

## BAD WRECK IN ILLINOIS

### Two Persons Killed and Many Others Injured.

#### DUG FROM HOLE IN FIERY CAR.

Four Cars are Lost by Fire After the Wreck—Occurred at Thompson This Morning—People Just Saved After Noon.

Thompson, Ill., March 27, 3:05 p. m.—Special to The News: In the wreck that occurred here this morning the passengers have been taken from the burning cars, through a hole in the floor. Two are dead and twenty injured severely. Four cars are totally burned.

**Burlington Train Wrecked.**  
Thompson, Ill., March 27.—Special to The News: The Burlington's St. Paul-Chicago train was wrecked here this morning, the cars being piled up in the ditch. The sleeper and chair car were buried and many of the passengers were injured. At this report the number of the persons injured has not been learned.

**General in Wreck.**  
La Costa, Texas, March 27.—Special to The News: The Southern Pacific "Sunset Limited" collided with a passenger train at this place this morning. Three persons were killed and nine seriously injured. The Pullman sleeping car was telescoped and its contents killed or injured.

The private car of the Mexican general, Trevino, was attached to the train, but the general escaped serious injury. The entire train of cars was burned and both locomotives destroyed.

#### FATAL WRECK ON OMAHA ROAD.

Passenger Collides With Logging Train, Killing Fireman.

Hayward, Wis., March 27.—In a wreck on the Omaha road here a passenger train collided with a logging train, telescoping the engine, mail and baggage cars. Fireman Frank Bapen of the passenger train was killed and J. C. Hiner, the passenger engineer, was badly bruised. No others were hurt. The fault lay with the logging train, which thought the passenger had gone. A blinding snowstorm made it impossible to see but a short distance or both engineers could have seen the danger.

#### Freight Cuts Train in Two.

Kansas City, March 27.—At a crossing at Kansas City, Kan., a heavy Missouri Pacific freight train ran into the St. Paul express on the Chicago Great Western railway, cutting the latter train in two and badly wrecking the rear chair car and sleeper. Most of the passengers were in the ordinary coach and all, as well as both crews, escaped injury.

## LEVEE OUT—WORST IN HISTORY.

### Crevasse Three Miles Wide—Whole Country is Flooded.

Greenville, Miss., 4:15 p. m.—Special to The News: The levee below this city has just broken and there is a crevasse three miles wide. The whole country is flooded. It is the worst break in the history of the Mississippi.

#### FAST CONTINENT IN SOUTH.

Pole is Surrounded by Land, Much of It Made Up of Lofty Mountains.

London, March 27.—President Markham of the Royal Geographical Society, commenting on the achievements of the British Antarctic ship Discovery, says it has been proved conclusively that the greater part of the Antarctic region is a vast continent.

Captain Scott, the commander of the Discovery, penetrated 100 miles farther south than any previous explorer, and discovered an extensive mountainous region, hitherto absolutely unknown, extending to 83.20 south. He thinks this indicates that the land stretches to the pole in a series of very lofty mountains, which is considered to be far the most important geographical result ever achieved in Antarctic explorations. The Discovery wintered 400 miles farther south than any vessel had previously wintered.

#### Louisiana Levee Cut.

New Orleans, March 27.—The first crevasse in Louisiana occurred early this morning, 150 feet of the levee near Lucy, forty miles above the city, giving way. It is the dividing line between St. Charles and St. John parishes. It is a big levee, four feet above the water, and is presumed to have been cut.

#### Tangier Asks for Aid.

New York, March 27.—Tangier, according to a dispatch to the Times from that city, via London, has sent pressing letters to Fez asking for military assistance, without which, it is declared, the disturbances among the mountain tribes will be very serious. It is stated that over 1,000 men are required.

#### Boy Kills His Stepfather.

Peoria, March 27.—Leslie Zeine, aged seventeen, shot and almost instantly killed his stepfather, Charles Krause, a farmer, aged forty-four. The latter was abusing the boy's mother and when Zeine remonstrated attacked him. Zeine grabbed a gun and killed him.

