

FISH TO SHINE ANEW

MAY LEAD GOULD WAR ON E. H. HARRIMAN.

Gould Lines Prepared to Spend \$100,000,000 in Betterment and Extensions, While Harriman Lines Pursue Rigid Policy of Retrenchment.

That George J. Gould, with Steyvesant Fish as his chief lieutenant, is to become an active foe of E. H. Harriman in the west and southwest, is one of the interesting stories following the recent storm in Wall street.

That Gould can obtain such an amount of money for improvements while Harriman has to economize to the extent of canceling contracts for office buildings, new rails and construction work, and even has to take off some of his finest western trains, is said to be significant in Wall street.

FRANCE HONORS THE DEAD.

Men Killed on Battleship Iena Given a National Funeral. The victims of the explosion on board the French battleship Iena were given an imposing national funeral at Toulon Saturday.

The coffins were piled on gun carriages draped with the tricolor of France. Almost the whole population of Toulon, dressed in mourning, lined the route of the funeral procession.

Cabinet ministers, representatives of all countries and many deputies, senators and officers of all arms attended the funeral.

The president conferred a number of decorations on the injured members of the crew of the Iena in the course of a visit which he paid to the hospital.

BLOODY STRIKE RIOT.

Two Men Probably Fatally Shot at Hammond, Ind.

In a strike riot Saturday at the East Chicago mill of the Republic Iron and Steel company at Hammond, Ind., several men were shot, two probably fatally. The trouble started when fifty laborers struck for higher wages.

Neosho Zecovich, a foreman, was shot through the shoulders. The wound will probably cause his death.

Several other foreigners were wounded by knife thrusts and bullets. The East Chicago police, led by Chief Higgins, arrived on the scene and after an hour's work, assisted by citizens, arrested twenty-one men and ended the riot.

Trust Plumbers Admit Guilt.

Six members of the so-called Allen county plumbers' trust, of Lima, O., pleaded guilty to conspiracy against local trade and asked for sentence. The court fined each \$50 and costs.

Sioux City Live Stock Market

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$5.50. Top hogs, \$6.55.

Slayer of Girl Convicted.

After deliberating for twenty-four hours a jury at Grafton, N. D., found Otto Weberg, charged with shooting Anna Enggalrud, guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced him to imprisonment for life.

Big Fire Loss in London.

Three big warehouses in the Finsbury district, London's busiest industrial center, were gutted by fire Saturday morning, causing damage to the amount of about \$1,000,000.

BROKERS SOBER UP.

Big Wall Street Spree is Finally Checked.

An unusual scene was enacted on the floor of the New York stock exchange Friday just after the market had closed strong and buoyant, in sharp contrast to the demoralization of Thursday.

A feature of the day was the statement by William Rockefeller. He said: "The present astonishing decline in the values of securities is as much a mystery to me as it can be to anyone."

That the present astonishing decline in the values of securities is as much a mystery to me as it can be to anyone, I know that public confidence has been disturbed, but I do not think that it could have been in any such measure as to justify so great a fall in prices.

JEFFRIES TO FIGHT AGAIN.

Champion Heavyweight is in Need of Money.

Jim Jeffries, the greatest pugilist of them all, has been compelled to come out of retirement and will be seen again in action in about four months. Jim needs the money badly and on that account he has notified Matchmaker McCarey, of the Pacific Athletic club, of Los Angeles, to match him with Bill Squires as soon as the Australian champion arrives in California.

Jeffries has lost considerable money gambling during the last twelve months. Word has been received in New York that he has given up his ranch outside of Los Angeles and has moved into the city. It is said that his money is all gone and that his wife has refused to give him any more.

LABOR WAR AT GOLDFIELD.

Every Mine and Business House to be Closed.

Thursday night the citizens of Goldfield, Nev., organized to fight the Industrial Workers of the World. Every mine and store will be closed indefinitely. It is agreed that no person in Goldfield shall employ any worker who is a member of the Industrial Workers of the World.

TWO NEGROES ARE LYNCHED.

Plans of Louisiana Mob Carried Out Without Slightest Hitch.

A special from Monroe, La., says Clint Williams and Henry Gardner, two young negroes, were taken from the city jail about 1 o'clock Friday and hanged in the court house square by a party of about fifty men.

Banker Walsh Indicted.

Judge Anderson, of Chicago, Friday sustained the demurrer filed by the attorney of John R. Walsh, former president of the Chicago National bank, to twenty-two counts in the indictments charging him with misuse of funds of the bank, and overruled the demurrer to the remaining 160 counts.

