LOOKING BACKWARD THROUGH 1908

CHRONOLOGY of the PAST YEAR

POLITICAL

Apr. 3—People's party convention in St. Louis nominated Thomas E. Watson of Georgia for president, and Samuel Williams of Indiana, for vice-president.

7—In Illinois local option elections 828 townships went dry, 1,014 saloons being voted out of existence....David S. Rose elected mayor of Milwaukee, Wis. ....T. T. Crittenden, Jr., elected mayor of Kansas City, Mo.

Jun. 17—President Roosevelt was given a 47-minute demonstration in the Republican National convention at Chicago.

18—Secretary of War Wm. H. Taft was nominated for the presidency of the United States in the Republican convention at Chicago, on the first ballot, receiving 702 votes.

19—Congressman Jas. S. Sherman was nominated for vice-president on the first ballot by the Republican convention.

Jul. 8—Frank H. Hitchcock elected chairman of the Republican national committee.

9—William Jennings Bryan was nominated for the presidency by the Democratic National convention at Denver, Colo.... Thomas E. Watson was formally notified of his nomination for the presidency by the populace at Atlanta, Ga.

10—John Worth Kern of Indiana was nominated for the vice-presidency by the Democratic National convention, at Denver, Colo.

16—Eugene W. Chafin of Chicago was nominated for the presidency of the United States, and A. S. Watkins of Ada, Ohio, for the vice-presidency by the National Prohibition convention, at Ohio.

27—Wm. H. Taft was formally notified of his nomination at Cincinnati, Ohio.

28—Thos. L. Hisgen of Massachusetts, was nominated for president and J. T. Graves of Georgia, for vice-president, in the first national convention of the Independence party at Chicago.

Nov. 3—Wm. H. Taft elected president and Jas. F. Sherman vice-president of the United States, on the Republican ticket by an electoral vote of 327, defeating William Jennings Bryan and J. W. Kern, Democratic candidates for president and vice-president, respectively....Chas. A. Deneen re-elected governor of Illinois. Thos. A. Marshall elected governor of Indiana ....Fred M. Warner re-elected governor of Michigan....James A. Davidson re-elected governor of Wisconsin....Chas. E. Hughes re-elected governor of New York.

INDUSTRIAL

Jan. 3—Gov. Hanly, Indiana, ordered troops to Muncie to suppress street car strike.

Feb. 3 — Thomas Lewis elected president of United Mine Workers of America.

28—Southern railway cut labor wages ten per cent., effective Mar. 1.

Mar. 2—Coal operators in Pittsburg district commenced preparations for strike.

17—3,500 St. Louis brewery employes struck for higher wages.

Apr. 1—Pending wage settlement, 250,000 miners suspended work in American mines....T. L. Lewis took up duties as miners' president and invited operators to wage scale conference.

9—Six hundred Minneapolis, Minn., paperhangers and painters struck for closed shop.

10—Importation of strike breakers from St. Louis to work on Pensaloca, Fla., street railways caused fierce rioting, 15 non-union men being injured.

12—Governor of Florida sent entire militia body to Pensacola.

17—Central competitive field of operators and miners reached wage agreement of 90 cents a ton—old agreement; 250,000 resumed work at once.

May 14—Eight hundred Kansas City, Mo., brewery workers struck.

16—Street car strike rioting in Cleveland, O., ceased.

28—W. S. Stone, Cleveland, O., elected grand chief engineer of International Engineers' Brotherhood.

Nov. 20—Samuel Gompers re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor at Denver, Col.

Dec. 22—William H. Newman resigned as president of New York Central lines.

23—President Samuel Gompers of American Federation of Labor sentenced to one year in jail, Vice-president J. J. Mitchell to nine month, and Secretary Frank Morrison to six months, in connection with alleged Bucks Stove Company boycott, by circuit court of District of Columbia.

CRIMES

Jan. 4—Boise, Idaho, jury acquitted George Pettibone of murder of Ex-Gov. Steunenberg.

7—F. A. Heinz surrendered himself on charge of over-certification of checks representing over $400,000.

9—Former Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco freed of graft charge by court of appeals.

Feb. 1—Harry K. Thaw was found not guilty of Stanford White murder on insanity grounds; committed to insane asylum.

6—Former Gov. Hargis of Kentucky was shot and killed by his son, Beach Hargis.

11—Mrs. Dora McDonald found not guilty of murder of Webster Guerin.

Mar. 2—Chief of Police Shippy of Chicago, was stabbed by anarchist, who was killed by Shippy; Shippy's son shot down.

6—Two alleged negro murderers were lynched near Hawkinsville, Ga.

9—California supreme court released former Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco, lifting graft charge.

10—Four negroes lynched at Van Cleave, Miss., by mob.

18—Harry Orchard at Caldwell, Idaho, sentenced to death, but clemency was recommended.

