

Paris: Prominent Structures That Have Been Menaced by the Seine's Flood



1, Hotel des Invalides. 2, Gare du Quai d'Orsay, inundated. 3, Eiffel tower, threatened collapse. 5, Grand and Petit Palais des Beaux Arts. 10, Arc de Triomphe. 11, Trocader. 16, Gare des Invalides. 17, Pont de la Concorde; was lapped by water. 18, Pont de Salferno, water covered arches.

SCORES DEAD OF SUFFOCATION AND FLAMES IN COAL MINE

One, of 149, Rescued Alive—
Primer Mine of C. F. & J.
Co. Wrecked by Explo-
sion of Mine Gas.

NUMBER OF VICTIMS 79,
NOT MORE, IT IS THOUGHT

Five Men Near the Portal of the Shaft
Were Killed Outright by Con-
cussion of the Ex-
plosion.

Primer, Col., Feb. 1.—The charred and mangled bodies of 24 of the victims of explosion which wrecked the Primer mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company yesterday evening were brought to the surface early this morning. Only one man, Dio Nardino, was rescued alive. Seven other bodies have been rescued, making a total of 31. Near 50 are believed to be still inside. The total number of deaths as a result of the disaster will probably not exceed 79. This estimate is made by mine officials and based on the number of safety lamps not turned in.

All Probably Dead.
Only mothers and wives, watching through the night around the shaft and urging on the rescuers with prayers and tears, still believe the missing live. The explosion occurred late yesterday evening. With a terrific roar the main shaft crumpled in, blocking the entrance the main workings. Five men standing near the portal were instantly killed by the concussion.

The first rescue party found bodies piled in heaps about the foot of the air shaft, where frantic men had fought and trampled upon one another in the struggle until overcome by gas and flames. Three bodies were taken up, before the rescuers were forced back to the open air.

Mostly Foreigners.
A party equipped with oxygen helmets then entered the mine. Volunteers were imported to Primer from all adjoining camps and all night hundreds of miners stood about the shaft begging for a chance to join the rescuers. Most of the miners employed are Slavs, Hungarians and Italians, but two Americans, William Helm, electrician, and David Williams, are among the missing. The fire which followed the explosion soon burned itself out.

CUSTOMS COURT OF APPEALS
JUDGES TO GET BUT \$7,000
Urgent Deficiency Bills Cuts Com-
pensation Down from \$10,000,
the Sum Fixed.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The judges of the new customs court of appeals will receive \$7,000 annually instead of \$10,000, as was fixed by the tariff bill, according to the urgent deficiency bill, which passed the house today.

Dividend Declared.
Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—The directors of the Pennsylvania railway today declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent.

MOVE OF COOPERS FOR A NEW TRIAL

Last Deal in Legal Game, Stake of
Which is Liberty of Carmack's
Slayers.

Nashville, Feb. 1.—The last deal in the legal game, the stake of which is the liberty of Col. Duncan Cooper and Robin Cooper, began in the Supreme court of Tennessee today. It was called for the hearing of a motion for a new trial asked by the Coopers, who had been convicted of the murder of former United States Senator E. W. Carmack, and each sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment. The killing, which took place in one of the prominent streets in Nashville a year ago last November, was the culmination and a long and bitter political feud.

WILLIAM HODGES MANN GOVERNOR OF VIRGINIA

In Inaugural Address, He Puts Himself
on Record as to the Liquor
Question.

Richmond, Feb. 1.—Before the state legislature and a large assemblage of distinguished citizens, William Hodges Mann at noon today was inaugurated governor of Virginia. In his inaugural address the new democratic governor put himself on record in regard to the liquor question, declaring: "I simply reiterate my steadfast opposition to the saloon, and my confidence in the people of Virginia, who have a right to settle this question as to them shall seem best."

Governor Mann recommended the state's tenderest care for surviving Confederate soldiers and sailors.

SENATOR THOMPSON RESIGNS
AND W. E. PURCELL IS NAMED
Recent Appointee from North Dakota
Quits the Place Because of
Ill Health.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Fountain L. Thompson, recently appointed senator from North Dakota, has resigned on account of ill health.

W. E. Purcell of Washington has been appointed his successor. Purcell is a democrat, 53 years of age, and one of the leading lawyers of his state.

Chicago Anti-Saloon Forces Have
Three More Days.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—The anti-saloon forces have three days more to complete their quota of 41,000 signatures for a petition for a vote upon local option for Chicago.

POLICE HEARING WAS NOT HELD

Charges Which John Lyerly Has Made
Against Canton Officers Will not
Be Heard for a Month.

