

DEATH LIST HIGH

THIRTY-ONE KILLED IN A CALIFORNIA WRECK.

MOST OF VICTIMS SHRINERS

Homeward Bound After Meeting at Los Angeles—Terrible Scene Presented—Mangled Bodies Were Strawn Along Roadside.

A Santa Barbara, Cal., May 12 dispatch says: While hurrying northward over the coast line of the Southern Pacific railroad, homeward bound, after a week of fraternizing and festa in Los Angeles, 145 Shriners of Ismailia temple of Buffalo, N. Y., and Rajah temple of Reading, Pa., with their families and friends, were hurled into the midst of death when their special train, running fifty miles an hour, struck a defective switch at Honda, a lonely station on the sand wastes of the Pacific beach, derailing the train, smashing the coaches into flinders, killing thirty-one almost instantly and injuring more than a score of others. The bodies of twenty-five lie in the morgues of Santa Barbara and ten more are in San Luis Obispo. The injured, many of whom are terribly hurt and will probably die, are in two sanitariums in San Luis Obispo.

Following is a revised list of the dead and injured. The dead at Santa Barbara, twenty-one, as follows: J. Douglas Hipple, Reading; H. K. Gittleman, Reading; A. L. Roth, Reading; Gilbert Steffe, Reading; W. D. Wasson Buffalo; J. W. Cutler, Binghamton, N. Y.; Charles M. Lowing, Pullman conductor, Buffalo, N. Y.; C. W. Austin, New York agent for McCann's Tourist company; John Lacey, negro dining car waiter; J. W. Sweeney, negro dining car waiter; Mrs. William M. Esick, Reading; Mrs. John W. Cutler Binghamton, N. Y.; Charles S. Henry, Lebanon, Pa.; Mrs. Henry J. Fisher, Cleveland; Miss Cora Young, Cleveland; Mrs. Brumbach, Reading, Pa.; George N. Hagerman, Reading; Benjamin Stoltz, Reading; Harrison R. Hendel, Reading; Oliver F. Kauffman, Reading; Harry G. Miller, Reading, At San Luis Obispo, ten: S. S. Snyder and wife, Reading; Richard Essick, Reading; Thomas J. Prunlauch, Reading; Miss Stoltz, Reading; L. N. Ellenbogen, Allentown, Pa.; Mrs. L. N. Ellenbogen, Allentown, Pa.; Howard Moyer, Hazleton, Pa.; Alonzo B. Rogers, St. Paul, Pullman conductor; unidentified woman, probably Mrs. Mary C. Ives, Reading.

Injured at San Luis Obispo: S. A. Bickford, brakeman of San Francisco fatally injured; W. H. Boyd of Reading, badly injured; Martin L. Henry Shamokin, Pa., injured spine and severely scalded; H. L. Lee, Orwigsburg, Pa., face lacerated, both hips cut and fractured leg; J. Logan, Buffalo, N. Y., leg fractured and three ribs broken; H. A. Hartzel, Easton, Pa., severely scalded and fractured leg; Charles McKinney, Binghamton, N. Y., back injured; Mrs. McKinney, severely bruised about the body; Mrs. Fred Grummond, Binghamton, N. Y., ankle broken; A. W. Roppole, Bennis Point, N. Y., severely bruised about neck; Engineer Champlain, badly scalded; Fireman Glenn Thompson, face, arms and internal injuries; Mrs. Hendel and daughter, Helen, Reading, Pa., not serious; J. Galvin Hoffedtig, Reading, Pa., left leg fractured, scalp wound.

There was no warning of the impending calamity. The special plunged upon the defective switch, and in an instant the big locomotive, baggage car, dining and Pullman coupled with it were hurled together in a huge heap of wreckage. The engine shot forward on the broken track, tearing up the rails and ties and twisting the huge iron spans into fish-hooks. The baggage car half buried itself in the sand on the right side of the locomotive. It was smashed almost to kindling wood.

