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CRUSHED UNDER THE CARS

Five Des Moines Men Killed in a Wreck on the Rock Island Railroad.

WERE STEALING A RIDE TO CHICAGO

An Axle Broke and the Car Piled up and is Crushed Into Kindling Wood—Sheep and Five Men Die in Horrible Confusion.

DES MOINES, Ia., Aug. 8.—Five men were killed in a wreck on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad at Leighton yesterday morning. They were all residents of Des Moines, trying to steal a ride to Chicago. They are: William Kuehner, Ed Garry, Robert Garry, William Shea, Unknown man.

They were all young men out of work and trying to get to Chicago. The wrecked train was a fast freight bound eastward. Just as the train was going into Leighton an axle broke on the rear truck of the twelfth car. This was a double-deck sheep car and in it the four men were riding. The car was thrown across the track and broke in two. There were nine cars in its rear and they were piled on this one in a fearful wreck.

The train had been running forty miles an hour. When the axle broke the car on which the accident happened became uncoupled from the one in its front, so that the forward part of the train went on without injury. The four men were on the lower deck of the car. When it was crushed under the weight piled on it, the men and sheep were thrown together in a heap and nearly all the animals crushed to death or fearfully mangled. The car was completely wrecked. It was as if one car had been annihilated. Three of the men were instantly killed. Shea had both legs and one arm broken and has since died.

It was several hours before the wreck could be so cleared away that the men could be reached. The main line of the Rock Island was blockaded all day and trains had to be run around the scene on other lines.

Will Give an Explanation
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—After months of waiting and of evasion, or hurried flight from town to town, in California and across the southern border, Mrs. M. F. Tunnell has consented to tell the story of her relations with Rev. Dr. C. O. Brown and Mattie Overman, and to explain why she fled at the very moment when her presence was needed to dispel the shadows of scandal or condemn the pastor, who was seriously accused. Mrs. Tunnell is the last witness to speak and as far as facts are concerned the testimony she gives closes the great case.

She explains the important point upon which the clerical judges of Dr. Brown were in doubt. She removes the elements of uncertainty that make the ecclesiastical court hesitate before pronouncing a final judgment of condemnation. She fled from San Francisco, she says, to shield Dr. Brown from the consequences of his own guilt. She says she knew of the love between Mattie Overman and the pastor, and would have revealed her knowledge if she had been summoned to the witness stand.

She says that Dr. Brown paid her expenses while she was away, and when she returned, tried to induce her to go to Central America. She tells where and where she received the famous letters from Mattie Overman, and for the first time explains how they passed from her possession into the keeping of a man, who allowed them to be published.

She traces in detail the career of Mattie Overman, as she learned to know it through the confidence of her young friend. The recital lifts the veil from the home of the unfrocked pastor and shows how he struggled to save his pulpit and his good name.

Was Suspended.
CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., Aug. 8.—At a special meeting of the city council at 11 o'clock yesterday Police Judge R. G. Mullen was suspended for an indefinite period. J. W. Brewer was given a temporary appointment to the office. For several weeks an investigation of Mullen's official actions has been in progress, revealing a deplorable state of affairs in the conduct of the office of police magistrate. Mullen was tried before Judge Parkinson on Tuesday on a charge of perjury. Upon returning home after his trial, Mullen assaulted a reporter, severely mistreating him, and then disappeared from the camp. Judge Parkinson was to have rendered a decision yesterday, but Mullen failed to appear.

The better element of the city has become thoroughly aroused over the exposure of this case by municipal officers and they propose to make it warm for the ring. Mullen is in Colorado Springs and upon his return to this camp he will probably be held to the district court for perjury and fined for contempt of court.

Other arrests will follow and a general cleaning up of the recent official of the city will occur.

Tried to Wreck the Train.
SUMMIT, Cal., Aug. 8.—Word has been received here that an attempt was made last night to wreck the eastbound Central Pacific passenger train No. 1 at a lonely siding near Reno, Nev. A large cast harvester machine wheel was placed on the track. The train struck it while running at full speed, and it is considered miraculous that the entire train was not thrown from the track. The only damage done was the breaking of the air pipe on the baggage car.