## STEEL PLANTS ARE MERGED.

### National Steel Company Is the Name of the New Concern.

Trenton, N. J., March 27.—Articles of merger were filed in the office of the secretary of state, merging the American Steel Switch company, National Steel company and the Carnegie company. The merged corporation is to be known as the National Steel company, with a capitalization of \$63,000,000. The combined capital of the old companies amounted to \$252,000,000.

By this merger the new corporation will save over \$7,000 each year in fees paid to the state of New Jersey. The directors of the new corporation are W. E. Corey, C. M. Schwab, F. H. Gray, W. W. Blackburn and Thomas Murray.

In this new merger there appeared to be evidence that the name of Carnegie would be obliterated from the business of the United States Steel corporation. A careful examination, however, shows that while the Carnegie Steel company is merged with the others, that the National Steel company, under its new form, becomes a subsidiary corporation to the Carnegie company.

## EMPRESS BREAKS HER ARM.

### Augusta of Germany Was Thrown From Her Horse Today.

Berlin, March 27.—Special to The News: The empress of Germany, Augusta Victoria, was this morning thrown from her riding horse and sustained from the fall a broken arm. She is resting as easily as could be expected, although she is somewhat nervous from the shock.

#### CUBA MAY INSIST ON TERMS.

### Desires That Treaty Be Finally Approved Before Year Closes.

Havana, March 27.—The chance for carrying through the reciprocity treaty appears slender, unless the United States government concedes the Cuban senate the right to provide that the treaty shall not be effective unless it is ratified by the United States congress during the present year. The senate committee on foreign relations decided to report today in favor of the adoption of all the amendments to the treaty, but also to adopt a separate provision as an accompaniment to the effect that the notification must be complete before Dec. 31.

#### Guayaquil Post Still Vacant.

Washington, March 27.—Guayaquil is acquiring a bad reputation as a consular post. First came the pathetic details of the death of Artist Nash, then Mr. Sawyer went to the city and fled incontinently because of the yellow epidemic, leaving a vacancy, and within a few months has occurred the third vacancy, which remains to be filled, for Dr. William Shaw Bowen will not take the place, though he was nominated and confirmed by the senate as consul. It is said that some old court-martial record has been revived to his detriment.

#### Jamaican Reciprocity Treaty Falls.

Washington, March 27.—The announcement in the Jamaican legislature of the failure of the reciprocity treaty with the United States is but a forerunner of what may be expected in the case of all agreements of a similar character which failed to secure action by the United States senate. It was evident from the attitude of the body that the members were opposed to the reciprocity idea, as outlined in the reciprocity treaties that were sent to it by the president, and all efforts along that line have been abandoned by the administration.

#### Children to Wave Flags.

Des Moines, March 27.—Sixteen thousand school children, with flags waving, have been engaged by the committee on arrangements to greet President Roosevelt on his visit to this city April 28. The children will be formed on the commons of the state house in such a manner as to spell the word "Roosevelt." The campus is a gradual slope and presents a splendid opportunity to make a beautiful display.

#### Death of William E. Annin.

Phoenix, Ariz., March 27.—William E. Annin, a special agent in charge of the rural mail route service of the Denver division, died here of tuberculosis, aged forty-seven years. He leaves a wife and two children. For years Mr. Annin was one of the most brilliant newspaper of the congressional gallery at Washington.

#### Akron Has \$250,000 Fire.

Akron, O., March 27.—The explosion of a can of gasoline at the plant of the American Cycle company here resulted in the destruction by fire of the entire works and also the plant of the India Rubber company, adjoining. Charles Leroy and Lewis Hiram, workmen in the bicycle plant, were painfully burned by the exploding gasoline. The losses will aggregate \$250,000, with \$140,000 insurance.

#### Freight Embargo Lifted.

Chicago, March 27.—Eastern railway lines gave general notice that the embargo which has existed for months against traffic from western lines has been raised, and that the eastern lines are in normal condition. The situation was relieved somewhat by the loading of about 2,000,000 bushels of wheat on lake steamers to await the opening of navigation.

