

HIGH WATER IN TEXAS

Trinity River at Dallas Passes Flood Mark of Fifty-Two Feet.

FOUR THOUSAND HOMELESS

Property Damage Estimated at Over Million Dollars.

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RECORD RAIN IN OKLAHOMA

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DALLAS, Tex., May 25.—Four lives known to be lost, more than a million dollars worth of property destroyed, 4,000 people rendered homeless...

Only one street car line is operating to a point near Dallas. The water works plant is out of commission...

The village of West Dallas, across the Trinity river, is partially inundated and hundreds of families are being forced to seek higher places...

Street car bridges are under water and traffic over these lines has been suspended. Traffic on the Interurban between this city and Fort Worth has been discontinued...

In the city proper there is likely to be much distress, as the water and light companies have been closed down, their plants having been flooded.

Financial Loss Heavy. A section of the Santa Fe railroad bridge has gone down and traffic over this line has been temporarily discontinued.

The financial loss will be heavy. People living along the river below the city were not prepared for the sudden rise of water without warning...

Ten Dead at Fort Worth. The flood which descended upon Fort Worth Sunday reached its crest today and Trinity river and its tributaries have receded two feet.

Record Rain in Oklahoma. GUTHRIE, Okl., May 25.—Flood conditions in Oklahoma were still serious today. Notwithstanding there was no further heavy rains in the state since late yesterday...

Railroads Suffer Heavily. The railroads most seriously affected are the St. Louis & San Francisco, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Midland Valley, Rock Island and Santa Fe.

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Three Men Swept Over Falls. PORTLAND, Ore., May 25.—A special to the Oregonian from Spokane says that John Sharpless, John Miles and a young Englishman named Richmond of Nelson, B. C., were swept over the falls in the Kootenai river today and perished.

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SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Tuesday, May 26, 1908.

Table with columns for dates from 1908 May 1 to 1908 May 31, with numbers indicating bee activity.

THE WEATHER. For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity—Fair Tuesday; not much change in temperature.



Dr. William A. Quayle and Dr. Charles W. Smith were elected bishops by the Methodist General conference.

Water in the Trinity river at Dallas, Tex., is the highest ever known and many deaths and a heavy property loss has resulted.

Omaha roads' fine for rebating is upheld by the circuit court of appeals.

Presbyterian assembly discusses the value of denominational college education for preachers.

Southwestern miners and operators sign new wage scale.

FOREIGN. The bans for the Gould-Sagan marriage will be announced next Sunday.

REBATING. Omaha trade centers have a welcome reception throughout western Nebraska.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL. Live stock markets. Grain markets. Stocks and bonds.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS. Arrived. Departed.

CLUBMAN'S TRIAL IS CALLED Millionaire Who Killed Cabman Before Court at Washington on Charge of Murder.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The trial of Gaston C. Phillips, the millionaire clubman of New York and Washington, and scion of a prominent family, who a year ago shot and killed Frank B. Macaboy, a cab driver, was begun before Justice McHugh in criminal court No. 2.

REUNION OF RAILROAD MEN More Than Four Thousand Old-Timers Expected at Des Moines for Session.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 25.—The great reunion which for months has been planned by the officials of the Iowa Railway club will be held here in full blast with more than 4,000 old-timers to participate in the program.

OMAHA FINED FOR REBATING Circuit Court at St. Paul Upholds Conviction and Twenty Thousand-Dollar Penalty.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 25.—The United States circuit court of appeals today affirmed the conviction and the fines imposed on the Omaha railroad and its general freight agent, H. H. Pearce, in the rain rebate cases tried last year in Minneapolis.

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IN FAVOR OF CHURCH UNION

Move to Unite All Presbyterian Bodies Given Great Impetus.

ACTION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY. Heartly Fraternal Greeting is Sent to Other Presbyterian Bodies—Plan for Federal Council of Churches Approved.

KANSAS CITY, May 25.—Co-operation and closer relations leading ultimately to union with other churches of the Presbyterian faith, the duty of the church to the negro and religious education were the important subjects considered by the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States today.

