

J.A. WAYLAND KILLS HIMSELF

Owner of Socialist Appeal to Reason Ends Life Day Federal Court Case Is Called.

ACQUSED OF MAILING DEFAMATORY MATTER

Despondency over Death of His Wife, However, Believed to Be One Cause of Act.

By Associated Press. G IRARD, Kan., Nov. 11.—J. A. Wayland, a founder and owner of the Appeal to Reason, a socialist weekly newspaper published here, shot and killed himself in his home last night.

Mr. Wayland was to have appeared in the federal court in Fort Scott, Kan., today to answer to a charge preferred by the government against the several editors and the owner of the Appeal to Reason of circulating through the mails defamatory matter concerning an official of the federal prison at Leavenworth.

WILSON DECIDES SOON AS TO EXTRA SESSION

Will Make Early Announcement of His Intentions as to Tariff.

ADVISE AGAINST BIG PURCHASES OF COAL

Operators Tell Consumers Not to Lay in Store Unless They Want to Pay More.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 11.—Because of the uneasiness regarding the supply of anthracite and the fact that some consumers are complaining that an abnormally high price is asked for coal, the committee of operators yesterday issued a statement in which they said:

TO COMPLETE GUNMEN'S JURY THIS AFTERNOON

All the Defendants Reiterate Their Intention to Take the Stand.

POSTMASTER PRIMARY

Congressman Looks Askance at Texas Town's Plan of Considering Federal Appropriations.

TERRELL, TEX., NOV. 11.—There are so many democratic candidates for postmaster here since the democratic victory last week that a move is on foot to hold a special postmaster primary election, and declare the one securing the highest vote the only applicant.

14 KILLED; 97 HURT AS TRAINS CRASH

Freight Locomotive Ploughs Through Excursion Coaches in Rear-End Collision, on M. C. Y. V. Near New Orleans—Wreckage Catches Fire, Possibly Burning Bodies.

By Associated Press. NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 11.—A disastrous wreck in which 14 or more people were killed and at least 92 injured, occurred on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroad near Montz, La., 27 miles north of New Orleans, at midnight when a through freight train crashed into the rear of an excursion train of ten coaches.

Five of the coaches of the excursion train were burned and many of the bodies of the victims are believed to have been cremated. Most of the injured are white. An official statement issued by the railroad company places the blame for the disaster on a brakeman named Cunningham, who is charged with failure to obey orders and signal the freight train.

Brakeman Failed to Obey Orders. The excursion train, which left New Orleans northbound at 11 p. m. was drawn by two engines. On approaching Montz one engine broke down and the engineer signalled to the brakeman, it is said, to go back and signal the freight train, which was running 25 minutes behind the excursion.

This order, it is declared, the brakeman failed to comply with and the freight train into the rear of the crowded passenger train at a speed of about 30 miles an hour.

Relief trains were sent from New Orleans and Baton Rouge. Thirty of the injured, all negroes, were taken to Baton Rouge. The dead and the more seriously injured among the whites were brought to New Orleans.

Of 13 bodies recovered from the wreck this morning, nine were negroes and four white persons.

Passengers Show Courage. Almost as soon as the collision occurred the two rear coaches, which were telescoped by the freight train, caught fire. The passengers who escaped injury rushed into the wrecked coaches and dragged dead and injured from the reach of the flames.

White men risked their lives to save injured negroes from the fast spreading flames and negro men rushed into the steam and flames to rescue white persons, as well as members of their own race.

A train with many of the injured and a number of the dead arrived in New Orleans this morning. The more seriously injured were placed in the Charity hospital.

Many Mangled Beyond Recognition. The ill-fated excursion train left New Orleans at 11 o'clock last night with several hundred passengers who had spent Sunday in New Orleans. It slowed down on approaching a sharp curve near Montz and the freight train crashed into the rear, splintering several coaches. Many of the killed were so badly mangled as to make identification almost impossible.

The majority of the excursionists were from points south of Woodville, Miss., 59 miles north of Baton Rouge. The scene at the union station here when the relief train bearing the dead and injured arrived was one of confusion. Practically every ambulance in the city had been summoned to take the injured to hospitals and police patrol wagons were used to help move the dead to undertaking establishments.

