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NEWS OF THE WEEK

THE LATEST NEWS OF THE
WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD.

NORTH, EAST, WEST, SOUTH

Foreign Lands Throughout the Na-
tion and Particularly From the
Great Southwest.

Mrs. David B. Ellis, widow of the St. Louis grocery found dead and robbed at Mount Vernon, Ill., under circumstances pointing to murder, received a letter in which the writer volunteered information, which, if true, may hasten solution of the mysterious death of Ellis.

Nine tubercular cattle were killed in St. Louis under direction of State Veterinarian D. F. Luckey.

Heeding the appeal of the United Hebrew Charities, which is unable to meet the existing distress among the Jewish poor here, and the statement of one of its members that 20,000 Jewish children were starving, a special committee of the Council of Jewish Communal Institutions met in Temple Emanuel, raised \$2,500, and appointed a committee of 250 to collect contributions from the Jews of this city and extend the membership of the charities.

The American Bible Society has received a letter from missionaries in Japan saying that the alleged belligerent attitude of the Japs is not representative of the nation as a whole, but only among the few.

Judge Kimbrough has authorized State's Attorney Arbuckle of Edgar county, Illinois, to exhumate the body of William A. Jones, a land owner, who died last August. The day of his death Jones went to Paris, where he ate a hearty dinner and soon afterwards became fatally ill. Three Paris physicians and a Chicago surgeon will perform the autopsy.

Fight in Cook county, Ill., for governor expected to develop extreme bitterness between Deneen, Brundage and McEwen.

Mayor Busse was called by the defense in the trial of John R. Walsh Monday as a character witness. He testified that he had known the defendant for 19 years and that his reputation for honesty and integrity was good.

Wabash Eastern line, when financial conditions improve, may construct short line from Pittsburg to Chicago.

Realizing that the person who killed Mrs. Theodore S. Whitmore and put her body into the Passaic river swamp Christmas night had an accomplice, the police direct every effort toward finding that person. Mrs. Whitmore, whose husband is under arrest here, was a heavy woman, and it would have been a physical impossibility for the slayer to have taken the body to the spot alone.

Texas lines, after a joint conference, agree to fight the commission's proposition for reduced passenger rates.

John F. Fanning, 81 years old, well known among railroad men, who built the Des Moines division of the Rock Island and a considerable portion of the Northern Pacific and Union Pacific systems, died after a long illness at his home in Chicago. Mr. Fanning came to this country from Ireland in 1844.

Crisis in Kentucky tobacco war at hand; night riders' raids and antagonistic positions of growers and buyers complicate conditions.

The three miners, A. D. Bailey, Peter McDonald and Fred Brown, who have been entombed in the Alpha shaft of the Groux Consolidated Mines since Dec. 4, are probably doomed to spend another month under ground.

Striking tenants riot in New York; five arrests follow clashes between police and renters; red flags displayed.

More significant and important, perhaps, than any other statement in the twenty-first annual report of the interstate commerce commission, is that relating to the attitude of railway officials toward the new railroad law. In a discussion of the operation of the act, the commission says: "By railway managers almost without exception the amended law has been accepted in good faith, and they exhibit for the most part a sincere and earnest disposition to conform their methods to its requirements."

Postal revenue collected in 1906 is \$168,000,000; First Assistant Postmaster General makes report public.

American charge d'affaires in Guatemala investigates alleged attack of Mexico consul on American consulate in Ocos.

The solicitors of the Earl of Yarmouth, whose wife, formerly Miss Alice C. Thaw of Pittsburg, has begun suit for the nullification of her marriage, have given notice that they propose to defend the action. The case probably will not be heard for several weeks.

President Roosevelt wishes many a happy New Year; even Foraker present at White House reception.

English men-of-war lands blue-jackets in Nicaragua to protect foreign subjects in Mosquito Indian uprising.

Probably the first lynching of 1908 occurred at Brookhaven, Miss., when a mob in broad daylight took a negro away from police officers and shot him. The negro, whose name was not known, was accused of killing a police man at Oakvale, Miss.

There will be no teamsters to move the goods of the striking tenants on New York's east side if notices are served on them, according to announcement from the strikers' headquarters. It was said that one branch of the Teamsters' union had already passed a resolution to refuse all dispossess business and that others would soon follow.

