

# GENERAL NEWS.

## A Brief Summary of Happenings in the State, the Nation and the World.

### STATE.

**Floresville.**—Two Mexicans arrested on a charge of assault on a woman of their own race are committed to jail without the option of bail.

**Taylor.**—Mrs. M. E. Henderson, who was badly bruised in last week's automobile accident, is rapidly recovering from her injuries.

**Goliad.**—County Commissioners, acting as a Board of Equalization, set the average valuation of land in the vicinity of Goliad at \$8 per acre.

**Fort Worth.**—The Texas Press Women's Association holds its fifteenth annual meeting with an exceptionally large attendance.

**Corpus Christi.**—Preparations are in progress for the reception of the annual encampment of the Epworth League, which takes place August 6 to 16. The attendance this year it is estimated, will be in the neighborhood of 5000.

**Austin.**—Gus Basnett has been appointed Assistant Postmaster by T. L. Wren, who recently received the appointment as Postmaster.

**Dallas.**—Colonel Bentley of Abilene calls a meeting of Populists at Dallas for the purpose of holding a conference in regard to the political situation.

**Seguin.**—The Commissioners Court has died in a number of representative residents of Guadalupe County to assist them in making a fair valuation as a board of equalization.

**Waco.**—Ira M. Lewis, an employe of the street railway company, dies while on duty as motorman from heart trouble.

**Lufkin.**—The large plant of the Lufkin Land & Lumber Company is closed down indefinitely owing to a strike of its employes.

**Mineral Wells.**—Citizens highly indignant over delay in putting the street railway in operation and threaten to tear up tracks unless its operation commences at once. D. T. Bomar of Fort Worth is the owner of a mortgage on the property.

**Port Arthur.**—Robert Wilson falls overboard from a sailing boat into the lake and is drowned. Wilson lived at Port Arthur and was not married.

**El Paso.**—W. P. Hawkins is on trial, charged with killing Charles Barber at Van Horn.

**Brownwood.**—Mrs. Otho Elliott files suit against city for \$30,000 damages. This suit is brought in connection with the death of Mrs. Elliott's husband, who was killed by riding into a ditch where a culvert had been washed out and not replaced.

**Taylor.**—A. R. Witlef is bitten by a copperhead snake. No serious results ensue, though for a few hours Mr. Witlef's condition was alarming.

**Alpine.**—The Alpine concert band is reorganized and its capital stock increased.

**Pearsall, Tex.**—Grace Davis of Ciudad Victoria, Mex., entirely disappears while en route to Pearsall. The girl, who is eight years of age, was placed in train at Victoria by her mother for the trip to Pearsall and did not reach her destination. A search is being made for the child in Mexico.

**Houston, Tex.**—Jury in trial of O. R. Kenley brings in verdict of not guilty. Kenley was being tried for the shooting of J. L. Dimaway.

**Nashville, Tenn.**—Roy Simpson, a sixteen-year-old boy, shoots and kills a girl friend of the same age. Simpson states it was accidental. He was arrested and held pending an investigation.

**Kansas City, Mo.**—The price of meat is scheduled to advance three cents per pound by reason of the shortage brought about by the flooded condition of the packing house districts and the stoppage of shipments owing to lack of transportation facilities.

### DOMESTIC.

**New York.**—Charles W. Morse, former financier, appears before the criminal branch of the Supreme Court and pleads not guilty to three charges. Two of the indictments are for grand larceny and one for perjury.

**New York.**—District Attorney Jerome is charged with gambling and also with offering immunity to William Montgomery, a banker, if he would comply with certain conditions.

**St. Louis.**—The high water has practically demoralized traffic, and all lines of railroads are refusing freight shipments. The wholesale district down town, is under water and much damage is accomplished.

**New York, N. Y.**—Senator Bailey is rapidly recovering from sickness caused by operation on throat and will be in condition to attend his public duties in a few weeks.

**Charlotte, N. C.**—O'Dell Young is killed and five boys seriously injured by lightning which follows an unused telephone wire into an empty building in which they had taken refuge from a heavy storm.

**New Orleans, La.**—Disastrous flood in Black River country. Hundreds of families are living on rafts and swamp fever has broken out. Six miles of land adjacent to Jonesville are under from six to ten feet of water.

**Shawnee, Okla.**—In a duel between Santa Fe officers and three suspected burglars, Louis Fritch, an innocent bystander, is shot to death.

**Ardmore, Okla.**—Judge Russell refuses to grant a new trial to Will Ingram, who stands convicted on a charge of rape. Ingram will serve a twenty year sentence in the State penitentiary.

**Little Rock, Ark.**—The Supreme Court decides that the Amis anti-race track betting law is constitutional in every respect.

**Guthrie, Okla.**—Poul's Valley is inundated and the Washita River, is three miles in width as a result of the heavy flood water. The Santa Fe track is washed out in many places and much damage is done to growing crops.

**Kansas City, Mo.**—Flood situation is becoming serious and further damage is expected as the result of the heavy rains.

