

ALL SWEDEN MOURNS

KING OSCAR DIES IN CASTLE AT STOCKHOLM.

Duke of Verland Takes Oath of Office and Assumes Title of Gustave V.—King Unconscious for Hours Before Death and Unable to Say Farewell.

Oscar II., king of Sweden, died at 5:10 o'clock Sunday morning. The death of the venerable monarch occurred in the royal apartment of the palace, where, surrounded by the members of his family, including the aged queen Sophia and the crown prince, Oscar Gustave, and ministers of state, the inevitable end had been awaited, while outside the palace great crowds stood with bowed heads and tearful eyes long after the announcement came of the death of their well-loved sovereign.

The whole country is bowed with grief, for King Oscar was something more than a ruler of his people and had endeared himself to them as an intimate and personal friend. When the flag on the palace was dipped to half mast there was a moan of anguish from the assembled multitude, and many of them cried, "Our dear old king is dead."

The succession to the throne of Sweden now passes to Oscar Gustave Adolphe, duke of Verland, the oldest son of the late king. At a meeting of the council of state Sunday afternoon the new king took the oath of allegiance under the title of Gustave V., and adopted the motto, "With the people, for the fatherland."

The princess then took the oath of allegiance and the new monarch accepted the homage of the state officials.

The last hours of the expiring monarch were passed in unconsciousness and up to the end he gave no sign of recognizing those about him.

MRS. LOUISA TAFT DEAD.

Mother of Secretary of War Passes Away After Long Illness.

Death, which has been expected almost hourly for a week past, was announced Sunday morning at 12:20 o'clock from the bedside of Mrs. Louisa Maria Taft, of Milbury, Mass., mother of William H. Taft, secretary of war. Mrs. Taft was the widow of Alphonse Taft, secretary of war and attorney general of the United States under President Grant, and later minister to Austria and Russia.

Mrs. Taft was attacked last July with acute indigestion and a gradual breakdown of her vigorous constitution soon followed. Secretary Taft, her son, had visited her on Independence day and left her apparently in normal health to go to his summer home in Canada, from which place he was summoned on Aug. 15, because of alarm at his mother's condition. He spent a day at her bedside and found her in a less dangerous condition than he had supposed. The imperative duties of his official life called him to Washington, where plans for a tour of the world had been so definitely arranged that they could not be changed and his mother was reported as rallying her strength and he proceeded to carry out his program.

Mrs. Taft resided in the old homestead, where she had lived as a girl and which is now the home of her sister, Miss Delia Torrey.

SLAIN IN RESTAURANT.

Dead Kansan's Business Partner Held as Murder Suspect.

William I. Stewart, proprietor of a restaurant in East Iola, Kan., and member of a prominent family in Yates Center, Kan., was brutally murdered near his place of business at an early hour Sunday morning. The body, which was found at daylight, bore evidence of seven wounds, any one of which would have produced death.

The skull had been fractured in four places, the jugular vein severed and the trachea twice severed. Stewart and Crescenzo were crouching together at Stewart's home until after midnight, when someone knocked at the back door. Stewart answered the summons and announced in a maudlin manner that he was going out for a walk, but would soon return. He was not seen by his family again, and it is believed he was killed several hours later. Near his body were some dead chickens, placed there for the evident purpose of conveying the impression that he had been killed for a chicken thief. The police scout this suggestion. That Stewart put up a hard fight for his life is evidenced by the manner in which the ground was torn up.

Trust Company Resumes Business

The Bath, Me., trust company, which closed its doors on Oct. 28 because of the withdrawal of deposits following the banking difficulties in New York City, resumed business Monday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$4.25. Top hogs, \$4.90.

PERISH BY HUNDREDS.

Miners in Two West Virginia Shafts Entombed.

Three charred bodies lying in the improvised morgue, four badly injured and 493 men imprisoned by tons of coal, rock and mine debris in the depth of the hills surrounding Monongah, W. Va., a mining town, with the chances all against a single one of them being alive, was the most accurate summary obtainable Thursday night of a mine explosion which occurred that day, which in all probability was attended by greater loss of life than any former disaster in the history of the bituminous coal mining industry in America.

