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FIVE ARE DEAD IN WRECK

Panhandle Limited Crashes Into Coal Car Near Xenia, O.

FOUR VICTIMS BURN TO DEATH

Passengers Stand by and Watch Agony of Dying Men and Women, Unable to Save on Account of Fierceness of Flames.

Dayton, O., July 25.—Engineer Clark of Xenia under his engine, burned to a crisp; his fireman of Cincinnati, name unknown, head crushed, right arm broken and both legs cut off; three passengers, two women and a man, burned to death in a Pullman sleeper, and a number of other passengers injured, is the story of the wrecking of the Panhandle limited from St. Louis eastbound to New York last night at Trebin's station, a short distance from Xenia. A wrecking train was hurried out from Xenia and another from this city with all the doctors that could be secured.

Train No. 2 was flying eastward at limited speed, when the engine struck a loaded coal car which, in the darkness, had escaped from the siding in Xenia and had run down grade to the danger point. The engine struck it, going at full speed and was turned over, with Engineer Clark underneath. The postal car, combination car, day coach, impelled by the heavy sleepers behind, piled over the engine. Two Pullmans followed and were laid across the track at right angles.

A gas tank under one of the cars exploded, setting fire to the wreck and the postal car, the coaches and two sleepers were destroyed. Cries for help could be heard coming from one of the Pullmans and the helpless onlookers were compelled to see two women and one man burned to death before their eyes, unable to lend any aid on account of the fierceness of the flames. At that point the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton and the Panhandle roads are parallel, and both were torn up for a distance of fifty yards, blocking traffic.

COACH FALLS FORTY FEET.

Car on Ohio and Little Kanawha Railway Goes Off Trestle.

McConnellsville, O., July 25.—The worst wreck in the history of the Muskingum valley occurred yesterday at the Doude trestle, a mile south of this city. The northbound passenger train on the Ohio and Little Kanawha railway was passing over the trestle when the rear coach turned over twice in its descent and fell forty feet. It is stated that the trestle had been weakened by the recent flood. The train was going at the ordinary speed over the trestle when the rear coach fell and there was no damage to any part of the train except to the coach which fell, and it was smashed into splinters. There were thirty passengers in the coach, nearly all of them from local points along the Muskingum valley, as the train was bound from Marietta to Zanesville. Relief was promptly sent from this city and from Malta, which is on the opposite side of the Muskingum river from McConnellsville.

A summary of the casualties shows two killed, three fatally, eighteen seriously and six slightly injured. The only one in the coach that entirely escaped injury was a little son of Mrs. Martha Brown. None of the train crew were on the coach that fell. They joined the passengers in the other coaches in saying that the sight was more horrifying than can be described. When the train was stopped at the other end of the trestle, all rushed to the rescue, the train men leading the way down the cliff. There they beheld an agonizing heap of screaming mortals. Eleven of the passengers in the wrecked coach were able to extricate themselves, but all the others had to be loosened from the wreckage, under which they were pinned. The only one taken out of the wreckage dead was Miss Gertrude Sherwood. A. J. Rathbun was dying when rescued from the ruins and lived only a few minutes. Private residences as well as the hotels were thrown open for temporary hospitals. Eight doctors accompanied the wreck train from Zanesville and assisted the local physicians in caring for the injured.

Edward Smith of Malta, O., was dangerously injured internally. County Commissioner W. F. Lighthouse of Morgan county and Robert James, a Pennsylvania stock dealer, are reported by physicians as unable to survive.

Among the others who are pronounced to be in dangerous condition are Charles Bailey, a commercial traveler of Marietta, and Mrs. H. H. Postal of Columbus.

No Concerted Move Against Hender Bloux City, July 25.—"There is no concerted action on the part of the National Millers' Federation to defeat Speaker D. B. Henderson in his race for re-election to congress," was the positive statement made by H. S. Kennedy, secretary of the National Millers' Federation yesterday. "Whatever the millers feel individually about the matter, there is no concerted movement on the part of the national federation to get the speaker's scalp."

