

TWO PULLMAN CARS CRUSHED

Burlington Express Struck by Fast Mail Near Chicago.

IOWA MAN AMONG THE DEAD.

G. W. Tudor of Lacey One of Those Identified—Woman in Charge of Tower Says Signals Were Set—Fire Causes Much Suffering.

Chicago, July 15.—Thirteen persons were killed and nearly a score were injured in a wreck on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad at Western Springs, a suburb of Chicago.

Coming through a fog, with supposedly a clear track ahead, train No. 8, a fast mail, ran at full speed into the rear of train No. 2, known as the Overland express from Denver, which was standing on the track, telescoping two of the Overland's Pullman cars.

Railroad officials refused to fix the blame until after the wreck had been investigated thoroughly. Mrs. F. A. Wilcox, who was in charge of the tower from which the block signals were controlled, said she was certain the block was thrown against both trains. She collapsed after the accident and still is in a highly nervous condition.

The dead: Francis A. Barclay, Billings, Mont.; George Bronson, engineer train No. 8; Bunch, negro porter of Pullman car on train No. 2; Mrs. C. M. Hart, wife of a physician at Canton, O.; Mrs. E. G. Pohlmann, San Francisco; M. E. Stern, Chicago; G. W. Tudor, Lacey, Ia.; six unidentified.

Rear Coach Demolished. All of the dead, except Bronson, were taken from the rear coach of the Denver train. The engine of No. 8 plowed through this car, halting it, and crushing out the lives of helpless passengers, many of whom still were in their berths. On into the second coach the engine then sped. Half way through that car it veered to the left, derailing the sleeper. The engine was entirely stripped when it stopped.

Fire, starting from the gas lights in the sleepers, immediately broke out. Many victims, pinioned down by heavy timbers and iron that had been torn from the engine, pleaded for death or deliverance from the flames. Members of the fire departments of Western Springs and La Grange were on the scene within a few minutes after the wreck occurred and they put out the fire with lines of hose.

Ghoulies are believed to have robbed the dead before they reached the morgue in La Grange. More than a dozen large diamond sets were missing from jewelry and although most of the dead appeared to have been persons in comfortable circumstances, a dime was the largest sum of money found on any of the bodies.

NEW LINE TO CANADA Will Build Railroad From Watertown to Canadian Boundary.

Minneapolis, July 15.—The Minneapolis, St. Louis and Canadian Railway company, which will build a line from the vicinity of Watertown, S. D., to the Canadian boundary, was organized here by Newman Erb of New York, president of the Minneapolis and St. Louis railway; W. G. Bierd, vice president of the company; J. Wollman and H. A. Harrison, representing two New York banking firms. According to Mr. Erb, incorporation papers will be filed soon and construction probably will be begun by fall.

Immediately upon his arrival here after a trip over the line, Mr. Erb issued an order for twelve new locomotives and signed appropriations totaling \$500,000, principally for track improvement.

RAILROAD MAN ARRESTED President of Los Angeles Line Accused of Arson.

San Diego, Cal., July 15.—Charged in an indictment returned by the federal grand jury with setting fires or causing fires to be started in the Cleveland forest reserve, E. S. Babcock, president of the Los Angeles and San Diego Beach railway, a suburban line, and one of the wealthiest men in San Diego, was arrested by a deputy United States marshal. He was released on bonds.

It is charged Babcock ordered ranch hands to burn the brush on his ranch and that the fire got beyond control and entered the reserve. The evidence was laid before the grand jury as a result of an investigation made by forestry bureau operatives.

South Dakota Town Suffers Fire Loss. Eagle Butte, S. D., July 15.—Fanned by a high wind flames destroyed four retail store buildings and contents, the Dakota State bank, the Citizens' State bank, a printing company, the Johnson livery, the postoffice, telephone headquarters and a dentist's office. The business portion of the town was wiped out. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Insane Over Religion. Perry, Ia., July 15.—Frank Leaming, a well known citizen of this county, was taken before the commissioners of insanity and by them sent to the hospital at Clarinda for treatment. He went violently insane attending a number of meetings of a "Holiness association," which was holding meetings on his farm.

A Mystery Unraveled

By MARY G. COLBY

My father died before my mother, and at her death a woman who had been in the family kept up the house and took care of me. I was then a girl of ten, not old enough to know anything about my affairs or why Miss Meade assumed the position she occupied. She was not an agreeable person, as I remember her in those days, but she was all I had in the world to love, and I tried to love her.

She gave me to understand that she had promised my mother at her death she would take care of me and bring me up.

