

35 KILLED IN WRECK

TRAINS CRASH TOGETHER ON RIO GRANDE IN COLORADO.

Many Cremated in Burning Wreckage. Twenty-Two Injured in Addition to Dead—Operator's Failure to Deliver Orders Responsible for Disaster.

Pueblo, Colo., March 17.—A wreck, accompanied with horrors exceeded only by the Eden disaster, which occurred Aug. 7, 1904, on the line of the same railroad, resulted from a head-on collision of two passenger trains on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad, four miles west of Florence, Colo., at 2:29 a. m. The trains were the Utah-California express No. 3, westbound from Denver, and the Colorado-New Mexico express No. 16, eastbound from Leadville and Grand Junction. They met on a sharp curve and were less than 200 yards apart when the engineers discovered that a collision was imminent. It is known that the engineer of the westbound train put forth every possible effort to bring his train to a stop, but his efforts were fruitless, and although he succeeded in checking the speed of his train, the crash that followed was beyond his power to prevent, and he went to his death with his hand on the throttle, faithful to his charge. This much is vouched for by his fireman, who, seeing the uselessness of remaining in the face of sure death, jumped and saved himself. Of the conduct of the engine crew of the eastbound train it can only be said that they died at their post, for no one lives to tell the story of their heroism.

Many Victims Incinerated. The disaster was made more horrible by the manner of the death of many of the passengers, variously estimated from twenty to thirty-five. Fire swept over the wreck, engulfing the victims in a caldron of flame and leaving only charred and blackened bones to tell the tale of slaughter.

A list of the injured given out by officials of the railroad company comprises twenty-two names. None of the injured are dangerously hurt and it is believed all will recover. A list of the dead, made up from close investigation by responsible persons (the railroad officials refusing to make a list for publication), follows: William Hollis, engineer No. 16, Pueblo; Walter Cosslett, engineer No. 3, Pueblo; H. D. Sudduth, fireman No. 16, Pueblo; Edward E. Baird, deputy sheriff, Denver; Archibald Whitney, prisoner, on way to penitentiary at Canon City, in charge of Baird, Denver; Mrs. William Burnside, daughter and daughter's child, all of Kansas; A. N. Barklow, Salida, Colo.; Miss Grace Barklow, Salida, Colo.; Enas McParland, express messenger, Denver; Taylor Hewitt, Lebo, Kan.; Mrs. Lillian Hewitt, Lebo, Kan.; Mrs. Catherine Hewitt and baby boy, Lebo, Kan.; Ed Cowley, Lebo, Kan.; Fred Jones, Lebo, Kan.; Fred Lemecooley, Denver; Mrs. Ed Cowley, Lebo, Kan.; Mrs. Winona Hewitt, Lebo, Kan.

Operator Lively at Swallows is said to be responsible for the wreck. He had three days and nights without rest in order to permit the night operator to be absent without leave. He confessed that he fell asleep and failed to deliver orders.

CALLS THEM CURS AND TRAITORS

Andrew Hamilton Bitterly Arraigns New York Life Trustees.

Albany, March 16.—Andrew Hamilton appeared before the insurance investigating committee and broke the silence which he has maintained, except for his statement brought from Paris by John C. McCall, ever since his name was first mentioned in the investigation in connection with the great sums of money shown to have been paid to him during the past ten years on account of his legal and legislative work for the New York Life and other insurance companies.

It would be difficult to exaggerate the sensation produced by his unexpected appearance and by the speech which he made or the intensely dramatic character of the whole episode. With his face flushed and his voice trembling with passion, his arms upraised and his fists clinched, Judge Hamilton poured forth a flood of denunciation and invective upon the members of the board of trustees of the New York Life Insurance company, several of whom were present, designating them "curs and traitors" and paying special attention to one unnamed, whom he described as "the Peckham of three administrations, the constant of the Beers scandal and author of the Beers pension—who rotates through one administration and another and thinks that he is going to be an indispensable member of yet another."

Traveling Man Kills Himself.

St. Paul, March 17.—Paul Lindberg of Stromberg, Neb., shot and instantly killed himself at the Merchants hotel at noon. He was employed as a traveling salesman by McKibben, Driscoll & Dorsey. Lindberg was to have married Mrs. Mollie Stevenson of this city today. Both were to-

gether until 11:30, when she left to some shopping and buy her wedding gown. On returning an hour later she found the door locked and called a bellboy, who gained entrance through the transom and found the dead body, face downward.