Flood Shed in a Strike

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 7.—A militia man was shot on Luther street in the east end early yesterday morning. Between midnight and 1 o'clock a crowd made a sudden attack on a building where a man named Johnson, who is employed at the Brown Hoisting works, now lives. They broke in the windows and yelled like Indians. The soldiers heard the disturbance and rushed to the scene. Part of the crowd was scattered, but a dozen men stood at bay with revolvers and fired at the militiamen. The soldiers replied with rifle balls, and then the men scattered. In the melee Private Perkins of company B. was shot but it is not known how seriously. He was taken away in an ambulance.

The official statement at Colonel Whitney's headquarters is that Perkins was accidentally shot while loading his revolver. It is claimed by others however, that he was wounded in the Luther street skirmish.

The Knights of Labor, at a meeting last night, took steps toward the organization of a military company. Letters were ordered sent to all the local assemblies asking each to furnish a certain number of able-bodied men. The intention is to organize a regiment of about 700 members and drill them in military tactics.

Struck With Captain's Dart.
NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—A Washington special says:
Considerable interest is displayed at the navy department over the report that Secretary Herriot has decided suddenly to cut short his proposed tour on navy yard inspection on the official yacht Dolphin and to sail for Europe next week.

It has been the gossip here for several months that Mr. Herbert was engaged to be married, and it is rumored that he may be accompanied by a bride on his European trip.

The Dolphin has arrived in the navy yard. She came here under orders to take the secretary away on a four week's tour of inspection, embracing all the principal navy stations from Chesapeake bay to Bar Harbor. It has been Mr. Herbert's annual custom since he has been in the cabinet to sail away in August on the Dolphin and visit the navy yards, and then extend his journey to Newport and Bar Harbor, where the north Atlantic fleet has found it convenient to be at about the same time. Last season the entire squadron sailed up Bar Harbor and received on board ex-Secretary Whitney and other summer residents, and for ten days the officials devoted themselves entirely to social affairs.

This season Mr. Herbert intended following the same plan although he ordered Admiral Buncie some weeks ago to keep his ships south of Sandy Hook until autumn.

Died From Heat.
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 7.—An epidemic of smallpox could hardly be worse than the present hot weather. At midnight with the thermometer registering 81 degrees, the streets and parks were full of people seeking fresh air. Not a breath of breeze was stirring. At midnight last night the death roll had reached eight and prostrations reported were thirty one.

The dead are: Hugo Ludwig, John Mueser, paper hanger, Lewis Fink, malster, Lewis Smith, collector, Charles Franke, editor, Charles Reiser, carpenter, Two unknown men at the city morgue.

Temperance Catholics in Session.
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 7.—The twenty-sixth annual session of the Catholic abstinence union of America opened in convention auditorium at 9:30 yesterday morning. President J. M. Cleary's address showed that the union was working in harmony with the church and with success. The treasurer's report showed a good credit balance. Rev. A. P. Doyle, secretary, showed that there had been 120 societies organized and 5,671 new members added during the year. The afternoon session was taken up with reports from committees.

In the evening a literary and musical entertainment was given in convention hall, under the direction of Prof. Henry S. LaBarge.

Died Before the Wedding.
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 6.—There is a prospect of a contest over the estate of John C. Simonds, a New Yorker, formerly a judge in one of the New York courts. Simonds died in New York on July 18 last, and his will, which was filed yesterday, bequeaths his estate, which is valued at \$125,000, to Mrs. Henrietta Rosengarden, who acted in the capacity of typewriter to the judge and to whom she was betrothed at the time of his death. Simonds first met Mrs. Rosengarden in this city two years ago, when he came here for his health. Before preparations had been made for the ceremony, however, Simonds was called to New York on business. He was taken seriously ill. Mrs. Rosengarden was summoned to his bedside, but the day before she arrived she died.

Missouri Banks Go Under
NEVADA, Mo., Aug. 7.—Sheriff Scrogg closed Conkling Bros.' banking house in this city, the Bank of Bronaugh, Bank of Sheldon and the Bank of Richards, all the property of Conkling Bros., yesterday under an order of the Vernon county circuit court. I. W. Conkling of the firm says the closed banks will be able to pay every dollar of indebtedness. J. L. George and O. M. Shattel were appointed as receivers.

CHALLENGES THE BISHOP

A Leading Member Takes Exceptions to Bishop Newman's Remarks.