The explosion occurred shortly after 10 o'clock Thursday, after the full force of 500 men had gone to work in the two mines affected. The mines are Nos. 6 and 8 of the Consolidated Coal company, located on opposite sides of the west fork of the river but merged in their underground workings by a heading and on the surface by a great steel tippie and bridge.

The finding of three bodies and four dying men is the only reward for strenuous and uninterrupted work on the part of the large rescuing forces that immediately set to work at every possible point. The four living men, while unable to give any detailed account of the disaster, state that immediately back of them, when they began their frantic struggle for liberty, there was a large number of men engaged in a similar struggle, while still farther back in the workings there was a larger number of whom they know nothing.

There is much speculation as to the cause of the explosion, but it is thought it was caused by black damp. It is believed that a miner attempted to set off a blast which blew out and ignited an accumulation of gas and this ignited the coal dust, a highly inflammable substance found in greater or less quantities in all West Virginia mines.

SHOULD CURB MOTHER LOVE.

Not Civilized If Too Intense, Says Chicago Club Woman.

Mothers who love their offspring too intensely are not full civilized, in the opinion of Mrs. Harriet Van Devaart, head of Neighborhood house, Chicago, who gave her views before the members of the West End Mothers' council Thursday.

Mrs. Van Devaart inclines to the view of Plato and G. B. Shaw, that maternity is an expression of the universal function of woman and that the accumulated wisdom of generations of mothers, rather than that of a single mother.

"The fierce passion of many modern mothers who love their children with an exclusive love belongs to the time when the race was in its infancy," declared Mrs. Van Devaart. "The mother who shelters and thinks only of her own has not progressed far beyond the brute creation."

TO ATTACK BROWN WILL.

Mrs. Bradley Will Bring Action to Break It.

Now that she has been acquitted on the charge of murder, Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, through her attorneys and in behalf of her children, will bring an action to break the will of the late Senator Arthur Brown, whom she shot to death in Washington. Her friends at Salt Lake City say that such a course has been contemplated ever since the will was opened. The contest will be based on the written acknowledgment of Senator Brown that Mrs. Bradley's two sons are his own. In his will Brown expressly disavowed the paternity of the two children and stipulated they should receive nothing from his estate. The greater part of the estate amounting in all to some \$50,000, was devised to his son Max and his daughter Alice. The attack on the will, which has already been admitted to probate, will not commence until Judge Powers returns from Washington.

FARELL JURY DISAGREES.

Alleged Irish Leader Took Part in Unlawful Assembly.

The jury before which James Farrell, Irish nationalist, member of parliament for North Longford, and forty other men were tried at Dublin on charges of taking part in an unlawful assembly likely to cause a riot, has disagreed. This has been the result of all but one of the many trials held during the past fortnight throughout Ireland of men charged with cattle driving and inciting to riot. Disagreements by the juries have been general in spite of the fact that the presiding judge had pointed out that according to the evidence the men clearly were guilty. Mr. Farrell and his companions were tried at Leinster assizes.

Van Tassel Convicted.

Guy Van Tassel was found guilty of murder of Policeman Luke Fitzpatrick in Chicago and sentenced to life imprisonment by a jury in the criminal court. Fitzpatrick was killed at Madison avenue station, on the south side elevated road, November 10, 1906.

"Dry" Wave in Illinois.

Hundreds of saloons have been closed in Illinois, the local option voted at the last election in fourteen counties becoming effective. Eight counties are now totally "dry," while six allow saloons only in a few precincts.

Fire Causes Half Million Loss.

The East Cambridge machine shops and round house of the Boston and Maine railroad burned Thursday night. The loss is estimated at \$500,000.

BLOW TO ARMY MEN.

New Roosevelt Order to Pass Men to Retire.

The war department Thursday published a general order extending its original orders relative to retiring lists of officers of the army. The president now requires every 100 officers to make a daily practice of retiring more than thirty miles for three years in succession each year. All officers also required to accompany their commands on the monthly practice marches.

