



NEWS OF THE WEEK

THE LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD.

NORTH, EAST, SOUTH, WEST

Foreign Lands, Throughout the Nation, and Particularly from the Great Southwest.

CONGRESSIONAL

Representative Alexander of the Third Missouri district Thursday introduced a bill appropriating \$250,000 for the Missouri river at Camden Bend, opposite Camden, Ray county, and as far west as the mouth of Crooked river, in Ray county, Revettments and other permanent structures to prevent the erosion of its banks, the shifting of its channel and the destruction of vast bodies of rich agricultural lands lying adjacent to be built.

A change in the form of the District of Columbia government by the substitution of a governor in place of three commissioners, establishment of a municipal department, instead of existing bureaus, and creation of a new department to be known as that of Housing and Labor, is recommended in a special message sent by President to Congress Thursday.

Representative Carter of Oklahoma has introduced a bill in the interest of fifty-two persons whose names, so the bill states, were inadvertently omitted from the rolls of the five civilized tribes, though embraced in a report of the commissioner to the five tribes dated November 15, 1907. The bill provides these persons shall share in the same manner as other members of their respective tribes who were enrolled in the lands and tribal funds.

Now that both senate and house have acted upon the president's message—at least that portion relating to the employment of the secret service, which was regarded as a reflection upon the membership of the congress—the house members in particular are wondering what will happen next. They ask themselves what the president may have to report since they have given him the opportunity to tell anything he may have accumulated through secret service channels or otherwise that would reflect upon their public records.

GENERAL NEWS

Appropriations aggregating \$636,300 were made at the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Carnegie Institution of Washington. This amount is to be used merely to continue projects heretofore initiated, and is not intended to cover any new work. The amount will cover the operations of the institution planned for the year 1909.

It is said that King Leopold of Belgium is preparing to sell his private art collection. The reason assigned for his action is characteristic of this monarch. He wants it said, to avoid being compelled to leave his treasures to his daughters.

Selection of Senator Knox for place in Taft's cabinet brings hot fight in Pennsylvania for seat in senate.

Court warns the clergy as well as the press at Union City, Tenn., not to refer to the evidence in the Captain Ranken murder trial.

To every boy in Iowa who will take a pledge to use neither tobacco nor liquor, Samuel Saucerman, a wealthy Des Moines resident, will give \$1, a cent a day for three years and another dollar at the end of the three years.

Argentina has taken another decisive step toward making ready for war. A bill authorizing the government to expend \$70,000,000 for armament, including two battleships of the Dreadnaught type and a third if deemed advisable, has just been sanctioned by the chamber of deputies.

The disappearance of Burrell B. Treat, a wealthy young man of Rockford, Ill., climaxed in a sensation here was found in a hotel at Cataonia with his throat cut.

The American Tobacco company suffered a heavy blow when the final decree in the suit of the government against the "trust" was filed in the United States circuit court. The decree declares that the American Tobacco company, the American Cigar company, the American Snuff company, the American Stogie company, and the McAndrews & Forbes companies form a monopoly and illegal combination in restraint of trade.

Tom Hirdson, slayer of Dr. A. B. Hazelhouse, Miss entered a plea of guilty and, in accordance with the agreement of counsel, was given a life sentence.

The mystery of the disappearance of Annie Smith and Bessie Kreiger, two 16-year-old Hammond, Ind., girls has been cleared up by their arrest at Kavanagh, Ind., by Officer Hanlon of the Hammond police. Both girls had on cowboy costumes.

The general association of Baptist Churches of America, which is in session at Fulton, decided to meet in extraordinary session in Little Rock, Ark., the second week in March of next year for the purpose of further strengthening and perfecting the organization.

Judge McSurley, in the criminal court of Chicago, upheld the primary election law. He decided that those defendants indicted by the special grand jury under the August primary law for perjury, conspiracy and illegal vetting must stand trial.

