

MANY ARRESTS MADE

PALERMO POLICE SEARCH FOR PETROSINO'S ASSASSINS.

Two Notorious Criminals Recently Returned from New York Thought to Be the Murderers of Detective.—Body to Be Shipped Home.

Lieut. Antonio Vachris, chief assistant to Detective Joseph Petrosino, who was killed by assassins in Sicily Saturday, arrested four Italians in a little wine shop in squalid Italian quarters in Brooklyn, N. Y., Sunday night. It was intimated that Vachris had reason to believe that the men had knowledge of the plot to kill Petrosino. Stefano Castrouve, one of those arrested, who made a desperate attempt to escape, is said to have recently come here from Chicago, where he is alleged to have been a leader of the Black Hand groups. Revolvers and stiletos were found on the prisoners.

Seven other arrests of Italian suspects were made in Brooklyn during the day. The assassination of Lieut. Petrosino has stirred the Palermo police to unprecedented activity. Many arrests already have been made, and these include a number of Italians with criminal records, who lately have returned from the United States.

The suspicions of the police are especially centered on two notorious criminals, one of whom is a thief of international reputation, and the other an assassin to whose door are laid many crimes committed in New York. The latter was obliged to leave the United States because of the stringent watch kept on him by Petrosino. It is impossible to ascertain the names of the men who have been placed under arrest, as the police maintain complete silence on this subject. The authorities of Palermo have arranged for the funeral and the body will be shipped to New York according to instructions received from that city.

HURT IN A RUNAWAY.

Gov. Wilson, Wife and Guests Have Narrow Escape from Death.

Gov. and Mrs. Wilson and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Lyman, of New York, narrowly escaped death when the horses attached to Gov. Wilson's carriage ran away Sunday at Frankfort, Ky. Mrs. Wilson was rendered unconscious, two of her front teeth were broken and her left wrist fractured. Gov. Wilson was bruised on many parts of his body. Mr. Lyman's face was cut and confused. Mrs. Lyman was the only member of the party not injured.

Gov. Wilson himself was driving the horses and Mrs. Lyman was seated beside him, while Mr. Lyman and Mrs. Wilson occupied the back seat. One of the horses became frightened at a street car and started to kick and plunge and managed in some manner to get over the pole of the carriage and break the whiffletree and then both horses took the bits in their teeth and dashed up Shelby street. Gov. Wilson managed to guide the horses until the pole was broken off short and then the carriage skidded from one side of the street to the other until the horses, now frenzied, dashed toward the sidewalk and the heavy vehicle turned turtle.

FORT WORTH TRAGEDY.

Ball Player Shoots and Kills a Vaudeville Singer.

Fred Morris, a baseball player, Sunday shot and killed Otto H. Meyer, a vaudeville singer, in a room at Fort Worth, Tex., after having secured a written confession that his relations with Mrs. Morris were improper. Morris declared he forced Meyer to write and sign the confession, and then told him that he intended to kill him.

"Meyer extended his hands," said Morris, "and told me to shoot him through the heart so that all would be over at once. I did as he suggested, and would follow him beyond the grave except for the fact that I have a little boy who I think needs me to look out for him."

Both men are from Denton, Tex.

Two Years in the "Pen."

Overruling a motion for a new trial Judge Prince at Lawrence, S. C., Saturday afternoon sentenced Wade Cochran Pinson to two years in the penitentiary for the killing of Thornwell Boyce last November.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$6.45. Top hogs, \$6.65.

Girl Killed by an Auto.

An automobile in which Mrs. Walter Watson, of New York, and her daughter were driving knocked down and killed a girl at Nice. The girl ran from behind a trolley car, not perceiving the automobile, which the chauffeur did his utmost to stop.

Six Aeroplanes for Wrights. The Wright Bros. have placed an order with a London firm for the immediate construction of six aeroplanes.

UNCLE SAM ACTS UP.

Diplomatic Relations with Nicaragua Severed.

A private dispatch received in Mexico City Friday absolutely confirms two naval engagements between the ships of Nicaragua and Salvador.