The only person who ever to my knowledge came to see her was a smooth faced professional looking man, who used to have long conversations with her. After awhile I learned that his name was Cheatham and that he was an attorney. There was something repellent about him, and whenever he came to the house I took pains to keep out of his way.

One thing did not coincide with Miss Meade's statement that she was supporting me. This was that while she was miserly with regard to herself she was liberal with regard to me. I had all the expensive clothing I wished and was never denied anything needed or coveted. I was educated at the best schools and at sixteen was sent to a finishing school. One thing Miss Meade positively forbade—I was not allowed to visit any of my schoolmates.

The day before I was eighteen years old Mr. Cheatham called to see Miss Meade, and they had a discussion, which, judging from their earnestness, must have been a very important one. I heard Mr. Cheatham say, "If you'll leave it to me I can bring it out all right without any great risk; if you manage it as you propose you'll wreck yourself and me too."

The words made no impression on me at the time, for I supposed they referred to some private matter between the lawyer and Miss Meade that did not concern me. Afterward I thought a great deal about them. When I came of age, and especially after this interview, I noticed that Miss Meade was very much absorbed about something and appeared worried. To be worried was unusual with her, she being one of the most composed persons I ever met.

I was now old enough to wonder where the money that was spent on me and I was spending came from. I put a few leading questions to Miss Meade, which she parried. I began to think there was some mystery in our relations, but was not prepared to insist on knowing anything she did not tell me of her own free will. Having been brought up with the idea that I owed everything to her, I did not care to risk "killing the goose that laid the golden egg."

One day when she was not at home I wished for something from the storeroom. She always kept the room locked, and no one knew where the key was except herself. In a box containing metal odds and ends was a bunch of keys. I tried them one by one till I found one that would unlock the door I wished to pass. Protruding from a desk was a paper, which I possessed myself of, and found it to be a letter written by my father to my mother before they were married declaring that he had given her up, since he was poor and she possessed a princely fortune.

This was astonishing news to me. How could it be that I was dependent upon one who had been my mother's household manager and must have after my father's death taken a part in the management of his affairs. I began to surmise an explanation. I had not heard either that my mother had been rich or had lost her property. It looked to me that the money I was spending must be derived from that fortune my father referred to. The more I thought about the matter the further I went in my inferences till I began to suspect that Miss Meade had taken advantage of my having fallen into her hands when a child to get her clutches on my mother's fortune.

I confess I did not know how to move in the matter. Had I been a man it would have been easier, but for a girl not far past eighteen I could see no way of uncovering the mystery.

Keeping my suspicions from Miss Meade, I resolved to secure advice. The father of one of my schoolmates was a lawyer, and through her I secured an interview with him. He got all the information I could give him about my father and mother and promised to look the matter up. It was not long before through his daughter he asked me to call upon him, and when I did so he told me that my mother had died leaving a great deal of unproductive property, which was now yielding a fine income.

And this was the money on which I was living and procuring all I wished for. But what was Miss Meade's object in telling me that I was dependent upon her?

My lawyer cautioned me to conceal the fact that I had this knowledge and went to work to investigate my property. He found that for years Miss Meade, whom my mother had left my guardian, aided by Cheatham, had been endeavoring to involve the estate in debt to her. In time they would absorb the whole property.

My lawyer put a stop to this and by threatening criminal proceedings succeeded in recovering the whole of my fortune.

NO WORD FROM SHAW

Atlantic Railroad Interests Fail to Hear From Financier.

Des Moines, July 15.—Creditors of the Atlantic North and South railroad expected to get word from the Shaw syndicate. Nothing happened. The hope was entertained that the financiers of the syndicate would be able to make definite announcement regarding the prospective date of their arrival in Iowa. The silence caused disappointment.

The last announcement received from a representative of the Shaw group of railroad promoters was that they had missed one boat and were on the next boat with the money.

The syndicate has until Wednesday to remove the suspense in Iowa. Legal representatives of the creditors in Des Moines are beginning to prepare their objections to another extension of time.

The local attorneys are not speculating as to what will be done if the Atlantic agreement is not closed on Wednesday. They assume that the matter will be held open until the promoters or their representatives are prepared to make a personal presentation of their case. In view of the fact that the lawns did not arrive as expected, creditors are inclined to entertain the belief that the financial settlements cannot be arranged within the agreed time.

MANY FOREIGNERS COMING TO IOWA

Hindoos Plan to Take Up Work at State University.

Iowa City, July 15.—To travel half way around the world for a college education is the plan of a delegation of young Hindoos from India, who will enter the University of Iowa in September.

"Sanayal" and "Banerje," two members of Calcutta's aristocracy, will head the delegation, according to the statement made by Sudhindra Bose, a graduate student and instructor in the university here.

