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POPE LEO XIII DIED AT 4:10 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING

End of the Earthly Career of the Grandest Old Man of Modern Catholicism Came in Peace and Honor.

One of the Oldest of the Pontiffs—He Leaves an Admirable Record for Probity, Nobility and Ability—Biographical Sketch Noting the Principal Events of a Long and Beautiful Life.

The first scene in the last act opened yesterday afternoon, when all hope was abandoned upon the most palpable evidence that dissolution was near.

Rome, July 20, 4:10 a. m.—Leo XIII, pope of Rome is dead. The end has been hourly expected for the past 20 days.

The cardinals were immediately notified of the situation and began a swift and sorrowful journey to the Vatican.

For two days after the attack, his condition remained the same, practically unaltered.

On the 10th, the pope surprised the world by arising from his bed and walking about in his room.

Mind Remained Unshaken. On Friday morning he was worse again and another operation was performed to relieve the gathering suppurations of the pleura.

The one colossal tower of strength which has not been shaken to the last by the slowly gathering forces of his disease, is the mind of the pope.

In all his illness his mind has been singularly clear and strong. He has dictated messages of good cheer to his people in all parts of the civilized world.

Ignorant of Volpioni's Death. His trusted valet, Volpioni, clerk of the conspiracy, died on Thursday, July 8, and the startle news was not conveyed to the pope.

Cardinals Meet Tomorrow. The college of cardinals meets to elect a successor to Leo.

WAST DAMAGE BY WIND AND WATER

OVER THREE INCHES RAIN FELL AT CERTAIN POINTS.

Crops Beaten Down, Lands Flooded, Trees and Telegraph Poles Uprooted, Wires Down and Buildings Flooded—Many Bridges Washed Out, and Hail Destroys Fruit and Trees.

Milwaukee, July 20.—Reports of damage from yesterday's storm are coming in from many parts of the state, and are to the effect that the crops were battered down flat.

The storms are particularly severe on Lake Michigan. Thousands of dollars' worth of damage was wrought to the government pier which protects Milwaukee harbor.

MURDER AND LYNCHING IN WYOMING

Cody, Wyo., July 20.—James Gorman, the murderer of his brother, Tom Gorman, and Walter, the murderer of Mrs. Hoover, were lynched and hung by a mob yesterday at Jackson.

BRYAN'S CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

Cartier Harrison of Chicago Will Get the Nebraskan's Support Next Year.

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE AT A CHICAGO PICNIC.

Secretary of the National Democratic Committee Will Act as Bryan's Spokesman—Speeches by Bryan, Hurst, the Democratic Candidate for Governor of Iowa, and Other Notables.

Chicago, July 18.—Mayor Harrison's name as the choice of the Bryan democrats was announced at the picnic held here yesterday.

Thousands of Acres Ruined. Warsaw, Ind., July 20.—A severe storm and heavy rain fell today, destroying thousands of acres of growing crops.

RIOTERS ARE INDICTED. Grand Jury Acts Vigorously, Mostly Against Negroes.

Evansville, Ind., July 20.—Eighty-eight persons, charged with taking part in the recent riot and the attack upon the soldiers, have been indicted by the grand jury.

CHARGES BRIBERY. Warrant Out for Another Postoffice Official.

Washington, July 20.—A special to the Star from Brooklyn says that George W. Beavers, formerly chief of the salary and allowance division of the postoffice department, has been indicted by a grand jury.

FOR FINANCIAL LEGISLATION. SECRETARY IS COMMITTED TO AN ELASTIC CURRENCY.

Secretary Shaw Elaborates a Scheme to Expand the Volume of Money 25 Per Cent of the Banks' Capital, the Same to Draw Five Per Cent Interest—Problem for Next Session of Congress.

Washington, July 20.—Since the semi-official utterance from Oyster Bay made it practically certain that financial legislation is to be undertaken at the extra session of congress, coincident with conclusive action on the Cuban treaty, there has been renewed speculation as to the exact character of legislation favored by President Roosevelt.

ELGIN LABOR UNION. Teamsters Organize With a Membership of Twenty-Five.

La Grande, July 18.—W. E. Morand, organizer for the State Federation of Labor, has been here for several days.

KENTUCKY REPUBLICANS. Nominated a Full Ticket and Adjourned.

Louisville, July 18.—The second day of picturesque political maneuvering in the state convention of Kentucky republicans failed to culminate in the final grand surprise of a winning dark horse.

KILLING OFF CHINESE. Fire Dam Explosion Takes Twelve Lives and Injures Eight.

Nanaimo, B. C., July 17.—Word reached here today that by an explosion of fire dam last night in Nanaimo, twelve Chinese were killed and eight injured.

CROPS ARE SHORT. Secretary of Agriculture Reports on Conditions in Central States.

Chicago, July 18.—A special to the Record-Herald from Washington says: Secretary Wilson, who has just returned from a trip that included Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota, said today: "While the farming conditions are generally good and some of the crops have a large yield, the corn crop will be short."

SOUTHERNERS ORGANIZE. Sumpter People Remember Dixie Land in Proper Manner.

Sumpter, July 17.—A society to be known as the Southern Historical and Literary Society of Sumpter was organized last night in the office of Mayor McCulloch.

