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POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Summary of a Week's News of the World.

CULLED FOR BUSY READERS

Condensation of Telegraphic Dispatches for the Ready Perusal of Those Too Busy to Read the Longer Accounts.

S. C. Peters, recently a pay clerk on the cruiser Rainbow, was arrested at Manila for alleged embezzlement of \$3,000.

The house has accepted the senate amendments to the bill prohibiting race track gambling in the district of Columbia and thus finally passed it.

With instructions to vote for Secretary Taft, four delegates-at-large and alternates were selected for the national convention by the republican state convention at New Orleans, La.

Night riders have burned the barn of George Wall, a farmer, residing 10 miles from Cumberland Furnace, in Tennessee. Loss \$600. This is the first time night riders have invaded Dickson county.

Governor Smith, of Georgia, has refused to interfere in the cases of Harry E. Lyles, of Waycross, white, and Porter Cooper, negro, of Sparta, both of whom are sentenced to be hanged for murder. The recommendations of the prison commission were adverse in both cases.

Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger, daughter of the late Thomas Wentworth Storrow, of Boston, Mass., was married at her residence in Washington to Wade Chance, formerly of Canton, O., and now of London, England. Mr. and Mrs. Chance will sail shortly for England, where they will reside.

"The" Allen, for years widely known to the sporting fraternity, died suddenly at his home in New York.

Allen Gard, governor of Lanao, is dead, the result of bolo wounds inflicted by Moros. He underwent a series of operations, from which he gradually sank, and never rallied.

William C. Wallace, republican, has been elected senator from the forty-seventh New York district, receiving a plurality of 248 votes over Henry A. McMahon, the democratic candidate.

The annual convention of the southern branch of the National Dental association began in Birmingham, Ala., with more than one hundred and fifty delegates from various parts of the south in attendance.

Oxford university has conferred the honorary degree of doctor of science on Professor William James, the noted educator, who was professor of philosophy at Harvard university from 1897 to 1907.

Second Lieutenant Arthur R. Ehrnbeck, corps of engineers U. S. A., is missing from his station in Mindanao. He left Pintar alone one month ago, and has not been heard of since. It is feared he is dead.

Several district republican conventions in Louisiana have instructed for Taft.

Notice of the fight to be waged against trading in cotton futures was served in both branches of the Louisiana legislature.

A fall of rock and coal in the Prospect colliery, of the Lehigh Valley Coal company, at Midvale, killed four mine-workers and injured three others.

The twelfth annual state convention of the Alabama United Daughters of the Confederacy was held at Birmingham, Ala., with a large attendance.

The governments of Sweden and Denmark are at present negotiating a treaty which will provide for the arbitration of all questions between the two countries.

Consul General Benjamin H. Ridgeley, of Barcelona, Spain, who was recently made consul general at Mexico City, is on his way to his new post. He is accompanied by his wife and daughter.

A riot over the possession of the hall for the republican congressional convention occurred at Baton, O., in which four policemen were roughly handled by armed men of the "Blaiser" faction.

General D'Amade, at the head of three columns, conducted a raid on the tribesmen living in the Madkra mountains. He razed their crops and destroyed several camps. The French had six men wounded.

The revolutionists in Yunnan province have had a set-back. The second column of insurgents, the one that was advancing on Meng-Tze, has been re-

Prohibition Election MAY 26 1908

A vote "Against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors" is a vote for sobriety, morality, decency, education and progress. This is Transylvania's history, it has always been on the side of Progress, and our voters will never go back on its record.

Don't fail to read Page 7--Let's win the Banner

The other column was turned back on the Red river last Saturday.

Manager Tom Fisher, of the Moble team, has announced the sale of Catcher Foley White to Shreveport, of the Texas league. Massing will be retained and Torey and Noblett placed elsewhere, though just where has not been made public.

The senate has passed the sundry civil appropriation bill without material amendment.

Bynum Russell, a short-term convict, convicted of robbing the mails, has escaped from the Atlanta federal prison.

There is no confirmation to be had of the rumor originating in St. Petersburg that the Ameer of Afghanistan has been assassinated.

Eugene V. Debs, of Indiana, has been nominated on the first ballot for president of the United States by the socialist party convention at Chicago.

Notice of his intention to introduce a bill for prohibition everywhere in Louisiana except at New Orleans, was given in the senate by Senator Boggs, of Bossier parish.

The steamer Harbin, a Memphis packet steamboat, struck a snag in the Arkansas river near Douglas Landing, Ark., and sank. All the passengers and crew were removed in safety.

Plans for extension of the Alaskan service of the United States signal corps call for the installation of new wireless stations at Nome, Fort Gibbon, Fort Egbert, Wrangel and Petersburg.

A decree of absolute divorce in favor of Fritz Scheff, the actress, was signed in New York by Justice McCall on a report of a referee who heard the evidence. Miss Scheff was married to Baron von Badeleben in 1903.

The H. C. Frick Coke company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel corporation, has ordered into effect a new code of rules governing its mines and miners, the most remarkable provision of which is the prohibiting of the company's miners from drinking, whether on duty or off duty.

