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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## ALL WORK

## GENERAL STRIKE ON THROUGHOUT RUS- EMPIRE.

Province of Cour-  
Garrison of One  
and Troops Sent to  
Machine Guns With  
Massacre of Citi-  
Siberian Town.  
Dec. 20.—A call for  
cal strike throughout  
Thursday at noon, was  
proved by the Union of  
Peasants, the  
union and the coun-  
of St. Petersburg and

received from the rail-  
road is unanimous for

have declared their  
very railway in Russia.  
renders every mem-  
signing it liable to  
shment under the new  
Minister of the Interior  
to telegraph or-  
to arrest members of  
on and of the work-  
out the dispatches were  
railroad telegraphers.  
of the St. Petersburg  
men had been notified  
railway union and the  
of workmen that in  
were ready for a strike,  
hesitated on practical  
St. Petersburg leaders,  
at their prestige would  
unless they could au-  
ment's determined of-  
counter stroke, while  
committed to full revo-  
dreaded that the  
be swept from under  
the government pro-  
granting universal suf-

## IN WIPED OUT

## AND RUSSIAN TROOPS AND MUTILATED AT N, COURLAND.

ince of Courland, Rus-  
Stettin, Prussia, Dec.  
staff correspondent of  
Press, who has just  
arns that mobs of Lith-  
stionians yesterday at-  
acks and dragoons, the  
force stationed in Tu-  
bs, after wild fighting,  
ers to the last man, cut  
and legs and ripped up  
the streets were strewn  
dismembered parts.  
troops arrived here this  
three guns, shelled the  
ged the mobs of peas-  
rendered or were dis-

ow been re-established  
are burying the bod-  
in and caring for the

## ERS IN SIBERIA

## KRASNOYARSK SUR- AND RUTHLESSLY BY TROOPS.

E, via Vienna, Dec. 20.  
assacre has been done  
military authorities at  
the capital of Yeneselsk  
Siberia.  
well-to-do persons as  
town hall to determine  
the citizens against the  
who had been beat-  
them.  
Infantry surrounded  
about warning fired into  
killing 120 persons  
wounding fifty mor-  
seriously.  
was the scene of the  
several men who wit-  
nated. The whole town  
commander was mur-  
the next day.

## CHARGED WITH REBATING.

Common Carriers, Railway Officials,  
Agents and Shippers Indicted.

Kansas City, Dec. 16.—Fourteen in-  
dictments were returned by the fed-  
eral grand jury here during the day  
against common carriers, railway of-  
ficials, shippers and freight agents,  
charging the giving of rebates and  
conspiracy to give rebates. The indict-  
ments are as follows:

George H. Crosby of Chicago, gen-  
eral traffic manager of the Chicago,  
Burlington and Quincy railroad.

George L. Thomas of New York, a  
merchandise broker.

L. B. Taggart, New York, Crosby's  
chief clerk.

The Chicago and Alton Railroad  
company and John N. Falthorn and F.  
A. Wann, formerly vice president and  
general freight agent, respectively, of  
the railroad company.

The Cudahy Packing company.

Swift & Co.

The Armour Packing company.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St.  
Paul Railroad company.

Nelson Morris, Edward Morris and  
Ira N. Morris, comprising the partner-  
ship of Nelson Morris & Co.

D. H. Kresky, Kansas City, freight  
broker.

## FIVE PERSONS PERISH

## HEROIC FATHER DIES IN AT- TEMPTING TO RESCUE WIFE AND CHILDREN.

Crookston, Minn., Dec. 16.—Peter  
Martell, for nine years a carriage-  
maker of Red Lake Falls, his wife,  
Eddie, aged thirteen; Dan, aged nine,  
and Annie, aged eleven, were burned  
to a crisp in their home in the heart  
of Red Lake Falls.

Martell, who was sleeping down  
stairs, was awakened at 3 o'clock by  
the smell of smoke and the sight of  
fire. His wife and the three children  
were asleep in the upper chamber and  
the father, frantic with fright, made a  
rush for the stairway only to find it  
a mass of unpenetrable flames. He  
then rushed to the barn and, seizing  
a ladder, placed it to the second story  
window of the home.

