

A JAPANESE OIL OCTOPUS

Takarado Company Patterns After Standard in Buying, Up Small Fry.

Tokio, July 29.—The Takarado Oil Company continues its process of absorbing all its rivals. Some time ago news was published that it had purchased the Namboku and Fuji companies for a sum of 650,000 yen, and rumors say that it has now effected the purchase of the Bokuyetsu company for 260,000 yen, of the Lamato for 100,000 yen, and of the Miku for 75,000 yen.

Negro Who Assaulted Mrs. Davis, Lynched by a Mob

John Van Pelt, wounded in side, head and arm. James Bayliss, slightly wounded. W. P. Brownson, was shot through ear. Sheriff Van Pelt, injury to right elbow. Lee Brewton, shot in the arch. It is probable that more than half a dozen others were wounded, many of them receiving their injuries at the time the negro was hanged in the Plaza.

FIRST ATTACK ON THE COUNTY JAIL

Oppress, restless and threatening, began to assemble in the vicinity of the county jail as early as 7 o'clock in the night. That something was to be done during the night could plainly be seen late in the afternoon by the manner in which men and boys thronged Palafox street, though there were few open threats of lynching. It was at 8:45 o'clock that the first rush was made upon the jail. Sheriff Van Pelt had talked for fully thirty minutes before the firing began. He pleaded with the mob, which by this hour had grown to possibly five hundred, though many on the outskirts were only onlookers and had no intention of participating in the trouble. The sheriff talked as he had never done before, requesting, pleading and ordering the mob to disperse, as he was in honor bound to give protection to everyone in the county jail, and this protection would be afforded the negro Shaw.

Broke Down Gate. The talk of the sheriff had no effect upon the mob, and the cries of "Lynch him," "Lynch him," could be heard

for blocks. Some of the more determined secured one of the rails from the track of the bay shore line of the Pensacola Electric Co. and with this an assault was commenced upon the jail yard gate. The sheriff continued to plead and threaten, but there was no response.

Then he told the mob that the first man to enter the jail yard would be killed.

Firing Commences.

The mob carried the gate down with a rush, and when they did there was a volley from the second story windows of the jail building, where several deputies were stationed. "Bud" Nicholls fell dead, a bullet entering the brain, while others were wounded. The mob responded with a volley, in which probably a dozen participated, and this was answered by the deputies. For the space of two minutes the fight was a spirited one, but the mob finally withdrew and ceased firing, while several wounded men were taken into the police station and later to their homes and the hospital. Among the men wounded in this engagement were John Van Pelt, a brother of the sheriff, and J. J. Eaton, of the sheriff's office. Outsiders to be wounded were Charlie Turner, A. N. Knowles, James Bayliss, and Fred Humphreys.

Overpowered the Officers.

Although firing ceased the mob remained around the jail building for several hours, being constantly added to, a large number of countrymen reaching the city late in the night and joining those already on hand, determined to lynch the negro. Threats innumerable were made by the mob, but the sheriff with his forces stationed in front of the building held the crowd at bay.

It was about 11:30 o'clock when probably a dozen members of the mob scaled the rear wall of the jail and entered the back yard. Proceeding quietly they unfastened the rear door of the hallway, and while the officers were busily engaged with the mob in front, the dozen men leaped upon them, bore a number of them to the floor, while others with drawn revolvers kept other deputies at bay.

The Negro Secured.

Quickly the keys of the jail were taken from Deputy Cusack, and within in one minute after entering, the mob was passing through the front gate with Leander Shaw. Ropes had been secured, and while on the run a noose was placed about his neck. Then he was dragged east on Zarragosa street to Parragona, and then back again to the Plaza. Up one of the electric light poles went a member of the mob and the rope was passed over a cross arm. A dozen hands gave the rope a jerk and the body of Leander Shaw was dangling thirty feet above the ground, the man writhing in death agonies.

Five Hundred Shots.

No sooner had the rope been fastened than a fusillade of shots began, which continued for full five minutes. More than five hundred shots were fired at the body of the negro, which was riddled with bullets, amid the cheering of the infuriated men who had gathered from all sections of the city and who were loath to depart from the scene.

Another Man Killed.

In the last attack H. C. Kellum was killed, while a number received slight wounds, although the officers fired no shots. It is believed that Kellum received his death wound when a crowd

of four or five men were engaged in overpowering Sheriff Van Pelt. The later was in the doorway with one revolver in his hand and another in the scabbard. When he fell the revolver in the scabbard was discharged, and it is believed that the bullet struck Kellum.

The shooting in the Plaza at the negro, by the excited men was where the other men received their injuries.

