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## MAXWELL ENDS HIS LIFE

### INDICTED PRESIDENT OF BROOKLYN BANK COMMITS SUICIDE.

### CUTS HIS THROAT AND WRIST

#### Deposed Head of Suspended Borough Institution Terminates His Troubles With Razor and Penknife—Released From Jail on \$30,000 Bail.

New York, Nov. 27.—Howard Maxwell, deposed president of the Borough bank of Brooklyn, who was under indictment for grand larceny and forgery and was released from jail on \$30,000 bail, committed suicide. He cut his throat and left wrist with a razor and penknife in the bathroom of his home in Brooklyn and died at Long Island college hospital. Maxwell, who was locked up last Thursday, had felt his humiliation keenly and during his incarceration had appeared hopelessly despondent. He had, however, given his family no intimation so far as known that he contemplated suicide. His wife was prostrated by the tragedy and is under the care of physicians.

Maxwell was released Monday night from Raymond street jail, where he had been held a prisoner since the three indictments charging him with misdoings in connection with the management of the suspended bank were returned. There was some difficulty in obtaining bail, and officers of the jail reported that Maxwell was greatly broken.

Maxwell was forty-nine years old and leaves a wife, but no children. On Nov. 21 he was jointly indicted for grand larceny with former Cashier Arthur Campbell and Director William Gow of the Borough bank. There were other indictments against him, involving forgery in a quarterly bank statement, made to the state banking department. When these three men were arraigned, Campbell and Gow secured bonds, but to the surprise of many who knew of Maxwell's popularity in financial circles and socially none offered to go upon his bond. For some time only his four sisters, who, offering the home left them by their mother, who died three days after the bank suspended, could secure only a \$10,000 bond, came to his rescue. This desertion on the part of men to whom he had looked for his freedom, embittered and depressed Maxwell, and the despondency increased before his release was brought about. During his arraignment, Maxwell's counsel stated that his client had put up every dollar in the world that he possessed to secure the bank and that he had absolutely stripped himself to protect the institution. Later, on the way to his cell, Maxwell is said to have borrowed \$3, with which to buy a meal or two from a nearby restaurant. At the time he had declared that he did not have a cent with which to provide himself any extras outside the prison fare. His humiliation was aggravated when, like a common felon, he was measured by the Bertillon system and his pedigree placed in the jail records.

Maxwell had been regarded as one of the rising financiers of Brooklyn and was reputed to be worth \$200,000 when the crash in banking affairs came.

Following so soon upon the suicide of Charles T. Barney, resigned president of the Knickerbocker Trust company, the suicide caused a sensation.

## ADAMS JURY QUILTS

### STOOD EIGHT FOR ACQUITTAL AND FOUR FOR CONVICTION.

#### Five Ballots Are Taken, All With Same Result—Darrow Hurries to Boise for Pettibone Case—Hawley Is Disappointed at Verdict.

Rathdrum, Ida., Nov. 25.—The jury in the Steve Adams murder case was discharged, being unable to agree on a verdict after being out since 8:30 o'clock Saturday night. The jury stood eight for acquittal and four for conviction. Jurymen J. F. House, Charles Dittmore, D. V. Garwood and S. A. Varnum were the four men who believed Steve Adams guilty of the murder of Fred Tyler in the Marble creek district of Shoshone county, Idaho, in August, 1904.

Five ballots were taken, all with the same result. Clarence Darrow, of counsel for Adams, tried to obtain concessions of bail for Adams and of immunity from arrest by Colorado authorities until the Tyler case is disposed of. No

promise was given him. Sheriff Bailey of Shoshone county is here with a warrant for the arrest of Adams on the charge of murdering Ed Boule near the same place and about the same time the Tyler murder occurred. It is understood that Adams is not to be taken to Colorado at present and that the state will not oppose the efforts to get bail for Adams. Darrow will later make application for bail for his client, but will now hurry to Boise for the Pettibone case.

Hawley, chief counsel for the state, declared the disagreement of the jury will have no effect on the prosecution of the Tyler case, again, nor will it lessen the efforts of the state to prosecute in other cases wherein Western Federation of Miners officials and prominent members are defendants. Mr. Maxwell is disappointed at the verdict. Darrow says the defense expected an acquittal.