The advanced stand taken by the president in the matter of physically testing the condition of officers of the army, in the face of strong pressure from commercial bodies throughout the country in favor of the retention in service of engineers and other staff officers, who, though perfectly competent to discharge their ordinary duties, would probably be unable to respond to the demands of active campaign service, has filled with apprehension a number of senior officers of grades between captain and colonel, inclusive.

Because the president in his original letter directing the retiring test referred only to officers, it was in some quarters believed that he might be willing to waive the application of such a test to staff officers, whose duties in time of peace do not carry them into the field. In his message to congress just delivered the president indicated, however, a contrary purpose, and the order published Thursday extends in severity the test originally proposed, and will probably be the means of causing the summary retirement from the army of a considerable number of officers.

BIG FAILURE IN KANSAS CITY.

National Bank of Commerce Closes Its Doors.

The National Bank of Commerce at Kansas City, Mo., failed to open its doors Thursday morning and is in the hands of the national bank examiner. The bank is one of the oldest there and the largest financial institution in the city. The bank has been in a weakened condition since its last statement, August 22, when it was stated the institution owed the clearing house close to \$1,000,000.

When the financial disturbance came and the clearing house decided to issue clearing house certificates, rumors regarding the bank's condition came, and the clearing house, in the past few days, has held several conferences of other national banking officials in this connection, and means of keeping the bank open were discussed. Wednesday much surprise was expressed when the request of the comptroller for a statement of the condition of the banks was not responded to by the National Bank of Commerce. The other local banks published their statements, showing a healthy condition, but the officials of the Commerce announced its statement would not be forthcoming till Thursday. This created further distrust in the bank's condition, and after conferences lasting into the early hours of Thursday morning the clearing house officials decided they could not aid the failing bank.

GREAT WEALTH ON FARMS.

If Turned Into Cash It Would End Famine.

Answers to a circular letter sent by C. R. Erwin, of Chicago, to the editors of agricultural papers in various sections of the country show that the nation's land products are of such volume and value as to insure a speedy end of the financial stringency, provided they can be turned into cash. Mr. Erwin, who is president of an advertising agency, sought first hand information and was surprised at the uniformly favorable reports. Kansas, according to Arthur Capper, of the Mail and Freeze, has \$209,000,000 worth of grain, and the bank deposits of the state aggregate \$165,000,000. Prices for dairy products are satisfactory from Waterloo.

A decrease in the number of bushels harvested will not affect Indiana farmers, because of increased prices, says the Indiana Farmers' Guide.

The crops in South Dakota show an increase in value of \$15,000,000 over 1906 and conditions in North Dakota are said to be even better.

Canada is full of wheat, says a Winnipeg correspondent, and bank deposits have increased \$14,000,000 over last year.

Troops to Goldfield.

President Roosevelt Thursday night instructed Gen. Funston to dispatch a sufficient force of regulars to Goldfield, Nev., to control the situation there. This action was taken upon receipt of telegraphic request from the governor of Nevada.

Find Missing Cashier's Body.

The body of D. R. Rankin, cashier of the defunct Merchants and Planters' bank at Lawton, Okla., who mysteriously disappeared a month ago, was found in Cache creek, near there, Wednesday.

To Dissolve Partnership.

It was announced that the partnership between Barring & Co., the New York representatives of Barring Bros., limited, of London, and Kidder, Peabody & Co., of Boston, will be dissolved Jan. 1 next.

Admiral Evans Sails.

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans' flagship Connecticut sailed for Hampton Roads Thursday, whence he will lead the battleship fleet to the Pacific.

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TO RESUME CONSTRUCTION.

Union Pacific Road Again Employing Workmen.

Positive announcement of the resumption of Union Pacific construction is made by General manager Mohler. When the banks shut down on cash payments five weeks ago the Union Pacific was quick to follow with the announcement that practically all of the big work that under way, including the double tracking of its main line, construction of culverts and bridges in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, besides the building of several new branches of extensions, was to be stopped entirely because of inability to secure cash to pay for labor or material. This order emanated from President Harriman in New York and affected all parts of the Harpman system.

