

## NEWS OF THE WEEK

INTERESTING ITEMS OF PRESENT IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS.

### STATE, NATIONAL, FOREIGN

Short Items Telling of the Latest Interesting Doings and Happenings on Our Globe.

#### DOMESTIC.

Prof. Percival Lowell, who is at his observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz., declares that the antarctic canals on the planet Mars are disappearing. Prof. Lowell's theory is that as the sun moves north or south its approach to either pole melts the ice, thus allowing the water to run toward the equator. He has also noted a distinct change in pole, thus giving strength to his theory that there is moisture, hence life on the planet. These recent changes have been observed at the South Pole and work south, while our summer starts from the south and works northward.

Harvey Davis, alias "Sport Houston," the negro who confessed to having set fire to the residence of Dr. W. A. Haley and attempted to set fire to that of Mrs. Amelia Everhade, in Houston, Texas, was sentenced to seventeen years in the penitentiary Friday. An additional seven years was given him for attempted arson.

President Taft Friday, in Salt Lake City, added a Mormon tabernacle to the long list of religious edifices in which he has made addresses to the people. Not long ago in a Jewish tabernacle at Pittsburg Mr. Taft declared he was no stranger in the pulpit, and enumerated his different experiences in denominational churches.

A cablegram received in Nashville, Tenn., from Kobe, Japan, announced that the remains of the late Bishop Seth Ward of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who died last Monday, will leave Kobe Oct. 3 and will reach San Francisco about Oct. 22. The remains will be interred at Houston, Texas.

An appeal to Gov. Sanders for the storm sufferers of Terrebonne parish, La., was made Friday by officials of that parish. The message to Gov. Sanders stated that at least one thousand persons in the parish are entirely destitute. The people of Houma, the parish seat, and of surrounding villages, are furnishing food and shelter to the refugees, but clothing and other supplies are urgently needed.

John B. Reagan, superintendent of the Confederate Home at Austin, died Friday morning at the home of his son, Dr. John H. Reagan.

As a result of his observations recently of the conditions among the agricultural classes in the West, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is firmly convinced that federal control of railroad capitalization would lead to large investments in railroad securities by American farmers.

Judge Wilcox of the Twenty-sixth District Court Friday ordered the Texas property of the Waters Pierce Oil company to be sold at public auction Dec. 7. The sale to be conducted by Robert J. Eckhardt, receiver.

The first frost of this season is reported to have fallen in lowlands in Oklahoma Friday morning. No material damage is reported.

A remarkable and rare circumstance in criminal procedure was the application of two sentences in the same courtroom on the same day, as was the case Thursday in Beaumont when the negro, Wm. Palmer, was sentenced to die on the gallows for the murder of a negro woman, and when the jury returned a death sentence in the case of the Mexican, John Rubio, tried in the Fifty-eighth District Court on a charge of criminal assault committed upon a Mexican girl about 10 years of age.

The false swearing case against H. Clay Pierce of St. Louis set for the Fifty-third District Court for October 13 was Friday continued for the term, and by agreement of attorneys for the State of Texas, and the defendant was set for Nov. 29.

The body of Gov. John A. Johnson was buried in the family lot in Green Hills Cemetery, at St. Peter, Minn., Thursday, in a grave adjoining that of his mother. The body was brought from St. Paul on a special train. The funeral cortege, escorted by state militia and representatives of state and civic organizations, proceeded to the Presbyterian church, where the body lay in state and was viewed by hundreds of citizens for an hour and a half before the religious services were held.

Mineralogist J. F. Whittier, who is connected with the mineral works of the Arkansas State Department of Mines, Manufacture and Agriculture, claims to have found diamond-bearing rock under Little Rock almost identical with the celebrated diamond-bearing rock of Pike county, Ark.

The discovery of a baby lying dead beside the railway near Niagara Falls with the word "Authors" on a ticket pasted on his back led to the arrest at Toronto of Mrs. Maud Turner, to whom had been given \$100 to adopt the child a few days ago.