The fate of the Canadian Pacific steamer Mount Royal, now 25 days out from Antwerp, with Capt. Purcell and nearly 400 persons on board, is causing great anxiety. Not one vessel arriving in the last three weeks has reported the missing steamer.

Her mind unbalanced by religious fanaticism, Mrs. Elizabeth Mosher deliberately burned herself to death at her home in Lincoln, Neb., praying fervently and singing while her body was being consumed by flames.

Lamar Jackson, a full-blooded Choctaw Indian at Okotia, Okla., has been appointed to a cadetship in the United States military academy of West Point by Congressman Charles D. Carter.

Governor Hanly of Indiana issued a proclamation declaring martial law at Muncie. The proclamation was given to Quartermaster General Powell of the Indiana national guard, who took it to Muncie and delivered it to Brig. Gen. McKee, who is in command of the state troops assembled at that place.

The \$1,000,000 First National Bank building of Kansas City, recently completed, was shaken to its foundations by the explosion of a bomb which had been secreted in a retiring room in the basement. Nine persons were injured but none badly enough to cause physicians to believe the consequences will be fatal.

Leap year is worrying the unmarried men of Washington. The capital city is said to contain 16,000 more women than men, and some of the bachelors are thinking of taking wives right away to escape being courted.

The sale of liquors, it is understood, is to be discontinued on the dining cars of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, while their trains are passing through Connecticut, because there is no law in that state under which the railroad company could obtain a license to legalize such sales.

The will of Leopold Vilsack, late head of the Pittsburg Brewing Co., disposes of an estate estimated at between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000.

The Alabama 9 o'clock closing law for cities of over 15,000 will be given a test hearing in the courts and will be carried to the state supreme court.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harvey in the Pullman car of the Santa Fe passenger train No. 8 as the train was pulling into Topeka, Kas. The parents of the baby are residents of Chicago and were en route from San Francisco to that city. They named the baby "Santa Fe."

After being out more than forty-eight hours, the jury in the case of Caleb Powers, tried on the charge of complicity in the murder of William Goebel, reported for the second time that it was unable to agree upon a verdict and was discharged. Judge Morris overruled the motion for bail and fixed July 6 as the date for the next trial.

Maxmillian Harden, who was found guilty of libeling Count Kuno von Moltke and sentenced to four months' imprisonment, has appealed to the supreme court of Germany on the ground that testimony was illegally excluded from the hearing and on several other technicalities.

Bishop Canevin of the Pittsburg diocese has issued an explicit letter to the effect that in places where there is a Catholic school within two miles "parents and guardians are forbidden under pain of mortal sin to send their children to any non-Catholic school, and confessors are forbidden to absolve those who do not obey."

The president has signed proclamation creating the Verde National Forest in Arizona, with an area of 721,780 acres, located in Maricopa and Yavapai counties.

Exports from Japan last year amounted to more than 435,500,000 yen (\$217,750,000) and the imports to almost 454,200,000 yen (\$247,100,000). The grand total of the foreign trade in 1907 exceeded that of 1906 by more than \$2,000,000 yen (\$41,000,000).

In a letter received at Lincoln, Neb., Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland declines an invitation to the democratic dollar dinner of Jan. 15 for the reason that the fare is to go into effect on street car lines of Cleveland the same date. In a letter expressing his regret over inability to attend the Nebraska feast, Mayor Johnson says he does not want to be absent from Cleveland just at the culmination of his long fight.

During the year 1907 the total number of vessels arriving at the port of New York, according to the books of the government at the barge office, was 11,122, of which 6,624 were steamers and 4,498 sailing vessels. This shows a decrease of 584 vessels, compared with the year 1906. There was an increase of 212 in the number of steamers and a decrease of 790 sailing vessels.

Col. Robert H. Thomas, civil war veteran and founder of several agricultural papers, died at Mechanicsburg, Pa., aged 64.

NINE QUALIFY ON THAW JURY

ALL OF THE MEN SELECTED ARE
SUBJECT TO PEREMPTORY
CHALLENGE.

INSANITY TO BE THE DEFENSE

The Defendant's Wife Is Again the
Center of Interest—Jurors Will
Be Locked Up Through-
out the Trial.