The house has passed the omnibus building bill. It carries a total of \$21,100,000.

President Penna, of Brazil, has signed a decree regulating the naturalization of foreigners.

Jay Gould won the first and second sets in his match with Eustace Miles, the English player, for the world's amateur tennis championship in London. The scores were 6-2 and 6-0.

Commercial statistics for 1907 show that the United States ranked first as an importer of Brazilian products, with double the quantity of Germany, which was second. The United States was third in the list of exporters to Brazil, following Great Britain and Germany, respectively.

Monsignor John Farrell, the spiritual director of the American college at Rome, Italy, is spoken of at the Vatican as the most probable successor to the late Rt. Rev. Ignatius Frederick Horsemann, bishop of Cleveland, Ohio. Monsignor Farrell comes from Nashville, which is in the same ecclesiastical province as Cleveland.

CONVICTED CASHIER SUICIDES.

Preferred Death to a Term in the Penitentiary.

Baltimore, Md., May 16.—When he finally succeeded in effecting an entrance to the barricaded residence of John W. H. Geiger, for whose arrest and incarceration in jail he had an order of the United States district court, United States Marshal Langhammer found Geiger dead.

Later Coroner Caruthers found a bullet wound in the roof of Geiger's

mouth and a 22-caliber pistol lay beside the body.

Geiger was the central figure of one of the most sensational cases that has ever been tried in a Baltimore court. He had been cashier of the Canton National bank, but resigned the position in January of last year.

As a result of investigations of National Bank Examiner Hann, he was arrested on February 22, 1897, and his indictment by the United States grand jury on 100 counts preceded his trial. Of the extensive misuse of the funds of the bank he was convicted on five of the forty-seven counts. He was sentenced by Judge Morris to serve five years in jail.

Geiger's counsel appealed the case to the United States district court of appeals, which, about a week ago, sitting in Richmond, decided against him. Appeal was taken to the United States supreme court, but Judge Morris decided that pending that court's decision, Geiger must begin to serve his sentence.

Accordingly, Marshal Langhammer went to the Geiger residence, only to find Geiger dead by his own hand.

Night Rider Depredations.

Lexington, Ky., May 18.—A band of fifty masked night riders invaded the Hinton section of Scott county and destroyed a number of tobacco beds. No shots were fired, no warning had been given and no other damage done. The men were supposedly from Pendleton county.

Two Killed; Many Injured.

Muskogee, Okla., May 16.—Southbound passenger train No. 5 on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, collided head on three miles north of Muskogee with a northbound through freight. Two trainmen were killed and fifteen passengers injured.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

Pelham, Ga., May 16.—By an explosion of a boiler at the saw mill of William Boyington, James Cumlin was killed, his body being hurled about seventy-five yards from the engine, and A. H. Davis and Dekle Miles were injured.

Flotilla Goes to Sacramento.

San Francisco, Cal., May 15.—The torpedo boat flotilla, under command of Captain E. N. Freeman, has gone to Sacramento. Five days of solid entertainment has been provided for by the reception committee of the capital city. This is the first time any vessels of the navy have gone so far inland in California.

Dr. Baker Says Thaw Is Insane.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 15.—Dr. Amos T. Baker, acting superintendent of the state hospital for the criminal insane at Matteawan, testified in the Thaw case that in his opinion Thaw is insane. Dr. Baker said that in his opinion it would be dangerous to public safety to have Thaw go at large.

Took an Overdose.

Atlanta, May 19.—Mrs. Bertha Sidons, a trained nurse, who was in attendance upon Miss Annie Ryan, just next door to her own residence, was found dead from the effects of an accidental overdose of chloroform taken by inhalation.

Cotton Crop Much Reduced.

LaGrange, Ga., May 19.—Hon. Geo. W. Truitt, the great cotton farmer, states that the cotton crop has been reduced fully 7 1/2 per cent, as the purchase of guano has been reduced from 12 to 15 per cent.

Monument To Be Unveiled.

Perry, Ga., May 19.—The confederate monument will be unveiled here Thursday, the 21st instant. General Evans is expected to make the address. A large crowd will attend the exercises.

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS.

House Passed the Vreeland Currency Bill by Vote of 184 to 145.

Washington, May 15.—The Vreeland currency bill, agreed upon by the republican caucus, was put through the house, under a special rule, by a vote of 184 to 145. Fifteen so-called insurgents of the majority party voted with the democrats who went on record solidly against the measure.

The closing moments of the debate were replete with excitement and republican enthusiasm, caused by the refusal of the great majority of the democrats to go on record for the Williams bill, which had been offered by Mr. Kahn, of California, as a substitute for the Vreeland bill.

As soon as the bill reaches the senate, Mr. Aldrich will call a meeting of the committee on finance to consider it. It is expected the committee will vote unanimously to amend the house measure by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the provisions of the bill which was passed by the senate.

The bill permits the issue of \$500,000,000 additional currency. It is designed to meet a financial emergency like that which arose last fall.

Judge Handley To Be Confirmed.

