

DYNAMITE TO CHECK FIRE

1,000 HOMES DESTROYED AT SALEM, MASS.

New French Catholic Church and Many Colonial Homes Destroyed—Loss \$20,000,000.

Boston, Mass.—The most disastrous conflagration in New England since the wiping out of Chelsea broke out in Salem, spread with rapidity and consumed 1,000 buildings and many factories. Dynamiting had to be resorted to. A second blaze added to the terror of the inhabitants.

Four companies of militia and police from nearby cities have been called out to preserve order. Every piece of apparatus within the limits of safety has been called from nearby points, including three pieces from Boston.

A square mile has been burned over, with loss of more than \$20,000,000.

The exclusive residential section along Lafayette street crumbled before the flames. The new big French Catholic church and many colonial homes have been consumed. Householders rushed their possessions to the big Broad street cemetery.

GOETHALS TO BUILD CANAL

Massachusetts Senator Would Have Panama Canal Expert Head National Roads Commission.

Washington, D. C.—Col. George W. Goethals, builder of the Panama canal, will be asked to become chief engineering officer of a commission to construct a network of improved highways in the United States, if Senator John W. Weeks of Massachusetts can bring it about.

The Bourne bill provides for the issuance of government 3 per cent bonds, the proceeds to be loaned for good roads work to the states whose 4 per cent bonds will be taken as security.

The senate committee on post offices and post roads is now considering the Shackelford bill, which has already passed the house. This provides for \$2,500,000 to be appropriated for good roads work under state direction, provided the local governments contribute twice the amount they receive from the federal treasury.

FLIES OVER MOUNT WHITNEY

Christofferson, at Second Attempt, Makes New American Altitude Record—First Flight Fails.

Independence, Cal.—Silas Christofferson, aviator, in a biplane, flew over the peak of Mount Whitney, 14,998 feet high. He attained an altitude estimated at more than 15,728 feet and established, it is contended, a new American altitude record.

It was Christofferson's second attempt at the peak. The first was made shortly after dawn from Lone Pine and failed because of the intense cold the aviator encountered at an elevation of 13,000 feet.

Christofferson, upon landing after his second flight, said his barograph showed he had reached an altitude of 15,728 feet.

BIG DRY GOODS FIRM FAILS

Concern With String of Retail Houses Across the Continent, Has \$35,000,000 Debts.

New York.—The vast Clafin dry goods enterprises collapsed with the appointment of receivers in New York for the wholesale house of the H. B. Clafin Co. and the announcement that nearly 30 retail stores throughout the country would be closed. The liabilities of the firm are estimated at \$35,000,000, the assets at more than \$40,000.

Over-extended credits caused the failure, the largest of its kind in the history of the country.

FOUR KILLED AS AUTO LEAPS

Bodies Found in Beach Hours After 100-Foot Plunge; One Man, Unconscious, May Live.

Los Angeles, Cal.—At the foot of a 100-foot bluff on the ocean beach near San Pedro, Cal., the bodies of three women and a man, victims of an automobile accident, were found.

The automobile, a new car, driven by Harry Baker, a wireless operator of San Pedro, had plunged over the bluff. It was Baker's first trip in the automobile.

Percy Townsend, also a wireless operator, was unconscious when found, but he may recover.

Low Calling But High Aim.

Chicago, Ill.—Larry Evans, fiction writer, is a guard in the Illinois state penitentiary at Joliet and his real name is Max Erxleben. Erxleben's salary as prison guard is \$70 a month. He worked on his fiction at night.

Pardon Asked for Murderess.

Indianapolis.—The state board of pardons took up for consideration a petition for the pardon of Mrs. Rae Krauss, who is serving a life sentence here for the murder of her stepdaughter ten years ago.

Cashier Held for Embezzlement.

Waterloo, Ia.—Henry T. Sammler, cashier at the local Chicago Great Western freight offices, was arrested, charged with having embezzled \$2,650 during the last year. He is said to have confessed.

GEN. FELIPE ANGELES



General Angeles, formerly secretary of war in Carranza's cabinet, is Villa's chief artillery commander and, according to reports, is also that commander's choice for the position of provisional president.