## LAND BILL WELL RECEIVED

### Nationalists and Conservatives Approve Irish Measure.

#### ULSTER LANDLORDS OPPOSE IT.

### Majority of Them Not Likely to Sell Their Estates—William O'Brien Says Bill Has Some Weak Spots, but Sees Good in It.

London, March 27.—Mr. Wyndham has no cause to be dissatisfied with the reception so far given to the Irish land bill. A day's reflection has not modified the first favorable opinions expressed. Perhaps the strongest indications of opposition yet evinced have come from the Ulster landlords, the majority of whom are said to be unlikely to sell their estates. T. W. Russell, member for one of the Ulster divisions, declares that this difficulty, arising from the absence of a compulsory law in the bill, will result in a continuance of the agitation in Ulster by the tenants, who thus are deprived of availing themselves of the new measure.

William O'Brien has issued a manifesto criticising many features of the bill, but strongly deprecating anything like a hasty condemnation by the nationalist convention. Generally speaking, the nationalists heartily welcome the bill, not because they regard it as perfect, but because it gives ministerial sanction to the principle of state aid in the shape of the bonus provided for under the bill, and because it is held to contain the germs of a future measure of self-government for Ireland.

Mr. Asquith, speaking at St. Albans, said that without being sanguine, credulous or optimistic, he could not help thinking that if, by a concordat such as this bill, they could hope for a satisfactory land settlement, it was not beyond the bounds of statesmanship that by a like concordat between Ireland on one side and all the parties in England on the other, they should make an equally substantial advance towards settling the problem of Irish government.

Among the provisions which Mr. Wyndham had not time to explain is a very important one, sweeping away all arrears of rent, except for a year preceding the passage of the act. Several other extremely good features of the measure will come to light when the text is distributed.

#### Immigration is Increasing.

New York, March 27.—Immigration figures for March show that immigration is increasing in spite of the unusual strictness of inspection on both sides of the ocean. During the first twenty-five days of March 49,162 immigrants arrived, or 4,000 more than during the same period last year. About 10,000 are due to land during the rest of the month.

## WILL ADJOURN APRIL 7.

### Nebraska Law Makers Will Stop Work Week From Tuesday.

Lincoln, March 27.—Special to The News: The legislature will adjourn April 7.

#### MAY CLOSE COTTON MILLS.

### Textile Council Orders Strike on Monday Next if Demands Not Granted.

Lowell, Mass., March 27.—The textile council, made up of delegates from seven labor unions, formally ordered a strike on Monday next in seven of the big cotton mill corporations in this city. If the request for a 10 per cent increase of wages is not granted by that time. This action was anticipated, as each of the seven unions had instructed its delegates to the council to vote in favor of "forcing the issue." The members of the council believe that the order will not become effective on Monday morning, but will be observed to the extent that by the same evening nearly 20,000 persons employed in seven mills will be out of work.

#### Says Day of Strikes is Past.

Peoria, Ill., March 27.—Bishop Spaulding, who has just returned from his labors on the anthracite strike commission, in an interview in this city, gave it as his opinion that the period of strikes in the United States has passed forever and that arbitration would be used to settle all labor difficulties in the future. The bishop thinks that the precedent established by the commission will do much to bring about this state of affairs.

#### Jefferson in New Role.

West Palm Beach, Fla., March 27.—Joseph Jefferson, the distinguished actor, will appear here in a new role—as president of an electric light and power company, which has been organized here with a \$50,000 capital.

#### Street Car Tieup at Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., March 27.—The tie-up of the street car service was almost complete on the first day of the strike. But seven cars were operated during the day and these ran only spasmodically.

#### New York Senate Passes Canal Bill.

Albany, N. Y., March 27.—The \$101,000,000 canal referendum bill passed the assembly by a vote of 78 yeas to 35 noes, after a discussion of nine hours, in which party lines were practically abandoned.

