

TRAINS CRASH, OFFICIALS OF ROAD KILLED

James Harahan, Former President of Illinois Central; F. O. Melchor, Second Vice President Rock Island; E. B. Price, Solicitor General, Dead.

FLAGMAN SAID TO HAVE FAILED IN DOING DUTY

Harahan's Body Hurl'd Through Roof of Car and Horribly Mangled.

KINMUNDY, Ill., Jan. 22.—James Harahan, former president of the Illinois Central railroad, and three other prominent railroad men met instant death here today in a railroad wreck. The other victims of the wreck were F. O. Melchor, second vice president of the Rock Island railroad; E. B. Price, general solicitor for the Rock Island railroad; E. L. Wright, of the legal department of the Illinois Central, son of General Luke E. Wright, former governor of the Philippines.

The party was traveling in a Rock Island private car attached to Illinois Central train No. 25. Train No. 25 had stopped at Kinmundy when train No. 3 crashed into the private car, at the rear of the train. The railroad officials were instantly killed, their private car being smashed into splinters.

Harahan's body was hurled through the roof of the car and horribly mangled. Pierce's body was found lying near that of Harahan. The bodies of Wright and Melchor were pinned beneath the wreckage and had to be removed by the passengers. The regular passengers of both trains escaped injury.

Orders Misunderstood.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Officials of the Illinois Central railroad here announced that no passengers were injured in the Kinmundy wreck, but that Engineer Stewart and the fireman on train No. 3 received slight injuries. They attributed the wreck to a misunderstanding of orders.

Train No. 25, the train on which Harahan and the other officials were traveling in a special car, was ordered to wait on the siding for No. 3 to pass. The crew of No. 25, it was said, thought they had plenty of time to take on water before going on the siding. The crew of train No. 3 believed they had a clear track and the engineer was unable to stop his train in time to avoid the accident.

The bodies of Harahan, Pierce and Melchor were brought to Chicago today and that of Wright sent to his home in Memphis.

Both of the trains were through trains, running from Chicago to New Orleans. Harahan and the other officials were en route to Memphis to attend a railroad conference.

President Markham of the Illinois Central is conducting an investigation into the whereabouts of the flagman of train No. 25, who is said to have disappeared after the wreck. The officials say it was his duty to flag train No. 3, but charge that he failed to do this.

The coroner at Kinmundy is investigating the wreck.

INTERURBAN CARS CRASH; 6 HURT

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 22.—Six were injured, three perhaps fatally, in a rear end collision this morning between two cars on the Seattle, Renton & Southern Interurban railway.

The accident occurred at Norman Station near the city limits. A heavy fog, which made it impossible to see but a few feet ahead, is reported to be directly responsible for the wreck.

Banker Gets Five Years.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 22.—Former President A. F. Martel of the defunct Market Street bank, charged with falsification of records submitted to the state bank commissioners, was today sentenced to five years in San Quentin prison.

NOBILITY IN NEW YORK



MEMBERS BRITISH ROYAL FAMILY IN GOTHAM FOR VISIT

Duke of Connaught's Party Arrives and Are Guests of Ambassador and Mrs. Reid at Their New York Home.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The arrival of the Duke of Connaught's party here today marked the first visit of members of the British royal family to the United States in more than half a century, since the late King Edward was here incognito.

Princess Patricia, who is declared to have rejected three thrones by refusing royal offers of marriage, is most enthusiastic over New York. She is the first princess of the royal house of England to set foot in the United States.

The Duke of Connaught many years ago visited the United States as Prince Arthur of Connaught. When the train pulled into the station Ambassador Reid and Mrs. Reid were standing on the platform awaiting their arrival. Princess Patricia alighted first and extended her hand. The Reids bowed and Mrs. Reid murmured as she took the girl's hand, "So good of you to come, your highness."

The Duke of Connaught and Mrs. Reid entered an automobile first and it whizzed away immediately. A second later the rest of the party were in machines.