Rear Coach Demolished. The rear coach of the excursion train was demolished and it is said practically every occupant of this car was either killed or seriously injured. One of the badly wounded victims brought here stated that two women and several small children in the rear coach were killed.

Early reports as to the number of killed conflicted. A telephone message from Gramercy, La., near the scene of the wreck, gave the number of dead as 22.

JOHNSON'S CASE TO SUPREME COURT

Pugilist's Attorney Appears in Washington in Effort to Release Him.

GENERAL STRIKE IN JACKSONVILLE?

Report Current of Movement in Sympathy with Street Railway Strikers.

NEVADA LAW TO MAKE DIVORCES LESS EASY

Year's Residence Instead of Six Months Provably Will Be Required.

PLAN FUTURE OF THE G.O.P.

Hadley, Cummin and Kenyon Discuss Measures for Getting Control of Older Organization.

PROGRESSIVES WHO QUIT T. R. WOULD RULE

La Follette, Borah, Stubbs and Others Will Make Effort to Reorganize the Party.

DES MOINES, NOV. 11.—An important political conference touching the future of the republican party was held here last night between Governor Herbert S. Hadley of Missouri and Senators Cummins and Kenyon of Iowa.

The conference was preliminary, it was said, to an effort which the progressive republicans are making to get control of the older organization. Those progressive republicans who declined to side with Colonel Roosevelt and his new party say they should be the ones to reorganize the republican party.

In the plans which were discussed at the conference it was taken for granted that the colonel had already eliminated himself from the old party and proposes to continue with his new organization in 1916.

It was arranged that the ideas evolved at the meeting here should be subjected to such progressives as Senators La Follette and Borah, Governor Stubbs of Kansas and others, and, if these men all agree, to call a meeting of progressive republican leaders from every state in the union, in Chicago, in the near future.

THE TRANSCONTINENTAL CHANGES ITS NAME

Special to The Gazette-News. ST. LOUIS, Nov. 11.—The South Atlantic Transcontinental Railroad company, with main office at Asheville, this afternoon filed papers with the secretary of state changing its name to "South Atlantic and Western Railroad company."

It is currently reported that this road will be built from Knoxville to Rutherfordton, and there connect with the Seaboard, giving Knoxville an outlet to a South Atlantic port. The road has been contemplated for several years, and the rapid completion of the Panama canal has lent additional interest to the enterprise.

H. H. McKerson is president and J. L. Connell secretary.

SWEARS HE SAW ETTOR STAB A POLICEMAN

Salem, Mass., Nov. 11.—Thomas Harold Kanada of Cleveland, O., formerly employed in the Lawrence textile mills testified as an eleventh hour witness for the prosecution in the Ettor-Giovannitti-Carusso murder trial today that he saw Joseph Carusso stab Policeman Bennett in the riot of January 29, last, when Anna Lopizzo was killed.

ASK SCHIFF TO AID THE JEWS IN TURKEY

Appeal Is Made for Him to Expend the Remainder of the Kishineff Fund.

New York, Nov. 11.—Delegates from 16 national societies of Oriental Jews this week will call on Jacob H. Schiff to ask his aid in alleviating the sufferings of their brethren in Turkey.

NEVADA LAW TO MAKE DIVORCES LESS EASY

Year's Residence Instead of Six Months Provably Will Be Required.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 11.—W. D. Jones, author of the statute which made divorce easy in Nevada, was one of the candidates defeated for re-election to the state senate. It is believed that a new law requiring a year's residence in the state before beginning divorce proceedings, instead of six months as at present, will be enacted when the new legislature meets in January.

MAY ENACT WOMAN'S COMPENSATION LAW

Washington, Nov. 11.—Upon returning to Washington Senator Sutherland of Utah, author of the workmen's compensation bill and chairman of the employers' liability committee, which reported the measure, has set to work to promote action on the bill during the approaching short session of congress. While not over sanguine concerning the outlook Mr. Sutherland does not consider it entirely hopeless.

The bill passed the senate last session by a vote of 64 to 15 but did not get out of the house committee on the judiciary, although a majority of the members of the committee are said to favor it.

FIGURES TO SUIT

Coffer Contends He Is Next Governor of Kansas, White Hodges Also Claims Success.

WAR OR PEACE? THIS WEEK WILL DECIDE

General European Outlook Causes Uneasiness in London—Russia Rushes War Preparations as Bulgars Near Constantinople—Serbia Antagonizing Austria-Hungary.