New York.—At the close of three court sessions, which marked the first day of the second trial of Harry K. Thaw for the alleged murder of Stanford White, nine tentative jurors had been selected out of 57 talesmen examined by District Attorney Jerome, for the prosecution, and Martin W. Littleton, for the defense. All of the men in the jury box are subject to peremptory challenge, of which each side has thirty. In view of the difficulty experienced last year in discharging five jurors after they had taken the oath of service, it was agreed this time not to administer any oaths until both sides finally are satisfied with the full panel.

To Plead Legal Insanity.
Legal insanity at the time of the tragedy is to be the sole defense. This was made clear at the very outset of the proceedings, when Mr. Littleton formally served notice that the former plea of not guilty was amended by the specification that the defendant was insane when the homicide was committed.

The trial opened with little or no ceremony and there was distinct evidence of a slackening of public interest. Admittance to the courtroom was rigorously restricted and all day long there were vacant benches in the curial quarters given over to spectators. The only women allowed to be present are the members of the defendant's family and newspaper writers. Artists, who were barred after the first few days of the first trial, were allowed to sketch to their heart's content.

Throng Follow Mrs. Thaw.
Mrs. Evelyn Thaw was again the center of interest, even to the exclusion of the defendant himself. She was followed by throngs of curious persons as she entered and left the courthouse for the morning and afternoon sessions. She did not attend the night sitting. The long court hours and the tedious monotony of the repeated jury examinations proved intensely fatiguing.

Every possible convenience is to be provided for the jurors, who are to be locked up throughout the trial. They are to be quartered in one of the fashionable hotels on Upper Broadway and luncheon will be served at an expensive downtown restaurant. The jury examinations did not develop such a strong vein of unalterable opinion as was anticipated and many of the talesmen were excused on other grounds than bias based upon reading of extensive reports of the first trial.

PHYSICIAN HEARS MAN DIE.

Chicagoan Succumbs as Doctor Exam-
ines His Heart.

Chicago.—While a physician counted his irregular heart beats, Lewis Cass Robinson, for 15 years a proofreader on a morning newspaper, died Sunday. Experiencing pains about his heart, Robinson at noon visited Dr. Frank J. Stewart, who listened to the heart pulsations through a stethoscope. Robinson was in the midst of a sentence answering a question of the physician when he died. He was 52 years old and the owner of the first newspaper of Joplin, Mo.

Stabbed by "Jack the Ripper."

Berlin.—Another mysterious "ripper" crime was committed Sunday night in the suburb of Charlottenburg. A little girl 4 years old was enticed into the hallway of a house and fatally stabbed in the abdomen. She was injured in exactly the same manner as that employed by the man who last July startled the city by a series of stabbings of young children. No trace of the criminal has been found.

Newlands a Candidate.

Reno, Nev.—United States Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada will be a candidate for the presidential nomination at the democratic national convention to be held at Denver in July. Private information received here states that his candidacy has already been launched in the hands of his friends in the East, who are supported by his personal admirers in Nevada.

Mayor Busse Witness for Walsh.

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Governor Boies Is Better.

El Paso, Texas.—Former Governor Horace A. Boies of Iowa, who is critically ill from pneumonia, spent a restful day and was reported better Monday.

HOOSIER HAPPENINGS

Latest News of Interest from Various
Towns in Indiana

WABASH EXPECTS CROWD.

Lincoln League to Be Guest February
12 and 13—Great Plans Made.

Wabash.—Wabash will furnish accommodations for the thousand or more visitors for the state gathering of the Lincoln league February 12 and 13. At a meeting of all the committees it was decided to ask residents of Wabash to open their homes to the visitors and a special committee has canvassed the city. As a result every member coming to Wabash, no difference how many come, will be assured of accommodations. Elaborate plans are being prepared by the committees for the big state gathering, and Wabash will seek to make the visitors entertained as never before. An elaborate band program will be given each day. It was decided to make the smoker on the first night an informal event. Every state and district candidate and every prominent state politician will be called upon for a brief speech. This is in preference of set speeches, but on the second night the main speech will be given in the Eagles theater, it is thought, by Senator Beveridge.

Would Solve Murder Mystery.

Muncie.—The Muncie police attempted to solve a mysterious murder which was committed in this city when John Skinner, a saloonkeeper, killed Gela Eppards, 26 years old, by firing the contents of a shotgun into his abdomen and shoulder. The motive for the crime is unknown, and the police have been working constantly on the case in the hope of ferreting out the circumstances attending the shooting.

