

THE STANDARD

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NEWS OF THE WEEK IN EPITOME

Important Events at Home and on Foreign Shores Briefly Told.

At the Capital.

The internal revenue department has planned to begin in a short time a series of prosecutions for alleged infractions of the federal revenue laws.

The president has reappointed the members of the inland waterways commission, thereby continuing by executive action what congress failed to do during the session.

The gunboat Yorktown has been ordered to leave Puget sound for a cruise to the Bering sea, where she is to patrol the seal fisheries and to prevent pelagic sealing.

Capt. Fitzhugh Lee, Jr., military aid to President Roosevelt, has been designated by the war department to attend the course at the French School of Equitation at Saumur, France, this summer. Capt. Archibald W. Butt, depot quartermaster at Havana, will be ordered to duty at the White House as military aid.

Approximately 300,000 acres of land which were withdrawn in connection with the Lower Yellowstone irrigation project in Eastern Montana, have been restored to the public domain and will become subject to settlement and entry on such dates and after such notices by publication as the secretary of the interior may prescribe.

People Talked About.

Isaac B. Rich, one of the oldest theatrical managers in the country, died of diabetes in Boston. He was born in 1827.

W. S. Forman of East St. Louis, Ill., who was for three terms a representative in congress from the old Twenty-first Illinois district, is dead.

Hudson D. Brunsell of San Francisco, who was released on \$15,000, following his arrest on a charge of embezzlement, is dead of heart failure.

Col. John F. Flinnerty, well known as an Irish patriot, a lecturer and newspaper man, died at his home in Chicago of an affection of the liver.

Rev. John D. Pickles, pastor of St. Paul's church at Lynn, Mass., and one of the best known Methodist clergymen in Massachusetts, is dead.

William A. Morgan, once editor of the Burlington Gazette and former speaker of the Iowa house of representatives, died at his home in Lake Forest, Ill.

William Davis Ely, the oldest alumnus of Yale university and a member of the class of 1836, died at his home in Providence, R. I. Death resulted from heart failure. Mr. Ely was ninety-three years old.

George F. Payne of the George F. Payne company, builders of the new state capitol at Harrisburg, Pa., and a defendant in the capitol conspiracy case, died at his home in Philadelphia. Death was caused by a complication of diseases.

Leonard Vernon Howe, 1909, of Minneapolis, has been elected captain of the Yale track team for next year. He won the 110-meter hurdle race in the Olympian try-outs last week and was awarded a place on the American Olympian team.

The engagement is announced at Hamilton, Bermuda, of Hon. Henry Cowper Gollan, chief justice of Bermuda, to Mary Louise, the only daughter of James Nelson Morris of St. Louis, Mo. The wedding will occur in London or Paris, probably in August.

Crimes and Criminals.

Nine persons were arrested at Galesburg, Ill., charged with violating the local option law. Some of the accused are of prominence.

Miss Anna Erickson of Tacoma, an artist who won more than local renown for her work, committed suicide by hanging herself to her bedpost.

Thirteen persons charged with political offenses were executed in various cities in Russia, of which five were in Ufa, four in Lodz and four in Odessa.

Convicted of stealing an old straw hat and a screwdriver from the section of a church at Easton, Pa., Edward Whalen was sentenced to serve ten years in the Eastern penitentiary.

Anthony Colligan, formerly a member of the police of Evanston, a suburb of Chicago, while crazed by drink shot and killed his wife and then fired a bullet into his own body, dying a few hours later.

Frank Irvine, a defendant in the capitol conspiracy case now on trial at Harrisburg, Pa., has been removed to the state hospital for the insane. The case of the other five defendants will go to the jury Friday.

At El Centro, Cal., a number of young men overturned a wagon loaded with Japanese laborers and a party of Japanese were stoned at the railroad station. Several arrests have been made. The trouble appears to be due to the surplus of laborers.