Wanted Destruction of Herds Wyoming by Lawless Cattlemen.

Lander, Wyo., July 25.—It is learned that in addition to killing a Mexican sheep herder named Sam Galaxes and slaughtering several thousand sheep a band of 150 masked men has surrounded all the sheep camps and forced the sheepmen to abandon their flocks.

After killing one herd of 2,000 sheep twenty-five other herds amounting to about 55,000 sheep were driven into the mountains and left to shift for themselves. The sheepmen have been threatened with instant death if they go after their flocks.

The sheep are now the prey of wild animals and the loss will be very heavy. The scene of the lawlessness is 115 miles west of Lander, in Fremont county. The militia may be called out to protect the sheepmen.

MURDERER ADMITS GUILT.

Man Who Killed His Wife and Her Mother Gives Himself Up.

Atoka, T. T., July 25.—James Reeves has surrendered to the police here, explaining that it was he who killed his wife here several days ago; also her mother, Mrs. Grant, and John Knuckles. Reeves said that, with his wife, he had lived a happy life until the appearance of Knuckles on the scene a couple of months ago. Since that time his wife had treated him with indifference, which maddened him, especially since her parents encouraged her attentions to Knuckles.

CAPTAIN STRONG IN ENGLAND.

Says He Did Not Pawn May Yohe's Jewels, as She Charges.

New York, July 25.—A special dispatch from London to an afternoon paper says that Putnam Bradlee Strong arrived at Southampton yesterday on the St. Paul, sailing under an assumed name.

In an interview he acknowledged his identity and denied positively the charge that he pawned Yohe's jewels, May Yohe, who was formerly the wife of Lord Francis Hope, sailed for Europe yesterday on the Fuerst Bismarck.

Flood Ravage in Texas.

Big Springs, Tex., July 25.—Ten inches of rain has fallen in this vicinity within the past few days. The streets of Big Springs have been inundated and train service on the Texas and Pacific has been suspended. No lives have been lost, but many narrow escapes are reported. At present it is impossible to estimate the damage, but it will be enormous with the railroads the heaviest losers. The track for several miles was washed away and it probably will be ten days before the company will get a train through from the west. The water bound passengers are being taken care of by the company. The irrigated farms below this place have been ruined.

Bank Robber Confesses.

Greenfield, Ind., July 25.—Lying on a cot in his cell in jail at this city and suffering from gunshot wounds, inflicted by his captors, the lone robber who attempted to hold up the Fortville bank during the noon hour yesterday confessed to a fellow prisoner that he was a plumber named C. A. Hall and that his home is at Marion, O. Hall is suffering from a score of shot wounds, the most serious of which is over his right eye. His breast and legs were also peppered with shot. None of the wounds will prove fatal.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Luther C. Hess has been appointed assistant attorney for Alaska.

The following postoffices will have free delivery services beginning Sept. 1: Bismarck, N. D., and Leads, S. D. The naval battle near Panama between government ships and rebels is reported to have been won by the former.

Judge Thomas P. Hawley has announced his candidacy for United States senator from Nevada to succeed Senator Jones.

Dedication of the St. Louis World's fair will take place in the Palace of Liberal Arts April 30, 1903, with pageantry and oratory.

E. S. McGuire, assistant United States attorney for Oklahoma, has resigned to enter the race for delegate in congress from that territory.

The session of the United States League of Local Building and Loan associations ended at Put-in-Bay Thursday. Boston was selected as the next place of meeting.

The British government has decided to send parties of Boers to Canada and Australia to study agricultural methods there for application in improving their own conditions.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Republican state central committee, John D. Long, former secretary of the navy, was elected to preside over the state convention, which it was voted to hold on Oct. 12.

Contractors on the Fort Smith and Western railroad were notified of the death in Ishpeming, Mich., of George E. Hayden, president of the road, now nearly completed between Fort Smith, Ark., and Guthrie, I. T.

