

MORGAN DEAD PEACEFUL END FOR FINANCIER

Weeks Critical Illness Ends in Collapse—Pujo Hearing Blamed by Friends as Immediate Cause of Failing Health—Stocks Not Upset

Daughter and Family Surrounded Death Bed—Morgan Unconscious When End Comes

ROME, March 31.—J. P. Morgan died at the Grand Hotel at 12:05 this morning. Announcement of his death was withheld until private cables had been sent to the Morgan banking houses at New York and London. Then end was peaceful and came when the financier was unconscious. Henry Satterlee, Morgan's son-in-law, Mrs. Morgan's daughter, Prof. Brasterialia, Dr. Dixon and others of the Morgan party were at the bedside when the end came. For hours before his death Morgan was in a state of coma.

Due to Pujo Probe. Dr. Dixon declared Morgan's collapse was due to the strain incidental to the financier's recent appearance before the recent Pujo probe committee meeting. Morgan's death followed a week of critical illness.

NEW YORK, March 31.—The death notice of J. P. Morgan was posted this morning at 9 o'clock on the door of the offices of the banking firm of J. P. Morgan and company. The notice simply stated that Morgan died this morning at Rome. All flags were lowered in Wall Street upon receipt of the cable from Rome announcing Morgan's death. It was announced that the stock exchange would not close today.

Market Not Affected. Members of J. P. Morgan and company say that hereafter, the firm will confine itself strictly to a conservative banking policy, devoting but little attention to speculation. In a statement issued here, Henry Clews, a member of Morgan's firm, blamed Morgan's appearance before the house committee which investigated the money trust as hastening the financier's death.

J. P. Morgan junior announced that he did not think the expected break in the stock market would occur, although tenousness was felt on all sides, the opening failed to produce sensations. Steel stock opened 3-4 of a point lower. Southern railway stock opened an eighth lower but rallied. Reading opened a point lower but immediately recovered. Louisville and Nashville showed a gain of 1 1-4 points.

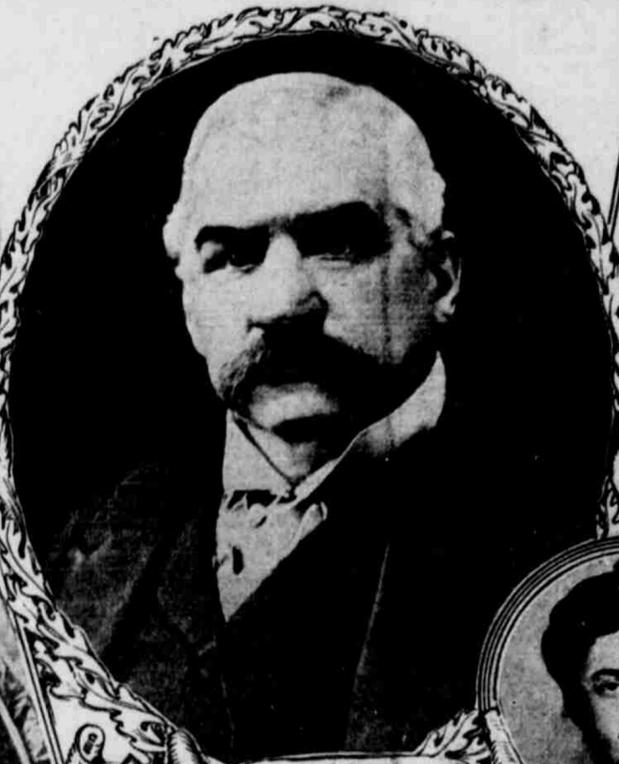
MILITIA SEIZES GROCERY STORES OF DAYTON, OHIO

DAYTON, Ohio, March 31.—Following complaints that some dealers are charging exorbitant prices, the militia seized all grocery stores here early today. Soldiers are guarding the stores and relief committees are distributing supplies from them. A record is being kept of these distributions and the grocers will be paid a reasonable sum for the goods. John Patterson, president of the National Cash Register company, who is directing the relief work, said today:

"The relief committee has all the food and clothing necessary at present. Money is urgently required to put the city in condition to prevent the outbreak of serious diseases and to rehabilitate the thousands who lost their homes."
Patterson, who is under sentence of one year in the penitentiary for violations of the Sherman anti-trust law, sent the following telegram to President Wilson early today:
"I am guilty of no crime. I want no pardon. I want only justice and some federal action making Dayton safe from a recurrence of such a catastrophe as it has just had."

J. Pierpont Morgan, America's Greatest Financier Passed Away Today at Rome, Italy

MRS. HERBERT L. SATTERLEE



MR. J. P. MORGAN, JR.



PICTURE OF MR. MORGAN TAKEN JUNE 24, 1908, WHEN YALE MADE HIM A DOCTOR OF LAWS.



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MR. J. PIERPONT MORGAN.

