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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.

Miss Ethel Comes Out.

In the historic east room of the White House, beautifully decorated for the occasion, President Roosevelt's youngest daughter, Ethel, made her formal bow to Washington society. Proceeding to the dining room in the east room, Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Roosevelt received the invited guests in the blue room. Miss Roosevelt's gown was of soft white satin, trimmed with crystals, while that of her mother was of dark blue satin. Seldom if ever has the east room presented a more attractive picture. Seated on the platform at the north end of the room was the Marine band orchestra, whose brilliant scarlet uniforms against a brick ground of green formed a rich frame for the beautiful color scheme lavishly painted in the center of the room by the handsome gowns of the fair debutantes present. The invited guests numbered about 400, only unmarried members of the younger set participating in the dancing.

Dunn Jury Unable to Agree on Verdict.

Hopelessly divided and unable to arrive at a verdict after being out more than forty-six hours, the jury in the Dunn case was discharged by Special Judge Watkins at Fort Wayne, Ind. This comes to naught the third trial of the aged man indicted for the death of little Alice Cuthrell at Warren more than seven years ago. The deliberation of the jurors was a prolonged one, establishing a record in the State. Dunn will remain at liberty until his present bond until the case is again taken up.

Nine Workmen Killed in Collision.

As a result of a collision between a freight train and a work train on the Great Northern railroad nine men are dead and a number of others injured. The collision occurred at Midway, Mont., about forty miles south of Great Falls, Mont., but details are lacking thus far. The work train was carrying men engaged on dredge work for the company and with one exception all the men killed were carpenters.

Attempt to Wreck Wright Aeroplane.

Just before making a flight at Le Mans, France, Wilbur Wright, the American aviator, discovered that someone had filled the oil box of his aeroplane with gasoline. The discovery probably prevented a serious accident. Subsequently Mr. Wright gave a remarkable exhibition in the presence of a large number of spectators, including M. Barthou, the minister of public works.

Big Diamond Robbery in New York.

A robbery of \$30,000 worth of jewelry and \$5,000 in cash from a safe in the jewelry store of Oscar Stakle at 865 Third avenue, New York City, has been discovered. The robbers who got safely away with their booty, forced their way into the cellar, sawed a hole through the flooring to the store and pried off the dial of the combination lock.

Hill Back of 7,000,000 Acre Ranch.

According to private dispatches received in Denver, Colo., a merger of Texas ranches in the territory between the Colorado and Southern is being formed and will comprise seven million acres of land worth \$75,000,000. James J. Hill, who secured control of the Colorado & Southern, is named as the latest behind the movement.

Hard Cider is Hit.

Attorney General Denman gave an opinion to Prosecutor Ladd, of Wood County, Ohio, that cider, if intoxicating, and home-made wine may not be sold in dry territory. Cider may be sold if not intoxicating. A jury must decide if the cider is intoxicating.

Slayers of Carmack are Refused Bail.

Judge Hart at Nashville, Tenn., has refused bail to Colonel Cooper, Robin Cooper and John D. Sharp, charged with the murder of Senator Carmack.

Ten Men Killed in Cave-In.

Ten are dead and several injured as the result of a cave-in at the blast furnace plant in Ensley, Ala.

Admiral Forsythe Stricken.

Rear Admiral James Forsythe, U. S. N., retired, was stricken by a heart attack at his home in Shamokin, Pa., and gave fears are entertained for his recovery. His entire left side is affected.

Auburn Junction Postoffice Robbed.

Safe blowers cracked the safe in the postoffice at Auburn Junction, Ind., and made good their escape with \$225 in money and over \$100 worth of stamps.

Child Swallows Tablets and Dies.

Anna Haines, of Goshen, Ind., 2 years old, swallowed tablets prescribed for Mrs. Earl Haines and died an hour and a half after in convulsions from strychnine poisoning. Her father, Arthur Haines, lives in Pittsburg, and they were visiting his sister, Mrs. Haines.

Brakeman Run Down by Engine.

While his foot was caught in a switch at Hobart, Ind., Charles Rowe, a brakeman on a passenger train, was run down by an engine and killed. His home was at Fort Wayne, Ind.

Neck Broken in Fall Down Stairs.

Howard Hagenbuch, a cement contractor of Winamac, Ind., was instantly killed by falling down a stairway in his office and breaking his neck. It is not known what caused him to fall. He was about 40 years old.