Jefferson W. Bigelow, recently publisher of the Caldwell (O.) Press and a prominent politician, is missing. There is much excitement over the discovery of forged notes signed with the names of his father and others.

BRYAN ON HARMONY PLAN

Talks at Banquet of New England Democratic League.

WOULD HAVE NO COMPROMISE.

Says Democrats Must Not Make Peace With the Enemy—Senator Carmack and Others Also Address Great Gathering at Nantasket.

Boston, July 25.—Nearly four thousand Democrats gathered at Nantasket yesterday and participated in the "harmony" meeting arranged by the New England Democratic league, the new political organization which is expected to develop its strength in the fall campaign. Mayor P. A. Collins of this city acted as "moderator" as he expressed it, and presented in order Edward M. Shepard of New York, Senator Edward W. Carmack of Tennessee and W. J. Bryan of Nebraska, who expounded and discussed the issues of this campaign to the marked satisfaction of the audience.

Shortly after noon 300 members of the league sat down to a banquet in the great dining room of the Rockland hotel. Among those at the dinner was Miss Ruth Bryan, who is accompanying her father on this trip.

At the conclusion of the dinner the crowd repaired to the mammoth tent on the lawn in front of the hotel. In a few minutes every seat was taken and the canvas at the sides was removed in order that hundreds who were unable to get in might see and hear.

The speakers' appearance upon the stand was the signal for loud and continued applause. Mayor Collins promptly introduced Edward M. Shepard of New York. Senator Carmack followed and for nearly an hour and a half held the attention of his hearers. His discussion of the trust issue brought forth applause, which was repeated frequently during his argument on the Philippine question. Bryan's Address.

The presentation of Mr. Bryan developed great enthusiasm. Cheers greeted him as he stepped to the front of the platform and he was several times interrupted by demonstrations of approval. He said in part:

"In view of the numerous harmony dinners, and the discord they have created, it may not be out of place to consider the basis of harmony. Harmony is but a synonym for order, and is not the result of chance, but the product of an inexorable law. It is impossible to secure harmony between the people of opposite sympathies, and it is a difficult thing to change a man's sympathies; it requires a political regeneration to make a Democrat out of an aristocrat. The Republican party of today is aristocratic in its policies and tendencies, for it is controlled by a few in the interest of a few. As there are many in the Republican party who have adhered to the party notwithstanding the change that organization has undergone, so there are some who call themselves Democrats who have themselves undergone a change which has alienated them from the Democratic party, or from any party worthy of the name. To attempt to patch up an apparent harmony between those who are not in sympathy with Democratic purposes, is not only a waste of time but would prove disastrous.

Trusts Grow and Flourish. "Since the election of 1900, imperialism is more openly avowed, and imperialistic methods more boldly entered upon, because the administration can point to that election as an apparent endorsement, although the party leaders at that time vehemently denied any imperialistic intent. Since the election of 1900 trusts have grown and flourished under the Republican administration, as might have been expected. Almost two years have elapsed since the last presidential election and no legislative attempt has been made to interfere with them. Since the election, the financiers are seeking to carry their advantage a little farther and are planning an asset currency, a system of branch banks and the redemption of the silver dollar.

"And all the while, an exorbitant tariff is working injustice to consumers. The opponents of aristocracy and plutocracy cannot be united for a successful attack upon entrenched privilege by making peace with the enemy, but by an honest straightforward appeal to the American people."

Mr. Bryan left for Maine, accompanied by Senator Carmack and Senator Charles S. Hamill. Tonight they will appear at Rockland. Early in the afternoon addresses will be made at Augusta and in the afternoon they will attend a meeting in Bangor.

The Argentine (Kan.) smelter, which is said to have been at one time the largest in the world, is being dismantled. Rich English labor unions are exposed to damage suits by employers through a recent decision. A suit against the Miners' Federation is pending because a four days' colliery strike was ordered. Carleton F. Hodge, the Assumption, Ill., editor who announced he will print the bible as a serial in his weekly, declared persons who own but never read the bible will go on seeing it in a worldly newspaper.

