

NEWS of the WEEK

Washington Notes.

Volunteer officers serving in the Philippines will not be allowed to resign.

The Nicaragua canal bill is expected to pass the senate at the December session.

Surgeon General Sternberg has denied the report that he is opposed to the army canteen.

Gen. Wood in his annual report, commends the conduct of the American troops in Cuba.

Census figures show a small gain in population of Arkansas in ten years, the total being 1,811,564.

Admiral Kempff has denied the report of the gunboat Villalobos being lost in the Philippines.

So far as the work has progressed it appears likely that the present census will cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000,000.

Assistant Secretary Melickjohn was recalled to Washington to take charge of the war department, relieving Gen. Miles as acting secretary.

Lieut. Gen. Miles, commanding the United States army, in his annual report to the secretary of war, renews his commendation for the further use of the automobile in the army.

The Catholic University of America, in Washington, opened for the coming scholastic year with the largest class of clerical and lay students ever enrolled by it.

The census bureau announces that the population of Knoxville, Tenn., is 32,637, as against 22,535 in 1890.

This is an increase of 10,102, or 48.3 per cent. The population of St. Joseph, Mo., is 102,979, as against 52,324 in 1890.

This is an increase of 50,655, or 96.81 per cent.

Sins and Sinners.

The Bank of Elkport, Iowa, was looted of \$1,200.

Dr. F. W. Lee fatally shot Dr. W. J. Hurn at Beatrice, Neb.

Patrick Mullen was murdered at Akron, Ohio, for his money.

Robert M. Lord, a retired banker of Mt. Vernon, committed suicide.

Rodney Lowry was shot four times in a duel at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Mary Strandburg of West Superior drowned herself while delirious.

A. D. Atkins of Plainview, Neb., was murdered by unknown parties.

Otto Wolf murdered his wife with a razor in New York, and committed suicide.

Chasa, an Indian, was indicted at La Crosse, Wis., for the murder of a comrade.

A special grand jury at Akron, O., found indictments against sixty-one rioters.

Thomas Rosso was found guilty of the murder of George Bromley at Barron, Wis.

Henry Schaffer was killed at Dubuque by his daughter while he was trying to murder his wife.

John Gleason, demented, shot and seriously injured Rev. L. P. McCarthy at Boston.

Benjamin and Nicholas Anderson, Indians, fought a duel at Antles, I. T., and both are dead.

C. M. Hamilton, a former city clerk of Fort Dodge, Iowa, was arrested for wife-beating, and placed under \$500 bonds.

J. F. Geeslin and James Station disappeared from Aberdeen, S. D., with \$4,500 shortage in their accounts as grain commission men.

William E. Nilsson, a wealthy farmer living four and a half miles from Coldwater, Mich., was buncoed, assaulted and robbed of \$5,000 on one of the most public roads leading to that place.

Col. C. H. Voute, street commissioner of Toledo, Ohio; A. G. Kinney, his secretary, and Barney Mattimore, his foreman, were each indicted by the Lucas county grand jury on a charge of falsifying city pay rolls. Five bills were returned.

While sitting on a chair beside an open window at his home at Orange, Junta county, Pa., Owen Goodlin was shot through the head by an unknown assassin and instantly killed. Mr. Goodlin had been heard to remark that he had only two enemies in the world, one of whom he was afraid.

Alexander McCulloch, vice president of the Croll & McCulloch Dairy company, and D. C. McGillis, secretary of the Montreal Cold Storage and Freezing company, were arrested in Montreal on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the Merchants Bank of Halifax out of \$22,000 by means of false warehouse receipts.

Foreign Notes.

Prince Kanthor of Cambodia was found at Brussels.

Melbourne will be the capital of confederated Australia.

An earthquake shook up the Canary islands, but did no damage.

Hon. S. M. Parent has accepted the premiership of the province of Quebec.

Frenchmen co-operated with Chinese regular troops in beheading the Boxers.

