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PAST AND PRESENT

AS IT COMES TO US FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE EARTH.

Telegraphic Information Gathered by the Few for the Enlightenment of the Many.

Jap Spies Fired on by Guards.

Bullets fired with deadly intent by National Guard sharpshooters in San Francisco, Cal., frustrated a second attempt to rob the armory of Companies K and M, Fifth Infantry of the National Guard. In the building which is located at Buchanan and Water streets are kept valuable military maps of San Francisco's coast defense and topographical plans of the peninsula. That the attack on the building was not a burglar's ordinary operation seems apparent from the persistence of the mysterious visitors. Early Saturday morning and again in the darkness of Sunday morning two men tried to gain entrance into the premises. Fearing that a third attempt might be made, the officer in command ordered the guard of soldiers doubled. Armed men watched the premises from nightfall Sunday until dawn Monday morning. From the descriptions of the trespassers furnished the officers of the regiment by the sentries the theory that Japanese spies were seeking to gain entrance to the secrets of the armory.

Big Blaze in Chicago.

One fireman is supposed to have been killed, more than a score others were injured and property valued at half a million dollars was destroyed in a fire which devastated the city of Chicago, a seven-story brick building and the Hotel Florence at 163-167 Adams street, Chicago, Ill. The fire broke out in the basement of the Mayer building and spread so rapidly that when the first detachment of firemen arrived the entire building was in flames. The fire spread to the adjacent hotel building and in a few minutes that structure also was a roaring furnace. The walls and roofs of both structures collapsed an hour later carrying with them an entire company of firemen. All except one, James Gallagher, of truck company No. 1, were rescued. His body is believed to be in the ruins.

Water Main Burst.

By the bursting of a water main in Garfield place, Cincinnati, Ohio, it was estimated that damage had been done aggregating \$100,000. Property was damaged for several blocks in all directions and the loss to the city alone will be several thousand dollars. The cellars were flooded, the water spouting a thick stream several feet in the air and not being shut off for several hours, a broken valve in the main delaying waterworks employees.

Signs of a Business Revival.

Two more big open hearth furnaces resumed work at Pottsville, Pa., while the 19-inch and 28-inch rolling mill departments at the Eastern Steel Company's mills also started up full hand. Thirty-eight collieries of the Reading Coal and Iron Company, employing thirty thousand men, who have been idle since January 23, also went to work, while one thousand men at the same company's repair shops resumed on reduced hours.

Harvester Trust Hit in Kentucky.

The Franklin County grand jury returned an indictment against the International Harvester Company, of Milwaukee, charging that said company had combined with the McCormick, Champion, Deering and Case companies to regulate and control the prices on mowers, reapers, binders and other harvesting machinery. The fine for such an offense under the Kentucky anti-trust statute is from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for each offense.

Family of Seven Perish.

By the collapse of the house of Anthony Franklin, a negro of Bedford City, Va., the building was fired and destroyed and his whole family, consisting of his wife, himself and five children, were burned to death. The family was sitting up with the corpse of a child that died suddenly when the building fell in and imprisoned them.

Girl Dies of Burns.

Alice Wiley, aged 19, daughter of a farmer near Bloomington, Ind., died from burns received from the explosion of a gasoline stove in the home at Jasonville, where she was visiting recently.

Whisky Broker a Suicide.

Joseph C. Bloch, senior member of the whisky brokerage firm of Bloch Brothers, shot and killed himself in his office in Louisville, Ky.

Explode Bomb to Get Gold.

An exploding bomb wrecked the front of an Italian bank building in Elizabeth street, New York, briefly causing \$40,000 in gold which the bankers had piled in the windows. The guard stuck by his charge and soon had the money stored away in the vaults.

Old Man Found Murdered.

The body of J. B. Joslin, an aged resident of East Topeka, Kan., was discovered on the floor of his home by his caretaker. A note was pinned to the wall, and the officials think he may have been murdered.

Shoots Wife and Her Sister.

In New Haven, Conn., Clifford M. Caldwell shot and fatally wounded his wife, from whom he had been separated, because she refused to live with him again. He also shot and wounded his sister-in-law, Miss Virginia Peck. Caldwell made no attempt to injure himself and is under arrest.

