

EIGHTEEN DIE AS TEACHERS' TRAIN FALLS IN FLOOD

Union Pacific Motor Passenger Plunges Through Bridge Into Swollen Stream Near Randolph, Kan.

ALL PERISH FROM DROWNING

Sixty-Five in Car Plunging Down and Only Four Escape Without Injury.

RAIN WEAKENS SPAN ABUTMENT

RANDOLPH, Kan., Oct. 16.—With eight bodies recovered from the half-submerged passenger car of a Union Pacific motor train which went through a bridge near here today, and estimates of the total casualties were placed tonight at eighteen dead and two-score injured. Sixty-five persons were in the car and only four escaped uninjured when it plunged into Fancy creek, and was buried deep in mud and water.

Most of the dead, it was believed, were drowned, although evidence showed that several of the recovered bodies had been killed outright when the train struck the bridge abutment weakened by a three-inch rain last night and crashed through it.

A revised list of the recovered dead follows:

- D. LOUIS ATWOOD, Topeka, Kan.
- MARY GILLES, Manhattan, Kan.
- MISS ALMA JELLINE, Garrison, Kan.
- MRS. STELLA CHAPMAN, Manhattan, Kan.
- MISS ETHEL REPPER, Stockdale, Kan.
- A. O. SHAW, Tecumseh, Neb.
- THEODORE SMITH, Tecumseh, Neb.
- AN UNIDENTIFIED woman.

The train was crowded with teachers to a county convention and many of the injured were young women. They said the confusion was terrifying when the train, composed of a passenger and baggage car struck the bridge and plunged downward into the swollen creek.

Those who did not hold or were not caught, were shot down the tipping car into the inflowing water.

Rescue Task Difficult. The task of rescuing the clinging passengers was extremely difficult even after they had broken the windows and crawled into them.

The rear of the car was high in the air and the front end buried in the mud. It was necessary for the survivors to crawl up the sides of the car clinging to the window ledges and seats and onto the end of the shattered abutment. Many of the injured were unconscious from loss of blood, or the shock by the time this perilous route was covered. Relief trains from Manhattan and Marysville gave the injured medical attention.

What occurred in the forward end of the passenger car, which was used as a smoking compartment, probably never will be known as no one who was in that section has yet been discovered among the survivors. The smoking compartment was submerged almost immediately after the abutment gave way, and those in it had little or no chance to escape. The impact of the wreck shattered the windows in the forward part of the car and the flood waters rushed in over the confined passengers there when the car fell.

Death Due to Drowning. Three bodies have been taken from this section, and though they were badly injured, death occurred from drowning. All the bodies yet remaining in the car are in this section.

Heroic acts were many on the part of passengers who were themselves injured. I. H. Sawvel, principal of the Manhattan High school, although badly cut and bruised, refused to leave the car until every person who showed signs of life had been removed. When he recovered from the first shock, which precipitated him half way through a window, he seized an iron bar and, clambering over the tilted seats, broke out the glass of windows and helped many women to crawl through.

Car Stands on End.

The front end of the car smashed the abutment and one end of the bridge was tottering on the edge of the stream. Before many of the struggling passengers could extricate themselves and reach the doors or windows the car broke loose from the trailing baggage car and plunged downward, standing almost upright upon the front end.

Many clung to seats and window ledges until they were rescued. Those who had been thrown against the front of the car

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.
5 a. m.	55
6 a. m.	55
7 a. m.	55
8 a. m.	55
9 a. m.	55
10 a. m.	55
11 a. m.	55
12 m.	55
1 p. m.	55
2 p. m.	55
3 p. m.	55
4 p. m.	55
5 p. m.	55
6 p. m.	55
7 p. m.	55
8 p. m.	55
9 p. m.	55
10 p. m.	55
11 p. m.	55
12 m.	55

Comparative Local Record.

