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EARTHQUAKE AND WINDS

VIOLENT STORMS PLAYING HAVOC IN THE SOUTH.

PORTO RICO SHAKEN BY QUAKE

New Orleans and Gulf Country in Throes of a Tropical Hurricane, Which Has Blown Down Wires and Washed Out Railroad Tracks.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Sept. 27.—This city experienced a series of heavy earthquakes today.

The terror-stricken occupants of shaking buildings fled to the streets. Excitement is intense.

HURRICANE NEAR NEW ORLEANS

Strong Wind Has Blown Down Wires. Railroads Washed Out.

New Orleans, Sept. 27.—For more than twelve hours a tropical hurricane has been blowing at the rate of thirty-five to sixty miles an hour.

Wires are all down between here and the Gulf of Mexico.

Points where the storm is reported heaviest, have suffered washouts on the railroads.

FATAL WRECK ON THE WABASH

Four Persons Known to Be Dead. Accident Near Danville.

Danville, Ill., Sept. 27.—Fast passenger train No. 8 on the Wabash railroad crashed through an open switch into a freight train near here. Last reports show four dead and one missing. Probably thirty-five or forty people were injured, most of them slightly. The cause of the wreck, as given by General Manager Henry Miller of the Wabash road, was: "Accident caused by the crew of the freight train leaving the switch open."

The dead: Jonas Butler of Peru, Ind., engineer of the passenger train; A. W. Allison, fireman of the passenger train; Lafayette; Edward Harding, mail clerk; Ivesville, Ill.; C. H. Karnes, mail clerk.

Missing: George C. Goodman, a stock raiser, Springfield, Ill.

The train consisted of engine, smoker, baggage cars, two Pullmans, one chair car and a diner. All but the diner were burned.

OFFICIALS CONTROL ATLANTA

Georgia City Thinks It Has Seen End of Trouble for Present.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 27.—The race riot situation is in absolute control of the authorities and business has resumed normal conditions. All saloons are closed and licenses to negro restaurants and low bars have been rescinded by the city council in a special session.

All the militia on duty were withdrawn at noon, the out-of-town companies being returned to their homes. The local commands, however, are under arms at the armory, ready for emergency.

In the negro districts perfect order prevails and the terror of mob rule has passed away. The negroes are at work and peace has been restored at all points.

SWITCHMEN MAKE DEMANDS

National Movement for Shorter Day's Work and Increase in Pay.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—The Brotherhood of Railroad Switchmen gave notice to the general managers of all the railroads entering Chicago that they will ask for higher wages and a shorter working day. Twenty thousand men were represented in the switchmen's request. The roads upon which notice was served lie in the territory from Buffalo to the Pacific coast. The notice asks that the switchmen be given a hearing on or before Oct. 25 next and that eight hours constitute a day's work at the following rate of pay: Foremen, 42 cents an hour; helpers, 38 cents an hour. The scale proposed represents an increase in wages of about 20 per cent.

CELEBRATION ON THE PEAK.

Colorado Festival Program Takes Participants to Top of Mountain.

Summit of Pike's Peak, Colo., Sept. 27.—What undoubtedly was the highest official military salute ever fired was the brigadier general's salute of eleven guns fired on the summit of Pike's peak, nearly three miles above sea level. It was fired by guns from the Twelfth artillery and was in honor of Brigadier General Zebulon Montgomery Pike, who in 1806, at the head of the southwest expedition, sent out by the war department, made the first record of the existence and location of the mountain that now bears his name.

Incident to the formal dedication and christening of Pike's peak, of which the salute was a feature, there were addresses by President Slocum of Colorado college, General Irving Hale of Philippine campaign fame, and by Mayor Nichols of Manitou.

New York Man Arrested.

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—Jacob Sharon of the firm of Brasch & Sharon, New York, is under arrest on a charge of grand larceny, preferred by his partner in the eastern metropol-

COURT ADJOURNS AT CENTER.

