

FIGHT WITH MANIAC

PATIENTS AND NURSES ENGAGED IN LIFE AND DEATH FIGHT IN A HOSPITAL.

NUMBER OF PERSONS HURT

Several Are Seriously Cut by Knife in Hands of Crazy Patient, Who Keeps Up Battle Until Hit Over Head With Heavy Cane.

Cincinnati, O.—Serious injury to two nurses and two patients and minor hurts to several other inmates of the city hospital resulted from a life and death fight with an insane man weighing 215 pounds and armed with a knife.

Following is a toll of the seriously injured: T. N. Smith, night nurse; tendons and arteries of wrist severed.

E. F. Mitchell, day nurse; femoral artery in right thigh cut, and five other stab wounds in the side and hands.

Will Howe, patient; stabbed in left side below the heart; may die.

Ferdinand Hoffman patient; cuts and bruises over the head received while being subdued.

Hoffman became violent and was strapped to a cot. He obtained a knife, in some manner, and cut his bonds, hurling himself upon Smith. Mitchell and Howe were cut when they went to Smith's aid, Hoffman keeping up the struggle until William F. Kuhlman, a nurse in an adjoining ward, struck him on the head with a heavy cane.

SENDS \$7,500 TO CHINA.

Sum to Be Disbursed for Relief of Famine Stricken People.

Washington, D. C.—For the relief of the famine stricken people of China, Acting Secretary of State Huntington Wilson cabled \$7,500 to Minister Calhoun at Peking as the initial contribution of the American National Red Cross society. The disbursement will be left entirely to the minister and the questions of further contributions will depend upon developments. The people affected by the famine are in the Hwai river valley. The number of sufferers continues to grow, and according to advices received by the state department today between two and three millions are in distress.

Speedy action by the Red Cross was requested by the minister, who said the delegates to the Chinese senate had expressed their gratitude at the suggestion of American help.

Blaze in New Orleans.

New Orleans.—In a fire which started in Barron street, between Lafayette and Poydras, and which was not under control for several hours, three large business houses were destroyed, with losses estimated at \$250,000. The firms which suffered the heaviest losses are a furniture company, F. F. Hansel & Co. stationers, and the Schwartz-Eustis company, furnishings.

To Protect Her Coast.

Washington.—D. C.—For the protection of her coast, Cuba is contemplating the reconstruction of six vessels adapted to coast guard services, according to advices received by the state department. These vessels will have a speed of not less than ten knots and a draft not exceeding six feet. The tenders invited for the construction of the vessels will close January 8.

Japanese Diet Opens.

Tokyo.—The diet was opened Friday. The emperor, being indisposed, was not present and the speech from the throne was read by Marquis Katsura, the premier and minister of finance. Referring to the annexation of Korea and the convention with Russia, the throne emphasizes the necessity for the maintenance of peace in the far east.

Killed With Hatchet.

Wellington, Kan.—Amos Rhodes, 49 years old, car inspector for the Atchinson, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad company, was found dead in his home here. The family is out of town on a visit. The murder was committed with a hatchet.

Insurgents Rob Train.

Lima, Peru.—A group of insurgents attacked a train near San Mateo recently, and robbed it of \$5,400. The cabinet crisis continues.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Friday's quotations on the local live stock market are as follows: Top beefs, \$6.20. Top hogs, \$7.60.

Two Tots Burn to Death.

Avant, Okla.—Christmas stocking were hung up in Frank McCoy's home here this year. His two children, Edith and Raymond, aged 1 and 2 years, respectively, were burned to death when the McCoy residence was destroyed by fire.

Chicago Gun Battle.

Chicago.—Gregory Graci, a laundry worker, was shot and killed by Jesse Gilman, of Assistant Chief of Police Schuetzler's squad. Gilman was wounded by Graci and may die.

LORIMER REPORT IN

MAJORITY HOLDS THAT NOT THE SLIGHTEST PROOF OF BRIBERY BY SENATOR IS SHOWN.

FIGHT ON FLOOR IS CERTAIN

Beveridge And Frazier Do Not Sign Committee Finding Which Is Presented to Senate and May File Minority Reports Later.