An eyewitness, aroused by the fire,  
says he broke in the glass and entered  
the sleeping room of his wife and  
children. A moment later the upper  
story of the building, weakened by the  
fire, fell in, precipitating the mother,  
heroic father and the three children  
to the veritable hell of fire below.

Before the fire department at Red  
Lake Falls could stop the fire the  
house consisted of four blazing posts  
and a mass of wreckage, with the  
charred and blackened remains of the  
five unfortunate members of the fam-  
ily in a heap, burned to a crisp, in the  
center.

## JOHANN HOCHTOHANG

## SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS AF- FIRMS SENTENCE IMPOSED ON WIFE MURDERER.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The supreme  
court of the state has affirmed the ver-  
dict of the lower court which con-  
demned Johann Hoch to death for the  
murder of his wife, Mrs. Marie  
Welcker-Hoch, and the date of his  
execution has been set for Feb. 23.

The first news of the action of the  
court was received here by a telephone  
message from Assistant State's Attor-  
ney Barnett, who is in Springfield. He  
communicated the information to  
State's Attorney Healy. A messenger  
was sent to Hoch with the news and  
found him in the visitor's cage, talking  
with the last of his many wives, Mrs.  
Fischer-Hoch, the sister of the woman  
for whose murder he was sentenced to  
death.

When he received the news Hoch  
became greatly excited and would not  
believe that the report was true, but  
after he was satisfied that it was cor-  
rect he grew calm.

## SECURED ONLY \$40.

## Northern Pacific Train Robbers Make Very Poor Haul.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 18.—It is learned  
that the two highwaymen who held  
up the North Coast limited Saturday  
night succeeded in getting \$40 from  
the express car. The safes had less  
money in them than on any previous  
trip, but if the robbers had awaited  
until the next train it is said they  
would have made a considerably  
larger haul.

Such good clues have been obtained  
of the two robbers by the Northern  
Pacific and other detectives that hopes  
are entertained that both will be cap-  
tured. It is the general opinion in  
police circles that the work was not  
that of experienced men.

According to the Pullman conductor.



MRS. WOODBURY KANE.

Mrs. Woodbury Kane, wife of Captain Woodbury Kane of the rough riders,  
has twice been married. Her first husband, Duncan Elliott, was divorced and  
is now in the regular army. Mrs. Kane was Miss Sally Hargous, a New York  
beauty and society girl.

J. R. Upson, the express messenger  
was in the diner when the holdup  
occurred. Upson says that the mes-  
senger told him he did not believe there  
was more than \$300 in the safes.

## To Take Away German Residents.

Koenigsberg, Prussia, Dec. 18.—The  
German steamer Wolga sailed from  
Stettin during the day for Riga, char-  
tered by the German government to  
bring away German subjects whose  
lives are endangered by the revolu-  
tionary disturbances. The steamship  
Prinz Heinrich will leave here Wednes-  
day for Riga with a like intention.

## BLOWN INTO SHREDS

## FIVE MEN KILLED BY EXPLOSION AT POWDER WORKS NEAR MARQUETTE, MICH.

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 16.—Five  
men were killed by an explosion at  
the Dupont company's dynamite works  
here. About 1,400 pounds of nitro-  
glycerin exploded in the mixinghouse  
of the company's factory, which is  
three miles distant from Marquette.  
The explosion badly damaged the  
plant and caused much excitement in  
Marquette. The dead are all work-  
men employed by the Dupont com-  
pany. The men were blown into  
shreds. Of the thirty buildings in the  
plant few escaped damage and some  
were badly wrecked. The mixinghouse  
was utterly destroyed. In Marquette  
windows all over town were smashed  
and in the business district much  
plate glass was splintered.

## PHILIPPINE TARIFF BILL.

House Committee Favors Free Admis-  
sion of Products of the Islands.