The dining car, in which were thirty-two people eating their noonday meal, leaped into the air and was thrown directly on top of the demolished locomotive. Nearly every person in this coach was instantly killed. Scores were scalded by steam escaping from disconnected pipes in the kitchen of the diner.

The terror and turmoil of the scene was indescribable. Many of those who escaped instant death by the first impact were crushed by the rear coaches hurled upon the wreckage. Others plied in the debris, were roasted alive. The wreckage caught fire from the coals of the engine, but was extinguished in a few minutes by the passengers who escaped.

It was some time after the wreck had occurred before word of it reached the outside world. As soon as one of the uninjured trainmen could make his way to the station word of the wreck was flashed to railroad headquarters and to San Luis Obispo. Immediately special trains were arranged for and a corps of physicians and nurses, gathered hurriedly together, were quickly on the road to the wreck.

A BAD KANSAS CITY BLAZE.

In Pepper Building—Two Are Dead Eight Seriously Injured and Several Others Missing.

Kansas City. — A disastrous fire in which several persons were killed and numerous others were injured started Wednesday at 3 o'clock in the Pepper building, Ninth and Locust streets. Little is known of how the fire started, but in a few minutes the flames were leaping from floor to floor consuming the imprisoned inmates of the building who could not reach the lower floors because of the flames which were eating their way up from below.

Many finding that they could not reach the ground in safety, leaped from upper floors to the hard pavement below, where they met almost instant death.

Prof. George Demar, vocal teacher, who jumped from the sixth floor, and J. A. Farrell, vocal teacher, who jumped from the third floor are both dead, Prof. Demar being killed instantly.

More than 400 persons were in the building when the alarm was given and it is believed by the firemen and police that several persons, possibly 20 perished. Eight were seriously injured in their efforts to escape and some of them may die.

PIERCE ARRESTED.

Was Arrested on Warrant Issued by Gov. Folk—Will Have Hearing in Federal Court Saturday.

St. Louis. — Through his attorney, J. D. Johnson, H. Clay Pierce, chairman of the board of the directors of the Waters-Pierce Oil company, surrendered himself Wednesday on the indictment returned against him in Texas, charging perjury in an affidavit he made to the attorney general of the state of Texas, the purpose of the affidavit being to reinstate the Waters-Pierce Oil company in the state of Texas from which it had been ousted from doing business on the grounds that it was part of the Standard Oil company. Mr. Pierce was taken before Judge Adams of the United States circuit court on a writ of habeas Corpus. The court set Saturday as the time for trial on its merits of the proceedings to prevent Pierce being taken to Texas. Pierce was released on bond in the sum of \$10,000.

May Be Capt. Macklin's Assailant.

Fort Sill, Okla. — It is now believed that evidence will be given at the Corporal Knowles hearing to prove that Captain Macklin was shot by another member of the negro troops discharged by President Roosevelt for complicity in the shooting up of Brownsville. A letter written by J. B. Andrews, arrested in Topeka, and held here as a witness, now in possession of Sam Bartell, a detective, is said to reveal the real name of Captain Macklin's assailant.

Harriman Buys Rails.

New York. — One of the largest individual orders for steel rails ever placed with a single steel company has been given, it was stated Friday night, to the Tennessee Coal & Iron company by the Harriman lines. The contract calls for 150,000 tons of rails, representing close to \$5,000,000. Of this order 110,000 tons are for the Union and Southern Pacific systems and the balance for the Illinois Central. The contract calls for delivery in 1908 at the rate of 15,000 tons a month.

Bad Insurance Year.

New York. — The San Francisco conflagration of April, 1906, swept away not only every dollar of profit previously made by the insurance companies out of underwriting since 1860, but cost them \$79,708,174 besides, according to a statement made by President George W. Burcheil of the National Board of Underwriters in the annual meeting of that organization here Thursday.