Steamer Wrecked; Seven Drowned.

The British cotton steamer Irada, from Galveston to Liverpool, was wrecked in a terrific gale off Point Mizzenhead, the captain and six of the crew being drowned. The cargo, including 21,000 bales of cotton, was destroyed.

PRESIDENT OF FRANCE ATTACKED IN STREET

Man Throws Arms About Fallieres' Neck and Tries to Pull His Beard.

ROYALIST PLOT IS SCENTED.

Insult Generally Believed to Be Act of Vainglorious Seeker After Notoriety.

While Armand Fallieres, the President of France, accompanied by M. Ramondou, his secretary, and Colonel Lasson, military attaché at the Elysee palace, was taking a morning stroll near the Rue de l'Etoile in Paris, a poorly clad individual, who evidently had been lying in wait, suddenly jumped upon the President from behind and threw his arms about M. Fallieres' neck in an effort to seize his beard. Colonel Lasson and Secretary Ramondou sprang to the assistance of the President, dragged off his assailant and turned him over to two special detectives who had been following the party on bicycles. President Fallieres' cane was broken in the struggle, but beyond a scratch on the ear he was not injured and insisted on continuing his walk.

As the detectives slipped the handcuffs on the man he cried: "I am unarmed. I simply wanted to pull the President's beard." At the station house the President's assailant proved to be Jean Mattis, a cafe waiter. 24



years old and a native of the department of Savoie. M. Fallieres, Minister of War, stamps bearing the head of the Duke of Orleans, a card of membership in the Patrie Francaise and other Royalist documents were found on his person. During the examination Mattis boasted of being a Royalist and talked confusedly of having done his "duty" and obeyed the dictates of his "conscience." Quantities of Royalist reactionary literature were found by the police when they ransacked his residence.

The investigation reveals the fact that Mattis was in close relation with the Royalist organization, and this gives color to rumors that he was the instrument of a Royalist plot. Serious evidence in this direction, however, is lacking up to the present time.

MISSOURI OUSTS OIL TRUST.

Standard of Indiana, Republic and Waters-Pierce Fined \$50,000 Each.

Declaring that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, the Republic Oil Company of Ohio and the Waters-Pierce Oil Company of Missouri had conspired and combined to monopolize the oil business in the State, the Supreme Court of Missouri has issued a decree ousting all three from the commonwealth and fining them \$50,000 each.

The decree against the Waters-Pierce company is tempered by the proviso that it may continue in business if by Jan. 15, 1909, it can show to the court that it has taken steps to operate as an independent concern and has satisfied the judgment against it. The other companies are given until March 1, 1909, to wind up their affairs in the State.

The decision, which was unanimous on the part of the seven judges, and was written by Judge Woodson, is so sweeping that Attorney General Hadley and Governor Folk hail it as the end of illegal combinations in Missouri, and the former asserts that, in conjunction with the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the tobacco trust case it will affect similar suits in other States.

G. A. B. WILL NOT GO WEST.

Refusal of Rail Rate Keeps Encampment in the East.

J. C. Cory, chief of staff of the National Grand Army of the Republic, says that from all present indications the next national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will not be held at Salt Lake City, but at Cincinnati or Pittsburgh. This is because of the refusal of the traffic association which met in Chicago recently to grant a rate of 1 cent per mile to the veterans.

MANY HURT IN THEATRE PANIC.

Fire on Stage at Altoona, Pa., Routs Spectators in Hurry.