Election returns from Great Britain show a great victory for the Conservatives.

It is generally conceded in Peking that Emperor Kwang Su will regain the throne.

The shah of Persia was received with elaborate ceremonies by the sultan of Constantinople.

The pope is pleased with American treatment of the church in Cuba and the Philippines.

The Peruvian cabinet has resigned as a result of the vote of censure by the congress of Peru.

South American republics will take part in the Hispano-American congress in Madrid on Nov. 8.

Prince Henri of Saxe-Weimar is said to have committed suicide because Queen Wilhelmina rejected his suit.

Berlin papers report that an organized Jewish movement is on foot and it is intimated that a national meeting of the Jews will be held annually to combat anti-Semitism.

B. H. Engle, the most extensive builder in Harrisburg, Pa., has failed. His liabilities will reach \$250,000, and his assets approximate \$200,000.

Judgments and mortgages cover about \$100,000 of the liabilities.

At Baku, on the Caspian sea, a fierce fire has destroyed the property of eight oil companies, including 97 wells, 10 reservoirs containing 20,000,000 pounds of naphtha and any quantity of buildings and machinery.

The Canadian contingent under Col. Pelletier sailed from Cape Town on board the transport Idaho. The people of Cape Town accorded them a splendid impromptu reception, the mayor voicing the thanks of the city for their brilliant services in the field.

It is said that Mr. Kruger, in a letter to his wife announcing that he was going on a six months' holiday, said in substance that after the capture of Machadodorp he knew the struggle was hopeless and counseled moderation, but that Mr. Steyn's "arbitrary behavior" overruled his counsels.

People Talked About.

Frank Shepherd, the well known Chicago publisher, died of apoplexy.

Jacob Schable, aged seventy-five, a prominent resident of Freeport, Ill., is dead.

John E. Hudson, president of the Bell Telephone company, is dead at Beverly, Mass.

The death is announced at Newark, N. J., of John D. Harrison, president of the American Patent Leather company. He was seventy years of age.

Judge Isaac Lansing, a prominent Republican of Nebraska, died in Rochester, N. Y. Judge Lansing fell ill two weeks ago while passing through that city.

Archibald Clavering Gunther, the novelist, who has made his home in New York for several years, is left \$75,000 by his mother's will, which was filed at San Francisco.

Joseph Silveanu, forty-eight years of age, a wholesale liquor dealer of Great Falls, Mont., died suddenly from heart failure while visiting the home of Joseph I. Levy of New York.

Unfortunate Happenings.

Mrs. Fred Grover of Barron, Wis., was dragged to death by a horse.

Four vessels, with crews of thirty-five men, were lost in the storm off St. John's, N. F.

A Burlington train was wrecked at Ottumwa, Iowa; one person was killed and six injured.

The British steamship Biela was sunk off Delaware breakwater, as the result of a collision.

R. H. Raymond, an aeronaut, was caught under the burning folds of a balloon and badly scorched.

It is estimated that the recent storm damaged the cotton in Texas to the extent of 400,000 bales. The value is estimated at not less than \$200,000,000.

The British steamer Enli, which sailed from Norfolk, Va., Sept. 7, with a cargo of coal for the American war vessels at Manila, has sunk in the Suez canal. All traffic is blocked.

Twelve out of twenty-four members of the Delta Sigma Delta fraternity were poisoned by food eaten at a banquet in Chicago. Canned salmon is thought to be the cause of the poisoning. Although some of the men are still in a serious condition, it is not thought any of the cases will prove fatal.

Otherwise.

Two army officers were convicted of torturing Filipino prisoners.

A glass chimney association has been formed at Pittsburg by producers.

Los Angeles, Cal., more than doubled its population in the last ten years.

A company has been formed at Minneapolis to fight the linned oil trust.

The American Tin Plate company has granted its wage workers an advance of 10 per cent.