Washington.—The report of its investigation of charges of bribery made in connection with the election of Senator William Lorimer of Illinois was submitted to the senate by the committee on privileges and elections through its chairman, Senator Burrows, Wednesday, just before that body adjourned for the holiday recess.

The conclusion reached by the committee follows:

That, in their opinion, the title of Mr. Lorimer to a seat in the senate has not been shown to be invalid by the use or employment of corrupt methods or practices.

Charges that four members of the Illinois legislature were bribed and that three other members paid bribes are not ignored by the committee. The report declares that those who confessed to receiving bribes should not be believed and that the votes of those who were charged with paying bribes should be counted.

In relation to the charges that there was a corruption fund used in the Illinois legislature and that it was disbursed by one Robert E. Wilson, the report says that there is no evidence that it was used for the benefit of Mr. Lorimer. The committee suggests that any investigation of the use of such a fund should be made by authorities of the state of Illinois.

The statement of views of Senator Frazier was made public later. In his statement Senator Frazier declares that the four confessed bribe-takers implicated three other members of the legislature who bribed them; that these three votes were also corrupt, which would make seven tainted votes. Eliminating these seven votes, Senator Frazier holds, would make the vote received by Senator Lorimer less than a majority.

The report, as presented, was not signed by members of the committee, although it did not appear that there was any minority. On the floor of the senate, however, Mr. Beveridge made the statement that he had not been able to concur with or dissent from the findings because of the voluminous character of the testimony. He said that he would digest the proceedings of the investigating committee during the holidays. He asked that a specific time be named for acting upon the report, but objection was made by Senator Gallinger.

282 DEAD IN MINE BLAST

English Shaft at Bolton Is Scene of Terrible Disaster—Only Eight Escape.

Bolton, England.—An explosion followed by fire in the Little Hulton colliery here Wednesday entombed 290 miners, who had gone below to begin the day's work.

The work of rescue was pushed amid discouraging conditions. The rescuers, wearing helmets, went into the pit and succeeded in extinguishing the flames in an area 150 feet in length, but encountered heavy falls of coal and slack loosened by the explosion. Only eight of the 290 entombed men have escaped and the others are believed dead. A total of ten bodies have been recovered.

SUSTAIN STATE PRIMARY LAW

Illinois Supreme Court Divided as to Interpretation of Act But Hold It Valid.

Springfield, Ill.—The supreme court Wednesday held the legislative primary act providing for the nomination of members of the lower house of the legislature valid in a decision handed down in the case of Espey vs. McInerney and others.

Three opinions were handed down by the court, as the members are divided as to the interpretation of the act.

The opinion follows the decision of the court rendered verbally shortly before the election, November 8.

Twenty-Seven Killed in Fire.

Philadelphia.—Fifteen policemen and 12 firemen lost their lives Wednesday night when the walls of a five-story structure at 1120 N. Bodine street fell on them while they were fighting a fire. More than a score of firemen were removed to hospitals and it is believed there are still others in the ruins.

"Rube" Sued for Divorce.

St. Louis.—George Edward Waddell, known as "Rube" and a member of the Columbus (O.) team, was Wednesday made the defendant in a divorce suit here by Mrs. Madge Waddell. She alleges non-support and is Waddell's third wife.

Thirty Firemen Near Death.

New York.—Thirty firemen narrowly escaped death in a \$75,000 fire Wednesday which destroyed the six-story factory and warehouse of Joseph Libman & Co., paper manufacturers.

DISSOLVING IT



TRAP DIAZ TROOPS

TRAIN BEARING FEDERAL SOLDIERS IS SHOT TO PIECES.

BATTLE LASTS FIVE HOURS

Official Report Says Federals Had 21 Killed, 10 Missing and 42 Wounded—Commander of Expedition Is Hit—Rebel Loss Unknown.

Chihuahua, Mex.—Confirmation of the report that the troop train which left here December 17 was shot to pieces in the mountain trap known as Malpaso, a few miles east of Pedernales, was given Tuesday when 42 government soldiers were brought in from the field of battle.

