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REPUBLIC GOES DOWN

CAPT. SEALBY AND CREW TAKEN OFF BY THE GRESHAM.

Her Passengers and Those of Sunken Steamer Are Taken Aboard the Baltic, Which is Now on Way to New York Under Slow Steam.

The palatial ocean steamer Republic, of the White Star line, which was in collision with the Italian liner Florida early Saturday morning off Nantucket, Mass., went down at 8:30 o'clock Sunday night.

The Republic was in tow of the revenue cutter Gresham and the derelict destroyer Seneca, proceeding to New York, when she sank. On board her was Capt. Sealby with a volunteer detail of fifty of her crew.

The Gresham and the Seneca then headed for the Massachusetts coast and landed Capt. Sealby and his brave crew at Grayhead, Mass., or Newport, R. I. The point where the Republic went down was off No Man's Island, a small island south of Martha's Vineyard island, off the Massachusetts coast.

AMBUSHED AND KILLED.

Man and Two Women Shot by Family Foes in Kentucky.

Ambushed by family foes, Benjamin Brodland, his wife and Mrs. Joe Everett, the latter carrying an infant in her arms, were shot and killed at Amite City, Ky., Sunday night.

Blond was captured after an all night search. He declares Kinchen killed Brodland, and will not say who killed the woman.

Mrs. Everett's husband was killed by Benjamin Kinchen, a brother of Garfield, several days ago, and the widow and her baby were making their home with the Brodlands. Bad feeling has existed among the families for a number of years.

DEAD ON A DOORSTEP.

Body of a Woman Shot in the Mouth Found in St. Louis.

More than twelve hours after the police found a young woman dead on the doorstep of a negro preacher's home at St. Louis, Mo., it was developed by an autopsy that she had been shot in the mouth. As yet her identity has not been disclosed.

Three More Bodies Found.

Grappling in the lake, searchers Sunday found three more bodies of workmen who perished in the burned wreck of South Chicago Wednesday.

Crew All Rescued.

The rescue of the six men left on board the wrecked American schooner Sequoi, fast on Scabird rocks, and Mate Swenson, who has remained on the rocks, was effected Sunday morning.

Murdered by a Negro.

Conductor Burr Hall, of a Texas and Pacific train, was shot and killed by a negro passenger while the train was passing Wall's Spur late Sunday night.

Many Women Faint.

Many women fainted Sunday night at St. Louis, Mo., during a panic in the coliseum, which held 14,000 persons listening to Gypsy Smith, an evangelist.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$6.00. Top hogs, \$6.50.

For Universal Suffrage.

The socialists held numerous public meetings throughout Berlin Sunday to discuss universal suffrage. At the end of the meetings they attempted to form processions in the various streets with the intention of marching to the palace to make a demonstration before the emperor.

HADLEY MOVED BY IT.

"Mysterious Stranger's" Portrait Presented Him.

An unusual incident took place in the United States district court at Kansas City, Mo., Friday when Gardiner Lathrop, general solicitor of the Atchafalaya and Santa Fe railway, presented to Gov. Herbert S. Hadley a large sized picture of "The Mysterious Stranger," the gift of John T. McCutcheon, illustrator of the Chicago Tribune.

The presentation was made just after Gov. Hadley had concluded his argument before Judge Smith McPherson of the cases of the eighteen Missouri railroads that are fighting the enforcement of the Missouri 2-cent and maximum freight laws.

"The Mysterious Stranger," a creation of Mr. McCutcheon, made its first appearance in print in 1904 when Missouri for the first time in thirty years cast its electoral vote for a republican candidate for president.

When Mr. Lathrop took the picture to the judge's bench and, after showing it to the court, turned it towards the overcrowded court room cheers broke out and the spectators clapped their hands and continued for nearly a minute.

Visibly affected, Gov. Hadley arose and accepted the picture. He said:

"It is the course of the greatest gratification that after four years of service for the people as attorney general they thought I had 'made good' enough to make me their governor. I may represent the party at whose head stands the 'mysterious stranger,' but my administration as governor will not be an administration for the 'mysterious stranger,' but an administration for Missourians."

BANKER A BIG EMBEZZLER?

California Man Accused of Stealing Large Sum.

Homer C. Taber, president of the San Diego Bank and Trust company, was arrested in San Diego, Cal., Thursday evening, according to word received by the sheriff, and will be taken to Pioche, seat of Lincoln county, Nev., to answer to nineteen indictments found by the grand jury and said to involve the embezzlement of approximately \$750,000.