The automobiles then returned to the depot for the servants and luggage, of which there are 67 trunks and 40 bags. In the royal party are also Lieutenant Colonel Lowther, military aide to the duke; Captain Rivers-Bulkeley, controller of the royal household; Miss Pelly, lady-in-waiting to the duchess, and numerous maids and valets.

When the party arrived at the Reid mansion the door was opened by a butler in knee breeches and gold lace. A crowd of 500 persons, the majority being women and girls, had gathered before the house to see the party. Numerous society people went to the Reid home during the morning.

While the visit of the Duke of Connaught, the duchess and the princess is unofficial, the cognizance of the United States government was evinced by the number of secret service operatives who were at the station, along the route and about the Reid mansion. The duke is planning to visit President Taft privately.

LEAGUE OF UNEMPLOYED FORMED AT VANCOUVER

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 22.—A "league of the unemployed," similar to that formed in Vancouver, B. C., recently, will be organized by the local branch of the socialist party to make an appeal to the city authorities for relief for the idle. One thousand men have signified intentions of joining the league.

Next Sunday a silent demonstration in the form of a parade of unemployed through the streets will be made.

SUPREME COURT DEALS A HARD BLOW TO "DRYS"

Hands Down Decision to Effect That Liquor May Be Shipped From One State Into the "Dry" Counties of Another.

DECISION IS HANDED DOWN IN TEST CASE

Railroad Sued for Refusing to Accept Consignments of Beer for Interstate Shipment.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—The supreme court of the United States today delivered a hard blow to the prohibitionists of the country by handing down a decision to the effect that liquor may be shipped from one state into the "dry" counties of another state, although prohibition is made by the laws of the prohibition state.

The supreme court's decision was handed down in a test case. The F. W. Cook Brewing company of Indiana sued the Louisville & Nashville railroad for refusing to accept consignments of beer for interstate shipments to dry counties in Kentucky. The railroad's defense was that it was but obeying the law of Kentucky but the federal court held that it should not have refused such shipments.

BRYAN PICKS ANOTHER FLAW IN HARMON'S RECORD

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 22.—William J. Bryan's "Commoner" continues to pick flaws in Governor Harmon's official record. Bryan cites the Thatcher disbarment case as proof that the Ohio executive is not friendly to organized labor, saying:

"Thatcher lost his right to practice in a controversy wherein he represented labor against capital. The action of the court was so arbitrary and unjust—at least it so appeared to a majority of both houses of the Ohio legislature—that they took this extraordinary means of reinstating him. The bill was passed April 18, 1911, and after being signed by the presiding officers of the two houses. What did he do with it? He allowed it to become a law without his signature. He took the middle course, where neither capital nor labor would be pleased or displeased."

"PAY AS YOU SPOON" BENCHES ARE PROVIDED

SAN JOSE, Cal., Jan. 22.—"Pay as you spoon" benches, at 5 cents per "spoon," are being tried out by the park commissioners here, or rather by "lovely" and "dovey," under supervision of the commissioners, today. A sample pair, installed in City Hall park, have made a great hit with the lovers. A nickel in a slot contrivance at the end of the bench releases a lock, the bench revolves into position—and—um—um!

TIES UP JEWELER AND STEALS GEMS

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 22.—A lone highwayman held up the Alaska loan office this morning, bound the proprietor, D. L. Dover, with a small cord and two neckties, in a rear room and made away with a tray of diamond rings and other jewelry valued at \$2000. Dover was found lying face down in a rear room shortly after the robbery by passersby who heard his screams from the street.

ARIZONA LABOR STANDS FOR PROGRESSIVE LAWS

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 22.—Strong endorsement of the initiative, referendum and recall, the latter particularly in its relation to elective and appointive officers, and the reservation of public lands for entry by settlers only, were the cardinal features of the first draft of the constitution for the Arizona State Federation of Labor, which was adopted today.