John Pierpont Morgan was regarded as the largest financial figure on this side of the water, if not in the world. His vast holdings stretched from one side of the world to the other and his charities won for him great admiration and respect. He was born at Hartford, Conn., April 17, 1837, and was the son of Junius Spencer Morgan, a distinguished banker, and Juliet (Pierpont) Morgan. Mr. Morgan leaves two daughters, Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee, and Miss Anne T. Morgan, and a son, J. P. Morgan, Jr.

MONEY NEEDED MOST OF ALL IN FLOODED AREA

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 31.—Sixty-four bodies of flood victims were in the morgue here at 7:30 o'clock this morning, but only three of them have been identified. The waters which covered central Ohio have receded leaving mud and slimes everywhere. It is reported other corpses have been located here, but there is still no certainty as to how long will be the list of fatalities. Burials of flood victims are progressing. Governor Cox has been advised that the situation throughout the state is "now well in hand."

Money is badly needed throughout the flooded districts of Ohio. Only \$236,000 has been received by the relief committees, although more than \$1,250,000 has been subscribed throughout the country. Rehabilitation is proceeding rapidly. General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the United States army, has been placed in absolute charge of the situation. He is confident that threatened epidemics will be controlled. There is from four to five feet of slime on the streets of the west side of the city of Columbus alone.

FROST ENDEAVORS TO WHITWASH BALLINGER

CHICAGO, March 31.—Attempted exoneration of Richard A. Ballinger, former secretary of the interior, was offered under cross examination by Albert C. Frost of Chicago here today in his trial on the charge of attempting to defraud the government out of \$10,000,000 in Alaskan lands. In explaining the statement "now that Ballinger is secretary, we can get anything we want," in one of his letters, Frost said that he meant in the letter that he and his lieutenants could get any information regarding coal lands they desired.

AUSTRIA PLANS AN ATTACK UPON BALKAN ALLIES

LONDON, March 31.—Alarming despatches from Vienna, telling of Austria's preparation to invade Montenegro, should the latter nation continue its bombardment of Scutari, were received here today by the London Daily Mail.

Austria, the despatches said, has three army corps stationed on the Herzegovian frontier ready to enter Montenegro the moment it is learned that Montenegro does not intend to comply with the wishes of the powers to stop shelling Scutari. Austria-Hungary is said to be losing patience with the dilatoriness of both Serbia and Montenegro, and unless the two latter countries act soon, will blockade the Montenegrin coast and the ports of Albania occupied by Serbia.

SPOKANE RATE CASE ENFORCED

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Transcontinental westbound freight rates on all commodities not actually affected by ocean freight competition were advanced to a point higher than the rate to any intermediate point by a decision today of the interstate commerce commission approving, with minor exceptions, all new rates presented by the carriers in accord with the decision in the Spokane rate case.

WABASH RIVER 20 MILES WIDE BELOW VINCENNES

EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 31.—The Wabash river is twenty miles wide below Vincennes, Ind., today and is rapidly rising here. There are many missing in the inundated lowlands.

FLOOD SITUATION WELL IN HAND STATES GARRISON

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 31.—The flood situation throughout Ohio and Indiana was so generally improved today that Secretary of War Garrison returned to Cincinnati this afternoon to leave for Washington Wednesday afternoon. Following a conference with General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the United States army, and Governor Cox, Secretary Garrison declared the situation under control and decided that his presence here was no longer necessary.

General Wood will remain in charge of the sanitary work here, but after inspecting the west side today he declared that the end of the present week would see the flooded districts restored to normal conditions. Secretary Garrison wired President Wilson this afternoon, complimenting Governor Cox on the way the latter had handled the flood situation.

"Cox," the message said, "has been beset with problems so perplexing as to be almost appalling in nature, but he has handled them with the rarest skill, courage and resourcefulness. I am able to assure you and the country that the Ohio flood situation has been met."

"The National Guard of Ohio acquitted itself most creditably all the way. All places hitherto inaccessible have been or soon will be reached with an abundance of supplies." By Wednesday, it was announced today, all of Columbus' 68 dead will have been buried. Only one body remains to be identified.

REFUGEES FIRE UPON RELIEF STEAMER

NEW RICHMOND, Ohio, March 31.—Fearing the waves churned by its huge wheels would destroy their submerged homes, refugees here today fired on the relief steamer Greenland. Three bullets entered the pilot-house, barely missing several army officers.

CHOICE IS DEATH, WEDDING BELLS OR WHITE SLAVERY

CHICAGO, March 31.—"Marriage, white slavery or death is the only escape for starvation for girls and the department store or factory who are paid less than a living wage. Twenty of my girls escaped last year by marriage. I know that two of them were seduced by white slavers."

This was the testimony here today before the Illinois senatorial committee which is probing starvation wages. It was given by Walter Rubens, a manufacturer of infants garments, who employs 186 girls. Rubens testified that white slavers worked for weeks among the employees of his firm before they were discovered. He said Dorothy Labuy frequented his building attempting to induce the girls to enter the resorts until the United States district attorney threatened to arrest her. Later Rubens discovered that a woman named Fredericks was teaching his girls suggestive dances. He discharged her at once.