Port Ticonderoga, rich in the associations of the Colonial and the Revolutionary wars, is to rise again from its ruin and preserved and restored is to be the summer home of its owner, Mrs. S. H. P. Pell of New York.

Christian Rudovitz, the Russian revolutionist who fled from Bienen Courtland, and came to this country after the failure of the revolution in Russia in 1906, must be surrendered to the czar for trial. That is the ruling Commissioner Foote in Chicago made in the hearing for the refugee's extradition. The case will now go to the secretary of state for action.

The report that Eltha Root is to resign the office of secretary of state early in January or as soon as he is elected United States senator, and is to be succeeded until March 4 by Robert Bacon, the present first assistant secretary, was semi-officially confirmed in New York.

The citizens of Gibbon, Neb., were held at bay by a gang of bandits who dashed up to the Holloway Exchange bank in an automobile, looted it, and escaped in the swift machine, according to a dispatch from there. They got \$2500.

The New York American Friday carried a retraction of the article in which the paper printed under a Chicago date line that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., had planned and instigated a stockade and penance methods at the Corn Products and Refining company's plant at Summit, Ill.

A combination to control the world's copper markets is declared to be the purpose of leading producers, refiners and manufacturers meeting in Chicago. The interests concerned are said to represent about 65 per cent of the world's copper output.

President Roosevelt's reply to the resolution of the house demanding the specific reasons governing his utterances in his annual message regarding the secret service, will be ready for congress as soon as it reassembles after holiday recess.

General Bliss of the Philippine division has informed the war department of the death of eleven men of the Eighteenth Infantry at Camp Keithley, Mindanao, from Methyl poison due to drinking "Columbian spirits," a native drink.

James W. Adams, former Arkansas state senator, and editor of the Pine Bluff Graphic since 1888, died after a long illness. Three brothers are newspaper men. He leaves a widow and several children.

Instructions were sent by the state department Thursday to American Minister Furness at Port au Prince to accord recognition to the new government of Hayti, headed by Gen. Simon.

Miss Harriet A. Thaw, 85 years old, aunt of Harry Thaw, died at the Friends' asylum for the insane in Frankfort, Pa. She is the third member of Harry Thaw's family to die in an asylum. Copeley Thaw and James Ross were the others.

Her to \$1,000,000, which she cannot enjoy, is the fate of Mrs. Mary Voorman, who has for thirty-three years been an inmate of the Stockton asylum for the insane. A \$2,000,000 estate was divided by court order, one-half going to her and the remainder to her children. It will be held in trust, as she is hopelessly insane.

Venezuela has declared a state of war against Holland, according to advices received in a dispatch from Secretary Paxton Hibbon, secretary of legation at Bogota, Colombia.

John and Dick Kelley, brothers of Carterville, Ill., were fined \$100 each and 120 days in prison for violating the local option law.

Four persons were killed when a pier and span of the new bridge across the Potomac river at Martinsburg, W. Va., collapsed.

Owing to the absence of a number of the prosecution's witnesses the trial of Broughton Brandenberg for larceny in making alleged illegitimate use of Grover Cleveland's name, was postponed until after Jan. 1.

Charges of rebating by the Pennsylvania railroad are being investigated in Chicago by the federal grand jury, according to federal building reports. District Attorney Sims would not admit that an inquiry into the Pennsylvania road was in progress. It is known, however, that special agents of the department of justice have been investigating the railway company's dealings with shippers.

The safe of the First National bank of Eufaula, Ok., was dynamited by robbers who escaped with \$15,000 in gold.

James B. Hammond, millionaire owner of the Hammond Typewriter company, was arrested as he was leaving the Plaza hotel New York on a warrant charging disorderly conduct, preferred by Horace G. Allen, one of the employees of the concern.

Miss Katherine Dufferin Campbell aged 22, the daughter of wealthy parents and one of the most beautiful women in Chicago, was found dead in the bathroom of her home with the gas turned on.