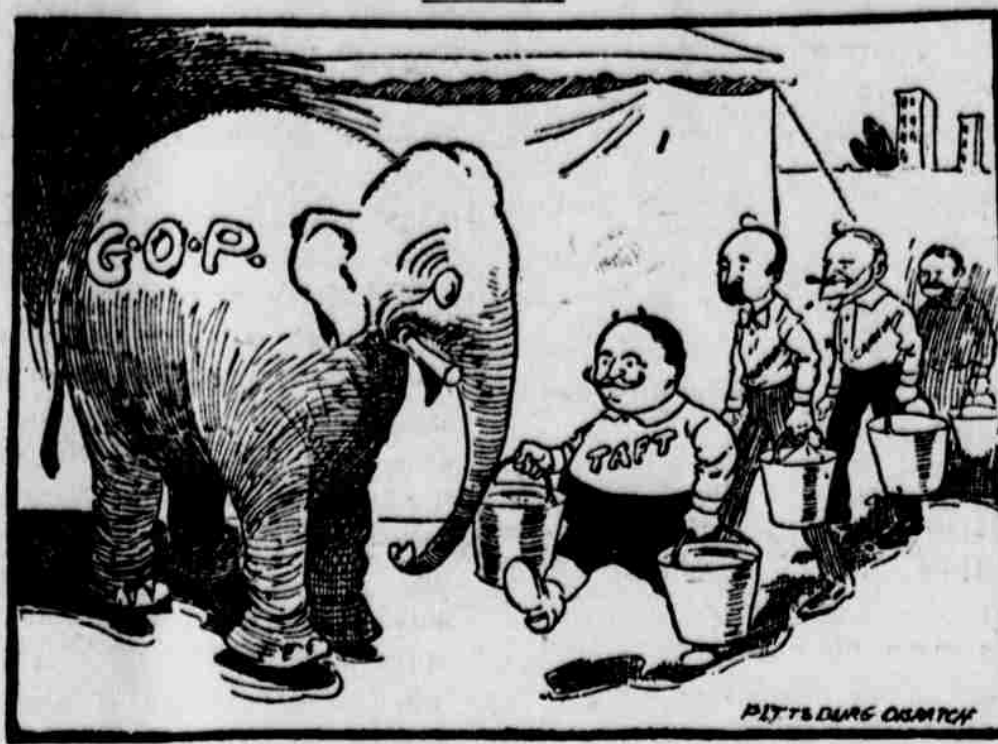
Hearst Wins Again.

Albany, New York. — The court of appeals Friday sustained the right of Attorney General Jackson to attack in the name of the people, the title of George B. McClellan as mayor of New York City, in behalf of William R. Hearst. The Hearst case has now won in all courts. The court is unanimous and no opinion is given.

Wichita To Confess Judgment.

Topeka, Kansas.—Frederick Stanley, city attorney of Wichita, came to Topeka Thursday and conferred with F. S. Jackson, attorney general, and after the conference it was announced that the ouster suit against Wichita to prevent the city accepting money from jointists would be settled out of court.

CARRYING WATER TO THE ELEPHANT.



HAYWOOD TRIAL BEGINS

But Little Interest Was Shown in the Case.

Jury Panel Was Exhausted and Court Adjourned Until Monday—Special Verdict Ordered.

Boise, Idaho. — William D. Haywood, first of the alleged participants in the avenging conspiracy by which it is averred the assassination of Frank Steiennberg was plotted and executed, was placed upon trial for his life Thursday. Counsel for state and prisoner entered at once, in business-like way upon the examination of prospective jurors and kept steadily at the task for five hours. No juror was finally accepted, but substantial progress was made and the indications at the close of the session were that a jury would be obtained by the end of next week.

The case was halted shortly before 5 o'clock by the exhaustion of the jury panel and an adjournment was taken until Monday morning. Meantime the sheriff will summon a special venire of 100 men. The eleven men under examination but not yet finally accepted or rejected were locked up and will be closely guarded.

Government Crop Bulletin.