Charles P. Corlett, head of the Corlett Engineering company, killed his wife and then ended his own life in a hotel in Willsborough, a Cleveland suburb. The double tragedy is said to be the result of jealousy. Mr. and Mrs. Corlett were well known in Cleveland society.

Sins and Sinners.

The body of Thomas Martin was found in a lot at Brunswick, N. J. It is believed he was robbed and murdered.

Louis M. Koch, a well known club man of Toledo, shot and killed himself at his home. The motive is not known.

The Bank of Jalisco, in the city of Guadalajara, Mexico, was swindled out of \$51,000 by one of the cleverest swindlers ever worked in that country.

The dead body of Anna Luchinski, nine years old, of Standard, Pa., was found in a box car. Her throat indicated that she was choked to death after having been outraged. Charles Williams, a young negro who found the dead girl, is being detained.

Word reached the City of Mexico that bandits attacked a pay train on the way to the Las Grandes mines, near Balsas, in the State of Guerrero. Of the escort of four men three were killed and one wounded. Four thousand dollars were stolen. Rurales are in pursuit of the highwaymen.

After lying in wait for nearly nine hours, Sarah Konet, a young Russian trained nurse, shot and killed Dr. William Auspitz, a physician, in the vestibule of an apartment house in New York. The woman declared she had shot the physician because he had wronged her.

Twenty years in prison were meted out to Patrick Mullen at Fernie, convicted at Winnipeg on a charge of manslaughter. Mullen was arrested at Great Falls, Mont., about a month ago. He got into a scuffle at a dance with Angelo Orlando, and during the fracas Orlando was killed. Mullen fled to the States, but was traced by the police and brought back.

In a fight between fifteen Checotah persons and citizens of Eufaula, Okla., on the streets of Eufaula, F. M. Woods, deputy constable of Eufaula, and Joseph Parmenter of Checotah were shot. Woods probably will die. Parmenter's wound is not dangerous. The trouble started when Woods attempted to disarm Parmenter. About fifteen shots were fired in all.

From Abroad.

A prize of \$4,000 has been offered by Marmengaud of Paris for the first aeroplane which remains in the air for thirty minutes.

The Victorian cabinet has adopted a program for the state's reception of the American fleet. The Americans will have free transportation on all the railroads during the visit.

Lloyd C. Griscom, American ambassador to Rome, has notified the state department that the municipality of San Marino has ratified an extradition treaty with the United States.

The international miners' congress at Paris adopted resolutions in favor of the nationalization of mines, but upon the condition that miners be secured in their right to preserve their union organizations.

The Portuguese chamber of deputies adopted the reply to the address of King Manuel on the opening of the cortes, and a vote of confidence in the government's ability to carry out the program announced in the king's address.

The expiration of the ultimatum issued by Gen. Snarski, demanding indemnity for damages suffered by Russian subjects at the hands of Persian bandits, finds the Russian foreign office without definite information as to the outcome of the negotiations.

The heirs of Antoine Siger, the mayor of Fort de France, Martinique, who was assassinated April 29, during a political encounter, have entered a civil suit for damages in Paris against the governor of Martinique. This action has been taken at Paris because the governor cannot be sued in the colonial courts.

Otherwise.

H. J. McCormick, a well known attorney at Watertown, N. Y., has been arrested on a charge of forgery.

J. W. Pilkington committed suicide at Mobile, Ala., by shooting. Worried over financial matters, it is said, was the cause.

After a campaign of extraordinary bitterness the voters of Sedalia, Mo., rolled up a majority of 848 against local option.

The American Piano company with an authorized capital of \$12,000,000 has been incorporated at Trenton, N. J.

District Attorney John B. Moran of Boston has been informed by his physicians that he is suffering from tuberculosis and that he must immediately seek a different climate. He will do as they order.

The famous French novelist, Paul Bourget, advocates the return to the old Mosaic law as a punishment for murder. Murderers should pay the penalty for their crime with their own lives, according to Bourget.

A posse of farmers and constables who had searched the woods near Newton for Edward Schirman, the man charged with the shooting of Ida Potter to death on Main street at Danbury, Conn., has returned, having failed to find their man.