For two days rumors have been current that the order had been revoked and that thousands of men were being re-employed. Harpman's Chief Executive officials have refused to either confirm or deny the rumors. In making the announcement General Manager Mohler said:

"When work was stopped we were having difficulty in getting both men and material, but so many men have been laid off elsewhere that we find we can get plenty of men for this class of work, and are glad of the chance. Material, which was hard to get for bridges and culverts, is also coming along, and we have decided later this winter to go ahead. When we shut down five weeks ago we feared it would be a longer period."

Mr. Mohler said further that all the men that can be obtained will be put to work as long as the weather permits. Mr. Mohler said he was unable to speak for other lines of the system, but from other sources it is learned 6,000 men have been re-employed within the past few days. They will work on the northern lines while the weather remains mild, later being taken to the lines of the Southern Pacific, where work will continue through the winter.

KILLED AT GRADE CROSSING.

Horse Escapes but Buggy and Man Are Struck.

Henry Day, a painter, was run over and killed at the railroad crossing near the hemp mill at Havelock by Burlington passenger train No. 12, going east, at 4:30 p. m. Mr. Day lived in Lincoln and was going out to his daughter's, Mrs. East, east of Havelock, for a few days' visit. He stopped in Havelock and bought a few articles to take along. He was driving a single horse and a buggy and it is thought the boy being up he did not see the approaching train. The horse got over the crossing all right and escaped unhurt, the engine striking the buggy and smashing it into kindling wood. Mr. Day was picked up eighty feet away from the crossing with nearly every bone in his body broken and a big hole cut in his head. Mr. Day was a widower and was 57 years old.

STOLEN TEAM RECOVERED.

Thieves Abandon Horses and Make Escape.

G. W. Losey, chief captain of the North Nebraska Anti-Horse-stealing association, returned to Battle Creek recently from Elgin with the team of horses stolen from Charles Preuner, a farmer living seven miles south of Battle Creek. Pursuit was taken up immediately after the theft. The thieves, two men, were traced to Elgin, Neb., and from there to Elgin, just north of Elgin Mr. Losey and his assistants succeeded in heading off the thieves, who abandoned the team to make their own escape. Good descriptions were obtained of both men and every effort will be made to apprehend them.

After Plaintiffs Liquor Men.

Deputy Food Commissioner Johnson has notified the county attorney of Cass county to begin prosecutions against a number of liquor dealers in Plattsmouth for violating the pure food law by not properly branding the bottles in which they keep liquor for sale.

Stock Yards Report Wanted.

Attorney General Thompson has received permission to file a motion with the supreme court for a mandamus to compel the Union Stock Yards company at South Omaha to file a report with the state railway commission as to the common carriers.

No New Trial for Showway.

Judge Kelliar in the district court at Peatrice overruled a motion for a new trial for R. Moad Showway, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Sarah Martin, and sentenced to be hanged March 12. The case will be taken to the supreme court.

Fire Gives Guests a Scare.

Fire in the basement of the Royal hotel at Lincoln gave the guests a bad scare but beyond that did little damage. The building was filled with smoke and the occupants, becoming alarmed, made their escape in scanty raiment.

Regins Get Butter.

Furglers got into Clark & Co's grocery store at 2365 Leavenworth street, Omaha, some time ago by prying open a rear window. Four cans of butter, containing five pounds each, were the only articles taken.

Elevator at Hospital.

The board of public lands and buildings let the contract for a push button elevator to the Otis Elevator company of Chicago and Omaha, for \$3,280. The elevator is to be constructed in the Orthopedic hospital at Lincoln.

State School Apportionment.

State Treasurer Brian has certified the semi-annual school apportionment to Superintendent McBrien. The sum is \$296,542.57, against \$251,896.54 last December.

INDIAN ACCUSED OF ASSAULT.

A Bad Indian Who Has a Bad Record.