### FOREIGN.

**Madrid.**—Margues Vega de Armijo dies. He was formerly President of the Chamber of Deputies and one of the leaders of the Cabinet in 1906.

**Tangier.**—Four thousand of the Sultan's troops have revolted and captured a number of French officials and citizens whom they are holding for ransom.

**Tokio.**—Fifty fishing boats are wrecked in a stove-in off the coast of Kagoshima and 350 members of the crews are drowned.

**Tangier.**—Moroccan troops, who have been harassing white residents at Kasel-Kebr, have left that district to join Mular Hafid at Fez.

**Tampico, Mex.**—The capacity of the plant of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. is being doubled.

**Guadalajara, Mex.**—Potter Palmer of Chicago buys 50,000 square meters of land adjoining the city. This makes 636,000 acres in this vicinity that has been sold to American investors.

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**Lisbon, Portugal.**—Police discover a plot hatched by the Society of the Black Cross, whereby they proposed to blow up several members of the royal family at a religious meeting which takes place June 18.

**London, England.**—The Derby was won by T. Ginstrell's Signorinetta, the Duke of Portland's Primer was second, and Llanwm, owned by Barclay, with Maher, an American jockey, up, was third. Eighteen horses ran. Betting on Signorinetta was 100 to 1 against, on Primer 40 to 1 against, and on Llanwm 100 to 8 against. The stakes are valued at 6500 sovereigns. The Italian horse, Signorinetta, was considered a rank outsider, but cantered home from hot favorites, winning by two lengths. A neck only divided the second horse, Primer, and the third, Llanwm. An immense crowd witnessed the race.

**Paris, France.**—On the occasion of the interment of the body of Emile Zola in the Pantheon, an unsuccessful attempt was made to assassinate Major Alfred Dreyfus. Louis Gregori, a political enemy of Dreyfus, made the attempt, which resulted in Major Dreyfus receiving a wound on the hand. Gregori was captured.

**City of Mexico.**—Breaking of dam at Guanajuato results in several deaths and the destruction of \$20,000 worth of property.

**Queenstown.**—The liner Lusitania of the Cunard line makes the trip across the Atlantic in five days, four hours and three minutes.

**City of Mexico.**—Yaquis Indians violate peace treaty and attack Attorney Manuel de la Hoz, who escapes after killing several of his assailants.

**Reval, Russia.**—King Edward and Emperor Nicholas meet in the Bay of Reval. This is the first official visit ever made by a reigning monarch of Great Britain in Russian waters. Both royal parties were on board their respective yachts and escorted by a heavy squadron of war vessels.

## Who He Is

### AN APPRECIATION OF GENERAL PIKE.

Albert Pike, poet, teacher, editor, soldier, pioneer, supreme Mason and—Renegade. For forty-three years Sovereign Grand Commander of the highest order of Masons. The bronze statue of this renegade stands in one of the principal parks of Washington (where they permit no statues of asses to be unveiled). At twenty years of age he wrote "Hymns to the Gods" which received the signal honor of being published in Blackwoods (no ass ever got into Blackwoods), a poem which, had Keats not lived, would have come nearer than any other filling the niche of his fame. He wrote a number of immortal lyrics—"Ode to the Mocking Bird," "Every Year," "The Magnolia." Was a forty-niner years before the age of the forty-niners, and led men, as a natural born leader of men, through the Staked Plains, New Mexico, the wilds of Arkansas to the Pacific. Fought like a man in the Mexican War; did big things; dared death; was unafraid; fought to a finish; saw 'way ahead; spoke the truth; shot straight; wrote poetry equal to Keats and Shelley; lived pure and in the open, and in a Revolution which shook a continent and in which real men fought while asses prognosticated in the rear, this man on the firing line won his title of Brigadier General among gallant men who faced death with him, leaving it to scribblers who fight with their pen to designate him by any other term after he is dead.

So let it be. But this need not be said by a prophet since it is self-evident: This renegade will be living and his statue towering upward in the starlight for untold centuries while the busy and meddlesome little E. A.'s (which also may mean Earnest Ants) will be running around on the ground between his legs, wondering then as now what in the name of the Great Articulated Antennae that colossal figure up there really is!

### A MAN!

O for a living man to lead That will not babble when we bleed! O for the silent doer of the deed!

One that is happy in his height, And one that in a nation's night Hath solitary certitude of light!

Sirs, not with battle ill begun We charge you, not with fields unwon, Nor headlong deaths against the darkest gun.

But with a lightness worse than dread, That you but laughed who should have led And tripped like dancers amid all our dread.

You for no failure we impeach, Nor for those bodies in the breach, But for the deeper shallowness of speech.

When every cheek was hot with shame, When we demanded words of flame, O ye were busy but to shift the blame.

No man of us but clinched his hand, No brow but turned as with a brand, You, you alone were slow to understand.

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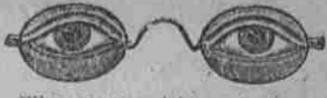
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