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## WAS ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHT YEARS OLD

## Big American Ship Is Wrecked in Mid-Ocean by Terrific Storm

### SMALL CYCLONE VISITS LONG BEACH

#### Wrecks a Barn, Frolics With Several Roofs and Gives a Cow the Time of Her Life

Long Beach, Cal., Jan. 28.—At 3 o'clock this morning a cyclone swept from the ocean, and, dipping down the streets, first Harry Leming's barn, which it round and round, carried off the roof and broke it to pieces. In a wild career it struck and damaged the residence of M. B. Huff. A cow belonging to George Roosenberger, was torn loose from a post to which it was tied and carried, belching with fear, for half a block. The cyclone then turned in an easterly direction, and, veering upward, ripped shingles from the roofs of several houses. When the wind swept in from the ocean it brought in waves of unusual height.

### OLDEST WHITE WOMAN IN OREGON DIES

#### Kept Perfectly Well Until She Was One Hundred and Eight Years of Age—When She Fell Asleep

At the residence, five miles north of Salem in Polk county, Sunday, January 26, 1908, Grandmother Benn, aged 108 years. Her little could be learned of her history. She was born in Germany and came to Salem from Massachusetts about seven years ago, and a daughter has been living with her on the farm near this place. The son is past eighty years of age while the daughter is said to be 71. The funeral services will be conducted from the home Wednesday morning. Interment in the Zena cemetery.

### NO CENSOR ALL LITERATURE

Washington, Jan. 28.—An attempt was made to clothe the postoffice department with the authority of absolute censorship over the literature of the country. The publication of books, that have called forth scathing criticisms as to the reform movement. The department can extend from the mails, and thus stamp official disapproval, every "obscene, lewd, lascivious book, pamphlet, paper or letter," but the present movement is to give the department authority over such literature as it considers to be "vile, filthy or indecent."

### CHEER NAME OF MORGAN

New York, Jan. 28.—Hailed as the "uncrowned king of finance," J. P. Morgan received ponderous applause last night at the annual banquet of the bankers of the city of New York at the Waldorf-Astoria. Morgan sat unmoved during the cheering which greeted the mention of his name by Albert Gilbert, chairman of the clearing house committee, who presided.

### COULD NOT BE A CASE OF SUICIDE

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 28.—That Conrad Stehl, whose body was found on the university campus Sunday morning with a bullet in his head, was murdered is believed by Coroner F. M. Carroll. A post mortem examination of the body was held yesterday by Dr. Cummings and it was shown that the bullet had struck from the forehead and had struck the spinal cord. "Death Dr. Carroll must have been impossible for Mr. Stehl to have taken more than one step. It is my belief that the theory of suicide or that death was caused by a stray bullet cannot be entertained. On Mr. Stehl's face were powder marks which indicate that the shot had been fired from close range. The inability of the police to find the revolver which caused his death and the apparent lack of motive for suicide tends to support the belief that murder was committed."

### Who May Have Exposition

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 28.—Plans for a centennial exposition to be held in Ohio in 1909 to mark the centennial of Commodore Perry's memorable victory in the battle off Put-In-Bay in 1805 are being seriously considered.

### PLUNGES AND GOES TO BOTTOM

### THE SHIP ECLIPSE

#### CREW IN SMALL BOAT SEVENTEEN DAYS, TOSSED BY TERRIFIC STORMS AND THREE DIE FROM COLD AND EXPOSURE—REACH ISLAND OF MAUI.

San Francisco, Jan. 28.—A telegram from Honolulu says that 17 days ago the American ship Eclipse, sailing from New Castle, encountered great gales in mid-Pacific, and while Captain Larsen and his crew of 13 men took to the boats in the terrific waves the ship plunged and sank from sight, 900 miles almost due north of Honolulu. The telegram also reports the arrival on the island of Maui of Captain Larsen and ten members of the crew of the Eclipse, three of the men having died of exposure at sea after the wreck was abandoned. Full details of the foundering of the ship were not given, but the death of several men in small boats during the trying trip to Maui indicates the horror through which all hands passed. For 17 days they stood away from the scene of the wreck on a southerly course, missing Honolulu, but fortunately making the island of Maui. The Eclipse was owned by Eschen & Minor, of this city. She was built at Bath, Maine, in 1878. Her value was about \$30,000. She was laden with coal from New Castle, Australia.

### BECAUSE HE LOVED HER

Oakland, Cal., Jan. 28.—While on her way home, at the corner of Putnam and Wheeler streets, in Fruitvale, last night, in company with her two young sons, Frederick and Theodore, Mrs. Frederick Kosch, aged 32, was shot down, and, it is thought, fatally wounded by Louis Machalla, a Hungarian housepainter, who was infatuated with the woman. Three shots were fired, one of the bullets striking Mrs. Kosch in the base of the skull, midway between the left ear and the middle line of the head. After the shooting Machalla fled in the darkness. Friends of Machalla say that he has threatened repeatedly to commit suicide and frequently would remark, "When I decide to go I am going to take somebody else with me."

### VAULTS IN BAD CONDITION

The workmen who are wiring the court house found yesterday that the steel vaults were only protected by a layer of brick about a foot thick, and were merely laid over the oval frame of the vault, with no other support. It is asserted that should a disastrous fire occur any timber striking the brick would smash through the thin steel lining of the vault, and would expose the contents to the flames. This is a matter of vital importance, which should command immediate attention. The vaults of both the county clerk and the county recorder adjoin each other, and are said to have the same inadequate protection.