### BRYAN VISITS WHITE HOUSE

#### Nebraska Made Call "Simply to Pay Respects to President."

Washington, Nov. 25.—President Roosevelt and William J. Bryan were in conference for half an hour in the president's private office at the White House.

"I was not invited to call," said Bryan on leaving, "but I called up on the telephone and asked when the president would receive callers, and, being informed, went simply to pay my respects."

Mr. Bryan said that he had a "pleasant chat" with the president, but was not willing to discuss the details of his interview. He was glad, however, to add details to the financial plan which he proposed a few days ago. This, he said, was simply to have the government insure depositors in national banks against loss by reason of the failure of the banks. It was not intended, he said, to have the government keep a fund for this purpose. Whenever a national bank should be required to pay its depositors it would be the duty of the government to make an assessment on all national banks to meet the amount of loss by reason of the failure. This assessment, Mr. Bryan said, would be infinitesimal. Opposition to this plan, Mr. Bryan conceded, might be made by state banks, which would be left out. The answer to this, he said, was that the states should individually take up the same scheme and stand as a guarantor against loss to depositors in state banks.

### UNANIMOUS FOR GOMPERS

#### President of Labor Federation Re-Elected Without Dissenting Vote.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 25.—The American Federation of Labor, endorsing the every act of word and pen of its president, Samuel Gompers, and rebuking with all the force at the command of the English language those who have sought to malign his personal character or official conduct, unanimously re-elected Mr. Gompers to office for another term. Other officers of the federation were elected as follows: Vice presidents, James Duncan, Quincy, Mass.; John Mitchell, Indianapolis; James O'Connell, Washington; D. A. Hayes, Philadelphia; Daniel J. Keefe, Detroit; William D. Huber, Indianapolis; Joseph F. Valentine, Cincinnati. Treasurer, John B. Lennon, Bloomington. Ill. Secretary, Frank Morrison, Washington.

### FARMERS ARE SELLING WHEAT

#### Normal Conditions Return, with Slight Drop in Prices, and Grain Moves

Minneapolis, Nov. 25.—Country elevator managers are reporting to the Minneapolis grain firms that the movement of the crop is again near normal. Farmers are bringing in their grain and the scare caused by the recent tightening of the currency appears to be wearing off. Some of the farmers have also been induced to sell during the past few days by the drop in prices. The result is a return to active business among the elevators throughout Minnesota and North Dakota.

### Certificate Issue a Success.

Washington, Nov. 23.—The secretary of the treasury stated that subscriptions to the 3 per cent certificates were being received in large numbers and that the issue was already a successful one. In addition to subscriptions from individuals, many of the national bank depositories in the crop-moving sections of the south and west are availing themselves of the opportunity to purchase the certificates.

## ONE-HALF MILE OF MISFITS

### Long Procession of Divorce Seekers Marches on Court House at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Nov. 27.—Half a mile of dissatisfied wives, extending from the court house down Broadway, was the spectacle offered by St. Louis to an amazed public. There were some men, too, but they did not count. It was the weekly rush for divorcees by women who thought they would be better off without the marital yoke. In all, there were 230 applicants for freedom, and in 110 cases there was no opposition put up by the other half of the mismatched pair.

## PETTIBONE IS ON TRIAL

### WORK OF SECURING A JURY BEGINS AT BOISE.

### PRISONER STILL IN POOR HEALTH

#### Alleged Member of Inner Circle of Western Federation of Miners Faces Murder Indictment—Special Verdict of 100 Will Be Ordered.

Boise, Ida., Nov. 27.—The work of securing a jury for the trial of George A. Pettibone, charged with complicity in the assassination of ex-Governor Frank A. Steunenberg, began in the district court here this morning. The regular venire consists of thirty-five names and when these are disposed of a special venire of at least 100 will be ordered.

Attorneys on both sides agree that it will require a longer time than in the Haywood trial, when nearly a month was consumed in this preliminary work.

Pettibone was indicted with William Haywood, secretary; Charles H. Moyer, president, and Jack Simpkins, member of the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners, in March, 1904, for the murder of ex-Governor Frank Steunenberg at Caldwell, Ida., Dec. 30, 1905. He was arrested at Denver at the same time as Moyer and Haywood and brought to Idaho, following the confession of Harry Orchard, in which he admitted killing Steunenberg with a dynamite bomb and charged that he had been hired to commit the crime by the federation officers.

