

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

COSTA RICA SHAKES

SERIES OF EARTHQUAKES DOING HEAVY DAMAGE.

People Desert Cities and Rush in Terror to Hillside--Government Has Ordered a Suspension of Business and Trade--Details Yet Lacking.

A series of earthquakes, varying in intensity, swept over Costa Rica Thursday, doing damage of more than \$1,000,000. There is no report of loss of life, but the people in the cities are panic stricken and are abandoning their homes for the hillside.

In all there have been more than thirty shocks, ten of these between 12 o'clock Thursday night and 3 o'clock Friday morning. The vibrations have not ceased.

Thursday the government ordered a suspension of general business until such time as safety is assured. Trade and commerce are at a standstill.

The first shocks Wednesday evening were slight, but later they became more violent, and the stanchest buildings were shaken to their foundations. In several instances weaker buildings were wrecked and many persons were slightly injured. Communication between the various towns has been interrupted and details of the damage done at these places are lacking.

EFFECTIVE ON MAY 1.

Subsidiary Companies of Steel Trust Grant Wage Increases.

Substantial increases in wages by the subsidiary companies of the United States Steel corporation will soon be announced to become effective May 1, it was officially stated in New York Thursday. The proposed increase will apply to a large majority of the corporation's 225,000 employees and in round figures will increase the pay rolls of the steel corporation by about \$9,000,000 annually.

News of the wage advance was made public by Judge Elbert H. Gray, chairman of the United States Steel corporation.

According to its last annual report the steel corporation had on its pay roll approximately 22,000 employees. It is calculated that the wage increase will involve an additional outlay of about \$9,000,000 by the subsidiary companies of the steel corporation.

\$5,000 ROLL IN ASHES.

Utah Farmer Makes Effort to Secure It While Barn Burns.

While neighbors gathered to view a fire that was consuming his barn, John J. Jones, of American Fork, Utah, made desperate but unsuccessful efforts to force his way into the flames. Jones finally came out of his frenzy and astonished those about him by the intelligence that a roll of currency amounting to \$5,000, his savings of many years, had been lost in the fire. Unknown to his family, Jones had concealed the money in an old stovepipe, which had been stored away in the barn.

About a month ago, when stricken with heart failure, he attempted to tell his wife and children of the fortune, but was unable to do so. Recovering some days later, he decided to keep the secret for a future time.

BROTHERS FOUND GUILTY.

Jury Convicts Them of Engaging in White Slave Traffic.

Louis and Phillip Watchman, brothers, of Belleville, Ill., were found guilty by a jury in the St. Clair county court Thursday night of engaging in the white slave traffic. They will be sentenced later.

Their conviction is the first in southern Illinois under the new Illinois white slave law.

Testimony was given to show that the two men were offering \$2 each for girls sent to a Chicago address.

The brothers claim to be Englishmen.

Leach Gets Bail.

A third member of the Mabray gang of alleged swindlers was bailed out of the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., Thursday pending the hearing of his appeal from the United States district court at Council Bluffs, Ia., to the circuit court of appeals. He is Edward Leach. His bond of \$10,000 was received by Warden McClaughy Thursday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$7.50. Top hogs, \$9.80.

Twins Born in a Jail.

Twins were born Wednesday night in the county jail at Denver, Colo., to Mrs. Emma Jett, who is charged with the murder of her husband last September.

Idaho Fruit Damaged.

The season's crop of small fruit around Boise, Idaho, and in Fayette county is reported to have been heavily damaged by the frost of Wednesday night.

LYOYD'S TALE OF TRIP.

Ascent of Mt. McKinley Described by Leader.

The Fairbanks Mt. McKinley expedition that reached the summit of the peak of Mt. McKinley, Alaska, started to follow the route Dr. Cook said he took, and was obliged to abandon it as impassable. Thomas Lloyd, leader, declared Wednesday no traces of Cook's camps were found.