Rubens said he was in favor of a national minimum law for girls and women. At the conclusion of Rubens' story a half score of working girls and women were put on the stand. One swore that she worked twelve hours daily in a sweatshop for an average wage of \$3.10 per week. Several said their wages were less than \$5 weekly.

RUDOLPH SPRECKELS TO GO TO BERLIN

WASHINGTON, March 31.—It was authoritatively stated here today that Rudolph Spreckels of San Francisco has tentatively accepted the position of ambassador to Germany. It is stated that Spreckels will announce definitely his acceptance within 24 hours. It is understood the German government has approved his name.

CREST OF OHIO RIVER HIGHEST IN PAST 40 YEARS

CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 31.—With the crest expected this afternoon, the Ohio river is the highest it has been in forty years here today. A maximum of seventy feet is expected. The record is 70 feet, 9 inches. This mark was set in 1884.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 31.—Repetitions of the Ohio and Indiana floods are threatened in this state today from the constantly rising Ohio river, which is now about 45 deep here. Thousands of acres of lowlands in Western Kentucky are already inundated.

Henderson, Ky., is already isolated by flood waters and the Louisville, Henderson and St. Louis railroad has suspended operations.

CAIRO, Ill., March 31.—Fearing death in the rising waters citizens of Cairo are making a general exodus today. Every effort is being made to strengthen the levees but help is scarce and Governor Dunne and President Wilson are being appealed to. The Chicago naval reserves and the Seventh regiment, I. N. G. will arrive here this afternoon.

OHIO DEATH LIST LESS THAN 300

DAYTON, Ohio, March 31.—Restored communication with the flood swept districts of Ohio today shows that not more than three hundred persons met death throughout the state. The death list, according to the most authentic estimates received here, now stands at 273 with little probability of being materially changed. Columbus is second with sixty-eight and Hamilton third with sixty dead. Advices from everywhere show the earlier reports of the dead and dying to be greatly exaggerated.

SUMMARY OF CONDITIONS

- Zanesville—546 houses destroyed but few fatalities resulted.
- Piqua—Four acres devastated; fatalities under thirty.
- Larietta—Hundreds of houses demolished.
- Fremont—Damage fixed at \$2,000,000; four corpses recovered; food and medicines badly needed.
- Gallipolis—The flood water stands three feet above the former record; hundreds are homeless, but no fatalities are reported.

EIFERT FINDS MILLAR GUILTY OF IMMORALITY

"Painful Duty," Declares Mayor as He Assesses maximum Fine, or \$50, on Councilman—Case Will Be Carried Up in Writ of Review

Newbury Charges Boggs With Persecuting Millar for Political Effect in City Politics

Mayor W. W. Eifert today found George H. Millar, councilman from the third ward guilty of "immoral and indecent" conduct, and fined him the maximum amount under the ordinance, or \$50. Thus ends the case which was begun on the eve of a special election a week ago Friday, and which has held the attention of the city since that time.

It is openly charged and generally credited that the case against Millar came as the result of his refusing to support certain political programs of Mayor Eifert and City Attorney Boggs. Millar has been one of the four councilmen who have opposed Mayor Eifert's efforts to remove capable employees of the city in order to make room for his friends, and Eifert has been openly quoted as declaring that he would "whip Millar into line."

Restaurant Probed. The case can only be appealed to the circuit court in a writ of review which will survey the law points at issue. This will be done.

Although Millar was placed on trial for immoral conduct, City Attorney Boggs insisted on introducing evidence concerning Millar's methods of conducting the Manhattan cafe. Mayor Eifert supported Boggs in every contention nearly through the case, overruling all of Attorney Newbury's objections. In nearly each case Newbury took exceptions.

The defense literally tore the prosecution's case to bits as far as the charge of immorality was concerned. The only witness brought by the prosecution to testify as to Millar's conduct at the Royal Rooming house was Meno F. Davis. He swore that he saw Millar at the Royal, with one of the inmates.

Impeached Only Witness. The defense impeached Davis, showing that he was a drug fiend, was drunk many times, and thoroughly unreliable. Three other men, besides Millar, were in the room at the time Davis was there. This is all of the evidence concerning the immoral conduct introduced and Millar established that he was there for the purpose of carrying food from his cafe.

When court convened this morning City Attorney Boggs opened the argument for the city. He spent much of his time in declaring he was not persecuting Millar and pleading for officials who were trying to enforce the laws. He was followed by Attorney Newbury who reviewed the entire case.

The original complaint against Millar was not on file and Newbury moved to dismiss the charge on that ground. It was overruled. Newbury is reviewing the argument (Continued on page 2.)

SLIGHT DECLINES IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, March 31.—Owing to the support extended by banking interests, the shock of J. P. Morgan's death did not affect the stock exchange seriously today. Slight declines in Union Pacific, Northern Pacific and Southern Pacific, St. Paul, Steel and Smelting were the only stock market evidences of the financier's passing. The report that the interstate commerce commission had sanctioned freight rate advances in trans-continental roads prevented a sharper decline of the railroads. The bears were buffeted by the steadiness of the market after the first drop in prices. The market closed irregular, Bonds were steady.