

GOVERNOR'S DEATH WAS PRECEDED BY HEROIC STRUGGLE

John Johnson, One of Country's Noblest Democrats Leaves En-viable Record For Young America to Follow.



JOHN A. JOHNSON OF MINNESOTA.

ROCHESTER, Minn., Sept. 21.—Sympathy more than state-wide goes out today to a small group of mourners in this little Minnesota town.

The death of Governor John A. Johnson, which occurred at 3.24 o'clock this morning at St. Mary's hospital, following an operation performed six days ago, has much of national interest.

After battling against death with determined resistance for almost a week, Governor Johnson's life had a peaceful ending.

Grouped about his bedside when the end came were Mrs. Johnson, Miss Sullivan, her personal friend, the attending physicians and two nurses.

ROSE FROM RANKS TO GOVERNORSHIP

ST. PAUL, Sept. 21.—John A. Johnson was the first native Minnesotan to be chosen governor of the state, and of that distinction he was prouder than of any other feature of his career.

Gustav Johnson was a blacksmith and for a number of years he conducted his business on a farm near St. Peter.

sons moved to the village of St. Peter, where they re-established his shop, but he failed to prosper in town and finally died, leaving his family in poverty.

Elected to Senate. In 1898, he was nominated by the democrats for the senate and was elected. Here he enhanced his reputation as a public speaker and a student of political questions.

When it was proposed to nominate him for a third time the governor declared he would not be a candidate, but he was unanimously re-nominated and was again elected by a big majority.

TAPT'S MESSAGE. LIMON, Col., Sept. 21.—President Taft today sent the following telegram: "Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Rochester, Minn. My heart goes out to you in sympathy in your present deep sorrow."

TRAIL OF THE SERPENT WINDS AROUND FARNUM

First Leg of the S. Carolina Dispensary Graft Case Is Now on.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 21.—The first of the criminal cases growing out of the investigation of the late state dispensary system was taken up in the Circuit court today when the trial of James S. Farnum, of Charleston, a former liquor dealer and lawyer was started.

KILLED AT ONE BLOW BY FELLOW CONVICT

Charlie Lakey Digests His Last Meal on the Golden Shore.

TIFTON, Ga., Sept. 21.—Charlie Lakey, a convict on the Tift county chain gang was killed with one blow this morning while seated at the breakfast table by Albert White, a fellow convict.

REPORT DENIED. BERLIN, Sept. 21.—The report that Emperor William will race his yacht for the American cup next year is again officially denied.

ALL ST. PAUL NOW MOURNING DEATH OF GOV. JOHNSON

Bells Toll And Buildings Are Draped With The Trappings of Woe

WEeping CHILDREN LINE PLATFORM

Body to Lie In State In Rotunda of The Capitol at St. Paul

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 21.—One of the most remarkable tributes ever paid to the memory of a public man in Minnesota was accorded the late Governor Johnson today.

From the hour that the governor's death was publicly announced by tolling bells in Rochester, all usual public activity was abandoned.

Buildings Draped. All the way along the route to St. Paul flags were at half mast and buildings draped with crepe.

At St. Paul the train was met by detachments of all the local companies of the national guard and an escort of police.

At the capitol the body was placed in the rotunda where it will lie in state until tomorrow afternoon, guarded by four sergeants, four corporals and four privates.

PEARY SAYS HE'LL NOT HAVE ANY 'DOINGS' OVER HIM UNTIL IT'S SETTLED

No Bands, No Music, No Flags, No Highballs—Aw! No Nuttin'.

