

Weekly Courier

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

THE LATEST NEWS OF THE WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD.

NORTH, EAST, WEST, SOUTH

Foreign Lands Throughout the Nation and Particularly From the Great Southwest.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Senator Clay introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury to issue \$350,000,000 of non-interest-bearing United States notes in addition to the United States notes in circulation in such form as he may deem expedient. Senator Bulkley introduced a bill providing for emergency currency to be issued by banks in amounts equal to the par value of bonds to be deposited with the treasurer of the United States. It provides that United States bonds, Panama canal bonds, bonds of any state, county or municipality of not less than 50,000 population may be accepted for such purpose.

An employers' liability bill was introduced by Representative Sterling of Illinois. The measure is designed to exclude the grounds on which the present law was declared unconstitutional by the supreme court of the United States.

The house committee on military decided to report favorably the joint resolution, already adopted by the senate, extending to Jan. 21, 1910, the time allowed the militia organizations of the several states and territories to conform their organization, armament and discipline to those of the regular army. Until this conformation is effected, there can be no participation by the delinquent states in the increased federal appropriation for military improvement.

The house committee on military considered the army pay increase bill, but reached no definite conclusion other than the general one that there should be an increase.

A resolution authorizing the president to spend \$1,373,643 in the acquisition of consular lands and buildings in China, Japan and Korea, was offered in the house by Mr. Perkins of New York, the money to be appropriated from the residue of the Boxer indemnity fund, paid to the United States by China.

Senator Gore of Oklahoma introduced a joint resolution providing that no person shall be eligible to be elected president of the United States for two terms in succession.

Senator Lodge introduced a joint resolution reducing China's indemnity bond, incurred as a result of the Boxer trouble of 1900, from \$24,440,778 to \$11,655,492, with interest at 4 per cent, payment of the difference being remitted as an act of friendship to China.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sixteen children were trampled to death and forty others, several of whom can not live, were injured in a mad rush for better seats at an entertainment given in the public hall at Barnsley, England.

A central naval recruiting station is to be reopened at New Orleans. That at Memphis, Tenn., and the recruiting office at Little Rock, Ark., are to be closed.

For the twenty-seventh time Oscar L. Darling, a civil engineer and inventor of Amityville, L. I., has become a father. Twenty of his children are living. He is 64 years old, and has twice wedded. His first wife was Hannah Smith of Flushing, L. I., whom he wedded in 1864. She bore him fifteen children and died in 1884. Ten of these children are living.

The Count Laszlo Jeno Maria Henrik Czechenyl and Miss Gladys Moore Vanderbilt appeared at the city clerk's office in New York and obtained a license to marry. The application blank they presented was filled out in advance.

Failing in his effort to effect a reconciliation with his wife, Mrs. Kathleen Martin, who had just obtained a decree of separation from him, Arthur J. Martin, 26 years old, son of a wealthy commission merchant, shot and dangerously wounded her in his rooms in the St. George hotel, Brooklyn. Turning the revolver on himself, he fired a bullet into his brain, dying almost instantly.

In a difficulty in Denton county, Texas, Jim Jones, a white farmer, shot and killed Charles Smith and Everett Reed, fatally wounded. Mort Moore and slightly wounded another man, all negroes.

New marriage law in New York is hardship for immigrant couples who intend to marry upon reaching Ellis Island.

An American family of five members and ten Mexicans were killed by Yaqui Indians 40 miles from Empalme, Mex. Soldiers are chasing the Indians.

Farmers' Union asks for issuance of \$100,000,000 in legal tender treasury notes to move cotton crop.

Judge Kohlsaat's decision awarding government \$400,000 claimed by Capt. Oberlin Carter is final chapter in Savannah harbor graft cases, which resulted in Carter serving prison term and Greene and Gaynor being sentenced.

THAW'S WIFE OUT OF COURT

EXCLUDED WITH OTHER WITNESSES WHEN TAKING OF TESTIMONY BEGINS.