Three Nicaraguan gunboats, led by the Momotombo, Tuesday attacked the Salvadoran gunboat Presidente. The latter, by a lucky shot put the Momotombo out of commission almost at the beginning of the engagement. The three Nicaraguans then withdrew. Later the Momotombo was repaired and went in pursuit of the Presidente.

Owing to the continued disturbing conditions in Nicaragua and President Zelaya's failure to make serious effort looking to the settlement of the Emery claim, the United States government withdrew Mr. Gregory, the American charge at Maguay, and ordered the legation placed in the hands of the consul, who will have no diplomatic capacity.

Ambassador La Bara, of Mexico, spent some time at the state department in conference with Secretary Knox, and the determination was reached that if the American warships now in Nicaragua water, and to be sent there, are not sufficient to impress President Zelaya that the treaty of peace entered into between the Central American republics is not to be lived up to, more radical steps would be taken to accomplish that result. The impression was given that if need be intervention would be resorted to. The governments of the United States and Mexico, it was stated, are in full accord as to the policy to be pursued toward Nicaragua, and are now awaiting Zelaya's further moves.

ROBS STATE OF \$70,000.

Former Utah Treasurer is Placed Under Arrest.

James Christiansen, former state treasurer of Utah, who retired from office on January 1, is under arrest on a charge of being a defaulter to the amount of \$70,000.

The money, it is acknowledged, was used in speculation in mining ventures. Christiansen was state treasurer, a four years' term ending at the beginning of the present year. The shortage in his accounts was discovered a few days ago through the accounts by the state board of examining interest. In response to a telegram apprising him of the discovery he returned to Salt Lake and admitted the shortage. The exact amount is \$70,628.88, and this has been deposited to the credit of the state by the bondsmen and friends of the ex-official.

SEES CHEAPER MEATS.

Armour Predicts Drop in Prices by Summer.

Meat prices are to be lower by summer. This is the cheering news for householders voiced by J. Ogden Armour, of Chicago.

While on his way north from Palm Beach, Fla., where he had been enjoying a pleasure trip, Mr. Armour stopped at Atlanta, Ga., long enough to say that "meat is too high at present, but by the summer we expect the price of corn to go down and meat will be cheap."

Mr. Armour lays the present high price of meat to the cost of feeding stock, which is higher than it should be, but with cheaper corn he foresees cheaper meat.

Soldiers' Home Fire.

Rapid work Friday afternoon saved the Michigan soldiers' home from possible destruction, when fire broke out there in the administration building. The blaze was on the third floor. Calls were sent to Grand Rapids three miles distant, but by the time the firemen arrived the veterans had subdued the flames. None of the 1,100 inmates was in danger.

Shoe Man Under Arrest.

As a result of an indictment by the New York grand jury Friday, E. H. Richardson, of Elmira, was arrested in Chicago Saturday and the details of a failure involving \$250,000 and more became public. Richardson was in the shoe business in Elmira under the name of Richardson & Co.

Bank Robbers Escape.

The State bank of Kramer, a town on the Missouri Pacific between Lincoln and Crete, Neb., was robbed at 2 o'clock Saturday morning by three cracksmen who used dynamite on the safe, securing \$1,500 in cash, all there was in the safe, save \$200 in gold, which they overlooked.

Omaha's Next Corn Show.

The announcement was made Friday that December 6 to 18 has been definitely decided upon as the time for this year's national corn exposition, which is to be held in Omaha. Arrangements for the show are already well under way, a large number of special prizes having been offered.

Meeting Ends in Failure.

The conference between the sub-committees of the anthracite mine workers and operators to arrange a new agreement to go into effect at the expiration of the present working agreement came to an end late Friday in Philadelphia without result. While the prospects are not as bright as they were for a peaceful settlement, there is still hope that radical action by either side will be avoided.

MYSTERY AT DAYTON.

Ohio Town the Center of Another Sensation.

Another baffling mystery confronted the police in the discovery Thursday of the decomposed body of an unknown white woman in the canal below the Apple street bridge, in Dayton, Ohio. In the opinion of the officers, it must have laid in the water about a month.

The woman apparently was 30 years old and well dressed. She was attired in black, wore Roman slippers, but over these she had a pair of new rubber shoes. The decomposition will, it is feared, prevent identification.