Lloyd placed his crude notes of the journey in the hands of a committee of the Order of Pioneers of Alaska, who will arrange for the publication of the story. The party took photographs of the summit and of points along the trail. They also established the trail so well that it can be followed by other parties next summer.

On one stretch of the trail, eighty seven miles, the explorers worked two weeks. On one of the peaks a flag-staff fourteen feet tall was erected, firmly buttressed by rocks. The work done by the Fairbanks men can be easily verified.

An aneroid measurement taken by the men places the height of the mountain at 29,500 feet. Ten men who were with the party that left Fairbanks with dog teams in December. It is the theory of the leaders that the ascent would be less dangerous in early spring than later, when the snow begins to melt. This theory was confirmed by the experience of the expedition.

LITTLE GIRLS WHITE SLAVES.

Children Tell Sad Story in Brooklyn Court.

With the arraignment of six men in a Brooklyn court Wednesday and the announcement that warrants were out for twenty others, the Brooklyn police declared that one of the biggest raids on dealers in white slaves ever made in New York was in progress.

Eight girls were in court to testify against the prisoners. One of them was only 9 years old and the oldest was 15. They all told the same story--that they had been lured to a moving picture show, where candy or other cheap presents were given to them and that then they were taken to some house maintained as a resort of the white slave band's activities.

The arrest of the six persons was brought about by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, agents of which have been on the trail of the band for months.

MOB ENDS LIFE OF NEGRO.

Slayer of Jailer Is Taken from Officers After He Has Been Shot.

Tom O'Neill, a negro, who shot Jailer Temple at Meridian, Tenn., Wednesday, was shot by officers in a fight in the basement of the jail.

A crowd of nearly 2,000 people took O'Neill from the officers before he died, carried him to a telephone pole and hanged him. Afterwards the body was lowered, the throat cut and the clothing saturated with kerosene and set on fire. The body was rescued from the mob after the clothing had been burned.

Temple was killed by O'Neill when the jailer went to the assistance of a deputy whose revolver the negro had seized.

George Williams, another negro, charged with assisting O'Neill and threats to lynch him were made.

STOCK EXCHANGE REFORM.

Amendment to Constitution Adopted by the Board.

Another move in the direction of reform was made by the New York Stock Exchange when an amendment to the constitution was adopted authorizing the law committee to represent the exchange in "conferences with other interests."

The committee is also authorized to "examine into the dealings of any member of the exchange."

While no amplification of the amendment was vouchsafed, it is understood that its adoption will enable the authorities to deal more directly with offending members.

Japanese Land Law.

The recently adopted land ownership law restricting the ownership of land in Japan to such foreigners as come from a country which extends similar privileges to Japanese residents, was promulgated Wednesday.

Clay Model of Taft.

Robert L. Atkin, of New York, has finished the clay model of a bust of the president, which is said to be destined either for the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York or the Corcoran Art gallery in Washington.

Trans-Andine Tunnel Opened.

The Trans-Andine railway tunnel was formally opened Tuesday. The tunnel is 12,000 feet above sea level and links the republics of Chile and Argentina commercially.

Street Car Dynamited.

Benjamin Waechto, a street railway conductor of Philadelphia, is in a critical condition in a hospital as the result of injuries he suffered when his car was dynamited Tuesday night.

Scalds Wife and Baby.

Edward Roschick, of Chicago, has been arrested, charged with having thrown a pot of scalding hot coffee on his wife and baby, burning them so badly that they may die as a result.

COLD STORAGE THE CAUSE.

System is Blamed for the High Price of Foods.

Formal testimony was given Tuesday before the senate committee investigating the high cost of living that cold storage was the great equalizer of price, while at the same time that cold storage is an important and controlling factor in producing high prices.

Pierre P. Garven, prosecutor of Hudson county, N. J., was conferred at the capital with Representative Kinkead, of New Jersey, and Senator Lodge in regard to pending legislation to regulate cold storage, attacked the work of the investigating committee.