Special to The Gazette-News.
Canton, Feb. 1.—The hearing in the matter of charges against the police force of Canton, continued from January 27 and set for last night, was not held. It will be remembered that after John A. Lyerly, a deputy sheriff of Haywood county, filed charges with the board alleging that the entire police force of Canton was incompetent, the incompetency charge growing out of disorderly conduct on the main street of the town Monday afternoon, January 24, and indulged in, it is alleged, by W. P. McGee, Chief of Police Taylor asked for a continuance until last night in order that he might have time to summon and have at the hearing two witnesses whom the chief said were material and important to his contention that the force was not incompetent. The request was granted and the hearing set for last night. When the investigation was called up last night the chief filed an affidavit saying that he didn't think he could get justice until he could have Mr. McGee present. "Mr. McGee is ill" and could not be present last night. The request of the chief was again granted and the date fixed for the next hearing is March 7.

Jesse Thomason, son of Capt. Thomason of this place, was taken to Asheville last night and placed in the mission hospital for an operation for appendicitis. It is understood that the operation was successfully performed last night and that the patient is doing nicely.

DAVIS OF ARKANSAS OPPOSES POSTAL BANK

Inform Senate Bill Is in Interest of
High Collared Roosters and
Money Grabbers.

Washington, Feb. 1.—In a spirited attack on the postal savings bank bill Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas, told the senate today it is a measure in the interest of national banks, "The high collared roosters, money sharks and money grabbers of Wall Street." Davis' antagonism was aroused by the refusal of Senator Carter to entertain an amendment eliminating the requirement that savings funds be deposited only in banks subject to supervision and examination.

The Arkansas senator explained that there was no supervision of state banks in his state and the effect of the measure would be to rob them of all business growing out of postal deposits. A vote on his amendment was demanded by Davis. It was voted down, 6 to 42.

THREE TRAINMEN KILLED, 20
HURT, BY BRIDGE'S COLLAPSE

Winipeg, Feb. 1.—A Canadian Pacific railway bridge, on which a wreck train was standing, collapsed today, and 49 workmen were precipitated to the gully below. Three of them were killed and 20 others badly hurt.

THE SEINE FELL STEADILY TODAY

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the Streets and More Tram-
ways in Oper-
ation.

BUT LOW TEMPERATURE

IS CAUSING MUCH MISERY
It is Estimated That a Quarter of a
Million Persons Have Been
Affected by the
Flood.

Paris, Feb. 1.—The river Seine fell steadily today, the recession being at the rate of about three-fourths of an inch an hour. The waters are receding from the streets, more tramways were in operation today, as were new sections of the subway. Streets that had been closed to traffic were in many instances re-opened to day, and in the heart of the city things resumed a more normal appearance.

It is estimated that more than a quarter of a million persons have been affected by the floods. Freezing temperature adds to the misery of unfortunate.

The improvement in the general situation continues and the spirits of the Parisians are rising as the waters fall. Street hawkers are selling post card pictures of the flood, and the boulevards are once more gay with rejoicing thousands.

The Crisis Past.
With the crisis past the mercurial French temperament faces the subsidiary troubles with a light heart, but the papers already are sounding a note of warning that the lesson must not be forgotten; that measures must be taken to avoid a repetition of the disaster. This can be done by the construction of a cut off either in the way of a canal or a large underground conduit around Paris.

The prefect of the department of the Seine has issued instructions to the owners of flooded houses to clean and disinfect their premises to the satisfaction of the municipal architect within 24 hours after the subsidence of the waters. Otherwise the work will be done at the cost and risk of the owners. The government has ordered the tax collectors to show the greatest leniency to delinquents and the Mont de Piete is extending pawn tickets for three months.

Cleaning Out the Subway.
Several steam trains yesterday resumed the work of pumping out the subway and considerable progress is being made in the sections where the flood is lowest. Public and private benevolence continues to respond to the call of the sufferers. All the theaters and musical societies are organizing benefits, while the various race courses are arranging a big meeting for the spring, the receipts of which will go to the poor.

LITTLE AID FROM POWERS, HE SAYS

Commissioner General of Immigration
Makes a Report With Reference to
the White Slave Traffic.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The treaty ratified by the senate March 1, 1905, providing for universal action of the powers toward the repression of the "white slave traffic" has been declared by Daniel J. Keefe, commissioner general of immigration to be "practically worthless."

The failure of this convention to accomplish the good expected was explained in a report of the commissioner general, which was transmitted to the senate by President Taft in response to a senate resolution.

In summarizing an exhaustive report, Mr. Keefe says: "Practically no co-operation at present can be expected of the signatories as regards the enforcement of our immigration laws with which some of the powers are found to be out of sympathy. The procurator of innocent women and girls has seldom, if ever, come to the attention of the bureau and as it is the purpose of the treaty to prevent such procurator, the treaty's usefulness ends there."

Even with the passage of new legislation with stringent provisions, this bureau, which has been designated by the government in the repression of this traffic will not be in position to properly enforce the same without specific financial provision being made which will permit of an unremitting warfare against the evil throughout the country as a whole and not in isolated portions alone, this warfare being restrained, of course, to aliens."

