

## J. PIERPONT MORGAN DIES WHILE IN ROME

### Great Financier's End Without Suffering.

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### Death Hurred by Pulp Money Trust Probe, Says Doctor.

### POPE PIUS VOICES GRIEF

### For Five Days Physicians Try to Restore Rapidly Ebbing Life, but in Semi-Comatose State Organs Refuse to Make Response.

ROME, March 31.—J. Pierpont Morgan, the New York financier, died here today a few minutes after noon.

For months his health had been declining, but the symptoms became greatly aggravated about a week ago, and since Wednesday last he had been in a semi-comatose condition. He was within a few days of being 74 years old.

Dr. M. Allen Starr, of New York, called into consultation over the late financier's illness, attributed the recent breakdown to emotion caused by the investigation carried out by the Fiske committee at Washington into the operations of the "money trust."

Tonight the body, lying in the death chamber is surrounded with flowers. Messages of sympathy have been received from King Victor Emmanuel, high officials of state diplomatic representatives and from many personal friends in all parts of the world.

See is First Notified.

The death of Mr. Morgan was not known in Rome until several hours after it occurred, owing to the desire that Mr. Morgan's son, J. P. Morgan, Jr., who is in New York, should be the first to be notified.

The official statement, prepared by Dr. Giuseppe Bastianelli, Dr. M. Allen Starr and Dr. George A. Dixon, the attending physicians, indicated that a gradual general collapse followed a condition of nervous prostration which prevented the digestive organs from performing their functions and affected the mental faculties.

Nearest Ones Unrecognized.

For five days Mr. Morgan received artificial nourishment but was unable to assimilate the food. As a result he lost strength rapidly. He was in a condition of semi-coma which prevented him from recognizing those about him for many hours prior to his death. His end was without suffering.

Mr. Morgan's daughter, Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee, who has been in constant attendance, was at the death bed. She held the hand of her father and tried to obtain some sign of recognition. She thought that when the supreme moment came he faintly pressed her hand. Mr. Satterlee and the physicians almost carried the weeping woman from the room.

Grief Prostrates Son-in-Law.

Mr. Satterlee is prostrated by grief, and had no statement to make tonight regarding future arrangements. So far no preparations have been made for removal of Mr. Morgan's body to the United States.

The American Ambassador and Mrs. Thomas J. O'Brien, the secretary of the Embassy, George Post Wheeler, and Mrs. Wheeler, who went to the hotel this afternoon to inquire about Mr. Morgan's condition, were there when his death was announced. They remained to offer their services and express condolences.

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## BUSINESS SUSPENDS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

### FOR FIRST TIME HALT IS MADE TO PAY HONOR.

### Resolutions Declare J. P. Morgan to Have Been Most Conspicuously Useful Figure in America.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Business was suspended for five minutes on the Stock Exchange today while the members adopted a resolution on J. P. Morgan's death. The resolution was read from the rostrum. It was the first time in its history that the exchange stopped work to pay honor in this way. The resolution in part was:

Resolved, that the death of J. P. Morgan has removed from America's large creative activities its most conspicuously useful figure. To the development of the resources of our country he had contributed more than any man of our day. His immense constructive genius was devoted not merely to American finance and industry, but to the wide field of philanthropy and humanity. The whole world has lost a wise counselor and a helpful friend.

Mr. Morgan's death will make no change in the firm, according to an announcement made at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co.

## YOUTH GETS SECOND TERM

### J. W. Marshall Arrested and Sentenced Within Three Hours.

An example of that rapid justice which obtains more often in theory than in practice was given in Justice Court yesterday. On a charge of stealing a suit of clothes and a safety razor belonging to Arthur Scott, from the Hotel Hotel, J. W. Marshall, aged 21, was arrested at 1 o'clock. Before 2:30 he had commenced serving a sentence of 90 days in the County Jail imposed by Justice Jones.

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## WANTED, A LION PEDICURE

### "Nero," Who Bites Planks in Two, Requires His Nails Shortened.

Who wants the job of trimming the toenails of the lion at the City Park? It is reported by Park Superintendent Mische that the time has come that the job must be done to protect the health of the lion and to keep him from doing damage to his cage by clawing it.

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## BANDON WORK IS DELAYED

### Opening of First Street Must Await Court Decision.

BANDON, Or., March 31.—(Special.)—Proceedings for the opening of First street, which is the principal business street of Bandon, necessitates removing two business houses, one of which Ellingson owns. The views allowed \$2500 for the land and \$2000 for the moving of the building. Mr. Ellingson appealed to the Circuit Court asking for \$7500 for the land and the removal of the building.

Appraisers have been appointed for the opening of Abernathy street.