The postoffice at Dickinson was entered and the safe robbed of \$112, half currency and the balance specie—\$5 in coppers. Checks and stamps were not molested.

An entire family of six persons were murdered and the bodies of all but one of the victims burned with their home at Hurley, Buchanan county, Virginia, early Thursday. The motive evidently was robbery, as the owner of the house, an aged woman known as "Aunt Betty" Justice, was generally believed to keep a large sum of money about the place.

The forthcoming report of the commissioner of pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30, last, will show that there were 8,972 federal pensioners in Texas on June 30, who received \$1,370,470 from the government. The report will show 13,639 pensioners in Oklahoma, who drew \$1,351,374 during the year.

Hon. W. J. Bryan, now in El Paso, gave out the following in reference to Senator Bailey's speech at Dallas Saturday night. "I read Senator Bailey's Dallas speech on the train as I was coming into El Paso. It is an able presentation of his position, as able a presentation as can be made, and I am very glad to have his side of the proposition presented by one who can put the best appearance upon it, for when the voters of Texas have read it they will know that nothing better can be said in defense of a tax on raw material, and as he has not answered my arguments the voters will have a right to assume that no one else can."

Half a hundred prominent citizens of Taylor are up before the court charged with violations of the city sanitary ordinance.

Dr. Frank C. Richardson, professor of nervous diseases at Boston University Medical School, declares that American business life is suicidal. "Work, worry and stimulation are making nervous wrecks of both rich and poor men all over the United States," he says. "This pernicious system must be changed or we will become progenitors of a race of incompetents in a very short time. A man should take stock of his health as regularly as the merchant does of his merchandise if he wishes to live out his allotted years to protect his family, wife and children."

The National Red Cross Society at Washington Monday issued an appeal to all its branches in the United States to procure food and clothing for the benefit of the food sufferers in Mexico. In a dispatch to the state department Consul Hanna, at Monterey, reported the great loss and intense suffering occasioned by the Mexican floods.

#### FOREIGN.

Both houses of parliament in Copenhagen have adopted national defense bills which provide for the erection of forts north and south of the city and also at various points on the coast of Zealand, to prevent a possible landing and surprise by a hostile force. The existing land fortifications at Copenhagen will eventually be raised and the fort will be further protected by torpedo boats and submarines.

Theodore Roosevelt, who is hunting in the Mweru district in Africa, has bagged two more elephants. Kermit Roosevelt has killed an elephant and a rhinoceros.

Three men in Valencia, France, Beruyer, David and Liottard, were gullotined at daybreak Wednesday for a series of atrocious crimes in the department of Drome. Fully twelve murderers and 200 robbers are charged to these men. They often tortured their victims with red-hot irons. A great crowd witnessed the executions, and applauded wildly every time the knife fell.

The Spanish forces in Morocco were successful Sept. 20 and 21 in turning Mount Guruga and surrounding the ferocious Beni Schar tribesmen. The Moors were routed, leaving many dead on the field.

An expedition into the haunts of Filipino head hunters, including those of the Moros, who killed Dr. William F. Jones of the Field Museum of Natural History, will be undertaken in a few weeks by F. C. Cole of the same institution. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Cole during the entire journey.

Alberto Sanchez, an electrical engineer, at present an inmate of Belem Prison, in Mexico, claims to have invented an apparatus whereby vision as well as voice may be transmitted over an ordinary telephone wire. He calls his invention a telerradiophon, and the prison officials admit that successful tests have been made with the model. Sanchez, standing in his cell, talked to Gen. Maass in an adjoining cell. A wall three feet thick separated the two, yet each claimed to see the features of the other during the conversation.

## THE GULF HURRICANE

LEFT DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN ITS WAKE.

### MILLIONS IN PROPERTY LOSS

Crops Ruined, Dwellings, Cotton Gins and Sugar Mills Levelled.—Known Dead Fifty-Six.