STATE STARTS ITS PROOF

No Rush of Morbidly Curious to Hear the Evidence, as at First Trial—White's Kissman Heard.

New York—The trial of Harry K. Thaw entered upon its interesting state Monday without flourish or pyrotechnics. Justice Dowling ordered court opened at 10:05, and seven minutes later Francis J. Garvin, assistant attorney general, began the opening address for the prosecution, which consisted of a plain recital of the facts of the killing of Stanford White as the state viewed them.

In marked contrast to the first trial of Thaw, when Attorney Garvin began his opening statement there were just three persons in court not directly connected with the trial. By the time the first witness was well into his examination the number of spectators had increased to but 19.

In his opening statement Garvin said:

Statement for the State.

"The defense in this case is insanity, gentlemen of the jury. It is left to you to decide whether or not Harry K. Thaw owes to the state expiation for his criminal murder, on the roof of the Madison Square Garden, of Stanford White, an architect of this city. Insanity is a real defense, but in the case at the bar I believe we will not find the contention properly taken."

"We shall show you that before committing his crime, Thaw, in conversation with men well known, who will tell their own story, talked as could only have talked a rational man. Why, Thaw talked with James Clinch Smith for a long time before he killed White. A dozen different subjects, ranging from Wall street to light comedy, from an ocean voyage to the meeting of a man with a woman, were discussed. And from this conversation with a man he knew, in which he talked rationally and at times humorously, he went directly to the seat occupied by Stanford White, and, creeping up behind him, swung around his side and shot the sitting man through the eye, the ball entering the brain. Two other shots were fired, and then this criminal displayed the gun with which he committed his crime and was at once arrested."

The terrible coast storm which has been raging for nearly three days continues to sweep the waters of the Baltic far inland. The rolling plains in the vicinity of Lubeck, Germany, which is higher than the neighboring towns, is suffering from the flood.

What is probably a unique occurrence, happened at the Birkensfeld Infirmary, Berlin. Dr. Merli, who was

performing an operation on a child, died suddenly of heart disease. No other surgeon was present and the child died before another one could be procured.

An execution against former Senator Joseph R. Burton of Kansas for the fine of \$2,500 imposed in the United States district court, where he was convicted of representing get-rich-quick concerns before the postoffice department, was asked by United States District Attorney Henry W. Blodgett of James R. Gray, clerk of the United States circuit court. Mr. Gray was clerk of the district court at the time of Burton's conviction.

After five days, on three of which night sessions were held, under an order by Justice Dowling, the 12 men who will pass upon the fate of Harry K. Thaw in his second trial for the killing of Stanford White, the architect, were finally accepted.

The love letters of a man past his three score and ten to a beautiful blonde of 24, said to have masqueraded as his "grand-niece," are the principal exhibit in a suit to break the will of Thomas Snell, eccentric millionaire of Clinton, Ill., who, dying at the age of 90, cut off his only living son, Richard Snell, with an annuity of \$50 out of an estate valued at \$2,000,000.

Marriage and more pay are part of the inducements by which General J. Franklin Bell, chief of staff, hopes to keep experienced soldiers in the army. His suggestions are embodied in a special report, made at the request of the president. He proposes to provide quarters for the married non-commissioned officers.

Urban Angney, a senior in the University of Kansas and captain of the university football team, ended his life by jumping from a window of the fifth floor of Fraser Hall, the main building of the university.

Gatling guns are placed in streets of Lexington, Ky., to repel expected attack of night riders.

Passengers Given Shake-Up.

Logansport, Ind.—The Kansas City and Boston Express on the Wabash plowed through a passing Panhandle freight train at the junction in this city Monday morning. The brakes on the passenger train failed to work. The engineer and fireman jumped and escaped injuries. Five freight cars were demolished. The passenger engine turned over, but the coaches remained on the track. The passengers were badly shaken, but no one was injured.

Omaha Loses Balloon Race.

