

FIFTY KILLED IN WRECK AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE FLAGMAN WAS A MERE BOY

Minneapolis, Dec. 31.—C. L. Anderson of Enderlin, N. D., who was at the Brunswick, speaking of the recent disastrous wreck on the "800" at Enderlin, commends highly the work done by Dr. Gerrish, the physician at the scene.

Anderson says: "Walsh, the flagman, was a mere boy, had been in the employ of the company only three weeks; had never flagged a train before, and on the fatal night placed only two torpedoes meaning 'slow up.' The engineer did not hear the torpedoes."

A TERRIFIC CRASH ON BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD DUE TO OBSCURING OF DANGER SIGNAL BY DENSE FOG

CANADA DOCKYARDS

Government Takes Formal Possession of Immense Docks at Halifax, N. S.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 31.—One of the final steps in the plan of the home government to give the defenses and military equipment of the colonies into the hands of the colonial governments was taken today when the great Halifax dockyards were formally transferred to the Canadian government. The Halifax dockyards is regarded as one of the finest plants of its kind in the empire, comprising many large buildings and wharves, covering in all about forty acres. Under the new arrangement Canada agree to keep up the efficiency of the equipment and to allow the British navy to use the wharves for coaling and repairs. The admiralty retains the right of taking over the yards in the event of war.

Number of Unidentified Bodies Lie in the Morgues

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—The list of the dead, as the result of the appalling wreck at Terra Cotta, on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad last night, had reached forty-seven at noon today. Inquiry at various hospitals of the city, where the injured have been taken, shows a number of persons whose condition is regarded as hopeless. The injured number over fifty, nearly if not quite all of whom will recover. It has been decided to postpone the coroner's inquest until Wednesday. This will be the first official step taken towards fixing the responsibility for the disaster. In the meantime it is understood railroad officials are making a searching investigation.

FANNIE AUSTIN, negress, Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—The LEWIS W. BALDWIN, about 40, East Orange, N. J.
DR. E. OLIVER BELT, Washington, chief surgeon of the Episcopal eye, ear and throat hospital and surgeon for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.
EDWARD M. BELT, 7 years old, son of Dr. Belt.
MISS CORNINE M. BEHRER, aged 19, Washington, a milliner.
J. A. BOND, address unknown.
S. L. BOND, address unknown.
COMMODORE P. BROWN, compositor, government printing office.
MRS. SALLIE V. BUTTS, 30, wife of J. Frank Butts of Washington health department.
MRS. MARY A. CAHER, identified by diamond rings.
MRS. SAMUEL COMPTON, Washington.
MRS. MAY COOK, Washington.
— COOK, infant child of Mrs. May Cook.
DR. E. GAITHER HARRIS, dentist, Washington.
HENRY HIGBIE, Brookland, D. C.
GEORGE HIGBIE, 7-year-old son of Henry Higbie.
T. A. KELLY, Kensington, M. D., engineer U. S. capitol.
PROF. T. J. KING, Kensington, M. D., organist at Wesleyan M. E. church, Washington, and statistician of the United States naval observatory.
MISS KOLL, identified by Y. W. C. A. card.
MARY LIPPOLD, 30, Brookland, D. C., employee of the bureau of engraving and printing.
A. LEE FOWE, Washington, clerk.
THEODORE MERTZ, New York, street car conductor.
— MCAHEY, 14-year-old son of J. A. MCAHEY.
MRS. MERKLAND, address unknown.
MRS. PURMAN (OR MISS).
MISS REEVES, Takoma, D. C.
Miss Anna W. Reading, Washington.

NORMAN ROGERS, 30 years old, Marion, Ind., local traffic manager for the Central Union Telephone company.
— RUPPERT, Washington, merchant.
MRS. S. W. SHREWBURGE, Washington.
— SHREWBURGE, infant child of Mrs. S. W. Shrewbridge.
JOHN WRIGHT, negro, Baltimore, died in hospital.
LEIGH FREDERICK, of Washington Junction, M. D., brakeman on Frederick train.
At 8 o'clock this morning there were eight unidentified bodies at the morgue. Scores of persons visited the morgue last night and early this morning to assist in the identification of the unknown dead there.
The total number of bodies carried into the morgue shortly after midnight was thirty-two, but several of the identified have been turned over to undertakers for preparation for burial. Most of the victims were residents of Washington and suburbs, and a majority of these will be buried today and tomorrow.
Coroner Nevitt, who went to the scene of the wreck last night to view the remains of the dead and to secure statements from injured passengers, will empanel a jury and begin an inquest at 11:30 o'clock this morning. After the jury is selected and a list of witnesses secured, the inquest will be adjourned over until Wednesday and, according to the coroner, may last for several days.