Rev. Dr. William H. Roberts of Philadelphia, in reading the report of the committee on church co-operation and union, submitted resolutions which were adopted, recommending the heartiest response to any movement inviting union with the reformed church in America.

The assembly adopted a resolution approving the plan of the federal council of the churches of Christ in America, which is composed of twenty-seven of the leading Protestant churches in the United States and throughout the world.

The work of the council of the Reformed church in the United States in advancing the cause of church co-operation was approved by the general assembly.

Speaking on the report of the committee on education Dr. Leslie French of the University of Michigan said the church should make great efforts to reach state university students.

Dr. George S. Burnfield of Philadelphia said that the educational work of the church was of the greatest importance.

Four negroes were among the speakers who supported the report of the committee on freedmen. Rev. E. M. Clark, a negro of Birmingham, Ala., made an eloquent speech, the burden of which was that the same agencies should be at work in the interest of the colored people.

The report of the committee on education was as follows, in part: The work which candidates were accepted by the board last year, eighty-three in academic, 34 in collegiate and 32 in medical work.

A notable dearth of candidates is observed in a number of presbyteries east of the Alleghenies, several of the strongest averaging but one candidate to 1,117 church members.

The board wishes to emphasize the need on the part of presbyteries of exercising the most scrupulous care in the examination of candidates.

A large share of the time and money devoted to higher education is being expended upon the training of ministers.

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GOULD-SAGAN WEDDING SOON

Bans Will Be Published in Paris Sunday Next and Ceremony Two Weeks Later.

PARIS, May 25.—M. Casbard, attorney for Mme. Anna Gould, who is at present engaged in preparing the contract for Mrs. Gould's marriage to Prince Heile De Sagan, authorizes the Associated Press to deny absolutely the story that the couple were secretly married at Hoboken, N. J., on the eve of their departure from America last month.

There will be both civil and religious ceremonies, the exact positions are not yet approved of the exact situation, as the couple will reside in France, the idea of selling Mme. Gould's magnificent mansion on the Avenue Malakoff and her country seat, the Chateau Marais, and living abroad, which was contemplated, having been abandoned.

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TWO MORE BISHOPS ELECTED

Methodists Choose Dr. Quayle of Chicago and Dr. Smith of Pittsburgh.

Local Option and the Work of the Anti-Saloon League Unqualifiedly Endorsed by General Conference.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 25.—The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church today put itself on record as endorsing unqualifiedly the work of the anti-saloon league and also favoring local option. Both of these positions are new with the church, as up to this time no special organization has had the specific endorsement of the church, while it has stood on the other hand for absolute prohibition everywhere.

Rev. Dr. William A. Quayle, pastor of the St. James church, Chicago, was elected bishop on the tenth ballot.

The vote, which was taken last Saturday and counted today, resulted as follows: Total, 74; necessary to a choice, 48; Rev. Dr. William A. Quayle, Chicago, 53; Rev. Dr. Lewis, Sioux City, Ia., 53; Homer C. Smith, Madison, N. J., 48; Charles W. Frick, Pittsburgh, 44; Robert McIntyre, Los Angeles, 39; Edwin H. Hughes, Greenacres, Ind., 37; David G. Downey, New York, 37; Joseph B. Hingley, Minneapolis, 36; Daniel Dorchester, Jr., Pittsburgh, 35; Richard J. Cooke, New York, 34; M. C. B. Mason, Cincinnati, 33; Henry C. Jennings, Cincinnati, 33; Charles L. Goodell, New York, 31; Frank M. Bristol, Washington, D. C., 30.

The eleventh ballot for bishops showed no election and was as follows: Total, 75; necessary to election, 52. Smith, 43; Lewis, 39; Hughes, 49; Stuntz, 46; McIntyre, 35; Downey, 35; Hingley, 35; Mason, 34; Jennings, 33; Cooke, 32; Bristol, 31; Dorchester, 31; Goodell, 30.