Washington, D. C. — The official crop report issued Friday at 12:30 p. m., by the department of agriculture covering the period up to May 1, 1907, was as follows: Winter wheat, condition 82.9. Area remaining under cultivation 28,132,000. The area of winter wheat remaining in cultivation on May 1, is 11.2 per cent or about 3,533,000 acres less than the area reported as sown last fall, and 5.0 per cent, or about 1,468,000 acres less than the area of winter wheat reported as harvested last year. The average condition of the growing winter wheat crop on May 1, namely 82.9 is compared in the report with 89.9 and April 1, 1907, 90.9 on May 1, 1906, 92.5 on May 1, 1905, and 85.5 the mean of the May averages for the last ten years.

Stromboli Volcano Threatening.

Messina, Sicily. — The eruption of Mount Stromboli was more violent Thursday and the apprehension is growing. The violence of the present disturbance is declared to be without precedent, even the oldest inhabitants of the Lipari islands not remembering such a threatening condition. Almost all the people of Stromboli Island have made their escape. Ashes from the volcano have destroyed everything on the island. The detonations are heard at all the other islands of the group with remarkable distinctness and produce an effect of terrible roaring. Fears are held that the entire island of Stromboli may be engulfed.

Union Pacific Earnings.

New York. — At the meeting of the board of directors of the Union Pacific company Thursday the chairman submitted a statement showing the estimated earnings over operating expenses for the year ending June 30, 1907, to be \$32,465,000. Deducting from this the interest on the funded debt, \$8,354,000, sinking fund requirements \$1,200,000; interest on loans \$788,000 and other expenses \$27,000, would leave a surplus of approximately \$22,900,000.

Mexico Has Backed Down.

City of Mexico, Mex. — The Guatemalan affair has been settled. Mexico will not persist in her demand for the extradition of General Jose Lima and of Colonel Onofre Bone, charged with complicity in the assassination of General Barrillas. Diplomatic relations will not be severed. Senor Gamba, Mexican minister to Guatemala will be sent to Salvador.

A PRINCE TO SPAIN.

Queen Victoria is the Mother of a Son, Direct Male Heir to Spanish Throne.

Madrid. — The direct male succession to the throne of Spain was assured by the birth Friday of a son to Queen Victoria. The news thrilled the country, and Friday night the happy event was celebrated from Gibraltar to the Pyrenees.

Queen Victoria and her son are both doing well.

The hurried departure of Royal messengers from the palace at 10 o'clock Friday morning to summon courtiers and the members of the diplomatic corps gave the first indication that the birth was imminent. The usual gathering outside the palace was soon swelled to immense throngs who watched the brilliantly uniformed personages drive up to the royal residence.

The crowd awaited in suspense until nearly 1 o'clock when the thunder of the first cannon shot signified that the royal accouchement was over. The reports were counted anxiously until the fifteenth, and then a complete silence ensued. The seconds appeared as hours until the sixteenth shot boomed and the continuation until 21 informed the public that the royal child was a son.

King Alfonso telegraphed the good news to the pope, King Edward and the heads of other states, and later the congratulations began to come in.

Washington. — President Roosevelt Friday sent to King Alfonso XIII the following message:

"I congratulate your majesty and the Spanish nation on the birth of an heir to the throne of Spain."

DRUG TRUST ENJOINED.

Government Wins Complete Victory in Its Efforts to Break up the Combination.

Indianapolis, Ind. — The so-called "drug trust" was perpetually enjoined Thursday from continuing its operations by the entering of a decree in the United States circuit court for the district of Indiana on the complaint of the United States government, filed by Joseph B. Kealing, United States district attorney.

The defendants, 92 in number, who are the members, officers, directors, agents and attorneys of the National Association of Retail Druggists, the National Wholesale Druggists' association, Tri partite proprietors, "black list manufacturers," Direct Contract Proprietors and Charles C. Bombaugh are perpetually enjoined from combining and conspiring to restrain trade in drugs, fix prices by agreement black list retailers who cut prices, or to refuse to sell to any retailer on equal terms. All publication of black lists is forbidden and all contracts and agreements covered by the charges are declared void.

The direct contract serial number plan is prohibited as well as the securing of the adoption of schedules for the sale of drugs.

A Quick Trip.

