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J. Pierpont Morgan Dead

HE EXPIRED
IN ROME AT
NOON TODAY

Extreme Weakness of the
American Financial Wizard
Was the Direct Cause of
Death, it is Said.

NEW YORK MARKET
IS NOT AFFECTED

Master of Millions Went
Abroad Several Weeks Ago
to Regain His Health—Failed
Very Rapidly.

ROME, March 31.—J. Pierpont Morgan, one of the world's greatest financiers, died at noon today at the Grande hotel. The end came after Mr. Morgan had been subjected to a long sinking spell.

Shortly before his death the attending physician insisted that Mr. Morgan was not suffering from any organic trouble, but that his extreme weakness and nervousness resulted from his inability to take nourishment, due to paralysis of the muscles of the throat.

Food was administered artificially throughout the night by means of injection. Mr. Morgan's condition during the night was far from satisfactory. Part of the time he was in a coma and at other times while semi-conscious he did not recognize Herbert L. Satterlee, his son-in-law, and other members of the family at his bedside. Mr. Morgan several times tried to speak, but contraction of the throat prevented him from making an audible sound. Mr. and Mrs. Satterlee and other members of the Morgan family were up the greater part of the night, and as late as 2 o'clock this morning, Dr. Dixon assured them there was no immediate danger. At 3:50 o'clock Mr. Morgan became semi-conscious and tumbled nervously in his bed. Another injection of food was administered and he soon sank into sleep. At 5 o'clock his physicians reported he was resting easy and that his breathing was normal.

A consultation of physicians was held at 10 o'clock and soon afterwards members of his family were summoned to his bedside, where they remained until the end came.

STOCK MARKET QUIET

NEW YORK, March 31.—President Matson of the New York stock exchange announced today that the stock exchange would not be closed on account of Mr. Morgan's death. The Morgan stocks fell two points, but soon recovered the loss.

A notice was posted at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Company this forenoon as follows:

"Closed on account of the death of Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan which occurred at Rome, Italy, at noon today."

Large crowds had gathered about the Morgan banking house in Wall street. All kinds of rumors were in the air. At 8 o'clock a French cable company messenger was seen running to the home of J. P. Morgan, Jr., in Madison avenue. At 8:45 a telephone bell rang in the office of Morgan & company and one of the clerks took down a message. A moment later a notice written with a pen was posted up at the banking house. As the partners of the banking firm reached the offices the shades were drawn and it was evident that a conference was in progress.

The death of the world's greatest financier evidently had not been expected for, while the partners were in consultation, men began to arrive from various companies bearing boxes of stocks and securities for the day's business. After it was announced that the firm would not open for business today the American flag on the building was lowered to half-mast.

Latest Photo of J. P. Morgan



A SKETCH OF J. P. MORGAN

John Pierpont Morgan, banker and financier, was born at Hartford, Conn., April 17, 1837.

His father, Junius Spencer Morgan, and his mother, Juliet Pierpont, were descendants of old New England stock. Both were noted families.

He was educated, first in the public schools, of Hartford, later graduated from a Boston high school, and finished his studies at the University of Göttingen, Germany. He was an ordinary scholar, evincing no brilliant streaks of mentality.

Entered banking house of Duncan, Sherman & Co. as a clerk in 1857. Became United States agent for London banking firm of George Peabody & Co., of which his father was a member, in 1860.

Married Amelia Louise Sturges, 1861—died 1862.

Married Louise Tracy, 1865. Had one son and three daughters.

Became member of respective firms of Dabney, Morgan & Co., and Drexel, Morgan & Co., in 1864 and 1871. The latter firm became J. P. Morgan & Co.

Floated bond issue of \$200,000,000 during President Cleveland's administration.

Organized and floated securities U. S. Steel Corporation, 1901, capital \$1,100,000,000.

Secured American subscriptions to British war loan of 1901, amounting to \$50,000,000.

Controlled 50,000 miles of railways, large American and British ocean transportation lines and English traction railways.

Gave \$1,500,000 for site and buildings for lying-in hospital in New York. Other benefactions total millions.

Twice won the international yacht races with the yacht Columbia, which he caused to be built.