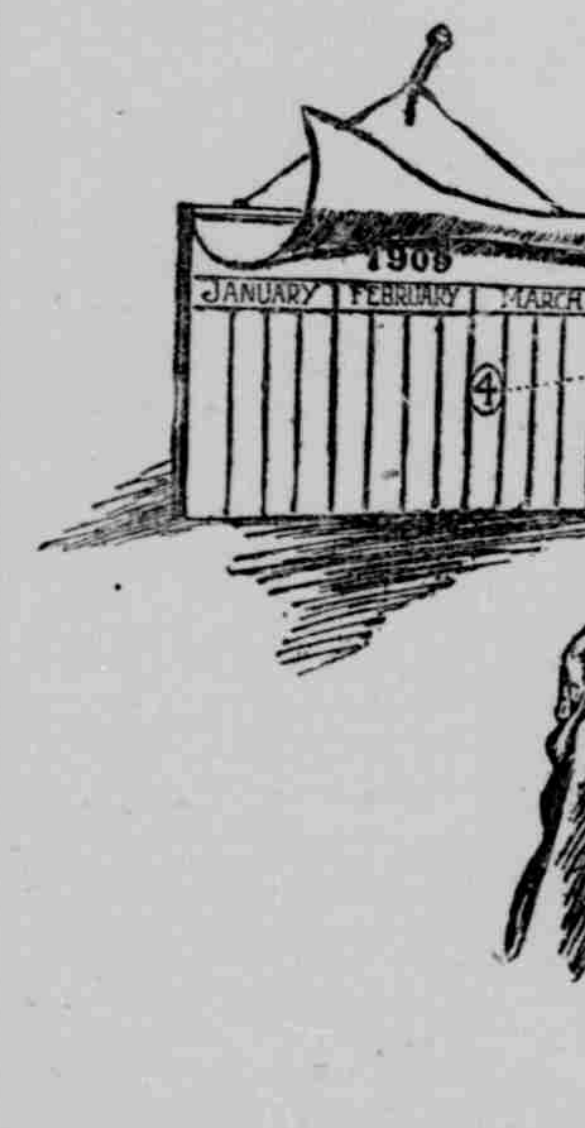
Following the close of an act at the Keith Theatre in Altoona, Pa., where a moving picture show was being presented, the stage was struck by a fire which was a mad rush for the exits by the panic-stricken spectators and many received painful bruises. While the firemen were responding to an alarm the flames spread rapidly, consuming the stage and much of the interior. The origin of the blaze is not known.

BURGLAR GETS \$29,000.

Bank Theft Due to Faulty Repair Work.

But for the reversing of a spring in the vault time lock a burglar could not have carried away \$29,000 from the First National Bank of Monrovia, Cal. Four days before the robbery an expert locksmith from Los Angeles overhauled the lock. He did his work faultily and left the lock outwardly in good shape, but actually useless. The fact that the burglar had still to open an ordinary combination lock has caused the belief that he was skilled in the handling of locks.

WAITING!



SUGAR KING SPRECKELS DIES.

Founder of Huge Refineries Is Victim of Pneumonia.

Claus Spreckels, widely known as the "Sugar King of the Pacific coast," died at 4:30 o'clock Saturday morning at his home in San Francisco in his eightieth year. The immediate cause of death was an attack of pneumonia, which developed with alarming symptoms during the past few days. His condition Christmas night told his physicians death was near and relatives remained at his bedside until the hour of his death.

Despite his advanced age Mr. Spreckels had devoted a large share of attention to the various enterprises in which he was interested, and it is not more than a month since he appeared before the Ways and Means Committee of the House in Washington as an authority on the subject of sugar duties.

Apart from the importance which attached to Claus Spreckels as the pioneer sugar refiner of the Pacific coast and as an investor of millions in California and the Hawaiian Islands, the Spreckels family has for many years been one of the most prominent in the State.

Claus Spreckels was born in Lambsdorf, Germany, in 1828, and came to the United States in 1846. After being employed for some time in Charleston, S. C., and New York he came to San Francisco, reaching this city in 1853. He established a store there and later conducted a brewery. In 1868 he built the Bay Sugar Refinery and began the importation of raw material from Hawaii. Prospering in this business, he established other refineries and promoted the beet sugar industry by establishing refineries and engaging in the farming of beets on a large scale. He also built a refinery at Philadelphia, invested largely in the Oceanic Steamship Company and many other enterprises, including the building of the San Joaquin Valley Railroad. Many of his interests in Hawaii are reported to have been disposed of by his son Rudolph during the latter's recent trip to the islands.

TRADE OF WORLD FALLS OFF.

United States Not Alone with Decreased Exports and Imports.

The United States is not alone in the record of smaller imports and smaller exports that will characterize the history of our foreign commerce for the year 1908. Of the twenty-five principal countries of the world all but four show a falling off in exports, and nearly two-thirds show a falling off in imports. Every country with the exception of Argentina, Spain, Greece and Sweden show exports of 1908 below those of 1907.

It will thus be seen that the falling off of approximately \$200,000,000 in exports and perhaps \$150,000,000 in imports in the commerce of the United States during 1908 is part of a general condition which prevailed the world over. An analysis of our foreign commerce this year shows that the principal decrease on the import side occurred in trade with Europe and on the export side in the trade with North America.