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## CAIRO TAKES HOPE IN SAND-BAG DYKE

### Soldiers Fight Swelling Ohio Torrents.

### DRINKING WATER NEW MENAGE

### Levee at Shawneetown, Ill., Is Reported Swept Away.

### MOUNDS HOMES DESERTED

### Cairo Flood Committee Orders All Saloons and Retail Stores Except Bakeries, Pharmacies and Food Stores to Close.

### CAIRO, Ill., April 1 (Tuesday).—One of the levees broke here at 1:30 A. M.

COLUMBUS, Ky., March 31.—(Via phone to St. Louis.)—The Mobile & Ohio levee, one-fourth of a mile from here, broke at 5 o'clock this afternoon. At 8 o'clock tonight East Columbus was flooded, the water in the streets being from four to eight feet deep.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 31.—Acting Adjutant-General Ellis received a message tonight ascribed to the Mayor of Columbus, Ky., on the Mississippi River, below Cairo, saying that the levee there had broken. Wire communication failed before details could be learned.

CAIRO, Ill., March 31.—Inhabitants of Cairo received renewed hope tonight for the safety of their city.

Before midnight a strong current was noticeable in the Ohio River. This gave rise to the opinion that something had given way south of here and that the situation, which was growing more and more desperate, had been relieved.

The levee is holding strongly, although the water has been creeping steadily upwards. At 7 o'clock tonight the gauge stood at 57.6. The same reading was registered at Fulton, Ky.

Report Says Levee Has Gone.

A report reached here that the levee had broken at Shawneetown, Ill. P. T. Lindley, in charge of the Government work, discredits the report. Mr. Lindley was unable to assign the real cause of the increased current, but admitted that it made the outlook at Cairo decidedly more cheerful.

It was thought that one of the levees on the Kentucky side may have gone out.

Anxiety is felt over the drinking water supply, which is decidedly bad.

Heavy engines were taken off south-bound trains at Mounds, Ill., which is (Continued on Page 7.)

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## MOSQUITOS TO BE FOUGHT

### Lakes, Marshes and Stagnant Pools Will Be Given Coat of Oil.

Mosquitoes in Portland are doomed. The City Board of Health yesterday ordered City Health Officer Wheeler to begin at once the work of sprinkling oil on the various lakes and stagnant pools in and near the city where the pest breeds. The oil is expected to put billions of the insects permanently out of business.

The oiling system in Portland was first undertaken last year. The result was satisfactory. The work was not taken up last year, however, until late in the season.

This year it is the plan of the Health Board to oil the lakes and marshes before the insects become numerous. Assistant City Health Officer Beeman will take care of the work.

## DIRT CARS ENTER OFFICE

### Real Estate Man Escapes Just as Runaway Train Smashes Building.

When a dirt train of eight cars broke from its moorings at the end of the Hawthorne carline yesterday afternoon it traveled with increasing momentum down the grade, across Division street, and crashed into the real estate office of Beach & Idelman, taking an entire side of the building with it before it came to a standstill.

J. L. Idelman, who was in the office when the runaway train started on its rampage, heard his warning from workmen and made his exit in safety just as the office was struck.

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## PORTLAND TRADE IS BEST EVER KNOWN

### First Quarter in 1913 Shows Activity.

### MARCH CLEARINGS HIGHEST

### Traffic by Rail and Water Steadily Maintained.

### LUMBER BUSINESS BETTER

### Postoffice Income Shows Gain of 10.5 Per Cent for Three Months, While Receipts of Grain and Cattle Are High for Month.

March, 1913, will go down in history as one of Portland's great months in commercial activity. Not only were some new records established, but general trade conditions were of such proportions as to demonstrate that the city is making genuine and substantial progress. Compared with the showing for the corresponding month of last year, the records for the month just closed are especially gratifying, as big gains were made in bank clearings, postal receipts, livestock receipts and exports, while in other important branches of business the month's activity was satisfactory.

Foremost among the notable achievements of the month was the increase in bank clearings, a new high-water mark having been set in Portland's monthly financial statistics. The total clearances for the month reached \$59,119,783.41 compared with \$4,836,222.77 for March, 1912. During the week of March 12-15, inclusive, the clearings totaled \$18,927,991 as compared with \$11,875,000, the best former mark, reached during the week of November 8-11 of last year.

## CREST MAY BE PURCHASED

### Bond Issue of \$90,000 for Hilltop Site Recommended by Board.

Shall Portland issue bonds for \$90,000 for the purchase of Council Crest for public park purposes? This is the question which will be submitted to the voters at the June election.