Three Injured in Explosion.

Linton.—Harry Gardener, employed in Vandallia mine No. 9, was caught by an explosion, thrown some distance, and badly burned about the arms and face. In the same mine Robert Woodruff and Charles Snyder were injured in a singular manner. Woodruff was burned about the face and shoulders, and he was hurled against Snyder with such violence as to fracture two of Snyder's ribs.

Snake Thawed; Made Pet.

Marion.—Gas well drillers on the Jesse Johnson farm, near Upland, this county, have a blue racer. H. R. Miles discovered a snake's head protruding from the earth that had been thawed out near the well. He dug it up, thawed it out thoroughly, and, as it appeared grateful for this attention, adopted it as the mascot of the drilling outfit.

Eccentric Old Character Dead.

Rochester.—Isaac Moore, 70 years old, the Athens farmer, who gained notoriety by being twice white-capped and once locked up on surety of peace proceedings, for an alleged abuse of his aged wife, was found dead in bed by one of his children. Moore was an eccentric character and an honorably discharged soldier of the civil war.

Familiar Figure Gone.

Columbus.—The sudden death of Archibald McEwen at his home farm, near this city, removes a familiar figure in the county. His death came on his wedding day anniversary and the next day after his sixty-fifth birthday anniversary. His wife died five years ago. Three children survive, Miss Annie, William and Archie, Jr.

Unearth Daring Plot.

Greensburg.—That a bold plot to rob Chicago, St. Louis and New York jewelry houses of thousands of dollars' worth of goods was frustrated by Francis Blank, the Adams Express agent at Batesville, developed when the first clew to the recent safe robbery was found. The scheme was one of the most daring and novel in the annals of Indiana robberies.

Father Commits Suicide.

Kokomo.—Broken in health and spirit as a result of charges of theft brought against his son, Ira C. Hoops, aged 60, a wealthy attorney, committed suicide by shooting in his home here. The son, Richard Hoops, formerly was a student at Lake Forest college, and it was while there that he was arrested last March, charged with having robbed the homes of several persons.

Shower of \$40,000 at Wedding.

Peru.—Happy with the memories of a married life well lived and surrounded by a large group of children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Godlove Conrad celebrated their golden wedding by bestowing on their descendants the sum of \$40,000, the bulk of their earthly possessions.

Bedford Extends Limits.

Bedford.—By the action of the city council extending the city limits over 2,500 persons have been added to the population of the city. Over 500 children will also have to be cared for by the city schools, which are now overcrowded.

Pin Scratch Fatal.

Frankfort.—As the result of a slight pin scratch inflicted on one of her fingers six weeks ago Mrs. Mary Barrett died here of blood poisoning.

"PRICELESS PIG CASE" ON.

Cost of Row Over 75-Cent Property
Reaches \$500.

Richmond.—"Priceless pig case" is the title that has been given an unusual legal action that has been in the Rush county courts for a considerable time. Twice the case has been tried, and both times the jury has disagreed. The costs of the action have already been run to \$500, while a third trial is pending, and the value of the property in question, a pig, was never placed at more than 75 cents. The pig weighed 20 pounds when the suit was first begun between William Ewing, white, and Almond Watkins, a negro.

Riot on Passenger Train.

Columbus.—There was a fair-sized riot on the Big Four passenger train running between Greensburg and this city. Residents of Burney, in Decatur county, boarded the train at Greensburg. Mentor Luther, a farmer, near Hope, Bartholomew county, incurred the displeasure of the Burney people, and there was a fight in the smoking compartment, which caused a stampede in the crowded train. A passenger pulled the bell cord, and as the train slowed down the fighting stopped. When the train started again the fight was renewed only ceasing when the fighters left the train at Burney.

Find Body of Missing Woman.

Michigan City.—The mystery of the disappearance of Miss Imogene Kinner from the home of her relatives in this city December 11 was cleared up by the finding of her body near a creek two miles from the city. It was a wild and unfrequented place where the body was found, and it is supposed that the woman perished from exposure, probably having lost her way. Miss Kinner was 45 years old and had long been a teacher at Nyack and Yonkers, N. Y. Her health failed and she came here in November to spend the winter.