It is said only these indictments saved Taber from having to answer to a charge in that county of embezzling \$10,000 worth of bonds from U. S. Grant, Jr., of San Diego.

TO SHOW LEAVITT PICTURE.

Paris Canvas of Bryan's Son-in-Law to Be Exhibited This Fall.

William Homer Leavitt, of Newport, R. I., son-in-law of William Jennings Bryan, has finished his canvas in Paris of the "Lord's Supper" and has sent it to Newport.

The painting is about 17 feet by 22 feet and, according to the artist, fulfills the idea on which he has been working for the last three years.

Mr. Leavitt and his mother are to leave Paris in two weeks and will come to Newport. They will remain here until fall, when Mr. Leavitt will exhibit the picture in New York and Washington.

MANY PERSONS ARE KILLED.

A Great Storm Swept Over the Northern Part of Morocco.

A terrible tempest, accompanied by a torrential downpour of rain, raged for five hours Thursday night over the northernmost section of Morocco, near Ceuta.

There were no casualties in Ceuta, but reports brought in by native runners from Rhmara territory, a mountainous district to the south, declare that several small villages have been overwhelmed and many persons killed or injured.

U. P. to Extend Its Line.

It is announced by the officials of the Union Pacific railroad that the road will extend its track eastward from Greeley, Colo., to a point eight miles east of Pierce, and tap the new Greeley-Poudre irrigation district, which has opened 150,000 acres of arable lands.

Ban on Race Gambling.

Developments in the fight being made by the race track interests to prevent the enactment in California of a law similar to that in effect in New York prohibiting betting upon races showed that within a short period it would be ready for the signature of Gov. Gillett.

Tragedy in Illinois.

Alvin Boline Friday at Galva, Ill., shot his wife, his mother-in-law, Mrs. John Swanson, and himself. Boline died instantly and Mrs. Swanson is perhaps fatally injured.

Statement of the Treasury.

Friday's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve shows available cash balances, \$159,680,337; gold coin and bullion, \$15,947,709; gold certificates, \$31,942,810.

Fifteen Victims of Inferno Fire.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the men's building of the Mahoning County infirmary at Canfield, O., and fifteen of the aged inmates received burns more or less serious.

FLOODS IN THE WEST.

Heavy Rains Do Damage Along the Pacific Coast.

With railroad traffic virtually suspended on some lines, train schedules badly demoralized on other roads, telegraph and telephone communication prostrated and only fitfully maintained with some sections of the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys, California has experienced one of the worst covering an area that extends from the Oregon coast to San Diego.

Southern Pacific officials said Thursday night that the resumption of direct train service with the east over that company's central route, via Ogden, was still very uncertain.

The levees of the lower division of Sherman Island, near Sacramento, gave way Thursday afternoon, and between 3,000 and 5,000 acres were inundated. The break occurred on the Sacramento river side and was not equal to the strong current beating against it, caused by a fierce south-eastern gale, which lashed the water into waves that washed over the tops of the levees.

Isolation of Spokane from both Portland and Puget sound is complete as the result of the storm. All railroad communication with that city was cut off when slides and washouts on the Great Northern between Spokane and Leavenworth blocked that road.

Destructive landslides carrying hundreds of tons of earth along the line of the Great Northern between Ballard and Admoms, Wash., carried away the telegraph and telephone lines, prevented for an indefinite period the movement of trains and generally worked much inconvenience.

FOR BIG BOOST IN PENSIONS.

Would Take Millions To Meet The Increase.

The house military committee, of which Capt. Hull is chairman, decided Thursday at Washington, D. C., to report favorably on the bill placing civil war officers more than 70 years old on the army retired list at the pay of \$50 a month, provided they do not receive equal compensation as public officials.

The committee also amended the bill as proposed by the Officers' association to likewise place all civil war enlisted men more than 70 years old on retired pay of \$25 a month. This proposed increase for civil war veterans affects thousands of men. It will require an appropriation of more than \$10,000,000 a year.

SALOON NOT THE ROOT OF EVIL.

Destruction Will Not Stop Drinking, Say Illinoisans.

"The prohibition laws relating to the sale of liquor have made bars, more hypocrites, more disreputable for all law than all the other statutes we have placed upon our books," said Nathan A. Cole, of Peoria, Ill., in his address to the convention of the Model License League Thursday at Louisville, Ky. "If they (the prohibitionists) will stop to consider the fact that the first effort to prohibit the sale of liquor in this country was made in 1650, and that there has never an effort since then which has been successful, it should cause them to adopt some other plan for the cure of drunkenness."

NOW GOES TO GOVERNOR.

Bill to Prohibit Manufacture of Liquor Passes in Tennessee.

