

EIGHT ARE DROWED

TOWBOAT EAGLE SINKS IN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

Persons Who Lost Their Lives Were Asleep at Time—Vessel Breaks in Two as It Goes Down in One Hundred Feet of Water.

Eight people were lost and seven on board had a thrilling escape from death Sunday when the towboat Eagle, of the Louisiana Petroleum company, went down in the Mississippi river about forty miles south of New Orleans.

The dead are George Joyce, captain; Charles Goodbud, second engineer; Charles Martin, fireman; Richard Lebane, mate; two negro deck hands; a negro chambermaid and a cabin boy.

The accident occurred at 4:30 a. m., and at the time all those who perished were asleep. The boat began to dip and take water, and in an instant was going down, breaking in half as it sank.

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EARTHQUAKE IN PORTUGAL.

Buildings Sway and Old Ones Fall at Lisbon.

A series of violent earthquakes occurred at Lisbon Friday night, and disturbances, according to reports from various places, were felt throughout the whole of Portugal.

No material damage was done, though the ground rose and fell in wavelike motions, buildings swayed and the walls of a number of old houses were broken.

The seismic disturbances, which were general throughout the Iberian peninsula Friday evening, caused a small amount of damage at Madrid.

The house of lords, which was sitting at the time, was thrown into a great panic. Several of the members were thrown to the floors.

Following the first shock the people rushed into the streets, women fainted and for a time there was something of a panic, but the shocks that followed the first one consisted merely of a far away rumbling and a gentle, undulatory movement.

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TRIES TO END FOUR LIVES.

Chicago Man Succeeds in Killing Wife and Himself.

Harry L. Summers, of Chicago, a nickel plater, shot and killed his wife, Henrietta, severely wounded his 10-year-old daughter, Gladys, and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Anna McKenzie, and then killed himself.

Mrs. Summers, after repeated quarrels, fled a week ago from her home to that of her mother, Mrs. McKenzie.

Thursday Summers entered the kitchen of the McKenzie home, where he found Gladys and the two women seated at dinner.

Mrs. Summers fell dead at the first shot. Mrs. McKenzie and Gladys fled up a stairway with Summers in pursuit. As they neared the top he fired four shots, wounding Mrs. McKenzie in the back and arm, and the child in the back.

The Summers returned to the kitchen where lay the body of his wife. Policeman Mahon, who had heard the shooting from across the street, was trying to break down the front door.

STEWART'S BODY CREMATED.

Last Rites Over Remains Are Held at Washington.

The body of William M. Stewart, former United States senator from Nevada, who died Friday in Washington, D. C., was cremated Sunday in accordance with a wish expressed just before his death.

BITTER FIGHT IS DECIDED.

Mrs. Scott is Elected President of the D. A. R.

By a vote of 436 to 428 Mrs. Matthew S. Scott, of Illinois, was Friday at Washington, D. C. declared elected president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution over Mrs. William Cumming Story, of New York.

The tellers are unable to report further on the election. Mrs. Donald McLean, the retiring president general, was elected an honorary president general.

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PATTEN RUNS AWAY.

Small Bulls Left Stranded in the Wheat Pit.

That James A. Patten, hailed throughout the country as the "wheat king," has withdrawn from the market after disposing of his heavy holdings of May and July wheat, was asserted in many quarters in Chicago Friday.

Whether he has eliminated himself from the so-called "deal," and if so, whether he came out with profit or loss, are questions which can be answered only by Mr. Patten himself.

The session of the board of trade was sensational Thursday. Bulls had expected that after the 6-cent decline of the two previous sessions a recovery would ensue.

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Frequently it was impossible to make a sale within 1/4 of a cent of the price designated by the customer to his broker.

The Patten vortex of other and more bullish days into which the cereal might be purged seemingly without affecting its appetite was not in evidence.

DRYS WIN FIRST BATTLE.

Florida House Passes Bill for State Wide Prohibition.

The first battle for prohibition in the Florida legislature was begun Thursday in the house with the introduction of a bill for a constitutional amendment for state wide prohibition.

Hours before the legislature convened Tallahassee was crowded with men and women and children who had come to town by train, wagon or foot.

Senator McMullen made a plea for prohibition in behalf of the mothers of the country, which was of dramatic effect, for while the senator's own mother lay dead in her home he had remained at Tallahassee at her wish.

Upon announcement of the result the women in the galleries said: "Florida is going dry."