R. A. Gromley, thirty-five years old, of Detroit, Mich., committed suicide in his room at the Auditorium Annex in Chicago. No cause could be assigned by the hotel employees for the act.

A fine of \$10,000, the maximum penalty, was paid in the United States district court at Portland, Me., by George F. Torry, the Waterville mail order house proprietor. The sentence was imposed recently by Judge Hale for conspiracy to defraud the government of postage on second-class matter.

FATAL FIRE IN FLOODED PLANT

Two Workmen Are Killed by Explosions in Morris Packing Establishment.

LOSS NEARLY HALF A MILLION

Plant Is Surrounded by Raging Torrent and Work of Fighting Flames Was Difficult.

Kansas City, Mo., June 14.—Two laborers lost their lives, two others were seriously injured and property loss estimated at between \$250,000 and \$350,000 was caused by two explosions, followed by a fire, in the packing house of Morris & Co., at the river side, in Kansas City, Kan., yesterday. The force of the explosions, which were felt all over both Kansas Cities, ruined the cold storage building, and the fire that followed destroyed the smoke house. The loss on meat destroyed is not known.

An explosion of sewer gas resulted when a worker in one of the cold storage departments lighted a match. This was followed by another and much more serious explosion caused by the igniting of a quantity of ammonia, and a stubborn fire soon started.

The Morris plant is located near the channel of the Kaw river, and being in the center of the flooded district, is in a swift current of water from six to eight feet deep. This condition made the task of fighting the fire most difficult, and it required five hours to control the flames.

The loss of meat in the fire was enormous. The coolers were packed to their capacity, as the flood had interfered with railway traffic long before the water shut the plant down.

RIVERS AGAIN RISING.

Heavy Rains Send Kaw and Missouri Up Rapidly.

Kansas City, June 13.—Unusually heavy rains fell yesterday in Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Iowa, and the weather bureau predicts that the Kansas and Missouri rivers will again reach the high stage of Wednesday night. At 6 p. m. the Missouri here had fallen slightly, but had risen at St. Joseph and continues to rise there. The Kaw fell about six inches yesterday and was stationary last night. At Topeka the Kaw is rising rapidly. The weather bureau predicts that the new flood at Topeka will slightly exceed that of Tuesday. All of the tributaries of the Kaw are very high and more rain is threatened.

CRAZED FROM HUNGER; MAY DIE

Man Is Locked in Freight Car for Seven Days and Nights.

New York, June 14.—Crazed from want of food and water, Chester A. O'Connell, a machinist of Bath Beach, was rescued from a freight car in the Harlem yards yesterday and taken to Lincoln hospital, where it was said he might die.

O'Connell was working in Jacksonville, Fla., and losing his job crawled into a freight car laden with potatoes to make his way back to New York. While he was asleep in the car the door was locked and the car started northward. For seven days and nights he was locked in the car.

THAW STAYS IN JAIL.

Pending Application for Transfer to Some Other Asylum.

New York, June 14.—Harry K. Thaw will remain in the Poughkeepsie jail pending an application of his counsel to Justice Dowling of the supreme court for a change of the order committing him to the state hospital for the insane at Matteawan. This decision was rendered by Justice Morschauser of Poughkeepsie, after hearing arguments of counsel in this city yesterday on a motion to transfer the prisoner to any state asylum other than an asylum for insane convicts.

LABOR MEN HAVE PLANK.

Want Anti-Injunction Stand in Republican Platform.

Chicago, June 14.—President Samuel Gompers, Secretary James Morrison, John Mitchell and several other members of the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor have arrived with a tentative anti-injunction plank, which they will endeavor to have incorporated in the platform of the Republican party. President Gompers expressed confidence that he and his colleagues would secure the insertion of the plank.

Artist Is Drowned.

New York, June 14.—John McGreer, a landscape artist, sixty-nine years of age, who until recently lived in Chicago, was drowned in the Hudson river yesterday as the result of an accident.