KENTUCKY TEACHER MAY USE ROD.

Kentucky Attorney General Fines Legal Right for Punishment.

The controversy relating to the legal right of the school teacher of the common schools of Kentucky to whip a disorderly pupil was ended when Attorney General James Breathitt handed down an opinion to State Superintendent of Public Instruction Crabbe in which it is held the teacher is given the authority to whip if it is necessary to maintain discipline. A recent opinion of Judge William Carroll of Newcastle, that the teacher had no right to whip, has partly disorganized the common schools and almost made it necessary to close some of them.

Stone Church is Burned.

Harlem Park Methodist Episcopal church, a handsome stone structure on Gilmore street, opposite Harlem Square, Baltimore, was burned the other night, making a spectacular blaze. The damage will probably exceed \$50,000.

More Quakes in Frelco.

Two slight earthquake shocks lasting three seconds, according to Forecaster Meade of the United States weather bureau, were felt in San Francisco Tuesday afternoon. No damage was done.

Reports 1,004 Shipwrecks in Year.

There were 1,004 vessel disasters in the United States in the last fiscal year, resulting in a property loss of \$1,863,730, and the loss of 22 lives, according to the annual report of General Superintendent Kimball of the United States life saving service.

Sees Husband Buried; Drops Dead.

Immediately after she had looked upon her dead husband, who was being buried there, Mrs. Catherine Moore, aged 62 years, dropped dead from heart disease in Philadelphia. The Moores had been married forty years.

GROSS-EARNINGS TAX IS LEGAL.

Minnesota Wins Cases Against Great Northern and the Maple Leaf.

The State of Minnesota won a double victory in the Supreme Court in St. Paul yesterday, for Justice C. L. Brown, filed opinions in its favor in both the Chicago Great Western and the Great Northern railway tax cases. The court upheld the validity of the law increasing the railroad gross-earnings tax from 3 to 4 per cent, which the roads attacked as unconstitutional. Attorney General E. T. Young personally fought the roads' contention that they could not be made to pay a gross-earnings tax larger than the net earnings of the roads. Repeatedly the court held in favor of the State. The Great Northern case nominally involves \$120,757.38 for 1905 taxes. The Great Western case involves about \$25,000. The amount at stake, however, is really more than \$150,000 a year to the State treasury, if the decision is sustained by the United States Supreme Court, to which it will undoubtedly be appealed.

RIVALS FIGHT DUEL TO DEATH.

Girl Rejects Both, Challenge Follows and One Is Killed.

Because Julia Pico, aged 14, would accept neither as her husband, Powell Formich and Michael Milosovich fought a duel with short knives in a darkened room in Cleveland. Formich was killed after he had buried his knife in the neck of his opponent. During the fray Formich was given a mortal wound. Repeatedly he begged for mercy, but the girl refused to relent. The girl for whom the men fought attempted to interfere. Not until they paused long enough to knock her senseless did she assist in her attempts at pacifying. Both men loved the girl. Both proposed marriage to her. She refused both, saying that the man she loved was far away. Milosovich supposed that Formich was the lucky man and challenged him to a duel. Milosovich was taken to a hospital after he had been charged with murder. His condition is serious.

ODDS & ENDS OF SPORT

THE AUSTRALIAN TENNIS PLAYERS WON THE DRAUGHTS.

The Australian tennis players won the Draughts tournament, finally defeating the English players, Alexander, the American contestants.

Myron Curtis, who has coached the Carlton football team for the past two seasons, has resigned his position and will return East and go into business.

James Stover, manager of the track at Bay Meadows, says he has advice to the effect that there will be no legislation against racing in that State this winter.

Jim Driscoll, claiming to be feather-weight champion of England, knocked out Charley Griffin, featherweight champion of Australia in the eleventh round of a bout which proved the best boxing exhibition seen in Boston in many years.

No football game will be played between Iowa and Minnesota next fall and negotiations have been practically ended, as the football association has decided to play at Minneapolis and Iowa insists that it be played at Iowa City or not at all.

Alfredo De Oro of Cuba is the three-cushion billiard champion of the world. He has given the third block of the match with Thomas A. Huston of St. Louis by the score of 50 to 38. The final score for the three blocks game is, De Oro 150, Huston 107.

Now that Demarest and some of the other stars are out of amateur billiards, owing to the showing up in Chicago, it should be possible to arrange an unusually interesting amateur tournament, for the lesser players will have a chance now they did not have before.

