. The loss will probably amount to \$15,000.

POLICIES ARE GOOD

LEGISLATURE COMMISSION ISSUE A REASSURING ADDRESS TO THE INSURED

HAMILTON IS FOUND

Man to Whom the New York Life Has Paid Vast Sums of Money is Located in Paris, According to Story McCall Gives Out in New York.

Assurance to holders of insurance policies throughout the country is contained in a statement issued today by the legislative investigating committee. The policy holders are advised to keep their policies and the committee declares that they are better from the standpoint of an investor than they have been for several years.

New York, Nov. 29.—The board of trustees of the Mutual Life Insurance company today accepted the resignation of Richard A. McCurdy, the president and of Justice Rufus W. Peckham, a trustee. Frederick Cromwell, the treasurer will act temporarily as president.

New York, Nov. 29.—Andrew Hamilton, to whom the New York Life has paid hundreds of thousands of dollars, charged to legal expenses, has been located in Paris.

John C. McCall, secretary of the New York Life, testified to this effect today before the insurance investigating committee and said that it was his intention to sail next Saturday to see Hamilton and induce him to return or if not, at least give an accounting for the money received by him from the New York Life.

Reassures Policy Holders.

The committee today issued an address to policy holders throughout the country advising them to hold on to their policies and declaring that the policy holders are in a better condition now than for years.

DUCHESS IN DANGER.

Italian Noblewoman's Life Threatened Freed and Re-arrested.

Naples, Nov. 29.—Great excitement was caused here today by an alleged attempt against the life of the Duchess of Aosta. While the duchess was entering the royal palace in an automobile, a man about 40 years old picked up a stone, intending apparently to throw it at the duchess, but he was prevented from so doing by a policeman, who arrested him. The man asserts he picked up the stone to clear a way for the passage of the automobile.

MONEY IN A NAME.

Chicago Man Is Charged With Swindling Bankers.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—Samuel N. Hoffheimer, of this city, is in the county jail charged with having swindled S. W. Straus & Co., mortgage bankers out of \$256,000. The alleged swindle was accomplished by the use of the name of Nelson Morris, Mr. Straus believing the name of the multi-millionaire was used with full authority.

ILLITERACY NOT ALARMING.

Census Figures Show That Only 106 In 1,000 Cannot Write.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29.—According to a bulletin issued today by the census bureau, about 106 persons out of 1,000 in the United States over 10 years old are unable to write. Of the native white population only forty-six out of every 1,000 of foreign born whites, 128 out of every 1,000, and of negroes, 445 out of every 1,000 are illiterate.

REASON FOR SILENCE.

Miss Alice Roosevelt Kept News of Injury a Secret.

Hartford, Conn., Nov. 29.—The desire of Miss Alice Roosevelt to save her parents worry was the reason that the public was left to speculate on the nature of the illness that kept her in bed five days last week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. W. S. Cowles, in Farmington. It is now learned that she was injured when getting on the train at Boston. She has entirely recovered now.

BILL IS READY.

Interstate Commerce Commission Sends Draft of Bill to Elkins.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29.—The interstate commerce commission today sent to Chairman Elkins of the senate committee on interstate commerce the draft of a bill which has been prepared by the commission and which the commission recommends to the congress. It provides for conferring the power of fixing rates upon the commission and greatly enlarges the power of the commission over those given by the present law.