Explosion Fatal to Three. Lexington, Ky., June 14.—While working yesterday on the railroad near Paragon, Noah Fugate and Obanion Parry were killed and Tolman Triplett fatally injured by an explosion.

CHICAGO INVADED BY NOISY CROWDS

Delegates and Marching Clubs Arrive for National Republican Convention.

CONTEST ON SECOND PLACE

Vice Presidency Most Interesting Feature of Preliminary Work—Confer on Platform.

Chicago, June 16.—With flags flying, bands playing and crowds surging, the usual Sunday calm of Chicago gave way yesterday to the many noisy demonstrations which usher in a national convention. State delegations and marching clubs, slow in arriving, passed into the city throughout the day, and there was an incessant din of brass bands, marching men and exploding enthusiasm. It was an ideal summer day, with bright skies and a cool breeze from the lake which gave promise of good convention weather, but despite the influx of strangers there was an undercurrent of feeling that the multitude was not as great and the enthusiasm not as feverish and overwhelming as in the times past.

Hotel Men Disappointed.

It was observed that some of the arriving state delegations were stripped to a strict business basis of delegates and alternates, without the usual quota of lung shooters. This brought the cancellation of hotel rooms in goodly number until some of the large hotels threatened legal proceedings for this unexpected diminution of revenue.

The headquarters of the presidential candidates were full of activity throughout the day. But while these scenes were going on before the eyes of all, the more important work of preparation on candidates and platform was being gone over at private conferences in the upper chambers of the hotels, where few were admitted and little was made known.

Confer on Platform.

One of the chief conferences of the day was upon the platform, and while this was rather informal it brought about the clear understanding that the document as already drafted, in accordance with the views of the president and Mr. Taft, would go before the convention in substantially its present form.

The vice presidential contest continues to be the most enigmatical feature of the preliminary work and the delegates are as much in doubt as at any time since the contest began. The Dolliver element appears to be making the greatest advance, and this gave rise yesterday to reports that the Dolliver movement was now assured of success. The friends of other candidates were far from admitting this and began maturing plans for decisive action.

INSANE WOMAN MURDERS SIX.

Husband and Children Are Killed — Woman Commit Suicide.

Cadillac, Mich., June 16.—Seventeen-year-old Fred Cooper, the last living member of a family of eight persons, lies in Mercy hospital with but a fighting chance for life, while the bodies of the other seven members of the family, all slain by the wife and mother, who afterward committed suicide, lie in the morgue, the object of morbid interest by thousands of townspeople and farmers from the surrounding country.

The boy says that all he remembers of the night's dreadful occurrences in the Cooper home is a vague recollection of hearing a revolver shot. It is the supposition that the shot he heard was the one that killed his brother, who lay beside him in bed. It is supposed that his mother immediately afterward sent the bullet into Fred's head.

Mrs. Cooper was once confined in an insane asylum, and for some time has been brooding over that fact that Cooper was out of work. A few days ago she is reported to have said she would "end it all."

SICK OF THE HINDUS.

British Columbia Commissioner Would Deport 1,000 Orientals.

Seattle, June 16.—A thousand Hindu residents of British Columbia will be deported to India if the plan of W. L. McKenzie King, deputy commissioner of labor for the province, is approved by the Dominion government. He says there are 1,000 East Indians in Vancouver, New Westminster and vicinity out of work and living by begging. Of this number 300 are willing to be deported. Under the law the minister of labor has the necessary authority to order the deportation of the other 700.

AUTOMOBILE DUCKED.

Marshalltown, Iowa, June 16.—While driving his automobile over the built dike road which borders Deway lake, on the soldiers' home grounds, a part of the road near the edge of the water, caved in, throwing the automobile into three feet of water and pitching the driver, Dr. N. E. Mighell, headlong after it. The machine buried its nose in the mud, but aside from being partly submerged it was not hurt. Dr. Mighell was water-soaked, but escaped uninjured.