HIS STATEMENTS ARE CONTRADICTED

Mr. Washburn Defends His Party From the Charges Made by the Distinguished Prelate.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 4.—George F. Washburn of this city, eastern member of the national executive committee of the people's party, yesterday issued the following challenge to Bishop John P. Newman, San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir: The press reports of the last week credit you with the statement that the populists are no better than anarchists and are not good American citizens and that you would urge the 1,000 ministers in your home conference to use their influence in the pulpit and out against the triumph of Bryan and Sewall and the election of a silver congress.

Now, sir, I belong to the party you insult and brand your alleged statements as false and unfair, and challenge you to name a single populist in this country who is also known as an anarchist. I am called "a leading member" of the church you represent. If I am not a "good American citizen" May I ask are my influence and money still wanted in your church? If you are no more correct in your spiritual utterances than you are in your political, can we have any confidence in either?

I agree with the prominent Catholic who said he was willing to take his religion from the head of his church, but not in politics. Now, bishop, for the sake of the church we love and the welfare of the country, I advise you to let politics alone until you have studied this monetary question.

You refer to the attitude of our church during the anti-slavery agitation to justify you in directing your ministers to preach politics during the campaign instead of religion. Has it occurred to you that the result of this proposed line of action may split our church now, just as it did at that time?

Let me inform you that 90 per cent of the populist party are native born American citizens, comprising mostly the sturdy farming element, which for years the statesmen of both the old parties proudly alluded to as the "bone, sinew and stability of the country." These men are intelligent, patriotic and true and are called anarchists because they have begun to think; and the result of their thinking will be a surprise party next November.

Again, there were more delegates in our convention who owned their homes and paid taxes than that of any other political party. May I add, bishop, that you will find your own people are not with you politically. Every state in your section will be carried for Bryan, notwithstanding your residence there.

Lastly, the leading anarchist, Herr Most, is for the single gold standard, and the republican party, and I defy you to name one in our ranks as an offset to this. Yours for justice, GEORGE F. WASHBURN, Eastern Member National Executive Committee People's Party.

Murdered While Asleep.
LA PLATA, Md., Aug. 4.—Charles county has been the scene of another mysterious and sensational murder, and it is probable that another lynching will follow. Late Saturday night James L. Irwin, a farmer, was found murdered in his home at Allen's Fresh, a little hamlet twelve miles from this place. Two bullets had been fired at him while he was asleep, both of which entered his brain. George Matthews, an osteopath, who lives at Rockport, ten miles distant from the scene of the tragedy, has been arrested charged with the crime and Irwin's wife is under police surveillance. It is said that Matthews has been paying marked attention to Mrs. Irwin and the authorities have letters in their possession, containing endearing terms which Matthews wrote to the woman. Mrs. Irwin says she discovered that her husband was dead at 11 o'clock Sunday night. She ran to the house of her father-in-law, 100 yards distant, and gave the alarm. She asserts that she was in bed beside her husband, but evidence at the coroner's inquest conflicts with her statements. The entire community is incensed and if the positive guilt could be fastened to Matthews he would undoubtedly be lynched.

Love Stronger Than Ambition.
NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Despite the determined opposition of his family and in defiance of the threat of being disinherited, Cornelius Vanderbilt, jr., was married yesterday to Miss Grace Wilson. Mr. Vanderbilt, sr., warned the young man that if he contracted the alliance he would have to depend upon his own resources for a livelihood and he need expect no share of the Vanderbilt fortune. Thus the son, by disobeying his father's wishes threw away his prospects of inheriting a large lump of the \$100,000,000 which Mr. Vanderbilt sr., is estimated to be worth. Not a member of the Vanderbilt family was even invited to the wedding.

Will Not be a Candidate.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 4.—Senator Palmer in an interview in regard to the coming conference of sound money democrats in Indianapolis, said it would be composed of democrats, not populists. "We are not bolters," said he, "we are democrats; not new democrats but old democrats." When asked if his name would be considered for the office of president, he said he was not a candidate for any office; he was one of the rank and file and wanted no other place.

The Moore Failure

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 5.—Brokers about the stock exchange yesterday morning felt as if they were treading on a volcano. Never in the history of the exchange has there been such suppressed excitement. The failure of the Moore Bros. and the collapse of the Diamond Math was the talk of everybody and took precedence over every other question. How many others on the exchange besides the Moore Bros. would be affected in the big smash up or to what extent, no one dared to say. All felt the peril of the hour.

