

REPUBLIC'S LOSS LESSON

Roosevelt Asks Congress to Pass Law for Protection of Life at Sea.

Burke's Measure Strongly Advocated—Government Stations on All Coasts Ensure Nation Against Monopoly.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—To prevent the loss of life by catastrophes at sea such as so nearly occurred when the liner Republic went down recently, the President sent to Congress today a message asking the passage of a bill...

Wreck Due to Malice

Passenger Train Runs Into Cocked Switch.

Death of One, Injury to 20 Persons on Illinois Central, Caused by Wreckers.

Coldwater, Miss. Feb. 8.—The wreck of an Illinois Central train early today, which resulted in the death of one man and the injury of more than a score of the crew and passengers, is declared by Superintendent H. McCarty to have been due to the deliberate act of wreckers.

Wireless as Life-Saving Device.

To the Senate and House of Representatives—Your attention is invited to recent events which have conclusively demonstrated the great value of radio-telegraphy, popularly known as "wireless telegraphy," as an instrumentality for the preservation of life at sea.

Require Wireless on Steamers.

It seems highly desirable that the Congress before adjournment should enact a law requiring that all steamships, coastwise, and that several systems of approved scientific merit and practicability have been put into operation in the United States.

SAMPSON'S NEPHEW SLAIN

Wife Indicted on Charge of Murder in First Degree.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 8.—The Wayne County grand jury at Lyons, N. Y., has indicted Mrs. George Sampson for murder in the first degree, alleging that she killed her husband Harry, nephew of Admiral Sampson.

COX WITHHOLDS HIS STORY

Too Weak, He Says, to Tell of Mysterious Disappearance.

TACOMA, Feb. 8.—So weak was the condition of T. A. Cox, general manager of the Tacoma & Puyallup Mining & Smelting Company, of Tucson, Ariz., today, that visitors and reporters were denied admission to his rooms at St. Joseph's hospital.

OPEN NEW CHINESE SCHOOL

Bay City Now Has Educational Institution of High Order.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—The first Chinese school to be opened in this city was dedicated today in the presence of Chinese and American dignitaries.

HARRIMAN JOB DROPPED

Tacoma Contractors Refuse to Build Tunnel for \$860,000.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—It was announced tonight that Redstrom & Huson have withdrawn their bid for the building of the Tacoma Union Pacific tunnel.

HUSBAND TAUGHT SMOKING

She was so determined, however, that she was not to be deterred, and she was finally taught to smoke.

BOOKS IS TOPIC

Tears Through Los Angeles, Washing Out Bridges.

STOPS RAILROAD TRAFFIC

Normally Harmless Brook of Arroyo Seco Wrecks Everything in Course When Swollen by Mountain Rain.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 8.—Running at flood tides, its angry waves foamed and fell from bank to bank, the Arroyo Seco, fed by mountains and foothills, is grinding its way to the sea tearing away all obstructions in its course.

Wrecked After Rocks

Makes Overtures to Farmers' Company.

St. John Commercial Club Also Sends Delegate to Address Meeting at Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Offering elevators, docks and warehouse sites for the proposed grain elevator and grain terminal in their cities, representatives of the commercial organizations of Vancouver, Wash., and of Portland, Astoria and Seaside, Ore., spoke at the meeting of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union in the State Army in this city.

SANTA MARIA RIVER SWOLLEN

Overflows Railroad Bridge and Washes Out Wagon Bridge.

ARROYO GRANDE, Cal., Feb. 8.—The Santa Maria River, encroaching on Santa Maria, was today overflowing its banks, making it dangerous for the passage of trains. This resulted in the holding up of the overland limited outside the city and the transferring of its passengers to trolley cars and automobiles.

SAN LUIS ENTIRELY CUT OFF

Sink on Track and Washouts Stop Travel Over Mountain.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Cal., Feb. 8.—San Luis Obispo is completely cut off from all communication with the outside world, owing to the fact that the railway tracks on the dangerous Coast grade, cuts off all travel over the mountain and it is impossible to get any sand from the sandpit, owing to the 70-foot washout at Oceano.

SOUTH CUT OFF ENTIRELY

Washouts Split California Into Two Sections.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Travel is at a standstill on the Pacific Coast Railroad, and many of the county roads have been rendered impassable.

INSANITY PLEA IS FAILURE

Confessed California Murderer Is Found Guilty by Jury.

FRESNO, Cal., Feb. 8.—Charles H. Loper must hang for the murder of Joe Vernet in the mountains above Fresno, July 20 last. After a trial lasting a week, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty tonight.

DENMAN THOMPSON BETTER

Veteran Actor Shows Considerable Improvement in Health.

WEST SWANZY, N. H., Feb. 8.—Denman Thompson, the aged actor, who is ill at his home here, had a very comfortable day and is doing well tonight. He is suffering from a heavy cold, rather than pneumonia, but is not yet out of danger.

BUILD SIX DREADNAUGHTS

Radicals in British Cabinet Yield on Naval Policy.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—It is understood that the Cabinet Ministers have come to an agreement on the question of naval policy and that the new battleship-building programme will include six Dreadnaughts.

CONDENSED NEWS BY WIRE

Nashua, N. H.—A small buck deer jumped through a window of the Nashua Trust company Sunday morning. The animal was killed and its carcass was sent to the city.

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