The international railway congress has decided to meet in Washington in Oct. 1904.

The Woodmen of the World have erected five monuments for dead members at Sioux City.

The Union Veterans' union, in session at Washington, elected Gen. G. R. Dorenforth commander-in-chief.

The International Association of Factory Inspectors, at Indianapolis, condemned child labor in factories.

In Wilkesbarre, Pa., 2,000 strikers took the pledge, and in Pittston 1,300 promised not to drink anything during the strike.

The plant of the American Tin Plate company, at Youngstown, Ohio, has resumed operations, giving employment to 400 hands.

The annual meeting of the Westinghouse Airbrake company was held at Pittsburg, and profits for the past year announced as over \$3,000,000.

Fifteen hundred journeymen plumbers went on a strike at Pittsburg for uniform wages and revision of rules governing the trade.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to double any sum that the working people of Paterson, N. J., can raise for the erection of a labor lyceum.

The puddlers of the Norristown rolling mills have agreed to accept a cut of \$1 per ton in wages and resume work, after six months' idleness.

The Farmers' Telephone company has been organized at Milwaukee with a capital of \$500,000.

Refiners have started a sugar war and made an unusual cut in the price. It is reported that Carnegie will open war on Federal Steel, American Steel, American Steel and Wire, and other overcapitalized industries after election.

SWEPT BY CYCLONE

PART OF THE TOWN OF BIWABIK, MINN., IN RUINS.

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Scores of Surprising and Hair-Breadth Escapes - Substantial Buildings Sucked Into the Cyclone's Mighty Vortex as So Much Straw - Mining Property Demolished - Masses of Debris Scattered Everywhere.

Biwabik, Minn., Oct. 9.—The northwestern part of the town is in ruins and a path of wreckage 150 feet in width and more than a quarter of a mile long tells of the terrific fury of a cyclone traveling from southeast to northwest, which struck Biwabik late Saturday afternoon.

Nine lives were lost and many persons received serious injuries. The list of dead includes an entire family of six living two miles north of Biwabik. The remaining three lost their lives in the town. One of them, a Mrs. Marowitz, was found 400 feet from her home in a terribly mangled condition. Her husband was found a quarter of a mile away, and he, too, was

Horribly Mutilated.

The property loss will reach \$75,000. The shaft houses and buildings of three mines which stood in the path of the hurricane are a mass of kindling wood. Two little children and their sick mother, who was lying in her bed, had the roof and sides of their house lifted clear of the floor and blown away, only slightly injuring those inside. A score of other surprising and hair-breadth escapes from death occurred. The citizens of Biwabik furnished immediate relief to all in need. The cyclone was preceded by a wind and rain storm of terrible power. When the rapidly moving funnel-shaped cloud struck, so suddenly as to give almost no warning, the sound was deafening.

Ruin and Disaster

followed its course, and substantial buildings collapsed and were sucked into its mighty vortex as so much straw. Fragments of the buildings in its path were scattered all over the surrounding country. The duration of the cyclone was about three minutes. Plowing through the outskirts of town, the cyclone struck the Duluth mine, destroying two shaft houses, an engine house, a blacksmith shop, a dry house and three cars which stood near a side track. The greater part of the debris was lifted clear of the ground, carried some distance and dumped into a pit. By an unexplainable circumstance, nearly all the employees managed to reach cover. The ground was swept as if with a broom at the Biwabik property and with incredible swiftness everything standing in the Austrian district, where the mine is located,

Was Demolished.

The engine house of the Duluth, Mesaba & Northern, near by, several cars and a locomotive, were shifted clear of the tracks and hammered into a mass of wreckage. Other instances of the diabolical fury of the hurricane were not wanting, and hardly a structure which stood in the path of the funnel has any portion remaining standing. Among the buildings destroyed were many houses owned by the mining companies and tenanted by their employes. A marvelous providence seems to have cared for these, and nearly all managed to reach places of safety without injury. For a mile northeast of town there are timbers and masses of debris scattered everywhere, which were caught up by the cyclone and dropped as its violence abated. Several open spaces present the appearance of a forest of gigantic toothpicks, so thick did the broken timbers and splintered boards fall.