Two Men Killed in Ohio Mine. Massillon, O., March 19.—A heavy fall of stone in the Pooch mine killed Fred Zett and Robert Booth. A number of other miners had narrow escapes from death.

TRADE REVIEW FOR THE WEEK.

Winter Weather Has Delayed Opening of Spring Business.

New York, March 17.—Bradstreet's says: The widespread winter storm has delayed the opening of spring trade at retail, causing some complaint of bad roads and interruption to personal buying at leading jobbing centers. On the other hand the benefits of accompanying heavy snows or rains to the crops probably far outweigh the damage due to this cause or injury caused to small fruit and truck interests by the freezing weather. Wholesale trade and industry shows no signs of hesitation and even the building trades have given little heed to the temporary weather setback, in view of the immense business for spring and summer offering. The coal strike situation is still a flaw in the situation, but signs of the conflict being localized are seen and a general suspension of all work is scouted. Jobbing trade at leading centers is large, and re-orders for spring delivery are already reported at western centers. Railway earnings for February and the first half of March break all records for this season, collections are classed as fair to good, export trade is of a large mid-winter volume, and there are signs that lowered prices of cereals have found response in improved foreign buying. Additional favorable features are reports of improvement in the flour trade, of heavy sales of leather for home and foreign consumption and of higher prices for wools. The iron and steel mills are busily employed, and while new business is smaller in volume there is a marked undertone of strength to this as to other metals, such as copper. Prices generally show strength, cereals are certainly firmer, but cotton is lower than a week ago. Altogether, there is everything to indicate that the spring trade, present and prospective, will break all past years' records.

Failures for the week number 187. Wheat exports for the week are 2,010,237 bushels. Corn exports for the week are 2,335,282 bushels.

MOYER AND HAYWOOD IN COURT.

Prosecution Charged With Conspiracy by Miners' Union Officials.

Caldwell, Ida., March 17.—President Charles H. Moyer, Secretary-Treasurer William D. Haywood and George A. Pettibone, the officers of the Western Federation of Miners who are charged with the murder of former Governor Frank Steunenberg, were before District Judge Frank Smith for arraignment. Their attorneys filed a motion to quash the indictments and submitted voluminous affidavits alleging conspiracy between Governor Frank R. Gooding and others identified with the prosecution to deprive the defendants of their liberty. These affidavits allege further that A. B. Moss, the foreman of the grand jury, talked with the governor, with James H. Hawley, senior counsel for the prosecution, and had expressed opinions prejudicial to the prisoners while the charges were under consideration. Testimony bearing on these affidavits, counter-affidavits and arguments will be made before Judge Smith this afternoon.

Attorneys for the defendants also petitioned the court to admit the accused men to bail.

Tammany Hall's Platform.

New York, March 20.—What is regarded as a declaration of Tammany Hall's principles for the state campaign next fall was made at a special meeting of the organization, which was addressed by Representative W. Bourke Cockran, grand sachem of the Tammany society. Mr. Cockran introduced a lengthy series of resolutions, which were unanimously adopted. Their tone throughout is one of opposition to so-called "Latter Day Socialism" and it was asserted that on this platform Tammany will make this year's fight.

Sheepmen to Invade Idaho.

Salt Lake, March 19.—The Tribune says that the leading sheepmen of Utah and Nevada will gather with their flocks at Tecoma, Nev., March 27 and cross the Idaho line in defiance of the orders of Governor Gooding. This decision is the result of an opinion secured from Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture, in which the secretary upholds the right of flockmasters to go from one state into another when their flocks are free from disease.

Train Kills Three Men.

Sutherland, Neb., March 16.—Three young men met death in the local railroad yards while attempting to cross the track in front of eastbound train

No. 10. They were Joe Leach, Will Robb and Alonzo Matthewson. All were mangled and death was instantaneous.

Schwab Denies Rumor.

New York, March 20.—A rumor, originating in Omaha, that Charles M. Schwab had senatorial aspirations and to attain his end has established a residence in Nevada was denied by him. "It is merely an idle rumor, and there is not a word of truth in it," he said.

Mob Attacks Warsaw Prison.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, March 19.—An armed crowd attacked the prison at Pawia street, killed a warden and mortally wounded two others and liberated a political prisoner named Zaleski.

Alleged Briber Is Arrested.

Chicago, March 20.—Charles M. Carpenter of Racine, Wis., agent for the Barber Asphalt company, was arrested here on a charge of bribery and was released on bonds of \$1,000.

Death Sentence for Jay O'Hearn.