The lower house of the Tennessee legislature by a vote of 69 to 39 Thursday passed the bill to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicants in Tennessee after January 1, 1910. The bill has already passed the senate and now goes to the governor, who is expected to veto it as he did the bill prohibiting the sale of liquor. It probably will pass over the veto, as did the first. The consideration of the bill precipitated a lively debate, which lasted until 5:40 when the vote was taken.

Want Child Labor Bureau.

Physical and social evils growing out of the employment of children as wage earners were set for discussion when the fifth annual conference of the national child labor committee opened Thursday at Chicago. One aim of the session is to induce congress to create a child labor bureau which shall remedy the evils now existing.

In Memory of Lincoln.

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, Postmaster General Meyer Thursday announced that 100,000,000 new 2-cent postage stamps will be issued on or before February 12 next. The design includes the portrait of Lincoln in an ellipse.

Canadian Pacific Extensions.

The Canadian Pacific Railway company announced that an appropriation of \$6,000,000 had been made for new lines and extensions west of Fort Williams. The entire appropriation is to be expended this year.

"No Rent" War in Ireland.

A serious "no rent" campaign has begun in Tipperary because landlords of several estates refused to sell land to tenants under the land purchase act of 1903.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

BREWERY COMPANY DISSOLVED.

Comparatively New Organization Declares to Quit Business.

The Grand Island Brewing company, a corporation formed about two years ago, through the efforts of the Commercial club, has been dissolved. At a meeting of the stockholders a resolution was adopted ratifying jointly and severally the acts of the board of directors, and instructing it to sell the real estate purchased as a site and divide the proceeds on hand and the revenue derived from the sale of the property among the shareholders, of whom there are nearly one hundred.

When a few years ago, a proposition was made to this city, if a reasonable amount of stock were subscribed locally, outside parties could be secured to put in a considerable sum for the establishment of a brewery, the Commercial club acted upon the proposition, appointed a canvassing committee, and it had the required amount of local stock. Organization was perfected, with local men in control, as requested by the outside stock. Real estate for a site was purchased, a small assessment on the stock was made, and plans for a building and equipment were sought when the outside stock began to flounder.

It did not pay its first assessment and repeated notices brought no response. The local board refused to do business excepting in a businesslike manner and all the stock being subscribed on the condition that the capital stock be \$125,000, the development was immediately checked.

The larger stockholders were averse to going on, though a considerable number of the smaller stockholders desired to canvass for the necessary remainder. Simultaneously with the failure of the eastern parties to come to the mark there came renewed agitation for county option, and Hastings agitation, when a new brewery was for a time handcupped. The leading stockholders, however, declare that this had no bearing upon their decision as the result of the recent election was assuring, rather than otherwise.

GETS LICENSE TOO SOON.

Romance of Omaha Man Quickly Shattered by a Lincoln Girl.

This license was returned this day by Whitecomb Vaughan, father of the bride to be, and by the request and on the behalf of the bride to be to have the same cancelled, the same is hereby cancelled.

Defendant Was Charged with Offering Bribe to Omaha Attorney.

In spite of an admission from the county attorney that a verdict of not guilty would be tantamount to a conviction for perjury of Dean Beecher, Canan Bell and City Prosecutor Daniel, the jury at Omaha acquitted John J. Wetmore of the charge of bribery.

JURY ACQUITS WETMORE.

Wetmore was charged chiefly on the strength of his own statement to Canan Bell and Dean Beecher with having offered a bribe of \$500 and \$200 a month to City Prosecutor Daniel to keep open the notorious "Martin's Arcade." He denied the charge. Judge Sears scathingly arraigned the members of the jury for their verdict, saying he could not conceive how such a verdict could have been reached in the face of the evidence.

NEBRASKA FREEMEN.

Twenty-seventh Annual Convention Elects Officers and Adjourns.

The Nebraska volunteer firemen closed their twenty-seventh annual convention in Norfolk Thursday night with an elaborate banquet. Fremont sets the next year's convention, winning over Alliance on the second ballot. The following officers were elected: Bert Galley, of Columbus, president; J. C. Elliott, of West Point, first vice president; J. H. Parker, of Albion, second vice president; E. A. Miller, of Kearney, secretary; H. W. Winter, of Norfolk, treasurer.

Little Boy Fired Crib.

While Mrs. Heinrich Schmidt, of Newman Grove, was temporarily absent from the house, her young son, about four years of age, in some manner got hold of a match and set fire to the clothing of the small baby in the crib, burning off the child's hair and severely burning his face and arms.