The place where the body was found is about 800 feet south of the Apple street bridge.

A theory has been advanced that, providing it was a case of murder, the body might have been rolled down a very steep hill skirting the fair grounds on the east. The fair grounds is the rendezvous of men and women.

A month ago Charles Fiefert told Coroner Swisher that he had seen a well dressed white woman standing at the end of the Apple street bridge apparently waiting for someone. He said she seemed very nervous. Finding she was being watched she walked toward the fair grounds, which end at Apple street, and was not seen again. This was in the evening. Fiefert further stated that the woman was dressed in black.

Six girls have been found slain in Dayton recently. Four of the murders have never been solved.

MEET FLAT REFUSAL.

Coal Men Turn Down Demands of Mine Workers.

The anthracite coal operators met the committee of hard coal miners in Philadelphia Thursday and flatly refused to grant the men any of the demands they laid before them, and at the same time proposed to the mine workers that the present agreement, which will expire March 31, be renewed for a term of three years.

This decision was not unexpected by the mine workers. Thomas Lewis, national president of the United Mine Workers of America, declined to comment on the developments beyond stating that he and his committeemen will meet to discuss the situation.

So far as could be learned Thursday a majority of the miners are opposed to a strike because they feel that they are not strongly enough entrenched to carry on a campaign of the magnitude of that of 1900 and 1902.

DERAILED BY WRECKERS.

Passenger Train is Thrown from the Track.

As a result of the work of train wreckers a southern express on the Arkansas, Louisiana and Gulf railroad was derailed twenty miles north of Monroe, La., shortly before midnight Wednesday night.

Engineer C. W. McDaniel was instantly killed and Fireman J. B. Gowen seriously hurt. No passengers were injured.

An investigation showed the switch had been thrown and spiked, while the signal light had been turned to show white.

The train was bound from Little Rock, Ark., to Monroe, and was traveling at a rapid rate.

To Raise Confederate Boat.

That arrangements have been completed to raise the first torpedo boat of the confederacy from the bottom of Lake Poncharatrain was announced at a meeting of the confederate veterans at New Orleans, Wednesday night. The boat is lying near Spanish fort, where it went down years ago. It is proposed to place the vessel on the lawn of the confederate soldiers' home in New Orleans.

Los Angeles Mayor Resigns.

Mayor R. C. Harper, of Los Angeles, Cal., resigned Thursday. He declines to explain. The mayor has been a candidate for re-election at a special election called for March 26, under the recall clause of the city charter. He had been recalled from office by a petition signed by 10,000 voters because of various allegations of misconduct made against him.

Wisconsin Bank Closed.

The State Bank of Baldwin, Wis., is in the hands of the state banking commissioner. The capital stock and surplus have been impaired, it is said, by unfortunate speculations in land in the west and south. The latest report shows the bank's liabilities are \$300,000, of which \$216,000 is deposits. The capital stock is \$50,000.

Two Boys and Two Girls.

The wife of a poor cigarmaker of Havana, Cuba, the mother of fourteen children, gave birth Thursday to quadruplets, two boys and two girls. President Gomez sent his congratulations to the mother as a woman deserving well of the republic, with tender and substantial assistance.

Prof. Slingerland Dead.

Mark Vernon Slingerland, professor of economic etymology at Cornell university and well known as a contributor to scientific journals, died at Ithaca, N. Y., Thursday, aged 45.

Epidemic of Typhoid.

Madrid has been visited by an epidemic of typhoid fever. More than 300 cases already have been removed to one hospital and there have been many deaths.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR BUSY READERS

PROF. J. M. PILE DEAD.

Founder of Wayne Normal College and Well Known Educator.

Prof. J. M. Pile, president and founder of the Nebraska normal college of Wayne, and one of the ablest and best known educators of the west, died at his home Thursday after an illness of nearly a year. The news of his death brings sorrow to the entire community, and is a great shock to the whole northern part of the state. Prof. Pile came to Wayne in 1891, and started the normal school, which grew into magnificent proportions. The citizens of Wayne formed a company to back his school. They bought eighty acres of land, platted it into town lots, sold the lots at \$25 each, and with the proceeds paid for the land and then turned the surplus over to Pile as a fund with which to start the college. He agreed to maintain an educational institution, and at the end of the ten years the property became his. He has added more than \$170,000 in improvements since that time, so that the institution is worth over \$200,000 today.