YES, HE'S SORE, HE IS

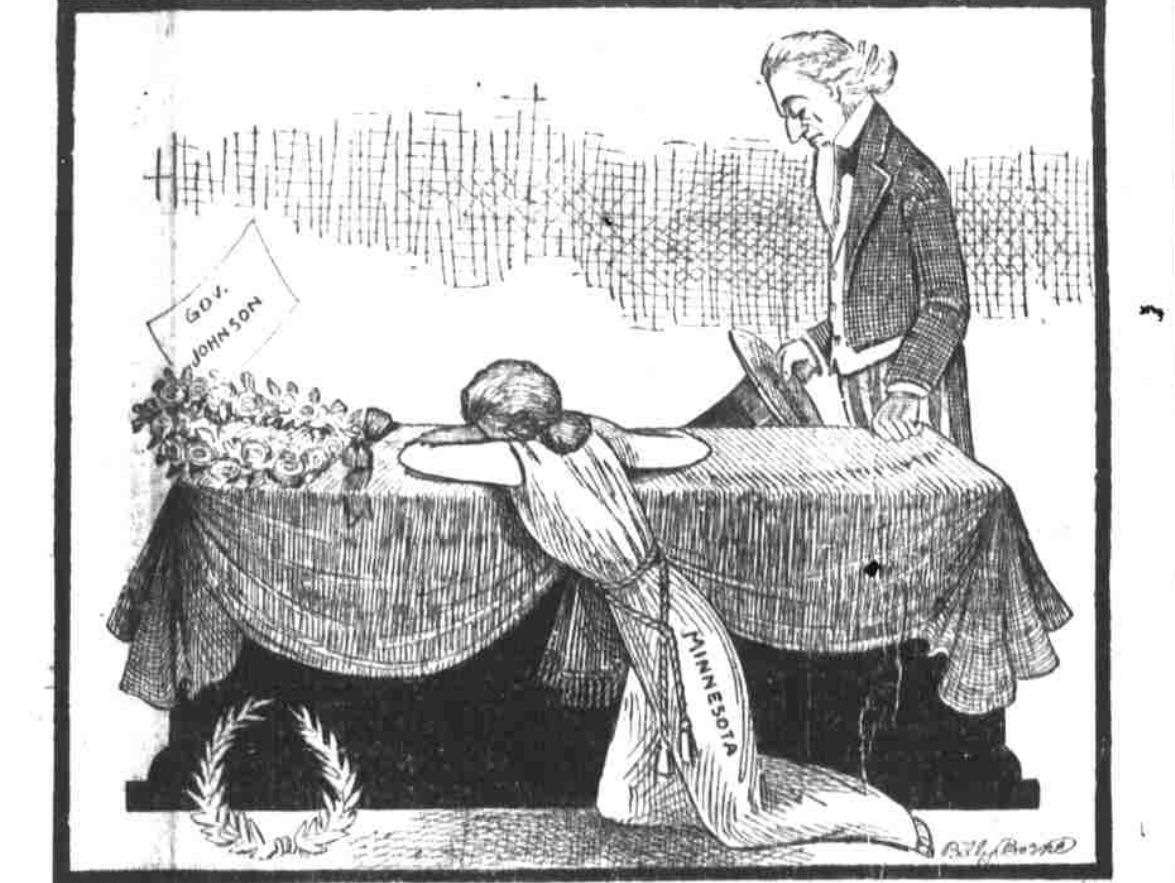
SYDNEY, N. S., Sept. 21.—Commander Robert E. Peary, who arrived here this morning, will accept no invitations to receptions and no public honors until the question of the discovery of the North pole has been decided by scientific authorities.

Commander Peary supplemented this briefly. He was asked when the public was likely to get a decision on this subject and he replied: "I do not know but what I have to say will not be very long delayed."

The explorer will leave Sydney at seven o'clock tomorrow morning and will reach his home on Eagle Island Friday morning.

All Sydney turned out at an early hour to greet the incoming Arctic steamer, with the triumphant commander on board.

A Good Man Is Dead.



EQUINOCTIAL HURRICANE MARKED WITH DEATH AND DESTRUCTION

Several Lives Lost and It Is Estimated That Damage Will Run Up Into Millions of Dollars—Gulf States Were the Worst Sufferers—Sleepless Night for the Citizens of Jackson.

Central last night in Mississippi and sweeping north at the rate of two hundred miles a day, the hurricane which devastated the gulf coast and left a trail of wreck and ruin through four states, continued on its course with undiminished fury.

Of the ruin that it has wrought, no one can give an estimate. In New Orleans alone, five are known to be dead and a million dollars will not repair the damage done to the beautiful crescent city.

From the little and aristocratic summer colonies on the Louisiana and Mississippi gulf coast come vague tales of frightful devastation and fearful tales of lives lost.