Date	High	Low
1915, 1917	67	47
1914, 1915	62	47
1913, 1914	53	44
1912, 1913	53	44
1911, 1912	53	44
1910, 1911	53	44
1909, 1910	53	44
1908, 1909	53	44
1907, 1908	53	44
1906, 1907	53	44
1905, 1906	53	44
1904, 1905	53	44
1903, 1904	53	44
1902, 1903	53	44
1901, 1902	53	44
1900, 1901	53	44

MISSING TITLE PICTURE—Our readers are invited to submit suitable titles for this drawing by The Bee's staff cartoonist, and the one most suitable as a prize the original drawing. Address Contest Editor. Award will be announced in next Sunday's Bee.



THOMAS EDISON STOPS IN OMAHA

Mrs. Edison Quickly Grants Interview When Presented with a Beautiful Bouquet.

TELLS OF HIS PRESENT WORK

How a woman can readily change her mind when a big bunch of American Beauty roses is in sight was demonstrated in Omaha Saturday by Mrs. Thomas A. Edison. With her husband, the world-famous inventor and electrical wizard, she stopped off here for four hours on their way to the San Francisco exposition for "Edison day."

Mr. Edison must not be disturbed by anybody on any account, she had directed when they were in the car, and she was not to be disturbed by anybody on any account, she had directed when they were in the car, and she was not to be disturbed by anybody on any account, she had directed when they were in the car.

Kindness Wins Woman. "We don't like notoriety and didn't want to see anybody in Omaha," Mrs. Edison explained, "but you are as nice to us as we changed our mind. I simply wanted to protect Mr. Edison from interviewers and business matters."

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King Ferdinand Asserts the War is Nearing Its End

LONDON, Oct. 16.—A copy of the manifesto of King Ferdinand, to the Bulgarians, portions of which were forwarded from Sofia recently by telegraph reached London today. The manifesto implies Bulgaria has no quarrel with the entente powers. It explains that they like Germany were prepared to give Bulgaria the greater part of Macedonia.

Our treacherous neighbor, Serbia, alone remained inflexible in the face of the advice of her friends and allies, the manifesto continues. "Far from listening to their counsels, Serbia in animosity, stupidly attacked our territory and our brave troops have been forced to fight for the defense of their own soil."

The European war is nearing a close. The victorious armies of the central empires in Serbia are advancing rapidly. I command our valiant army to drive and crush this felon neighbor. We shall fight the Serbia at the same time as to brave armies of the central empires."

Hundred Friendless Texans in Jail May Be Given Freedom

DALLAS, TEX., Oct. 16.—Governor James E. Ferguson at Dallas in opening the Texas state fair said today that he would pardon every one of the 100 friendless convicts now in state prisons, as recommended by the Board of Pardons yesterday.

"That is my idea of life saving," the governor added.

The governor asserted that he would hear the story of every one of the 3,000 convicts in Texas prisons, and that if more prison recommendations were made, he would give them clemency also.

Urges Bright Lights as the Proventative Against Air Raids

LONDON, Oct. 16.—London's whole system of protective darkening against Zeppelin attacks is wrong and should be replaced by a lavish system of searchlights, making the city one vast carpet of light, according to C. G. Grey, an aviator expert. The best way to prevent an air raider from doing serious work, Grey says, is to blind him with a glare of light.

"For this reason," asserts the writer, "the proposed plan of sending up aeroplanes at night to attack Zeppelins is ridiculous, because until the Zeppelins are lit up by searchlights the aeroplanes cannot find it, and then as soon as the aeroplanes rise above the Zeppelins to drop bombs it gets into the beam of searchlight and the pilot is made helpless by the glare."

"One hears much about night aeroplane patrols over Paris, but they are there chiefly to compose the minds of the people, and the real protection of Paris is a ring of searchlights, completely inclosing the city. I submit the following scheme for the protection of London."

"Divide the city into half-mile squares and in the corners of each square place searchlights throwing wide beams vertically upward, the beam of each searchlight overlapping that of its neighbor. Thus London would be covered with a carpet of light so blinding that passing aircraft could see nothing below, while land guns would have a clear target in the lighted area above."