ESCAPES FROM REFORM SCHOOL.

Boys Ran Away When About to Be Paroled.

Superintendent C. E. Manual, of the boys' industrial school at Kearney, while in Lincoln urging an appropriation to replace horses burned in the recent fire at the school, received word of the escape of four boys from the school. One was Bennie Thomas, of Omaha, and the other an Omaha boy named Hamlin, sent there only two weeks ago.

They are supposed to have gone west. The other boys who escaped were two trustees, one named Riggs of North Platte and the other named Morrison. They were about to be paroled and were frightened by a threat of a report from an engineer of the school, who was discharged for the act.

SCIENTISTS TO INVESTIGATE.

Missouri's Bluffs Said to Be Rich in Archeological Treasures.

Much interest is being manifested in scientific circles in the archeological treasures of the Missouri river bluffs around Omaha and vicinity, and several expeditions are soon to take up the work of research, heretofore carried on in a small way by individual enthusiasts. The Medical Museum of Natural History, of New York, and Amherst college, of Amherst, Mass., have already arranged to send scientific men the coming summer. The Omaha Commercial club sent invitations to thirty-five of the leading universities and museums of the country to take up the exploration of the tombs and prehistoric homes, some of which are found within the limits of Omaha and South Omaha.

Will Transfer Sunday Games.

In view of the threatened defeat of the Sunday baseball law in the Nebraska legislature, Guy W. Green, president of the Lincoln club, has undertaken negotiations for the transfer of the Lincoln club's Sunday games to St. Joseph, Mo. He will confer with prominent business men who are anxious to put St. Joseph back on the map of organized baseball.

Blind Man Drops Dead.

Henry A. Schroeder, a former resident of Ponca, died of heart failure near Jefferson, S. D. He was riding home from town with his brother-in-law, John McFadden. He seemed to drop to sleep and leaned heavily on his nephew, a boy about 5 years old. When Mr. McFadden investigated he found the man dead.

Big Damage Suit Filed.

Mrs. Cora C. Colman, of Beatrice, brought action in the district court against Albert Loebner, a prominent farmer living in Elm township, for \$10,000 damages, charging him with having sold liquor to her husband since September 1, 1909, causing him to become an habitual drunkard.

Officers Cannot Find Man.

A warrant was sworn out in the county court for the arrest of Lil Smith, of Filley, charging him with assaulting H. B. Frushour with a revolver with intent to kill. The trouble occurred Sunday evening at the Methodist church at Filley. The officers have failed to locate Smith and it is said he has left the county.

Capture a Deserter.

Bruce Reamer, a deserter from the United States navy was arrested in Nebraska City on the information of Dr. J. D. Houston. Dr. Houston was sworn in as a deputy and under directions of the federal officers started with the man for Philadelphia, where he will be turned over to the naval officers for trial.

License Sole Issue at Hastings.

The usual party lines have been entirely eliminated from the campaign for the spring municipal election at Hastings, which will take place on April 6, leaving the question of absolute prohibition the sole issue between the contending sides.

Burned by Explosion.

Quite a serious accident occurred at the J. W. Sas store at Tekamah. Mrs. Sas and her son Rudolph went down to the store to build a fire in the large stove. Rudolph Sas lit the kindling, which had been saturated with kerosene, and an explosion followed, blowing down the pipe and filling the room with smoke. He had his eyes and nose burned off, his hair singed and was burned severely. Mrs. Sas was fortunate, only receiving a few burns.

ROMANCE ENDS IN DIVORCE.

Ruth Bryan Leavitt Granted Decree at Lincoln.

With a blizzard roaring outside the Lancaster county court house and the snow pelting against the window panes, the romance of Ruth Bryan Leavitt came to a dreary end Tuesday afternoon. Alleging non-support and desertion, she was given a divorce decree and the custody of her two children.