Volunteer Firemen Meet.

Three hundred Nebraska volunteer firemen met in Norfolk Tuesday for the twenty-seventh annual convention of the state association. Fremont, York and Alliance are after next year's jurisdiction.

Will Advocate Appropriation.

The citizens of Cambridge are not in enthusiastic mood recently in regard to immediate appropriations in support of a bill pending in the legislature to appropriate \$75,000 for a state agricultural school at this place, introduced by Representative Kellier from that county.

Arm Torn Off.

The right arm of Otto Carlson, aged 23, was torn completely off in a corn-sheller at Enola Thursday.

BURGLARS BLOW A SAFE.

Farmers State Bank at Hadar Dynamited—\$1,939 Taken.

The Farmers' bank of Hadar, a village in Pierce county, five miles north of Norfolk, was robbed of \$1,939 in cash early Tuesday. The robbers dug a hole through the 2-foot vault with pick axes, dynamited the safe at both ends, got \$1,955, dropped \$16 on their way out, and escaped without creating the slightest disturbance in the sleeping town. Not until 9 o'clock was the robbery discovered by Miss Louise Bieler, the cashier. The dynamiting must have required three hours. One woman sleeping across the street from the bank heard a wagon drive away at 1 o'clock, and it is thought they may have been the robbers. A team of horses was stolen from the Standard Oil stables in Norfolk and later found in the vicinity of Hadar. It is supposed they drove from Norfolk to Hadar with this team. Sheriff Dwyer has no clew of any sort and there is little hope of capturing them. M. I. Heller, president of the bank, lives at Pierce. He brought a bag of money to Hadar Wednesday morning and the bank resumed business. The bank carried burglar insurance to the extent of \$1,500.

BAD WRECK AVERTED.

Union Pacific Train Has Narrow Escape at Wood River.

What might have been a very serious wreck on the main line of the Union Pacific was narrowly averted at Wood River. About fifty workmen were engaged in unloading a heavy supply tank for the new water works system, when the massive piece of iron slipped away from them and came very nearly going in front of the Los Angeles Limited train, which was running at a rate of sixty miles per hour through the town.

Only a plank which had been accidentally dropped by one of the workmen stopped the tank and held it in check until the train passed by. The tank was being unloaded from a car on a side-track and it was necessary to roll it across the main line track. The tank is about ten feet in diameter, forty feet long and weighs fifteen tons.

DEATH STOPS DIVORCE SUIT.

Wealthy Indian Maiden Had Sough Relief.

With her divorce trial set for Wednesday at Pender, in the course of which trial she hoped to gain legal separation from Francois Cabeny, Mrs. Maggie Woodhull Cabeny, a full-blooded Indian girl, on Monday passed away at the Samaritan hospital in Sioux City, aged 27, and her remains were sent to Rosalia for interment.

The Indian wife has been in the hospital ever since the day before Christmas. Dilatation of the heart caused death. Her death at this time will entitle the estranged husband, who is a French Canadian, to one-third of her estate, which amounts to more than \$17,000.

BODY FOUND IN SNOWDRIFT.

Lee Phillips, a Freightier, Frozen to Death Near Crockston.

Lee Phillips, of Rosebud, S. D., was found in a snowdrift near Crockston, frozen to death. He started out from Crockston on Wednesday with a load of coal and feed, and that was the last heard of him until his team showed up at Rosebud with the check reins still up. Searching parties started out and found his wagon broken down, but his body was not found until Tuesday. It is thought that after he broke down he started to lead his team to Rosebud, but lost his way and finally gave up in the cold. He lived at Rosebud and was a freightier.

Prosperous Poor Farm.

The Dodge county poor farm is not only self-sustaining, but last year, in addition to keeping an average number of twelve inmates, it actually cleared \$108.98 over cost of food supplies, salaries and clothing, improvements, etc. Several of the inmates are able to do more or less work. The farm comprises 245 acres.

Beatrice Man in Trouble.

Word was received in Beatrice that E. L. Colby, a young man well known in that city, is in jail at El Paso, Tex., charged with robbing a restaurant of \$100 worth of jewelry and clothing. His father, Gen. L. W. Colby, an attorney, has gone to El Paso to assist him.

Paroled Prisoner Recaptured.

George Williams, a Nebraska convict who broke his parole and left the state with almost a year yet to serve of a five-year sentence, has been arrested in Minnesota. A requisition was issued for him and an officer of the state will go for him. Williams was convicted of cutting with intent to kill.

New School House.