At a meeting of the City Park Board yesterday a delegation of Portland Heights people, headed by Tom Richardson and E. L. Thompson, announced that nine acres of the Crest can be secured and improved for \$90,000 and asked that the Board put the question up to the people. The Board forthwith adopted a resolution requesting the City Council to place the question on the ballot.

It was decided best to make this bond issue separate from the proposed \$2,000,000 issue for general parks and playground purposes.

## BETTER OMAHA TO RISE

### In Six Months Devastated Section to Be Rebuilt, Is Statement.

OMAHA, March 31.—A committee of prominent Omaha business men in whose hands the work of restoring the city from the effects of the tornado of March 23 has been placed has promised that in six months more the devastated district would be rebuilt and will be much more beautiful from a civic standpoint. Contributions from all cities are being gratefully received and are distributed where they will do the utmost good.

The following was compiled by the Commercial Club and is given out as authentic:

The known dead in Omaha and immediate suburbs totals 135, the injured number 402, while many sustained minor bruises; 1700 homes were entirely destroyed or badly wrecked.

## MATTHIEU IS IMPROVING

### Well-Known Pioneer Gains Strength and Can See Friends Now.

F. X. Matthieu, the well-known pioneer who had been sick at the home of his son, S. A. Matthieu, 350 Eugene street, for some time, is rapidly improving. Yesterday he was able to walk about the house, was cheerful and gained strength. Considering his age, Mr. Matthieu's improvement is considered remarkable. He is now able to see his friends, and they will be welcome to call on the pioneer.

Wednesday Mr. Matthieu will be 95 years of age, but the day will be a quiet one for him, owing to his age and condition.

## FLORIDA BUYS PAPER HERE

### Application Made to Permit New Rate to Become Operative at Once.

Paper mills in this vicinity now are shipping their product to Florida, a recent publication of tariff covering this commodity making such a movement possible.

Application has been made to the Interstate Commerce Commission to permit a rate of 75 cents for 100 pounds of fruit wrapping paper from Camas, Wash., to New York to go into effect without the usual 30 days' notice. From New York the paper will be carried to Jacksonville, Fla., by boat and thence to its destination over local rail lines.

## PRICE OF MEAT SOARING

### Shortage Due to Ohio Floods Delaying Shipment Is Cause.

NEW YORK, March 31.—The price of meat soared to the highest figures of the year today and indications are that it will go still higher tomorrow.

Dealers say the shortage soon will become acute unless shipments checked by the Ohio and Indiana floods are hurried to the city.

## FATE OF DERELICT'S CREW IS UNKNOWN

### SCHOONER JOHN D. SPRECKELS ADRIFT, BOTTOM UP.

### Vessel Homebound Bound Known to Have Carried Captain and Seven.

### SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—The three masted schooner, John D. Spreckels, of this port, is a derelict tonight drifting bottom up somewhere off Point Reyes and the fate of the vessel's crew is unknown.

The schooner carried, beside the captain, a crew of seven. It is possible there was a number of salmon canners from Alaska aboard also.

This information was received by wireless from the United States revenue cutter McCulloch by the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce. The McCulloch reported it was unable to get a line to the wreck due to rough weather.

The Spreckels is a codfisher and was homebound from Unka, Alaska. She sailed north from here January 25 last. She is owned by the Alaska Codfish Company and is of 267 tons register.

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## PORTLAND HONORS GRAND OPERA NOW

### Richness of Color Is Noted at Opening.

### SOCIETY PAYS HER TRIBUTE

### Box Parties Numerous and "Good Time Was Had."

### APPRECIATION IS SHOWN

### Vast Audience Enjoys "First Night" at Handsome Orpheum Theater.

### Limousine and Taxi Crowd Broadway to Care for All.

BY LEONE CASS RAER.

A riot of opulent operatic pleasure is on in Portland.

Limousines, purring like sleek, big cats, ogled each other and sneered or rubbed wheels according to social precedence as they lined up last night along Broadway, and packed themselves along all the cross streets entering Broadway for blocks around.

This and the outpouring of fashions' and music-lovers' army were the elements that conveyed to Portland merely one thing, namely, that the opera season is now under way.

The limousine and taxi, the motor and stroller evidence on the outside found corroborative support within the walls of the handsome Orpheum Theater.

Society Out in Force.

Society and representative Portland were out in force. In its best bib and tucker, its embroideries, its brocades, its chiffons and satins, even its furs and fine feathers—the latter mostly worn a laigrette—society was present. Jewels flashed on the stage. In the title of the opera, but most of all on lovely throats, slender fingers and in elaborate coiffures of the smartly-gowned women in the vast audience.

The exclusive rich who had boxes or an entire