SNOW FLURRY IN WISCONSIN.

First Signs of Winter Are Seen at Town of New Richmond.

New Richmond, Wis., Oct. 9.—Following closely on the heels of several weeks of incessant rains, came a severe hail storm. Saturday morning and evening occurred the first snow flurries. The wind was blowing a gale from the northwest. Considerable damage was done to plate glass, awnings and signs in the business part of town. The temperature is falling rapidly.

HOLD UP A GAMBLING HOUSE.

Two Masked Men Rob a Sioux City Resort in Broad Daylight.

Sioux City, Iowa, Oct. 9.—Two masked robbers walked into a local gambling house and marched the manager and three other inmates into a room, with their faces against the wall. The robbers then took every dollar they could find, something in excess of \$600. This done, they marched the four men into a back room, locked them in, and made their escape.

TO SPEND HALF A MILLION.

Armour & Co. Will Build a Big Ice-house at Round Lake, Ill.

Waukegan, Ill., Oct. 9.—Armour & Co. of Chicago will erect an immense ice house at Round Lake, Ill. This fall, to cost, so report says, \$500,000. Already the grading of the site on the south bank of the lake has been completed. Round lake is on the St. Paul railroad's new Fox Lake extension, and is about forty miles from Chicago.

PAYS FOR CRIME WITH LIFE.

King Howard is Hanged in Texas for a Killing Affair.

Brenham, Tex., Oct. 9.—King Howard was hanged here Saturday. Howard killed his wife and Luke Taylor in a fit of jealousy on March 4 last.

Has Served Forty Years.

Washington, Oct. 9.—Maj. F. M. B. Kendrick, Seventh infantry, has been placed on the retired list on his own application after over forty years' service.

DENOUNCES BOXERS.

Chinese Emperor Orders Nine Leaders Punished.

Pekin, Oct. 9.—By an imperial decree, issued at Tai Yuanfu, capital of the province of Shensi, dated Sept. 26, Emperor Kwang Su denounces the Boxer movement and designates for punishment nine ring-leaders. He acknowledges his own fault and rebukes himself, but he places the chief blame upon the princes and nobles who participated in the movement and protracted it. Prince Tuan, Prince Chung, Prince Tsai Lien, Prince Tsing, Duke San Kang, Ying Nien, president of the censorate, and Chai Su Chiao, president of the board of punishment, are all deprived of their titles, removed from office and turned over to various trial boards for further penalties.

Tuan, by the terms of the decree, is to be tried by the board of censors. The foregoing corroborates the official advices received last week from Director General Sheng by Mr. Wu, the Chinese Minister at Washington, and by the latter communicated to the department of state. Copies of the decree have been received here and are accepted as genuine. It is reported that Tung Fu Siang has fled to the province of Shang Si, fearing punishment. The impression is growing that the imperial government is making an effort to disperse and punish the Boxers. The imperial troops who were seen Monday near Pei Tsu Chu, are believed to have been concerned in this movement. The acting viceroy at Tien-tsin was notified that orders had been issued to disperse the Boxers, but said he feared to send out troops because of the presence of the allied forces. An extended Japanese reconnaissance south of Peking uncovered the enemy. This afternoon the American troops were reviewed by Gen. Chaffee in front of the temple of heaven. All the foreign staffs were present.

LI Starts for Peking.

Tien-tsin, Oct. 9.—Li Hung Chang, whose visit to Peking had apparently been postponed indefinitely, left this morning for the Chinese capital. The five Belgian engineers and fifteen missionaries who had been kept prisoners for many weeks at Fao-tsin-fu, but were recently released under orders from Li Hung Chang, who directed that they have safe escort to Peking, refuse to start, fearing treachery on the part of the Chinese escort.

