

MURDERER SENTENCED.

Henry Wilmbusse, at Rathdrum, Will Go to Prison for Life.

Spokane, Dec. 31.—For murder of Probate Judge J. C. Brady, Henry H. Wilmbusse has been sentenced to pass the remainder of his life in the Idaho penitentiary. The sentence was passed this morning by Judge Mayhew at Rathdrum, after a long speech by Wilmbusse, in which he declared he had been persecuted by people who wanted to take away his property.

Wilmbusse was committed to the insane asylum by Judge Brady four years ago. Regaining his liberty he murdered the judge in his office at Rathdrum, on the 5th of last July.

President Roosevelt Repents.

Washington, Dec. 31.—President Roosevelt is reported to repent somewhat his public rebuke of General Miles, and is disposed to make amends. It is reported that General and Mrs. Miles will be invited to dinner at the White House next week.

Sewell Laid to Rest.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 31.—The funeral of Senator Sewell occurred here today. Four batteries of artillery escorted the remains to the cemetery.

SOME OF THE EXHIBITS AT THE WOMAN'S DOG SHOW HELD RECENTLY IN NEW YORK CITY



THE WAR GOES ON

The British and Boers Fought Through Christmas Week.

THERE IS NO "PEACE ON EARTH" IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Boer Losses for the Past Week in Several Engagements — Reports From British Sources Favorable to the Boer Cause.

London, Dec. 31.—An official dispatch from Johannesburg, made public today, gives the number of Boer casualties during the past week and reports several engagements since the 24d. The Boers lost 35 killed, 257 captured and 51 surrendered, besides a quantity of ammunition and cattle were captured.

In General Dewet's attack on Dartnell and Ferman the Boers' losses are estimated reliably at 39 killed and 50 wounded.

General Spens and Plumer reported on December 28, from Amerspot that they had driven Brit's commando across the Platrand railway and had taken 27 prisoners.

General Bruce Hamilton encountered General Grobelaar near East Kemo on the 23d. In a thick fog which prevailed the Boers escaped, leaving four dead and 11 prisoners. The British convoy from Clan William to Calvinia was attacked on the 22d and 23d, the Boers being repulsed.

Indiana Republicans Confer.

Indianapolis, Dec. 31.—The lobbies of the Denison hotel swarmed today with prominent republican leaders from all parts of the state who are here for the annual party love feast. The gathering is in response to the call of Chairman Goodrich and the purpose is to "get together" in anticipation of the coming campaign. The fight precipitated by Senator Beveridge for the mastery of the party has aroused the interest to fever heat, which fact is evidenced by the attendance of all the forceful leaders of both factions.

Street Car Men's Wages Raised.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—It will be a happy new year tomorrow for the 5,000 motormen and conductors on Philadelphia's street car lines. The advance in wages announced by the company last week will go into effect on that day. The men are especially jubilant as the increase results from a long agitation maintained by the employees. The advance amounts to 1 cent an hour for all employees and means an additional yearly expenditure by the company of more than a quarter of a million dollars.

Iowa Poultry Show.

Bloomfield, Ia., Dec. 31.—An unusually large and choice display of fancy poultry and pet stock is embraced in the annual show of the Iowa State Poultry Association, which opened here today. The exhibits number several thousand and come from all parts of the state. W. S. Russell and F. H. Shellabarger are in charge of the pointing which commenced today and will continue until the show closes next Friday.

Learned Scientists Meet.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Delegates and visitors from all parts of the United States and Canada are attending a notable meeting of scientists which opened in Chicago today. The meeting is held under the joint auspices of the Field Columbian Museum and the University of Chicago and Northwestern University.

Senator Clark Will Marry.

Washington, Dec. 31.—It is rumored that Senator Clark of Montana and Miss Marion Cockrell, daughter of Senator Cockrell of Missouri, are engaged. The wedding took place last summer, when both were in Europe, he was her devoted attendant and showered costly presents upon her.

First Dividend in Several Years.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—Stockholders of the Philadelphia & Erie railroad today received a dividend of 2 per cent on their holdings. This is the first dividend paid by this road for several years. It is controlled by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Chief Justice Retires.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 31.—Chief Justice Josiah Givon retired from the supreme court bench of Iowa today. He is a veteran of both the Mexican and Civil wars and has been on the bench a quarter of a century.