It is believed the Moore failure will aggregate between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000. Such is the sum mentioned by a bank president, who has been especially close to the speculators during the daring and dazzling reign.

At the usual hour of opening the stock exchange was filled with members but no business was being transacted. Groups were gathered here and there discussing the turn of affairs and everyone seemed waiting for some announcement more definite than a notice posted on the doors which reads:

"Exchange adjourned subject to the action of the governing committee. J. A. Wilkins, secretary."

The governing committee met at 9:30 and promised a statement later in the day.

At the office of Moore Bros. All information regarding the failure was dealt to callers.

According to a well known financial authority, James H. Moore and William H. Moore, his brother, held, all told, \$5,500,000 worth of Diamond Match stock. A portion of this great amount was owned in the fee before the speculative era in the stock began. Much, however, was bought at prices ranging between \$1.50 and \$2.40. The Moore holdings were a majority of the total stock issued. It so happened, however, that the balance of the stock has been held by a great many stockholders.

Soon after the stock began its wonderful aerial flight, these minority stockholders began unloading, and in each case the persons who bought this purchasable stock were James Moore and his brother.

Most of these purchases were not cash purchases, but on account, some of them running thirty, some sixty days. Margins of 5 per cent were given, and in this way at least \$2,000,000 worth of the stock was bought.

Two banks in Connecticut, one in Bridgeport and the other in Hartford, were holders of the stock as trustees. As the stock fluctuated in value or the time limit for purchase account expired, more margins had to be deposited. In this way not less than 60 per cent on a par value of the stock was paid. All this the Moores paid without flinching, but in the long run the stock began, notwithstanding its extraordinary intrinsic value, a frightfully heavy load to carry. At last the two brothers were substantially the only props to the big enterprise. The result was inevitable and the crash followed.

And thus it happens that today while the Moores, the financial geni of this colossal enterprise, are losers to the tune of \$7,000,000 or \$8,000,000, the numerous minority stockholders are the winners. For they have been the beneficiaries of the margins paid, and their stock is still theirs, although held in trust.

A Big Bicycle Day.
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Aug. 5.—Two state and one world's records were smashed at the bicycle races yesterday. There was a stiff breeze blowing from the south, but wonderful time was made in spite of it.

Bald first went for the third of a mile flying start world's record of 33 3/5, made by Hamilton at Coronado, Cal., March 2, 1896. He was paced by L. C. Johnson of Cleveland, G. D. Grant and J. T. Esperon of Detroit on a triplet.

The crowd fairly held their breath from the time the pistol was fired until Bald came over the tape, and when it was announced that his time was 33 seconds flat, lowering the world's record three-fifths of a second, the crowd broke forth with cheers that had subsided someone called out: "What's the matter with Bald?" and the audience to a person answered: "He's all right."

Ralph Samburg of Port Huron went for the quarter mile world's amateur record of 25 1/5, made by A. W. Porter at Waltham, November 2, 1894. He was paced by a triplet, but was not fast enough for the world's record, his time 26 flat, which lowers the state record two-fifths of a second.

"Cannon Ball" Eddie then went for the two-thirds of a mile world's record made by Hamilton at Coronado, March 2, 1896, but his paces were too slow, Eddie beating them in 1:12 3/5, which is the state record.

Harry Hart of Grand Rapids then went for the one-third of a mile un-paced standing start track record, making it in 40 4/5, which lowers the previous record one-fifth of a second.

The crowd again went wild when Sanger won the professional half mile handicap. He was scratch man against a field of ten, with A. F. Bingenheimer of Milwaukee at 230 yards, William Sanger, Walters brother, at 130 yards, and K. C. Tinkham, a local crack, at 200 yards. Tinkham kept the lead until the stretch, with Walter Sanger in the rear. As they came to the stretch Sanger crept up and won the race by two lengths.

Trotters in a Wreck.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 5.—A wreck Monday morning at North Indianapolis on the Big Four road caused a car, containing trotting horses belonging to J. E. Bash of Louisville, to upset and every horse was so much injured that it is thought none will ever race again. The value of the animals is said to have been \$60,000. David Barnum, in charge, Dennis Porter of Louisville, George Fagan of Lexington and Charles Brock of Kentucky were injured, some fatally.

POLITICS CAUSE A FATALITY

Democrats and Populists do not Harmonize: One is Shot to Death.