Another Term November 12—193 Foreigners Made Citizens.

Center, Neb., Sept. 27.—Special to The News: District court convened here with Judge Boyd on the bench. A small lot of equity work was transacted, most of the time being taken up with naturalization of foreign born citizens. In all 193 final papers were issued, of which almost the entire number are Germans and Swedes. Court was dismissed yesterday. An adjourned term will be held November 12 at which time the jury has been called. There is very little work to be done this term.

THE STANTON COUNTY FAIR

IS THE BEST THAT HAS EVER BEEN HELD THERE.

BASEBALL IS GOOD FEATURE

Stanton and Pilger are Playing Today and Stanton and Creston Will Play Tomorrow—Race Results of Yesterday Afternoon—Band Concerts.

Stanton, Neb., Sept. 27.—Special to The News: The Stanton county fair promises to be the best that has ever been held. The streets were splendidly decorated last night with 1,000 State Historical Society lanterns. Rees \$500. ad a \$1,200 calf. The band played all 10 last night and there will be a free concert tonight and tomorrow night, with other attractions.

Today Stanton and Pilger play baseball for a \$75 purse and Stanton and Creston play tomorrow. Tomorrow's game will be fast.

Yesterday's races were as follows: 2:20 class:

Lady Baty (Kay).....3 4 1 1 1
Sioux Chief (Matheson).....1 1 2 4 4
Elva D (Rice).....2 4 2 2 2
Rynack (Keene).....4 3 3 3 3
County race: Minnie Marks won.

ACCIDENTS AT ATKINSON.

Young Woman Breaks Arm and Suffers for Some Time—Boy Kicked.

Atkinson, Neb., Sept. 27.—Special to The News: A daughter of Lew Grunstead, living some twenty miles from town, while driving a stacker team, had the misfortune to have her arm broken, some part of the stacker breaking and so throwing her off. Dr. Douglas drove that distance before any thing was done for her.

A. O. Perry's son, Clayton, had a few days ago been kicked seriously, but until today not knowing how badly. Today he was removed to the Sturdevant sanitarium, where the X-ray machine found hip joint dislocation.

West Nebraska Conference.

Sidney, Neb., Sept. 27.—The western Nebraska M. E. conference organized here with Rev. Mr. Trites secretary, Rev. Mr. Ransom treasurer, and Rev. Mr. Norton statistical secretary.

The second annual flower and baby show will be held at the opera house for two days the latter part of October. The merchants have offered prizes.

Ainsworth Hotel Change.

Ainsworth, Neb., Sept. 27.—Special to The News: The Ainsworth hotel changed hands, A. J. Warrick leasing to James M. Hoke. Mr. and Mrs. Warrick are past seventy years of age and too old, they feel, to continue in the business. They will board at the hotel.

FAIR AT AINSWORTH.

Brown County Fair is a Success—Best Attractions Ever.

Ainsworth, Neb., Sept. 27.—Special to The News: The Brown county fair opened here for three days and the exhibits are the best ever had. The military band furnishes music. W. H. Peck, president of the fair association, is entitled to much credit for making the fair a success.

KAULBARS APPROVES MASSACHUSETTS

Reply of Governor General of Odessa Creates Much Alarm.

Odessa, Sept. 27.—Replying to a deputation of municipal officials, who complained of the violence daily committed by members of the League of the Russian People against peaceful citizens, Jews and Christians alike, Governor General Kaulbars said that the preservation of order was a matter concerning the police, but he personally doubted whether it was possible, or even desirable, to attempt to suppress the exasperation of the loyal elements against the revolutionary students, who were guided exclusively by Jews.

"I do not think there will be fresh outbreaks," said Kaulbars, "but in the event of the assassination of even one member of the League of the Russian People, Odessa will be inundated with blood."

