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MUSIC AND LIFE END TOGETHER

Bow Dropped From Nerveless Fingers and His Soul Took Flight With Dying Strains.

ALL MOVED TO TEARS

LAUGHTER AND NOISE CEASED WITH FIRST NOTES AND SILENCE WAS INTENSE AS DYING MUSICIAN PLAYED, AND AMID THUNDERS OF APPLAUSE DIED.

[United Press Leased Wire.]
San Francisco, Aug. 21.—While a crowd of fashionably attired after theater diners at Tehau Tavern applauded Paul Schmidt, first violinist with Gypsy Rigo, last night for his brilliant rendition of a wild Hungarian melody he had just finished playing, the bow dropped from the musician's fingers and he crumbled to the floor dead. A sudden attack of heart failure ended his life.

When the man stepped forward at midnight to play a waltz he was seen to sway slightly.

The first notes came slowly, then the man, already stricken, bowed his head, took a firmer grip on his instrument and the violin poured forth

harmony which caused his auditors to cease their laughter and turn to listen to the exquisite strains.

By the time the selection hardly had been started, not a sound in the big dining hall could be heard other than the throbbing notes of the violinist's death song. He played as he had never played before in Tehau Tavern; his eyes half closed, the man threw his passing soul into his music. When the last weird chords came sighing from the instrument, tears of emotion could be seen in women's eyes, and the men sat silent.

With the conclusion of the solo, there was a momentary pause, the whole house reverberating with appreciative applause.

Schmidt with forced smile, bowed a slight acknowledgement of the manifestations. Then he staggered, and the bow dropped to the floor followed by the crash of the violin. He clutched at his breast and then slid quietly to the floor by the side of his broken instrument. Before a physician could reach his side Schmidt was dead. He was 34 years old and a native of Hungary.

Mystery Surrounds Death of Speer.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 21.—An investigation to ascertain how Victor Speer, formerly a prominent clubman and secretary to Mayor Adams, came to his death, was begun here today. An autopsy probably will be performed. There are a number of stories, all of which are different, by which the man's death is being explained.

One rumor is that he was killed in a fight with a jealous husband; another is that he committed suicide, while a third explains that his death was from accidental poisoning. A rumor which is credited by many is to the effect that Speer simply died from natural causes.

TERRIFIC FIRE RAGES UNCHECKED

Great Clouds of Smoke Hang Like a Pall Over Burning Forests of Coeur d'Alene.

THE HEAT INTENSE

GREAT PIECES OF BURNING WOOD CARRIED FOR MILES BY WIND, STARTING MORE FIRES. MORE THAN 1000 MEN FIGHT IT IN VAIN—\$4,000,000 LOSS.

Coeur d'Alene, Ida., Aug. 21.—With more than 1000 lumbermen and farmers fighting the flames, the forest fire which has raged for nearly 48 hours in the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation is beyond control this afternoon and the loss in timber alone will exceed \$4,000,000.

A report was current during the morning that Averill Harriman, son of the railroad magnate, has been injured, but this was later denied, although nothing definite was learned as to the whereabouts of the youth, and the surveying party with which he was working.

Before a raging wind that continued high all night the fire licked up much valuable timber and the area of blackened and blazoned forest has been greatly enlarged today.

A second fire in the Mica Bay district on Lake Coeur d'Alene which has been raging for two days is reported controlled after a timber and crop loss of \$50,000. The fire at Mica Bay covered a stretch of country three miles wide and five miles long, comprising mostly "slashing" and "cut-over" land.

Although the Coeur d'Alene blaze is reported to have started in a grading camp on a branch of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company, an investigation will be made by the government forces.

Heat from the blazing forces is intense and is causing much suffering throughout the lake country. A huge cloud of smoke overhangs the territory in the vicinity of the fire. The terrific heat of the conflagration is wafting great blazing pieces of trees through the air for more than a mile and gangs of men are kept busy quenching incipient fires.

No deaths or injuries had been reported up to 1 o'clock this afternoon, although rumors of fatalities have been current throughout the danger zone.

J. PIERP MORGAN BOUGHT RAILROAD

[United Press Leased Wire.]
St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 21.—Representing J. Pierpont Morgan, Fred H. Gardner and George W. Stevens today at a foreclosure sale purchased the Chicago-Great Western railroad for \$12,000,000.