GERMANS FORCED TO RETREAT.

London, Oct. 9.—The Standard has the following from Tien-tsin, dated Friday, Oct. 5: A German force came into collision with 8,000 Chinese described as Boxers, a few miles south of Tien-tsin this morning. The Germans were attacked and compelled to retire on Tien-tsin. There is reason to believe that the Chinese in this case were not Boxers, but were Li Hung Chang's veterans who had been ordered to wait near here in view of the possibility that the foreigners bar his passage to the capital.

CONSIDER THE RAISE.

Philadelphia, Oct. 9.—It is the general belief that President Mitchell, of the United Mine-workers, will issue a call for a convention of United Mine-workers to consider the offer of increased wages to be held at Scranton, and the supposition is that Thursday next will be named as the time. Mr. Mitchell, however, declined to give publicity to the matters discussed by himself and other officials of the organization at a secret conference yesterday at Hazleton, and he gave no intimation as to when the convention would be held. This and other questions to be considered at the convention, were fully discussed at yesterday's conference.

INSURGENTS BECOME ACTIVE.

Considerable scouting and skirmishing in Late-Senor Mabini Released. Manila, Oct. 9.—Four troops of cavalry and two troops of infantry have recently reinforced Gen. Young in North Luzon, where the insurgents are concentrating in the mountains of North and South Ilocos provinces under the leadership of Aglipaya, the excommunicated priest and renegade. Gen. Tino and Gen. Villanueva, who had been quiet for some time, are now showing signs of becoming active as the end of the rainy season approaches. Of late there has been considerable scouting and skirmishing in the provinces of Abra and North Ilocos, though without decisive results. It is obvious, however, that the maneuvers of the Filipinos are more skillful than formerly, and that the field tactics of the Americans are being followed by them. Senor Mabina, the "virtual founder of the so-called Filipino government, who was captured by the Americans last December and lodged in jail in Manila, has been liberated. As he had always persistently refused to make the oath of allegiance to the United States government, he had maintained his reputation among the Filipinos as a resolute patriot. Mabini, who is dying of paralysis, promises to maintain a passive attitude. He says he now realizes that the Americans will never leave the Philippines, and that independence is an impossibility at present.

TRAINS CRASH TOGETHER.

Monticello, Ind., Oct. 9.—At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, passenger trains 33 and 35 on the Monon crashed together in a head-on collision on the curve just south of this place. Three persons were injured, all of Indian-apolis. The engines were buried in each other and the baggage cars were badly damaged. The crews of both trains jumped. Engineer Irvington was picked up unconscious, but later recovered and will be all right soon. The others were bruised and cut in several places.

FISHERMEN FIRE ON GUNBOAT.

Spanish Warship is Attacked by the Men of Cangas. Vigo, Spain, Oct. 9.—The fishermen of Cangas, province of Pontevedra, who are in conflict with those of the neighborhood on account of industrial rivalry, fired on the Spanish gunboat Vasco Nader, de Balboa, as that boat was leaving port. The navy commander of the port was also attacked. The government has decided to send a war vessel to the scene of the trouble.

DEAD BODY FOUND.

Gallipolis, Ohio, Oct. 9.—The dead body of Lawson Earwood, aged twenty, with the skull crushed, was found in the Ohio river three miles below this city. Edward Burnett, last seen with Earwood, was arrested.

DEPARTURE OF LORD ROBERTS.

London, Oct. 9.—Lord Roberts, the Daily News announces, will leave South Africa the last week in October. The authorities have decided to limit the number of colonial troops who are to be the queen's guests to 500.

BOUNDARY SATISFACTORILY FIXED.

Managua, Nic., Oct. 9.—The special commissioners appointed by the governments of Nicaragua and Honduras to fix the boundary between the two states, a matter long in dispute, have concluded their work amicably.

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