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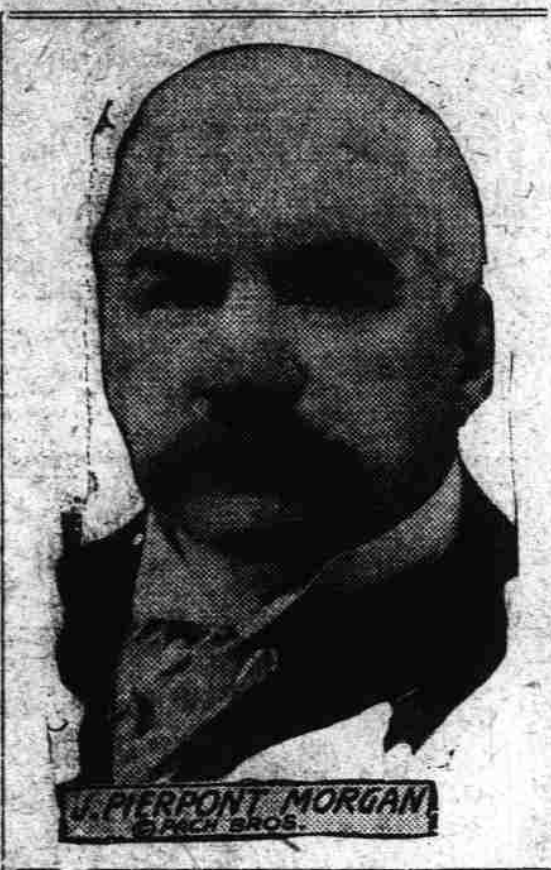
J. PIERPONT MORGAN, MONEY KING, IS DEAD

World's Greatest Financier Passed Away Early Yesterday at Rome

SERIOUSLY ILL OVER A WEEK

In a Semi-comatose Condition—Will be Laid to Rest in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford, Conn. Sketch of His Career.

Rome, March 31.—J. Pierpont Morgan, the New York financier, died here today, a few minutes after noon... The official statement prepared by Dr. Giuseppe Bastianelli, Dr. M. Allen Starr and Dr. George A. Dixon, the attending physicians, indicates that a gradual general collapse followed a condition of nervous exhaustion which prevented the digestive organs from performing their functions and affected the mental faculties... The American ambassador and Mrs. Thomas J. O'Brien, together with the embassy, George Post Wheeler, and Mrs. Wheeler, who went to the hotel this afternoon to inquire about Mr. Morgan's condition, were there when his death was announced...



J. PIERPONT MORGAN

WATER PAGE GOES TO GREAT BRITAIN

World's Work Editor Accepts Ambassadorship to Court of St. James

POSTS TO BE FILLED SOON

President Wilson Will Likely Fill Remaining Ambassadorships Before Beginning of the Extra Session of Congress.

Washington, March 31.—President Wilson probably will fill the majority of the nine ambassadorships now vacant before the beginning of the extra session of Congress next Monday... The President expects to confer with many of his friends during the present week and it is expected that when Congress convenes nominations for the more important posts will be sent to the Senate... Today's developments brought out that Walter H. Page, editor of World's Work, and an intimate friend of Mr. Wilson, had been offered and had accepted the ambassadorship to Great Britain. White House officials confirmed the news, and Mr. Page will start for London within 10 days...

MISS EMERSON IN GRAVE CONDITION

World's Work Editor Accepts Ambassadorship to Court of St. James

LETTER SMUGGLED TO MOTHER

American Girl in English Says She is Feeling Very Sick—Complains of Ill-treatment—Interest in Case

London, March 31.—Mrs. Emerson, of Detroit, Mich., today received a letter from her daughter, Seelie, who is undergoing two months' imprisonment in Holloway jail for window-smashing... The letter was smuggled out by a released prisoner... Mrs. Emerson had just completed three days' solitary confinement... Mrs. Pankhurst, in a speech today, praised highly the heroic behavior of Miss Emerson... Mrs. Pankhurst announced that the woman who tried to catch pneumonia in prison by sponging herself all over with hot water, and remaining uncovered all night, as stated by the home secretary on March 18th, was Miss Emerson...

LEVEE GOES DOWN BEFORE THE FLOOD

Break Occurs at Columbus, Ky. and the Entire City is Inundated

CONDITIONS IN OHIO BETTER

Suffering is Relieved and Rehabilitation of Cities and Towns Begins. Angry Waters Sweeping Down Ohio Valley.

Paducah, Ky., March 31.—The levee at Columbus went out early tonight and at midnight the city is covered from five to ten feet of water... The exception of several families, who are marooned in the second floors of their homes, the entire population of Columbus reached the hills about the city in safety... Cincinnati, March 31.—When the Ohio here reaches a stage of 63.9 feet, the crest of the flood at this point will have been reached. Late today the water will be higher than it has been in many years... The direct and indirect damage caused by the flooding of the river front section and the low-lying residential places will be great... The indirect loss can never be made, while the direct loss is estimated at more than \$2,000,000...

MEMBERS OPPOSE UNDERWOOD PLAN FOR PUBLIC PARK

Several Congressmen Want Committees Appointed at Extra Session

MANY MATTERS TO CONSIDER

Other Legislation Needed Besides Tariff, is Contention—Sims Leads the Fight for Organizing All Committees.