Burns Herself to Death.

Despondent because she feared she was losing her eyesight, Miss Mary Ollinger, of St. Louis, Mo., 27 years old, committed suicide by pouring kerosene upon her clothing and igniting it.

Small Ohio Town Destroyed.

Reports of the practical destruction of the town of Derwent, O., are true. The flood practically damaged or swept away every building in the town, which contained 290 people.

Maurice Grau is Dead.

Maurice Grau, the well known impresario, is dead in Paris, at the age of 58.

Want Man for Thirty-Year-old Crime.

Gov. Warner, of Michigan, has declined to honor a requisition by the governor of Ohio for the return to Williams county of Ira Bryan, a resident of Hudson, Mich., who is alleged to have been connected with incendiary fires in that state thirty years ago.

Bodies Brought from Wreck.

It is announced that 103 bodies had been recovered from the hulk of the French warship Iena at Toulon.

OHIO FLOOD IS DISASTROUS.

Property Loss of Millions in Great Valley.

Serious flood conditions prevail in western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and eastern Ohio. At 7 o'clock Thursday the water reached a stage of 34 1/2 feet at Herr's Island and 34.3 feet at Market street in Pittsburg, and at the headwaters the rivers are now stationary.

At 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon the thirty-mile ice gorge at Parker, Pa., broke. The immense gorge in the Clarion river has also started down stream.

Conditions in Pittsburg are the worst ever recorded. The whole lower downtown district is under water. Duquesne way, Penn avenue and Liberty street, running parallel with the Allegheny river, are submerged to a depth of several feet. Hundreds of business houses located in this district are flooded. In a number of instances the water is almost up to the second floor.

The guests in the Colonial, Lincoln and Anderson hotels are either marooned or compelled to use skiffs to and from the buildings. Trolley service between Pittsburg and Allegheny was suspended early Thursday, and at the Pennsylvania depot thousands of excited people were trying to board trains for Allegheny and other suburbs.

Trolley, elevator and telephone service is demoralized in different sections. Within thirty-six hours fourteen fatalities directly due to the flood have occurred.

CONFESSION EXTORTED.

Denver Prisoner Said to Have Been Cruelly Beaten.

Unless new and important evidence is found against Benjamin C. Wright, formerly of Chicago, he probably will never be tried on the charge of murdering his wife and child at Denver, Colo. District Attorney George A. Stidger admits that evidence to convict the man is lacking, but he has not yet dropped the investigation.

The alleged confession made by Wright to Chief of Police Michael A. Delaney is said to be worthless as evidence, having been obtained by use of physical force. Three physicians who examined Wright in jail after he made his confession declared that he had been cruelly beaten, as the prisoner asserted. No poison was found in the bodies of Mrs. Wright and her child, and it is alleged by the defense that their deaths probably were caused by carbon dioxide from a defective water heater, in which fire had been burning all night when the bodies were found.

WAGONMAKERS SCARED, TOO.

Threaten to Advance Price of Their Goods 50 Per Cent.

The retail price of buggies, wagons and general products of the wagon craft are to be advanced nearly 50 per cent this spring unless conditions regarding raw materials and transportation take a beneficial change. This decision was reached at a special meeting of the National Wagon Makers' association held in Chicago Thursday and ratified unanimously by the forty-seven members.

Italian Village Destroyed.

In the town of Borsano, Italy, 2,000 persons were Wednesday made homeless by a fire which destroyed the greater part of the village. The people were indifferent to the spread of the flames because their property was insured, and the authorities were obliged to force the peasants to work to check the conflagration.

Japanese Students Admitted.

Late Thursday nine little Japanese girls who had applied for admission to the Redding primary schools in San Francisco that morning were admitted after an examination as to their knowledge of the English language.

Rural Carrier Alleged Embezzler.

Deputy Marshal Skaggs, of Harrisburg, Ill., arrested John Morgan, a rural letter carrier at Maunie. Morgan is alleged to have embezzled money left by patrons with which to purchase money orders.

Vote on Strike Question.

Forty-seven thousand men, members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, west of Denver, are voting at Oakland, Cal., whether to go on a strike to enforce their demands for an increased scale of wages.

Soul Weighing is Nonsense.

Sir William Crookes, of London, says that the story from America about the weight of souls, as cabled to London, is absolute nonsense. Dr. C. W. Soley says: "It is a new and most imbecile version of materialism."