Negotiations are on to take the Cornell, Yale and Harvard rowing race to Seattle during the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition next summer. It is planned to hold at least one regatta on Lake Washington during the exposition, which opens June 1 and closes Oct. 16.

The State board of control of high school athletics will not decide on the place for the annual meet of the Iowa high schools, but the different institutions of 30,000 or more at big games is not a location of the big yearly event. Des Moines expects to capture the meet.

A fine row has been stirred up in baseball circles by statements from Unipres Klen and Johnstone that an attempt was made to bribe them at the deciding game between New York and Chicago at the New York Polo grounds. National League officials are investigating and prosecutions may follow.

Harry Pulliam was unanimously elected president of the National Baseball League at the annual meeting of the association. John Heidler was re-elected to the secretaryship.

Frederick A. Burreham, former president of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company, was found dead in bed at his home on East Seventy-eighth street, New York, as the result of gas poisoning. The police say it is a case of suicide.

INVITES TWO NATIONS.

President Roosevelt Asks Canada and Mexico to Aid in Conservation.

Announcement has been made at the White House in Washington of a proposed plan for a conference looking toward the conservation of the natural resources of North America, to be held at the White House Feb. 18 next. Letters suggesting the plan have been addressed by President Roosevelt to the Governor General and to the Premier of Canada and to President Diaz of Mexico. They will be delivered to the officials in person by Gifford Pinchot, chairman of the National Conservation Commission and chief forester of the United States, whom President Roosevelt has chosen as his personal representative to convey the invitations and to confer with the authorities of the two governments. Mr. Pinchot first will visit Canada. He then will carry the invitation to President Diaz at the City of Mexico.

The proposed North American conference is the outgrowth of the two conservation conferences held in Washington, in which the governors of the States and Territories were the principal conferees. The representatives designated by the Canadian and Mexican governments will, under the proposed plan, consult with representatives of the State and other departments of the government and with the National Conservation Commission. The main object of the conference, as announced, will be to point out that natural resources are not limited by the boundary lines which separate nations, to develop a better knowledge of the natural resources of each nation on the part of the others, and to invite suggestions for concurrent action for the protection of common interests related to conservation.

KORESH I. IS DEAD.

Body of C. R. Teed, Head of Queer Sect, Held for Resurrection.

Cyrus I. Teed, known as Korsh I., founder and head of the Korshian Unity Corporation of Western people, who bought a large tract of land in Lee County, Fla., several years ago and sought to establish their peculiar beliefs in that section of the country, died early Tuesday morning.

The fact of his death was not disclosed until Thursday, and when investigation was made, his devout followers said they were awaiting a resurrection. While the body of the leader lay unattended in the office, his supposed wife of Teed, assumed the throne with much solemnity, and declared that the body should not be buried until there was a manifestation of the divine will. The basis of the Korshian cosmogony is that all life is cellular, originating in cells, all living structures being composed of cells and propagating cells; whence the conclusion that the universe, the great aggregation of all cells, must itself be a cell, the material walls of which are composed of the shell of the earth.

Teed was one of Chicago's company of eccentric religious leaders up to about six years ago, when he removed his headquarters to Florida. It was in Chicago that he developed his cult of Korshianity and gained the adherents following that eventually numbered from 15,000 to 20,000 believers.

Beaten, Robbed, Cremated.

J. A. Gollan, 75 years old, of Broadford, Va., was beaten, robbed and cremated by a mob of about 50 men, who set fire to his house, which was a fire trap, and who are thought to have known that the old man had money around the premises.

Entombed Miners Found Dead.

Entombed in the Pennsylvania colliery at Mount Carmel, Pa., by an avalanche of coal, the bodies of Frank Logan and Stanislaus Mortenson were found in a manway by a rescuing party.

Bank Treasurer Ends Life.

Frank W. Cutting, 57 years old, for the last forty years connected with the Worcester, Mass., Mechanics' savings bank, was found dead by a rescuing party. The police say it is a case of suicide.

Gas Kills F. A. Burnham.

Frederick A. Burnham, former president of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company, was found dead in bed at his home on East Seventy-eighth street, New York, as the result of gas poisoning. The police say it is a case of suicide.

Full Fatal to Edward Cregier.

Edward Le Forte Cregier, son of the late Mayor Cregier, and official photographer of the Chicago police department, was fatally injured when he stumbled down the steps in front of his home, and died on the way to a hospital. He left a widow and a son, De Witt Cregier III, 5 years old.