Charley Bonepart, a noted Winnebago Indian, is held in the county jail at Fender upon a complaint filed by Mrs. Charles Fisher, a Winnebago Indian woman, who is a middle-aged widow, charging Bonepart with attempted assault and robbery. About April 1, last, she alleges, Bonepart forcibly entered her home and forcibly took her money, amounting to about \$27, and then attempted to assault her. A warrant was then placed in the hands of the sheriff, who could not find the Indian. Recently Bonepart, who is about six feet two inches tall, weighing about 250 pounds, returned to the reservation. Soon after he came to Fender, where he indulged in an overdose of firewater. He then insulted some of the women of the town and was arrested. Since the former complaint was lodged against him, it is rumored that under threats several witnesses to former like offenses have disappeared, and at this time it is doubtful whether Mrs. Fisher will appear against him. County Attorney Chase being absent, his deputy will prosecute. Bonepart is feared by many of his tribe and twelve years ago he got into an altercation with Henry Rice, a peaceable Indian, whereupon a fight ensued. Bonepart, using a hoe, killed his brother Indian upon the spot. For this crime he was prosecuted, but pleaded self-defense and was finally acquitted.

THIEVES BUSY AT SHELTON.

Two Boys Are Sentenced to the Reformatory.

For the third time during the week burglars visited the stores of Shelton. The general store of Unprecht Bros. was entered by the cellar window and every pocket knife in the show cases was taken and all the money drawers and the cash register were rifled of their change, amounting to a few dollars, the total theft amounting to something near \$50. The postoffice cellar was entered and an effort made to come up through the floor, but in this they failed. The parties who entered the store of Hansen & Bernhard were caught with the plunder and proved, as supposed, to be two boys named Kelly living in town, and Marshall Carlisle took them to Kearney and they will probably be sent to the industrial school, as neither of them is more than 15 years of age. The sheriffs of Buffalo and Hall county have been sent for and bloodhounds will be brought into use, the postoffice authorities have been notified, and every effort will be made to capture the thieves.

NO MORE CASHIER'S CHECKS.

Paper Exchange is Gradually Being Supplanted by Currency.

While planning to continue the withholding of entire cash payments and substituting cashier's checks until after the monthly pay rolls of December are met, bankers of Omaha propose to retire the checks as fast as possible and not issue more of them. "The checks are being retired every day," said Henry W. Yates, president of the Clearing House association. "We shall continue to retire them. I do not know of any new ones being issued, unless it be a few \$1 and \$2 checks needed for change." The rule has been in effect by Omaha and generally through the west, just thirty business days. The pay rolls of Nov. 1 were paid in 29 to 49 per cent cash and the balance in cashier's checks. Gradually the situation brightened and half money and half checks were paid before the rule had been in effect two weeks, while many business houses paid their employees all cash.

RED PAINT CAUSES WAR.

Art Association Clashes with Lincoln Councilors.

Alleging that it is an injustice to paint a tower on the roof of a gray building glaring red, the Nebraska Art association at Lincoln sought an injunction to stop the decorative effects of the county commissioners. The attorneys for the art association declare that the tower should be painted gray. The county commissioners assert that they will fight the injunction and will try to adhere to their own color scheme.

Lincoln Educator Dead.

Prof. Jeffrey G. Hebeck, professor of Germanic and Slavonic languages at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, is dead of pneumonia following an illness of several weeks. Prof. Hebeck was a native of Bohemia, and came to Nebraska from the University of Iowa. He was but 23 years of age, but was recognized as one of the leading instructors in Slavonic literature.

Auto Victim Wants \$900.

For injuries received in a collision Aug. 21 with Fred Metz's automobile at Omaha, William C. Henton has begun suit in county court for \$900 damages. He says he was thrown out and his ankle sprained. Damages to the buggy and harness are also included in the amount asked for.

Death of McNavy Accidental.

The coroner's inquest over the body of James McNavy, of Lincoln, who was killed at Seventeenth and Dodge streets, Omaha, by being run into by a boy on a bicycle, was held recently and the jury found that his death was purely accidental.