Women of Boston Who Seek to Vote March in Parade

BOSTON, Oct. 16.—Advocates of the woman suffrage amendment to be voted on in Massachusetts in November were active today with preparations for a victory parade this afternoon, in which it was expected 30,000 marchers would be in line. Thirty bands were engaged, and facing Boston Common there had been erected a reviewing stand to be occupied by Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, president of the Massachusetts suffrage association, and others prominently identified with the cause.

The program, preceding a great mass meeting, included a review at the state house by Governor Walsh and the presentation by Miss Helen Keller to the governor of a letter written by her commending him for his stand on suffrage.

A counter demonstration was planned by leaders of the anti-suffrage movement. Along the line of march scores of houses are decorated in red, the anti-suffrage colors, while red roses worn by crowds in the street were supposed to indicate their opposition to votes for women. It was the anti-suffragists' plan to stand in silence along the streets through which the parade moved, while strict orders were issued that the anti-suffragists were not to be annoyed.

Carranzistas Seize Property on March

CAPE SAN LUCAS, Southern California, Oct. 16.—(Via Radio to San Diego, Cal.)—Advices received here from Guaymas, state that Carranza authorities have seized the property of the Navira Steamship company, and also that of a prominent Mexican, Lulo Martinez, who has taken up his residence in San Diego during the unsettled conditions in Mexico. Absolute quiet is being maintained in Guaymas. No looting is going on and it is reported that no arrests have been made.

The Carranza forces advancing from the state of Sinaloa have crossed the Yaqui river and are expected to reach Empalme today.

General Dignez states that he lost five killed and twenty wounded during the operations against Guaymas, but captured 100 prisoners. Condition in the vicinity of the United Sugar company plantation at Los Mochis, Sinaloa, are reported quiet.

CARRANZA REGIME TO BE RECOGNIZED

Countries Represented in Pan-American Congress Agree on Plan Regarding Mexico.

MEETING FOR NEXT MONDAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Favorable responses were received today from all the governments participating in the Pan-American conference, which decided to recognize General Carranza, Secretary Lansing has called a meeting of the conferees for next Monday to arrange the form of recognition. Argentina, Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala replied yesterday. Today favorable word came from Brazil and Chile.

Inasmuch as some of the countries still have diplomatic representatives in Mexico, a renewal of relations in an official manner can be arranged. The United States and several other countries, however, have not had diplomatic representatives for some time in Mexico City, and recognition probably will take the form of the presentation of a note to General Carranza through the medium of Eliseo Arredondo, his representative here, who will depart for Mexico to meet General Carranza.

With the presentation of such a note, an embargo on arms would go into effect against opposing factions and an ambassador or charge d'affaires would be sent as soon as a selection could be made.

Continuance Again To Be Asked in the Case of Charlton

COMO, Italy, Oct. 16.—In addition to the request of Micelli Piccardi, counsel for Porter Charlton, the American, for a postponement of Charlton's trial on the charge of murdering his wife at Lake Como, Dr. De Dominicis has been asked to give an opinion regarding the autopsy on the body of the alleged victim, it was learned today. The expert desires additional time to complete his work.

The trial already has been postponed once, the new date set being October 18. Charlton's attorneys request for additional time to prepare his case was announced yesterday. Charlton's wife was a San Francisco woman.

Death of Attorney May Delay Trial

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 16.—Continuance of a week or ten days in the trial of Matthew A. Schmidt, charged with murder in connection with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building in October, 1910, probably will be made Monday by Judge Frank Willis, because of the death last night of Charles H. Fairall, chief counsel for the defense.

Attorney Fairall became ill Thursday. Blood poisoning, caused from disorders of either the liver or the kidneys, was believed by physicians to have caused death, but an autopsy may be held today to determine definitely.

Although no conference of the other attorneys associated in the defense of Schmidt has been held, it was said that additional counsel probably will be brought into the case to fill the vacancy created by the death of Attorney Fairall.

