

### J. J. HILL SILENT ON LATEST RUMOR

Chairman of Great Northern Refuses to Confirm or Deny Retirement.

#### CHICAGO STARTS REPORT

Magnate Says He Has No Time to Run Down Tales of Resignation and Succession by Son—"No Answer to Make," Reply.

ST. PAUL, April 13.—James J. Hill today refused to confirm or deny the report emanating from Chicago that he soon was to retire from the board of directors of the Great Northern Railway, and that he was to be succeeded by his son, Louis W. Hill.

Mr. Hill said: "I have no answer to make." "Mr. Hill, when questioned again, said 'that they could start all the rumors of this sort that they like, but I have no time to run them down.'"

#### CHICAGO POST STARTS RUMOR

Railway Circles Interested in Reported Retirement of Hill.

CHICAGO, April 13.—James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern Railway and one of the country's railroad leaders, will retire in a few weeks, according to a statement published by the Chicago Evening Post today.

Mr. Hill's place as chairman of the board will be taken by his son, Louis W. Hill, now president of the Great Northern Railway. Carl R. Gray, now president of the Hill lines in Oregon, will succeed Louis W. Hill as president of the Great Northern. The changes will occur about May 1. This information was printed by the Evening Post on the authority of "a prominent railroad official who is in a position to have positive knowledge of the facts." The report of the approaching retirement of Mr. Hill was received with interest in railway circles, and was freely discussed. Mr. Hill is reported to be in St. Paul today, having passed through Chicago last night on his way from the East.

#### CANADA GAINS POPULATION

Immigration Since Beginning of 1907 More Than 2,000,000.

CHICAGO, April 13.—(Special.)—Statistics compiled by the Western Passenger Association, disclose that 2,128,429 persons have gone to Canada from Great Britain, Continental Europe and the United States since January 1, 1907. Immigrants from Great Britain numbered 829,936, from Continental Europe 868,834, and from the United States 72,659.

The statement of the association discloses that alien immigrants to the United States for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1911, numbered 152,353 less than the preceding year. In the same period 517,218 aliens left the United States for Europe. The net gain in population was 512,085, as compared with 517,218 for the year 1910, and 542,547 for 1909.

#### "DRYS" NAME CANDIDATES

Linn County Prohibitionists Choose Men for Representatives.

ALBANY, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—Prohibitionists of Linn County met in convention in Albany today and nominated W. P. Elmore, of Brownsville, H. C. Davis, of Halsey, and J. H. Mears, of Sheehy, as prohibition candidates for Representatives from this county in the next Legislature. It was decided not to name a full county ticket now, but to make an aggressive campaign for the Legislature ticket, and the convention adjourned subject to a future call by the chairman if it is determined to name a county ticket later. Almost all sections of the county were represented at the convention. W. P. Elmore, of Brownsville, was chairman of the convention, and C. V. White, of Albany, was secretary.

#### 20 PUPILS TAKE TUMBLE

All Fall From Bridge and Five of Number Nearly Drown.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—Twenty pupils of the Riverside School, while returning to their homes, fell from the old bridge across Link River and nearly every one was injured. Five narrowly escaped being drowned, but were rescued by gardeners working nearby.

The water in the river is 20 feet deep, but the children were on the approach when the accident occurred. They saw a gardener at work along the structure and the youngsters crowded to one side of the bridge and the railing gave way, precipitating them to the water's edge, five falling into the stream.

#### PRINCE ADELBERT TO WED

Rumor Says Bride of Kaiser's Son Will Be Rich American Girl.