The tone of Governor General Kaulbars' speech, which is regarded as an expression of approval of the horrors of the counter revolution, has created much alarm. The Christian labor organizations have issued a proclamation declaring that in the event of a fresh outbreak, they will defend the Jews with their last drop of blood.

NO MORE PASSES OR RATES

FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR LAND AGENTS IS ILLEGAL.

"HOMESEEKERS" KNOCKED OUT

Stubs, Figuring Out the New Rate Law and its Provisions, Has Given Report to Railroads Which Leaves But Few to Get Cheap Rates.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—J. C. Stubs, chairman of the executive officers committee appointed by all the railroads in the country west of Chicago to study the doubtful points in the new rate law and to secure the advice of counsel regarding them, has completed the preparation of the report on passenger matters, and it was formally submitted at a meeting of the Transcontinental Passenger association yesterday.

The report, which takes the form of answers to thirty questions propounded by the various railway companies deals with almost every phase of passenger transportation under the new law, and especially with the questions which have been raised relative to granting reduced rates and free transportation.

Bars Land Agents.

The report has not the authority of a ruling by the interstate commerce commission, but as in getting it ready the committee not only consulted with the most eminent legal counsel, but also got informally the views of the commission, and as it will serve as a guide to all the roads, both east and west, until rulings upon the matters it deals with shall be made formally by the commission, it is regarded as one of the most important documents dealing with the new rate law, which have yet been prepared. A similar report on freight matters will be made later by the same committee.

The report, in part, is as follows:

"Land and Immigration Agents—Free transportation cannot be given land and immigration agents unless they are employees in such sense that the carriers legally could give them transportation as a pass or gratuity.

No "Homeseekers" Rates.

"Landseekers and Settlers—There is no authority in law for making lower rates to landseekers and settlers than for other travelers. This seems to knock out the "homeseekers" excursions which the western lines all have been running for years.

"Issue of Transportation in Payment for Advertising—The law committee advised this cannot be done. It is generally accepted, however, that carriers may carry an open account with publishers, and that publishers may carry an open account with carriers for advertising, and that these accounts can be balanced periodically. The balance must be paid in cash.

The Free-Pass Class.

The committee holds that railway companies operating their own sleeping cars must publish and file their sleeping-car rates. It holds that the exception of railway mail service employees, postoffice inspectors, customs inspectors, immigration inspectors, newsboys on trains, baggage agents and managers of soldiers' homes from the free-pass prohibition permits them to be hauled on personal and individual account as well as while on duty. Special reduced rates may be made for federal and state troops, and officers and employees of the United States geological survey and reclamation service in the future as in the past.

Nuns, sisters of charity, missionaries, evangelists, national or state officers of religious denominations, teachers and pupils in Indian schools, officers of the Salvation Army and volunteers of America, etc., it is held, may be given free transportation.

Special rates for theatrical companies, baseball clubs, etc., are held to be discriminatory.

Special rates for army and navy officers and their families, which always have been made in the past, are held unlawful for the same reason.

Atkinson Weddings.

Atkinson, Neb., Sept. 27.—Special to The News: Atkinson had three weddings yesterday.

Married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bokhof, at high noon, their only child, Mable, to C. Funk, agent for the C. & N. W. railroad at Niobrara City.

This young couple will be at home at that place within a few days.

Married, at the bride's home, Verna Stennett, to Geo. Purnell, jr., by Rev. Mr. Waterman of the M. E. church.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Williams, a very pleasant evening was spent in honor of the fourteenth anniversary of their wedding day. The ladies of the Royal Neighbors were invited to spend the evening at this home, and bring their husbands or brothers or other friends. The secret got out, it being this occasion, and a slight surprise was planned for the former bride and groom, in the way of a gift. The charitable party arrived on time and the wedding party were serenaded and all went home happy, wishing many happy returns of the day.

Blame Railroad.

Kearney, Neb., Sept. 27.—At the inquest held over the body of young Lewis, who was run over by a fast mail train, the coroner's jury found a verdict blaming the Union Pacific railroad company.