25—Anarchist Silverstein hurled bomb in Union square, New York, killing himself and companion and injuring four policemen.

May 5—Five bodies of persons supposedly murdered by Mrs. Belle Gunness dug up at ruins of her home at La Porte, Ind., where she and her two children were thought to have died in burning home.

6—Four more bodies found on Gunness farm at La Porte, Ind.

Jun. 13—Mrs. Daniel Cooper, Cadillac, Mich., killed husband, five children and self....Gov. Willson, Kentucky, pardoned Caleb Powers and James Howard, convicted of complicity in killing of William Goebel.

22—Nine negroes lynched and shot and killed in Sabine county, Tenn., as result of two murders.

Jul. 16—Guiseppe Alia, murderer of Father Leo Heinrichs at Denver, was executed at Canon City, Col.

Aug. 1—Four negroes lynched at Russellville, Ky., for praising killing of white man.

14—Springfield, Ill., mob burned negro homes, killed two persons and ruled the city as result of removal of negro assaulter of Mrs. Richardson.

15—Troops rushed to Springfield, Ill.; William Donegan lynched by mob, several shot.

17—Mobs at Springfield, Ill., fired on troops; white man slain.

Nov. 9—Former United States Sen. Edward W. Carmack was shot and killed by Robert Cooper, a young attorney, at Nashville, Tenn., in street duel.

24—Three negroes, arrested for murder, taken from Tiptonville, Tenn., jail and lynched in accordance with prearranged program.

26—Ray Lamphere, charged with murder of Mrs. Belle Gunness, was found guilty of arson and sentenced to from 2 to 21 years in state prison, by Laporte, Ind., jury.

Dec. 10—Abe Ruef, former San Francisco political boss, convicted of bribery.... Charles E. Davis found not guilty of murder of Dr. Frederick Rustin.

16—H. E. Agar, wanted at Princeton, Ind., for $125,000 alleged forgeries, arrested at Harlingen, Tex.

17—Elmer Hill, alleged murderer, lynched at Monticello, Ky.

20—Robbers raided Ceresco, Ia., bank, securing $3,000.

GOVERNMENT

Jan. 2—Curtis Guild, jr., was inaugurated for third term as Massachusetts' governor.

21—Mississippi legislature elected John Sharp Williams to United States senate, term to begin March 4, 1911....Former Sen. Wetmore elected to United States senate by Rhode Island legislature.

Feb. 28—Gov. Bradley (Ky.) elected to United States senate to succeed J. B. McCreary.

Mar. 6—Gary elected United States senator by joint South Carolina legislative session.

20—Senate passed ship subsidy bill giving 16-knot vessels $4 a mile between this country, South America, Philippines, Australia, China and Japan.

22—C. E. Littlefield (Me.) resigned as congressman.

24—President Roosevelt sent special message to congress, relating to child-employers' liability and injunction in labor cases, tariff and other laws....John W. Stewart (Vt.) appointed to fill senate vacancy caused by death of Redfield Proctor.

25—German government declined to receive D. J. Hill as ambassador to Germany.

27—Hall Milton (Fla.) appointed to succeed late Senator Bryan.

28—Germany announced acceptance of D. J. Hill as ambassador to Germany.

31—President Roosevelt accepted resignation of Ambassador Tower and sent to senate appointment of Dr. Hill.

Apr. 1—Edwin Norris inaugurated governor of Montana.

2—Agricultural appropriation bill of $11,598,896 passed house of representatives.

6—Sterling employers' liability bill passed house....House passed appropriation bill for Pearl Harbor, Hawaii naval station....Senator Milton sworn in to succeed late Senator Bryan.

9—President in special message asked suppression of anarchy.

21—President Roosevelt signed employers' liability bill.

27—President Roosevelt in special message urged child labor law.

May 14—Vreeland currency bill passed house.

29—In trying to kill emergency currency bill Lafollette talked 18 hours.

30—Congress adjourned after senate passed emergency currency bill.

Jun. 19—President Roosevelt accepted Secretary of War Taft's resignation, appointing Luke E. Wright his successor.

23—Secretary Sleeper, in charge of Venezuelan diplomatic affairs, left Caracas as result of Castro disputes.

30—Luke Wright took up office of secretary of war, vice Taft, resigned.

Jul. 3—Venezuela severed relations with United States by recalling diplomatic envoy, Senor Veloz-Goiticoa.

Nov. 13—Secretary of Navy Victor H. Metcalf resigned. Truman H. Newberry named as successor.

24—Former Gov. Albert B. Cummins elected United States senator from Iowa, to fill out term of late Senator W. B. Allison.

27—United States and Japan signed treaty agreeing to respect each other's rights in Pacific and defining mutual attitude toward China.