Boston, Mass.—Owing to liability to secure the proper gas in Omaha for their big balloon, Charles J. Glidden and H. H. Clayton have decided to select another starting point for the attempt to beat the long distance record next fall.

The Rev. Robert Moffet Dies.

Cleveland, Ohio—The Rev. Robert Moffet, a well-known minister of the Disciples church, and for 25 years corresponding secretary of the General Christian Missionary Society, died at his home here, aged 72.

Illinois Banker Found Dead.

Nashville, Ill.—Colonel Louis Krughoff, a well-known banker of this city, was found dead in bed at his home. He was a veteran of the civil war and had held many positions of public trust.

Three persons were killed and 18 more or less severely injured in the wreck of the Sunset express on the Southern Pacific at a little station called Rucker, 25 miles south of San Jose, Cal.

THROUGH THE STATE

NEWS GATHERED FROM VARIOUS INDIANA POINTS.

WOMEN HEAD BOARD

Kirklin Has Lively Sensation When Trustees Decline to Quit Office—One Man Felled by Brick.

Kirklin.—Fifty women of this place headed a mob of indignant citizens that called on the school board while its three members were in session, and demanded their resignations, presenting a petition at the same time from 158 property owners that the board step down and out. The board voted to postpone indefinitely consideration of the petition, and Mrs. Harry Cast, leader of the women, denounced the members in unmeasured terms. There was a perfect babel of voices in the room and some of the men, angered by the scant courtesy the women had received, were about to flog the members of the board when the crowd was induced to disperse. As soon as the crowd reached the street, Mr. Williams, one of the board, appeared at a window and was knocked down by a brick hurled at him. The people of the village want the school management turned over to the township trustee in order to have a new schoolhouse built in the corporate limits. The trustee refuses to build the schoolhouse if the school is to be in charge of the Kirklin school board, and the town itself is not able to put up the new building.

Shively Seeks Judgeship.

Richmond.—Charles E. Shively, a member of the Wayne county bar, has announced his candidacy on the Republican ticket for judge of the Wayne circuit court. He will be opposed in the race by Judge Henry C. Fox, present incumbent. Mr. Shively has held many positions of importance, including state senator, supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, member of the board of trustees of the Indiana reformatory and a member of the building committee of the Indiana Pythians' grand lodge building.

Temperance Forces Win.

Liberty.—As a result of a canvass made by the temperance forces of this city a blanket remonstrance was filed in commissioners' court of this county, placing Center township on the dry list. The remonstrance was signed by 420 voters. The total vote cast at the last election was 680. This makes the necessary majority 341. However, a few withdrawals were filed and the majority claimed by the temperance forces is placed at 50.

Cure Regular Prisoners.

Richmond.—The habit that certain men have of breaking into the county jail merely to be comfortable through the winter months is to be discouraged by the officials who think this an imposition upon the taxpayers of the county. Frank Murray, a negro, is one of the men who has been guilty of this offense, the police say, and as a help toward curing him he has been sentenced to a week of solitary confinement in the city jail.

Widow Goes to Asylum.

Kirklin.—Mrs. Orphine, widow of William Orphine, who made a successful fight against entering the poorhouse for several months before his death, was taken to that institution.

Mrs. Orphine, who is 40 years of age, is a victim of epilepsy and fell in South Union street. It is thought her condition is so dangerous it is unsafe to permit her to remain where she can not be guarded.

Turns Mother Away.

Delphi.—In spite of her pleas for clemency, Mrs. Mary Hammell of Indianapolis was turned away when she came to Delphi to beg Prosecutor James O'Bear that he dismiss the charge of larceny against her son, Charles Hammell, arrested here more than two years ago with a band of alleged shoplifters. Young Hammell is now a fugitive, having forfeited a bond of \$1,000.

Say Teachers Were Brutal.