Railway Counsel Arrested.

Judge M. F. Jordan, of Spokane, Wash., general counsel for the Great Northern railway, was arrested Thursday on an indictment by the grand jury. He is charged with embezzlement of funds from the railway company while acting as its attorney.

Chauffeur Breaks an Arm.

A five-passenger motor car ran off an embankment Thursday on Lookout mountain near Chattanooga, Tenn., and the chauffeur suffered a broken arm and was severely bruised.

\$60,000 Fire at Liberty, Tex.

Fire in Liberty, Tex., Thursday destroyed the principal block in the town, entailing a loss of approximately \$60,000. Philip Debat, a pumper for the Texas and New Orleans railroad, was seriously injured by falling from one of the burning buildings.

Cave-In Kills Two.

A cave-in at the M. & B. zinc mine near Joplin, Mo., killed two men, injured two and entombed one. The men were timbering the roof of the entry when the crash came.

Hopes to See Man Hanged.

Charles Loper, who is in the San Quentin, Cal., penitentiary awaiting execution on June 23, requested that he be allowed to see a man hanged before he himself is led to the gallows.

Young Woman Killed by Train.

While walking on the track five miles from Frankfort, Ky., Miss Mattie Conway, 24 years of age, a telephone operator, was killed by an L. & N. eastbound train.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

EWING FUNERAL FRIDAY.

Former Sioux City Woman to Be Buried at West Point.

The remains of Mrs. O. F. Ewing, formerly Miss Emma McLaughlin, are expected to arrive in West Point from San Antonio, Tex., on Friday morning and were interred the same afternoon under the auspices of the Congregational church.

MUST PAY TAXES.

Transient Merchants Assessed Same as Regular Merchants.

Assessor Doncker bore down upon a firm of "transient merchants" who were running a store in Madison for a few days and proposed that they be assessed. This they at first refused to do.

NEBRASKA PASTOR DEAD.

Rev. Mr. Ramsey, of Ainsworth, Meets a Sudden End.

Rev. Mr. Ramsey, of Ainsworth, fell dead from a chair on which he was sitting Thursday afternoon in front of the Ramsey restaurant. The deceased was for many years a well known and well beloved pastor in the Methodist church in Ainsworth, Rushville and other points in northwestern Nebraska and Wyoming.

CATCHES ELOPING WIFE.

G. W. Krabill, of Lincoln, Finds His Spouse with Another Man.

Eloping from Lincoln Monday evening with a traveling salesman from Galesburg, Ill., and coming to Omaha, Mrs. G. W. Krabill, whose husband is a stationary engineer in Lincoln, was followed by a private detective in the employ of her suspecting spouse.

ROLLERS UNDER E. F. WRIGHT.

Young Englishman Pleads Guilty and Goes to Prison.

Ernest Fred Wright, the young Englishman who passed several forged checks last week, was captured at Oxford last Saturday, brought to McCook, arraigned in district court in special session, pleaded guilty and sentenced to state's prison for five years at hard labor.

KNOWN IN NEBRASKA.

Howard Baskerville, Slain at Tabriz, Former Bellevue Student.

Howard Baskerville, the young American who was slain at Tabriz, Persia, was formerly a student in Bellevue college, Nebraska, and a brother until recently was a pastor near Inman.

Justice of Peace Stoned.

As a result of ill feeling engendered at the recent municipal canvass and election at Chapman, a mob attacked the home of Justice of the Peace Alexander Stout, broke every window of the house, smashed the doors and wrecked part of the interior.

Diplomas for Graduates.

Seventy-one members of the graduating class of the state agricultural school received their "sheepskin" Friday evening at the conclusion of the commencement address.

High Prices Increase Acreage.

Farmers are in the fields sowing their small grain. Grain men say that there is more wheat being sown this year than there has been for several years past.

Saloons at West Point.

The usual number of saloonkeepers have applied for licenses to sell liquor in West Point the coming year.

Stolen Horses Recovered.

R. L. Cramer, of Fremont, has recovered the three horses which disappeared last week while in charge of his farm hand, Krum, near Schuyler.

State Dismisses Liquor Case.

The case of the state of Nebraska against George Hulshizer, of Wynome, charged with selling liquor without a license, has been dismissed by the plaintiff.

Farmers Are Busy.

The farmers of Dakota county are taking advantage of the spring weather and work in the fields is progressing rapidly.

MANY FATAL ACCIDENTS.