Dec. 7—Both houses of congress convened for second session of Sixtieth congress.

11—House adopted resolutions, providing for the naming of a committee of investigation to probe secret service criticisms in president's message.

16—Senate adopted resolution to investigate inferences in president's message.

17—House adopted resolution asking president to supply evidence for assertions relative to secret service assertions in message.

DISASTERS

Jan. 13—At Boyerton, Pa., 178 killed burning of opera house and subsequent panic resulting from explosion of moving picture device.

27—Cyclone swept through Alabama, causing property loss of $500,000.

Feb. 14—Tornadoes devastated towns of Tyler, Texas, and Mossville, Soso and Service, Miss., killing score and blowing down many houses.

Mar. 4—At Collinwood, O., 174 school children perished as result of fire in primary school, and attendant panic.

28—At Hanna, Wyo., 70 killed by explosions in Union Pacific railroad mine.

Apr. 1—In Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky floods caused loss of seven lives and did $500,000 damage to property.

12—At Chelsea, Mass., 12 persons killed; 50 injured in fire, which caused loss of $5,500,000; 1,500 families rendered homeless.

14—Three prairie fires in South Dakota destroyed farm property valued at $400,000.

23—Tornadoes in Texas, South Dakota and Nebraska caused six deaths and much destruction of property.

24—In Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama tornadoes, 250 lives lost; 46 towns badly wrecked; property loss $12,000,000.

May 11—Tornadoes in Henry county, Ill., Madison, Wis., Oklahoma and Texas, killed 18 persons and caused great property loss.

12—Tornado which visited Belleview, Springfield, Louisville, Richfield and Fort Crook, killed 12 persons.

13—Tornado wrecked Gilliam, La., killing eight.

25—Northern and Central Texas flood caused death of 12 persons.

27—Alfalfa county, Okla., tornado killed 15 persons and hundreds of head of cattle.

Aug. 2—Furnie, Coal Creek and Michael, B. C., wiped out by prairie fires; loss, ...Flood at Augusta, Ga., did damage of $10,000,000; 214 perished.

26—At Halleyville, Okla., 30 miners perished when fire destroyed hoisting shaft cattle.

$1,000,000, and caused 14 deaths.

Sep. 17—Lieut. Thomas E. Selfridge killed and Orville Wright seriously injured by falling of aeroplane to ground during flight at Fort Meyer.

24—Minnesota forest fire loss estimated at $10,000,000.

Oct. 17—Near Metz, Mich., 15 forest fire refugees killed in wreck of train, which was caused by fire burning trestle work.

19—On Presque Isle and in Alpena county, Michigan, 45 killed in forest fires.

Nov. 29—At Marianna, Pa., coal mine, 170 miners perished as result of terrific explosion.

Dec. 12—Premature explosion of dynamite on Panama canal, killed 21.

FINANCIAL

Jan. 2—State Bank, Rockyford, Col., closed doors.

6—Four big New York diamond firms forced into trustee's hands; liabilities, $4,500,000.

8—Chicago Great Western railroad placed in hands of receivers.

16—Western Bank and Trust Co., Dallas, Tex., largest Texas saving bank, placed in receiver's hands.

18—John R. Walsh, president Chicago National bank and several railroads, convicted of misappropriating institution's funds.

21—Capital State Bank, Boise, Idaho, suspended.

22—Traders and Mechanics' Bank, Pittsburg, Pa., closed doors.

25—National Bank of North America, New York, closed for liquidation, by order of government.

29—New Amsterdam National bank, capital $1,000,000, and Mechanics and Traders' bank, both of New York, taken in charge by comptroller of currency.

31—Oriental Bank of New York closed doors, following run.

Feb. 13—W. B. Ridgely, comptroller of currency, accepted presidency of reorganized National Bank of Commerce, Kansas City, Mo.

26—International and Great Northern Railroad Co., a Gould line, placed in receivers' hands.

27—Financiers E. R. Thomas and O. F. Thomas indicted on charge of mismanagement of funds of Provident Savings Life Assurance society.

Mar. 13—John R. Walsh denied new trial; sentenced to five years in federal prison.

16—People's National bank, Aspin, Col., closed.

Apr. 1—Pike County Bank and Trust Co., Macomb City, Miss., placed in receiver's hands.

21—Bank of Wauseon, Wauseon, O., closed doors.

24—T. A. McIntyre & Co., with houses in many cities, failed for $1,000,000.

May 8—Euclid Avenue Trust Co., Cleveland, O., assigned.

14—Reserve Trust Co., and American Savings bank, Cleveland, O., closed their doors.

28—G. W. MacMillen & Co., Pittsburg, Pa., stockbrokers, failed; liabilities, $1,500,000.

Jun. 3—Kosciusko Company bank, Warsaw, Ind., closed by state auditor.