Checked a disastrous panic in 1907 by personally taking hold of the situation and dumping millions of dollars into the New York stock exchange.

Testified before the Pujo committee in 1913 that there was no "Money Trust" and could be none.

Made famous collections of paintings, bronzes and antique art, including the famous Gainsborough painting which he later turned over to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

Personally he was gruff, all business, and kept a string on every venture he was concerned in.

RICHMOND GIRL TO ACT AS PRINCIPAL GEO. SEIDEL FINDS BODY OF A FRIEND

Miss Vera Crome to Take Position of Gertrude McArthur.

Vera Crome of this city, will accept the principalship of the Williamsburg schools to take the place of Gertrude McArthur who will act as superintendent in the future. The present superintendent, Claude C. Collins, has resigned to accept a position in the Indianapolis schools. Mr. Collins resigned in January but consented to retain the position until the close of the term.

PROF. LEBO RESCUED.

Sheriff Bayer has been notified to be on the lookout for Theodore Lacey of Montgomery, Ala., believed to be in this section and wanted in Montgomery for embezzlement of \$100,000. Lacey was chief clerk of the state convict department. He embezzled \$100,000 and absconded March 12, 1913. A reward of \$1,000 is offered for his arrest.

ARRESTED AGAIN.

After being released from a 140-day jail term last week, James Allen was arrested for public intoxication. In police court this morning he was fined \$1 and costs. He was sent to the county jail.

THE WEATHER

STATE AND LOCAL—Fair Tonight and Tuesday. Colder Tuesday.

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Local People Drown

One Met Death in Peru Flood
Three in Dayton—Graphic
Stories Told by Richmond
Survivors.

Edgar A. Norris yesterday received a telegram, sent Friday, announcing that his nephew, Bert Smith, had been drowned at Peru, Ind. No details were contained in the telegram. The telegram was sent by the young man's sister, Miss Loretta Smith. Smith's wife was a former Milton girl, her maiden name being Effie Paxton.

HER MOTHER DROWNED.

Mildred Gross Receives This Information From Dayton Today.

A Richmond colored man today stated that he had seen the body of Mrs. Pearl Briscoe, mother of Mildred Gross of this city. The body was in a morgue and the woman's name was on a slip of paper fastened to the body. Miss Gross will attempt to recover the body today.

LOCAL NEGRO DROWNS.

J. McConnell Was Caught in the Flood Waters at Dayton.

Richmond relatives of John McConnell, colored, formerly of this city, have been notified that he was drowned. The body was identified at a morgue.

DROWNED AT DAYTON.

Mrs. William Hill Informed of Fate of Her Brother.

A negro by the name of McCaffery, formerly of this city and a brother of Mrs. William Hill, was drowned at Dayton.

GRAPHIC TALES TOLD.

By Richmond People Caught in Dayton Flood.

Graphic stories are being told today of the remarkable experiences of Richmond survivors of the Dayton flood.

Frank Sheridan, once living here, told Walter Dalby that when the flood came he was in North Dayton. He got on to the top of a small house, then the Mad river levee broke and he was washed away by a great wall of water. He was finally hurled upon the roof of a floating house half way across the stream. In a few minutes

Cairo Levee Holds

Conditions all Along the Ohio River Serious but People Had Ample Warning to Save Lives.

LAWRENCEBURG HAS DISASTROUS FIRE

Whole City Under Deep Water Today But no Lives Have Been Lost—Millions of Damage Done.

(National News Association)

[BULLETIN]

ST. LOUIS, March 31.—A telephone message from Shawneetown, on the Ohio river at noon said that the town was doomed and that the women and children had practically all been removed to the hills at that hour.

The girls in the telephone exchange were ordered out of the building as soon as this message had been sent.

(National News Association)

CAIRO, Ill., March 31.—The levees were still holding today after the river had reached a stage of 52 feet and was still rising.

The water is still several feet below the top of the levee, but the worst flood in history is imminent.

AT LAWRENCEBURG.

