



## BANKER KILLS HIMSELF

Had Loaned Large Sums to Politicians.

## DOORS OF BANK CLOSE

Suicide Follows Discovery of Insolvent Condition of Allegheny Financial Institution.

## SUICIDE HELD IN HIGH ESTEEM

President of the Bank Says That Dead Cashier Had Loaned Thousands of Dollars to Pennsylvania Politicians, But Did Not Think Shortage So Great

Pittsburg, Oct. 18.—After an investigation of the books of the Enterprise National bank, on Beaver avenue, Allegheny, which disclosed the bank insolvent, T. Lee Clarke, who for years was cashier of the institution went home last night and after spending a sleepless night shot himself in the forehead today, dying this afternoon.

An hour before the announcement of his death was received at the bank a telegram came from the comptroller of currency closing the doors of the bank.

Following close upon the exciting events in Lower Allegheny came the announcement from President of the Bank Fred Gwynner that Clarke had loaned thousands of dollars to Pennsylvania politicians and that he himself had endorsed a note for \$50,000 yesterday for Clarke, concluding that if Clarke's shortage was only \$100,000 he would gladly pay it himself. The bank has state deposits which amount to about \$800,000. Clarke always held positions of the highest honor and trust in the community. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, being a member of the board of trustees. He had always taken an active interest in the work of the church and was the heaviest contributor.

Another Cashier Woos Death. Honolulu, H. I., Oct. 18.—Edward B. Giffard, paying teller of the banking house of Claus Spreckles & Company, jumped overboard from the steamer Sonoma last night. An alarm was sounded, life preservers thrown overboard and the vessel hove to for two hours, but no trace of the man was found.

Giffard was well known here, where he had been spending his vacation. He was connected with a prominent family.

## PROPOSED RUSSIAN LOAN

Present Intention Is to Place Half in France and D'v'ie Balance. New York, Oct. 18.—Some details regarding the proposed new Russian loan of \$300,000,000 became known in this city yesterday, says the Herald. The details came to hand in a late edition of the Paris Temps, and some others were obtained from an authoritative banking source in full possession of the program which the Russian government

will lay before the delegation of bankers which is to convene at St. Petersburg in a few days.

It is definitely said that it is the present intention of issuing the full amount of \$300,000,000, one half of which is proposed to place in France with the balance divided in about equal proportions with bankers in London, Amsterdam, Berlin and New York.

New York's proportion of the loan will be about \$50,000,000.

## TERRY MCGOVERN SHOWS HIS OLD TIME FORM

Tommy Murphy of New York Put Out in Two Round.

Philadelphia, Oct. 18.—Tommy Murphy, of New York, was badly beaten by Terry McGovern tonight. It took McGovern only two minutes and two seconds to win the victory. Murphy was so helpless before the blows of the former champion that the referee stepped in and saved Murphy from probable serious injury. The defeated man was game to the end.

McGovern showed old time form. Murphy was knocked down six times and each time, as fast as he came to his feet McGovern, standing over him, struck blow after blow. Murphy was unconscious when carried to his corner.

Farmer Burns Defeats Dwyer. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 18.—Farmer Burns defeated M. J. Dwyer in a wrestling match, mixed style here tonight.

Dwyer won the first fall at Cornish style in 19 minutes. Burns took the other two in 9 and 15 minutes respectively.

## AFTER PRIVATE CARS

Investigation Started Yesterday for a Double Purpose.

## OFFICIALS ON THE STAND

Interstate Commerce Commission Wishes to Show Connection Between the Railroads and the Refrigerator Car Lines—Great Battle May Be Expected

Washington, D. C., Oct. 18.—What promises to extend into a legal and legislative battle against private car lines was precipitated by the interstate commerce commission by its course taken today at the beginning of the hearing instituted to show the connection between the refrigerator car lines and the railroads.

Counsel for the commission directed every effort to bring out the fact that the great railroad systems owning and operating their own refrigerator lines give lower rates than on the roads operating in connection with private car lines. In this the railroads, notably, the Illinois Central and the Pennsylvania, the through traffic and freight managers who were on the stand the greater part of the day, apparently aided the commission. As a result there were many sharp tilts between the counsel for the commission and the attorneys for the Armour car lines and other private companies.

The action of the commission in initiating and prosecuting the complaints, is for the double purpose of establishing its jurisdiction over private car lines and correcting the evils complained of. The chief contest is expected over the question of jurisdiction.

## WELCOMES THE PRESIDENT

Rousing Reception Given in Richmond.

## COMPLIMENTS NEGROES

Reception Tendered to Mrs. Roosevelt by Wife of Governor Montague.

## DELIVERS SEVERAL ADDRESSES

Departure of President and Mrs. Roosevelt From Washington Was Without Incident—Many People Gather at the Station to Witness His Departure.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 18.—Richmond today threw open her gates to President Roosevelt and during a seven hour stay, state and city officials and citizens accorded him a welcome hearty and sincere. His entry into the city was the signal for a wild demonstration from the multitude and the welcoming enthusiasm only ceased when the train continued on the journey south. Mrs. Roosevelt shared in the honors. Mrs. Montague, wife of Governor Montague, gave a reception in her honor at the executive mansion.