John A. Kunkel, of New York, said that if it were not for the cold storage method of keeping eggs they would sell as low as 8 and 9 cents a dozen during certain seasons, and as high as 75 cents and \$1 in other seasons of the same year. He told the committee many interesting things about eggs. He said New York people demanded an egg with a white shell, while Boston used the yellow shell. He said that the latter was better than the white shell egg, in that it will keep longer.

"The egg," he added, "was a football from the time it leaves the hen until it reaches the table."

REACH TOP OF TALLEST PEAK.

American Flag Is Planted on Mt. McKinley.

The Fairbanks expedition to Mt. McKinley, the tallest peak in North America, reached the summit April 3 after a climb of one month from the base. No traces of Dr. Frederick A. Cook's alleged ascent were found. Mt. McKinley is 29,544 feet high. Thomas Lloyd, leader of the expedition, arrived here last night. His companions were Daniel Patterson, W. R. Taylor and Charles McGonnible, and all reached the top of the great mountain.

The expedition, which left Fairbanks December 15 while the controversy over Dr. Cook's disputed ascent was still raging, was financed by August Peterson and William McPhee, of Fairbanks.

The plan was to go into camp on the mountain as high as possible and probably about the middle of May make a dash for the summit. The obstacles encountered were not so great as had been predicted.

Four camps were established during the ascent and a trail was blazed all the way to the crest. Up to 12,000 feet the climbing did not present unusual difficulties. For the next 4,000 feet the way led over a steep ice field which at first seemed to forbid further progress, but through which, upon exploration, it was found possible to locate a patch. The final dash to the top was made from the 16,000-foot camp.

Mt. McKinley terminates in twin peaks of equal height, one somewhat rounder and covered with snow, the other composed of bare and windworn rocks. On the rock peak the Fairbanks climbers placed an American flag in a monument of stones.

The expedition, which was provided with Dr. Cook's maps and book, endeavored to follow his alleged route, but utterly failed to verify any part of his story of an ascent.

GIRL FRIGHTFULLY BURNED.

Unknown Man Dashes Acid in Her Face and Escapes.

Suddenly attacked Tuesday by an unknown man, who dashed sulphuric acid into her face, Miss Ruth Frances Wilson, 18 years old, daughter of Joseph A. Wilson, deputy of the national union for the district of California, lies in a San Francisco hospital suffering terrible agony from the burns on her face and neck.

The sight of one eye is destroyed and the doctors say it is hardly possible the other eye will be saved. Her assailant escaped.

Emigrants Become Unruly.

The emigrants who were transferred to the steamer Kanawha from the steamer Cairnora after a fire broke out on the latter vessel near Dover, Eng., Thursday, became so unruly Friday morning that the captain of the Kanawha was obliged to ask for naval assistance.

Eleven Lives Crushed Out.

Eleven men, all foreigners, were crushed to death in the stone quarry of the Nazareth-Portland Cement company, near Nazareth, Pa., Wednesday. A premature explosion tore loose 5,000 tons of stone, covering the victims.

Strike Declared Off.

The strike of the switchmen on thirteen railroads in the northwest, which began November 30 last, was officially declared off Tuesday after the votes of the men on the question of continuing the strike had been counted.

To Spend Large Sum.

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific expects to expend a total of \$11,500,000 this year for improvements. Of this amount \$7,500,000 will be used for equipment and \$4,000,000 will be expended for laying new track.

French Battleship Launched.

The 20-knot turbine battleship Vergniaud was launched successfully at Bordeaux, France, Tuesday.

Nebraska State News in Concise Form

LINCOLN GOES DRY.

Enters Upon Second Year Without License--Students Decide Issue.

With the most perfect organization ever known in the city, district or state, the "drys" won their contention at Lincoln Tuesday by a majority of 900 in a total vote of practically 10,000. At every polling place business and professional men who thoroughly understood the election laws and armed with positive proof of whatever they made it stick. From two to four automobiles were used in each ward, and so absolute a tab was kept that the checkers for the "drys" could at any time tell the number of wet and dry votes cast. There was no disorder and the police for the first time enforced every provision of the Australian voting law. The "wets" also had an effective organization.