Washington, March 31.—Democratic opposition has developed in the House to the plan agreed upon by Representative Underwood and other party leaders, that no committees should be appointed at the opening of the special session except those necessary to the transaction of routine business and the handling of the tariff revision bills... Representative Sims, of Tennessee, one of those who urged the appointment of other important committees at the outset of the session, discussed the matter with President Wilson today... The latter made no recommendation on the subject and said he had an "open mind" upon it...

MUNIFICENT GIFT FOR PUBLIC PARK

Beautiful Long Leaf Pine Forest Given to People of the County

MR. AND MRS. M'RAE DONORS

Near Winter Park Gardens and Admirably Located—Potential Value \$150,000—Practically No Conditions.

A munificent gift to the public that will be of absorbing interest to the people, not only of New Hanover county, but which will attract attention throughout North Carolina and even beyond State bounds was made yesterday to the people of New Hanover by Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacRae, who drew a deed for 153 acres of beautiful long-leaf pine forest at Winter Park Gardens for a public park in favor of five trustees as representatives of the people of the city and county... The gift represents nearly \$150,000. In present value, according to the appraiser, it is worth \$75,000. It, therefore, ranks as one of the great benefactions of the State and in the years to come will cause the benefactors to be gratefully remembered by an appreciative people... The deed is made to Mr. M. S. Willard, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, Mayor J. D. Smith, and the city of Wilmington, and Mr. John C. Blair, superintendent of the city schools, and their successors in office; and Mr. W. A. McMillan, of this city, and Mr. L. D. Latta, of Winter Park, Ga., who proved that the deed of any one of the officials named immediately becomes one of the trustees of the park, and the three official members shall fill vacancy occurring in the remainder of the board of trustees, provided that the citizen members of the board be selected, one from Wilmington and one from Winter Park, Ga...

OUTLINES

Secretary Garrison's reports to President Wilson today continued to convey optimistic news of the flood situation in Ohio... The case of Miss Zeile Emerson, the American suffragist imprisoned in England and undertaking a hunger strike, is attracting great attention... Currency reform will come to the attention of Congress soon after it assembles next week... Several bills will be ready for introduction at that time... William D. Haywood, organizer for the Industrial Workers of the World, was convicted of disorderly conduct and sentenced to six months in jail at Patterson, N. J., yesterday... Considerable opposition has developed here against the plan of Democratic Leader Underwood to postpone the organization of practically all committees at the opening of the extra session of Congress... The relief situation in the American West is being remedied by the National Red Cross, which has been tendered and has accepted the ambassadorship to Great Britain... President Wilson will probably fill the remaining important posts before the extra session of Congress convenes... The flood waters which have been doing so much damage in the Middle West are sweeping down after it as they are, and closing in on the Ohio valley. Although the property damage will be immense, the loss of life will be small, owing to warnings having been sent...

RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP

Iowa State University and West Virginia University Tied... Washington, March 31.—Iowa State University and West Virginia University today tied in the rifle-shooting championship as the result of the 12th match just concluded... The teams from the two universities will now shoot off the title for the championship of the West and the winner will compete for the championship of the United States with Harvard University, which has 12 straight victories over her credit... The result of the 12th match follows: Eastern League: Massachusetts Agricultural, 94, vs. University of Vermont, 91; Harvard, 94, vs. Norwich, 93; Massachusetts Tech, 91, vs. Lehigh, 81; Cornell, 90, vs. Rhode Island State, 84; Northeast Agricultural, 92, vs. Dartmouth, 90; Princeton, 92, vs. Columbia, 87; University of Maine, 87, vs. Clemson College, 84... Western League: Iowa State, 96, vs. West Virginia, 92; California, 93, vs. Wisconsin, 91; Purdue, 95, vs. Washington State, 80; United States Veterinary College, 92, vs. Minnesota, 94; Michigan Agricultural, 94, vs. Missouri, 84; Nebraska, 84, vs. Louisiana State, 84; Oklahoma, 84, vs. Kansas, 84; University, 84... THREE KILLED ON SOUTHERN... Hickory, N. C., March 31.—Engineer W. M. Eagle, of Spencer, together with A. Hurdie, conductor, and Ed V. Boyd, fireman, of Asheville, N. C., were killed early today when Southern freight train No. 73, from Salisbury to Asheville, left the rails at Oyama. Eighteen cars and the locomotive were derailed... The men were in the engine cab when the cause of the wreck was discovered...

OHIO RISKS FLOODS

Columbus, O., March 31.—"Refreshment" by the Ohio River today to meet the crisis alone... Such was the statement issued by Governor Cox early this evening, shortly before he left the executive office for home and the first full night's rest he has had in more than a week... "Ohio has risen from the floods," said a pitiless blow from nature as we sustained today by the Ohio society and destroyed governments in other days... We cannot speak our gratitude to President Wilson for Federal aid, to the Red Cross, to State municipalities, trade organizations and individuals that send funds and supplies; they will never know their contribution to humanity... The relief situation so far as food and clothing are concerned is in hand. Thankful to her friends who succored her, Ohio faces tomorrow serene and confident... As the flood waters of Ohio continue to recede and while property owners (Continued on Page Eight.)

FORMAL PRESENTATION

Yesterday, at 5 o'clock Mr. MacRae carried the trustees named to the park property in his automobile, and upon their arrival they met Mrs. MacRae and Mrs. W. L. Farley, and quite an interesting ceremony followed...