Grip Epidemic in Prison.

An epidemic of the grip in the State penitentiary in Columbus, Ohio, has sent 200 prisoners to the hospital and in addition to this all the hospital nurses have been stricken.

MURDERS 12; REVEALS PLOT.

Italian Confesses Crimes and Seeks Black Hand Membership.

An Italian detective has produced an alleged confession from Antonio Neroni, alias Bavori, charged with the murder of four Italians, three men and a woman, at Florence, Colo. The detective is Frank Sandosko of Pueblo, who, according to the story, gained the confidence of Neroni, now confined in the county jail at Canon City, by pretending to be a member of the Black Hand Society from Pittsburgh, Pa. The two were permitted to converse in a cell in the jail, Sandosko explaining to Neroni that he was held for a murder committed in Denver. Neroni expressed a desire to belong to the Black Hand and when Sandosko told him that it was necessary for him to prove that he had committed twelve murders before he could be admitted, Neroni replied that he was eligible. Sandosko stated that Neroni had related to him a series of murders he had committed, beginning with the killing of a neighbor who had abused him in Italy when he was but 12 years old. The narrative gradually brought him to a recital of details connected with the disappearance of the four Italians at Florence.

KANSAS BANKER'S SUICIDE.

Kills Himself Rather than Appear in Court for Trial.

W. Leo Bockemuhl, cashier of the suspended Bank of Ellinwood at Ellinwood, Kan., under arrest for making a false statement of assets in the condition of the bank, shot and killed himself. The suicide took place at Bockemuhl's home in Ellinwood. Bockemuhl had given bond several days ago to appear in court Saturday at Ellinwood. He had been arrested and was leaving the house after notifying him of their decision. As they reached the gate he called out, "Wait a minute." They turned and saw Bockemuhl shoot himself in the head with a pistol and fall dead on the porch. The Bank of Ellinwood was founded twenty-three years ago by Bockemuhl's father, now dead, and was until lately considered a strong institution. It is alleged to have been mismanaged.

SAVED FROM SEA COLLISION.

Missing Passengers of Steamer Amsterdam Brought into Port.

All the missing passengers and crew from the steamer Amsterdam were brought in safely to Hook of Holland. The steamer Amsterdam belongs to the Great Eastern Railway Company. She sailed from Harwich for Rotterdam Jan. 21, with fifty passengers on board. That night she was in collision with the British steamer Axminster near Nieuwe Waterweg and sustained serious damage. Her crew and passengers left her in small boats and all the boats excepting one were speedily picked up. The passengers on the missing boat numbered twenty-one and the crew seven. They were picked up by the Norwegian steamer Songa one hour after they left the Amsterdam in a small boat. Consequently, they suffered no hardship. A life boat took the party off the Songa, landing them.

SUBMARINES MAKE A FAST TRIP.

Three Travel Through Heavy Seas from Newport to New York.

The trip of three submarine torpedo boats—Tarrant, Viper and Cuttlefish—from Newport, R. I., to the New York navy yard is causing much interest among the naval circles. The trip was made in seventeen and a half hours, although much of it was through heavy seas and in the teeth of a stiff breeze. This is the first time that boats of their class have made a trip under their own power. The boats will go into dry dock and, after scraping and repainting, they will go to Newport News, said to be the longest trip ever attempted by submarines.

DEMANDS REVISION OF TARIFF.

National Board of Trade Calls for Prompt Action.

The National Board of Trade concluded its sessions in Washington with the adoption of a number of important resolutions, among them being an urgent appeal for a revision of the tariff and an expedition for the creation of a permanent tariff commission. It was unanimously agreed that the President and Congress should be petitioned to take immediate steps to bring about reciprocal trade treaties between the United States and other countries. Postmaster General Meyer's proposition for the establishment of a postal savings bank was commended.

Would Navigate Missouri.

The Missouri State convention held its first session in the new Grand Theater in St. Louis. The hope of the congress is to devise means for improving the Missouri river so as to make it navigable. It is hoped that the Missouri river traffic as it is in the old days, and that thus more advantageous freight rates may be secured.

To Curb Scarlet Fever.

To prevent the spread of scarlet fever the board of education decided to burn at least 750 text books in use in the Kenwood and Douglas schools in Minneapolis. Though there are only thirty-six cases of scarlet fever in the city, the appearance of the disease among school children has alarmed parents.