Pettibone had no official connection with the federation, but has been an honorary member since his arrest. It is charged by the state that he was the go-between between the so-called "inner circle" and their alleged hired assassins. After the acquittal of Haywood, application for bond was made for Moyer and Pettibone. The state refused to consent to Pettibone's release, but Moyer was allowed bail in the sum of \$25,000. The trial of Pettibone was set for Oct. 1, but continued several times because of the defendant's illness. Pettibone is still in poor health, but insists that he is able to stand trial.

## GOMPERS OPPOSES CANNON

### President of Federation of Labor Issues Proclamation to Union Men.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Copies of a proclamation, addressed "To all organized labor," and designed to defeat the election of Joseph G. Cannon as speaker of the house of representatives in the Sixtieth congress, have been sent to trades unions in every section of the country. The proclamation is signed by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor. The shortcomings of Speaker Cannon during the three congresses he has served in that position, as charged in this proclamation, are set forth at length, and each instance where by his vote or ruling he has acted in a way that seemed inimical to the interests of labor is given in detail.

## POPULISTS TO MEET AT ST. LOUIS

### National Nominating Convention Will Be Held There April 2.

St. Louis, Nov. 27.—After protracted balloting and consideration of the merits of several cities, the national committee of the People's party selected St. Louis as the place for the national nominating convention and set April 2 as the date for the gathering. Kansas City, Chicago, Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Oklahoma City were discussed.

Beside disposing of the convention matter, the committee met behind closed doors and prepared an address to the voters of the country, in which the "leading figures of the older parties" are complimented for taking up Populist teachings and are welcomed as converts.

### Bryan Dinner at Washington.

Washington, Nov. 27.—William J. Bryan was tendered a banquet and reception by "The United Democracy of the District of Columbia." Five hundred Democrats partook of the \$3 dinner and more than double that number participated in the reception and feast of oratory which followed. District Commissioner West was introduced by Willis J. Abbott as toastmaster, and at once inaugurated the speechmaking feature of the program. Mr. Bryan's nomination was predicted by each of the several speakers.

### Walsh's Books Not Used Against Him.

Chicago, Nov. 27.—An attempt on the part of the prosecution to force the presentation in court of the private books of John R. Walsh, on trial for alleged misapplication of the funds of the Chicago National bank, was frustrated by an adverse decision by Judge Anderson. The court held that an order requiring that the books be produced would amount to forcing the

defendant to testify against himself.

### "Short Money, Short Shovels."

Bedford, Ind., Nov. 27.—On account of the financial crisis 100 foreign laborers who used the pick and shovel at the Hoosier quarries had their wages cut from 15 to 12½ cents an hour. The angry men marched to the machine shops and had two and one-half inches cut from their shovels to meet the corresponding reduction in wages. They say, "Short money, short shovels."

### THAW'S TRIAL AGAIN DELAYED

#### Little Chance That It Will Be Called Until January.

New York, Nov. 25.—The second trial of Harry Kendall Thaw, set for one week from today, will again be postponed, and there is little chance that it will be called until some date well along in January. The decision to ask for a postponement has been agreed to by both sides. It is due partly to the fact that the task of selecting a jury would be made doubly hard by the approach of the holidays and the prospect before the talesmen of spending both Christmas and New Year's day locked up under the care of court bailiffs, and also to the fact that Thaw's counsel has applied to the court for permission to inspect the secret evidence presented before the lunacy commission during the progress of the first trial. As an added cause for delay there is a rumor that the attorneys now representing Thaw may apply for a change of venue, declaring a fair trial for their client in New York county is impossible. Such a move, if made, would be based upon the alleged unfriendly attitude of many of the local papers and the extent to which the evidence was printed and read in this county. District Attorney Jerome will seriously oppose the granting of a change in the scene of the trial.

### C. F. PERSONS PASSES AWAY

#### Well Known Newspaper Man Dies at Stamford, Conn.

New York, Nov. 23.—Charles F. Persons, until recently vice president and assistant general manager of the American Press Association, New York city, died at Stamford, Conn. Mr. Persons was born in Rushford, N. Y., fifty-three years ago and educated at the nearby schools and learned the printer's trade on the Cattaraugus Republican at Little Valley, N. Y. Later he started the Bradford (Pa.) Era at the time the Bradford oil fields were opened. From Bradford he moved to Olean, N. Y., where for many years he was editor and proprietor of the Olean Daily Herald.