Callis County Convention.

Danville.—Democratic County Chairman David A. Higgins has issued a call for a mass convention in Danville Saturday, at which time delegates will be selected to attend the district convention in Terre Haute January 2. A member of the Democratic state committee will also be elected. Samuel Ralston, of Lebanon, is expected to be present and address the convention.

Judge Artman to Publish a Book.

Lebanon.—Judge S. R. Artman is now engaged in writing a book, in which he will set forth, in printed form, the arguments that he has been making from the platform. He will devote himself to this book to the exclusion of everything else, except his work as judge of the Boone circuit court. He will fill no more lecture engagements until after the book is completed.

Knocked Out by "Gin-Pole."

Jonesboro.—Jesse May, while assisting in unloading a gas engine on a car at the Pan-Handle railway station, was struck by the "gin pole," used as a derrick for block and tackle, the pole striking him across the forehead, destroying the sight of his right eye and hurling him to the ground in a semi-conscious condition.

Lawrence County Prosperous.

Bedford.—According to returns for 1907 the total taxable property in Lawrence county is valued at \$12,315,730, against which there are mortgage exemptions amounting to \$341,915. The taxable value of land and lots is \$3,905,020, and the value of improvements on these lands and lots is fixed at \$2,698,720.

Build Church in Four Weeks.

Evansville.—The new Jefferson avenue Presbyterian church was dedicated here. The church was built in four weeks by members of the old Jefferson avenue church, who pulled out because of the union question. The erection of the new church in so quick a time broke all records known here.

Burglaries at Batesville.

Batesville.—Safe blowers again worked in this city, but little money rewarded their efforts. They entered the office of the Meyer Lumber and Hardware company, blew the safe door off its hinges, and rifled the money drawer, securing a small amount of cash.

Will Issue Script.

Terre Haute.—The promoters of the Terre Haute & Merom traction line will try to build it by issuing scrip. Contractor Roberts, with a force of men, is making the survey.

County Abandons Schools.

Shelbyville.—In his report to the state department of public instruction, County Superintendent Everson says that there have been 23 schools in Shelby county abandoned on account of the daily average attendance being 12 pupils or under.

Insane Man Dies in Cell.

Terre Haute.—Edward Lappin, the insane Seelyville man who had been confined in the county jail here for the last three weeks, was found dead in his cell.

Our Pattern Department

A DRESSY MODE.



Patterns Nos. 206 and 208.—This charming model represents the newest style. The sleeves allow of being full length or in the modish three-quarter style, which is preferred by many for dressy wear. The skirt is a graceful five-gored model. The top is tucked to deep yoke depth, except in the front, which is left plain in panel effect. The circular flounces add a becoming flare to the lower edge, which may be in medium sweep or round length. The design would be excellent for broadcloth, voile, taffeta and satin cloth. For 36-inches bust measure 3½ yards of 36-inch material will be required for the blouse and 10½ yards for the skirt. Ladies' blouse. No. 206. Sizes for 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Ladies' five-gored skirt in medium sweep or round length, and with or without the three circular flounces. No. 208. Sizes for 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32 inches waist measure.

This illustration calls for two separate patterns for a waist and a skirt, which will be mailed to any address on the receipt of 10 cents for each in silver or stamps.

This pattern will be sent to you on receipt of 10 cents. Address all orders to the Pattern Department of this paper. Be sure to give size and number of pattern wanted. For convenience, write your order on the following coupon:

No 206 and 208.
SIZE.....
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ADDRESS.....

A NATTY LITTLE SUIT.



Pattern No. 5964.—The little Russian suits continue to be the most popular for little boys just discarding baby dresses. Flannel, serge, gingham, galetea, pique and velveteen are suggested for the making. For a child of 4 years 2½ yards of 36-inch material will be required. Sizes for 3, 4, 5 and 6 years.

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To Raise Sunken Vessels.

Compressed air is recommended by Cosmo, Paris, as the best means of raising sunken vessels, and the Journal says the old methods should be abandoned. It points to a number of big boats which have been rescued from the deep this way.

The Ephemeral False.

All false art, all empty wisdom, lasts its time; but it destroys itself in the end, and its highest cultivation is at the same time the moment of its decline.—Immanuel Kant (1724-1804).