Owing to the heavy influx of students from other countries to the University of Iowa this fall, the Cosmopolitan club, an organization made up of foreign students in residence here, will have a clubhouse for all nations.

Fourteen nationalities will be represented under one roof. A Chinaman will room with a Jap, and the Russian and Polish flags will be draped together over the entrance of the reception hall.

EX-CAPITOL EMPLOYEE DIES

J. R. Shannon Passes Away at Home in Winterset.

Winterset, Ia., July 15.—J. R. Shannon, for nine years custodian of the office of the state railroad commission in Des Moines, died here after a year's illness from cancer of the mouth. He was a pioneer resident of this city, having come here just after the close of the civil war.

The deceased was born in Pennsylvania in 1839. He enlisted in the Eighty-third Ohio infantry, serving throughout the civil war. On coming to Iowa he engaged in the grocery business, later becoming a bridge contractor. Before going to Des Moines he was custodian of the court house here.

ELEVATOR MEN TO MEET

Managers From Twelve Counties to Gather at Marshalltown.

Marshalltown, Ia., July 15.—Fifty-two managers of farmers' elevators in twelve Iowa counties will gather here next Saturday in a district meeting. W. J. Lynch of Green Mountain is secretary of the district organization, which is affiliated with the Farmers' Grain Dealers' association of Iowa. The counties included in the district are Marshall, Hardin, Story, Grundy, Black Hawk, Polk, Jasper, Tama, Poweshiek, Benton, Iowa and Linn.

Boy Has Narrow Escape.

Iowa City, July 15.—To be dragged between the heels of a team of runaway mules and the teeth of a mowing machine was the harrowing experience of Alvin Letts, a fifteen-year-old Iowa City boy. He held onto the lines, which were the only means of saving himself from death in the cutting blades, and when almost exhausted managed to turn the mules into a barbed wire fence, which stopped them. He was badly bruised.

Lightning Hits Churches.

Greenfield, Ia., July 15.—The Methodist church at Grove Center, about seven miles northeast of here, was struck by lightning and completely destroyed. During the same storm another church, about six miles southeast of this church, called Clara chapel, was also struck by lightning and considerably damaged, but did not burn.

To Sum Up Thaw Case.

White Plains, N. Y., July 15.—The summing up by counsel for Harry K. Thaw in his sanity proceedings will take place here tomorrow instead of in New Rochelle, as originally planned. Justice Keogh has decided that his chambers in New Rochelle are too small to accommodate the large number of newspaper men, witnesses and lawyers who will be present.

GUARDSMEN IN STATE SHOOT

Rifle Contest Begins on Range Near Des Moines.

BROOKHART IS IN CHARGE.

Captain Morton C. Mumma Is Chief Range Officer—Company Team Match Will Be Shot at Close of Preliminary Practice—Other Events.

Des Moines, July 15.—The tenth annual meeting of the Iowa Rifle association began today and will continue until Thursday at the rifle range east of the Hyperion club.

Today will be given over to a school of instruction in small arms practice. The team competitions will terminate July 17, and all will depart for their homes except those who are detailed to shoot on regimental teams. The regimental team competition will be staged July 18.

Lieutenant Colonel Smith W. Brookhart of Washington is in charge of the shoot. Captain Morton C. Mumma is chief range officer. The assistant executive officer is Captain Robert McCleave, United States infantry.

Some of the Events.

The company team match will be shot at the close of preliminary practice. It will be open to teams of six from any company, troop or battery of the army, Iowa national guard or rifle club in the state.

The "Allison match" will be open to all company teams. Military rifles and service ammunition will be used and there will be one twenty-shot skirmish run.

The "consolation match" will be open to everybody, but prizes go to those who have not won a prize in other individual matches.

The "Drake match" is open to all. The "National Rifle association match" will be open only to members of the Iowa Rifle association.

The "Klemer match" is open to teams of ten from each regiment of the Iowa national guard.

There will be contests open to teams from the companies of the Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth regiments.

The regimental team match will be open to teams of twelve men from each regiment of the Iowa national guard or any regiment of the United States army stationed in the state.

The individual championship match is open to everybody.

The "inspectors' owl match" will be shot at night by inspectors of small arms practice of the Iowa national guard. Illuminated targets will be used.

The "Dows match" is open to regimental teams. The "pistol match" will be shot at the direction of the commanding officers.

FARMS ASSESSED TOO LOW

Railroad Attorney Files Protest in Cerro Gordo.