Members of the Hargis family and its connections are found on both sides of the case of Beach Hargis, whose trial for killing his father, Judge James Hargis, is in progress at Irvine, Ky. The wife of Judge Hargis is using the money which her husband left to her to defend. Her brother, W. Floyd Byrd, is assisting the prosecution.

Two men were fatally injured and six others were badly hurt as the result of an explosion at Newberry, Pa. A foreigner accidentally dropped a match into keg of powder.

ROB ANOTHER BANK

"AUTO THIEVES" DYNAMITE SAFE AND GET \$3,000.

THEY STEAL BUGGY TO ESCAPE

Rapid Operators Strike Terror to Small Bankers Throughout Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb.—The State bank of Ceresco, Saunders county, 20 miles north of here, was robbed early Saturday by three men, who escaped with \$3,000 currency. The men are believed to be the automobile bandits who, early Friday, boldly looted banks at Keene and Gibbon, Neb., escaping pursuers in a fast touring car. This time, however, the robbers were not in an automobile; they stole a buggy and team of horses from a livery barn to escape.

The robbers entered the town shortly after midnight and started to work on the safe, leaving a lookout on the outside. James Hoyle, a resident, was up late and ran about of the lookout, who immediately held him up at the point of a revolver and marched him to the bank. There later he was found bound and gagged.

Escape in Buggy. The robbers dynamited the safe, taking everything of value in sight. Then they ran to their buggy, concealed nearby, and drove rapidly away. Their team and buggy were found Saturday morning near Ashland, 15 miles east of Ceresco, where the gang is believed to have taken a train.

Posses have been organized in Lancaster and Saunders counties, and it is now expected the robbers will be captured before night. The exploits of the "automobile bandits" have struck terror to the hearts of the small bankers in Nebraska. All of Friday night posses in many counties searched for the gang without avail. The Ceresco robbery Saturday, almost under the noses of the officials, has created an immense sensation.

One Robber Believed Wounded. If the Ceresco robbers and the "auto bandits" are identical they have secured nearly \$10,000 in currency from the three banks they have robbed in less than 24 hours. It was noted Saturday there were only three men in the Ceresco gang, whereas there were four robbers at Gibbon Friday. This might indicate one of the gang had been wounded during Friday's raids.

FOUR POISONED; NEGRO HELD.

Paroled Prisoner, Hired Out to Farmer, Didn't Drink Doctored Coffee.

Metropolis, Ill.—Ruth Sumner and family are critically ill from arsenic poison given to them in coffee, and John Brooks, colored, is in jail charged with the deed.

Sumner is a farmer and lives two miles from here. Nine months ago he paroled Brooks from the Chester penitentiary to work on his farm. They were eating dinner and four of them became deathly sick. Dr. A. E. Miller was sent for and but for his prompt arrival all would have probably died.

The coffee was analyzed and found to contain arsenic. Suspicion at once fell upon Brooks, as he never drank coffee, and as he was not drunk.

Search of the house resulted in arsenic being found in Brooks' room. He claimed he didn't know what it was and that some unknown man had bought it for him.

KILLED FOR PAY CHECK.

Railroad Man Who Saved Money Murdered at Mound City, Ill.

Mound City, Ill.—Officers were Saturday searching for the murderers of Charles W. Spickert, who was found dead in the yards of the Illinois Central with his throat cut and eighteen stab wounds in his body.

For four months Spickert had been allowing his money to accumulate. He drew at least \$250 from the pay car about noon Friday. No money or check was found on the body.

Doctor Is Found Dead.

Memphis, Tenn.—With a news paper clipping of a minister's sermon, advocating death for wreckers of homes, beside him, the body of Dr. John P. Long, a prominent specialist, was found dead Saturday. Death was probably due to inhaling gas. Nothing is known of his history beyond the fact that he was unmarried and came here from Germany several years ago. He always had plenty of money.

Simon's Election Pleases.

Cape Haytien, Hayti.—The election of Antoine Simon as president of Hayti was received here with enthusiasm. The Te Deum was chanted at the cathedral followed by a reception in the salons. The local delegates to the congress which elected Gen. Simon were received everywhere with rejoicing. The populace is content with the condition in government.