The new school building at Leola has been thrown open for occupancy. It consists of eight large rooms, besides several smaller ones, and is heated by steam heat. The building stands second to none in the state in terms of size of Leola. The old school building was sold at public auction for \$157.75.

Railroad Man Killed.

Edward Vernon, foreman of the Lincoln and repair gang, was killed at Wymore. He was working underneath a car, when a switch engine pushed three cars over him. His legs were cut off and he was so badly injured that he died.

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Wants Day for Horse.

James Brumley, of Leola, has been granted a day in county for \$125 per year for a horse, for the loss of one of his horses last winter, which attempt to turn on him in a bridge, crushing his leg, which made it necessary to kill it.

Invited on Board of Health.

Dr. A. L. Mulholland, of Omaha, was elected a member of the board of health of the state board of health. He takes the place of Dr. Geo. Bright, of Beatrice.

WORK OF CONGRESS

By a vote of 37 to 27 the Senate Monday fixed the salary of the Speaker of the House of Representatives at \$15,000 instead of \$12,000, as at present, and instead of \$20,000, as proposed by the Committee on Appropriations. Senator Rayner endeavored to have the Senate adopt a resolution calling on the Attorney General for information as to whether the President had ordered a suit brought against the New York World and the Indianapolis News because of an alleged libel, and under what statute this action had been taken. Mr. Rayner declared that there was no statute authorizing such legal procedure and that the attempt to sue the newspapers in the name of the United States, if entered upon, was an attempt to apply the sedition laws long since repealed. Under objection further consideration was postponed. A sensational and bitter attack on President Roosevelt was made in the House by Mr. Willett of New York. His remarks were delivered under the license of general debate on the pension appropriation bill. The President was characterized by Mr. Willett as a "garzole, tyrant, pygmy descendant of Dutch tradespeople, hay tender, fountain of billingsgate, a jocular, imitation of a king and bogus hero."

The salary of the President of the United States was Tuesday fixed at \$100,000 per annum, so far as the Senate could fix it, and salaries of the Vice President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives at \$15,000 each. The salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court was increased from \$13,000 to \$15,000, and those of associate justices from \$12,500 to \$14,500. These changes were made as amendments to the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and after an extended debate. Amendments allowing \$5,000 each to the Vice President and the Speaker of the House for horses and carriages were stricken from the bill. Senator Rayner's resolution calling on the Attorney General for information concerning the suit he purposes bringing against certain newspapers on the charge of libel in connection with the purchase of the Panama Canal property was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary after a strong fight to have it adopted without such reference. Various pension bills were passed. After disposing of the speech of Representative Willett attacking the President by referring it to a special committee, the House passed the pensions and urgent deficiency bills, and when adjournment was taken the naval appropriations bill was under consideration. The pension bill abolishes all but one of the eighteen pension agencies throughout the country and carries a total appropriation of \$100,800,000. A plan to pay pensioners quarterly was defeated. The urgent deficiency bill carries appropriations amounting to \$1,026,402. A message from the President recommending an appropriation of \$200,000 for a commission to investigate conditions in the Republic of Liberia, Africa, was read.

The Brownsville affair was again before the Senate Wednesday. Senator Frazier of Tennessee speaking in opposition to the passage of the measure for the reinstatement of the discharged soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment. He insisted that the guilt of some men of the regiment had been established beyond any doubt, although the individuals who had committed the crime had not been determined. Mr. Frazier announced that he would move the next Monday to take up his bill to reinstate the soldiers unless an agreement on a time to vote for the measure is made sooner. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was under consideration also. After adopting without opposition a resolution by which Governor George F. Lilley of Connecticut ceases to be a member of Congress, the House of Representatives proceeded with the naval appropriation bill. There were few amendments offered to the measure, the items under consideration being those of maintenance and improvements to navy yards, stations and other public works of the navy. Representative Fos3 of Illinois, chairman of the naval affairs committee, had charge of the bill on the floor, and Representatives Tawney (Minn.), Fitzgerald (New York), Galus (Tenn.), Mason (Ark.) and others spoke. Representative Mann (Ill.) occupied the chair during the consideration of the bill.

The large warehouse of Codville & Co. owners at Brandon, Mass., was burned loss \$100,000. John M. Cushing, a "Boer," died in San Francisco. He was born in Salem, Mass., in 1825. Frank M. Howe, who designed the electricity building at the Columbian exposition, died in Kansas City, Mo., aged 50. Witnesses summoned from Chicago will testify in New York at the hearing of the government's suit against the alleged powder trust. Reports that George B. Corbly, Secretary of the Treasury, is to become president of the Consolidated Gas Company of New York are denied in the eastern metropolis.