23—Citizens' bank, Dover, Ky., closed doors.

Jul. 14—National Deposit bank, Philadelphia, Pa., closed by comptroller of currency.

17—Farmers and Merchants' Banking Co., Cleveland, O., failed.

22—Standard Oil $29,240,000 fine decision unanimously reversed by United States court of appeals at Chicago.

Aug. 6—First National bank, Belle Plaine, Minn., closed by order comptroller of currency; bank was insolvent; President J. G. Lund committed suicide.

25—A. O. Brown & Co., one of largest New York brokerage firms, failed; liabilities over $1,000,000.

Sep. 10—A. Booth & Co., largest fish house in country, forced into receiver's hands.

Oct. 16—Union National bank, Sommerville, Pa., closed by government.

Nov. 5—Charles W. Morse and Alfred H. Curtis, great financiers, found guilty of misapplication of funds and falsifying books of National Bank of America, New York.

6—C. W. Morse sentenced to 15 years; Curtis given liberty on suspended sentence.

23—Eldred bank of Eldred, Pa., suspended; capital stock, $100,000.

Dec. 7—National exchange bank at Springfield, Mo., closed; excitement caused by effort of W. O. Oldham, cashier of State Savings bank, to shoot President H. B. McDaniel, of Union National bank.

11—Springport, Mich., State Savings bank closed by bank examiner.

16—Somersworth, N. H., First National bank closed, following discovery of shortage of $85,000.

23—Thomas F. Ryan announced retirement from finance.

26—Henry W. Poor, New York broker, assigned for creditors.

FIRES

Jan. 10—Parker building in New York destroyed; loss $5,000,000; 4 firemen killed.

17—McNeil & Higgins grocery house destroyed; loss, $600,000.

24—Portland, Me., city hall and police building destroyed; loss $1,000,000.

28—Chicago "loop" fire caused $1,700,000 damage....Coburn warehouses, Indianapolis, Ind., loss $500,000....Part of Nelson Morris packing plant, Kansas City, Mo., destroyed; loss, $500,000.

29—Twin Lakes, Minn., wiped out.... George Gould residence at Lakewood, N. J., destroyed; loss, $500,000.

Feb. 4—Berlin, N. H., business section sustained $400,000 loss.

5—Block of Peoria, Ill., buildings destroyed; loss, $500,000.

Mar. 1—Northern section of Tampa, Fla., destroyed; loss, $600,000; militia called out....Two New York fires caused loss of $2,625,000.

13—Big Timber, Mont., business section wiped out; loss, $400,000.

26—Leland hotel, Springfield, Ill., destroyed; loss, $75,000.

Apr. 3—Peoria distillery damaged to extent of $235,000....Four Lynchburg, Va., factories destroyed; loss, $225,000.

23—Nine Richmond, Vt., business blocks destroyed.

May 2—Antipolo, P. I., destroyed.

5—Business districts of Coalton, O., and Walkerton, Ind., destroyed.

6—At New Orleans; loss, $400,000.

8—Two Atlanta, Ga., business buildings destroyed; loss, $1,250,000.

11—Camp Cook, S. D., destroyed; loss, $200,000.

15—Omaha Packing Co., South Omaha, Neb., destroyed; loss, $500,000.

Jun. 12—Morris packing plant burned at Kansas City, Kan., loss, $250,000.

22—Business section of Three Rivers, Que., destroyed; loss, $1,250,000....Block of Port Chester, N. Y., buildings destroyed; loss, $500,000.

24—Three oil refineries destroyed as result of lightning; in western and northern Pennsylvania; loss, $500,000.

26—Duluth, Minn., docks and sheds destroyed; loss, $1,200,000.

Jul. 8—Boston harbor front destroyed; loss, $1,500,000.

21—Cottonwood, Idaho, destroyed; loss, $300,000.

31—Philadelphia pier and merchandise destroyed; loss, $400,000.

Aug. 3—Armour elevators and Burlington railroad property at Chicago, destroyed; loss, $2,000,000.

14—In New York Central yards, East Buffalo, N. Y.; loss, $1,000,000.

30—New Orleans business section sustained $2,000,000 damage....Darby, Mont., almost completely destroyed.

Sep. 4—Rawhide, Nev., largely destroyed; loss, $750,000.

6—Armour wool house, Chicago stock yards, destroyed; loss, $500,000.

11—Cosmosdale, Ky., cement plant destroyed; loss, $2,000,000.

Oct. 4—Pittsburg, Pa., plate glass company works damaged, $500,000.

17—Rock Island, Ill., loss, $600,000.

21—Denver Col., mills destroyed; loss $450,000.

Nov. 2—Philadelphia, Pa., lumber yards destroyed; $750,000.

17—Indianola, Miss., cotton warehouses destroyed; loss, $300,000.