Mrs. Leavitt, in a low voice, stated that Leavitt had not contributed to the support of the family for more than two years and had not provided a home. Mrs. W. J. Bryan asserted that Leavitt had not assisted in providing for his wife. Few questions were asked.

Leavitt was not present, and there was no defense. Without comment the plea was granted and an order entered on the docket ending the case of Leavitt vs. Leavitt unless there is a plea for reopening the suit on the part of the defendant.

Before the suit was filed Leavitt agreed to allow the divorce without a contest. Later he issued a statement in Paris asserting that he would fight the case. He did not appear, however.

TWO ACCIDENTS AT STERLING.

Lady Breaks Arm and Boy's Head Cut Open.

Mrs. T. M. Elmen, of Sterling, slipped and fell on the icy sidewalk Monday morning and broke her arm just above the wrist. She was down town when it happened and was taken to the office of a physician, where the bones were set. She is about sixty years old.

Dick Ross, Jr., of Sterling, was seriously hurt Monday while assisting the blacksmith in shoeing a horse. The bone above his eyes was caved in and the flesh above one eye was cut until it hung down over the eye. It required six stitches to close the wound. A physician dressed the wound and said it is very doubtful whether he can save the eye.

CARRIED AWAY ON ICE CAKE.

Narrow Escape of Young Woman Near Homingford.

Hans Hansen, a boy about 17, with his sister Nora and Miss Olivia Moe, were driving to town and drove into the main canyon about seven miles south of Homingford. The strong current upset the buggy and threw them all into the stream. Mr. Hansen and his sister swam out, but Miss Moe was carried down stream and finally got fast on a large piece of ice and snow that was floating on the surface. Emory Abley, a neighboring ranchman, notified and he succeeded in lassoing her and bringing her safely to shore. Miss Moe is suffering somewhat from exposure and shock but was not otherwise injured.

HEINZES GET THE PEARLS.

New Yorkers Recover Necklace and Turn Greek Free.

The Heintze pearl necklace is restored to its owner, the reward paid to Alfred Edholm, and the Greek, John Savic, who found the jewels in the Knickerbocker hotel in New York, is at liberty, having nothing and claiming nothing of the reward.

These were the developments of Monday in Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. Heintze sending the necklace to their home by express and leaving on an evening train, both being extravagant in their praise of the good treatment accorded them by the Omaha police and authorities.

New Lights at Fremont.

The new lights in the business section of Fremont were turned on Sunday night. They are enclosed arcs and give a fine light. Fremont had been in total darkness so far as street lights were concerned, for more than a month. Changes from the old to the new light plant were in progress and necessitated the disuse temporarily of the arc lamp circuit.

Plead Guilty to Gambling.

Gus Childs, "Doc" Tribbotts, Jerome Tribbotts and George Gamble, four of the men arrested in Beatrice, pleaded guilty in police court to the charge of gambling. "Joe" Tribbotts was fined \$50 and costs, and the other three \$25 and costs, each. Samuel Workman and Louis Kaserman, two others caught in the police net on a similar charge, pleaded not guilty.

Automobile Jumped Ditch.

While returning to Auburn from Brownville in an auto on Saturday evening, Harry Moore as driver, accompanied by George Harmon, Forest Hoover and Thomas Grines, met with an accident in which the three passengers were quite badly bruised, Hoover and Grines being thrown high in the air while the other two stayed with the auto.

Kills His Companion.

Hans Jensen, 16 years old, was shot and instantly killed by his hunting mate, Walter Brandenburg, near Plainview, while shooting ducks. The lad raised his head just as his companion in the rear fired at a flock of rising ducks. The charge entered the back of the head.

Boy Burglars.

The general merchandise store of Selck & Co., at Huntley, was robbed Sunday by three little boys of the age of 10 years each. They gained entrance at the back door by pushing a key out and picking the lock. Pipes, tobacco, gum and candy were taken. They have all acknowledged their guilt, and it remains as yet undecided as to whether or not they will be sent to the reform school at Kearney.

MISSOURI'S TWO-CENT FARE IS HELD ILLEGAL

Judge McPherson Rules in Favor of Roads in Passenger and Freight Cases.