## BURDICK INQUEST ENDED.

### Investigation Has Thrown Little Light Upon the Murder.

Buffalo, March 27.—At the close of the inquest into the death of Edwin L. Burdick, who was murdered just a month ago, Judge Murphy announced that an official inquiry into the tragic death of Arthur R. Pennell, who has figured so prominently in the Burdick inquest, will begin Monday.

The Burdick inquest has served to develop several theories relative to the crime that had been suggested many days ago, but it would be hardly correct to say that the investigation has added anything tangible to any of these theories. Aside from the failure of the authorities to secure evidence bearing directly upon the commission of the crime or to establish the identity of the murderer, there is a feeling of satisfaction that the name of Mr. Burdick has been lifted from the mire in which it was first dragged, and his character shown in its true light. The evidence brought out under the examination of witnesses by District Attorney Coatsworth has shown Burdick to have been a loving father, always willing to sacrifice his own happiness and pride for the sake of his children; that he was the victim of false charges, broken pledges and, in face of it all, an indulgent and loving husband. The efforts of the authorities to fix the crime upon some one will not end with the inquest. At the same time there is no little hope of success in this undertaking, and the murder probably will go down in criminal history as one of the great unsolved mysteries.

## COAL OPERATORS BACK OUT.

### Markle & Pardee Try to Slide Through Commission's Findings.

Hazletown, Pa., March 27.—Special to The News: There is trouble here in regard to the coal miners' situation. Markle & Pardee, operators, are attempting to back out of the findings of the commission appointed by President Roosevelt to investigate the matter. As a result the miners, themselves, have offered resistance and the end is uncertain.

#### New Venue for Stratton Case.

Colorado Springs, Colo., March 27.—Judge Seeds granted the motion of the attorneys for the executors of W. S. Stratton's will to quash the panel of jurors in attendance upon the district court and ordered a new venire, returnable tomorrow, when the selection of a jury to try the will contest will be begun.

#### Holbrook Has a Bad Fire.

Holbrook, Neb., March 27.—Holbrook had the most disastrous fire since its incorporation. The entire business portion of the town, including North & Miller's and Cooper's general stores, was consumed by fire. The probable loss will be \$20,000, with only \$6,000 insurance.

#### Edward is in Good Health.

London, March 27.—The vague suggestion of the Liverpool Post that King Edward is in poor health and suffers from depression does not find confirmation in well informed quarters. The king is frequently seen in public and is apparently in excellent health and spirits. He will start for Lisbon on Monday, and then will go on a yachting tour.

#### Funeral of General MacDonald.

London, March 27.—The funeral of General MacDonald will be private, because it is the custom in the British army not to accord military honors to an officer who has committed suicide. The war office has issued an explanation that it is in accordance with the wishes of the dead officer's relations that the funeral will take place in Paris.

#### May Abolish Grain Tax.

London, March 27.—According to the Pall Mall Gazette, Chancellor of the Exchequer Ritchie is likely to abolish the grain tax in the forthcoming budget, making a reduction of 3 pence in the income tax. This belief, however, is hardly borne out by the chancellor's recent statement to a deputation of grain dealers.

## WORTH-WHILE FEATURES IN NORFOLK TODAY.

### THE INCREASE in circulation of THE NEWS since the new telegraphic service has been added, has surpassed all expectations of the publisher. It was anticipated that the improved service must bring a larger list of subscribers, and therefore advertising, but it was hardly hoped that the new readers would come in so rapidly. The circulation is being worked constantly and as soon as people learn that the telegraphic news may be had nearly twenty hours ahead of morning dailies and twenty-seven hours ahead of Omaha or Lincoln evening papers, they want THE NEWS. The paper is better suited to bring profitable results to advertisers; both locally and in surrounding towns, than ever before.

DR. C. A. McKIM, veterinarian. Phones, office 195, residence, 14.

NEW PICTURE moldings—Macy.

SHORT ORDER restaurant, Hummel.

BEEF and pork today. The Palace.