The official report states that the federals lost 21 killed and that ten are missing and 42 wounded. One of the latter is Colonel Guzman, who was in command of the expedition.

The train left in two sections, carrying three field pieces on a coal car and 500 soldiers. Pancho Villa, the bandit, who, while operating independently, still regards the government as his enemy, fired on the second section as it was passing through Andania canyon, but did no damage.

The mountains of Malpaso, however, swarmed with revolutionists. They halted the first and second sections. Colonel Guzman disembarked his troops and for five hours defended himself from the desperate charge. He was in a trap, however. The enemy was on the heights, sheltered by boulders and other projection north to the mountains and poured in a deadly fire.

He was unable to use his big guns effectively owing to the nature of the ground. Notwithstanding his precarious condition and the numbers of the insurgents, he held his ground for five hours. He was shot through the leg, while the third officer in command was raked across the stomach.

Although General Navarro was at Pedernales, or near there, he was unable to lend assistance.

PRESIDENT SEES NO DANGER

Taft, in Speech Allays War Scare, Declares Nation Need Have No Fear.

Washington.—President Taft, in an address before the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes, Saturday gave assurances that the country need not fear the so-called war scare.

He said: "There is not the slightest reason for such a sensation because we are at peace with all the nations of the world, and are quite likely to remain so."

Women Voters to Assemble.

Tacoma, Wash.—The first national convention of women voters will be held here January 14, according to plans perfected. The convention was called by Governor Brady of Idaho. Delegates from other equal suffrage states—Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and Washington—representing about 270,000 women voters, will participate.

Ship Ashore in Gale.

Morehead City, N. C.—A large four-masted schooner was stranded on the west side of Cape Lookout shoals Wednesday, and the heavy running tide and strong wind drove the vessel high on the shoals.

Woman Makes Long Flight.

Etampes, France.—The longest sustained flight ever made by a woman was negotiated here Wednesday by Mlle. Helene Dutrieu, who covered 103 miles in two hours and thirty-three minutes.

CHARLTON GAINS TWO POINTS

JUDGE ALLOWS ORDER TO AMEND COURT RECORDS.

Father of Wife Slayer Confident Order for Son's Extradition Will Be Set Aside.

Trenton, N. J.—Not until January 9 will Porter Charlton learn whether he will be sent back to Italy to be tried for wife murder.

When he appeared before United States Judge Rellstab, pale and haggard and showing the effects of the six months' confinement and the hemorrhages to which he is frequently subjected, his lawyer, R. Floyd Clarke, asked for an adjournment on the ground that he needed time for the collection of certain important evidence. This evidence will be used to have set aside Secretary of State Knox's ruling that the young man be extradited.

Judge Rellstab allowed an order amending the records in the case by striking out the proceeding before the Hoboken recorder, following Charlton's arrest at the steamship pier after his return from Europe. Counsel for Charlton also secured an order eliminating from the records the copy of the complaint presented before Judge Blair of the Hudson county courts. These are regarded as notable gains for the accused man, as they greatly simplify the case which his counsel has to conduct in his behalf.

Judge Charlton is confident that the ruling of Secretary Knox in favor of extradition will be set aside. He does not think his son in his present condition would survive the journey to Italy.

GUNBOAT MAY START REVOLT

Hornet, Former U. S. Ship, Clears From New Orleans on Mysterious Voyage.

New Orleans.—The former United States gunboat Hornet, reported to have been purchased by Honduras revolutionists, cleared from this port for Cape Gracias with a crew of twenty men, 200 tons of coal and provisions for thirty days. Included among the crew are several men who are said to have been connected with previous filibustering expeditions directed against Central American republics.

One of the rumors current was that the Hornet would be turned over to Mexican revolutionists. Captain Johnson, commanding the vessel, says that the Hornet will be used in the Central American trade.

U. OF C. GETS \$10,000,000

Rockefeller Makes Final Gift and Retires From All Connection With University.

Chicago.—John D. Rockefeller has given the University of Chicago another \$10,000,000. Announcement of this fact was made at the university convocation Tuesday by Martin A. Ryerson, chairman of the board of trustees. The Standard Oil magnate said in making the gift that he retired from all connection with the university and would give it nothing more. His total gifts in 21 years aggregate \$35,000,000.