The nomination of Judge Handley for appointment to the federal bench in Alabama will probably be acted upon favorably by the senate judiciary committee soon. Several democrats will vote with the republicans in favor of confirmation which has been delayed for a year. Both Senators Bankhead and Johnston favor Handley, whereas the two former senators, Morgan and Pettus, opposed him.

To Amend Vreeland Bill.

Washington, May 16.—The senate committee on finance met again and voted unanimously to amend the Vreeland currency bill passed by the house by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the provision of the Aldrich bill as passed by the house.

GEORGIA REPUBLICANS.

Delegates to the Chicago Convention Go Uninstructed.

Macon, Ga., May 15.—The work of the republican convention at Macon has been completed, all delegates to the national convention at Chicago having been chosen and properly accredited without instructions as to the support of a presidential nominee.

The four delegates at large are: Walter H. Johnson, Atlanta; Clark Grier, Dublin; H. Lincoln Johnson, negro, Columbus; Judson W. Lyons, negro, Augusta.

Alternates at large for the national convention, are George F. White, Macon; J. W. Gilbert, Atlanta; W. H. Harris, Athens, and S. S. Mincey, Augusta.

Twenty out of the twenty-six delegates from the state are said to be Taft and administration supporters. The convention was harmonious.

Convention of Governors.

Washington, May 15.—The senate conference of governors adopted without opposition a declaration of principles which suggest that the president call future conferences but provide for no permanent organization. The president thanked the conference for the manner in which it had performed its work. W. J. Bryan addressed the convention.

Tillman Sails for Europe.

Boston, Mass., May 19.—Senator B. R. Tillman, of South Carolina, called for Europe on the White Star liner Canopic. The senator, who is accompanied by his wife, is making the trip for his health. Before sailing Senator Tillman discussed the political situation, expressing the opinion that if Secretary Taft receives the republican presidential nomination, the democrats will win.

33 KILLED IN STORM

Work of Tornado Near Shreveport Quite Appalling.

TWO HUNDRED ARE INJURED

Further Accounts of the Twister that Swept with Such Disastrous Results Through Northwest Louisiana, Destroying Three Small Towns.

Shreveport, La., May 15.—Thirty dead and two hundred injured is a conservative estimate of the fatalities caused by the tornado which swept through northwest Louisiana destroying three small towns and leaving wrecked houses and ruined crops in a path a mile wide and fifty miles in length.

The dead at Gilliam, which had about 200 inhabitants, number thirteen, while at Bollinger the known death list is six.

These two towns are about 15 miles apart, and nothing has been learned of the work of the storm in the territory between.

At Elmore, a small town near Gilliam, several houses were destroyed, and it is not known how many people perished. Several of the dead were brought to Shreveport, and the hospitals and sanitariums are crowded with injured, several of whom will die.

The injured at Bollinger number about forty persons. Of these it is believed that not more than three or four will die.

Only two houses were left standing at Gilliam, where the force of the storm was greatest.

A flood of rain following the tornado, made the work of rescue very difficult in the darkness.

Prompt steps were made to succor all who are in need.

At Oil City, the first town struck, several derricks were wrecked, but no one was hurt. Its course was northeast, and as it progressed it gathered in force, until it reached Gilliam, gradually spending its force as it neared the Arkansas state line.

FELIX STIDGER DEAD.

Known as Exposer of the "Golden Circle" During Civil War.

Chicago, May 15.—Felix Grundy Stidger, exposer of the "golden circle," who dropped dead last Monday at his home, was buried Friday.

Scarcely known by his neighbors, and having only a small acquaintance with the civil war veterans of Chicago, his death attracted little attention. If he had passed away forty-five years ago General Grant's army might have taken two more summers to reach the city of Richmond.

Stidger was a secret service man during the two last years of the war. He worked his way into the order of southerners in the northern states, known as the "Knights of the Golden Circle," and became one of its chief officers.

After the war Stidger's life was threatened many times. He moved to Louisville in the late sixties, but found he could not live in the south in safety and was forced to go north.

A BIG SHIPMENT.

Nineteen Solid Car Loads of Strawberries for Northern Markets.

Baltimore, Md., May 15.—Nineteen solid carloads of strawberries passed through Rocky Mount, N. C., recently on their way to the northern markets, seven of them bound to New York, six to Philadelphia, four to Boston, and one each to Pittsburg and Syracuse.

Atlanta commission men calculate that, barring accidents, Georgia will ship this year at least 6,000 carloads of peaches, valued at \$2,000,000, a record-breaking crop.

Furniture Plant Burned.

Evansville, Ind., May 16.—The Hohenstein-Hatmetz furniture plant was completely destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$50,000.

1,000 Want to See Hanging.

Columbia, S. C., May 15.—Jim Malley, the negro murderer, in jail at Bennettville, will be hanged at that place May 22. The sheriff has received more than 1,000 applications for cards of admission to the execution. Only a few will be permitted to see the hanging.

Reception by Dowager Empress.

Pekin, May 15.—The wives of the members of the diplomatic corps here were received by the dowager empress in audience at the summer palace. It was noticed that the empress had aged materially since the last audience a year ago.

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