Two Thousand Are at the Hanging

MURKINSHO, Ill., Oct. 16.—Joe DeMurry, a negro, was hanged at 9:30 o'clock this morning for the murder of Mrs. J. H. Martin. A crowd of outsiders thronged the town, and 2,000 persons were within the stockade to witness the execution. Three thousand more were on the streets unable to gain admittance.

TWO RED MEN HIT THE TRAIL WITH "BILLY" SUNDAY

Charlie and Phoebe La Flesch, Attending Grand Jury Sessions, Advance to Shake Evangelist's Hand.

KANSAS CITY GETS A DATE

Announced that Village Down Stream Will Be Visited for Seven Weeks in Spring.

LOUISVILLE IS CANCELLED

THIRTY-FIFTH DAY. Trail Attend. Collected. Previous Days, 4,981,504.600 \$25,000.30. Afternoon 15 2,000. Evening 80 8,500. Totals 4,996,505.900 \$25,000.90.

SUNDAY MEETINGS. 9 a. m.—Grand rally of all the South Side Sunday schools at First Presbyterian church, South Side, Mrs. Gamlin. 10:30 a. m.—Sunday at the Tabernacle. 2 p. m.—Sunday at Tabernacle. Subject, "How to Be Less Than a Man." Men only. 7:30 p. m.—Sunday at the Tabernacle.

Two Indians were among the trail hitters at the tabernacle yesterday afternoon. They were Charlie and Phoebe La Flesch, who have been here at the sessions of the federal grand jury. They came up after the meeting had closed and "Billy" Sunday shook hands with them as he was leaving.

There were seven other adult trail hitters at the afternoon meeting and eighteen small children.

"Billy" preached on the famous Twenty-third Psalm, beginning "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."

He declared that David sang the Psalm as a testimony of his Christian experience. "Billy" dramatizing the testimony that some church members give, drew in his chest, humped up his shoulders, folded his hands and drew down the corners of his mouth while he said: "Heathen, forty years ago I started out on this way. I wish you to pray for me that I may hold out to the end."

"Yes," said "Billy," "he'll be detailed to stir pitch with a scoop shovel if he tries to hold out that way." He declared he couldn't understand the patience God has with some sinners. "I tell you," he chuckled grimly, "if I was God for about fifteen minutes I'd keep the grace-diggers busy for a month."

Heads Nebraska Package. Speaking of a saloon he said: "Nebraska is a carbuncle on the face of the middle west. North Dakota on the north, Kansas on the south, Iowa on the east and Colorado on the west, all are 'dred.' I tell you Nebraska is going to be the battle-ground for decency for the next 100 years."

"A lot of scoundrels," he said, "are knocking this campaign. They're so low down the devil's disguised with them."

Kansas City Gets Date. Kansas City will have a seven-weeks' campaign under "Billy" Sunday beginning Sunday, May 1, 1916, just six months hence.

This was determined when Mrs. Sunday and several gentlemen from Kansas City secured the release of Louisville, Ky., for that date.

Louisville wanted "Billy" to start there two weeks earlier than May 1, which he told them he could not do. This made the Louisville campaign somewhat uncertain.

When Kansas City sent a delegation of 100 citizens to Omaha last Tuesday with pennants and badges and lots of "peppery tobacco sauce," the Sundays were impressed and things began to happen right away.

That evening "Ma" started for Louisville to see the committee and now it has been all arranged.

"Billy's" schedule now after leaving Omaha is this: Syracuse, N. Y., October 21 to December 13. Trenton, N. Y., January 2 to February 20. Baltimore, Md., February 27 to the last week in April. Then will follow the Kansas City campaign after which "Billy" will go to Honolulu, Hawaiian islands for a campaign.

Returning from there the Sundays will spend a few weeks at their ranch in Green and then open in Boston, Mass., for a three months' campaign, October 1, 1916. After the Boston date, Chicago is on the schedule for a three months' campaign starting the first of the year 1917.