Death list of Gulf Coast hurricane: Terrebonne parish, La., definite 29; reported 40. New Orleans, definite 5. Frenier, La., definite 4. Desair, La., definite 4. Jackson, Miss., definite 2. Baton Rouge, La., definite 1. Mandeville, La., definite 1. Bay St. Louis, Miss., definite 1. Donaldsonville, La., definite 1. Gramercy, La., definite 1. Grand Point, La., reported 4. Barataria, La., reported 1. Pass Manchac, La., definite 8. Total definite 50; reported 45.

New Orleans, La.—Gradually New Orleans and the territory surrounding the Crescent City are recovering from the first effects of the shock and results of the tropical hurricane which, starting Sunday, continued throughout Monday and Monday night. Fifty-six human lives are now positively known to have been claimed as victims of the storm.

The Illinois Central Railroad Company is sending its northbound trains out over the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley tracks as far as Baton Rouge and then detouring them across to Hammond, where the main line is tapped. The Louisville & Nashville railroad is moving trains out of the city over the New Orleans & Northeastern. Both the Illinois Central and the Louisville & Nashville roads have suffered a heavy loss, miles of their tracks having been washed away. It will be several weeks or more before the Louisville & Nashville will again be running trains over their own tracks.

It is the territory surrounding New Orleans, especially lower Terrebonne parish, which now commands the attention of relief parties, scores of which left Wednesday, and from where the least bit of news is seized upon by the anxious people who have friends or relatives in the storm-stricken area.

From early Wednesday the death list in the lower portion of Terrebonne parish increased as details of the hurricane's destruction were hourly received, until night it numbered nineteen.

It is reported that at least fifty others are missing. They are said to have been drowned or crushed in the flying debris of wrecked mills, dwellings and fishing camps.

Thrilling tales of narrow escapes and daring rescues came with the news of the total of human lives in the section of the storm-swept area.

One of the victims of the storm in Terrebonne parish was M. F. Smith of New Iberia, who with his brother, A. F. Smith, and a dozen friends made up a fishing party at Sea Breeze. The brother of the drowned man reached Houma, La., bringing the sad news of his brother's death.

A half dozen or more fishing camps along the gulf in Terrebonne parish were totally wrecked, fishing outfits being carried by the wind out for miles, and the fishermen are heavy sufferers, as all of their worldly possessions in the majority of cases were represented by these outfits. Pleasure craft and shippings of all kinds in the bayou inlets were totally destroyed and the loss will be heavy.

Store houses, sugar mills and dwellings of every character at Houma and in other villages suffered heavily, and scarcely a structure was left whole or untouched by the hurricane.

The damage done by the storm at Grand Island, Cheniere and Caminada was very heavy, but at these places there was no loss of life. The crops on these islands were totally destroyed, as the water swept across them two or three feet deep, washing them away, and the orange groves were whipped clean of fruit and foliage alike.

Definite reports of the loss of life at Terrebonne as the result of Monday's hurricane, have brought the number of known dead in this section up to nineteen persons. The list includes: Leon Rhodes and wife, Henry Dillon, aged 12; Joe Pennac and family of three; B. Burke, wife and six children; Miss Dupre, Mrs. L. Domanque. The families of T. Rhodes and Walter Rhodes, consisting of four persons, are reported missing. There was no tidal wave south of Houma, a rumor of which was circulated.

## NEW YORK CITY CROWDED

FOR THE HUDSON-FULTON CELEBRATION.

\$25,000,000 May Be Left in the City by the Out-of-Town Visitors.

New York.—The sailor-men of eight nations—England, Germany, France, Italy, Holland, Mexico, Argentina and the United States—shuffled along the streets of New York Sunday, mingling with visitors from North, South, East and West.

Beginning at noon, Riverside Drive, which affords a magnificent view of the anchored armada, began to fill up rapidly and by evening was uncomfortably crowded.

Special Hudson-Fulton services were conducted at all the churches. A form of prayer prescribed for the occasion by Bishop Green of the Episcopal church and Archbishop Farley of the Roman Catholic church was in every parish of the diocese. Many who could not get into old Trinity crowded the church yard to view the garlanded grave of Robert Fulton. Among them were officers of the visiting fleets.