Damaged Eye Draws \$600.

The Union Pacific railroad has consented to a verdict for \$600 in favor of John H. Tighe, a miner, for the loss of an eye while working in the shops at Omaha. A piece of metal struck Tighe's eyeball and destroyed the sight.

Child Dies from Burns.

Camillo Meckman, a 10-year-old daughter of Alex Beckman, died at the hospital in Fremont from the effects of burns which she received while playing around a bonfire Thanksgiving day. Her condition was considered serious from the first.

Found Dead in Vacant House.

Harry Lee, a character of Waterloo, was found dead in a vacant building in the west part of town with a jug of whisky by his side, indicating the cause of death.



1120—Prince William, son of Henry I. of England, drowned in the White Ship.

1237—Frederick II. defeated the Milanese at Corte Nuova.

1382—French defeated the Flemings at Rosbeque.

1499—Edward Plantagenet, Earl of Warwick, beheaded.

1520—Magellan enter the Pacific ocean.

1628—John Felton, assassin of the Duke of Buckingham, executed.

1691—The French retook Acadia.

1703—England visited by one of the worst storms ever recorded.

1706—Colonial assembly of North Carolina repealed acts of intolerance.

1765—The landing of revenue stamps at Brunswick, N. C., resisted.

1776—Washington's army occupied Trenton.

1778—Washington went into winter quarters at Middlebrook, N. J.

1782—Franklin and his colleagues signed a preliminary treaty of peace with Great Britain.

1802—Ohio admitted to the Union by authority of Congress.

1804—Impeachment trial began of Justice Samuel Chase of the United States Supreme Court.

1808—Sir Francis Nathaniel Burton took office as Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada.

1814—Gen. Andrew Jackson defeated the Creek Indians at Autosse, Ala.... The London Times used the first rotary steam press.

1824—Henre Fauntleroy, a banker, executed in London for forgery.

1830—Beginning of the Polish revolution.

1832—First street railway car exhibited and operated.

1845—British Parliament passed the Aberdeen act, to enforce the observance of a convention made with Brazil in 1826 to suppress the slave trade.... Famous Fleet prison, London, demolished, after nearly eight hundred centuries' existence.

1854—Railway communication established between Montreal and Point Levis, Quebec.

1855—Kars surrendered to the Russians under Mouravieff.

1892—Gen. Grant started on his expedition into Mississippi.

1893—Gen. Burnside defeated Gen. Longstreet in an action south of the Holston river.... Gen. Longstreet made a gallant but unsuccessful attack on Fort Sanders.

1898—Gen. Custer defeated the rebellious Indians on the Wichita river.

1873—The Hoosier tunnel completed.

1878—Gov. Jackson sent troops into Breathitt county, Kentucky, to suppress feud troubles.

1885—Hostilities ceased between Serbia and Bulgaria.

1889—Welland canal opened.

1898—Marshal Blanco resigned the office of captain general of Cuba.

1899—Battle of Modder river.

1906—Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern railway, killed in a wreck.



New York prohibitionists are planning a crusade to move the State into the "dry" column. A State ticket will be put into the field.

A conference between Roger Sullivan, Bryan's openly avowed enemy, in control of the Illinois Democratic organization; Tom Taggart of Indiana and Leader Murphy of New York City's Tammany Hall at Mount Clemens, Mich., was generally understood to be the first open effort to bring the anti-Bryan forces of the party into effective action.

Mayor and Mayor-elect Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland announced that "under no circumstances will he be a candidate for the presidency," and that Cleveland is the sphere of his duty at this time. He will consider nothing but the issue of 3-cent fares for that city. He has refused all invitations to speak at party gatherings or banquets.

In a letter sent to the heads of the various governmental departments, President Roosevelt has made known his unwillingness to have his candidacy forced upon the next presidential convention through the political activities of men holding official position. This letter, the substance of which has been made public, states that it has been called to the President's attention that certain office holders in each of the departments have been proposing to obtain election as delegates to the national convention with the intention of advocating his re-nomination or his endorsement by State conventions.