East and West Disagree. The currency fight promises to be protracted, for the two classes of reformers in congress represent two ideas.

Flour Mills Sold. La Grande, July 18.—The Mt. Fanle Flouring Mills at Cove, have been sold by E. P. McDaniel to N. B. and Sherman Reed for \$5,000.

Young Boy Suicides. Stockport, O., July 18.—A 12-year-old son of farmer Lindsay, committed suicide last night by shooting.

Son Was Born. Burrard's Bay, July 18.—A son was born to Grover and Mrs. Cleveland at Gray Gables today.

KENTUCKIANS FOR ROOSEVELT

All Factions, Except a Few Stragglers, Hasten to Get in Out of the Wet.

ORDER IN DEFAULT BY SHIPBUILDING TRUST. Amount Involved is \$16,000,000—Company Behind With Its Interest Payments and is Completely Insolvent—Big Legal Fight On.

New York, July 18.—Judge Kirkpatrick, sitting in the United States district court, signed an order on application of counsel representing the Shipbuilding Trust Company of New York, permitting the corporation to foreclose the \$16,000,000 mortgage of the United States Shipbuilding Company, held by it as trustee for bondholders.

INDORE ADMINISTRATION. Almost Without Division A Bitter Struggle is Progressing Between the Belknap and Ex-Governor Bradley Forces, With the Prospects That the Latter Will Be Nominated by a Scant Majority.

Louisville, Ky., July 17.—The second day's session of the republican state convention opened with the prospects of further excitement to be furnished by the report of the committee on credentials.

PROF PHIPPS DROWNED. Was on Exploring Trip in Northwestern Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., July 18.—Professor Phipps of the chair of English in the State University, was drowned last night near Crawford, in the northwestern portion of the state.

FIRE ON THE VOLGA. Reported that Sixty Lives Were Lost by Steamer Burning.

St. Petersburg, July 18.—The steamer Peter was destroyed by fire on the Volga today. Sixty perished in the disaster.

BOYCOTT IN FORCE. UNION MEN FINE MEMBERS KEEPING PHONES.

Manager Says "Nothing to Arbitrate"—Eight Hundred Phones Ordered Out in One Batch—The Maximum Wages \$45 Per Month.

APPROPRIATION FOR WAR. VETERANS SHORT. Already Over \$90,000 Paid Out and Many More Claims to Come—Over 300 Claimants Yet to Hear From.

Salem, Ore., July 18.—The present outlook is that the \$100,000 appropriated for the war veterans will be exhausted before the end of the month.

Secretary of State Has Audited and Paid Claims to the Amount of \$90,225.87. There are on file claims aggregating \$12,180.50, so that it is apparent that the fund will not last.

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WASHINGTON TO ST. PETERSBURG

Want to Know Whether Russian Government Will Pay Any Attention Anyhow.

ROUNDABOUT WAY TO GET A HEARING BY THE CZAR.

The Effort is Discredited at Washington and the Document is Sent Out of Consideration for the Emittance of the Petitioners and Character of the Subject.

Oyster Bay, July 17.—The president, after conferring with Levi, Wolf and Strauss regarding presenting a petition, decided to send the following dispatch to Riddle, the American charge d'affaires at St. Petersburg:

The preamble continues: I am instructed to ask whether the petition will be submitted to the gracious consideration of his majesty. In that case the petition will be at once forwarded.

Washington, July 17.—The state department this morning gave out a lengthy statement regarding the American petition which is in part as follows: "The Russian government has declined to consider or receive a petition relating to the condition of the Jews in Russia, which was signed by several thousand citizens and mailed to St. Petersburg by direction of the president at the conference July 15."

This was sent July 15, the same day Mr. Riddle was informed by the Russian minister of foreign affairs, in a view of the publications which had appeared in St. Petersburg, that the Russian government has declined to consider or receive a petition relating to the condition of the Jews in Russia, which was signed by several thousand citizens and mailed to St. Petersburg by direction of the president at the conference July 15.

On receipt of this Mr. Hay addressed the press by Mr. Strauss, Wolf and Levi: "I am by the president directed to acquaint you that this department is informed by the American minister at St. Petersburg that the imperial government of Russia has declined to consider the petition which this department undertook to forward to the Russian government, although it is generally admitted in official circles that the petition was almost unopposed in weight and dignity of the signatures attached."

Oyster Bay, July 17.—Despite Roosevelt's belief that President Strauss refused to accept the petition, the desired effect was achieved. It is now learned that had Roosevelt followed his own impulse he would have thrown the petition at the imperial government of Russia, and made the most of it. He argued in the conference with Hay and Root, that it would be more of an insult to Russia to refuse to receive it than its presentation to them would be after we were informed they did not want it. Hay and Root, however, convinced him that it was not a normal course or violate all diplomatic precedents. The president agreed, finally that we have no more business meddling in Russia's internal affairs than they in ours.

The incident will undoubtedly have a bearing on our future diplomatic dealings with the czar. A high source says it adds just one straw to the bitterness and suspicion the president feels for Russian statesmanship, and that the time is ripe in the future to exact a more equitable course or violate all diplomatic precedents. The president agreed, finally that we have no more business meddling in Russia's internal affairs than they in ours.

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