### STANFORD TO PLAY BALL

Stanford University, Cal., Jan. 28.—The university diamond will this afternoon be the scene of the season's first baseball game between the San Francisco Independents and the Stanford varsity team. The varsity has been training faithfully since last Monday, and will be in fair condition for the initial match. G. L. Goodell, of Portland, will assist Wittmer and Theile in the box; Mitchell, Los Angeles, catcher; McGregor, Benicia, Cal., first base; Bell, Stanford University, second base; Sampson, Stockton, shortstop; Fenton, Portland, third base; Owen, Pasadena, left field; Wirst, Santa Rosa, center field; Scott, Alameda, right field. F. L. Stanton, of Spokane, has been added to the varsity squad.

### Cardinal Richard Dead

Paris, Jan. 28.—Cardinal Richard, archbishop of Paris, one of the best known clergymen in the world, is dead, the victim of congestion of the lungs, at the age of 89. He had been a cardinal since 1889.

### BRYAN WILL BE THE MAN

### OPponents QUIT

#### DELEGATION OF CLEVELAND-PARKER DELEGATES CALL ON NEBRASKAN TO PROVE TO HIM HE WAS NOT THE RIGHT MAN, BUT FAIL.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The end of the fight against the nomination of Bryan by the Democrats representing the old Cleveland-Parker wing of the party is generally supposed to have been removed yesterday when the delegation of Democrats, headed by Colonel Harvey, editor of Harper's magazine, came to Washington to confer with him in regard to his withdrawing from the race. They failed to convince the Nebraskan that he was not the most available timber in the party. Following the meeting Colonel Harvey admitted defeat. "We test out," he said, "Bryan is certain to be nominated. The project advanced by the New York Democrats for a new man has fallen flat."

### A LEAP YEAR PROPOSAL

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 28.—Exasperated over having lost in a contest for the county printing, simply because she was a woman, Elizabeth Schem, editor of the Storm Lake Vidette, asserted her leap year prerogative and in the current issue of her paper makes the following proposal: "A constant fight for what rightfully belongs to her is a wear and tear on the nervous system of any woman, and we have come to the belief that, in order to stay in newspaper work and maintain our health, we will have to marry some printer who can do the fighting and swearing for us. This is leap year, and this may be considered as a proposal by anyone who would be qualified to fill the vacancy in the Vidette office."

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### A Severe Cure

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 28.—As a cure for lynching, the house yesterday unanimously passed a bill imposing the death penalty for even attempted assaults on women.

### WITNESSES DECLARE THAW APPEARED SANE

#### Many of Them Saw Him Only a Few Minutes Before the Tragedy and He Acted Rationally

New York, Jan. 28.—R. E. Lingley, a public accountant, who was in the Madison Square garden on the night Harry Thaw shot and killed Stanford White, was the first witness in rebuttal to take the stand in the Thaw murder trial this morning. The gist of his testimony was to the effect that the defendant appeared rationally to him. Mayer Cohen, manager of a music publishing company, also saw Thaw in the garden that night. He also testified that, in his opinion, Thaw was rational. H. F. Blassem, a music publisher; Paul Brune, city freeman, and Warner Paxton, an engineer, witnessed the tragedy and testified today that the defendant showed no signs of insanity. Policemen Anthony Debs and Dennis Wright both declared on the stand that while Thaw was in their custody on the night of the shooting he appeared rational. Debs placed Thaw under arrest and Wright took him to the police station. Dr. Francis McGuire, the Tombs physician, was not permitted to testify, as Littleton invoked the section of the code which prohibits a physician from testifying as to information obtained while acting in a professional capacity. District Attorney Jerome has decided not to call any medical experts in rebuttal. During the noon recess he stated that he merely desired to dispose of the Hummel matter before closing the rebuttal. Abraham Snyder, who, as clerk for Attorney Abe Hummel, witnessed Evelyn Thaw's signature to the affidavits detailing Thaw's alleged cruelty, told of going to White's apartments in the Madison Square tower on October 27, 1902, where he found White and Evelyn in evening dress. She had in her possession the affidavit, which she signed when he was shown a photograph copy of the affidavit today he could not identify it. The state rested its case at 3 o'clock this afternoon. There has been no change today in the prediction made yesterday that the fate of Harry Thaw will be in the hands of the jury tomorrow night. The state has practically completed its case on rebuttal, and it now seems certain that the summing up of the attorneys will begin tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. The defense rested at 3:15 o'clock.

### About Mayor Schmitz

San Francisco, Jan. 28.—The district attorney's office will not apply to the appellate court for a rehearing of the appeal of Eugene E. Schmitz, in which the judgment of the lower court was reversed and Schmitz and Ruef thereby exonerated in the French restaurant cases. Tomorrow is the last day allowed by the law in which the district attorney's office may make a motion for a rehearing, but District Attorney Langdon declared this afternoon that he had no intention of making such a motion. Whether or not he will appeal to the supreme court from the decision of the appellate jurists he refused to say. He has eleven days remaining in which to appeal should he so desire.

### Officers Entertained

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 28.—Officers of the American torpedo fleet were warmly received today by President Alcora, Minister of War Fraga, Minister of Marine Betbeder and Foreign Minister of Affairs Zeballos. The closing of congress by the government has not created the great political trouble predicted by so many.

### Joseph Manley Dead

San Francisco, Jan. 28.—J. F. Manley, for 25 years clerk in the United States district court, under Judge DeHaven, died at his residence here early this morning, of heart disease. The decedent was a brother of Joseph H. Manley, who was closely associated with Mark Hanna during the McKinley campaign, and who was chairman of the Republican national committee during the campaign. Manley leaves a widow and two sons.

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