Dr. Charles W. Smith of Pittsburgh was elected bishop on the twelfth ballot. Total, 74; necessary to a choice, 48; Smith, 51; Hughes, 47; Lewis, 46; McIntyre, 40; Stuntz, 39; Downey, 35; Hingley, 36; Bristol, 35; Mason, 34; Jennings, 33; Cooke, 30; Dorchester, 32; Goodell, 31.

Dr. Smith is editor of the Pittsburgh Christian Advocate and chairman of the judicial committee of the conference. He is an eminent authority on the law and history of the Methodist Episcopal church. Another ballot was taken and will be announced tomorrow.

President Murlin of Baker university, Baldwin, Kan., who is visiting the general conference, has received the promise of the British royalties and equipment of the new gymnasium at Baker.

CLAIM MRS. GUINNESS IS ALIVE Attorneys for Lamphere Say She Has Written Letters Since Supposed Death.

LA PORTE, Ind., May 25.—Mayor Darrow and his late partner, H. X. Worden, who represents Ray Lamphere, charged with the murders of Mrs. Belle Guinness and three children, are greatly excited over the receipt of a letter from a man in Arkansas, whose name they decline to make known, who gives information which they consider of importance.

This man positively declares that Mrs. Guinness escaped in man's clothing and that she, not later than May 2, five days after she was burned to death, according to the official statement of Coroner Mack, received a letter from her. He says he will produce this letter and turn over to officers other letters and will also give additional information regarding her, if he is personally interviewed by the officers either in La Porte or at his home in Arkansas.

That the body of Miss May O'Reilly, who disappeared from Rochester, N. Y., last fall, was substituted by Mrs. Guinness for her own in the fire is the latest theory advanced by attorneys Darrow and Worden, who have produced evidence to substantiate such a belief.

POWER OF BOARDS OF TRADE Members Cannot Be Expelled for Violating Rules Where Grounds for Court Action Exist.

KANSAS CITY, May 25.—The Kansas City Board of Trade cannot expel a member from the floor for refusing to abide by the arbitration board's decision in the settlement of a dispute when the member has grounds for an action in court. This decision was handed down by the Kansas City court of appeals today.

In 1903 Moffatt & Aylesworth purchased a car of grain from Goffee, Lucas & Carkeer, grain dealers. The car of grain was caught in the flood and delivery was not made. The dispute was referred to the arbitration committee, that committee sought to compel them to pay. The board has a rule that all members must abide by the decision of the arbitration committee.

NEW WORKING SCALE SIGNED Operators and Miners in Southwestern Field Definitely Come to Terms.

KANSAS CITY, May 25.—Representatives of the southwestern coal operators and miners met here today and formally signed the working scale and agreement governing conditions in the mines for two years. The terms are practically the same as existed last year. The signing has the effect of sending 3,000 coal miners of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas fields back to work, and in anticipation of the final closing of the controversy many mines were prepared to begin work tomorrow.

GLYE LINE STEAMER ASHORE Liner Seminole Said to Have Struck Rock Near Point Pleasant, N. J.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., May 25.—The Clyde line steamer Seminole, bound for New York from San Domingo and West Indian ports, went aground off Pleasant Point today. It is lying in an easy position in about twelve fathoms of water close up to the beach. The sea is calm and the steamer is believed to be in no present danger. Two life-saving crews have gone to its assistance and the big wrecking tug Reactus is standing by waiting for a favorable opportunity to attempt to float it.

PLAN FOR A CURRENCY BILL

Little Chance for Congress to Agree at This Late Day on Money Measure.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The postponement of the final adjournment of congress has had the effect of causing a renewal of the efforts to bring about an understanding between the two houses on the currency question. There were no formal conferences today, but there have been some exchanges in views among individual members of the senate committee on finance, and the house committee on banking and currency with the result that an informal proposition has been made for adjustment which would include some of the provisions of both the Aldrich and Vreeland bills.

It is realized that it would be quite impossible to secure action in the case of any very stubborn opposition by even one or two senators, and it would be necessary to secure in advance practically unanimous consent to the passage of the bill. It also would be necessary to secure almost all the republican members of the house in support of the measure and it remains to be seen whether this can be done.