RATE IS NOT RENUMERATIVE.

Kansas City Court Says Lines Should Get Return of 6 Per Cent—19 Systems Affected.

"A notable decision in favor of the railroads was handed down Monday by Judge McPherson of the United States District Court in Kansas City, in the 2-cent fare and maximum-freight-rate cases, involving eighteen Missouri lines. The railroads contended that the rates fixed by the State were confiscatory, and asked that the enforcement of the statutes be enjoined.

"The question," said Judge McPherson in his decision, "is whether the traffic wholly within the State of Missouri, generally referred to in the evidence as local traffic, can be carried under the freight rate statute of 1907 at such profit as to give a reasonable return after paying expenses upon the investment, or whether such traffic is carried at a loss or at less than such reasonable profit. The court has reached the conclusion that the rates fixed by both statutes are not remunerative." After the decision had been handed down several railway attorneys intimated that the railroads soon would go back to the 3-cent passenger rate, but none was able to state specifically that this would be done. Frank Hagerman made the following statement:

"The 2-cent rate is the subject of pending litigation in Minnesota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. It is not conceivable that if the rate is confiscatory in Missouri it can be confiscatory in any of those States. What, if anything, will be done in other States has not been decided. In view of the thorough investigation and the decisions in the Pennsylvania and the Missouri cases it is doubtful whether any State will attempt any longer to enforce a 2-cent rate act."

MANCHURIA TROUBLE GROWING.

Protests of United States and China Threaten World Complications.

The situation at Harbin, Manchuria, arising from the apparent determination of the railroad authorities to control the local administration has become a live issue in Russian politics. The protests of China and the United States are claiming public attention and it is believed that the aggressive stand of the railroad authorities in Manchuria will bring about foreign complications. The negotiations with China are at a standstill until such time as the policy of the government shall be determined. The foreign offices outwardly supports General Horvath in closing the stores of the Chinese merchants who refused to pay taxes to Russia, but privately it is most dissatisfied with the situation. The Novoe Vremya the other day sharply criticizes the foreign office for its stand in this matter, and says it believes Germany is stirring up the question for the purpose of diverting attention from the near East. The paper intimates that Fred D. Fisher, until recently American consul at Harbin, has been acting in the interests of Germany.

TEN MILLION IN GAS MERGER.

C. H. Geist Plants in East Chicago and Other Towns Consolidated.

Through papers filed with the Laporte County (Ind.) recorder a consolidation of the various gas and electric plants in Northern Indiana owned or controlled by Clarence H. Geist of Chicago and Philadelphia was perfected under the name of the Northern Indiana Gas and Electric Company, with a capital stock of \$10,000,000. Frank J. Canall has been elected president and Rolfe M. Cole, secretary. The new corporation absorbs the gas and electric plants at Michigan City, Hammond, Valparaiso, Indiana Harbor and East Chicago. The present local managements of the various plants will not be disturbed, but all now will be under one general management.

TWO PLODDERS MAKE MILLION.

Farmers Get Option on Coal Land Cheap and Sell for \$1,202,000.

J. V. Thompson, a Pittsburg coal man, has closed a deal for 6,010 acres of coal land near Waynesburg, Greene County, Pa., paying for it \$1,202,000 in cash. An interesting feature of the deal is that it makes two men, who have plodded all their lives, independent. They are O. P. Markel and R. F. Hopewood, farmers, who some years ago took an option on the coal land at \$25 an acre, using all their money. The persons who optioned their land at this price were at that time very glad to get it. By the sale the men will divide more than \$1,000,000 profit.

BRIDE'S BEAUTY CHARMS FOE.

Brother Who Would Stop Arthur Curzon's Marriage Commends It.

Arthur Curzon, said to be a cousin of Lord Curzon, formerly Viceroy of India, has announced his marriage to Mrs. Evelyn Pittman of San Francisco. The wedding took place in San Jose several days ago after one automobile trip. Curzon lives in Hamilton, Ont. The couple left for Los Angeles accompanied by Sydney Curzon, an older brother of the bridegroom, said to have been sent out there by the family to prevent the wedding. It is alleged that he was completely won over to the side of the lovers by the beautiful bride.