18—Bardstown, Ky., distillery warehouses destroyed; loss, $1,150,000

Dec. 25—Ravia, Okla., business section wiped out; loss, $35,000.

Necrology

Jan. 2—Dr. Nicholas Senn, foremost American surgeon, at Chicago.

12—Rabbi Bernhard Felsenthal, oldest Jewish theologian in America, at Chicago.

18—Edmund Clarence Stedman, banker, poet and literary critic, at New York, aged 75 years.

19—Charles Emory Smith, editor Philadelphia Press, former postmaster-general and former minister to Russia, at Philadelphia, aged 65.

22—Morris J. Jessup, retired banker, at New York.

23—Edward Alexander McDowell, composer, at New York, aged 46.

26—Miss Louise de la Ramee, writer, at Florence, Italy, aged 84.

28—Gen. John Coburn at Indianapolis, Ind., aged 83....Francois Marie Benjamin Richard, cardinal and archbishop of Paris, at Paris, aged 89....Gen. C. H. Howard at Glencoe, Ill., aged 67.

Feb. 2—Dennis O'Sullivan, Irish actor, at Columbus, O.

20—Senator Asbury C. Latimer of South Carolina at Washington, D. C.

21—C. S. Noyes, editor Washington Star, at Pasadena, Cal., aged 83.

Mar. 2—James Oliver, millionaire plow manufacturer, at South Bend, Ind.

4—United States Sen. Redfield Proctor, Vermont, at Washington.

17—United States Sen. William Pinckney Whyte, Maryland, at Baltimore, Md.

20—Rev. Charles H. Fowler, Methodist-Episcopal bishop, at New York, aged 71.

22—United States Sen. W. James Bryan, Florida, at Washington, D. C.

24—Duke of Devonshire Spencer Compton Cavendish, at London.

Apr. 7—Congressman A. L. Brick, Indiana, at Indianapolis, Ind.

8—Attorney Charles Quarles at Milwaukee.

12—Gen. B. M. Cutcheon, Michigan congressman, at Ypsilanti, Mich., aged 72.

16—Ferdinand Shoemaker, "oatmeal king," at Akron, O.

26—Former United States Sen. J. N. Camden, West Virginia, at Baltimore, aged 80.

May 13—Rear Admiral Charles M. Rae, engineer-in-chief of navy, at Washington.

May 15—Former Congressman J. H. Rowell, Illinois, at Bloomington, Ill.

22—Gov. John Sparks, Nevada, at Carson City; succeeded by D. S. Dickerson.

27—Rear Admiral A. S. Crowinshield, retired, at Philadelphia.

28—Lieut.-Gen. Stephen Lee, commander-in-chief United Confederate Veterans, at Vicksburg, Miss.

Jun. 1—Former United States Sen. James K. Jones, Arkansas, at Washington, aged 69.

10—Oliver H. P. Belmont, banker and politician, at Hempstead, L. I.

12—Former Supreme Court Judge J. V. Wright, at Washington, aged 80.

17—Congressman A. A. Wiley, Alabama, at Hot Springs, Va.

23—Ex-President W. B. Leeds, of Rock Island railway, at Paris.

24—Grover Cleveland, twice United States president, at Princeton, N. J., due to heart trouble and complications, aged 72.

26—Congressman W. H. Parker, South Dakota, at Deadwood, S. D., aged 61.

Jul. 2—Murat Halstead, journalist, at Cincinnati, O., aged 79.

3—Joel Chandler Harris, known as "Uncle Remus," at Atlanta, Ga.

21—Protestant-Episcopal Bishop Henry C. Potter at Cooperstown, N. Y.

25—Louis E. Snow, insurance man, at St. Louis, aged 66.

30—Former California Gov. James H. Budd, at Stockton, Cal., aged 58.

Aug. 4—United States Sen. William B. Allison, at Dubuque, Ia., aged 79.... Bronson Howard, dramatist, at Avon-by-the-Sea, N. Y., aged 66.

14—Ira D. Sankey, evangelist, at Brooklyn, aged 68.

29—J. V. Farwell, millionaire merchant, at Chicago, aged 83.

23—Ex-Gov. N. O. Murphy, Arizona, at San Diego, Cal.

24—United States Ambassador from Germany Baron Speck von Sternburg, at Heidelburg, Germany.

26—"Tony" Pastor, theatrical manager, at Elmhurst, L. I., aged 71.

27—Former United States Sen. Col. W. F. Vilas, Wisconsin, at Madison, Wis.

Sep. 1—Rear Admiral Henry Glass, retired, at Paso Robles, Cal.

4—Commissioner of Labor Frank P. Sargeant, at Washington, aged 54....Brig.-Gen. A. W. Corliss, retired, at Denver, Col.

25—Leslie Carter, Chicago, railroad financier, at Chicago.