The president made several addresses, one being to a gathering of negroes. In his speeches he paid tribute to the confederate veterans and voiced his appreciation of the economic and political progress of the South since the civil war. He pointed to his ancestry in which the Northern and Southern blood mingled, and to his birth in the East and life in the West. He spoke of the preponderance of Southern blood in his regiment in Cuba, and reiterated the principle of Southern blood to all. In his talk to the negroes he congratulated them on the progress of their race. The president will speak at Raleigh tomorrow.

## Leaves the Capital.

Washington, Oct. 18.—The president began his tour of the South at 8:30 o'clock this morning. The departure from Washington was without incident. The president and Mrs. Roosevelt reached the train five minutes before leaving time. The French ambassador and Mme. Jusserand had been waiting at the station some time to say farewell, and were at once invited into the president's private car. The president was in a happy vein. As he alighted from his carriage at a side entrance to the train shed he assisted Mrs. Roosevelt out and then smiled and raised his hat to the half-hundred spectators who had gathered to see his departure. Just before the train moved out, the president stepped from the observation room to the rear platform of his car and smilingly bowed acknowledgements to the flutter of handkerchiefs of the crowd.

## WINDS KILL AND MAIM IN ILLINOIS AND OKLAHOMA

Four Lives Lost and Thirty-five Persons Badly Injured.

St. Louis, Oct. 18.—A tornado struck the village of Sorento, Ill., 32 miles northeast of St. Louis, last night, killing four persons, injuring 35 others, of whom three probably will die, and doing a great amount of damage to property. Forty houses were blown to atoms or carried far from their foundations. Everything in the track of the tornado was swept away.

## Two Dead, Five Injured.

Guthrie, Okla., Oct. 18.—Heavy windstorms occurred in eastern Oklahoma on

Tuesday night. They were the worst at Manfodkit, where two children were killed and nine persons injured. Other places report damage to houses but none were hurt.

## Indiana Also Suffers.

Bartlesville, Ind., Oct. 18.—A tornado today at Collisville wrecked thirty houses, killed one child and injured 12 persons.

## CONCEALS HIS IDENTITY

President of the Pacific Railway Company Is Now in Seattle.

Seattle, Oct. 18.—H. R. Williams, president of the New Pacific Railway Company, which is supposed to be a part of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul system, has been in Seattle for two weeks but his identity was not known until tonight.

In an interview, he says the Milwaukee road is not behind the Pacific railway, but hints at the Harriman interests as being parties to the construction of the road. He states that he is not at liberty to divulge the persons behind him.

## CAPITALISTS AT EUGENE.

Eugene, Ore., Oct. 18.—John Pitcairn Howard Butcher, Jr., and Clarence M. Brown, members of the Philadelphia firm of Rhodes, Sinkler & Butcher, which recently acquired the local electric light plant, arrived in Eugene last evening on an inspection tour. They were accompanied by L. W. Anderson of Spokane, one of the western representatives.

## AMERICANS MAY FISH

Settlement of New Foundland Matter Practically Assured.

## ROOT AND DURAND CONFER

Ships of American Register are Ships of the Highest Form of Nationality and Carry With Them Not Only License to Trade, Also Fishing License.

Washington, Oct. 18.—After a conference between Sir Mortimer Durand, British ambassador, and Secretary Root, it was announced that a speedy and satisfactory solution of the Gloucester-New Foundland fishing controversy is in sight. It seems that New Foundland's authorities directed that no vessels of American register be allowed to fish on the ground that they have never been allowed in the past.

Prior to this time they have been allowed to fish for nothing but bait in New Foundland waters. They are now prevented by law from doing this.

Secretary Root stated that ships of American register are ships of the highest forms of nationality and carry with them not only a license to trade, but also a regular fishing license. As soon as this fact is made clear to New Foundland authorities it is expected that all objections will be withdrawn. Meantime the American fishermen, with the approval of the state department will be instructed to continue fishing.

## WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY WINS

Line of Oregon Men Impregnable—Baseball Results Yesterday.

Salem, Oct. 18.—In the snappiest game of football ever seen on the local gridiron, Willamette University defeated Washington Agricultural College by a score of 11 to 6. Willamette's line was impregnable, while Pollard, the big Willamette half, broke through Washington repeatedly for gains. Unable to force the line, the visitors were obliged to rely on trick plays through which all their gains were made.

## Pacific Coast League.

Los Angeles, Oct. 18.—Los Angeles, 6; Tacoma, 4.

Portland, Oct. 18.—Portland, 2; San Francisco, 4.

San Francisco, Oct. 18.—Seattle, 3; Oakland, 1.

## CHARGED WITH PERJURY

New Phase in Insurance Investigations.

## STATE WILL STEP IN

Young Telephone Operator Is Alleged to Have Given False Testimony.

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY CALLED

George B. Plunkett Swears That He Did Not Sign a Voucher for \$901 Paid to Mutual Life Insurance Company and Thereby Invites Trouble for Himself.