LAWRENCEBURG, Indiana, March 31—Practically the whole city was under deep water here today. Fifty buildings have been carried away. The Knippenburg carriage factory burned down during the night. There is water seven feet deep in the banks, school houses and public buildings. There has been no loss of life and the suffering of the homeless is not great because of ample warning having

RICHMOND PRAISED BY THE GOVERNOR



GOVERNOR RALSTON.

Talking to President S. E. Swayne Sunday, Governor Ralston praised the spirit shown by Richmond in extending relief to Dayton, Hamilton and other cities and towns. "Keep up the good work of sending relief to Ohio towns," said the governor. "Indiana flood victims are being well cared for. Let Richmond keep up its great work of assisting the Ohio victims. Your city will be expected to continue in this work and your help for Indiana towns in the flood zone is not needed.

Governor Cox of Ohio has informed me that there are 500,000 homeless people in his state that must be fed and clothed. Help him out."

Efforts to restore public utilities were being pushed by great forces of men today. Since the flood there has been no means of communication about the city except by automobile. Three thousand horses were drowned. The health office forces are removing dead animals of all kinds by the thousands. Two wagonloads of dead cats and dogs were removed from the wreckage of Main street today.

The situation in Dayton, as regards the amount of water in the stricken city, is very much improved today for the water is steadily receding, so that North Dayton may be explored now. The Palladium's staff correspondent made a trip through practically all of north Dayton Saturday night at midnight and was the first newspaper man in that locality. He found conditions there much the same as prevalent over every other section of the city—wreck, ruin, slime and pestilence breeding. The sewers of the central part of the city are now working and carrying off rivers of water.

It is impossible now, and probably will be for weeks, to estimate the exact number of dead. There are many bodies covered with mud and wreckage in the river bottom which will probably never be recovered. In one drift along the river thirty-eight bodies were recovered Saturday.

In some places the river has changed its course, and the old channel is one seething mass of mud and wreckage. Many bodies may be piled in wind rows under the surface of this refuse. It is said in Dayton that bodies have been washed for miles down the river, and some people in Hamilton believe that many of the unidentified dead found there may be from Dayton.

Estimates of the death list being below two hundred are much too low. Any reports placing the total list of deaths at definite figure should not be taken as accurate.

Hundreds of places where bodies are known to have not been explored yet.

The food situation is well in hand in Dayton now. Every conceivable kind of provisions are coming in by the car load, but the relief work must continue for many days.

The great danger in stricken Gem City now is an epidemic. The inhabitants returning to their homes are cleaning away the wreckage as best they can, but the menace of the hundreds of tons of yellow mud, laden with germs, read for the hot sun to touch and transform into a peril worse than the rushing waters, confronts the homeless thousands.

The scenes in the north end of the city are absolutely beyond the power of human mind to comprehend if not beheld. For miles and miles a special car drove through mud wallows, sometimes the thick, evil smelling muck reaching almost into the engine.

Barriers of water with two feet of mud at the bottom, treacherous, broken manholes, and deep washouts in the streets, hidden by the thick brown mud and water were a great hindrance to the relief workers and to the residents who are escaping into West Dayton.

Decaying carcasses of animals of every conceivable species, and many dead bodies were everywhere.

Old broken down men, women and little children, worked in the mud carrying out their few household valuables, with bed clothing strapped to their backs.

Looks of hopeless despair were on every face. Stations over the city established for the benefit of the hungry, and where basket loads of provisions are being given out, were crowded with the hundreds of homeless and hungry. Guards kept order in the lines.

Looting is going on in wholesale style all over the city except in the main business section of the city which is well guarded.

Hundreds of civilians have been sworn in, given police power and armed and are rendering much assistance in stopping the depredations of the human vultures. Armed with almost any

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4 Men Taken Today

Captured as Looters and Soldiers Censured For Not Shooting Them Down as Their Orders Read.

EPIDEMIC MENACE MUCH FEARED NOW

A Palladium Correspondent, First Reporter Into North Dayton, Tells of Some of Sights He Saw.

BY STAFF CORRESPONDENT.
DAYTON, March 31.—Four men, two whites and two negroes, were arrested for looting in Second street today. They will be tried by court martial and may be ordered shot. The soldiers who made the arrests were reprimanded for not literally executing their orders to kill looters on sight.

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