Oct. 12—Ex-Congressman J. A. Scranton, Pennsylvania, at Scranton, Pa.

30—Mrs. William Astor, America's social leader, at New York.

Nov. 4—T. E. Palma, first Cuban president, at Santiago, Cuba.

11—Rear Admiral J. M. Miller, governor United States naval home, at Philadelphia.

Dec. 6—Rear Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan, who commanded Raleigh at battle of Manila, died at New Rochelle, N. Y.

9—Brig.-Gen. Henry Jacobson, retired, died at Leavenworth, Kan., aged 71 years.

20—Maj. Orlando J. Smith, noted journalist, at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

26—Claus Spreckels, millionaire sugar king, in San Francisco, aged 80....Representative Davey of Louisiana, at New Orleans, aged 55.

CASUALTIES

Jan. 6—At Kickapoo, Kan., 7 drowned by overturning of skiff.

10—At Vinegar Bend, Ala., 5 in railroad collision.

13—At Jimtown, Pa., 5 drowned while skating.

27—At Bedford City, Va., 7 colored persons burned to death.

30—Near Hawk's Nest, W. Va., 9 miners by explosion.

31—Near Wesson, Miss., 6 by cyclone.

Feb. 3—At Northumberland, Pa., 7 by boiler explosion.

10—At South Carrollton, Ky., 9 in mine explosion....At New Liskard, Ont., 7 burned to death.

11—At Vaudreuil, Can., 9 by powder explosion.

12—At Providence, R. I., 6 in starch factory explosion.

16—At West Toledo, O., 7 in railroad collision.

20—At Pinole, Cal., 28 by explosion of dynamite.

23—At Spring Valley, N. Y., 7 in collision between wagon and railroad train.

Mar. 15—At Natchez, Miss., 8 by gas explosion.

Apr. 22—Near Laquin, Pa., 9 in train wreck.

23—At Ellsworth, Pa., 4 in coal mine explosion.

27—Near Helena, Ark., 15 by capsizing of carnival steamer.

28—Near Ypsilanti, Mich., 9 in collision of interurban trolleys.

May 2—At Chicago, 6 by explosion of naphtha tank.

3—At Fort Wayne, Ind., 20 in New Avenue hotel fire....At Brooklyn, N. Y., 6 in tenement house fire.

4—At Newport, Ore., 11 drowned when steamer Kellon was wrecked in storm.

7—At New York, 4 in incendiary tenement fire.

12—At Lookout colliery, Mount Lookout, Wyo., 7 in explosion.

20—At Clarendon, Ark., 7 society persons by launch tank blast.

Jun. 5—Near San Pedro, Cal., 6 by bursting steampipe on cruiser Tennessee....Near Annapolis, Md., 8 in head-on railroad collision.

6—At Gladstone, Col., 6 in mine by suffocation.

22—At Chicago, Ill., 7 by heat.

25—At Chicago, Ill., 5 in fire and explosion.

26—Near Chadron, Neb., 5 in railroad wreck.

28—At Clinton, Minn., 7 by tornado.

29—Near Wellington, Kan., 5 drowned by flood caused by cloud-burst.

Jul. 2—Near Knobnoster, Mo., 9 in fast train collision.

3—At Cleveland, O., 7 in fireworks explosion.

15—At Williamstown, Pa., 7 miners in terrific explosion....At Youngstown, O., 5 by sewer cave-in.

16—At Cleelum, Wash., 9 in powder explosion.

19—Near Columbia City, Ind., 6 in collision between train and auto.

Aug. 3—At San Francisco, Cal., 5 in auto accident.

7—At Warren's Landing, Can., 8 in burning steamer.

10—At York, Pa., 8 in boiler explosion.

13—At Kilbourne, Wis., 4 drowned by capsizing of launch.

25—At Chelsea, Mass., 8 by collapse of building.

28—Near Wilkesbarre, Pa., 6 in train collision.

Sep. 1—Off Deer Isle, 7 in capsizing of sloop.

25—At Young's Point, Mont., 19 in train collision.

Oct. 1—At Sugar Ridge, O., 6 in train collision....At Scappoose, Ore., 6 in train collision.

4—At New York, 8 in tenement house fire.

5—At New York, 11 in incendiary tenement house fire.

15—Near Fort Collins, Col., 7 in quarry explosion.

Nov. 11—Near New Orleans, La., 11 in train collision....At Borrie, Wyo., 9 in collision.

20—Explosion of gas in Brooklyn, N. Y. street; 22 killed.

23—Tornadoes in western Arkansas caused loss of 30 lives and damaged much property.

Dec. 4—Off Cape Ray, 28 in wrecking of steamer Soo City, in fierce gale.

6—On Lake Superior, 22 in sinking of Duluth steamer.