QUAKE KILLS IN ITALY AND DAMAGES TOWNS

Province of Calabria Scene of Violent Seismic Disturbance.

To-Day.

STEFANCONI IS HARDEST HIT.

Casualties Reported at This Place and Also at Mileto and Goni.

Ships Injured.

Southern Italy suffered from a serious earthquake early Monday. The center of the disturbance was in Sicily, and the greatest loss of life and property occurred on this island. The reports are as yet incomplete, but the people everywhere were thrown into a panic.

At Catanzaretta, a Sicilian town of 30,000 people, a number of houses were shaken down and the inhabitants fled for safety to the streets. East crowds gathered in the parks, and the churches are filled. At Mileto, a small town 100 miles southwest of Catania, several houses collapsed and the scenes of panic were repeated.

At Catania the docks and shore front were overwhelmed by a tidal wave that rolled in from the sea. Much damage was done to the shipping. Details are lacking, but it is known that several steamers were damaged. At Catania the shocks lasted for twenty seconds.

At Agosta, in the province of Syracuse, two churches and several houses were demolished, but no lives were lost. The prisoners in the local jail escaped and dashed through the praying crowds on the streets. The troops were called out and quiet was restored. There were shocks also at Lido di S. Santa Saverina and Noto, all in Sicily.

Serious damage is said to have resulted and some casualties are reported at Mileto, Goni and Stefanconi. At Stefanconi the shock was most severe, but San Geronio, San Giorgio, Magliata and others suffered. The latest reports from Calabria say that three dead and sixty injured have been removed from the ruins of Stefanconi. Soldiers have been called in to carry on the work of rescue. The troops have been ordered also to tear down damaged buildings in order to minimize the danger from falling walls.

Sixty persons are said to have been injured at San Nofrio, and the population is camping out in the open air. The troops everywhere are engaged in the work of rescue. Brief reports have been received from Palermo, the capital of Sicily. The shocks there lasted thirty-two seconds. The telegraph and telephone systems were put out of business and railroad communication was interrupted, but the submarine cables from Palermo are still working.

TORTURED; YIELDS TO ROBBERS.

Ohio Farmer's Feet Burned Until He Agrees to Pay Safe.

Tortured by bandits applied to his bare feet, H. A. Schabow, a farmer near Curtice, Ohio, turned over to robbers \$180 belonging to an insurance company. The money was in a safe which Schabow opened when he could stand the pain no longer. The first the robbers knew of the robbery was when the children rushed to their father's room to wish him a merry Christmas. He was not there, and upon entering a little front room used as an office they found him upon the floor, unconscious, with his hands and feet tied and a wooden mallet stuffed in his mouth. Upon regaining consciousness Schabow told that, hearing a noise in the office, he went to investigate and was attacked by two masked men, who demanded money. He refused to open his safe, whereupon they bound and gagged him, then applied lighted matches to his feet. He endured this torture for a while, but finally gave in and opened the safe and then became unconscious. Schabow is in a serious condition, but will recover. While one of the robbers was torturing Schabow, the other kept him covered with a revolver, threatening to kill him if he uttered a sound. The bandits then had gone to the barn, stealing a horse and buggy, and escaped.

MAN SLAIN BY YOUNG WIFE.

Kansas City Man's Attempt to End Mental Disordered Results in Suicide.

Frederick L. Peterson was shot and almost instantly killed in Kansas City by his wife, Mrs. Rose Peterson, as they were returning from a dance. The couple were married three years ago, but lived together but one year. Last month Mrs. Peterson filed suit for divorce, but her husband had been attempting to effect a reconciliation, and persuaded her to accompany him to a dance. They quarreled while he was taking her home, and a lonely spot in the southeast part of town, it is claimed, he slapped her face. She drew a small revolver from her pocket and shot him four times. She was arrested, but expressed no regret.

CURRENT NEWS NOTES.

Cardinal Victor Lucian Salpice Leont, archbishop of Bordeaux, died at Chambéry, France.

Date culture in the Imperial valley, California, is declared to be a success by J. W. Jennings, an experimenter.

Justices of the Court of Special Sessions in New York sat almost all night in efforts to catch up on cases.

Forty-two steam and thirteen sailing vessels were built in the United States and officially numbered during November.