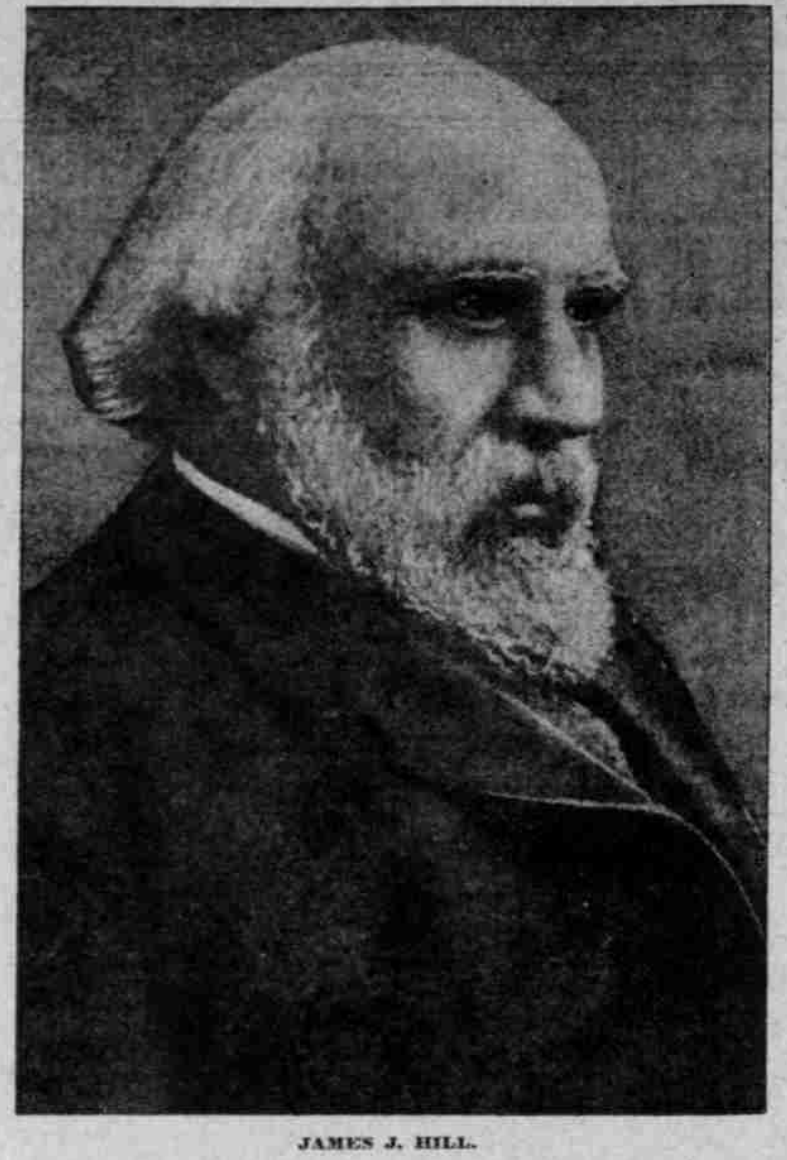
BERLIN, April 13.—(Special.)—It is rumored here that an announcement will shortly be made of the engagement of Prince Adelbert third son of the Kaiser, to a rich and beautiful young American.

The Prince has for some days been the guest of an American family in the neighborhood of Augsburg, Bavaria.

#### Kurds Attack American Mission.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 13.—A party of Kurdish priests attacked the American Mission Station at Suj Balak, in the Province of Aserbaidjan, Persia, today, according to a dispatch received here. The Kurds objected to the ringing of the mission bell and to the hoisting of the American flag. The Turkish Consul hastened to the scene and restored peace.

### RAILROAD MAGNATE WHO REFUSES EITHER TO CONFIRM OR DENY REPORT THAT HE IS TO RETIRE.



JAMES J. HILL.

### DREAM IS BROKEN

Accused Banker Had Vision of New Wheat Reaper.

#### ARREST CHANGES PLANS

Extradition to Toronto to Be Rejected by Dr. Nesbitt, Charged With Irregularities Said to Reach \$300,000.

CHICAGO, April 13.—A cherished dream of Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, former president of the Farmers National Bank of Toronto, Canada, arrested here Thursday for alleged irregularities amounting to \$300,000 in connection with the failure of the bank two years ago, was disclosed today in a statement the prisoner made to the police.

"I left Toronto a year after the failure of the bank to devote my entire time to perfecting a new style of wheat reaper which I had in my mind for a long time," said Nesbitt. "I expected this to give me a new start in life and bring sufficient money for me to return to Toronto and live with my former friends. I have worked on this invention ever since, but my work is not completed.

"Now my plans are changed. I will fight extradition. That is all there is for me to do under the circumstances. In substantiation of Nesbitt's story of diligent work and a studious life, long rows of books on medicine and science were found in the room on the South Side, where he lived. He asserted his innocence of any wrongdoing.