Four Are Drowned.

William Francis, wife, son and daughter were drowned in an effort to escape from the partially submerged and tottering home at Riverside, W. Va., to a place of safety.

To Convey \$2,000,000 to Manila.

Lieut. Short, of the Twenty-fifth infantry, stationed at Fort Bliss, near El Paso, Tex., Thursday received orders to report to San Francisco and take charge of \$2,000,000 of Philippine currency and convey it to Manila.

Metcalf to Inspect Warships.

Secretary Metcalf left Washington recently for Charleston, S. C., where he will board the United States ship Dolphin for a cruise of inspection in Cuban and Porto Rican waters.

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ESTATE SOLD BY COURT.

Life of William Haycard Will Remain Mystery at Cairo.

The sale by the administrator at public auction of the William Haycard place at Cairo closes up an incident that is still fresh in the minds of the people there. A little over a year ago Mr. Haycard, a hermit and odd character, was found partly sitting up in his rude bunk in the miserable hotel where he made his home.

Communication was established with a sister in Chicago, her address being found in a letter among his effects, and through them his family, from whom he had been estranged for years, was located in England. An administrator was appointed for the estate, and the place was sold to satisfy the expenses incurred by the coroner's inquest and burial, as well as a judgment which was filed against the place some years ago.

This is closed up the business affairs of one who was long a resident of the community, and was always considered an odd character. Why he, a man who had seen better days, and who for years had been urged by relatives well off in the world's goods to give up his lonely life and come to them in the east, should choose to live the hermit's life and at last starve and freeze to death in his lonely hotel is a matter hard to understand.

BAN ON SUNDAY BASEBALL.

No Legislation for "Fans" Will be Passed in Nebraska.

No Sunday baseball legislation can be expected from the present session of the legislature. The senate has refused to pass Aldrich's county anti-option bill. A similar measure has been slain in the house.

Acting on the message of Gov. Sheldon the senate reconsidered its action on the Jensen anti-lobby bill and sent it to the judiciary committee for definite changes. Sheldon has asked that a lobby bill be passed. The measure had been indefinitely postponed.

By a unanimous vote the senate passed the anti-pass bill. It differs slightly from the bill passed by the house, but limits free railroad transportation practically to employees and their immediate families.

The senate passed a bill providing for the forfeiture of charter for three years of any insurance company which removes suit against it to the federal courts.

A concurrent resolution providing for a legislative insurance investigation was indefinitely postponed.

St. Paul Gets Tax Money.

The Union Pacific followed the lead of the Burlington and paid into the Howard county treasury delinquent taxes for which judgment had been rendered in supreme court in the amount of \$16,957.90.

The amount of \$16,957.90, this, together with the \$8,434.46 which the Burlington paid in a few days ago, makes a total of \$25,392.36 paid by the recalcitrant companies.

Fire in School, But No Panic.

The fire department was called out Thursday by a small blaze in the attic of the West school building at Fremont. The children marched out without any panic or disturbance, although when those on the second floor came into the halls and saw the people rushing in they were strongly tempted to run.

Sent to Jail for Assault.

Clifford Chadwick, the second young man to be arrested in connection with the attack made upon two married women on the streets of Tecumseh Sunday night, is now in jail. He was apprehended at Elk Creek, taken to Tecumseh and tried in Judge Lawrence's court. He pleaded guilty.

Brink Pleads Not Guilty.

Frank Brink, accused of having shot his sweetheart, Bessie Newton, of Ponca, on the eve of her wedding in February and of having attempted suicide immediately afterwards, was held to the district court on the charge of murder by County Judge Fred W. Brown. He pleaded not guilty.

License or No License.

The municipal reform and citizen's party are the high sounding names under which the anti-license and license factions of Oakland are marshaling their forces for annual fray at the spring election.

Warm Fight at Blue Hill.

The independent peoples' party at Blue Hill held a caucus Saturday for the purpose of placing in nomination two village trustees. This is the first time in fifteen years that two tickets have been placed in the field.

Wedding at Ainsworth.

Olof Waldo Remy, one of the leading druggists of Ainsworth, and Miss Addie Osborne were married at Ainsworth in the presence of a large company of relatives and friends.

More Road Work Off.

Union Pacific officials Wednesday afternoon announced that work on the Athol Hill cutoff near Cheyenne, Wyo., would be discontinued at once because of adverse legislation toward that road, ending in a cut in rates.

New Depot at Columbus.