Morgan yesterday paid to the secretary of state at Springfield, Ill., his personal check for \$96,047 for articles of incorporation for the railroad.

The company will be reorganized with a capital stock of \$96,000,000.

ARE LOOKING FOR A PINCH OF RADIUM

[United Press Leased Wire.]
Paris, Aug. 21.—One sixtieth of a grain of radium is threatening the lives of people in Paris today and a corps of detectives are attempting to trace down the powerful speck, which was lost by a physician in an omnibus. The radium is valued at \$6000.

The company employees, police and others have been ordered out to find the small vial containing the radium, as it is feared that it will be picked up by some person who will probably be injured for life by the radio active rays.

KIDNAPED FIVE YEAR OLD GIRL

Trouble Over the Baby Began at Its Birth—Mother and Adopted Mother Fight Over It.

WAS STOLEN TWICE

MAN THIS MORNING SHOOTS AT BOY WHO WAS TAKING CARE OF GIRL AND RUNS AWAY WITH HER—THOUGHT SHE WILL BE HELD FOR RANSOM.

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 21.—Shooting at a boy who guarded the child, after which he knocked him down, a man rushed into the house of Mrs. Charlotte Bleakly and kidnaped her daughter, Marion, aged five years, today.

With the tiny girl struggling in his arms the man then dashed out of the yard and jumped into a buggy in which a woman was seated. The couple immediately drove away.

The police were notified and are scouring the vicinity in search of the kidnapers.

The child was born in a hospital in St. Louis during the St. Louis exposition and she was placed in one of the baby incubators then on exhibition.

Mrs. Bleakly later signed a release and the child was adopted by Mrs. James G. Barclay of Moline, Ill. Following the adoption of the child Mrs. Bleakly started court proceedings to regain possession of Marion and she succeeded after much litigation.

This is the second time the girl has been kidnaped, the first time having been shortly after the mother had moved from St. Louis to Kansas.

The fight for the possession of the child has been carried to the federal courts by Mrs. Barclay and in each case she has been defeated. Mrs. Barclay is a stenographer.

Another child was born in a St. Louis hospital and exhibited at the same time little Marion Bleakly was on display. One of the children died and the attendants told Mrs. Bleakly that it was her child that succumbed. This was the beginning of the contest for the girl. It is

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ONE MORE PIONEER IS GONE

Samuel A. Clarke Ends His Labors and Like a Tired Child at Night Falls Asleep.

Samuel A. Clarke, pioneer, poet, historian and journalist, died at the Salem hospital Friday, August 20, 1909, at the ripe age of 82 years. The end came peacefully and apparently painlessly, and the good old man closed his eyes as does a tired child when darkness falls, and went to the long and dreamless sleep. He retained his faculties to the last, recognizing his son, W. J. Clarke, who was at his bedside, but a few minutes before he passed away.

His life was a busy one, and varied, but whatever his hand found to do he did with all his might, earnestly and conscientiously. He was born in the Island of Cuba, March 7, 1827, but his father dying his mother returned to the United States, and young Samuel's boyhood

was spent at Charleston, S. C., and in New York City.

When the rush to the California gold fields began he joined the Argonauts and coming by way of the Horn reached Oregon in 1850.

He made his home in Portland, then a mere village, and afterward moved to Marion county, taking up a donation claim, which is now the property belonging to the Waters Brothers' Investment company, beyond the City View cemetery. Mr. Clarke was the first person to raise a crop of prunes in Oregon. He spent thousands of dollars improving and developing his fruit farm and today it is recognized as being one of the best in the state. For the past 10 years he has been making his home in this city and occupying his time with books. Mr. Clarke was a great scholar and reader, he being able to speak Greek, Spanish and French fluently. His Shakespearian knowledge was wonderful and up to the last hours of his waning life he devoted much of his time to reading his favorite, Shakespeare. His daughter, Mrs. Sarah Dyer of this city, has a collection of her father's poems which are preserved in a neatly bound book and valued very highly.

Mr. Clarke was married to Miss T. Buckingham in Portland on the 23d day of February, 1852, and in January, 1896, Mrs. Clarke died in this city. There are three children surviving, namely: Mrs. N. H. Looney of this city, William J. Clarke of Gervais and Mrs. Sarah Dyer, also of Salem. The eldest daughter, Marion, died in 1881.