SPOKANE TRAGEDY AGAINST MERGER HONOR FOR ROGERS

A Man Shoots His Two-Year-Old Daughter. Fight Against Consolidation of Remains of the Dead Governor Railroads Commences. Lie in State.

SHOOTS AT HIS ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD SON ALSO.

And Kills Himself Because His Wife Was Granted a Divorce and the Law Was About to Take the Children From Him.

Spokane, Dec. 31.—George Vroman, postmaster and storekeeper at Wayside, 16 miles north of Spokane, this morning shot and killed his 2-year-old daughter, shot at and missed his son, aged 11, and then shot himself fatally. His wife was recently granted a divorce by the courts, which gave her the custody of the children. The divorce was about to be enforced when the tragedy occurred.

Vroman has been known to be in a desperate condition of mind over his family troubles and had threatened the murderous action when the law was put in force separating him from his children.

Another Man Shoots Children.

Turner's Falls, Mass., Dec. 31.—Louis Bitzer, a jeweler, while temporarily insane, today shot and killed Ida Cullum, his clerk, and his young son, also seriously wounding his wife and daughter.

FULL TREASURY, SAYS GAGE.

Government Has Taken in \$50,000,000 of Bonds Since April 1.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The United States treasury is in condition of unexampled strength, declared Secretary Gage today, when asked to review briefly the state of the treasury at the close of the year. For the calendar year, reports in excess of ordinary expenditures, amounting to \$100,000,000 were shown. Such an excess might have resulted in serious embarrassment, Secretary Gage said, had not the department been able by means of a big surplus to reduce the public debt in a large amount. Since April 1, 1901, the treasury has redeemed and cancelled United States bonds with a par value of almost \$59,000,000.

Election in Cuba.

Havana, Dec. 31.—The Cuban election is proceeding quietly today. Reports from all over the island indicate a light vote and say no serious disturbances have occurred. Many of General Maso's friends are voting for him, notwithstanding the announcement of withdrawal of his candidacy.

Thebaud Jewels Recovered.

New York, Dec. 31.—It is reported this afternoon that the stolen Thebaud jewels have all been recovered by the police. The jewels are valued at nearly \$100,000. The police are hot on the trail of the thief.

Floods in South Subsid.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 31.—Dispatches from various points in Alabama and Georgia indicate that the rivers which did so much damage Sunday and Monday have fallen and all danger is over.

RESOLUTIONS OF REGRET ON DEATH OF ROGERS.

Temporary Order Granted Restraining Officers of Northern Pacific From Retiring Preferred Stock—Injunction Served on President.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 31.—At an early hour this afternoon the governors and the attorneys-general of the Northwestern states, who met in a conference here last evening to discuss a plan to prevent the Northwestern railroad merger, went into an executive session. Soon after the session began, resolutions of regret upon the death of Governor Rogers, of Washington, were adopted.

Temporary Order Granted.

Minneapolis, Dec. 31.—Judge E. H. Out, in the district court, granted a temporary order restraining the officers of the Northern Pacific railroad company from retiring the preferred stock of that company on the application of Peter Power, of New York, who holds 100 shares of the common stock.

Injunction Served.

St. Paul, Dec. 31.—President Chas. S. Mellen of the Northern Pacific railway company, was served with papers which enjoin his company from retiring its preferred stock.

The Hill-Morgan Syndicate.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 31.—Incorporation papers were filed today which mark one of the final steps in taking over of the Burlington system by the Hill-Morgan syndicate and its merger with the Great Northern and Northern Pacific. The articles specify a lease for 99 years; capitalization \$10,000,000.

A Big Payment.

New York, Dec. 31.—The World says today: A check for \$34,000,000, drawn, it is said, in the order of the Northern Pacific railway company by J. P. Morgan & Co., was delivered yesterday. It represented part of the subscriptions to the Northern Pacific convertible bonds. This check will be deposited by the Northern Pacific railway company with the fund of \$75,000,000 which was to be used Thursday to retire the preferred stock of the company.

Senator Platt to Marry.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The Times says this morning it is rumored that Senator Platt of New York, is engaged to marry Mrs. William Janeway, widow of the once famous New York physician.

Newspaper Correspondent Dead.

Washington, Dec. 31.—James Van Antwerp, the Washington correspondent for a large number of Western and Northwestern newspapers, died this morning of a complication of diseases.