The Union Pacific will build a new passenger depot at Columbus large enough to accommodate the immense business of the road at that point. It is thought it will be east of the new freight depot just completed.

BIG ODD FELLOW MEETING.

Many Towns Attend Convention at Carroll.

The fifth annual meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Odd Fellows' association was one of the largest gatherings in the history of the association. Addresses were made by Grand Master J. E. Morrison, of Gandy; Deputy Grand Master Clark O'Hanlon, of Blair; Rev. Mr. Carroll, of Bloomfield; Rev. Mr. Hughes, of Thurston; Grand Chaplain Mead, of South Sioux City; Grand Patriarch E. L. Dimick, of Laurel, and others.

The degree work was done by teams from Winslow, Belden and Brandolph, the latter being especially praised for the work in the second degree.

The newly elected officers of the association are: President, Charles Flynn, of Wakefield; vice president, F. A. Berry, of Wayne; secretary, H. L. Peck of Randolph.

TO FIGHT CREIGHTON WILL.

Disinherited Nephews and Nieces Lay Plans for Contest.

Aggressive fighting plans are being made by those nephews and nieces of the late Count John A. Creighton who were not mentioned in Mr. Creighton's will, and an attempt will be made to break the instrument. Seven of the most prominent attorneys in the city have been retained by these seven relatives who were cut out of bequests, and a fight will be made to prevent the will being probated.

The amount left by Count Creighton is estimated at \$7,500,000, one-fourth being bequeathed to relatives and three-fourths to charitable and educational institutions. An attempt has been made to settle the matter out of court, the heirs all contributing to a fund with which to buy off the disinherited kinsmen, but the plan failed.

The will is to be probated Saturday unless a contest is instituted.

BOY SHOTS INTO SCHOOLROOM.

Charge Shatters Glass, but Children Are Unhurt.

A 17-year-old boy by the name of Taylor, who makes his home with Fred Story, about five miles west of Tekamah, went hunting with some companions recently. On their way home they passed the Spellman school house. While in front of the school house young Taylor told his chums to watch him break some window glass, and he shot twice, scattering glass all over the school room. The shot went over the children's heads and struck a picture at the other end of the room. Sheriff Phipps was notified and the boy was arrested. He was brought before Judge Bassler and entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$50 and costs.

NOT TO LEAVE OMAHA.

Union Pacific Manager Denies Such a Move is Contemplated.

General Manager Mohler, of the Union Pacific, denied that his company is considering the question of transfer of its headquarters from Omaha to some other location in Nebraska, but declared that owing to the unfavorable outlook a policy of retrenchment has been inaugurated. He said orders were issued stopping work on the Maryville cutoff in Kansas and also on a branch which is under construction in Colorado. Preparation for the erection of a \$1,999,000 headquarters building in Omaha was stopped several days ago.

Expect Lively Election.

The spring election is going to be a lively one in Plainview this year. The temperance people will make a determined effort to disperse with the saloons. The farmers who patronize the city demand saloons and the school district needs the license money. It will be a close contest, the city being about evenly divided on the question.

Beatrice Prepares for Teachers.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the Southeastern Nebraska Educational association, which will meet in Beatrice April 3-5. Two of the prominent speakers from abroad are E. G. Cooley, superintendent of the Chicago schools, and O. J. Kern, superintendent of the Winnebago county schools, of Illinois.

"Corn King" Returns to Farm.

Anton Pkota, the well known "corn king" of the Elkhorn, has taken up his residence on the farm which he has owned for some years adjoining West Point. The tract of land, comprising some 240 acres, is widely known as one of the most productive farms in the state. The farm is now completely fertilized.

Successful Revivals.

Rev. Geo. White and Rev. Mr. Davies with their chapel car, "Glad Tidings," closed a very successful series of revival meetings at Plainview at the car and the Baptist church. There were 173 conversions in the three weeks that the car was in that city.

Well Known Randolph Man Dead.

G. Wentworth, of Randolph is dead at the age of nearly 77 years. He was known and loved by nearly everyone in Randolph and familiarly known as "Grandpa Wentworth."

Land Up at Upland.

The record price for land in the vicinity of Upland was secured by Frank Osterlund recently. He sold his quarter section two miles north of town for \$12,500 cash.

Bloodhounds to Rescue.

The Fulton bloodhounds were taken to Valparaiso, Neb., recently to be used in running down the parties who robbed a store at that place.

Randolph Improvement Club.