FOREIGN

Jan. 23—An attempt to overthrow Portugal monarch and proclaim republic frustrated. Plot was to assassinate Premier Franco.

Feb. 1—King Carlos and Crown Prince Luiz Philippe of Portugal shot to death on streets of Lisbon, while returning from fete, by revolutionist.

2—Manuel II. proclaimed king of Portugal.

3—Premier Franco resigned and fled from Portugal, being succeeded by Admiral De Amaral.

7—Funeral of King Carlos and Crown Prince Luiz held in Lisbon.

20—Lieut-Gen. Stoessel condemned to die in St. Petersburg, for surrender of Port Arthur to Japanese.

28—Attempt to assassinate shah of Persia at Teheran failed, three persons being killed....At mine near San Juan de Sabinas, Mexico, 70 killed by explosion.

Mar. 7—Japan's ultimatum in Tatsu Maru seizure by Chinese presented to latter's government at Pekin.

15—Fire in business section Bahia, Brazil, caused $1,000,000 loss and killed seven.

18—Lieut.-Gen. Smirnoff wounded in St. Petersburg duel with Lieut.-Gen. Fock, whose bravery in Port Arthur defense had been questioned.

23—Steamer Matsu and Hideyoshi in collision near Hadakode, Japan, cost 300 lives.

27—Chilapa, Mexico, destroyed by earthquake shocks, and 500 persons killed.

Apr. 4—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman resigned as prime minister of Great Britain and his resignation was accepted by the king.

13—Floods at Hankow, China, killed 2,000 persons.

19—Italian squadron prepared for demonstration in Turkish waters.

22—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, former British premier, died in London.

23—Lieut.-Gen. Linevitch, aide-de-camp to Emperor Nicholas, died in St. Petersburg.

24—The duke de Chaulnes, who married Miss Theodora Shonts, died suddenly in Paris.

26—British cruiser Gladiator collided with American liner, St. Paul, off Isle of Wight, 28 perishing....Half of Notre Dame de Salette, Ontario, buried under landslide, 30 being killed.

29—Three thousand Christian Armenians massacred by Kurds in Persia....Japanese cruiser Matsushima sunk off Pescadores islands by explosion which killed 250.

May 4—Ferry boat capsized near Bykhoff in the government of Mohileff, drowning 120.

6—Young Manuel formally swore allegiance as king of Portugal.

21—Near Antwerp 60 persons killed in railway collision.

24—Francois Coppee, noted French poet and dramatist, died.

28—Fire in Klang-Li coal mines in China suffocated 1,000.

Jun. 2—Gen. Sir Redevers Buller, Boer war general, died in London.

4—Cloudburst at Guanajuato, Mex., killed 20 persons....Forty ships wrecked and 250 pearl fishers drowned in typhoon off Australian coast.

15—Fifty Japanese boats wrecked in storm, 350 men being drowned.

Jul. 2—Explosion of gas in mine at Wusova, Russia, killed 200 miners.

5—Four hundred buildings at Port au Prince, Hayti, destroyed by fire.

Aug. 5—Said Pasha, grand vizier of Turkey, resigned and sultan formed a new cabinet.

Sep. 20—Central Telephone building and postoffice at Paris, France, destroyed by fire; loss, $5,000,000.

Oct. 5—Independence of Bulgaria proclaimed, severing bonds of Turkey; Prince Ferdinand proclaimed czar.

7—Island of Crete proclaimed union with Greece.

26—Typhoon on Chinese coast cost lives of 3,000 persons.

Nov. 6—Japanese steamer, Taish Maru, sank in storm, 150 drowning.

8—Victorien Sardou, France's most famous playwright, died.

13—Emperor of China died after long illness in Peking, Prince Chun made regent of the empire and Pu Wui, heir-presumptive.

14—Tsze Usi An, dowager empress of China, died suddenly in Peking and Prince Pu-Wi, three years old, was placed on the throne.

25—British steamer Sardinia burned near Valetta, Malta, 125 persons perishing.

30—Japanese steamers collided off Chefoo, China, and 700 persons, including Americans and Europeans, drowned.

Dec. 2—Nord Alexis, president of Hayti, deposed by people and fled Port au Prince, his departure being followed by a night of wild looting in which 12 persons were killed. Gen. Legitime proclaimed president....Pu-Yi, three-year-old son of Prince Chun, was crowned emperor of China and ascended the throne.

11—Gen. Simon captured town of Gonaives without resistance.

13—Dutch cruiser seized Venezuelan guardship.

15—Dutch battleship captured another Venezuelan guardship.

16—Venezuelans rose against Castro, burning his statues and plundering Caracas.

17—Gen. Anton Simon elected president of Hayti.

21—Acting President Gomez of Venezuela ousted Castro cabinet.

22—Castro charged with plot to assassinate Gomez, which was foiled.