About twenty years ago he became manager of the American Press Association's New York office, was promoted to secretary and assistant general manager and still later became vice president and assistant general manager. He was taken ill a year ago and went to California to recuperate, but the change did not prove beneficial. Three weeks ago Mrs. Persons died. Mr. Persons is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Frederick E. Gwinn, Jr., and Miss Marjorie Persons.

### HORNE'S VICTIMS RESTING WELL

#### Two Men Shot by Kansas City Editorial Writer Will Recover.

Kansas City, Nov. 25.—No charge has yet been preferred against General R. C. Horne, the stockholder and editorial writer of the Kansas City Post, who Saturday shot and wounded O. D. Woodward, president of the Post company, and H. J. Groves, managing editor of the paper.

General Horne is being held at the police matron's office at the city hall awaiting the outcome of the injuries suffered by his victims.

Both patients are resting well. The bullet which struck Groves has not been removed, nor has it been definitely located, although it is believed to be in the muscles of the back. Unless unfavorable symptoms develop, no effort will be made to remove the bullet for several days.

The bone in Woodward's arm was shattered and the necessity of amputation may develop, but his physician stated that it is too early to determine whether the member can be saved.

### UTES REACH RAPID CITY, S. D.

#### Sixty-One Indians Will Work for the Crouch Railroad Line This Winter.

Rapid City, S. D., Nov. 25.—The rebellious Ute Indians, sixty-one bucks with their wives and children, arrived here overland from the Cheyenne reservation and struck camp three miles west of here. They will be employed by the Crouch railroad line here for the winter and the government has leased 1,000 acres of land here for them from G. P. Bennett.

### Hearing at Kansas City Ends.

Kansas City, Nov. 23.—The case of the Missouri river shippers against the railroads before the interstate commerce commission has been concluded here. The plaintiffs claim that they have made a strong case before the commission. All available witnesses have been heard and they

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say they will introduce more evidence at Chicago. Evidence was introduced to show that the \$1.15 scale of rates to St. Paul is solely the making of the western lines, and that discriminatory rates against Kansas City are made by western lines.

### OMAHA BANKS WILL WAIT

#### Resume Cash Payments Soon as Other Cities Will Co-Operate.

Omaha, Nov. 25.—We would resume cash payments to all depositors today if we were assured that Chicago would resume Dec. 1, said Vice President Caldwell of the United States National bank, when his attention was called to the action of the Chicago clearing house, which is willing to western banks to ascertain their sentiment. "I believe this is the first united action toward putting an end to the present condition of things. We have plenty of money and could pay off every depositor. But, of course, we could not presume to resume cash payments here while the rest of the country still paid in paper. But so large is our supply of cash that we could go on from now to Dec. 1, as I have said, without help from Chicago if we were assured that on that date Chicago would resume payments. There is no part of the country so prosperous and so healthy as we."

### SHUMWAY IS DECLARED SANE

#### Nearly Half Hundred Witnesses Examined and Trial Continues.

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 25.—The state believes it won a good point in the Shumway murder trial when the commission appointed by Judge Kelligar to examine Shumway as to his sanity pronounced him perfectly sane.

Many witnesses were examined, the proceedings being practically a rehearsal of previous testimony as regards the identification of the bloody butcher knife, monkey wrench and Shumway's clothing found at the Martin home after the murder. A number testified to seeing Shumway at work in the field the day of the murder and also to having met him after he secured employment at Martin's house.

All told, about forty-five witnesses have been examined by the state. The case will not go to the jury before Wednesday.

### Three Men Assassinated.

Clio, Ark., Nov. 27.—Three men were assassinated as they stepped from a train here. The assassin is unknown. The dead are: Thomas R. Godfrey, a Blue Bluff lumberman; Clarence L. Bush, a telegraph operator; and A. R. McEwin, a singing teacher, who was a bystander.

### Commits Suicide at Age of Ninety-nine

Fall River, Mass., Nov. 27.—At the age of ninety-nine years, Charles W. Chace, a well-to-do farmer, decided that life was not worth living and committed suicide. He took Paris green and was dead when found. He left a note saying that he was tired of life.

### Weston Completes Long Walk.

Chicago, Nov. 27.—Edward Payson Weston completed the final lap of his record-breaking walk from Portland, Me., to Chicago this morning, lowering his record, established forty years ago, by one day.