FORMER SOLON EXPLAINS

PAYNTER TELLS WHY HE BARRICADED MUNDAY.

Kentuckyan Who Voted to Exonerate Lorimer at First Hearing, Makes a Statement.

Frankfort, Ky.—Former United States Senator Paynter of Kentucky has issued a statement explaining how his notes aggregating \$40,000 found their way into the La Salle Street bank of Chicago, controlled by William Lorimer and C. B. Munday, and which item, it was reported was being investigated by federal authorities in connection with their inquiry into that institution.

Paynter, as senator, was a member of the first senatorial committee that investigated Lorimer's election to the senate and he voted in favor of Lorimer's retaining his seat.

"After my connection with the Lorimer committee had ceased," said Paynter, "I needed \$50,000 to complete a business transaction. I supposed I would need the money for only a few days. C. B. Munday told me he could take my four notes for \$10,000 each and use them in Illinois banks—in which Lorimer had no interest.

"Lorimer knew nothing whatever about this transaction. My deal was postponed and I was unable to take care of the demand notes and it seems that Mr. Munday took care of them through the La Salle Street bank. However, every dollar of the notes has been paid excepting \$2,676.45, which will be paid on demand."

\$10,000 PASTORS IN DEMAND

High-Priced Places Vacant for Lack of Right Man, Says Rev. Roberts of Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa.—"It is true that it is hard to get good executives to fill \$10,000 positions," said Rev. W. H. P. Roberts, clerk of the Presbyterian church.

"I know of six high-priced pastorates that have been vacant for two years because men of sufficient ability cannot be found to fill them."

Dr. Roberts was speaking apropos of the statement of Alva B. Johnson before the foreign relations committee that there are plenty of \$10,000 places, but a lack of men to fill them.

INDIANA SEEKS BETTER ROADS

Commission and Advisory Board Appointed by Governor for State-Wide Improvement.

Indianapolis, Ind.—A definite movement to obtain better roads throughout Indiana was launched by Gov. Ralston in the appointment of a state highway commission. Besides naming five commissioners to act as an executive body, he appointed an advisory commission of 15 members.

The commissioners are Thomas Taggart, Indianapolis; W. H. O'Brien, Lawrenceburg; Leonard B. Claire, La Porte; Addison C. Harris, Indianapolis; and R. L. Sackett, Purdue University.

Ape Tries to Kidnap Girl.

Pasadena, Cal.—Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Lindley brought suit for \$56,250 against Millionaire E. W. Knowlton, alleging that the latter's pet ape, which escaped from his master's home March 17, tried to kidnap their 4-year-old daughter from her bed.

Ton of Candy for Gen. Villa.

Pueblo, Colo.—Orders for a ton of candy intended for consumption by Gen. Villa's troops were received at a local factory. The order came through L. de la Garza, financial agent for the constitutionalists.

Woman for Kansas Supreme Court.

Topeka, Kan.—Lizzie S. Sheldon of Lawrence, the first woman in Kansas to become a candidate for the supreme court, filed her nominating papers with the secretary of state. The petition contained 1,000 names.

FOUR DYNAMITERS FREED

PRESIDENT WILL CONSIDER PETITIONS OF TWO.

Commutations of Sentence Effective at Once, in Cases of Minor Defendants—Others to Prison.

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson commuted to expire at once the sentence imposed on Michael J. H. Hannon of Scranton, Pa.; Fred J. Mooney of Duluth, Minn., and William Shupe of Chicago, all convicted in the "dynamite conspiracy" cases.

The other 20 defendants, including the leaders, must begin serving their sentences in Leavenworth penitentiary.

Hannon had been sentenced to three years; Painter to two; Mooney and Shupe each got a year and a day.

Played Minor Parts.
No memorandum was given out accompanying the president's action, as sometimes is done in such cases, but it was understood the president followed closely the recommendations of Attorney-General McReynolds. The four men whose sentences were commuted had minor parts in the conspiracy, the government charged. Applications of the other two for executive clemency will be received.

The 24 men who applied for pardon were convicted of conspiracy and the transportation of dynamite in interstate commerce for the wrecking of buildings and other structures in a labor war between the structural iron workers' organization and the employers. The noted cases grew directly out of the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building and the confessions of the McNamara brothers.