SNATCH TOTS AND WOMEN FROM FIRE

Lives of 130 Children and Helpless Old Women Threatened by Fire in "Home."

MANY MIRACULOUS ESCAPES

Teachers and Attendants Display Rare Heroism in Rescuing the Inmates.

Minneapolis, June 17.—Scores of lives were threatened and many miraculous escapes made at a fire which threatened to destroy the Home for Children and Aged Women yesterday afternoon. The children had just finished dinner and were filing out of the building when fire was discovered by Miss Elizabeth Taylor, resident teacher. She turned in an alarm at once and with the aid of other teachers and maids hurried to the assistance of the old ladies, many of whom were in their rooms. Several of the most aged women had to be carried from the building. On the second floor is located the nursery, and here were twenty small children, ranging in age from three months to six years.

Display Rare Heroism.

The teachers displayed rare heroism in the rescue of the old people and the children. The fire broke out in the third floor, which is occupied by the older boys and the help. A defective flue, which ignited a straw tick, is held responsible for the fire. In a short time the entire floor was a blaze and in spite of the able work of the department the upper part of the building was destroyed. The home sheltered a hundred children and thirty aged women. Had the fire started at any time when the children were all in the building there would have been heavy loss of life, owing to the helplessness of the inmates. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, most of which was caused by fire.

URGE TEMPERANCE WORK.

World Meeting Is Opened at Saratoga, N. Y.

Saratoga, N. Y., June 17.—A world's temperance convention assembled here yesterday to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the organization of the first temperance society. The congress yesterday adopted resolutions calling upon the International Sunday school convention to retain the quarterly temperance lessons in Sunday schools. It also petitioned the Democratic and Republican national conventions to insert planks in their platforms declaring for local option in the District of Columbia and the territories.

WRIT IS REFUSED PATRICK.

Lawyer Says He Is Victim of Plot to Plunder Rice Estate.

New York, June 17.—The application of Albert H. Patrick, who is serving a life sentence in Sing Sing prison for the murder of William Marsh Rice, an aged Texas millionaire, for a writ of habeas corpus, was denied by Judge Lacombe in the United States circuit court yesterday. Patrick set up the claim that his conviction and sentence to death, which has been commuted to life imprisonment, was a result of a conspiracy to plunder the Rice millions.

Millionaire's Son Starving.

St. Louis, Mo., June 17.—William T. Elwen, who claims to be a graduate of the University of Vienna and the son of a millionaire, went into the police station yesterday and asked to be sent to the workhouse so he could get something to eat. Elwen had just stood in a long line of applicants for a job as dishwasher in a restaurant and had failed.

Over \$50,000 Given U.

Baltimore, June 17.—Prof. William H. Welsh of the Johns Hopkins hospital last night announced that Henry Phelps of Pittsburgh and New York has made a large gift to the Johns Hopkins hospital and university for the founding of a psychiatric clinic.

Anti-betting Law Stands.

Little Rock, Ark., June 17.—The supreme court yesterday decided that the Amie anti-race track betting bill was constitutional, holding against the defendants in the case of The State vs. Simon and Snyder, who were charged with betting on a race.

Gov. Dawson Has Tuberculosis.

Charleston, W. Va., June 17.—The physicians of Gov. Dawson of West Virginia have informed him that he has developed tuberculosis. He left last night for Asheville, N. C., where he will spend at least three or four months.

Drinks Acid and Dies.

Minneapolis, June 17.—August Hanson, fifty-one year old, a carpenter formerly employed at the Soo railroad shops, committed suicide last night by drinking carbolic acid. Financial matters is thought to be the cause that made him commit suicide.

Ball Player's Leg Broken.

Osceola, Wis., June 17.—While playing ball at Star Prairie Sunday with the Osceola and Star Prairie nines, Marian Heald of Osceola broke his left leg below the knee.

SEEK FOR MURDERER OF SIX

Belief That Some One Outside of Family Killed Cooper Family at Cadillac, Mich.