FEED STORE for seeds.

## COLOR LINE NOT RAISED

### National Council of Women Opens at New Orleans.

#### NO NEGRO DELEGATES PRESENT.

### Announcement of the Possibility of Colored Women Attending Makes Reception by National Officers a Slimly-Attended Affair.

New Orleans, March 27.—The threatened trouble over the color question having simmered down, the National Council of Women of the United States opened their executive session here and the general officers held their public reception. No negroes were present on either occasion. Mrs. May Wright Sewall, president of the international council, said there had never been any probability of the attendance of a colored woman at the social function. Similar receptions had always been given in the north, but on no occasion had a negro woman attended. There are only two colored women in the world entitled to be present at the business sessions here, said Mrs. Sewall. One was Mrs. Yates of Missouri. The other was Mrs. Williams of this city. Mrs. Yates could not come and sent her proxy. "But Mrs. Williams, to whom the proxy was forwarded, has written to me that she never had any intention of participating in the meeting," continued Mrs. Sewall, "and so there never has been any danger of a mingling of the whites and blacks during our stay in New Orleans."

Mrs. Mary Swift presided over the meeting, which was executive. Mrs. Sewall, president of the international council, and Miss Susan B. Anthony, honorary president of the National Woman's Suffrage association, were the guests of honor. Mrs. Flo Jamison Miller, corresponding secretary, presented a report reviewing the work of the council during the year and calling special attention to the serious blow which it had sustained in the death of its president, Mrs. Helmholtz.

At the business session, the national bureau showed that not only had many more secretaries been appointed, but that many more newspapers throughout the country had consented to publish items concerning the work. The peace and arbitration committee presented a report showing the spread of the movement.

The unfortunate announcement of the possibility of colored delegates attending, which impelled local women to withdraw from the reception arrangements, not only made the reception by the national officials a slimly attended affair, but will probably result in the future separation of the conventions of the National Woman's Suffrage association and the National Council of Women, which have heretofore always been held in the same city at the same time.

## CHESS BY WIRE.

### Anglo-American Chess Match Commences Today.

Boston, March 27.—Special to The News: The annual Anglo-American university chess match by cable was commenced today. The contestants are Yale, Harvard, Columbia and Princeton on the one side and Oxford and Cambridge on the other.

#### Convicts Have Tuberculosis.

Albany, N. Y., March 27.—One-fourth of the population of the Clinton state prison at Dannemora is afflicted with tuberculosis, according to Dr. J. B. Ransom, physician at the institution, in an argument submitted to the ways and means committee of the assembly in favor of the bill making an appropriation for the construction of a building at the prison for the prisoners thus afflicted. There are 250 tuberculosis inmates in the institution, of whom 195 were transferred from other institutions.

#### Accuser is Now Accused.

Independence, Ia., March 27.—W. P. Dickinson of Chicago, who has just been acquitted here of the charge of embezzlement from the Boone Valley Coal company, of which he was an officer, has sued Hamilton Browne, the stockholder who instituted the prosecution, for an accounting and for \$100,000 damages. The First National bank also sues Browne for the value of the \$5,000 note involved in the embezzlement case.

#### Mountain Falls on Tracks.

Keyser, W. Va., March 27.—The top of the mountain fell down on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks near Dawson. The slide covers 200 feet and some of the rocks are as big as boxcars. A dynamite steam crane is being used to remove the obstructions.

#### Fears for Safety of Overdue Steamer.

Mobile, Ala., March 27.—Great concern is expressed here over the fate of the British iron freight steamer Salopia, which cleared from this port for Antwerp Jan. 30. She should have been reported from the other side not later than March 1. Nothing has been heard from the vessel.

#### Greensburg Bank is Robbed.

Greensburg, Kan., March 27.—Three men wrecked the vault and safe of the State bank of Greensburg with dynamite and got away with \$400. They escaped on a freight train.