LIST IS EXHAUSTED

Government Needs More Stenographers and Special Exam Will Be Held Jan. 28.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—The bureau of insular affairs today made known the fact that more stenographers are needed in Philippine service. The list of eligibles has become exhausted and another examination will be held Jan. 28, by the civil service commission.
General Clarence Edwards, chief of bureau, said today that one of the noticeable results of the workings of the civil service system in the Philippines has been the advancement of young men originally appointed after passing the stenographer examination, who have demonstrated their ability and worked their way up. The position at first pays \$1,200 per annum.

AROUND WORLD IN TEN SECONDS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Following a custom established several years ago, the Naval Observatory will tonight send a series of New Year greetings around the world. This is done by prearrangement with the telegraph and cable companies, and it is estimated the messages will complete the telegraphic circuit of the world in about ten seconds time. Four messages will be sent to announce the exact instant of the beginning of the new year in each of the four great standard time zones of the United States, namely: Eastern, Central, Mountain and Pacific.

THE NEW BRIDGE.

Work Has Been Started on One at Crookston by Great Northern.
The work of building the big new bridge over the river at Crookston by the Great Northern, has been started. The crew is at work excavating for the big stone piers which will be put in this winter and the whole structure will be rushed to completion. The bridge is built alongside the old structure, and this will give the Great Northern a complete double track from the city limits on the north to the end of their existence yards in South Crookston. The new structure will be built of steel. The company will also build a new steel bridge over the Two Rivers at Hallock and work has been started on that structure.

PAY FARE OR WALK.

Three Northern Minnesota Roads Said to Have Cut Off Passes Southern Lines Not So Unkind.
Members of the legislature will have to "pay their fares or walk" in most parts of the state is the current report of members who sought the coveted bits of pasteboard.
The three Northern roads it is said, have entered into an agreement to issue no passes whatever, and have turned down all requests. Those living along the line of the Southern roads but have had to sign all kinds of agreements in order to get transportation. Only one road, it is reported, is giving transportation without any restrictions.
This means to the average legislator the absorption of his mileage, heretofore saved, and the end of free weekly trips home.

DARK PLOT OF RUSSIAN TERRORISTS REVEALED BY TRAITORS TO POLICE

Over Hundred Leaders and Members of Revolutionist Band Captured.

PLOT TO KILL A NUMBER OF PERSONS LEARNED BY ACCIDENT

Editor of "The Barracks" Among Those in Dragnet of the Secret Police.

Associated Press Cable to The Evening Times.
St. Petersburg, Dec. 31.—Acting on information furnished by a traitor, the police during the last few days captured over one hundred leaders and members of the St. Petersburg military organization of social democrats, who were conducting a propaganda in the army and navy.
Among these taken into custody was the editor of a secretly published paper entitled "The Barracks," twenty-five soldiers and several women. The police also arrested many members of an important group of terroristic serial revolutionists, and captured, according to report, a list of twenty-seven high officials who had been sentenced to death. Finally, it is asserted that the police accidentally obtained information which frustrated a plot to blow up a number of persons at a conference which was to be held in the near future.

Spain Sends Warships.

Associated Press Cable to The Evening Times.
Cadiz, Spain, Dec. 31.—The Spanish armored cruiser Emperor Carlos V and the battleship Pelicae, have been ordered to sail for Tangier, Jan. 2.

DR. LIPPINCOTT DEAD.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 31.—Rev. Dr. Joshua Allan Lippincott, widely known in east and middle west, both as a divine and as an educator, died here last night. Death followed a brief illness.

HONORED A CRIMINAL

Eureka Springs Citizens Give Reception to Senator Convicted of Bribery.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Eureka, Springs, Ark., Dec. 31.—Ex-Senate Senator F. O. Butt, of this city, was given a farewell reception by the citizens of Eureka Springs, just prior to his departure for Little Rock, yesterday to surrender himself to authorities and begin his prison sentence of two years for bribery.

BOLD TRAIN ROBBERY

Passengers of Seaboard Air Line Express Robbed of \$800 and Jewelry.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Richmond, Va., Dec. 31.—Near La-Crosse, Va., on the seaboard air line, at 2:20 this morning, the passengers in the sleeper of Train No. 81, out of Richmond, were held up and robbed of about \$800, besides jewelry. The robbers, two in number, got on at Richmond, as passengers, and one remained in the day coach, while the other went through the sleeper. The Pullman conductor, while attempting to arrest the man robbing the passengers, was shot through the arm by the robber. The man then pulled the emergency brake cord, stopped the train, and, with his confederate, escaped to the woods.

GEN'L NOGI "KITED"

Mikado Invests Jap Officers of War With Russia With Decoration.