Coon Hunter Killed by Fall.

Carmel, Ill.—Henry Mitchell, 27 lost his life while coon hunting. Mitchell and some companions treed a large coon and Mitchell vainly endeavored to climb the tree and punch it out of its den. While making the ascent, a limb broke and he fell, breaking his back.

Car Kills Philadelphia Policeman.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Thrown from his horse early Saturday, Policeman Edward Mooney was ground to death under the wheels of a street car.

MISSOURI NEWS

PARSON TO BE TRIED JANUARY 4

Case of the Reverend Mr. Gow Comes Up at Mexico, Mo.

Elsberry—Sheriff G. W. Gentry has been here summoning witnesses for the Gow-Gleason trial, which comes upon a charge of venue at Mexico, January 4. Less than one year ago, the Reverend Clyde Gow was pastor of the M. E. church here.

Miss Elizabeth Gleason was a granddaughter of the founder of this city, R. L. Elsbury, and was teaching school when Gow became acquainted with her.

Doctor Hemphill was convicted for performing an operation on her, from which she died. He was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary, but a new trial has been granted him.

FALLS FROM WAGON, KILLED.

August Koch, 60 years Old, Dead at Home in Owensville, Mo.

Gerald—August Koch, 60 years old, was killed at his home in Owensville near here. He was standing in the rear end of a wagon, when the horses started, throwing him out backwards. His head struck on a rock.

Mr. Koch served two terms as judge of the southern district of Gasconade county. He was a director of the Owensville bank, and manager of the Modern Woodmen of America Lodge.

Will Take Over Failed Bank.

Springfield.—The Merchants' Stock at bank, with a capital of \$200,000, paid up, and with a holding company having a paid-up capital of \$100,000 and to be known as the Security Trust company of Springfield, was organized here. The new bank will take over the suspended National Exchange bank as soon as governmental sanction to the transfer is obtained and will pay depositors of the defunct institution dollar for dollar.

Burnett Case Continued at Gallatin.

Gallatin.—In the Daviess county circuit court at Gallatin the case against Samuel Burnett, of Springfield, Ill., who is charged with offering a bribe to John L. Anderson, county school superintendent, was continued to the April term of court. Burnett, a salesman for Gimix Co., school-book publishers is alleged to have offered Anderson \$200 to vote for the adoption of two of the Ginn books.

Girl Sues W. B. Ridgely.

Kansas City, Mo.—A suit for \$20,000 was brought in the circuit court Tuesday by Miss Pearl Greer against William B. Ridgely, former president of the National Bank of Commerce. Miss Greer asserts in a petition to the court that Mr. Ridgely's automobile ran over her at Seventeenth street and Grand avenue, November 19. She says she suffered severe injuries.

Court Dismisses Science Healers.

Warrensburg.—The case of the state against Mrs. Lena D. Jaccard and Theresa M. Haywood, Christian Scientists of Kansas City, who were placed on trial in the Johnson county circuit court, charged with treating the sick without a license, on information filed by Prosecuting Attorney Cockrell, was dismissed by Judge B. G. Thurman, of Lamar.

Appointments by Folk.

Jefferson City.—Governor Folk has made the following appointments: Charles N. Cooper, school commissioner for Maries county, Vice R. L. Holmes, resigned; Harry Martin, coal-oil-inspector for the city of Kahoka for a period expiring November 1, 1909.

Buckley Loses Appeal.

Jefferson City.—The supreme court in division No. 2 denied the application for a writ of habeas corpus to secure the release from the penitentiary of John Buckley, who was sent from St. Louis to serve a sentence of five years for robbery in the first degree.

Capt. Rumbold Is Honored.

Jefferson City.—Governor-elect Hadley will name Frank M. Rumbold of St. Louis adjutant-general. Rumbold is now commander of Light Battery A, St. Louis. Captain Rumbold has been instrumental in building up history A, and his appointment will meet with the approval of that organization.