24—In Berlin, Castro issued statement, abandoning claims to Venezuelan presidency.

25—President Fallieres of France attacked by crazed politician.

26—Baron Cotte, chief of Russian secret political police, killed in battle with revolutionists.

SPORTS

Jan. 1—Owen Moran fought a 25-round draw with Abe Attel.

3—Edward Hanlon, ex-world's champion oarsman, died at Toronto, Can.

6—George Dixon, ex-world's champion pugilist, colored, died in New York.

Feb. 13—J. E. Venson jumped 116 ft., setting new American ski record.

16—John Mangseth jumped 117 ft., breaking American ski record.

18—A. Wengler, Chicago, broke world's bowling record at Cincinnati; score 699.

23—Venson again broke American ski record; mark—122 ft.

Mar. 18—Tommy Burns knocked out Jem Roche in first round at Dublin.

22—Evenson again broke ski record; jumped 131 ft.

27—Calvin Demarest won national billiard championship at Chicago.

Apr. 3—Frank Gotch won world's wrestling championship from George Hackenschmidt.

20—Henry Chadwick, "father of baseball," died in Brooklyn, aged 83.

May 5—Calvin Demarest, Chicago, won international billiard championship at New York.

Jun. 25—Harvard won varsity boat race from Yale.

Jul. 4—"Battling" Nelson defeated Joe Gans, 7 rounds at Frisco, winning world's lightweight championship.

7—Mercedes car won Grand Prix auto race in France. Two men killed.

11—Thomas J. Brice, president Columbus baseball club, dropped dead.

14—In Olympic games Flanagan, America, won hammer throw, breaking Olympic record; Sheppard, American, won 1,500 meter run.

16—Sheridan, American, won Olympic discus throw; Rose, American, won shot put.

24—John J. Hayes, American, won Olympic Marathon race.

25—Olympic games closed, standing: America, 114½; United Kingdom, 66 1-3; Sweden, 12½; Canada, 11; South Africa, 8; Greece, 8; Norway, 5; Germany, 4; Italy, 3; Hungary, 2 1-3; France, 2 1-3; Australia, 1; Finland, 1.

Aug. 22—Tommy Burns knocked out Squires, 13th round at Sydney, Australia.

Sep. 7—Billy Papke knocked out Stanley Ketchel, 12th round, at Los Angeles, Cal., winning middleweight world's pugilistic championship....Handy, Chicago, won ten mile swimming race at St. Louis, Mo.

9—Nelson knocked out Gans in 21st round at Frisco.

Oct. 6—Detroit won American league baseball championship.

8—Chicago won National league baseball pennant.

14—Chicago National league champions won world's baseball championship from Detroit.

Nov. 2—Jimmy Britt defeated Johnny Summers, 10th round, at London.

25—Dorando Pietri defeated John J. Hayes, Olympic Marathon winner, in 26-mile race in Madison Square garden, New York, in renewal of Olympic struggle.

26—Stanley Ketchel knocked out Billy Papke in eleventh round at San Francisco, regaining middleweight championship of the world.

Dec. 11—At meeting of national baseball commission, Umpires Klem and Johnstone charged that attempts were made to bribe them to "throw" decisive New York-Chicago game.

26—Jack Johnson (colored) won the world's heavyweight boxing championship from Tommy Burns at Sydney, Australia, in 14 rounds.

28—Southern Italy and Sicily shaken by earthquake which destroyed several towns, killed many, and caused disastrous tidal wave, wrecking many vessels and much property.

MISCELLANEOUS

Jan. 6—Employers' liability law held unconstitutional by supreme court of the United States.

Feb. 12—Six New York-to-Paris racing autos started from Herald square, New York.

Mar. 12—Atlantic battleship fleet dropped anchor in Magdalena bay.

23—Supreme court ruled Minnesota and North Carolina had no right to fix railroad rights.

Apr. 1—Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt began suit for separation from husband.

14—Atlantic battleship fleet arrived at San Diego, Cal.

21—In Illinois town elections saloons won in 66; "drys" in 44.

23—Illinois local option law held constitutional.

May 6—Atlantic battleship fleet arrived at San Francisco.

21—Miss Mae C. Wood lost divorce suit against United States Sen. Thomas C. Platt, case being dismissed and Miss Wood jailed....Rev. Dr. Baxter P. Fullerton, St. Louis, elected moderator of Presbyterian church of United States, at Kansas City meeting.

25—Harry K. Thaw decided insane and re-sentenced to insane asylum.

Jun. 11—Agnew-Hart anti-race track bills passed by New York legislature.

29—President Roosevelt ordered troops out against bandits on Mexican border in order to preserve neutrality law.

Jul. 7—Atlantic battleship fleet sailed from San Francisco on round-the-world trip.

Sep. 3—Col. H. M. Nevius elected commander of the Grand