Taft Annuls Death Decree.

Washington.—President Taft Tuesday commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence passed upon John Wynne, an officer on the steamer Rosencreans at Honolulu, Hawaii, for the murder of a man named McKinnon.

Senator Elkins Is Better.

Washington.—In announcing in the senate Tuesday that Senator Elkins was detained at home by serious illness, Senator Scott of West Virginia added: "I am glad to say he is much better."

BRITISH POLLING IS OVER

UNIONISTS' CALCULATIONS ARE ENTIRELY UPSET BY VOTERS.

Liberals Have Net Loss, But Labor and Irish Allies Show an Increase.

London.—The government coalition at the close of the polling in the general election have a net gain of one seat.

The elections have been the most remarkable in the history of British politics, and have upset entirely the calculations of the Unionists, who had seriously expected to gain not less than twenty seats. On the contrary, the Unionists have not only gained nothing but are likely in the end to suffer a net loss of one.

A brief period of quiescence is expected to follow the final announcement and after that the government leaders will endeavor to carry out their plans for curtailing the power of the lords and carrying into effect other important measures in the new parliament.

The final result is as follows:

Government Coalition.	Elected
Liberals	271
Labor members	43
Irish Nationalists	84
Total	398
Opposition.	
Unionists	272
Ministerial majority	126
Government's net gain	1

RAINEY IS AFTER ROOSEVELT

Asks Congress to Probe Colonel's Traveling Expenses While President.

Washington.—Representative Rainey of Illinois introduced a resolution in the house, which he declares he will press to a vote, asking for a special committee for the purpose of ascertaining whether Col. Theodore Roosevelt paid for his transportation while he was president.

A Pennsylvania stockholder recently filed President Roosevelt a bill for \$100,000, or whether this money had not been taken from the stockholders of the railroad by charging the expense up to the company. In a diplomatic reply President McCrea states that Colonel Roosevelt did not owe the railroad company anything for transportation, but he did not say whether the company had charged President Roosevelt and his friends anything for the special trains used by President Roosevelt on his tour of the country.

Mr. Rainey wants this point settled and he wants to know also what other roads provided transportation for President Roosevelt and the officials of the Roosevelt administration, whether they paid for the transportation and how and when they were paid.

WHITE IS CHIEF JUSTICE

Democrat Elevated by Republican President Takes Oath of Office—Harlan Does Honors.

Washington.—Associate Justice Edward Douglas White of the Supreme court of the United States became ninth chief justice of that august body when the oath of allegiance was administered by Associate Justice Harlan Monday.

The public ceremony of the installation was simple, the oath being taken in the seclusion of the robing room of the justices.

Chief Justice White was embarrased when he moved to his seat at the center of the bench. Presiding Justice Harlan announced the presence of the new chief justice and extended the congratulations of the court. Clerk McKenney read the commission. Justice Harlan administered the judicial oath and moved aside to take his old position at the right hand of the chief justice, vacating the chair which he has filled since the death of Chief Justice Fuller. Chief Justice White sank into the chair with a smile for his wife and other relatives who were present.

SEEKS RAISE FOR CLERKS

Representative Carey Introduces Resolution to Increase Wages of Government Employees 25 Per Cent.

Washington.—Mr. Carey, Wisconsin introduced a joint resolution increasing 25 per cent. the salary or wage of government employees receiving less than \$2,500 a year. The increase to become effective March 1.

In his resolution Mr. Carey says the high cost of living has come to stay and that congress has set a bad example in increasing the salaries of legislators and high officials while neglecting the clerks.

Modesty Costs Girl's Life.

New York.—Because she would not allow her fellow employees to fasten a tourniquet about her leg, Miss Helen Gerschen died at St. Vincent's hospital Wednesday. Miss Gerschen accidentally stabbed herself in the leg with a pair of scissors.

Confirm McChord and Meyers.

Washington.—The senate in executive session Wednesday confirmed the nominations of C. C. McChord and H. H. Meyers as members of the interstate commerce commission.