SOLDIERS RESORT TO THEIR BAYONETS TO SCATTER MILL STRIKERS



MILITIA ROUTING STRIKERS WITH BAYONETS AT CITY HALL. Fearing a disorderly meeting, the officers of the State militia of Massachusetts refused to allow the mill strikers to assemble in the City Hall at Lawrence to discuss their grievances.

FRANCE MAY WIPE OUT INSULT WITH BLOOD AND WAR

French Fleet at Toulon Held in Readiness for Instant Action—Now Demand an Abject Apology From Italians.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—War between France and Italy is a grim possibility. The French fleet at Toulon is being held, with full steam up, in readiness for notice to proceed against the Italians, and all sailors have been hurriedly recalled from shore leave.

Unless Italy replies to the demand of France for an apology and the release of the Turkish Red Cross nurses seized aboard the merchantman Manomba, by tonight, it is understood the French fleet will be ordered to at once proceed to the Mediterranean for a demonstration against Italy.

Newspaper here unanimously demand that France take action to wipe out Italy's insult. They demand an abject apology from Italy and the release of the 29 Turkish Red Cross nurses seized.

The Manomba was off Cagliari on the French coast when the seizure occurred. The cabinet in a special session tonight will consider Italy's proposal that all questions of dispute resulting from the seizure of the steamer be adjudicated by the tribunal at The Hague.

Members of the cabinet here think that the case is not a matter for consideration by The Hague tribunal and have urged the government to firmly demand the release of the nurses.

ROSEBURG WILL SUPPORT CANON

Local Democratic Leader, Candidate for Delegate to Democratic National Convention, Is Given Assurances of Support.

W. H. Canon, candidate for delegate to the democratic national convention, has returned from a visit to Roseburg, where he was given many assurances of support for the office. So far Mr. Canon has no opponent in the field.

LEARN FROM MEDFORD

(Eugene Guard.) The delegates returning from the retail merchants' convention at Medford speak highly of the general appearance of that city, due to its municipal enterprise. Miles of broad, well paved streets, without unsightly telephone, telegraph or light poles, give the city a metropolitan air possessed by few places of its size. Eugene is entering an era of growth and advancement, and in the matter of municipal improvements might get many suggestions from Medford.

MANCHUS WILL FIGHT TO RETAIN GRASP ON CHINA

Yuan Shi Kai's Enforced Resignation Is Matter of But Few Hours—Life of Premier Is Believed to Be in Jeopardy.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 22.—Yuan Shi Kai's enforced resignation from the premiership of China is declared today to be but a matter of a few hours, as the younger Manchu prince is in control and all indications are that the clan has decided to fight to retain the throne for the Manchu dynasty.

It is rumored in Peking, according to dispatches received here, that the former minister of war, Yin Tehang, will succeed Yuan Shi Kai as premier. Toh Liang, former president of the board of war, is second choice. The life of Yuan Shi Kai is believed to be in jeopardy, and he may be charged with treason to the throne. Republicans are clamoring for a renewal of hostilities, and the armistice may be broken at any hour. Several hundred rebel troops have already landed at Che Foo.

Mad King Dying.

MUNICH, Jan. 22.—"Mad King" Otto is reported to be in declining health. His attendants believe death is near. Although still king, Otto, who is 63, has been in restraint for 40 years at Furstenfeld castle.

Rush to Alaska On.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 22.—With the sailing of the steamship Curacao for Skagway today, the mid-winter rush for the Alaska gold fields is on. It is estimated that between 600 and 700 will take the Valdez route for the Copper River district within the next 30 days.

PLAN FOR CENTRAL SELLING AGENCY MAY BE BLOCKED

Hood River Is Opponent—Unions Said to Be Against Buying Eastern Trade Link Which They May Form Themselves—Fight Is Expected.