IN DUTY BOUND TO GIVE PROTECTION

"I was in duty bound to give protection to the prisoner," said Sheriff Van Pelt to a Journal representative this morning. "I pleaded with the mob as I never had before, and told them that I must protect the prisoner at any cost. I did not want to see anyone hurt, and am sorry that such occurred."

"I and my force were overpowered by the crowd that got in the back way. My entire attention was directed to keeping back the men who were in front of the jail, and I did not know that anyone was in the jail until after I was on the floor with half a dozen men on me."

Last night's lynching was the first to occur in Pensacola in many years, and probably the first ever to occur in the Plaza. Nothing, however, could have prevented the mob from lynching the negro. The spirit was aroused and even the sheriff poured into the crowd upon the first attack did not seem to have any effect upon the crowd, but made it more determined to hang the negro, no matter what might be the consequences.

Oldest Employee of Mobile and Ohio Dead

Whisler, and was respected by every man, woman and child. Mr. Gilmer's remains were viewed by Dr. H. P. Hirschfeld, the coroner, after which they were removed to his home in the western part of the village. He is survived by one daughter and other relatives. The engineer of the train when he saw the aged man in front of the locomotive did everything in his power to stop the train, but could not do so under the circumstances.

NEGRO WOMAN ASSASSINATED

Alexandria, La., July 29.—Maud Piper, a negro woman, was shot and killed by an unknown party at her home on Bolton avenue last night. Today Fred Thomas, a negro, was arrested and charged with the crime. It is supposed that he intended to kill Henrietta Jett, a woman who lived in the same house with the Piper woman and who at one time lived with Fred Thomas. It is reported that Thomas had made threats against Henrietta Jett.

POLISH AMERICAN ELEVATED TO BISHOP

Chicago, July 29.—Prelates, priests and laymen from all parts of the United States witnessed the consecration here today of Bishop-Elect Paul Peter Rhode, Chicago's new auxiliary bishop and the first Polish-American priest in America to be elevated to the Episcopate in the Roman Catholic church.

TAFT WILL RECUPERATE

He Leaves Cincinnati For Virginia to Prepare For Campaign.

Cincinnati, July 29.—Judge Taft, accompanied by Mrs. Taft, left Cincinnati at nine o'clock tonight for Hot Springs, Va., where they will remain until the opening of the campaign, or the first week in September. At that time Taft will return to this city, where it is his present intention to remain until election day.

TYPHOON IN CHINA

Many People Drowned and Great Destruction of Property.

Canton, China, July 28.—In a devastating typhoon here yesterday, thousands of native crafts, including the entire fleet of flower boats, many launches, cargo boats and lighters were swamped, many people being drowned. The British river gunboat Robin French, and the gunboats Argus and Vigilante were sent adrift, considerably damaged. The West river steam tug Kong foundered and the officers and men are being rescued. Numerous houses collapsed, embanking the occupants. The public gardens were wrecked.

GEORGIA CONVICT BILL PASSED

Atlanta, July 29.—The Holder convict bill passed today, which provides for the termination of the present convict lease system January 1, 1911. The bill had many amendments, all tending a betterment of the system.

HAS JURISDICTION IN RATE CASES

Mount Airy, July 29.—Judge Speer decided today that he has jurisdiction in the railroad rate cases. An adjournment has been taken until tomorrow.

SIGN OF PROSPERITY.

Washington, July 29.—The Central Pacific Railroad closed its business relations with the government today when its check for \$2,946,000, the last

Advertisement for a newspaper or publication, featuring the text: "The man who passes your shop window is going somewhere. He is on some other errand. If you want to catch him when he is not in a hurry, put your shop window in the newspaper, a few articles at a time. You can make a hundred and fifty thousand people look at this kind of window every day, and with much better selling results than if that hundred thousand walked by your shop one by one."—Seymour Eaton.

MORE COMBINE OF RAILROAD INTERESTS

New York, July 29.—Substance was given today to the report that E. H. Harriman is about to become affiliated with the Gould interests when it was learned that Harriman was in a conference with George J. Gould of the Gould system and representatives of the Kahn-Loeb company and Blair & Co., who are prominent New York bankers.

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MORE DISORDER IN MINING DISTRICTS

Birmingham, Ala., July 29.—A clash occurred near Pratt City tonight between union and non-union miners, in which Lige Nelson, a non-union negro miner, was killed, and E. Mills, a union man, shot through the jaw. Six men were brought to jail here, charged with being implicated in the trouble.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

Manila, July 29.—Heavy loss of life among the foreign residents, especially the Chinese, is reported, owing to the typhoon which swept over the coast last night. Among the buildings damaged were the offices of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, the Kingsclere Hotel and a number of residences. The crew of the British cruiser Astrae performed gallant services in aiding the injured and in rescue work.

BIT BY MAD DOG.