JUST BEFORE FISTIC BATTLE.

Both Fighters in Prime Condition and Equally Confident.

San Francisco, July 25.—The eye of the heavyweight championship fight and both of the opponents asserting that they are in prime condition. Each one is also equally confident of getting the decision. Neither sees how he can lose.

Both Jeffries and Fitzsimmons spent the day quietly, cutting out all work.

Jeffries said: "My training is over, and I am glad of it. I never felt better in my life and I don't see how I can lose. I am pleased to hear that Fitzsimmons is in good condition, and I hope to prove to the world that the dope story he sprang the last time was without foundation. I have not been able to let myself out in my training and I look forward with pleasure for the chance to cut loose for keeps. If I win I intend to keep on fighting as long as there is any one to fight. I am also satisfied with the referee. Tonight will settle everything, and may the best man win."

Fitzsimmons said: "I see by the morning papers that Delaney says that all I want is the short end. It has always been the short end that I have had before the contest, but they have always turned out to be very long ends when the fights have been finished. What I want and what I am going to get is the championship. That is everything to me."

The odds in the betting remain at 10 to 4.

OMAHA MAKES GREATEST GAIN.

Shows Largest Increase in Membership of Young People's Union.

Tacoma, Wash., July 25.—The day in the convention of the Young People's Christian union was largely devoted to the junior society. The secretary's report was followed by a junior conference, led by Miss Lillian Robertson of Spokane. The report of the junior secretary, J. A. Cosby, says that the west comes to the front with the presbytery having the greatest gain. Omaha gains 348 per cent. Sidney comes next with 236 per cent. Of the 432 societies reporting to the junior secretary, 219 are Christian union, 65 Christian Endeavor and 149 junior missionary.

FATAL FIRE AT ALBANY.

Million Dollars Worth of Property Destroyed and Two Firemen Killed.

Albany, N. Y., July 25.—Firemen Shelley and Bishop were killed early this morning in a fire which destroyed the Columbia hotel and about a dozen different manufacturing buildings on Beaver street. The loss is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Reese Named for Congress.

Oskaloosa, Ia., July 25.—John P. Reese of Albia, Monroe county, was nominated in this city yesterday afternoon by the Democrats of the Sixth congressional district in opposition to John F. Lacey for congress. The nominee is president of the Iowa mine workers.

FIREMAN CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Wreck on the Rock Island Near South Omaha.

Omaha, July 25.—The westbound Colorado express on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific was wrecked three miles below South Omaha yesterday afternoon. Fireman C. E. Porter was killed. The engine jumped the track and turned over in the ditch. Two baggage cars followed and were badly splintered. The rest of the heavy train remained on the track. Porter's home is in Fairbury, Neb.

According to the passengers, the shock was not severe. The train came to a sudden standstill, and some passengers were roughly jolted. Then the cry of fire was raised, and in a moment the entire train was emptied.

Experimental Mine Explodes.

Versailles, France, July 25.—While a detachment of sappers was planting experimental mines at the Satory camp yesterday morning a mine was prematurely exploded, killing a lieutenant and three noncommissioned officers and seriously wounding six others. The mines are intended as a demonstration for the benefit of the cadet corps.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

A. Frank Durgin, aged twenty-five years, was killed near Prescott, Ariz., Thursday by falling down the shaft of the Cash mine.

George Wyndham, in the British commons debate on the Irish question, said Irish industry cannot revive until social prescription ends.

President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers, in a Chicago interview, said the anthracite miners will continue their strike and will soon appeal to the public.

The adjutant general's statistics show 2,561 engagements fought in the Philippines; 69 officers and 936 men died of wounds; 47 officers and 2,535 men of disease.

The deportation of Chinese smuggled into the United States began on Monday. Thirty-one were sent back and nearly 300 more are in jail along the Canadian border.

The German court chamberlain, a Pole, advised Emperor William not to visit Posen during the army maneuvers for fear a Polish fanatic may harm him. The warning is likely to be ignored.

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