By Associated Press. LONDON, Nov. 11.—Europe is facing one of the most critical weeks in its history. It may end in a war, in which the whole of Europe will be involved, or it may be remembered as a week in which diplomacy succeeded in solving problems that appeared insoluble to many.

The Bulgarian army is on the point of entering Constantinople. This will be resented by Russia. At the same time the Turkish capital is threatened with massacre from within.

On the other side of the Balkan peninsula there is an acute conflict between the aims of Austria-Hungary and Serbia, which, if it is not arranged, might start a general European outbreak.

The most hopeful sign is the fact that moderating influences are being brought to bear by Germany, close ally of Austria-Hungary, and by Bulgaria, Serbia's comrade in arms.

What Austria-Hungary demands. The view of Austria-Hungary concerning European Turkey's future is pretty well known to include an access to the eastern markets, the integrity of Albania, including the Adriatic coast of that country, and compensation for Roumania which has always claimed that when Balkan territory is extended her borders should likewise spread.

The Austria-Hungary minister at Belgrade informed the Serbian government of these proposals and suggests that a reasonable settlement would be that Austria, in return for corresponding privileges in the Balkan ports and on the railroads leading to them, should give Serbia running privileges over the line that is to be built to Durazzo and that the two countries should together use it as a free port.

Existing jealousies are so intense, however, that it will take a lot of pressure to induce either Austria or Serbia to recede from its demands. Austria in fact takes so seriously the advance of a Serbian force toward Durazzo that she has despatched a steamer there to take off Austrian residents when the Serbian troops arrive.

Russia's Warlike Preparations. Serbia's friend, Russia, also is preparing for eventualities. Besides keeping her time-expired men in the army, she is mobilizing her forces and her arsenals and commissariat departments are working night and day. As to the actual fighting, little news is coming through. The situation at Adrianople continues something of a deadlock. The Bulgarians claim to have absolutely surrounded the city.

A Constantinople dispatch says that in the opinion of European doctors the disease which has broken out among the wounded is certainly Asiatic cholera.

MINISTER'S NARROW ESCAPE IN THE ARCTIC

Rev. Percy Braughton Badly Frozen in Icy Sea off Baffin Land.

By Associated Press. SYDNEY, N. S. W., Nov. 11.—The Rev. Percy Braughton, missionary of the Anglican church among the Eskimoes of Baffinland, has reached here still suffering from hardships which nearly cost his life in the far north.

He strayed from his guides while on an expedition from the mission station at Lake Harbor last March and in trying to make his way back off the coast, the ice was broken up by a strong wind. He jumped into the water and made shore, but with two nights spent in the open his feet became so badly frozen that he had to crawl on his hands and knees to the Esquimaux village. There some all-adviced native applied heat to the frozen feet. The missionary lay for three months in agony. His cook probably saved his life by cutting off all the toes of the right foot.

The mission ship arrived in Augusta and a doctor performed two operations. Mr. Braughton reached here on the Boethic, 45 days from Lake Harbor. He is scarcely able to walk but hopes to be able to return to his charge.

DECLARES HE SLEW TO AVENGE HIS RACE

Robert Anderson, Florida's Negro "Jack the Killer," Confesses and Is Sentenced to Die.

By Associated Press. TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 11.—Convicted of first degree murder, Robert Anderson, the negro "killer" accused of causing the deaths of four or five persons here and starting nearly 100 incendiary fires in a period of six weeks, was sentenced at an early hour yesterday morning to be hanged. Anderson confessed to all the crimes charged against him, declaring they were committed for revenge on white men because of their treatment of members of his race.

A medical commission had decided the negro was sane.

LUMBER JACK SLASHES FIVE

Salt Ste Marie, Mich., Nov. 11.—Paul Peier, a lumber jack, ran amuck in a hotel at Trout Lake last night and, wielding a long knife, seriously cut five men, two of them perhaps fatally.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Nov. 11.—Every train arriving in the capital last night and today brought scores of southern women, members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, to attend the cornerstone laying Tuesday in Arlington National cemetery of a monument to the confederate dead. President Taft will address the women on Tuesday evening and the exercises in the historic resting place of the dead will be under the direction of Mrs. Goldsborough.