The size of the dry majority is credited largely to the university student vote, which has been active in the canvass and maintained a perfect working organization.

When E. S. Johnson, a traveling man, proposed to vote, claiming that he made his headquarters at one of the local hotels, it was shown that he had a family living at Kansas City and he was told by Chief Malone that if he attempted to vote he would be thrown in jail. Johnson went to the polling place twice during the day but did not vote.

Several university students were challenged on the ground that they received a part of their support from home and were not residents of Lincoln. The students swore in their votes and this may be made the basis for a contest.

NEW AINSWORTH CHURCH.

Methodist House of Worship Dedicated Free of Debt.

Bishop John L. Uelssen, of Omaha, dedicated the new Methodist Episcopal church at Ainsworth, on Sunday. The bishop preached powerful sermons morning and evening, and Rev. J. B. Carnes, D. D., superintendent of the Long Pine district, gave an address in the afternoon. There were fourteen baptisms in the afternoon. Several united with the church. The sum of \$2,200 was needed to meet all claims. Many were afraid that the money could not be raised, but the way in which the bishop easily secured the funds was a surprise to many. The dedication service was held in the evening. The new church is valued at about \$8,000. The sanctuary room is 50x50 feet. It has inclined floor, circular assembly chairs, art glass windows and a fine choir loft adjoining the pulpit. The assembly room is 20x30 feet. The vestibule is 10x10 feet. In the basement is a large dining room, a commodious kitchen. The whole church is to be lighted by electricity. This is one of the best churches in northwestern Nebraska. Rev. Vincent R. Beebe is now serving his second year as pastor.

Nebraska Land Sells Well.

A record-breaking sale of Nance county land occurred last week at Fullerton, when a quarter section of land that was sold one year ago for \$80 per acre, was again sold for \$115 per acre. The land lies on the south side of the Loup river, about three miles from town, and was bought by George Fleece.

Farmer Has Accident.

H. C. Carman, a well known Johnson county farmer, is suffering an injury to his head. A small piece of gas pipe fell thirty feet from a tower and struck Mr. Carman on the head. At first it was feared he had been seriously injured.

Big Price for Hog.

Probably the highest price ever paid in Johnson county for an unpedigreed hog, bought for market, was one day last week when L. A. Hanks, buyer at Cook, paid Sam Wilson, farmer and stockman, \$49 for a single porker. The hog weighed 690 pounds.

Narrow Escape From Death.

Dr. Claude Watson, of Nebraska City, while riding in his automobile, had a narrow escape from being killed. He lost control of his machine and it skidded, turned turtle, falling on him, breaking his left shoulder and bruising him badly.

Will Make Tour of Europe.

J. W. Wilson, president of the First National bank at Polk, accompanied by his wife and son and Mrs. Calmar McCune of Stromburg, will leave soon on a six weeks' trip through Europe and the British Isles.

Cook for Blair Postmaster.

Word has been received in Blair from Washington that Wesley J. Cook has been recommended for reappointment as postmaster, and Mr. Cook is feeling on easy street.

Suffers from Ptomine Poisoning.

Michael Curtin, a resident of Sterling, suffered ptomine poisoning from eating canned corn. For a few hours he was in a serious condition.

School of Instruction.

A school of instruction for the census enumerators of Beatrice and Gage counties was held at Beatrice last week by Phillip H. Bross of Wahoo, census director for the Fourth district.

Accused of Selling Beer.

A complaint has been filed against W. C. Peterson of York, who keeps a restaurant in the north part of that city, charging him with selling beer. He was placed under \$200 bonds.

Hospital Formally Opened.

The Mercy Sisters of Omaha have formally opened the hospital at Reclaire under the name of "The Mercy Hospital."

BLOW UP BANK; ROB; BANDITS IN HOT FIGHT

Brigands Destroy Building at Coal City, Ill., by Nitroglycerin Charge.

ESCAPE WITH \$2,000 BOOTY.