New Regulations on Sale of Alcohol

PARIS, Oct. 16.—Approval was given by the council of ministers today to the new regulations framed by Louis J. Malvy, the French minister of the interior, governing the sale of alcohol throughout France.

Details of the regulations have not yet been disclosed, but it is believed they will be of a further restrictive character, as a measure of public and military expediency.

DISTRIBUTORS OF BOGUS COINS UNDER ARREST

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 16.—Two men, accused of perpetrating the most colossal counterfeiting swindle ever attempted in the west, are due to arrive here tonight, under arrest. They are Rollie A. York, arrested in Ogden, Utah, by Salt Lake City federal officers, and Edward Carr, in Canada. Their specialty, as described by federal agents here, is five-dollar gold pieces.

VILLA REPORTED SHOT AND KILLED

Northern Chieftain of Mexico Said to Have Been Shot Down Following Demand for Money.

MEXICAN BRINGS THE REPORT

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 16.—A report that General Francisco Villa, leader of the northern faction in Mexico, has been killed was brought to El Paso by a Mexican, who arrived from Casas Grandes. He arrived Thursday night, but his story became public only late yesterday, when it received apparent confirmation from an American arrival, who said he had been so informed by a railroad employe.

The Mexican's story was that General Villa had demanded money of a subordinate, who, on refusing, was shot by the northern chieftain. A revolt occurred, the story continued, in which 7,000 Mexicans arrayed themselves against 2,000 who sided with Villa. In the fight that ensued Villa was killed, the Mexican said.

Two Other Stories.

According to another story, Villa was shot in a fight when dissatisfaction broke out in the Villa army late yesterday. Another report brought by an American passenger said that Francisco Villa was being tried by a court-martial and that the trial was still in progress when the train left Casas Grandes.

The Mexican who reported Villa shot asserted that the trouble arose when the chief called upon one of his alleged bandit comrades for a forced loan. The man was ordered shot, the report continues, when he refused to accede to Villa's demand. Division in the army resulted, it was said, approximately 7,000 of the 9,000 troops retreating. In a fight that followed the Mexican said Villa received mortal wounds.

Chicago Police Suspicion Hazel of the Murder

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 16.—A mysterious blonde woman named Hazel is believed by the police to have had something to do with the murder of Harry Phillips a wealthy jeweler, whose body was found late last night lying at the foot of a flight of stairs in the building where he had bachelor apartments. A letter in the hands of the police intimated that Hazel had a husband named Frank, who might be the murderer.

Morris Piosky, step-brother of Phillips, told the police that Phillips "paid a lot of attention to married women and probably was killed by some jealous husband or suitor."

"I worked with him for a while and he was attentive to a woman called Hazel, but that is all I know about her," said Piosky. Phillips is said to have been seen with the woman called Hazel shortly before his death.

Two of eight persons held by the police in connection with their investigation have the first name Hazel.

Austro-German Loss in Serbian Fighting is Put at 25,000

PARIS, Oct. 16.—(4:25 p. m.)—Austro-German losses in the campaign against Serbia up to Thursday evening, October 14, were estimated at 25,000 officers and men killed and 60,000 wounded, according to a dispatch received today by the Temps from Nish, the Serbian capital. The Serbian army operating in the north, the message adds, also sustained heavy losses.

On the western front the chief activity is reported along the French line, where small French advantages have been equalled, if not overthrown, by the German gains. The French being forced to surrender some trenches in the Vosges under a heavy bombardment and a far-flung infantry attack. The Germans also have gained some ground in the Champagne region.

No Changes Noted. The British front has undergone no changes, according to Sir John French, the British commander-in-chief, although the Germans officially claim to have recaptured many of the trenches taken Wednesday by the British on the Loos front.

The London press continues to express doubt as to the thoroughness of the defensive measures taken for the protection of London from air raids.

President Aquino, it is announced, will be asked by the House of Commons Tuesday whether Paris lately has been immune from air attacks and if the air defenses of that city have been carefully studied by the British authorities.

Annah Bryce, brother of Viscount Bryce, has retired from the army, it is declared.

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