CUBANS TO HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE

President Would Give Them One More Trial at Governing Themselves.

Washington, Sept. 27.—While not abating in any degree the preparation for transporting troops to Cuba, in accordance with the wishes of the president, the ranking officials here in the army and navy are still of the opinion that Secretary Taft will succeed in effecting an arrangement which will obviate the necessity of landing a single American soldier on Cuban soil. They believe that events in Havana are shaping up directly in accordance with the plans of the secretary of war, and that while the situation appears to be desperate, the present aspect is really only one phase of the program mapped out by Secretary Taft. It is believed his purpose was to clear the field for a complete reconstruction in Cuba, and that this did not necessarily involve intervention in the sense of armed occupation of the island by American troops. President Palma's withdrawal, or at least that of the conservative advisers who surrounded him, was, however, believed to be essential to the working out of this plan.

It is conjectured by the officials here that the secretary's plan is to carry out direct instructions from President Roosevelt and give the Cubans another chance to govern their own island. The only way this could be worked out would be for him to call together some of the most patriotic and judicious of the Cubans, without regard to party affiliations, and ask them to create a provisional government. They point out that the insurgent generals would be asked to give their allegiance to this government, temporarily at least, and the military forces of the Palma government would be expected to support it. That the provisional government would be pledged to call new elections under conditions that would insure the control of the permanent government by a majority of the Cuban people and that if they fail again to maintain order and security in the island then intervention must ensue, resulting in probable annexation. President Roosevelt is expected to arrive in Washington next Monday night and army officers are of the opinion that there will be no sensational developments in Cuban affairs before that time.

First Victim of Football.

Princeton, N. J., Sept. 27.—In a practice game of football at Lawrenceville, John P. Kennedy, captain and right halfback of the Lawrenceville eleven, was kicked in the head. He died an hour later.

BOYCE CATTLE COMPANY FINED

Had Removed Part of Its Illegal Fences, but Not Enough.

Wichita, Kan., Sept. 27.—In the United States district court here the Boyce Cattle company entered a plea of guilty to four counts of an indictment for maintaining fences on government land. Judge Pollock sentenced the company to pay fines aggregating \$1,250. The cases against James W. McClain and M. C. Comb were continued until next term. There were originally thirteen defendants, but the other cases were dismissed when the defendants removed their fences according to an agreement with the court. The Boyce company had removed a part of its fences, but not enough to satisfy the court.

DR. KERN EXPLAINS CONTRACT

Says He Signed Papers After Secretary Said He Was to Do So.

Lincoln, Sept. 27.—Dr. W. B. Kern of the Hastings asylum called upon Governor Mickey and explained the contract for the installation of food elevators which was let to Earl Westcott of Plattsmouth at \$5,400. The contract was signed by Dr. Kern for the state board of public lands and buildings after being informed by Secretary Galusha that he was to do so. The board had really authorized the secretary to inform Kern that he must investigate the prices before letting the contract. Governor Mickey has been looking up the law and believes all the contracts which the board have let through superintendents of institutions are illegal.

Minneapolis Hotel Murder.

Minneapolis, Sept. 27.—Minneapolis police are confronted by another mysterious hotel murder, which promises to develop as many sensations as did that of Millie Ellison, who was murdered at the National hotel a few months ago. Attendants at the Glenwood hotel broke into a room which had been occupied by a couple, who registered as Fred Tyler and wife, and found on the bed the body of a young woman. Death was caused by a bullet, which had been fired into the top of her head. It is said that the man who accompanied her was seen leaving the hotel, but no one can give an accurate description of him.

EIGHT DIE IN MEXICAN WRECK

Conductors O. H. Bacon and John McHugh Among the Victims.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 27.—Eight men were killed by the collision of two freight trains on the Mexican Central railroad, near Callego, Mex. O. H. Bacon and John McHugh, conductors, were among the dead.