New trials have been granted and are pending for Olaf A. Tveitmo, San Francisco; William J. McCann, Kansas City; James E. Ray, Peoria, Ill.; Richard H. Houlhan, Chicago; Fred Sherman, Indianapolis, and William Bernhardt, Cincinnati.

STERILIZATION LAW IS VOID

Proposed Punishment in Iowa Penitentiary Is "Cruel and Unusual," Three U. S. Judges Rule.

Des Moines, Ia.—Iowa's law for the sterilization of criminals, idiots, drunkards, drug fiends and others, is unconstitutional, in the opinion of Federal Judges Smith McPherson of Iowa, John C. Pollock of Kansas and Walter I. Smith of the circuit court of appeals.

The law was passed by the last general assembly.

The court holds the law void because of the "humiliation, the degradation and the mental suffering" which makes the punishment come within the proscribed "cruel and unusual" clause of the federal constitution, and further because it is under the nature of the bill of attainder.

SERVIAN KING QUILTS THRONE

Crown Prince in Charge During Peter's Absence—Reported Ruler Has Abdicated.

Belgrade, Servia.—King Peter I. of Servia was reported to have abdicated the throne in favor of his second son, Prince Alexander.

The king left Belgrade in the afternoon for the baths at Vrayan in the southern part of Servia and a note issued by the official agency in announcing the king's departure did not say he had abdicated, but confined itself to the statement that his majesty had signed a ukase entrusting the government of Servia during his absence from the capital to Crown Prince Alexander.

WALTER JOHNSON A BENEDICT

Premier Washington Baseball Pitcher Married Daughter of Congressman Roberts of Nevada.

Washington, D. C.—Walter Johnson, the premier pitcher of the Washington American League baseball club, was married here last night to Miss Hazel Roberts, a daughter of Representative E. E. Roberts of Nevada.

Johnson is one of the greatest pitchers in the game today. His home is in Coffeyville, Kan., where he has a large farm.

Scots Observe Independence Day.

Edinburgh.—The 60th anniversary of the battle of Bannockburn, which won for the Scots their national independence and to the English army was the greatest disaster in history, was celebrated throughout the land o'cakes by brae and burn.

Detective Slain in Chicago.

Chicago.—Frank D. Maria, Sicilian investigator and detective, who has been assisting the police in trailing Black Hand murderers, was shot to death by an unidentified assassin at "Death Corner," in Little Italy, on the North Side.

Independence Tower Uncovered.

Philadelphia.—The foundation of the observatory tower from which the Declaration of Independence was publicly read in 1776 by John Nixon was uncovered by city workmen in Independence Square.

Crime Cave in Cemetery.

Berlin.—A robbers' cave lighted by electricity, carpeted with costly stolen rugs and furnished with a valuable collection of silver plate and jewelry, has been discovered in the village cemetery of Opoczyn, Silesia.

FRANCIS JOSEPH

PROSTRATED BY

NEPHEW'S DEATH

STUDENT SLAYS HEIR TO THE THRONE OF AUSTRIA AND WIFE AT SARAJEVO.

POLICE KEEP THROG FROM TEARING SLAYER TO PIECES

Archduke Francis Ferdinand Meets Death in Bosnia Capital, in Gala Attire to Receive Couple, as He Attempts to Shield Duchess From Shots With Own Body—Workman Throws Explosive, Injuring Six Persons, Then Assassin Kills Archduke and Duchess With Revolver.

Vienna, Austria.—The Archduke Francis Ferdinand and wife, heir apparent to the throne of Austria-Hungary, were assassinated while driving in the streets of Sarajevo, capital of Bosnia.

A bomb was hurled by a workman at their carriage, injuring six persons, and then a young Servian student emptied a revolver at the archduke and the duchess, each bullet hitting a vital spot. Among those wounded were Count Boos Waldeck and Colonel Merizzi.

The aged Emperor Francis Joseph is practically prostrated by the shock of the assassination of his nephew and grave fears are entertained for him. The cabinet was immediately summoned to Vienna and went into session at once.