When the county of Baker was organized in the year 1862, Mr. Clarke became its first county clerk, by appointment of Governor Gibbs, which position he held for two years, after which he removed back to his old home in Salem. At various periods of his life he was editor of several papers in Oregon, among them the Oregonian, the Record and the Statesman. He became the owner of the last-named paper in 1869, and continued the publication of the same for three years or more, with splendid success. He then disposed of the establishment and entered into partnership with D. W. Craig in the publication of the Willamette Farmer, in 1872. In 1880 he purchased his partner's interest, and removed the paper to Portland, but returned with it to Salem three years later, where he continued the publication of the same until 1887.

When the paper was merged in the Pacific Rural Spirit, of Portland.

He was twice elected clerk of the house in the legislature and was one of the incorporators of the Oregon Central railroad and its secretary until Ben Holladay took over the road.

His was a versatile mind, his writ-

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CANNON MAY BE FIRED

Insurgents Pose as Martyrs and Arouse Strong Sentiment Against His Iron Rule.

Washington, Aug. 21.—That Speaker Joseph Cannon has shied a boom-rang at his enemies which will return to him with redoubled force next election day, is the opinion here today of a few left-over politicians who failed to join the exodus when the special tariff session of congress ended recently.

Already the men he placed on unimportant committees or ignored entirely are posing as martyrs of his "iron rule" in their home districts and expect to reap votes by "Uncle Joe's" action.

Cannon this morning is expected to become a live issue in their districts and the insurgents have not been slow to jump at the advantage given them by the speaker's antagonism.

ALL THE BIG FLYERS ARE ASSEMBLED

First Great World's Contest of Flying Machines of all Kinds Begins Tomorrow.

EIGHT BIG EVENTS

FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN PRIZES TO BE AWARDED—BIG PRIZE OF \$20,000 GOES TO MAN FLYING GREATEST DISTANCE WITHOUT RENEWING FUEL.

[United Press Leased Wire.]
Rheims, Aug. 21.—"The grand aviation week," one of the most important meets so far in the history of aerial navigation, begins here tomorrow with aerial craft representing America, England, Austria, Italy and France in competition for the prizes, which aggregate \$40,000.

Every kind of machine with which man can fly will take part—aeroplanes, dirigibles, hot air and spherical balloons—being in the majority. As the rules of the meet allow entries to be made as late as tonight it is not possible to give the names of the competitors, but it is practically assured that Louis Bleriot, who was the first man to fly the English channel; Hugert Eastman, the unlucky monoplaneist who made the first attempt to cross to Calais; Paul Tiesandt, one of Wright brothers' pupils; Roger Smith, who broke the French time record in July; Glenn H. Curtiss, the American flag defender, not to mention Maurice Guffey, Paul Breguet, Delagrang and others who will be among those who compete.

There will be eight distinct events of importance, the chief one being the \$20,000 grand prix de la Champagne to go to the aviator who makes the greatest distance without renewing his fuel or coming to earth. This contest will be spread over three days and will be flown on August 22, 23 and 27.

Other prizes will be awarded to those who reach the highest altitude and travel the fastest.

There is one \$2000 prize for dirigible balloons which will be awarded to the airship making the fastest time around the course for five laps, each lap measuring 10 kilometers.

It is expected that the present records for sustained flight and speed will be broken during the week.

The city of Rheims has made preparations for the meet. Around the course laid out on the Bethany Plain grandstands have been erected, buildings constructed and a garage capable of housing 2000 automobiles built. An elaborate system of telephoning has been installed and restaurants and buffets elaborately fitted are on the grounds. A special hall has been built to receive the president.

CHICAGO STILL FEARS A STRIKE

[United Press Leased Wire.]
Chicago, Aug. 21.—Within the next week it will be definitely known whether there is to be a strike of the motormen and conductors of the Chicago Railway company.

The employees are demanding an increase in wages and have been threatening to strike for a month because the company officials refuse to accede to their demands.

International President Mahon of the Carmen's Union arrived here today from Detroit, to take personal charge of the situation and immediately went into conference with the officials of the local union. Following this conference, Mahon will put the demands of the men up to the railway officials, and unless a settlement or a compromise is brought about, the employees will walk out within the next week.

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