STENSLAND NOW IN PRISON

PLEADS GUILTY TO CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

QUICK LAW WORK IN CHICAGO

Bank Wrecker Sentenced to Maximum of Ten Years and Taken to Joliet Penitentiary—Large Crowd to See Him on Arrival From New York.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—Paul O. Stensland, to whose self-contested embezzlement of \$40,000 was due chiefly the collapse of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank, was given an indeterminate sentence in the penitentiary within three hours after his arrival in Chicago from the east, and before another three hours had elapsed the convicted bank president had begun service of the sentence at Joliet. Stensland pleaded guilty to two indictments, one charging embezzlement and the other charging violation of the state banking laws. A fine of \$120 was imposed on the latter charge, which was based upon the acceptance of \$50 in deposits after the bank was insolvent. The sentences imposed which will operate concurrently, are from one to five and one to ten years, making the longest term the prisoner will be compelled to serve not more than ten years.

Stensland's arrival in Chicago was greeted by a crowd of several hundred persons, who were demonstrative, although offering no violence, and the effect upon Stensland was noticeable. He became nervous and seemingly apprehensive of bodily harm. The drive to the criminal court building was accomplished without incident. State Attorney Healy was waiting in his private office for the arrival of Stensland and the prisoner was hurried, haggard and trembling between a double line of police into Mr. Healy's presence. A conference, lasting over an hour, ensued. What Stensland made known to the state's attorney was not divulged. After the conference, Mr. Healy said:

"Stensland made a full confession of everything connected with the affairs of the bank. He has told us of his own acts and of the acts of others. What he has revealed makes the bank affair less dark for himself."

The court proceedings were conducted hurriedly. Silence fell over the court room as Stensland faced the bar. His form was shaken with emotion and he kept a handkerchief in his hand and frequently brushed away the tears that sprang to his eyes. Judge Kersten asked the prisoner, whom he had known for many years as a citizen and business man, if he had any defense to offer. Upon receiving a negative reply, the court passed sentence. Stensland was joined by his daughter, Mrs. Inga Sandberg, as he left the court room and they, accompanied by Jailer Whitman, were conveyed to the railroad station, where a train was taken for the penitentiary at Joliet.

Before 3 o'clock all the routine necessary to commit the convicted man to a cell had been completed. Mrs. Sandberg, who seemingly was much moved by the evident distress of her father, fainted in the warden's reception room at the penitentiary as the last details of the incarceration were being completed.

Great Potatoes in Iowa.

Eldora, Ia., Sept. 27.—Never before in the history of Grundy county, Iowa, were so many potatoes planted or the yield so great as this year. Every well-to-do farmer planted from five to seventy-five acres and they are now being harvested and are yielding as high as 300 bushels to the acre.

Steamers Again Plow the Missouri.

Kansas City, Sept. 27.—The first step toward the permanent organization of a boat line on the Missouri river between Kansas City and St. Louis was taken when A. M. Munger, the head of a local wholesale concern, subscribed to \$10,000 worth of stock in a proposed steamboat company. The steamer Lora, which arrived here on Monday with the first load of freight on the new line, began the return trip to St. Louis today, heavily laden with merchandise.

AUTO COLLIDES WITH TROLLEY

Judge Melvin and Wife Injured, the Latter Probably Fatally.

Oakland, Cal., Sept. 27.—A large automobile, driven by Carlton Wall, an Alameda capitalist, collided with an electric car here. In the automobile were the chauffeur, State Senator Lukens, Judge Harry A. Melvin, grand exalted ruler of the Elks, and Mrs. Melvin. The collision was a terrific one. Mrs. Melvin was thrown on a picket fence and probably fatally injured. Judge Melvin was thrown on the pavement and painfully injured. Lukens was also thrown out and badly injured.

He Knew.

"Died you never," asked Miss Solefool earnestly—"did you never meet a person whose very presence filled you with unutterable feelings—whose slightest touch seemed to thrill every fiber in your being?"