New York, Oct. 18.—The district attorney's office was called to aid the insurance investigating committee today and evidence of alleged perjury of one of the witnesses was placed in its hands. The witness in question was George B. Plunkett, an 18-year old telephone operator in the employ of L. W. Lawrence, from whom the Mutual Life purchased a great deal of stationery. Among the vouchers introduced in yesterday's testimony was one for \$901 signed by George Plunkett.

Plunkett appeared on the witness stand today and he denied that he ever signed the voucher or ever received any money from the Mutual Life. Hughes asked Plunkett to write his name, which he did, and the similarity of the signatures was called to the attention of the committee. Shortly afterwards Mr. Rand, who had been summoned from the district attorney's office, appeared and for a time critically examined both signatures. He made no further statement than that the matter was now out of the hands of the committee and "up to the district attorney's office."

During the day a passage at arms occurred between Counsel Hughes and James M. Beck, counsel for McCurdy. Beck accused Hughes of misleading the public by not following out the lines of his interrogations to the end, and asserted that he dropped the subject before the witness had time to explain.

Chairman Armstrong said the committee wanted all the information it could obtain and the witness had placed himself in the position he found himself in by continued evasive answers. McCurdy was on the stand again today, but his testimony contained nothing sensational.

## BLEW OUT GAS.

Clackamas County Farmer Dies in a Portland Rooming House.

Portland, Oct. 18.—The body of J. D. Scott, a middle-aged farmer of Clackamas county, was found about 12 o'clock this morning by Mrs. Lennox, owner of the rooming house at 208 1/2 Salmon street. The man's death was evidently due to accidental asphyxiation, as gas was flowing from an open pipe.

Beside the bed in which was the body of the dead man were two bottles, one containing some whisky and the other

## ASPHALT COMPANY PUT UP MONEY FOR MATOS

Washington, Oct. 18.—Anzi L. Barber, formerly president of the National Asphalt Company, today testified in the case of Venezuela against the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company, that to the best of his knowledge and belief the company did contribute materially to the organization in 1901, by

some gin. There were two gas jets in the pipe, and when Scott lighted the gas he evidently turned on both. The light was burning when the body was found at noon today.

## WORK ON THE CANAL

Washington, D. C., Oct. 18.—Chairman Shontz, of the Isthmian Canal Commission today in a statement, says that the work is rapidly progressing on the repairing of the old French construction houses.

The large docks at Christobal and Laboca are nearing completion.

He states that although the number of laborers is greatly increased, the number of patients in the hospital is very low.

Chairman Shontz said he did not as yet know how the engineers board stood on the subject of tide level and lock canal plans.

## THEY'RE NOT SO VALUABLE

Washington, Oct. 18.—That the costly gifts showered by oriental potentates upon Miss Alice Roosevelt are nothing but imitations and that the collection is trash is the startling assertion made today by Secretary Taft. "The gifts Miss Roosevelt received abroad are counterfeits, rubbish and junk," said Secretary Taft this morning. "Up to the time I left the party her entire collection of presents could be bought in this country for \$150. The most valuable gift she received were the pearls given by the Sultan of Sulu and all four of these were not worth more than \$50."

## DIES IN POVERTY

Fate Plays Cruel Prank on a Bellingham Mar.

## HIER TO LARGE FORTUNE

William Wilson Passes Away in Destitute Circumstances, While a Fortune Amounting to a Million Awaits Him in New York—Relatives Well-to-do.

Bellingham, Oct. 18.—An examination of the effects today of William Wilson, a stone cutter and marble worker, who died this morning in destitute circumstances, disclosed the fact that \$300,000 from the estate of a deceased brother awaited his claim in New York.

Besides the money, his brother's will bequeathed him a third interest in his property, making a total of \$900,000.

In addition to this the estate of another brother, the editor of the Belfast Morning News, consisting of \$60,000 in cash, awaited Wilson at New York.

Some time ago Wilson told his employer that he had a millionaire sister in New York, and a son who was a prominent lawyer in that city.

## GREAT REPUBLICAN RALLY

Doors of Academy of Music Closed Before the Speakers Arrive.

Philadelphia, Oct. 18.—The first great republican rally of the campaign took place tonight. The meeting was held in the Academy of Music and the crowd was so large that the doors closed before the speakers arrived.

Governor Pennypacker and Senator Pence were among the speakers. Both were received with great enthusiasm. While the meeting was in progress a riot occurred among the many thousands who did not gain admission.

## MINIATURE NAVAL BATTLE OCCURS OFF ENSANADA

San Diego, Oct. 18.—Reports from Ensenada are to the effect that a miniature naval battle occurred during the capture of the schooner Juanita, an alleged smuggler.

Five Mexican officials rowed to Santa Tomas where the alleged smuggler was reported to be in from Ensenada. As the rowboat approached, the Juan-

ita's men shouted to the officers to keep away, and then fired a volley of rifle shots which did no harm. The revenue men shot back, following it with a second volley. The Juanita was hit in several places in the cabin, masts and alongside. The situation of the captured men is regarded as serious as there have been previous charges against one of them in Mexico.