According to reports from the fruit districts of the northwest, the plan to merge Hood River, Wenatchee, Yakima and Rogue River districts into one great selling agency has struck a snag and it may be that the plan will be balked. Manager Miller of the local association is now in the north working for the scheme and will address the growers at Hood River, where the opposition is said to be entered.

There will be a meeting of apoplemen at Hood River next Saturday to pass upon the subject. A committee was in Portland recently and investigated the operations of the Northwestern exchange, and this committee will report to the Hood River union at Saturday's meeting.

It is known, however, that there is a strong sentiment in the Hood River union against the contemplated purchase of the exchange, and it is probable the meeting Saturday will be an exciting one.

The opposition to the plan is not only at Hood River, but also at Wenatchee, according to reports. It is said that growers in that section, who have been approached on the subject, have refused to give the plan their assent.

The opposition to the purchasing of the Northwestern Fruit exchange is based on the fact, according to apple growers, that the exchange has nothing to sell that the unions themselves cannot secure without cost. Its principal assets, in the opinion of these apoplemen, are its trade connections in the east, and these or similar connections can be obtained by the unions without the necessity of buying the capital stock of the local exchange. The Northwestern Fruit Exchange is capitalized at \$100,000. It is not known what price the directors have fixed upon for a controlling interest.

Even if this part of the plan is discarded, it does not follow that the proposal to merge the "big four" into one large selling combine will be abandoned. With a large crop promised for the coming season it will be found advantageous to get the various unions together on a common selling basis, so as to regulate the movement to the various eastern markets and take advantage of the best selling conditions.

Values that are uncommonly offered in this city's stores should be uncommonly well advertised.

WILEY CLEARED BY COMMITTEE IN MILD REPORT

Committee Practically Admits Legality of Remsen Board—Says Such a Board Should Be Created However by Legislative Enactment.

CONSPIRACY CHARGE IS NOT SUBSTANTIATED

Food and Drug Board Should Be Changed in Interests of Harmony.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—In a mild report submitted to congress today the house committee on expenditures in the agricultural department exonerated Dr. Harvey Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry and government pure food expert, and practically admitted the legality of the Remsen board. The report declares, however, that such a powerful body should be created by legislative enactment, and not by executive order.

The report says: "The committee is of the opinion that the board may have been created to aid the secretary of agriculture in the discharge of duties in his official capacity under the law. But it raises the question of its legality on the sole ground of determination of general questions to be submitted to the referee of the board by the secretary is not enjoined upon him under the law."

The committee declared that the Remsen board was not authorized to make decisions regarding prosecutions under the pure food law. Referring to the charges that Wiley illegally employed Dr. Rusby, the report said:

"The charges of conspiracy are not established. To the contrary the accused officials were actuated solely by a desire to procure efficient assistance under terms and conditions which they believed in entire accord with the law and regulations of the agricultural department."

Referring to the food and drug inspection board the report says that if such a board is a necessity it should include Dr. Wiley and his assistants instead of Wiley, McCaw and Associate Chemist Dunley, who, the report says, "are unable to work in harmony relationship."

AGENT SAID TO BE SWINDLER

Woman Giving Name of E. B. Brown Is Said to Have Fleeced a Number of Ranchers Throughout the Rogue River Valley.

By claiming she was an authorized agent for the Rural Spirit, a Portland farm publication, a woman giving the name of E. B. Browne is said to have fleeced a number of ranchers in the valley. She has been soliciting subscriptions for the paper and invariably collects in advance. To satisfy his curiosity as to her claims C. W. Potter of the Potter & Gould ranch wrote to the Portland publication and received the reply that the paper had no agent in this section and that any one claiming to be one was a swindler. She was well armed with subscription and receipt blanks and sample copies.

OPEN AIR SCHOOLS PLAN OF SAN DIEGO

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 22.—The board of education has decided on a policy of building open air schools for the city and several will be built in the near future to take care of the rapidly growing population. They will be of one story, with all possible devices to provide outdoor exercise for students at all times throughout the year.