The plan is still in an incipient state, but the next day or two will serve to demonstrate whether it can be put into execution.

When the attention of Senator Teller, who is one of the conferees on behalf of the senate, was brought to the proposition for a compromise on the currency bill, he declared that he would not agree to it and expressed the opinion that it would require a month's time to get such a measure through the senate.

It is believed that the consent of the conferees of the houses may be procured, but there is no certainty regarding the general membership of the two houses. Much, however, depends upon the pressure from the outside, which is increasing with the increased prospect of final adjournment without action on the currency question.

The proposition now is to retain the commercial paper provision of the house bill as applied to associations and as an alternative to incorporate in it the senate provision authorizing the issue of an emergency currency on state and municipal bonds.

NEBRASKANS GO TO SHERIDAN Some Who Will Be Guests at Time of Carrington Reunion in Wyoming.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., May 25.—(Special.)—Samuel Gibson of Omaha and O. F. Hamilton of Mullen are two Nebraskans who will be guests at the Carrington reunion in this city July 3 and at which time the Wyoming Chamber of Commerce will entertain the surviving members of the Fort Phil Kearney colony of 1866-7 with an elaborate reception and military demonstration, attended by many prominent military officers, the Wyoming state officials and congressional delegation and the Carrington reunion will surpass in historic interest anything of the kind ever attempted in this state, and will probably be the last opportunity for the Nebraskans to meet their commanding officer and surviving comrades who faced death a thousand times to protect the old Bozeman trail to the Pacific.

The general and those of his command who attend will be guests of the city during their stay, and July 3 will witness a reproduction of the Fetterman massacre on the Old site, participated in by soldiers from Fort McKean and soldiers from the Custer reservation. After the banquet there will be a big barbecue, closing in the evening with a campfire, at which the survivors will relate early-day experiences. The Fourth will witness a special patriotic program of particular interest to the distinguished visitors.

General and those of his command and as many of the survivors as are expected to remain throughout the following week, when excursions will be made to places of interest to the veterans of the earlier Indian campaigns. These will include a trip to the famous Custer battlefield and to the battle of the Horns, and to the general Crook and other noted Indian fighters.

DECREE FOR MRS. VANDERBILT Wife of Multimillionaire is Granted an Absolute Divorce by Justice O'Gorman.

NEW YORK, May 25.—Mrs. Ellen French Vanderbilt was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt by Justice O'Gorman in the supreme court today on the report of David McClure, the referee, and was appointed guardian of the property of her minor children in the suit instituted by Mrs. Vanderbilt. Justice O'Gorman confirmed the report of the referee that Mr. Vanderbilt had been guilty of misconduct and directed that Mrs. Vanderbilt be granted a judgment of absolute divorce.

The divorce decree provides that Mrs. Vanderbilt shall marry during the lifetime of Mr. Vanderbilt, but prevents him from marrying during her lifetime. The custody of William H. Vanderbilt, the only child of the marriage, was awarded to Mrs. Vanderbilt. No provision was made for alimony in the decree nor was the subject alluded to in the report of Referee McClure.

Mrs. Vanderbilt was Miss Elsie French, daughter of the late Francis Ormond French, president of the Manhattan Trust company and a member of the directorates of several railroads. She was married in January, 1900, to Vanderbilt, who had inherited upwards of \$60,000,000 from his father, the late Cornelius Vanderbilt.

TRIAL TO BRING OUT FACTS Sensational Lamplack Swamp Mystery to Be Cleared by Murder Hearing.

NEW YORK, May 25.—What is expected to be the final scene in the so-called Lamplack swamp mystery was begun in Jersey City today, when Theodore S. Whitmore of Brooklyn, was placed on trial charged with the murder of his wife, Lena, whose body was found in the swamp five months ago and lay unidentified for more than a week.

The testimony is expected to develop a sensational story regarding Whitmore's life. William Bartlett, who claims to have an intimate knowledge of some of the details of Whitmore's life, has been held together with four other important state witnesses in the Hudson county jail for some months.