Private Bank Breaks.

Injury to the reputation of the head of the institution, combined with inability to realize on assets with sufficient celerity during the panic, led to the collapse of A. C. Tisdelle, 94 LaSalle street, Chicago. As an outcome over \$90,000 in deposits, including those of many workmen, are tied up.

Riveted Clothing's Inventor Dead.

Jacob W. Davis, inventor of copper-riveted clothing, is dead at his home in San Francisco, aged 78 years. He began the manufacture of the copper-riveted overalls while in Porto Rico and moved to San Francisco in 1873.

Michigan Treasurer Resigns.

Frank P. Glazier, State Treasurer of Michigan, has forwarded his resignation to Gov. Warner and made counter charges against the Governor in connection with the failure of the Chelsea Savings bank.

Murderer Constantine Dies.

Frank J. Constantine of Chicago, slayer of Mrs. Louise H. Gentry, died in the Juliet penitentiary from injuries sustained in leaping from a gallery in a suicide attempt.

Plans of Liquor Dealers.

Officials of the Chicago Liquor Dealers' Association have decided to banish music, remove slot machines and closely observe all druggists laws.

Blast Kills One and Hurts One.

Cleveland, Nuro Druch, a laborer, was hurt and two were seriously injured as a result of a premature explosion of dynamite on the new belt line tunnel near Cleveland. Nuro Druch, a laborer, was struck by a 200-pound rock and instantly killed. Nuro Druch received fatal internal injuries.

Christian Science Head Moves.

Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy has abandoned her home at Pleasant View, Concord, N. H., and has taken up her residence in a new place. She is now in Brookline, a suburb of Boston.

FATAL BALTIMORE FIRE.

Three Firemen Killed and Fifteen Injured by Falling Walls.

Three firemen are known to have been killed and fifteen injured in the worst fire Baltimore has had since the big conflagration of 1904. The fire broke out at a short time after midnight in the upper part of the building occupied by the firm of J. Regester & Sons, southeast corner of Holliday and Saratoga streets. The first alarm was followed by a general call, calling out all the apprentices in the city. Then by a high wind from the northwest the fire spread rapidly, and in an incredibly short time the north wall of the building fell. Several persons were killed, many injured by the falling wall. The fire burned toward a number of old structures. A four-story building in the rear, occupied by the E. B. Reed & Son Company, soon caught fire and burned fiercely.

DIES BEFORE \$93,000 COMES.

Inventor Breathes Last in Dire Poverty, but Had Fortune Won.

Charles G. Biedinger, an inventor, was found dead in his room in a cheap lodging-house in Troy, N. Y. He had been in extreme want lately, and had just been told that the Superior Court at Cincinnati had awarded a patent right claim in his favor, averting him \$93,000 and interest upon it for several years. His invention, a machine for making wrappings, was patented by his financial backer, who refused an accounting when Biedinger was discharged from a sanitarium, where he had been ill. Biedinger was recently employed as a dishwasher in the Young Men's Christian Association restaurant.

VETERAN SAYS HE IS HEIR.

Answers Advertisement for Missing Relative of Millionaire.

With the assertion that he is Gideon Hill, Ohio soldier, who is mentioned as the sole heir to the vast estate of Charles Hill, a California millionaire, who died about three years ago, a man appeared at the office of Attorney Huntington in Columbus, Ohio, and placed his case in the attorney's hands. The administrator of the estate, who resides in New York, inserted advertisements in several newspapers asking the whereabouts of one Gideon Hill, an Ohio soldier, who is mentioned as the sole heir. Hill claims that he is an old soldier, having enlisted at Columbus, and that he served under Grant.

ADOPT UNIFORM DIVORCE LAW.

League for Protection of the Family Hears of Protection of the Family.

Members of the National League for the Protection of the Family gathered at the Episcopal diocesan house in Boston for the international meeting of the organization. Bishop William Lawrence, first vice president, presided in the absence of President Seth Low of New York. The report of the corresponding secretary, Dr. S. W. Dyke, showed that the uniform divorce law proposed a year ago had been adopted in its entirety in two States and in part in others.