ARBITRATION PACT SHELVED

Retirement of Ambassador Bryce Marks the Abandonment of Taft's Effort for Peace.

QUITS UNDER FIRE OF LONDON PRESS

General Comment on His Term Unfavorable—Sir Cecil Arthur Spring-Rice His Successor.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—The voluntary retirement of Ambassador James Bryce of Great Britain, which is expected to be formally announced today or tomorrow, it is believed, will mark the abandonment of any purpose on the part of the United States to ensure the consummation of the general arbitration treaty with Great Britain.

The first impulse of President Taft after the senate had amended the treaty during last session, in spite of the protest of the administration senators, was to immediately abandon the convention and to decline to undertake to induce the British minister to accept the amendments which struck at the very essence of the principle of unrestricted arbitration.

Decided to Press Treaty. After more mature consideration, however, and frequent conferences between Secretary Knox and Ambassador Bryce, the president was disposed to consider the advisability of pressing the treaty to a conclusion, on the theory that it would at least constitute a notice to the world of the intentions of the two governments to be guided by the principle of arbitration in their further dealings. It was urged also that with the treaty as a foundation it might be possible in the near future to bring the senate to the point of approving supplementary articles which in effect would amount to unlimited arbitration.

Recently, however, the administration became convinced of the impracticability of this plan and it is believed the final decision of the president to drop the treaty was the determining factor in bringing about Ambassador Bryce's decision to retire. The ambassador had hoped he might round out his diplomatic career by signing a treaty which would stand as a mile-post in the history of international altruism, and the peaceable settlement of international disputes.

His Successor Noted Diplomat. Sir Cecil Arthur Spring-Rice, who probably will succeed Mr. Bryce, has had a long and distinguished service in the diplomatic field. He is well remembered here for his long service at the British embassy during the days of Lord Paunceforte. At the foreign office in London he has held many important posts and has been closely identified at various times with the Earl of Grandville, Lord Rosebery, and more recently with Lord Curzon while governor general of India.

NO EFFORT INDICATED TO OUST MR. GOMPERS

Smallest Attendance in Years at Opening of Labor Federation Meet.

By Associated Press. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 11.—When Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, called the thirty-second annual convention of that organization to order here today he faced the smallest number of delegates assembled in many years. Additional delegates were expected to indicate that elements opposed to the administration of President Gompers will make an organized effort to oust him.

The steam fitters probably will make a fight for recognition. They were ordered by the Atlanta convention to amalgamate with the plumbers which they failed to do. The steam fitters have filed credentials but it was said that the committee undoubtedly would report against giving them recognition on the floor. The same situation exists in regard to the Amalgamated Carpenters and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. The former organization was ordered to amalgamate with the United Brotherhood but it has not done so.

U. S. CATHOLIC WOMEN WILL BUILD CHURCH

Washington, Nov. 11.—Catholic women of the United States have banded together for the erection of a church at the Catholic university and Monsignor Thomas J. Shahan, rector of the institution, probably will name the treasurer of the fund today. The movement was undertaken when the necessity for a church building at the University was discovered and the women have refused to permit men to contribute to the fund.

ASTOR TURNING 21

On Friday William Vincent Will Assume Full Legal Control of Great Fortune.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—William Vincent Astor will celebrate his twenty-first birthday on Friday. He will assume full legal control of the Astor estate and will be the youngest man in the world to have in his possession such a fortune.

ROB SALOON OF \$2500

Yegmen Had Bartender and Porter, Blow Safe and Escape with Booty.

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, Nov. 11.—Robbers blew open the safe in a saloon at West Election and Halsted streets early today and escaped with \$2500 after blinding the bartender and porter with ropes. The thieves wrapped a large rug about the safe and executed their work so skillfully that 100 guests in a hotel above the saloon were not awakened.

CLINICAL CONGRESS OPENS

New York, Nov. 11.—Two thousand surgeons from all parts of the United States and Canada gathered here this morning for the opening session of the Clinical Congress of America, which will continue throughout the week. During the week 495 clinics will be held in New York hospitals for the visitors.

Miss Adams to Stay at Hill House. Chicago, Nov. 11.—Miss Jane Adams, chief of Hull House, last night set a rest of honor to the effect that she was to become guest of the National Suffrage association. She declared she intended remaining at her present duties.