Later Three Men Are Captured, All Wounded, After Exciting Chase and Battle in Brush.

Five daring bandits, a sheriff and a large posse and a town marshal figured in a spectacular chase which resulted in the capture of three men following an explosion of nitroglycerin which destroyed the bank at Coal City, Ill., aroused the entire town and netted the burglars almost \$2,000 in money and stamps. The bandits entered the town on a passing freight train and began operations by tying Barney Ghetto, the night watchman, and Washington Frie, the night engineer, of the electrical plant.

They then blew up the bank building with a terrific charge of nitroglycerin and leaped on a west-bound Santa Fe freight train with their plunder. Three hours later three men, believed to be of their number, had been captured by Sheriff Thomas Steele of Morrison, Ill., who had been notified by the night watchman after the latter had broken loose the ropes which held him and made possible the organization of the posse.

Just as the train carrying the five bandits pulled out of the town Ghetto succeeded in cutting his bonds and rushed to a telephone. The sheriff at Morrison was notified and the posse was organized. Several automobiles were pressed into service and the pursuit began. There is a road following the right of way of the Santa Fe tracks between Morris and Verona and along this the chase took place. For a time the members of the posse in their machines sped directly alongside the speeding freight train and shots were fired at dark objects which were thought to resemble the bandits. When at last the train came to a stop at Verona the cars were searched by the sheriff and his men. In an empty baggage car of the train were found three of the bandits. All three were wounded and their comrades had fled. The other two were captured later at Joliet.

THOMAS F. WALSH'S LIFE ENDS.

Multimillionaire Mining Man Dies at Washington.

Thomas F. Walsh, the Colorado multimillionaire mine owner, died at his home in Washington the other night. He had been ill more than six months, heart disease following an attack of pneumonia. Mrs. Walsh, her daughter, Mrs. Edward McLean, and Edward McLean were at his bedside when the end came.

Mr. Walsh in February was taken to San Antonio, Tex. When he showed no improvement there he was brought to Washington on a fast special train. He declared he wished to see his infant grandchild, known as the "million dollar baby," before he died. Before he arrived there, however, he had a large sun room built on the roof of his house similar to the "Solarium" which Edward H. Harriman had erected on his New York residence shortly before he died. Since his return to Washington Mr. Walsh had lived most of the time in this room. His health has been variously estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$40,000,000.

It was in 1907 that the great tragedy of his life befell Mr. Walsh. His only son, Vincent Walsh, was killed in an automobile accident at Newport, and his only daughter, Evelyn Walsh, was so terribly injured that it was feared she was crippled permanently.

DISASTER ON BRITISH STEAMER.

Child Is Killed, 50 Hurt, When Explosions Rock Ship.

A child was killed and fifty persons, mostly women and children, were injured by an explosion on the British steamer Cairnora off Dungeness, England. The steamer caught fire and men battled for the lifeboats, thrusting women and children aside. The captain and the crew acted with creditable bravery. They forced the men back and insisted on taking the women and children off the burning vessel first. The steamers Upland and Kanawha were close by. They steamed near the Cairnora and the passengers were transferred.

WILL EMPLOY NO MORE WOMEN

Baltimore and Ohio Road Finds Men Are More Satisfactory.

No more women will be engaged as stenographers, clerks or telegraph operators by the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. The road's auditors and statisticians estimate that on the average a young woman stenographer does 30 per cent less work than a young man in the same position, who also does the work more carefully and accurately. The same statement applies to other branches of work. The women, young and less young, now in the Baltimore & Ohio's employ, will not be dismissed, but each, as she leaves, will be succeeded by a man.

SWOPE POISONING CASE ON.

Kansas City Physician Accused of Killing the Millionaire.

Dr. B. C. Hyde appeared in the Criminal Court at Kansas City to answer a charge of murdering Colonel Thomas H. Swope, a millionaire philanthropist and uncle of the physician's wife. Colonel Swope died Oct. 3 last. His death certificate gave apoplexy as the cause of demise. Dr. Hyde was in attendance. The State avers the physician poisoned the millionaire by administering strychnine to him in a capsule.