Cadillac, Mich., June 17.—The coroner's jury which investigated the death of Daniel Cooper, the wife and five children, who were found dead in their home at this place last Saturday, has failed to fix the responsibility for the murders. It was stated on Saturday that Mrs. Cooper, the wife and mother, had shot to death her husband and five children and then had taken her own life in a like manner. It was stated by relatives that Mrs. Cooper was insane and that she had several times threatened to kill her family and herself.

The coroner's jury found yesterday that there is a possibility that the crime was committed by some one outside the family, although there is no present clue to the identity of the supposed assassin.

Only one member of the Cooper family is left alive, Fred, a son, aged fifteen. He was shot through the head when the others were killed and the doctors say his mind will always be a blank even if he should recover from his wounds.

FARMER KILLS HIMSELF.

Fearcd He Would Be Blamed for Criminal Operation.

Macomb, Ill., June 17.—Darius Hicks, aged fifty years, a farmer and stock raiser, worth \$100,000, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself through the temple with a rifle at his home, half a mile north of Blandville.

He left a letter in which he says an illegal operation had been performed a few weeks ago on a married woman who for two years had been his housekeeper, his wife being dead. The woman is in a critical condition in a hotel at Keokuk, Iowa. In the letter Hicks alleges he is not responsible for the operation, but says he feared he would be blamed.

INDIAN KILLS HIMSELF.

Exchanges Shots With Policeman and Then Shoots Self.

Valentine, Neb., June 17.—A Sioux Indian by the name of Thompson shot and instantly killed himself on the Rosebud reservation Saturday afternoon. He had been accused of horse stealing and an Indian policeman was after him with a warrant for his arrest. When they met shots were exchanged and the fugitive's horse was shot from under him. Seeing that he was about to be captured, the Indian put the revolver in his mouth and fired. He had served a term in the penitentiary for horse stealing.

BEE FARMER CREMATED.

Bachelor Who Lives Alone Meets Death in Fire.

Chatfield, Minn., June 17.—Clark Monette, a farmer residing four miles from this village and an expert in bee culture, was cremated in his home early yesterday morning. His brother discovered that the house had burned and search of the ashes revealed only a few bones and a watch that was identified as the property of the missing man.

No one saw the fire and there is no evidence that would in any way give a clue as to the cause.

THAWS ARE AT PEACE.

Evelyn Visits Harry and Will Not Seek Separation.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 17.—Evelyn Thaw again visited her husband in jail here yesterday. She took dinner with her husband in Sheriff Chandler's room in the court house.

New York, June 16.—Evelyn Thaw and her husband have become reconciled and will not be separated, according to a statement made yesterday by Daniel O'Reilly, Evelyn Thaw's counsel.

CAUGHT AFTER MERRY CHASE.

Old Soldier Arrested for Embezzlement of \$10,000 in 1904.

Knoxville, Tenn., June 17.—Prescott Boynton, an old Union soldier, was arrested here yesterday and is held for the authorities in Mantowoc, Wis. He is charged with the embezzlement of \$10,000 of United States bonds and also with grand larceny. The crimes are alleged to have been committed in 1904, and Boynton has since been leading the officers a merry chase.

LEARNS HUSBAND IS DYING.

Chippewa Falls Woman Told of Fight With Hold-up Men.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., June 17.—Mrs. John E. Englar has received word that her husband had been fatally shot at Elizabeth, Pa., by members of a gang of hold-up men whom he, in the capacity of detective, was trying to arrest. He corraled four of a gang in a wood chopper's house, and they opened fire on him. He killed one of them before he was struck.

SHOOT AT WAR CHIEF.

Demented Man Calls at Ministry and Tries to Kill Gen. Picquard.

Paris, June 17.—A man named Bellanger, while waiting to see Minister of War Picquard at the war ministry with the professed object of presenting a petition to him, suddenly thrust his hand into his pocket and began firing shots from a revolver. Two of the bullets lodged in an upholstered chair and another in the man's arm. Bellanger was arrested. He is believed to be demented.