Nun's Hand Cut Off.

St. Joseph.—As the result of an accident in the laundry of the academy of the Sacred Heart, in this city, the left hand of Sister Ryan was amputated. Sister Ryan was operating a mangle and reaching in to secure a garment had her hand caught in the machinery.

Springfield.—Rev. James L. Sullens, pastor of a South Methodist church here, died after being accidentally shot while hunting. Two charges of bird shot from a double-barrel gun in the hands of S. F. Jared, a merchant, entered the minister's right side.

Montgomery—John Gill, of Portland

Callaway county, drove 775 turkeys to market to one dealer in this county, which probably is the largest drove ever delivered in this state by one man. He drove them thirty miles over the country roads.

SERIAL STORY

THE ESCAPE

A POST MARITAL ROMANCE

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SYNOPSIS.

The Escapade opens, not in the romance preceding the marriage of Ellen Stratgate, a Puritan miss, and Lord Carrington of England, but in their life after settling in England. The scene is placed, first following the marriage, in Carrington castle in England. The Carringtons, after a house party, engaged in a family ill, caused by jealousy, Lord Carrington and his wife each made charges of faithlessness against the other. First objecting against playing cards with the guests, Lady Carrington accused her husband of Lord Stratgate. Her attention to Ellen had become a sore point with Carrington. The loss of \$100,000 failed to perturb her, but her husband then cut for his wife's £ 0. 10. and his honor, Carrington winning. The incident closed, except that a liking for each other apparently arose between Lady Carrington and Lord Stratgate. Additional attentions of Lord Carrington to Lady Cecily and Lord Stratgate to Lady Carrington continued the latter to vow that she would leave the castle. Preparing to flee, Lady Carrington and her maid Deborah, an American girl, met Lord Stratgate at two a. m. He agreeing to see them safely away, Ellen fled. Lord Stratgate attempted to take her to his castle, but she left him stunned in the road when the carriage met with an accident. She and Debbie then struck out for Portsmouth, where she intended to set for America. Hearing news of Ellen's flight, Lord Carrington and Seton set out in pursuit, Seton, locating the fugitives, hit the trail of Ellen and Debbie. He then rented a fast vessel and started in pursuit. Carrington pursued Stratgate. Stratgate, bleeding from a fall, dashed on to Portsmouth, for which Carrington, in Elizabeth Seton were also headed by different routes. Stratgate arrived in Portsmouth in advance of the others, being that Ellen's ship had sailed before her.

CHAPTER XI.—Continued.

Carrington was armed. He hauled a pistol from his belt, cocked it and leveled it fair at Stratgate. "Bring that boat into the wharf," he cried, "or I'll shoot you like the dog you are!"

Stratgate did not blanch. He balanced himself easily to the roll of the boat and looked square at Carrington. "Would you add murder to your other follies?" he answered.

He was an easy mark, the distance was short, Carrington was a sure shot, and if ever a man had made a mark in his heart it was in that of Ellen's husband. Yet there was something in the dauntless way in which Stratgate faced him and in the fact that the latter appeared unarmed, that caused Carrington, with finger upon the trigger, to stay the pressure.

"Why don't you fire, my lord?" cried Stratgate. "Draw your weapon, Stratgate," said Carrington, dropping the point of his own pistol. "There was no use. Carrington could not kill him under the circumstances. He stood staring after him for a moment, and then raised his hand and shook it in the air.

CHAPTER XII.—Lady Carrington's Luck.

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As for Ellen, her heart exulted. She had something to do besides thither. The sailing of the boat required all her skill and ability. It was no light task to hold the helm in one hand and the sheet in the other and fight her way through the rising seas. The boat rode the water like a duck, however, and did not ship a drop of spray.

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"I take you, yer honor," cried Haight, whose sporting blood was aroused, and the remark was greeted by three cheers from the wharf.