Police Save Assassins.

The police had to intervene to save the assassins. After they had been put in jail a police guard was established. The carriage in which the royal couple was driving had just left the railroad station when a journeyman printer named Cabrinovic hurled a bomb.

The echo of the explosion had not died away when a Servian student, who had been banished from Bosnia, ran toward the carriage. Each of his bullets took effect. The archduke was shot in the head and the duchess in the abdomen.

They were carried into the palace where they died in a few minutes. The assassination occurred while the entire city was en fete to receive the archduke, who was generally considered, through the emperor's known disabilities, to be practically the ruler of the empire.

Hurls Bomb at Carriage.

On the edge of the crowd at a point at which the royal carriage would pass close to them were the Servian student and the printer standing in the first rank of spectators.

Neither of the assassins moved until the carriage horses were abreast of them. Cabrinovic, the printer, was the first. He leaped out into the open road, hurling his bomb straight at the royal couple. He missed his mark, but the bomb, exploding, sent a ball of broken steel and lead among the archduke's attendants. Six of them fell. As the throng shrieked in horror, and fought to flee, the lifting smoke from the bomb showed the archduke and duchess sitting upright in their carriage, apparently unharmed. At that moment the Servian youth sprang forward.

The archduke apparently saw the glint of the heavy revolver and faced the youth, partly shielding the duchess. Before he could do more the student fired, the first bullet hitting the archduke in the face. Francis Ferdinand managed to remain upright a moment longer and then as the second shot hit him, he fell back against the cushions of the carriage. So close now that he could almost touch the duchess, the youth continued shooting, the bullets taking effect in the abdomen. Each bullet he fired had hit a vital spot.

Taken to Palace, Die.

The archduke and the duchess were taken to the palace, but it was seen that they were mortally wounded. They had scarcely been laid on beds when they died.

The peasants threw themselves upon the assassins, whom, but for the intervention of the police and militia, they would undoubtedly have killed on the spot.

Archduke Francis Ferdinand was born in 1863. He marriedmorganatically in 1900 the Countess Sophie Chotek, who had the title of Duchess of Hohenberg conferred upon her October, 1909, and renounced the claim of his issue by her to the throne.

Many details of the assassination are related by witnesses. According to some accounts, Prinzp fired several shots, but only two were effective.

Foreign Children Excel.

Chicago.—Children of foreign-born parents here excel American children in school work because American children are permitted too many outside pleasures, it was stated by Mrs. Ella Flagg Young.

Gets \$5,000 From Man Who Sued.

Atlanta, Ga.—J. N. Bateman of Atlanta won damages of \$5,000 against Frank Rothleuter, a Nebraskan, who sought to obtain a verdict of \$20,000 against Bateman for an alleged fake poolroom operation.

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And all the time the savings and postal banks are bulging with billions. If the government would make two blades of grass grow where but one has grown before—and publicly it would pay—the wide-flung chance lies open. Let it model action on French or German lines, and place the farmer on a borrowing par with the merchant manufacturer and the stock jobber. Let it evolve a system of farm loans which shall put those savings and postal bank billions at a per cent within the farmer's borrowing reach.—Hearst's Magazine.

Authoritative.
"Do you think the duke is sincere?"
"His creditors assure me that he is so."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Must Have Stirred Audience.
Dan Daly once essayed the legitimate. It was in his early days. All he had to do was to come to the center of the stage at a critical moment and shout:
"The king is dead; long live the king!"
When the time came Mr. Daly promptly assumed the correct dramatic pose, but for a moment was so agitated that words failed him. Then he bellowed at the top of his voice:
"Long live the king—he's dead!"

Gladstone's Domestic Rule.
Mr. Gladstone once said that he had solved the domestic problem in this way: "Whenever Mrs. Gladstone insists I submit; and whenever I insist she submits." He didn't say, however, whether they took turns about insisting and submitting. Marriage is a failure when one of the parties insists on being the insister and doesn't take turns in submitting to the submitter.

Unusual Modesty.
"Dobbs is an extraordinary man."
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"Some years ago he spent two weeks in Mexico, yet he doesn't pretend to know all about the present situation down there."

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