After the ratification of the treaty the bureau of immigration sent letters to sound the various powers to ascertain the degree of co-operation to be expected of the signatory powers. The net result of the replies was that no co-operation could be looked for except in specific instances. The principal reason for this, says Mr. Keefe, seems to lie in the public attitude toward those women who make prostitution a business, the idea being that the government has no right to interfere with those who follow such a life from choice otherwise than to prescribe certain military provision for those "under control," viz, those who are compelled to report periodically to the police for examination and inspection.

Agents Move on Biltmore; Today's Developments

FIRE DAMAGE \$300,000
NEAR BALTIMORE, MD.

Started at Pottery Works, and Box Fac-
tory and Lumber Yard
Caught.

Baltimore, Feb. 1.—A fire which quickly assumed dangerous proportions, broke out at the Bennett Pottery works at Canton and Eastern this afternoon. The blaze was communicated to the Lumber yard of Eisenhauer, McLean Lumber company, containing over 3,000,000 feet of lumber, which was ablaze in a few minutes. The Keegan, Sons & Co.'s box factory caught and was in a fair way of being destroyed, at 2:30 o'clock. Four tanks of the Standard Oil company at Eden street, directly across from the burning lumber yard, were in imminent danger. The tanks contain about 600,000 barrels of oil.

At 3 o'clock the fire appeared under control. It is believed the total loss is within \$300,000.

CONGRESS' RECOGNITION OF PEARY FEAT SOUGHT

The Maine Delegation Will Also Ask
That He Be Made a Rear-
Admiral.

Washington, Feb. 1.—That Commander Robert E. Peary may be officially recognized by congress, as the discoverer of the North Pole, and promoted to the rank of rear admiral of the navy, the Maine delegation has voted to empower the members of the delegation to introduce a resolution to that effect.

Commander Peary is a resident of Maine.

WAS CHOKED TO DEATH BY A PIECE OF MEAT

Louisville Couviller and Southern Rail-
way Clerk Dies While Eating
His Lunch.

Louisville, Feb. 1.—Henry V. Wolff, city councilman and clerk of the Southern railway office, choked to death today on a piece of meat he was eating at a lunch counter in a saloon. Wolff took but a few bites when he grew black in the face and fell to the floor. He died before a doctor arrived.

Various Prophecies Being Made
as to the Outcome of the
Many Sided Con-
troversy.

AT LEAST HALF A LOAF
MAY GO TO MR. GRANT

If He Loses in His Fight on Mr. Harsh-
berger, He May Win in His
Fight on Mrs.
Reed.

Speaking of the Grant-Harshberger-Asheville-Biltmore-Fairview situation—and why speak of anything else?—it may be said that the scene of activity has shifted to Biltmore. That it is to say—it is the model people of this model village who are today the subjects of Federal inquiry, on the part of special agents of the Federal establishment just now in prosecution in certain directions.

While the sun's rays were still struggling feebly through the cold gray of the dawn it was hinted darkly that the Grant-Harshberger had scored heavily against the forces lined up behind Mrs. Reed. It was "charged" that Mrs. Reed had done a most improper, if not fatal thing, in substituting certain petitions or endorsements of ancient vintage, so to speak, for her more recent application for reappointment as postmaster. It was explained that, when the Federal inspectors were shown how Mrs. Reed had used five year old endorsements relative to her administration as postmaster, thus practicing to deceive her neighbors and the United States government at the same time, they would be horrified beyond measure.

The opposition, say the friends of Mrs. Reed, had as well put the soft pedal on their emotions, and sing low. Mrs. Reed did make use of those old petitions, along with plenty of late ones, but the dates will show that there was no attempt at deception. At all events, these are the two sides of today's development, and both are given for what they may be considered worth.

Once in a while an observer of current events may be found willing to hazard a guess as to the possible outcome. One dual prophecy is to the effect that Mr. Grant will lose out in his fight against Mr. Harshberger, the special agent of the postoffice department, who has fallen under the congressman's displeasure, but that Mr. Grant will be permitted to win to the extent of securing the appointment, without reference to the confirmation, of Mr. Luther. The trouble with Mr. Harshberger, as is generally known, revolves around the Saluda postoffice, and the question is: did Mr. Grant write a letter designed to coerce the postoffice inspector? Should the department stand by its agent, then the inevitable conclusion will be that the department accepts as final the inspector's report, rather than the word of the congressman. In such eventuality, interested people then ask, would the half Biltmore lost have the desired effect of restoring to Mr. Grant a state of satisfactory political health; would his prestige be left unimpaired and ever so slightly enlarged wings resume their wanted office? It is these, and kindred topics that is providing food for endless conjecture.