Washington, Dec. 20.—By a vote of  
7 to 5 the house committee on ways  
and means has reported favorably the  
Payne bill admitting all Philippine  
productions to the United States free  
excepting sugar and tobacco, which  
are to pay 25 per cent of the Dingley  
rates until 1909, when they also are to  
go on the free list. Two amendments  
were made to the measure originally  
introduced in the house by Mr. Payne.  
At the suggestion of Representative  
Hill of Connecticut a provision was  
added that all American sugar and  
tobacco are to be admitted into the  
Philippines free of duty and a new  
section was added which provides that  
no Philippine products now in ware-  
houses in the United States shall be  
exempted from duties under the pro-  
posed measure.

## FRANCE IS SATISFIED.

Withdrawal of Castro's Note Ends  
Venezuelan Incident.

Paris, Dec. 19.—The French govern-  
ment is officially advised of President  
Castro's favorable action in withdraw-  
ing the offensive note to M. Taigny,  
the French charge at Caracas, and  
Premier Rouvier has communicated to  
the council of ministers that Venezu-  
ela, having withdrawn the note on  
which the protest of France was based,  
the incident is considered to have  
been regulated according to the de-  
sires of France.

## AROUND THE STATE

## EVENTS OF A WEEK THROUGH- OUT THE STATE.

## Bold Highwayman Captured After Bat- tle With Pursuers—School Fund Apportionment Reaches High Figure.

Ed Snyder, who hails from Mich-  
igan, committed two bold robberies  
Monday morning at the village of  
Mansfield, north of Redfield. His first  
victim was a country schoolteacher,  
whom he met on her way to school  
and who was compelled to deliver her  
watch and valuable jewelry. He then  
walked into Mansfield, where he held  
up one of the village stores, ordering  
the storekeeper to hand over all cash  
on hand. The demand was promptly  
complied with, though only a few dol-  
lars were secured. The storekeeper  
gave the alarm, but not in time to ap-  
prehend the criminal, who next ap-  
peared at the village of Athol. The  
authorities there had been notified and  
attempted to capture him. A running  
fight ensued between townspeople and  
Snyder, in which the town marshal  
was wounded severely in the arm.  
Snyder was wounded in the right hand,  
but continued the fight until shot  
through the cheek, when he surren-  
dered.

## School Fund Has Best Year.

The state land department has ap-  
portioned the December interest and  
income fund to the schools of the  
state. This apportionment amounts to  
\$104,170.50 and is 75 cents per capita  
on all the school children of the state.  
The apportionment made last June  
was \$2.25 per capita, making the total  
for this year \$3 for each school child  
in the state. This is the largest ap-  
portionment ever made in any one  
year, regardless of the fact that the  
increase in pupils for the year was  
3,295, making the present school cen-  
sus 138,894. The total amount ap-  
portioned for the year has been \$409,  
268.25.

## To Open Cheyenne Lands.

Efforts are being made by the South  
Dakota congressional delegation to in-  
duce Commissioner Leupp to complete  
as soon as possible the work of mak-  
ing allotments on the Cheyenne reser-  
vation in this state. There is a strong  
demand for the opening of the surplus  
lands to settlement. Commissioner  
Leupp has issued rush orders in the  
matter. The South Dakota people are  
opposed to the abolishment of the  
land office at Watertown, announce-  
ment having been made by Land Com-  
missioner Richards that there was no  
further need for that office.

## Lo Gets Christmas Money.

The people in the vicinity of Chey-  
enne agency are experiencing a busy  
week, as the Indians on the reserva-  
tion are receiving a payment of lease  
money, amounting to \$21.75 each.  
Where there is a large family this  
means quite a sum for the Indians for  
Christmas money and traders are  
gathering at Forest City to take ad-  
vantage of the opportunity to deal  
with the red men on a cash basis. As

There are about 5,000 Indians tributary  
to the reservation this means the dis-  
tribution of more than \$100,000.

## Cities Want New Railroad.

The cities of Lead, Sturgis and  
Deadwood are making a strenuous ef-  
fort to get the Milwaukee Railway  
company to extend its line from Rapid  
City through Sturgis, Deadwood and  
into Lead. Committees of business  
men have been chosen from the Com-  
mercial clubs of the three cities. These  
business men will meet in Chicago  
this week to present to the officials of  
the Milwaukee Railway company data  
of freight traffic and will show a pro-  
posed route for such an extension.