ONE MAN DEAD AND FIVE INJURED

The Usual Sequence of an Election in Alabama is now Being Enacted and Functions in the Order of the Day.

COLUMBUS, Ga., Aug. 6.—Special to the Enquirer-Sun from Lafayette, Ala., Tuesday night says:
News has just reached this city by wire of a terrible tragedy which occurred at Five Points, ten miles above here yesterday afternoon, in which one man was killed and five others dangerously wounded. It was a battle between populists and democrats, George Cumbee, democrat, was killed instantly and his brother, Reuben Cumbee, democrat, was dangerously wounded. Lem Satterwhite, d-mocrat, was shot in the hip; A. P. Trammel and two other Trammels, populists, were wounded. A large posse from here has gone to the scene. A second posse from Roanoke has also gone. A private message over the wire from Five Points at 8 p. m. says that pistol shots are heard. The democrats had been to Lafayette to bring in the election returns and were on their way home when they were met at Five Points by a crowd of enraged populists who attacked the Cumbee boys and cut, shot and beat them to a general row ensued.

Tax Riots in Spain.
MADRID, Aug. 6.—Further riots growing out of the taxes imposed on the people have occurred throughout the province of Valencia. The disturbances occurred Tuesday night in the outskirts of the city of Valencia, where fifty men armed with rifles paraded about shouting: "Down with the taxes; down with the government," and defying the authorities to interfere with them. They at last made an attack on the officials who collect the octroi, the tax collected upon provisions of all kinds entering the city, and attempted to shoot them. A strong force of police had hastily been dispatched to the scene. Upon their arrival the police were greeted with a volley by the rioters, who proved themselves bad marksmen, none of the police being hit. The latter then charged upon the mob, which speedily dispersed when they saw that the police were determined to suppress the disorder. Five of the mob, including a woman, were wounded by the police.

Similar disturbances occurred in villages in the province and many arrests have been made. The authorities allege that the trouble is fomented by the republicans.

Heat is Excessive.
CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—Yesterday was the hottest Chicago has seen this season and before the middle of the afternoon the thermometer had reached 96 and between fifteen and twenty people had been picked up on the streets overcome by heat. Many of the cases were bad, but none necessarily fatal. Sickening is being produced, and unless there is a speedy change in the weather much trouble is expected. Joseph Lapham, a well known leather and shoe findings dealer, was the first to die of the heat. He was conscious Tuesday and died yesterday from a paralytic stroke induced by the warm weather.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 6.—Yesterday was another exceedingly hot day in St. Louis. At 7 a. m. thermometers registered 85 degrees at 6 p. m. 98 degrees was recorded. Sun strokes were less frequent, owing to the dry atmosphere. Five cases were treated at the city dispensary. Thomas Hopewell, residence unknown, was picked up at the corner of Center and Market streets and treated at the dispensary. He died in the evening. The other cases are not serious. The local weather forecast is for continued warm weather till Thursday evening.

Will Not Strike in Sympathy.
CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 6.—After a long session last night the central labor union decided that it would be unwise just at this time to call a sympathetic strike on account of the Brown hoisting works trouble. The central labor union, however, pledged itself to aid in every way the strikers. A secret session of the labor leaders was held and after hours of discussion with attorneys retained for the purpose papers were drawn and will be presented in court today, as soon as it opens, asking for an order restraining Mayor Robert E. McKieson from using the police and militia to protect the Brown works, on the ground that he is incurring unnecessary cost for the taxpayers to pay.

An Important Election.
ATOKA, I. T., Aug. 6.—The national election of the Choctaw nation was held yesterday and the Dawes commission is anxiously awaiting the result. If Hon. Green McCurtain, the progressive candidate, is elected, a committee will be appointed to negotiate with the commission for allotment and territorial form of government. In the event that Jackson, Dukes or Gardner is elected, the Dawes commission will be ignored and the nation remain a bed of corruption and a refuge for desperadoes.

An Inconspicuous Work.
BEREA, O., Aug. 6.—This place was in a turmoil yesterday. At 3 o'clock in the morning a cry of fire was raised. The residence of Richard Dodd on Prospect street was on fire and it was burned to the ground. A wire screen was torn from the window, oil poured on an unoccupied bed near it, and lighted. Dodd's son heard the noise, smelled the smoke and aroused his father barely in time to get out of the house. Two children were overcome with smoke.