MINISTER AND HIS CIGAR.

Pastor, Exiled for Smoking, Clings to Weed as a Right.

Although the Rev. J. D. Dover, secretary of the Ministers' Association, and former pastor of Tower Methodist church, Dayton, Ky., was banished from the clergy of Ashland district to a small church in Somerset, Ky., because he smoked, he still enjoys the weed. "I am not an inveterate smoker by any means, but smoking is a question of personal liberty and I light a cigar whenever I like, which is about once a day," he said.

HEIR TO MILLION ERRAND BOY.

Chas. D. Davol on \$15 Monthly Salary Is Learning Railroad Business.

On a salary of \$15 a month, Charles D. Davol, a graduate of Harvard with the degree of bachelor of arts, and a son of a Fall River, Mass., millionaire wool manufacturer, has begun as night messenger at the Rock Island railway station in Topeka, Kan., to learn the railroad business from the ground up. He is 22 years old.

Former Ohio Senator Freed.

L. L. H. Austin, former State Senator of Toledo, who was sentenced by the Supreme Court to ten days in jail and to pay a fine of \$100 on the charge of conspiracy with former Supreme Court Clerk Emerson fraudulently to obtain a certificate to practice law in Ohio, was released from the county jail on paying his fine and the costs in the case. He had served eleven days.

Blizzard Hits the East.

The snowstorm which swept over New York last Thursday developed into a blizzard during the night. The streets were covered in places with drifts and street car traffic and the movement of ferriesboats and other harbor and river craft was hampered. All the Eastern States were affected. There was rough weather on the Atlantic.

Orange Crop to Set Record.

The orange crop harvest of California, now in full season, in quantity and in quality promises to break all records. The fruit exchanges of the State estimate that the total output of oranges will reach the enormous sum of 30,000 carloads, about 9,000,000 boxes, or 1,350,000,000 oranges. The harvest will last continually until next Fourth of July.

Italian Emigrants Returning.

The return to Italy of emigrants from the United States is gradually stopping, while emigration to that country is being curtailed. Steamers leaving Genoa and Naples before the end of January are back to America at least 5,000 emigrants.

Street Railway Properties Sold.

The properties of the Union Traction Company in Chicago were sold at auction to the Chicago Railways Company and the work of improving the traction system is expected to be pushed without further delay.

Morris K. Jesup Dead.

Morris K. Jesup, retired banker and long prominent in civic affairs, died at his home, 197 Madison avenue, New York, of heart disease. For two weeks Mr. Jesup had been confined to his bed.

Reforms for Philippines.

Secretary Taft, after his visit to the Philippines, recommends four reforms in the government of the island, and says that self-government cannot be given the islanders until a generation has passed.

Workmen's Order in Row.

Nebraska grand lodge officers, Ancient Order Union Workmen, are enjoined by local members from making payments to the supreme officers at Texas headquarters. If the suit succeeds, it may mean the disruption of the order in all other States.

Man Is Trapped in Well.

A horrible death claimed James Thomas, a farmer near North Platte, Neb., who descended a shallow well to thaw out his pipes. His clothing caught fire from a blaze, he could not reach the top, and was burned to death.

Labor Bodies of Anaconda, Mont.

will petition President Roosevelt to pardon two men imprisoned for violating an injunction granted the Rocky Mountain Telephone Company to protect employees.

PROGRESS OF THE THAW MURDER TRIAL

Court Refuses to Exclude the Public While Defendant's Wife Is on the Stand.

EVERLYN A MATCH FOR JEROME.

Drops Child-Like Pose and Fences Well—District Attorney Merciless in His Examination.

Just as a year ago, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw had been the star witness in the second trial of her husband for the murder of Stanford White. District Attorney Jerome, of whom it had been hinted that he would spare the woman no mercy this time, asked that the public be excluded, and Littleton, for the defense, raised no objection, but Judge Dowling held that the prisoner had a right to a public trial.

During the first week Littleton devoted himself to demonstrate Thaw's insanity, by right of inheritance and by his actions from infancy to the time of the murder. His purpose in putting Evelyn Thaw on the stand was to demonstrate how the story of her abuse by White, which she says she told Thaw in Paris, acted on his erratic brain with such force as to make him irresponsibly insane.

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