Associated Press Cable to The Evening Times.
Tokio, Dec. 31.—The emperor today personally invested a number of high military and naval commanders with decorations for distinguished services in the Russo-Japanese war. Field Marshal Oyama, president of the general staff of the Japanese army, Generals Kuroki and Nogi and several other generals together with Admiral Togo received the first class decorations of the golden kite.

The Minot business men are already talking over plans for the entertainment of the State Editorial association next August.

500,000,000 Pieces of Mail Passed Thro New York Central Post Office In Five Days Preceding Christmas

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
New York, N. Y., Dec. 31.—That the remarkable Santa Claus commerce was not confined to New York alone was shown by the tremendous quantity of mail handled at the General Post Office here during the five days immediately preceding the great winter holiday. In those five days more than five hundred million pieces of mail matter were received and dispatched. Nearly one quarter of this immense number were packages. Hundreds of men, working night and day, were practically buried under the great showers of Christmas gifts and Christmas greetings. From every section of the country they came in a flood such as never was witnessed before—mule but at the same time eloquent reminders of the most prosperous and generally observed Christmas season America has ever known. The lands beyond the seas, too, contributed more than their share. In the four days before Christmas six great ocean mail steamships brought 10,000 pouches of letters and packages from Europe. This is an increase of 33 per cent over the corresponding four days of last year, the receipts in that period aggregating 7,500 bags. The steamship Majestic alone brought 4,600 pouches. These are not included in the four days receipts as they came in earlier in the week. Her mail cargo was a new record for transatlantic business. It was not by her Christmas business alone, however, that New York gave evidence of the most prosperous year in her existence. In every branch of trade, both domestic and foreign, new records undoubtedly will have been made when the present year comes to an end. Present indications point to a tremendous increase in the foreign commerce of the port. The estimates based upon the business of the first eleven months of the year makes it appear almost certain that New York's foreign commerce for the year will reach the astounding total of fifteen hundred million dollars. This will be a clear gain of more than one hundred million dollars over 1905. The expansion of trade at the port of New York in the past decade is stringently set forth by a comparative table of statistics which has been prepared at the local Customs House. It is shown that in the first eleven months of 1896 the imports at New York were valued at \$400,977,371, while for the corresponding period of 1906 the entries were \$710,318,468. In eleven months of 1896 domestic merchandise sent abroad had a value of \$330,302,486 compared with \$561,089,467 in the period ended Dec. 1 last.

In all the estimates shown above no figures are included dealing with the volume of foreign merchandise passing through this port. It is estimated that business of this class will add fully \$10,000,000 to the year's total. Transshipments at the port for

the year are estimated at \$51,000,000 more.
A new record also was established for real estate transactions in the city for the year in the Greater City 115,000 parcels, valued at \$1,345,000,000 changed hands. This compares with \$1,300,000,000 in 1905 which in itself was a record. That the average price of parcels has been less than \$12,000. The average price for each parcel in 1905 was \$17,000. Six hundred million dollars was spent during the year in the development of the city's suburbs, making a record never equalled anywhere in the history of suburban development. One half of this large outlay was spent by corporations for the construction of subways, bridges and other public works to make outlying districts accessible. Private builders invested \$150,000,000 in constructing suburban homes, and the remaining \$150,000,000 was paid for land, practically all of it for home sites. The outlook for the coming year appears to be far brighter even than the record-breaking year about to end. While the huge outlay for public works may not be much greater than this year private building operations promise to show a marked increase.
Should the city succeed in collecting long overdue taxes and other charges assessed against the street railways since 1886 and still unpaid, it would (Continued on Page 8.)

NO MORE RED CHERRIES TO MAKE THE SEDUCTIVE YANKEE COCKTAIL

PRICE ADMITS CRIME

Philadelphia Man Accused of Murder Makes a Written Confession.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—John G. Price, who has been under arrest in this city since Dec. 8, according to a statement made by Captain of Detectives Donahy, has confessed that he murdered Mrs. Maurice Lewis in this city on Sept. 10. In a written statement Price says that with a companion he went to the woman's house for the purpose of robbery. They represented themselves to be plumbers. While his companion was searching the upstairs, Price says that Mrs. Lewis came upstairs and caught him.

HELP A MURDERESS

Another Effort Being Made to Save Mrs. Aggie Myers From Gallows.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Kansas City, Dec. 31.—Arguments were begun here today before Judge Phillips in the United States district court in a habeas corpus proceedings instituted by the attorneys of Mrs. Aggie Myers, under sentence to hang Jan. 10 for the murder of her husband, Mrs. Myers was not brought into court.
PASSED BAD NIGHT.
Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Stockholm, Dec. 31.—King Oscar did not pass a good night. The bulletin issued by his physicians this morning says his sleep was disturbed and that his temperature is about the same. His condition otherwise is unchanged.