Prentiss, Miss., July 29.—A good deal of excitement prevailed here yesterday when W. E. Williams, an employee of S. S. Dale & Sons, and his

payment under the funding act of 1889, was accepted by the treasury department. The check was for the payment due February 1, 1909, but the returning wave of prosperity enabled the Central Pacific Railroad Company to avail itself of the advantage of paying in advance and hence the arrival of the \$2,900,000 check. This closes the account between the railroad and Uncle Sam.

seven-year-old boy were bitten by a dog supposed to be mad. Mr. Williams was advised by physicians here to go to New Orleans for treatment, and so he went, carrying the dog's head for examination. He is prominent here, and his friends are very anxious to hear the decision of the specialists.

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ODDS AND ENDS OF INTEREST FROM EVERYWHERE

PORTUGUESE REFORMER. Senor Franco, the present prime minister of Portugal, with the support of the king, is carrying on a vigorous overhauling of public affairs in his



country. He is so radical in his methods that the nation has been brought very near to civil war. Senor Franco is a very wealthy man.

QUEEN OF SPAIN'S BROTHER. Prince Alexander of Battenberg, favorite brother of the queen of Spain, has recently come of age. The young



man has adopted a naval career. He gets his name from his uncle, the hero of Bulgaria. The prince is exceedingly democratic in his manner and is a great favorite at the British court.

HOW WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS CONDUCT A CAMPAIGN IN ENGLAND.



The cut shows a parade of suffragists arrayed in sandwich boards which was made recently outside a London police court. It represents the latest phase in the campaign of protest against the enforcement of man made laws in the British police courts. The movement has made great progress on the other side.

A ROYAL MUSICIAN.

Prince Ludwig Ferdinand of Bavaria, uncle of the king of Spain, is a most accomplished violinist. Recently at a concert in Munich one of the



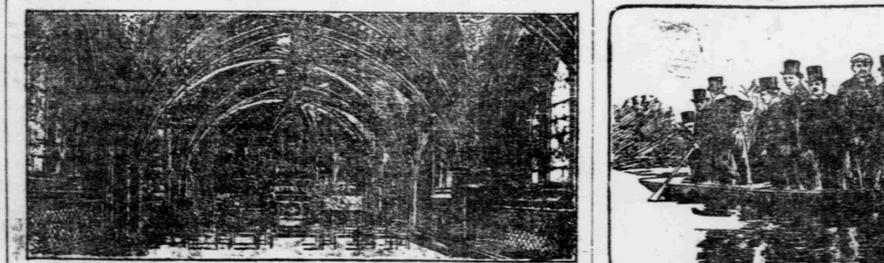
artists was taken ill suddenly and the prince volunteered to take his place. The substitution was entirely successful, and the regular musician's absence was not discovered by the audience.

A WOODEN CASTLE IN ENGLAND.



The frame structure shown in the cut is a novelty in Great Britain, where wood as a building material has about gone out of use. It is the home of a retired showman near Birmingham, who was his own architect. In his garden at the rear of the house he has a number of old animal vans converted into summer houses. The effect of the bright colors showing beneath the vines is unique.

CHAPEL IN CRYPT OF BRITISH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.



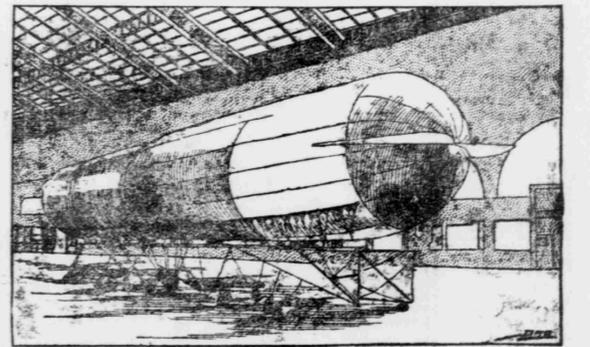
The cut shows the beautiful Chapel of St. Stephen in the crypt of the houses of parliament, of the existence of which few persons seem to be aware. In it recently was celebrated the wedding of the lord chancellor, Lord Loreburn. This is the only instance on record of the marriage of a lord chancellor during this term of office.

A FLOOD IN THE THAMES VALLEY.



The cut is from a photograph taken during the recent overflow of the Thames river. It shows a party of boys from the famous Eton school enjoying the novelty of punting across the meadows in their immediate neighborhood.

THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF THE AIRSHIP.



The cut shows the most recent phase of air locomotive, which has been attracting a good deal of attention in Paris. It is the invention of a Dutch officer, M. Kluytmans. It is a cylindrical balloon divided into two equal parts, in the middle of which a screw revolves. The motive power comes from the axis of the ship instead of from below.