The Randolph Improvement club was organized at a well attended meeting of citizens in the opera house. W. P. Hill is temporary president and H. L. Peck secretary. Permanent officers and a board of directors will be elected at a meeting Friday night.

No Retrenchment at David City.

The 2-cent rate and the paying of taxes did not stop the Union Pacific from making improvements in David City. They have adorned the depot with a coat of paint.



The railroads just at this time are working hard to create jealousy between the members of the senate and the members of the house so as to defeat any anti-railroad legislation which is now pending. This is an old game and it has been worked successfully in the past. It is being worked now on the anti-pass bill, one of which has passed the senate. The railroads are telling the senators they are not originating any legislation and therefore they should stand out for their anti-pass bill and they should turn down some of the house measures just to show the representatives they are not so many. In discussing the anti-pass bills now pending, Attorney General Thompson said:

"I believe the anti-pass bill, should it become a law, could be more easily and effectively enforced if it contained a provision similar to that of the Wisconsin anti-partnership or corporation, which shall offer or give, for any purpose, to any political committee, or any other member or employe thereof, or to any candidate for or incumbent of any public office or position under the constitution or laws of the state, or under any ordinance of any town or municipality, any free pass or frank, or any privilege withheld for the traveling accommodation or transportation of any person or property, or the transmission of any message or communication, and also providing that no person should be privileged from testifying in relation to anything therein prohibited, and that no person having so testified should be liable to any prosecution or punishment for any offense concerning which he is required to give his testimony or to produce any documentary evidence. The terms 'free pass' and 'bona fide employe' should also be distinctly defined in the act."

The Pullman lobby, consisting of Thos. Benton and Frank Ransom bumped up against a stone wall when it tried to head off a bill by Harrison O'Leary, to reduce Pullman charges in this state. The hearing was before the house railroad committee, and the Pullman spokesman waxed eloquent in pleading the poverty act. Thomas Benton had figures to show that the Pullman company ought to be in the alms house because it was a losing money all the time on its Nebraska business. Ransom insisted, as of old, that the Pullman company is not a common carrier at all, but simply a hotel keeper on wheels, and suggested that people would like it better any way to have the prices up high so as to keep the common herd out. The committee decided on a 20 per cent reduction instead of a 50 per cent reduction in the bill as originally introduced, would give relief for the present and will so report.

The railway commission has issued the following address to the people of Nebraska:

"The railway commission is anxious to discover the exact condition regarding car shortage in this state, and through the public press requests shippers to furnish it with information of their necessities, so that reliable data can be collected. When all the facts are before the commission it will take such steps as may be within its powers to relieve the situation. Communications should be addressed to the Nebraska State Railway Commission, Lincoln. Answers should be given to the following questions: "First—Number of cars you actually need for loading March 20. "Second—Number of cars of each kind of grain on hand. "Third—General condition of corn."

That the railroads are bending every energy to block the railway legislation demanded by the people is clearly evidenced by the influx of railway lobbyists, high and low, who are now gathered so thick that no one can move without running into one of them. The list of railroad manipulators includes for the Burlington General Manager Holdrege, Tax Commissioner Pollard, W. A. Dilworth, Lee Spratlan, Frank Young, Superintendent Byram for the Union Pacific, Attorney Edson Rich, Tax Commissioner Scribner, Charlie Lane and the redoubtable Bob Clancy for the Northwestern, Ben White and Bob McGlinch, General Manager Holdrege came down in his private car, and brought with him the bulk of this delegation to join the retinue regularly retained here.

Gilem, of Red Willow, who is one of the old timers in the house and who has good ideas about legislation which never fail to impress the house when he speaks them, is in favor of the taxation of railroad terminals for city and village purposes. "When I first came down," said Mr. Gilem, "I was not in favor of the taxation of railroad property locally for I was not sure it would not injure the small towns. I studied the matter very carefully and without prejudice, and I am heartily in favor of the bill now pending. It will help every city and village in the state. Besides it is a part of our platform and we should pass the bill."

Judge Ruscoe Pound, former supreme court commissioner and now dean of the university law department has given his indorsement to the Clarke bill for the taxation of railroad terminals.

All the members of the Douglas county board of county commissioners were in conference with the house committee on fees and salaries over the bill, to put an end to the jail feeding graft. After threshing the subject out, with Sheriff McDonald present, the consensus of opinion was that the bill should be put through for a contract to supply meals to the prisoners, and that the sheriff's salary should be fixed at \$4,000 without any perquisites, both propositions to go into effect Jan. 1 next.