#### TAF VISITOR GETS IN JAIL

Baltimore Man Makes Effort to Call on President.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Michael Winter, of Baltimore, was the name given by a man who caused excitement around the White House today. He made two attempts to enter and finally was landed at police headquarters under the impression he was at the German Embassy.

#### CLARK GAINS IN FAVOR

Speaker of House Has Lead Over Governor Wilson.

NEW YORK, April 13.—(Special.)—Reviewing the contest for the nomination for President, the New York Herald tomorrow will say: "Speaker Clark, leading with 97 more delegates than his nearest rival, Governor Wilson, is rapidly forging ahead. Governor Wilson is still a great popular favorite and leading in many states. Governor Harmon is running third.

That describes the present situation in the ballfield of the Presidential nomination as indicated by an impartial country-wide canvass. On the Republican side the President has continued to gather in delegates. He now has 324, or a lead of 215 on his nearest competitor, Theodore Roosevelt. During the week just ended Mr. Roosevelt made great strides and captured 73 delegates, as against 57 garnered in by Taft managers.

Speaker's Position Improves.

"There can be no doubt that Speaker Clark's position in the spectacular Democratic race has been made more advantageous during the last week than that of any of his rivals. Reports from correspondents show that he has gained in many states, among them Iowa, Massachusetts, Texas, West Virginia, Kentucky and Maryland. His sweep of the Illinois primary, the feature and sensation of the week, sent his stock booming and indications are

that he will continue to go up for the time at least.

#### Wilson's Hold Still Strong.

"Persons who only a short time ago did not regard the Speaker as a formidable contender have changed their opinions since the Illinois nomination. Mr. Clark now has 131 delegates, Toronto, Canada, arrested here Thursday for alleged irregularities amounting to \$300,000 in connection with the failure of the bank two years ago, was disclosed today in a statement the prisoner made to the police.

#### 14 IN AIRSHIP TUMBLE

Passengers in Balloon Have Narrow Escape in Germany.

SCHWETZINGEN, Germany, April 12.—The 14 passengers carried by the Schuettle-Lanz dirigible balloon on its first flight this year had a narrow escape from death today near here. When the dirigible, with the inventor, Professor Schuettle, acting as pilot, had reached an altitude of a few hundred feet, the vertical steering gear jammed and the airship plunged at full speed to the earth, where it buried its bow and the forward gondola in the ground.

#### ARMY AVIATOR IS KILLED.

Frost on Officer's Glasses Obscures View of Dense Forest.

PARIS, April 13.—Lieutenant M. H. A. Boncour, of the Twenty-seventh Infantry Regiment, was killed today in an aeroplane accident. He was making a flight near Bar-le-Duc, 125 miles east of Paris, when he fell from a great height while passing over Lamont. His aeroplane collapsed and the body of the aviator when found in the debris was almost unrecognizable.

#### California Has Narrow Escape.

ALAMEDA, Cal., April 13.—Flying against a southern wind in a Curtiss biplane over the Alameda marsh today, Silas Christofferson, a young aviator of this city, lost control of his machine, which dropped a distance of 50 feet into the mud and was crushed to pieces, throwing the birdman from his seat and crushing in his left side.

#### BAD MATCH MUST PAY TAX

President Signs Bill That May Out Phosphorus Fire Stocks.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The President has signed the bill to tax white phosphorus matches. It is asserted the law will in effect prohibit their manufacture.

The matches have been denounced in Congress as being an inducement to laborers engaged in their manufacture.

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### CROP SCARE IS FELT IN BOARD OF TRADE

Wheat Soars, Reacts. Then Ascends Again on Reports of Heavy Damage.

#### BROKERS FORCED TO WALL

Chicago Dealers Credit Story That Soft Winter Crop Has Been Set Back Seriously Over Middle Western Region.

CHICAGO, April 13.—Wheat shot skyward today. May delivery rose more than 2 cents a bushel to \$1.10, and July more than 2 cents to \$1.06 $\frac{1}{2}$ . It was a crop-scare market. There was a rapid reaction, however, to \$1.07 for May and \$1.03 $\frac{1}{2}$  for July.

The wildness of fluctuations was due to the announcement that C. E. Gifford & Co. had given notice to transfer all its trades. C. E. Gifford, head of the suspended firm, said the transfer of his trades was made necessary because an employe had been speculating secretly and that the transfer was unavoidable till that house could find out where it stood.