FUNERAL TUESDAY—MASONIC AND MILITARY HONORS.

They Will Be Interred at Puyallup, the Governor's Old Home—Many Democrats Will Resign Office on Account of His Death.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 31.—The remains of Governor Rogers are lying in state at the capitol today. Tomorrow in the afternoon they will lie at the court house in Tacoma. The funeral will occur with military and Masonic honors and the interment at Puyallup tomorrow afternoon.

Because of Roger's Death.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 31.—J. M. Baxter, the president of the state fair commission, resigned today. He is the last of 40 democrats holding appointive state offices, who will resign within the next 30 days and be succeeded by republicans.

American Geologists.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 31.—The fourteenth winter meeting of the Geological Society of America, which began today at Rochester University, has brought together the foremost geologists of the United States and Canada. The formal opening of the gathering took place this morning with Professor Charles D. Walcott, president of the society, in the chair. An interesting program of scientific papers, discussions and lectures has been arranged for the three days' session.

Mysterious Young Woman.

New York, Dec. 31.—A mysterious young woman, who, it is believed, will shed light on the robbery of \$65,000 worth of jewels belonging to Paul Thebaud and wife, was taken into custody today. She is Miss Edw. Kern, Thebaud's valet, and who is suspected of the theft, intended to elope.

Secretary Gage Resigns.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Secretary of the Treasury Gage formally tendered his resignation to the president this afternoon. He expresses regret at severing the pleasant relations that have existed between them, and voice of the hope that the president's administration will be happy and successful in the extreme.

Adjudged Bankrupts.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—George Watkinson and Irving Watkinson, individually and as partners, trading as George Watkinson & Co., were adjudged voluntary bankrupts today. Their assets are about \$1,000,000 with liabilities of about \$1,500,000.

Buried in Brooklyn Cemetery.

New York, Dec. 31.—Nell Crosey was laid to rest in Brooklyn cemetery today. Hundreds attended the funeral of the unfortunate girl whose tragic death at Elizabeth, N. C., still remains a mystery.

THE NEW YORK MARKET

Reported by I. L. Ray & Co., Pendleton, Chicago Board of Trade and New York Stock Exchange Brokers

New York, Dec. 31.—The wheat market was very steady today within a range of 3/4c and the close was practically the same as yesterday. Liverpool closed 6-3/4. New York opened 86 1/2, sold between 86 1/2 and 87 1/2, and closed 87. Chicago opened at 82 and closed 82 1/2. There will be no markets or Eastern exchanges tomorrow, New Year's day. Closed yesterday, 87 1/2. Opened today, 86 1/2. Range today, 86 1/2@87 1/2. Close today, 87. Sugar, 116 1/2. Steel, 43. St. Paul, 165 1/2. Union Pacific, 103 1/2. Wheat in Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 31.—Wheat—82 1/2@82 3/4.

Tammany to Vacate.

New York, Dec. 31.—This was Tammany's day of power in New York City affairs for two years at least. Mayor Van Wyck and his fellow officials who have governed the city for the past two years will vacate tomorrow and Seth Low, Justice Jerome and other officials chosen for the fusion ticket in November will be installed in office. The installation of the new executive will be followed by changes all the way down the line. In all the departments of municipal government Tammany officeholders today were busy packing up their belongings preparatory to the general exodus. In the words of one of Mr. Croker's lieutenants, "the next two years promise to be lean ones for the Tammany tiger."

Naval Wedding.

Washington, Dec. 31.—A brilliant assemblage of naval men, all in full uniform, with their wives and daughters filled the Church of the Ascension at noon today on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Minna Cromwell, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cromwell and Ensign Needham Lee Jones, U. S. N. The maid of honor was Miss Cynthia Richards and the bridesmaids the Misses Julia Scott and Alice Hyatt of this city and Elizabeth Willoughby of Philadelphia. Ensign S. C. Hart acted as best man and the ushers were Ensigns Watts and Houston, Lieutenant C. H. Poor, Edward McCauley, Jr., and J. H. Roys and Paymaster J. H. Merriam.

Good for Roosevelt.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Unless congress makes an appropriation for the expenses, President Roosevelt will not send either army or navy officers to King Edward's coronation.

Ship Capsized at Portland.

Portland, Dec. 31.—The French ship Acadie capsized at the Davidge dock this morning after her ballast was removed. There were no casualties.