BRYAN RETURNS TO LINCOLN Nebraskan Will Stay at Home Until He Begins Trip in the West.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 25.—William J. Bryan arrived in Lincoln today and will remain until Friday, when he leaves for a six-day tour of northern and western Nebraska. He will return to Lincoln June 4.

BELLS FOR BOOSTERS

Trade Excursions Given the Glad Hand in Southwestern Nebraska.

REACH M'COOK IN THE MORNING Good Crop Prospect Puts Red Willow People in a Good Humor.

RAINS BRINGING OUT THE WHEAT Culbertson Women Bring Out a Band to Greet the Visitors.

CHILDREN ARE OUT AT STRATTON Every Town Visited With Ones Before in Showing Good Will and Everywhere the Sheep Bells Tinkle for Omaha.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) SANBORN, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Good cheer was exchanged at McCook when the trade excursion arrived safe and on time Monday morning, the party being glad to get off the train and the people of McCook and Red Willow being in the best of spirits because of the rain, which has insured a 65 per cent wheat crop and promises a perfect start for the corn.

Three weeks ago farmers were plowing up winter wheat, which was turning yellow at the roots, but abundant rains have fallen and the wheat is now in the green promise of that which is their ultimate end. Passing through Lincoln Sunday night, the band played to an empty platform, but it is probably the only vacant depot which the excursionists will see. Superintendent Ed Bignell accompanied the train to McCook, where Superintendent E. E. Young met the party and will look after operating needs to Denver. H. H. Swearingin, contracting freight agent of the Burlington, came out from Denver to meet the party.

In McCook, Culbertson, Trenton, Stratton, Halgier and Sanborn the party was met by large crowds and passing up the streets, headed by the Dimick band, no trade excursion ever made a brighter appearance. Sunshine met the party just out of McCook.

Hospitality of Culbertson. It was a genuine women's welcome for the party at Culbertson, where a score of members of the Women's club met the train with a band in uniform, taking the entire party to town, three-quarters of a mile from the depot, in buggies and autos. They distributed clever verses of greeting. Trenton offered another innovation, school being out, hundreds of children at the depot waving flags.

Down the hill at Stratton school teachers and children marched to meet the party. A stop was made at Otis, though it was not on the schedule.

President George Scott of the McCook Commercial club addressed the party and some 600 citizens of the busy town of 6,000, saying that Omaha and South Omaha were making possible the prosperity of the state to a great extent. A. W. Jeffers, official orator of the excursion, replied to Mr. Scott and the 600 who passed out by the party rang for Omaha, as they have all along the line from McCook to the Colorado line.

TESTIFIES GIRL KILLED SELF Samuel Whitlow Says on Witness Stand Miss Sapp Cut Her Own Throat.

IOLA, Kan., May 25.—Samuel Whitlow, testifying in his own behalf in his trial on the charge of murdering Miss Sapp, today denied positively that he killed the girl, declaring that she had committed suicide because he had told her that he was going to marry her. This was the first time during the trial, showed emotion, tears coming to his eyes as he swore that when he prepared his first written statement it was to protect his name and that of his family.

Whitlow detailed how he had gone to the Sapp home the night of the tragedy, called the girl out into the yard and told her he had told his wife all. "She did not believe it," testified Whitlow. "I tried to reach some understanding. She was angry. 'I've told you what I'd do and now I'll show you,' she had said. Then in the dark she made some sort of motions and screamed. I caught her by the right hand and she started to fall. I heard a door slam and I ran. I didn't notice I held the razor until I was almost home."

Whitlow told how he washed the razor and returning to the Sapp home dropped it near where the girl's body had lain.

STRIKERS CONFESS VIOLENCE Four Men Admit They Dynamited Cars in Cleveland—Peace Depends Upon Vote.

CLEVELAND, O., May 25.—According to a statement given out by Chief of Police Kohler, four striking conductors and motormen have confessed to taking part in the dynamiting of street cars in various parts of the city last week. These men are now in custody.

It is also said that a number of other arrests in connection with the dynamite outrages will be made today.

Cars on nearly all lines were operated on practically normal schedules today.