## SCHOONER SUNK IN COLLISION.

### Steamer Silvia Sends Marrett to the Bottom but Saves Crew.

City Island, N. Y., March 27.—With a hole stove in her port bow, extending from below the water line to the hawser pipe and measuring eight feet by four feet, the Red Cross line steamer Silvia, in command of Captain Farrell, from St. Johns to New York, arrived here. On board the Silvia are Captain Pellen and his crew of the Rockland (Me.) schooner O. M. Marrett, which was in collision with the steamer off Gay Head, Mass. The Marrett sank in five minutes after the accident and nothing from her was saved. She had a cargo of coal aboard. The mate of the schooner, Horace Boz, was severely injured.

#### New York Town is Burning.

Utica, N. Y., March 27.—Fire broke out in the store house of the Carthage Tissue mill, at Carthage, this morning and it is a total loss. It then communicated to the store house of Ryther & Pringle, filled with hay. A strong west wind is blowing and the railway station is now burning. Sparks are setting small fires all over the northern part of the town. Assistance has been asked from Watertown.

## CHOLERA REAPPEARS.

### The Dreaded Plague Has Broken Out Anew in Damascus.

Damascus, March 27.—Special to The News: Cholera has reappeared here and is causing great consternation. It was hoped that the plague had been completely exterminated but from an unsuspected quarter it has broken out anew.

#### TRUSTEES TALK OF WILSON.

### Secretary of Agriculture is Suggested for Head of Iowa State College.

Des Moines, March 27.—At a meeting of the trustees of the Iowa state agricultural college, held at Ames, the question of a successor to the late W. M. Beardshear as president of the institution was discussed in executive session.

Secretary James Wilson of the agricultural department at Washington was mentioned during the meeting as a candidate for the position. Chairman Hungerford of the board, over the telephone, stated that "Mr. Wilson's name was brought up with the rest of those who are known to be candidates for the position. We shall take no action at this meeting, but simply have an exchange of individual views."

Washington, March 27.—Secretary Wilson said that he was not a candidate for the office of president of the Iowa state agricultural college. He has been connected with the institution heretofore. While he would appreciate very much the honor of election to the office, it is known that Secretary Wilson would not resign his seat in the cabinet to accept it, as he is greatly interested in the work of the national department of agriculture.

#### SETTLE ON MINERS' SCALE.

### Four Weeks' Labor Required to Complete Details of Agreement.

Des Moines, March 27.—The conference of coal miners and mine operators, which has been in session here for four weeks, is practically concluded, every point in the matter of wages having been agreed to in the conference of the scale committees. The operators conceded an advance at the outset substantially the same as that of the Indianapolis conference of from 6 to 10 cents a ton for mining. This has formed the basis for the negotiations. The prices run from 85 cents to \$1.10 a ton for mining and the wages for the next year will give the miners of Iowa and northern Missouri an addition that will be decidedly welcome. It is understood the operators will demand a little more per ton for their coal next year.

#### TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Judge James N. Tyner, assistant attorney general for the postoffice department, has resigned.

W. J. Cogan of Saxton, Pa., shot and killed his wife and then himself at the depot at Hyndman Thursday.

Robert Winscott, who was married Thursday to Mrs. Mary Harmon at Bowling Green, Ky., died suddenly a few moments later while receiving congratulations.

Francis Haro and wife were assassinated at Ravia, I. T., Thursday night, each being shot in the breast. Haro was a political leader among the Chickasaws.

The dead bodies of Peter Luttrell and wife, both past eighty years old, were found in bed at their home near McMinnville, Tenn., Thursday, horribly beaten and mutilated.

Four men were drowned at Bass Lake, Ont., Thursday. William Nichol, James McClellan, Hugh McCallum and H. Boulton were fishing in a leaking flat boat, when it sank.

J. W. Louden, marshal of Drennon Springs, Ky., was shot and instantly killed in a street fight in that village by John Popp, a suitor for the hand of Louden's daughter. Popp made his escape.

The joint track arrangements between St. Louis and Kansas City for the Chicago and Alton and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroads have been adopted and the work of construction will begin at once.