Season Marked by Large List of Accidental Deaths.

Seven boys, under the age of 18 years, have been killed in Nebraska during the last six weeks, either while handling firearms themselves, or at the hands of their boy companions.

These seven youthful lives represent only a part of the toll paid during the spring hunting season in Nebraska. Aside from the fatal accidents there have been a score or more of casualties more or less serious in which life was not taken.

FREED OF SHOOTING CHARGE.

Peru Man Permitted to Go—Result of Hallow'en Scrape.

The preliminary examination of J. C. Chatalein, of Peru, charged with shooting at William Colby with intent to do great bodily harm and charged with shooting L. R. Dillon with intent to wound, was held before County Judge Parriott.

THEY LOOTED MANY TRAINS.

Nebraska Robbers Stole on Wholesale Scale.

The arrest on Wednesday at LaPlatte of four men in a house in which was found stored \$2,000 worth of goods alleged to have been stolen from freight trains in the vicinity of Omaha, has been followed by a full confession from the leader of the gang.

SIX BODIES FOUND, OTHERS STILL IN THE RUINS OF SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING.

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SECTION HAND KILLED AT BLAIR.

Door Swings Cut from Passing Box Car, Crushing His Skull.

Jesse Miller, a section hand on the Northwestern railroad at Blair, was killed about two miles south of Blair late Saturday afternoon.

Grand Island Man Killed.

Fire destroyed the Miller & Ogorman furniture house at Grand Island Saturday, and Frank Miller, senior member of the firm, was killed while in the basement of the building.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The east Nebraska branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the United Brethren church closed a two days' session at Blue Springs Friday evening.

INJURED IN RUNAWAY.

J. C. Ready, a farmer, living about three miles south of Dickens, was badly injured in a runaway Saturday.

DENOUNCES WHEAT DEAL.

Secretary Wilson Predicts Patten's Corner Will "Go to Smash."

James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, said in answer to James A. Patten's charges that the figures of the Department of Agriculture concerning the wheat supply were inaccurate and untrustworthy.



If Mr. Patten is correct there is a serious shortage in wheat in America. If Secretary Wilson is correct there is no shortage at all, but only an artificial famine engineered by Mr. Patten for speculative purposes.

The Secretary of Agriculture insists that the government's report to the effect that there were 143,000,000 bushels of reserve wheat in the farmers' hands on March 1 was strictly correct.

"We do not get our information from postmasters!" exclaimed Secretary Wilson angrily when the Patten statement was shown him.

To corner the wheat market successfully nowadays you have to keep buying and buying and buying. Finally the time comes when you can't buy any more, and then the smash comes."

213-YEAR SECRETS OUT.

Rector of Rich Trinity, New York, Denies Property Harbors Vice.

Asserting that Trinity is the rich church of the poor people, Rev. Dr. William T. Manning, the rector of that New York church, Sunday morning made reply to the criticisms which in the last few months have been made against it.

Dr. Manning preached for an hour and a quarter, whereas his usual Sunday morning sermons require about eighteen minutes for delivery.

The present situation," said Dr. Manning, "is not an ordinary one, and it is one which demands a plain and public statement from the rector of the parish."

Very many of the statements which have been made as to the condition of the dwelling-house property owned by Trinity parish are grossly untrue.

Pictures have many times been published, both in magazines and newspapers, with the statement that the wretched tenements shown in them were the property of Trinity parish, when, in fact, neither the houses shown nor the land on which these stood were owned by the parish.

Certain papers have even published pictures implying that our property is the home of drunkenness and vice and disorder."

SMUGGLERS NOW OFFER \$260,000.

Loeb Rejects Second Proposal to Stop the Customs Prosecution.

"Call off the investigation of recent smuggling and we will pay the United States government \$200,000." This offer, sent through intermediaries in such a manner that it cannot be traced to its source, was made the other day to William Loeb, Jr., collector of the port of New York.

It came from the port of the smugglers who tried to bring into the United States, without paying duty, many thousands of dollars' worth of Paris gowns and accessories the past few weeks.

Loeb refused the offer, just as he had refused an offer of \$100,000 made by the smugglers several days ago.

Jilted Girl Slays Actor.

Following closely on the announcement of the approaching marriage of Earl P. Adams, actor and stage director, to Miss Elizabeth Bagley, Miss Jessie Brown, a well-known young woman, to whom Adams had been previously engaged, shot and killed him in Jacksonville, Fla.