Topeka, Kansas. — The United Commercial Travelers special on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad Friday made the run from Hutchinson Kansas to Topeka, 170 miles in three hours and 30 minutes, including 14 minutes for crossings. This breaks the record by 20 minutes for the fastest running time ever made in Kansas for the same distance. The train carried six cars and over 100 passengers.

Sportsmen to Lawton Next.

Norfolk, Va. — The League of American Sportsmen decided Tuesday to hold its next convention in Lawton, Okla. St. Louis and Los Angeles made a hard fight to get the convention, but Lawton won by a vote of 47 to 19.

RIOTS IN SAN FRANCISCO

Efforts to Run Street Cars Resulted in Serious Clash.

Several Persons Were Shot by Strike-Breakers—Governor Says He Will Call Out Troops.

San Francisco, Calif. — The strike of the 1,700 union motormen and conductors of the United Railroads developed Tuesday afternoon into a riot in which more than a score of persons were severely hurt, some were fatally wounded and others hurt to a lesser extent.

At 2:30 o'clock the company made its first attempt to resume the operation of its system by sending out seven passenger cars manned by between 30 and 40 strike-breakers wearing the uniforms of car inspectors and each carrying a .38-caliber revolver strapped around his waist outside of his coat. The start was made from the company's barns at Turk and Fillmore streets, where a crowd of from 3,000 to 5,000 men and boys had gathered.

A gun on the rear platform answered the flying stones with a pistol shot. The bullet struck one of the union sympathizers in the arm.

This transformed the crowds into a wild mob and thenceforward for twelve blocks there was fierce fighting. The strikers and their friends, aided by hundreds of youthful hoodlums, kept up a running shower of missiles. The guards on board the cars responded with fusillade after fusillade of pistol shots.

Eight men received bullet wounds, some of which will prove fatal. Among those thus injured are a detective sergeant and a patrolman.

Gov. Gillett announced Tuesday night that if the riots continued he would call out the militia.

He Was Over Confident.

Des Moines Iowa. — "I am 65, but sound as a dollar and good for at least 85." With the sound of his own voice still lingering on his lips, James Hadfield, a pioneer of Polk county, testifying Thursday as a witness in a civil action, gave a sudden gasp, slipped forward in the chair and dropped to the floor dead. Heart disease was the cause of his death. Apparently Hadfield was in the best of health. He was in the act of answering the usual question as to age put to a witness when he jocularly boasted of the future. The death created a scene in the court room.

Busch Company Quits Kansas.

Topeka. — The Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association Tuesday afternoon filed its answer in the supreme court confessing judgement, in ouster, offering to withdraw from the state and pay all the costs in the action. The company asks that no receiver be appointed, and that the injunction standing against the company be modified to permit it to withdraw all its property from the state. The company denies that it has violated the injunction up to the present time.

Saloon Keepers Excited.

Leavenworth, Kansas. — Attorney General Fred. S. Jackson and County Attorney Schenck of Shawnee county were here Wednesday to take depositions in the ouster suit against the Anheuser-Busch Brewing company. Their visit created excitement among the saloon men and all saloons were tightly closed. Mr. Schenck said the saloons in Leavenworth would be obliged to close. He said the attorney general would make a special effort to enforce the law here.

No Compromise With Foraker.

Cleveland, Ohio. — The Plain Dealer Friday says: "Secretary of War William H. Taft will not accept the presidential endorsement from the republican leaders of Ohio if it is coupled with an indorsement of Joseph B. Foraker for another term in the United States senate. The secretary stands by his original declaration that the contest in Ohio had so shaped itself that Senator Foraker must be eliminated not only as a presidential but a senatorial figure."

Princeton Will Get \$1,200,000.

Princeton, N. J. — John Grier Hibben in a communication from the Princeton Alumni committee of 50 announces the gift of \$1,200,000 to Princeton University. The money was donated by a private family, whose name is not made public.

Nebraska Man Gets a Prize.

Princeton, N. J. — Among the prize winners announced at the Princeton Theological seminary commencement Tuesday is K. P. McDonald, of Lincoln, Neb., who was awarded the second Matland prize of \$50.