Omaha, March 19.—After deliberating less than three hours, the jury in the O'Hearn murder case brought in a verdict finding him guilty of the murder of Nels Lausten on the night of Jan. 29 and fixing the penalty at death.

North Loup's Bad Blaze.

North Loup, Neb., March 21.—A disastrous fire broke out at 7:30 a. m. on the second floor of Babcock & Gowen's department store and entirely consumed the building and most of the dry goods stock. The fire then spread to the postoffice and to H. E. Davis furniture store, burning both buildings to the ground. The total damage is estimated at about \$35,000, partially covered by insurance.

Instruct County Assessors.

Lincoln, March 16.—The state board of equalization and assessment has adopted resolutions of instruction to the county assessors as prepared by Secretary Bennett. In regard to the fact that all property not especially exempt must be assessed the assessors are instructed when in doubt to list all property. The assessors must assess saloon licenses as valuable franchises, and unless the supreme court should hand down a decision to the contrary before April 1 the reserve funds of fraternal insurance companies must be assessed.

Discourages Appeals for Murderers.

Lincoln, March 20.—Governor Mickey declared that verdicts of juries should not be tampered with when men commit murder. It is thought that he means to discourage appeals for mercy for Jay O'Hearn. He said: "Where the evidence is conclusive that a man has committed a cold-blooded murder in an attempt to commit robbery and a jury finds a verdict against the defendant, I do not believe anyone should interfere. The law should be upheld in every particular and it is the duty of an executive to see that the law is enforced rather than to hinder."

Washington Makes Inquiry.

Beatrice, March 21.—Captain J. C. Penrod, commanding company C, First regiment, Nebraska National Guard, has received a query from the disbursing officer of the subsistence department in Washington, asking him how long it would take to recruit the company to its full strength and have everything in readiness to leave for the nearest army post. Similar circulars have been sent to all company commanders in the state. Anticipation of trouble between this country and China has put the soldier boys in high spirits over the prospects of a trip to the Orient.

INTERURBAN WINS VICTORY.

Judge Frost Sustains Validity of Ordinance Giving Right-of-Way.

Lincoln, March 17.—The Omaha, Lincoln and Beatrice railway has won a signal victory in the district court of Lancaster county. Judge Frost sustained the validity of the city ordinance granting the interurban a franchise as a commercial railway, and denied the injunction asked for by the North Fourteenth street property owners. In denying it Judge Frost said: "Under the first ordinance it was made to appear that the defendant sought to be a street railway. It was to have a 5-cent fare. Its cars were to stop at every street and it was given the privilege of traversing many of the city streets which would not have been necessary had it been merely a commercial railway. But the second ordinance eliminated these provisions. Ordinarily it is use rather than motive power that determines whether a road is a street railway or a commercial railway. By its charter

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MOB ATTACKS OMAHA JAIL.

Determined Effort is Made to Lynch Murderers.

Omaha, March 16.—A determined attempt was made at 1 o'clock this morning to secure a number of men charged with murder, who were supposed to be confined in the county jail, for the purpose of lynching them. Twelve men are now awaiting trial on charges of murder, most of them committed in connection with holdups. Last evening Edward Flury, a street car conductor who was shot when his car was held up a few days ago, died and the newspapers announced that three negroes, Clarence Gathright, Calvin Wain and Harry Clark, had confessed to the holdup and shooting. It began to be stated quite openly that a mob, headed by street car employes, would assault the jail during the night and that every man charged with murder would be lynched.

Sheriff McDonald gave out the statement that none of the alleged murderers was in the jail, but at midnight a crowd began to gather at the jail, and by 12:30 probably 2,000 persons surrounded the place. It was evident that most of them were merely spectators, as not more than 200 or 300 approached the building. A demand was made for the prisoners, and when the sheriff refused to admit the mob to the jail, a telephone pole was brought and used as a battering ram. The outer door soon gave way, but at this moment a squad of about forty policemen came upon the scene and the mob was quickly dispersed. The police used their clubs pretty freely, but none of the mob was seriously injured and no arrests were made.

Sheldon Out for Governor.

Lincoln, March 19.—A telegram was received here stating Senator George Sheldon of Cass county had wired from Mississippi that he would be a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor and stating Judge Paul Jessen would not enter the race.

Charivari Is Shot.

Loup City, Neb., March 20.—Felix Kowlewski, who was one of a charivari party on a young couple named Johnson, about seven miles west of town, had an arm badly wounded by the discharge of a shotgun. The wound is serious, though not necessarily fatal.

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