"Oh, yes," responded Mr. Oldbatch; "you mean the dentist."—Cleveland Leader.

THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Conditions of the weather as recorded for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m. today:

Maximum.....72
Minimum.....34
Average.....53
Barometer.....30.16

Chicago, Sept. 27.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau this morning gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows:

Fair and warmer tonight. Friday fair and warmer east portion.

PEACE FOR CUBA IN SIGHT

RULING FACTION DECIDES TO TREAT WITH REBELS.

WILL TRY TO SAVE REPUBLIC

Secretary Taft Succeeds in Getting Government Party to Agree to Negotiate With Armed Opponents—President Palma May Keep Place.

Havana, Sept. 27.—The government party abandoned its basic contention that it is impossible to treat for peace with armed rebels and proposed to negotiate directly with a committee of its opponents. It is agreed to leave all points upon which understanding is not reached to the final arbitration of Secretaries Taft and Bacon. The government first suggested that it would treat with the liberals if they would lay down their arms, but the American commissioners ruled that this stipulation was unfair, and the moderate representatives accepted this view. While this phase of the controversy was wholly unexpected, Secretary Taft was greatly pleased therewith, and made the following statement for publication:

"My impression is that we are much nearer a solution of the trouble than we were last night."

It was announced also that the negotiations to be opened between the committees representing the opposing parties would be without reference to the terms previously proposed. The time and place for the first meeting is to be determined by Secretary Taft.

It is beyond question that both parties were brought to a more tractable frame of mind by the verbal ultimatum issued by Taft and Bacon, in the name of President Roosevelt, that unless they consent to a fair arbitration the United States must compel the same by a temporary military occupation. Such an occupation, it was declared, would not mean American sovereignty. It would continue only until new elections had been held, the new government firmly established and order restored.

Within an hour of the receipt of this ultimatum the moderate assembly agreed, at the end of a stormy session, to a suggestion of treating with the liberals. The most fiery denunciations of the United States' conduct were delivered. Some of the speakers declared in favor of appealing to the world powers and others even talked of dynamiting American property. The conservative moderates threatened the disruption of the party unless the radicals consented to treat with the American commission, and this also is believed to have had an important bearing upon the moderate decision.

It is understood that President Palma does not intend to withdraw his resignation, but it is predicted that congress will table it indefinitely.

Storm on Gulf of Mexico.

New Orleans, Sept. 27.—Reports of a severe storm on the Gulf of Mexico reached here. Moss Point, Miss., reported that its streets were under water from the effect of the wind piling up gulf water in the inlet on which it is situated. A wind of from fifty to sixty miles an hour was reported all along the gulf coast.

TROOPS MAY ROUND UP INDIANS

Utes Encamped Near Douglas, Wyo., Are Committing Depredations.

Washington, Sept. 27.—The officials of the Interior department are anxiously awaiting the report from Indian Inspector McLaughlin, who has been dispatched to Wyoming to make an effort to induce the 300 Ute Indians of Utah, now encamped near Douglas, in the former state, and committing depredations, to return to their homes. Governor Brooks has represented the situation as quite acute and Acting Secretary Ryan has recommended to the president that troops be dispatched to the vicinity of the encampment and that the Indians be rounded up and escorted to their homes in case Inspector McLaughlin fails to induce the Indians to return without coercion.

BASEBALL RESULTS

National League—Philadelphia, 0-0; Pittsburg, 5-8. New York, 6; Cincinnati, 4; Boston, 3; St. Louis, 4; Brooklyn, 7; Chicago, 12.

American League—Detroit, 2; New York, 0. Chicago, 2; Boston, 0. Cleveland, 5; Philadelphia, 3. St. Louis, 5; Washington, 1.

Western League—Omaha, 2; St. Louis City, 6. Lincoln, 2-4; Des Moines, 0-3.