## Counties Said to Be Too Large.

The large county of Lyman is con-  
sidered by its residents to cover too  
much territory for one county since it  
has secured a railroad and the resi-  
dents of the county are agitating the  
division idea. The same situation will  
arise in Stanley county as soon as the  
Northwestern road is built across that  
county. Butte is another county which  
will be seeking division as soon as  
there is further railroad development  
in that section and Meade probably  
will be asking for division later.

## Alleged Embezzler Caught.

United States Marshal Laughlin has  
returned to Pierre from the Red River  
country, having in charge H. J. Free-  
man, alias W. H. Norton, who is want-  
ed at Memphis, Tenn., on a charge of  
embezzling \$25,000 from the Chicka-  
saw Bank and Savings company. Free-  
man was teller in the bank. He was  
working with a Northwestern railway  
engineer corps when arrested.

## Coal Near Sioux Falls.

Information has been received at  
Sioux Falls of the striking of a vein of  
lignite coal six feet thick and twenty  
feet below the surface of the ground  
on a farm in Lyons township, near  
Sioux Falls. Much excitement pre-  
vails over the discovery. Samples of  
the coal which were brought to Sioux  
Falls show it to be of good quality.

## General Tripp's Widow Dies.

Mrs. Martha Tripp, a pioneer of  
Yankton and a widow of the late Gen-  
eral William Tripp, a prominent citi-  
zen of early days, died suddenly at  
Waterloo, Ia., while on a visit to her  
son Henry at that place. Mrs. Tripp  
was seventy-five years old.

## Two Children Burned to Death.

Two motherless children of Matt  
Basso, aged two and four years, were  
burned to death near Hanna, ten miles  
from Lead, their cabin taking fire  
during the absence of the father.

## WORK OF CONGRESS.

Thursday, Dec. 14.

Senate—Practically the entire day  
devoted to consideration of the Pan-  
ama canal emergency appropriation  
bill. There were set speeches by  
Messrs. Teller, Scott and Morgan and  
they were followed by a general de-  
bate in which all phases of the con-  
troversy were exploited.

House—Debate on the recommenda-  
tion in the president's annual message  
regarding insurance regulation occu-  
pied the entire day without conclusion.  
The pending resolution refers the  
question to the ways and means com-  
mittee.

Friday, Dec. 15.

House—Four and three-quarter  
hours devoted to debate on the possi-  
bilities of controlling insurance com-  
panies. Two set speeches were the  
features. One by Mr. Sherley (Ky.)  
bore on the doctrine of state's rights  
and the other by Mr. Cockran (N. Y.)  
related to the actions of the officers  
who manage the big life insurance  
companies of his state.

Senate—Panama canal bill again  
under consideration, Mr. Tillman occu-  
pying most of the session in a speech  
criticizing the methods of the commis-  
sion.

Monday, Dec. 18.

Senate—Standing committees for  
the session announced and the status  
of a member convicted in court of mis-  
conduct discussed at length.

House—Insurance, hazing, the suf-  
fering Russian Jews and immigration  
were all topics of discussion under the  
general leave of talk. The only busi-  
ness done was to send the canal ap-  
propriation bill to conference.

Tuesday, Dec. 19.

Senate—Conference report on the  
Panama canal emergency appropria-  
tion bill accepted. Bond provision in-  
serted by the senate and objected to  
by the house incorporated in the mea-  
sure as finally agreed to.

House—General debate continued  
under the guise of referring the presi-  
dent's message to committees. Speech  
making covered various subjects, na-  
tional and otherwise.

Governor La Follette of Wisconsin  
Tenders Resignation.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 20.—Governor  
La Follette has sent his resignation as  
governor to the legislature to take ef-  
fect on the first Monday in January.  
He resigns to accept the United States  
senatorship.