A special commission from Porto Rico is in Washington for the purpose of inducing Congress to impose a duty of 5 cents a pound on foreign coffee, the principal industry of the island.

A bridge three miles in length will be built by the Pennsylvania road over Hell Gate, from Port Morris, a suburb of New York, to Long Island. The center arch will be 1,000 feet long.

The Rev. John P. McCloskey, assistant pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Toledo, in the pulpit announced that his days were numbered, according to doctors, but he would labor to the last.

The Rev. Thomas A. Kelly of St. Agnes' Roman Catholic church, Paterson, N. J., committed suicide in midocean by jumping overboard from the steamship Samos.

Chiefs of the native tribes in German Samoa are threatening trouble. They want independence and may appeal to the United States and Britain for moral support.

The "energy machine" used in the Carnegie nutrition laboratory in Roxbury, Mass., is said to make possible the calculation to a nicety of every fraction of energy exercised by the body and the amount of nutrition needed for the best results.

STRANGER SLAYS STUDENT.

Man Enters House of Rich Woman's Relative and Kills Youth.

Van Dwight Sheldon, an engineering student in the junior class at New York University, was shot to death after a struggle at 9:15 o'clock Wednesday morning in the cellar of the home of Charles H. Snow, dean of the school of arts and sciences of the university in New York City. While dying he gasped out an incoherent statement whose purport seemed to be that he had been killed by a strange man who was seeking Miss Helen Gould.

Dean Snow is married to a cousin of Miss Helen Gould, and Miss Gould has been in the habit of visiting her cousin and remaining over night. There was a report that Miss Gould was in the house Tuesday night, but the dean denied. He said, however, that the intruder probably thought that the house belonged to Miss Gould, that she was in it and that he went there with the idea of getting money.

Sheldon, who was 24 years old, was living with Dean Snow and helping him about the house. The young man lived three hours after he was shot. When found his wrists and ankles were bound. Only a fragmentary story of the tragedy could be drawn from the dying boy, and he expired while struggling to make an anti-mortem statement to Coroner MacDonald in the Fordham Hospital.

Young Sheldon said that just as he approached the furnace a man stepped out and said: "Miss Helen Gould is in this house?" "No," replied the startled student. "Is this her house?" "No," repeated the young man, picking up the furnace shake for a weapon. "You lie!" cried the man, springing at the boy's throat. Then began the struggle which the dying young man sought in vain to describe. It was ended by a shot that penetrated the left side of the abdomen, passed through several organs and lodged in the spine. The police were unable to find traces of an intruder and were inclined to call it a case of suicide.

WILL GIVE UP CUBA JAN. 28.

Provisional Government of Island to Terminate on That Date.

Answering Governor Magdon's request for authority to convene the Cuban Congress and give formal possession to the Cuban government on Jan. 28, the following was received the other day from Washington:

Magdon, Havana:—Pursuant to instructions from the President, the Secretary of War directs:

1. That you assemble the Cuban congress on a specified date, to be selected by you, to act on the credentials of members-elect of the Senate and House of Representatives.

2. That, having passed on the credentials of members-elect, the congress shall organize, they assemble in joint session to canvass and declare the result of the vote of the electoral college for President and Vice President, and thereafter in recess and resassemble by you for the purposes specified in the following paragraphs:

3. That the terms of office of the President-elect and Vice President-elect shall expire on the 28th of January, 1909, on which day they shall be inaugurated; that congress shall be assembled during the forenoon of Jan. 28, 1909, the call therefore specifying the initial duty of congress on the 28th of January, 1909, on which day they shall be inaugurated; that congress shall be assembled during the forenoon of Jan. 28, 1909, the call therefore specifying the initial duty of congress on the 28th of January, 1909, on which day they shall be inaugurated; that congress shall be assembled during the forenoon of Jan. 28, 1909, the call therefore specifying the initial duty of congress on the 28th of January, 1909, on which day they shall be inaugurated.

FREES CONVICTED PARRICIDE.

Kansas Governor Pardons John Collins, Witness Having Recanted.

Gov. Hoch of Kansas pardoned John Collins, a well-known witness in the case of the murder of his father, J. S. Collins, a well-to-do real estate and insurance man of Topeka, in May, 1908. Young Collins was a student at Kansas university at the time of his father's death. He was convicted upon the testimony of three negroes, all of it being circumstantial. The State set up the plea that Collins was in love with Miss Frances Babcock, a