The motive for the alleged crime, says the State, was to obtain wealth. By the terms of Colonel Swope's will Mrs. Hyde was to receive a share in her uncle's property and some money. Desiring to hasten the settlement of the estate, and also to prevent the making of certain changes in the will the colonel had planned, Dr. Hyde, the State will attempt to prove, killed the aged capitalist.

The indictment on which Dr. Hyde is being tried is for first-degree murder. Ten other indictments have been returned against the physician. One charges first-degree murder of Christian Swope, a nephew of Colonel Swope, by administering poison to him. An indictment for manslaughter was voted, accusing Dr. Hyde of negligently killing James Moss Hunton, a cousin of Colonel Swope, by bleeding him. The eight remaining indictments charge the physician with attempting to poison Misses Lucy Lee Swope, Mildred Fox, Sarah Swope, Georgia Compton, Nora Bell Dickson, Stella Swope, Margaret Swope and Leonora Copridge. All these people were attacked by typhoid fever when it was prevalent in the Swope home, and it is averred Dr. Hyde caused their illness. No indictment but one relating to the death of Colonel Swope enters into the present case.

VOTES TWO BATTLE SHIPS.

House, by 162 to 110, Orders War Craft to Cost \$6,000,000 Each.

The naval appropriation bill carrying \$128,037,602 and providing for two battleships was passed by the National House of Representatives the other day by the decisive vote of 162 to 110. The ships are to cost \$6,000,000 each. Thirty-three Democrats voted for the two battleships and twenty-four Republicans against the proposition. In addition to the battleships the bill also provides for the construction of two fleet colliers and four submarine boats. As amended on motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of New York, the two battleships and two fleet colliers must be constructed by firms operating under the eight-hour law.

The committee on naval affairs had reported in favor of authorizing two battleships. Mr. Tawney of Minnesota, chairman of the appropriations committee, offered an amendment providing for only one battleship, while Mr. Hobson proposed an amendment providing for three. Mr. Hobson contended that three battleships would give no increase, but would provide only for the ordinary depreciation in the naval force. By an almost unanimous vote the House rejected this proposition.

HUGHES ASKS AN INQUIRY.

Wants Legislative Practices and Procedure Investigated.

With the ringing declaration that the recent disclosures of legislative dishonesty and graft have caused "every honest citizen to tingle with shame," Governor Hughes of New York, in a special message to the Legislature of that State, called upon that body to make immediate, impartial, thorough and unparrying investigation of legislative practices and procedure.

Accompanying his message was a preliminary report of Superintendent Hotchkiss outlining the facts developed at the fire insurance investigation in New York and setting forth the difficulties encountered in following up the various leads which have been uncovered. The superintendent says that obstacles apparently insuperable have developed in the course of the inquiry. These in his judgment warrant further investigation, but he has no power to pursue them and therefore has laid the facts thus far developed before the Governor for action.

TRY TO ROB LIMITED.

Cut Air Hose on Fast Train, Fight Conductor and Flee.

Two masked bandits made an unsuccessful attempt to hold up and rob the Pioneer limited train from Chicago on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, shortly after midnight the other morning as it sped through the picturesque delta region of southwestern Wisconsin. Conductor A. P. Shumway of Milwaukee, in charge of the train, was confronted on the platform of the sleeping car Ontonagon by the two robbers, who demanded that he signal the train to stop, then throw up his hands. He struck one of the men down with his lantern and retreated into the sleeping car. The bandits had cut the air hose of the train, stopping it, and they escaped. A few hours later two colored men were taken into custody in LaCrosse on suspicion of being the bandits.

Engineer Killed in Wreck.

Big Four passenger train No. 41 wrecked at Gallon, Ohio, by running into a freight engine, through a misreading of orders. Engineer Edward Mahaney of Cleveland was instantly killed and several of the passengers were shaken up and bruised, but no one was seriously injured.