## GO OUT OF BUSINESS

## TWO CHICAGO BANKS AND ONE TRUST COMPANY FORCED TO LIQUIDATE.

Insolvent Institutions All Controlled  
by John R. Walsh and Their Assets  
Consist Largely of Stock in His  
Various Enterprises—Clearinghouse  
Banks Come to the Rescue and Guar-  
antee Payment of Depositors.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Three of the larg-  
est financial institutions in the West,  
the Chicago National bank, the Home  
Savings bank and the Equitable Trust  
company, all of them controlled by  
John R. Walsh of this city and in great  
measure owned by him, suspended  
operations during the day. Their af-  
fairs will be liquidated as rapidly as  
possible and they will go out of busi-  
ness.

Mr. Walsh, who was the president of  
the Chicago National bank and the  
Equitable Trust company, and all the  
other officers of the Chicago National  
bank have resigned. National Bank  
Examiner C. H. Bosworth has succeed-  
ed Mr. Walsh at the head of the Chi-  
cago National bank and the places of  
the directors have been filled by men  
appointed by the Chicago Clearing-  
house. Back of the new management  
stand the allied banks of Chicago, who  
have pledged their resources that  
every depositor shall be paid to the  
last cent and that not any customer  
of the three institutions shall lose any-  
thing by the suspension. Had not this  
action been taken by the banks of the  
city, a disastrous panic might have  
followed in this city and throughout the  
country. As it was the only effect up-  
on the financial world in this city was  
the decline on the local stock exchange  
of 2 1/2 in the price of National Biscuit  
common stock, which has employed  
the Equitable Trust as transfer agents  
and had besides dealings with the Chi-  
cago National bank, but it is not af-  
fected by the failure in the slightest  
degree. The closing of the two banks  
had the effect also of shutting off all  
demand on the local exchange of bank  
stock, none of them being purchased.

## Cause of the Collapse.

The immediate cause of the collapse  
of the institutions controlled by Mr.  
Walsh is said to be the large amount  
of money which they have loaned to  
various private enterprises of his—  
notably the Southern Indiana railway  
and the Bedford Quarries company of  
Indiana. Mr. Walsh claims that if he  
could have had more time and been  
left untrammelled in his operations he  
could have saved his banks and made  
enormous profits for himself and his  
associates. He bases this statement  
on his own estimate of the value of the  
bonds of the Southern Indiana Rail-  
way company.

The comptroller, the state auditor  
and the members of the Chicago Clear-  
house committee place the value of the  
bonds at one-half of the valuation of  
Mr. Walsh and it was their refusal to  
accept his valuation that caused the  
suspension of the banks.

The liabilities of the three institu-  
tions are estimated in the aggregate at  
\$26,000,000. Against this amount the  
banks and the trust company have re-  
sources that are on a conservative esti-  
mate worth \$16,000,000. The bonds of  
the Southern Indiana railway company  
are estimated by Mr. Walsh as being  
worth \$16,000,000. They are consid-  
ered by the comptroller, state auditor  
and the Clearinghouse committee to  
be worth a little more than half that  
sum. Their value is a matter to be de-  
termined in the future and the presi-  
dents of the local banks admit that if  
the estimate of Mr. Walsh is found to  
be correct, the two banks and the trust  
company will not only pay all of their  
debts but leave a surplus besides. The  
directors of the two banks and Mr.  
Walsh, who has turned over all of his  
private property as well as that stand-  
ing in the name of Mrs. Walsh, have  
pledged real estate and securities  
valued at \$5,000,000, and estimating  
the railroad bonds at \$8,000,000 more,  
making a total of \$29,000,000 assets,  
against \$26,000,000 liabilities.

## GERMANY EXPRESSES REGRET.

Sorry Naval Officers Overstepped the  
Proper Form.

Berlin, Dec. 19.—The German gov-  
ernment has directed its minister at  
Petropolis to express to the Brazilian  
government its regret that the officers  
and men of the cruiser Panther, sent  
ashore at Itajahy to obtain facts con-  
cerning a supposed deserter from the  
Panther, overstepped the proper form.  
Germany also affirms that Steinhoff,  
the man who is said to have been  
maltreated by German sailors during  
the search for the supposed deserter,  
was not taken on board the Panther  
nor had he been near the vessel.