Mason City, Ia., July 15.—Farms in this part of Iowa, especially in this county, are assessed at too low a valuation, according to A. T. Polley, an attorney connected with the Minneapolis and Omaha road, who filed a statement in the office of the county treasurer. This statement is meant to show that the roads are paying more than their share of the taxes and that the supervisors of this county should advocate a boost in land valuations, instead of railroad valuations.

Roosevelt Decides to Visit Iowa.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 15.—Colonel Roosevelt decided to make the campaign trip to Michigan, Kansas and Iowa, which he has had under consideration for several days. He said he had begun work on a number of speeches which he would deliver before the opening of the national progressive convention in Chicago. Sometime next week, according to the plan, he will start westward.

Light Company in Fight With Town.

Sheffield, Ia., July 15.—Condemnation of the action of the principal owners of the Electric Light and Power company of this place, and bitter feeling which has grown out of personal encounters involving leading business men, has given force to talk of a new lighting company for Sheffield.

Will Waive Court Rights.

Dubuque, Ia., July 15.—For the first time under the new law, three men, L. S. McGuire, Paul Hawley and J. Joseph Turner, all held on indictable offenses, will waive right of the grand jury hearings and will plead guilty before the court and be sentenced without awaiting a regular court session.

Mayor Defends Self.

Fort Dodge, Ia., July 15.—Mayor H. R. Dwyer of Barnum is defending a suit in the district court brought to oust him from office because of alleged non-enforcement of law. County Attorney B. B. Barquist of this city testified in Mr. Dwyer's behalf.

Lineman Electrocutted.

Fort Dodge, Ia., July 15.—C. C. Ross of Ames, lineman for the Fort Dodge, Des Moines and Southern, was killed by a charge from a high tension wire while at work. Ross was a young man and had been at electrical work for some time.

What Is the Moon Made Of?

By MARTHA B. EDGARTON

Miss Madeline Rogers, a very beautiful and attractive American girl, went to Paris with letters that gained her the entry to the American colony there.

There was something very original, something unique, about Miss Rogers that captivated the young French bloods, nearly all of whom straightway proceeded to fall in love with her. Whether it was this or because she was far more natural and unconventional than the women she associated with, certain it is that many of them hated her. That the men, on the contrary, both respected and loved her is evident from the fact that they all wished to marry her.

The young lady was a good deal of a flirt, but it is questionable if she realized in a young man's company she was giving him encouragement. The poet hath said, "Loving seemeth like breathing." In Miss Rogers' case flirting was quite as natural a process. She treated the young men with whom she was pleased in a way that made them think that a proposition would be immediately accepted. This she did unintentionally and unconsciously of the interpretation that might be put upon her acts. She was as heart free as a bird, and when the men responded to her soft looks and words she supposed they were treating her as they treated their other women friends. In other words, she did not suppose that what passed between them was serious.

One evening Miss Rogers awoke as from a series of pleasant dreams. A lady who thoroughly understood her and was consequently very fond of her took her aside and said to her:

"My child, do you know that when the sun rises tomorrow morning three of our prominent Parisian young men are going to fight for you on the Bois de Boulogne?"

"Fight for me?" exclaimed the astonished girl, turning pale.

"Yes. Each claims to be on the point of becoming engaged to you and resents the other's attentions."

"For heaven's sake who are these men?"

"There is Edouard du Four."

"Well."

"The Count de Luny."

"He too?"

"Yes, and the third is Maitre Fallansbee, the rising young jurist."

"But how can the three fight a duel? I thought duels were fought by two, one on each side."

"So they are. Du Four has challenged the other two. He first fights with De Luny, and if he kills the count he then fights with Fallansbee."

"Oh, my goodness gracious! How do you know this?"

"My husband learned of it and told me as a secret, especially enjoining me to tell no one. I have come to you with it because I consider it best for you to take measures to stop it."

"How can I do that?"

"I fear it is too late to do anything tonight, but you might be on the ground in time to choose between them."

"I'll be there in time to choose none of them. Will you chaperon me?"

"If you wish it."

"I most assuredly do."

"You must be ready to start early."

"How early?"

"Three o'clock."

The next morning long before the people of Paris were stirring, especially in the Bois de Boulogne, the two ladies drove up to the duelling ground, where they saw the three lovers, accompanied by three seconds and three surgeons, preparing to prick one another with long thin swords.

"Will you kindly tell me," said Miss Rogers, "what you gentlemen are here for?"

Jules Cartier, Du Four's second, acted as spokesman for the men. Of course it would not do for him to admit that they were going to fight about her, so he said:

"M. du Four remarked last night at the Cercle Francais that the moon was made of cheese. This the Count de Luny denied. He said it was made of pudding. The result between two gentlemen of honor is obvious."

"And what has M. Fallansbee to do with the matter?"