New Pure Food Law Goes Into Effect Beginning Tomorrow, Jan. 1.

IMPURE FOOD STUFFS PUT UNDER THE BAN

Rigid Federal Inspection Is Promised and Dealers Will Necessarily Exercise Caution.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—No more are we to have the red circus lemonade or the bright cherries in the seductive cocktail. Green candy is to become a thing of the past and sawdust will be missing from the breakfast foods.
"Unto the pure all things are pure, but unto them that are defiled, is nothing pure."

Beginning tomorrow all things in the food and drink line are to be pure, providing the new pure food law which is to go into effect on that day accomplishes the ends sought by those who framed it. Ignorance will not be tolerated as an excuse for violating the new laws, if there is any manufacturer or dealer throughout the length and breadth of the land who is not familiar with its provisions it is not the fault of the government. For weeks the Agricultural department has been busy mailing the new regulations to those interested in the new law.
The main provisions of the law have been discussed so much since the measure was enacted last spring as to have become generally familiar to the public. The regulations as to adulteration affect all drugs and medicine as well as food articles.
The Government is preparing for the strictest enforcement of the law. Federal inspectors will be kept busy buying samples in the open market to be tested and analyzed. The only way the retail dealer can hope to escape the penalty of the law is to be able to show that the manufacturer or wholesale merchant gave him a guaranty that the articles conformed with the regulations. Then it will be up to the manufacturer or wholesale merchant to explain.

NEW INSURANCE LAWS BECOME OPERATIVE TOMORROW

COMMITTEE TO GET POINTERS

Special Educational Board of the Baptist Convention Will Do Some Work Between Now and Next Meeting.

The special educational committee of the Baptist convention of North Dakota will do some hard work between now and the next convention. At the meeting held here it was decided to circulate the state and get the sentiment of the Baptists on the proposition. Just before the convention, the committee will meet, compare notes and then make their report. It will then be up to the convention to either reject or adopt the report as it is made.

Associated Press to The Evening Times.
New York, Dec. 31.—The year just closing has been anything but a rosy one for the life insurance agent. But this, the final day, is the saddest of them all. It marks the end of the high commissions era. Tomorrow many of the most important of the life insurance reforms enacted by the legislature following the report of the Armstrong investigation committee will become operative.
The most important of the new laws, at least from the agents' point of view, is that limiting the amount of money a company may spend to acquire new business. This law will affect the various companies differently, but its effect on the agents will be pretty much the same all along the line. Averaged, it will amount to a shrinkage of between one-fifth and

one-fourth of the agents' commission. In other words, where an agent has been getting 80 per cent for bringing in a new policy, he will get under the new law 60 to 65 per cent. His interest in the subsequent or renewal of all premiums is also curtailed. In some of the smaller companies the agents have been getting a commission on the premiums throughout the life of a policy. On endowment policies he is limited to 5 per cent of the renewal premiums for nine years. On all other policies he is limited to 7 1/2 per cent for nine years.
All the companies must file with the Superintendent of Insurance detailed reports of their condition today. This is the first practical test of the publicity section of the new law. The companies must report the dividends declared and the sums held applicable

to deferred dividend policies. Lists of securities purchased and sold during the year with the price fluctuations must be furnished, and the profits or losses of each transaction. The commissions paid on these trades also must be reported. All money expended for legislative purposes must be accounted for in detail. The name and compensation of every officer or employee drawing a salary of \$5,000 a year or more must be furnished. In addition the reports must include details of all real estate operations, sales, purchases, commissions and loans. All collateral loans must be described, and every death claim resisted or compromised, with the reasons for each case, must be given. Beginning tomorrow every policy issued must contain the complete contract between the insured and the company.

CRARY ESTABLISHES RECORD

Edmore Newspaper Man Has Been Arrested Offender on Libel Charge Than Any Other in the State

Milt Crary, editor of the Edmore Herald-News was in Grand Forks Saturday, leaving for Bemidji from which place he makes a short trip north through the timber. Mr. Crary holds the criminal libel arrest record of North Dakota. Since the new law was enacted two years ago, Crary has been arrested twice, but was both times released. He also has two civil suits, in which damages totaling \$250,000 are asked.

FIGHT PROPOSED LAW

Washington Churches Oppose Uniform Divorce Legislation Outlined.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Vigorous objection will be interposed by the churches of Washington to the adoption of congress of the uniform divorce law agreed upon at the recent convention of the national congress of Uniform Divorce Law, held in Philadelphia. The ministers of Washington, it is announced, propose to organize a movement to oppose the adoption of the law.