STATE CAPITAL LINCOLN QUARTERS

Some Additional Appointments. Governor-elect Aldrich has made the following appointments:

First physician at the hospital for insane, Hastings, F. H. Kiegl of West Point; second physician, Dr. H. R. Carson of Omaha.

Steward and bookkeeper at industrial school at Kearney, J. L. Ashenfelter, Beatrice.

Surgeons to soldiers and sailors' home, Milford, Susan Ward, Milford, Dr. James G. Muir, Milford.

Matron of industrial home, Milford, Susan Ward, Milford; physician, Harry J. Wertman, Milford.

Adjutant of soldiers' home, Grand Island, C. G. Vanness, Grand Island.

Drug inspector, R. S. Schofield, Anoka.

Steward at the penitentiary, Monte Robb of Mynard; bookkeeper at Penitentiary, Jefferson Ward of Omaha.

Treated With Consideration.

Attorney General Arthur Mullen and Attorney C. O. Whedon have returned from Washington, where, in company with I. L. Albert of Columbus, they argued the Nebraska bank guaranty law case before the United States supreme court. Both of the Lincoln attorneys feel very hopeful of a decision in favor of the constitutionality of the state law. As they tell the story, the supreme court justices showed them every consideration, slept but little during their presentation of the state's case and even asked some questions on the points at issue.

Makes Some Appointments.

Major E. H. Phelps, of the national guard, who will succeed Col. Hartigan as adjutant general, the first of the year, has announced the following appointments:

To be assistant adjutant general, taking the place made vacant by the promotion of Major Phelps, Capt. Louis H. Gage of Fremont. Gage has been the head of the signal corps for five years and a member of the organization for eight.

To be inspector general, Col. A. D. Fetterman of Omaha. Col. Fetterman now holds this position and has been reappointed as a result of the support of national guard officers.

Personnel of Next Legislature.

So far as facts have been filed with the secretary of state, the next legislature will be made up as follows, regarding the occupation of the members:

Senate—Bankers 6, lawyers 11, merchants 5, editors 1, farmers 7, physicians 1, real estate and insurance 2.

House—Farmers 37, bankers 6, merchants 20, ministers 1, lawyers 9, contractors 2, printers 2, real estate and insurance 7, editors 6.

New State Banks.

Three new state banks have been chartered by the state banking board. The Harrison State bank of Harrison has incorporated with a paid up capital stock of \$20,000. The Curtis State bank of Curtis has organized with a paid up capital stock of \$20,000. The Tyrone State bank of Tyrone, McPherson county, has incorporated with a capital of \$10,000.

Candidates for Deputy Warden.

Two candidates for deputy warden of the state penitentiary are making a lively fight for that position. They are Henry Wagner of Lincoln, who has been connected with the institution for many years, and Ed Davis of Lincoln, formerly sheriff of Clay county and warden of the penitentiary under Governors Dietrich and Savage.

Attorney General-elect Grant G.

Martin has announced the appointments in his office for the coming two years. George W. Ayers, the present assistant attorney general, will take the position of deputy attorney general while Frank E. Edgerton will be assistant attorney general to succeed Mr. Ayers. Mr. Martin will retain Miss Josephine Murphy of Plattsburgh, Neb., as stenographer. She was appointed to this position three years ago by Mr. Thompson.

The report of State Superintendent E. C. Bishop to the governor shows that the superintendent collected \$6,543 in fees for the certification of teachers during the six months ending November 30 and that during that time he expended \$6,099.93 of such fees. With a few dollars' balance on hand at the beginning of the six months he closed the semi-annual period with \$474.04 on hand.

It was moving day in the state house Monday. The state board of public lands and buildings met and allotted the quarters of such departments as are subjected to the biennial moving stunt when the legislature convenes.

The appropriation for deputy wardens in the game commission expired with the close of November, and the three deputies are now out of jobs. Joe Boehler, who lives at Alma, however, has offered his services any time up to the first of the year to Warden Gellus. Isaac King of Superior and Iels Alberts of Saronville are the other deputies.

Food Commissioner S. L. Mains has been invited to attend a conference of food officials, manufacturers and experts in Washington, which will be engaged in the draft of a model net weight branding law.