He pointed to one of the frigates swinging ahead in the line of battleships of Kephart's fleet.

"Right-o, your lordship," said Haight, making a sea scrape at the mention of rank, social, political and naval, of his speaker. "Lads, who goes with us?" He picked up three or four volunteers, to whom Carrington promised a suitable reward.

"My boat's twice as big as Cooper's cutter, and I need the hands, your lordship."

"Take anybody, anything you please," said Carrington. "Where's the boat?"

"She be lyin' beyond the other pier. Shall I bring her here, or—?"

"We'll go there," returned my lord. "This quicker."

Committing his horse to one of the bystanders, with instructions to take him to the inn, Carrington, followed by Haight and three seamen, ran back to the shore, made their way along the strand to the other pier, leaped into the boat, which was a large, swift cutter, as Haight had said, and left half again as big as Cooper's, which was now well down the harbor and going tremendously under every freshening breeze.

To cast off the lines, hoist the sails, warp the boat along the pier until she gained the open roads, was the work of a few moments. Carrington stood quietly while the skillful men worked busily around him, but so soon as the wind filled the sail and the boat gathered way he came aft, calmly displaced Haight at the helm and called the boat himself. And no one in that harbor knew how to do it better than he.

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some premonition of danger caused Ellen to survey the other vessel, a small lugger, perhaps a mile astern, with deep and intense interest. Something seemed to whisper to her heart that its presence boded no good for the fugitives.

In order to settle the matter, Ellen suddenly put up the helm and ran broad off toward the channel. The other boat followed her motion at once. At this confirmation of her suspicions, Ellen once more brought her own cutter on her previous course, and again the other boat followed the movements of the first.

"They're pursuing us," said Ellen. "I thought so," returned Debbie. "Who can they be?" queried Ellen tightening her grip upon the tiller. "It might be your husband," answered Debbie.

And if that were so, it flashed into Ellen's mind that perhaps the best thing would be to throw her own boat up into the wind, doff sail, or at least just give her steerage way and wait to be taken back. But Debbie's voice dispelled that dream.

"It's more likely to be Lord Stratgate," continued the American girl, "than anyone else. He would naturally follow us to that little village, if he were not so seriously wounded as to be utterly helpless and of course he would pursue us. They would find the money you put on the wharf and anybody could guess the rest."

The thought smote Ellen's heart. There was so much probability of it. "Ay," she said, "his probably Stratgate, as you say."

"He's undoubtedly intensely angry with us both, or with you at least, Ellen," continued Deborah. "You know you tried to kill him last night."

"And we both left him helpless in the road and he can't be feeling very kindly toward us," went on Deborah with innocent stupidity.

"He pretended to love me," said Ellen, scornfully. "Well, he shall never take me into that boat. I'll sink this one rather than—"

"Oh, please don't do anything so rash," cried Deborah, alarmed at that threat. "I'm sure I don't want to be sunk and drowned because Lord Stratgate loves you and Lord Carrington doesn't."

"How do you know he doesn't?" cried Ellen.

"Why, you said that he and Lady Cecily—"

"Don't you ever dare mention that woman's name to me," returned the other, fiercely. "She bewitched him and enticed him—I hate them both!"

She was on the verge of another breakdown. Deborah was appalled by the vehemence of her companion and tactfully interposed a remark to change the trend of her thoughts.

"I think they're nearer to us now," "They are," cried Ellen as she surveyed them with her practiced eye. "Their boat is larger, she spreads more sail. She goes three fathoms to our two. What shall we do? Here take the tiller a moment. Hold it just as it is and the sheet in the other hand."

"What are you going to do?" asked Deborah as she obeyed her captain's commands.

"I'm going to see if there are any powder and shot in the lockers forward. I was a fool to come away with only the charges in my pistols."

"Would you shoot him?" "Ay, that I would," returned Ellen, "rather than fall into his hands."

She stepped forward and rummaged in the locker under the bows but found nothing. She made her way aft again and disturbing Deborah opened another locker in the stern