South Bend.—C. R. Witsaman and H. C. Imel, teachers in the River Park school, are defendants in the circuit court in an assault and battery case, being charged with that offense because they whipped Benjamin Cockran and Justice Singer, pupils. It is claimed that the boys were whipped so hard that welts were raised all over their bodies.

Would Settle Amicably.

Anderson.—At a monster mass meeting of Anderson citizens a committee was appointed to visit the officials of the traction company and make an effort to bring about a settlement of the differences between the company and its employees. It is believed that the peace move will result in an amicable settlement.

Church Honors Elder Irwin.

Columbus.—Joseph I. Irwin, grandfather-in-law of Lieut. Gov. Hugh T. Miller, and father-in-law of Dr. Z. T. Sweeney, has been elected to the honorable office of elder emeritus of the Christian church of this city. He is the only living charter member of this church and has been an elder for 60 years.

Will Give First Banquet.

Shelbyville.—The members of the Knights of Pythias Association of Shelby county, which was organized a few weeks ago, have decided to give their first annual banquet Wednesday, January 15. Before the banquet Judge Richard K. Erwin of Decatur will deliver an address.

Arraigned for Dynamiting.

Terre Haute.—Henry McDonald was placed on trial in the circuit court on a charge of arson and dynamiting. The crime with which he is charged is the dynamiting of the Methodist church and the Johnson and Reese general merchandise stores at Decatur will deliver an address.

Kills Self for Girl in Prison.

Covington.—Despondent because his sweetheart had been sent to the Girls' Reformatory, Mark Smith, 19 years old, killed himself at the home of his mother in this city by drinking a large quantity of carbolic acid. He was discovered shortly after committing the act, but died before a physician could be summoned. Ruth Sweeny, 16 years old, to whom Smith had become greatly attached, was sentenced to the Girls' Reformatory and the worry over this fact caused the boy to take his life.

TAKES LIFE BEFORE FIANCÉE.

Lover Bids Sweetheart Kiss Him, Then Fires Bullet Into Body.

Kokomo.—"Kiss me, Cora." With these words addressed to his sweetheart, Mrs. Cora Wolfe James, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wolfe, near the Water Works pumping station, Thomas Tharp whipped out a revolver and placing it to his left side fired. "Good-by, Cora," he shouted as the report resounded from the weapon, and then he sank to the floor. A lover's quarrel was believed by the police to have been the cause of the shooting. Tharp alternately regretted his act and also that he had shot too low, and declared that if he made another attempt he would shoot into his head. The wound was fatal.

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Fatally Burned by Coffee.

Elkhart.—While watching her mother prepare breakfast, Veva, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Miller, residing southwest of this city, was fatally burned. The child attempted to lift a big coffee pot from a table when her strength gave way and the boiling fluid was thrown over her body. So deep were the burns that when the clothing was removed the skin also slipped from her body.

Killed in Removing Phone.

Marion.—Kempt Patterson, 24 years of age, an electrician employed by the United Telephone company, was electrocuted while removing a telephone. He was working on the ground when he grasped a telephone wire which had become crossed with an electric light wire and was killed instantly. He was a prominent member of the Y. M. C. A.

Kills Self Before Family.

Mount Vernon.—In the presence of her husband and several children, Mrs. Elizabeth Bonnel, wife of Squire Bonnel of Point township, drank two ounces of carbolic acid and died in an hour. She had been in ill health for some time and had frequently told the neighbors that she intended to end her life.

Closes Doors to Wife.

Hartford City.—W. E. B. Bjerke, who is alleged to have killed his husband for the love of a coal heaver in his employ, came home to seek forgiveness from her spouse, she was not received with open arms as she had anticipated, but was turned out and told never to come back.

Daniel Hillman Resigns.

Evansville.—Angered, it is said, because he had been unexpectedly instructed to discharge several employees of the Evansville & Terre Haute and Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroads, Daniel H. Hillman, general freight agent, tendered his resignation.

Burglars Rife Trousers.

Shelbyville.—When Charles Davitt got up out of bed at his home he found his trousers laying in the center of the floor