Twenty-five million dollars, competent authorities estimate, as the sum in round figures that out-of-town visitors to the celebration will leave in New York. Hotel proprietors, familiar with the situation, set 600,000 for the number of guests now there and housed under their roofs and in more modest lodgings, it seems safe to say there are 400,000 more.

Allowing for possible exaggeration, it seems safe to estimate the entire out-of-town crowd at between 800,000 and 1,000,000.

The program for the week includes probable flights by Wilbur Wright and Glenn H. Curtis from Governors Island and the opening of various commemorative and art exhibits.

#### Receive Good Prices.

Brenham, Tex.—The farmers of Washington, who made abundant crops on bottom farms, and those who have had moderate yields on the uplands, are receiving good prices for their cotton, as the fleecy staple was sold in Brenham the past week for 13c. Cotton seed has been selling at \$31 a ton. These good prices, with the excellent corn crop raised throughout the county, puts the tillers of the soil in fine condition. The boll weevils have disturbed the cotton very little and there is scarcely any complaint about corn weevils.

#### Victoria County Crops.

Victoria, Tex.—The past week has been an excellent one for the gathering and marketing of cotton in the county, the weather having been ideal. Saturday was a good day, much cotton was brought to town and the merchants did a fine business. It seems the farmers in the county are not holding the cotton so much this year, but largely sell it as soon as ginned. Corn is selling at 50 cents and hay at 7.00 there being an excellent crop of both.

#### Verdict of Not Guilty.

Goliad, Tex.—The jury in the Crescencio Perez murder case has returned a verdict of not guilty. This Mexican was indicted jointly with another Mexican by the name of Duke for the murder of Crescencio Espenocelo, near Berclair, some eight months ago. Duke was tried last court and was given seventy-five years in the penitentiary.

#### Do Not Need Corn.

Lufkin, Tex.—A heavy mast of acorns, hickory nuts, chinquapine and sassafras berries is reported in many sections of Angelina county. People who have hogs will not have to feed any corn in order to have them made fat this year. The post oak and sand-jack mast is particularly heavy.

#### Live Stock Shipments.

Victoria, Tex.—Live stock shipments from over the Victoria division continue to be rather slim and have been so for the past two months. In all sixty cars were shipped over the division during the past two weeks, which chiefly went to the New Orleans and Fort Worth markets.

#### Farm Animals Dying.

North Galveston, Tex.—The prevailing disease among the cattle and horses has appeared. Mr. Bradford Hancock lost a valuable horse and Mr. Ears-Jenson lost one about a week ago. The stockmen differ as to whether the disease is blind staggers or spinal meningitis. It certainly does its work quickly after an animal is attacked.

#### Seed House.

Goliad, Tex.—The seed cotton house of the Victoria Manufacturing company was practically destroyed by fire at the noon hour Sunday. Estimated loss, about \$2,000.

## HIS CHANCE.



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### HUMOR BURNED AND ITCHED.

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Complete Cure by Cuticura.

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#### Hard Work for the Daughter.

In a New England weekly newspaper there appeared not long ago the following advertisement:

"A stone mason or his daughter may receive one quarter's music lessons in exchange for work on a cellar."—Youth's Companion.

#### A Suggestion.

Ponce De Leon was seeking the fountain of youth.

"I wonder," muttered his impecunious rival, "did he ever try to pass a drug store with his best girl?"

Digging into his jeans he was compelled to pay for four sodas.

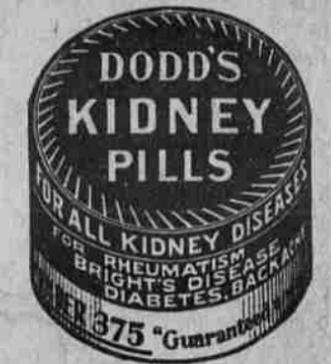
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