In spite of the extraordinary fluctuations the actual season on the floor of the Board of Trade differed little from what could be seen under ordinary conditions.

Failure Reported Not Serious.

It was said the liabilities involved in the Gifford suspension would not exceed \$10,000. The firm was said to be fairly even on the market. The idea that the advance had perhaps been caused by a rumor about a calm, but fresh buying set in and the market again rose to a point little below the level of the initial excitement.

Most of the damage had been inflicted on soft winter wheat, which constitutes the bulk of the stock in Chicago elevators and is comparatively scarce elsewhere. The belief was general that the merchandising of the huge stores held here and long felt to be a weight on prices would result.

Besides the injury to the market occurred in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. Dispatches told of damage alleged to amount to a quarter or a third of the crop in 13 counties of Northeast Kansas.

#### Missouri Yield Cut Heavily.

One authority sent word that in some parts of Missouri the yield would not be more than half the average crop, even with the most favorable weather from now until harvest.

A rough estimate of the extent of the crop damage was made by one expert as approximating a total of 50,000,000 bushels. This total was figured on the theory that one-third of the Washington crop in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio had gone to ruin.

Closing prices for the day were almost at the topmost level reached on the market. May and July closed at \$1.09 $\frac{1}{2}$  and \$1.06 $\frac{1}{2}$ , respectively, as compared with 24 hours before.

#### JUDGE FINDS PAY SMALL

Seattle Jurist Quits Bench Because He Can't Live on \$4000.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 13.—Superior Judge Wilson H. Gay today sent his resignation to Governor Hay, to take effect April 30. He gives as the reason for the resignation, "financial," saying: "To meet taxes, local assessments, fixed charges that I am under, to pay life insurance and maintain myself and family in the most frugal manner, the salary of the office is inadequate, and so I am compelled to go back to practice, where the returns are more promising."

The salary of Superior Judge is \$4000 a year. Judge Gay has been on the bench four years. He was United States District Attorney for the State of Washington from 1897 to 1902. Judge Gay says he resigns now to permit the Governor to name a successor with whom the people may become acquainted before election time.

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#### PRINCETON AIDS PUPILS

UNIVERSITY OFFERS WORK FOR YOUNG FARMERS.

Ambitious Ones May Earn \$2 Daily by Tilling Soil on Socialistic or Democratic Basis.

PRINCETON, N. J., April 13.—Princeton University authorities announce the opening of a large farm property near the college which will provide any student with the means of working his way through college. Plowing has already begun, and there will be steady work all through the Summer vacation. It is calculated that students will be able to earn \$2 a day. The land will be tilled on a socialistic, democratic basis, the laborer obtaining the entire product of his toil. The tract available for student labor will be added to as rapidly as students apply for work. The soil will be devoted to truck farming, and the crops will be sold to college commons and the various Princeton eating clubs.

President Hibben says the idea has been adopted to rid Princeton of the name of being the home of the sons of rich men.

Honduras Loan Action Put Off.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Action on

the Honduras and Nicaraguan loan treaties was postponed by the Senate committee on foreign relations today to determine how far the Government should go in and being a general policy for all such matters.

Airships are to be built of the new metal known as Dural metal, which is 60 per cent lighter than aluminum.

### New Books For Spring Reading

- Riders of the Purple Sage, Net.....\$1.30  
By Zane Grey.
- The Way of an Eagle, Net.....\$1.35  
By E. M. Dell.
- The Yoke of Silence, Net.....\$1.25  
By Amy McLaren.
- In Desert and Wilderness, Net.....\$1.25  
By Henry Sienkiewicz.
- Lonesome Land, Net.....\$1.25  
By B. M. Bowers.
- The Mountain Girl, Net.....\$1.25  
By Payne Erskine.
- Peter Ruff and the Double Four, Net.....\$1.30  
By E. Phillips Oppenheim.
- Position of Peggy, Net.....\$1.20  
By Leonard Merrick.
- The Band Box, Net.....\$1.20  
By Louis Joseph Vance.
- The Case of Richard Meynell, Net.....\$1.35  
By Mrs. Humphry Ward.
- The Heart of Life, Net.....\$1.25  
By Pierre de Coulevain.
- A Hoosier Chronicle, Net.....\$1.40  
By Meredith Nicholson.

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