"He claims that the moon is jelly."

"Indeed! And they propose to kill one another for so trifling a cause?"

There was an embarrassing silence, which was broken by the count saying:

"Perhaps mademoiselle will end the quarrels by deciding which of the three monsieurs is right."

It was plain that the lady's decision was to be taken as a choice between her three suitors. She asked if they would abide by her decision, and they admitted that they would.

"Very well, gentlemen. What the moon is made of depends upon the perceptive faculties of the one who views it. The eye is simply the visual organ of the brain. Hence to M. du Four it is cheese, to the Count de Luny it is jelly, and to M. Fallansbee it is jelly."

A burst of laughter broke from the seconds and the surgeons, while the principals stood stiff as ramrods, glaring at each other and the rest of the party.

"Gentlemen, good morning," said Miss Rogers, and, getting into her carriage with her friend, she was driven away.

The others soon followed without a fight.

LEGISLATURE ASKED TO ACT

Controversy Between Big Interests Over Water Rights.

BABCOCK AND BOGGS CASES.

First Hearing Postponed Until Aug. 11. Governor Aldrich Says Board of Irrigation Will Look Into the Matter. Aldrich and Hainer Have Tilt.

Lincoln, July 13.—That the legislature may be called upon to settle a controversy now on between two great financial interests battling to gain control of the water power rights of the Loup river was shown in a hearing which was held before the board of irrigation in the office of State Engineer Price.

The first hearing was in regard to the cancellation of the rights of H. E. Babcock of Columbia and the other hearing was regarding the rights of C. T. Boggs of this city. It is understood that behind Mr. Babcock are the H. L. Doherty interests of New York city, while George Moore of Detroit, with other financiers are associated with Boggs.

After considerable discussion the Babcock matter, in which he had been asked to appear and show cause why his application for water power should not be cancelled, was continued until Aug. 11 at the request of his attorneys and was agreed to by the other parties in the case.

There seems to be quite a sentiment among those on the outside that the matter should be left to the legislature and while one or the other of the companies should be given the right to development, that the state should receive something annually for that right.

Boggs Case Put Over.

The Boggs application asks for water not used by the Babcock company, but takes it from the Loup river several miles above the Babcock claim and empties into the Platte river near Schuyler, several miles below the Babcock claim.

The promoters of this claim, while having asked for a hearing, did not seem to be ready to go into the case and after a wordy battle between Governor Aldrich and Mr. Hainer, one of the company, in which the governor politely informed Mr. Hainer that there were "just as good lawyers in the room as he was," it was decided to postpone further hearing in this case and have all the cases come up at the same time, thirty days being given for everybody to get ready.

Lincoln Too Ill to Be at Unveiling.

In reply to a letter from Secretary of State Wait, asking him to be present at the unveiling of the Abraham Lincoln monument on the capitol grounds, Robert T. Lincoln, son of the martyred president, has replied that ill health will make it impossible for him to be present.

NEBRASKA FRUIT CROP

Reports to State Horticultural Society Coming in Predict Result.

Lincoln, July 13.—Letters of inquiry were sent recently to representative fruit growers of Nebraska, and from replies received by the State Horticultural society has tabulated the following:

The average apple crop for all parts of the state is 60 per cent of full crop; 100 per cent, compared with the 1911 crop; 110 per cent, compared with the average of the past five years.

It is estimated that the actual production of the state will be about as in 1911, but more apples will probably be shipped, owing to the heavy crop in the commercial sections. The home orchards out in the state are producing much lighter crops than in 1911.

FAIL TO CONVICT SALOONIST

Sunday Closing Crusaders Lose First Round of the Battle.

Omaha, July 13.—The Anti-Saloon league lost the first round of its fight against saloon keepers whom they allege violate the closing law, when a jury of six men brought in a verdict of not guilty for Harvey Jacobsen. The verdict was reached after thirty minutes' deliberation.

On the outcome of these trials which are under way, will depend whether forty other saloon keepers will be tried or not. The Anti-Saloon league has secured evidence, it is asserted, against this many more, but will not file complaints if the present cases are not won.

Norfolk to Entertain Firemen.

Norfolk, Neb., July 13.—Great preparations have been made by the Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's association to make this year's tournament at Norfolk, July 23, 24 and 25, a success. Over \$3,500 worth of prizes will be given away and hundreds of exciting contests have been arranged.

Peacemaker is Killed.

Peoria, July 15.—While trying to settle a drunken brawl between four negroes, James Skinner, a night policeman, was shot through the stomach and instantly killed. Two negroes, suspected of the crime were arrested and spirited out of the city by the police for safe keeping.