At Vicksburg two vessels were sunk and a third was driven ashore. Their passengers were rescued. One vessel lies across the channel and has blocked navigation.

JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 20.—Two persons were killed here last night as a result of the storm which swept portions of Mississippi yesterday.

ED JUSTICE IS AT THE HOSPITAL WHERE GOV. JOHNSON PASSED AWAY

HE WILL RECOVER

GREENSBORO, N. C., Sept. 21.—E. J. Justice, formerly attorney general of this state and a prominent democratic politician, was operated on today for abdominal trouble by Dr. W. J. Mayo at his hospital at Rochester, Minn.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Forecast for North Carolina: Showers Wednesday; Thursday partly cloudy; brisk east to south winds.

Two Killed. Charles Clayton and Karl Wooster, blacksmiths, were caught beneath falling walls here last night and badly mangled.

In the business district, many signs were carried away, roofs taken from buildings, plate glass windows broken and stores flooded.

It was a sleepless night for the entire population of Jackson, and when morning came they found the streets strewn with debris, electric light and gas pipes broken.

FARMERS OF THE WEST RAISE GOOD CROPS BUT RATHER BAD CHILDREN

Kansas Professor Declares That Middle West Folk Spoil Their Children.

TOPEKA, Kansas, Sept. 21.—Farmers in the Middle West are so wrapped up in the production of wheat and corn and in growing meaty steers and fat porkers that they are likely to neglect the upbringing of their children.

Professor McKeever is sending his budding graduates from Manhattan, Kansas, where they are trained mostly by through subscriptions of business men of the state.

done for the new capitol building was crushed in, a number of upper rooms flooded.

The equinoctial hurricane swept upward from the Mississippi coast last night, carrying death and destruction in its wake.

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MAYOR OF NEW ORLEANS DENIES THAT THE CITY HAS BEEN WIPED OFF MAP

He Says That No Tidal Wave Could Possibly Reach Crescent City.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 21.—Taking exception to a report said to have been circulated in various parts of the country today to the effect that New Orleans has been destroyed by a tidal wave, Mayor Behrman tonight issued the following: "To The Associated Press: 'The city of New Orleans is absolutely safe. Situated 100 miles from the gulf of Mexico no tidal wave could reach New Orleans either across the immense area of land between the city and the gulf of Mexico or through the Mississippi river.'

Professor McKeever believes in the doctrine of work for children, coupled with parental attention, as the general basis for rearing a better crop of sons and daughters.

COOK IS HERE AND SAYS HE BROUGHT HIS PROOF ALONG

Landed at New York Yesterday And Is Greeted by Choeing Thousands

HIS WIFE WAS THE FIRST TO MEET HIM

Brooklyn Sent Her Representative But New York Failed to Send One

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—"I have come from the pole. I have brought my story and my data with me. I have not come here to enter into arguments with one man or fifty men, but am here to present a clear record of a piece of work over which I have a right to display a certain amount of pride."

"I am willing to abide by the final verdict of competent judges. That alone can satisfy me and the public."

"Furthermore, not only will my reports be before you in black and white, but I will also bring to America human witnesses to prove that I have been to the pole."

Such is the sum and substance of the first message Dr. Frederick A. Cook brought home in person to America today, answering his critics the world over.

At five o'clock this morning the expedition plans of the Arctic club of explorers was on deck of the Oscar II, which had purposely been held back yesterday, not to disarrange the re-America, but leaving Fire Island shortly after midnight she nosed her way into quarantine at an hour too early for everybody but Dr. Cook.

There was an anxious wait at quarantine while the tugs, bobbed nervously about, the anemometer on board, shouting queries through megaphones at the black sides of the Oscar II, high above them.

A speck in the distance began to assume dimensions. Presently it was recognizable as the tug bearing Mrs. Cook and her two daughters. Quickly the tug came alongside and while the heavy swell running ground her fenders against the plates of her big sister, Dr. Cook clambered nimbly down Jacob's ladder, and with no concern for the cameras trained on him, made a rush for his wife.

For the moment, he even missed the children, who stood a few feet away, until his wife silently led him to them. Then, as he lifted his youngest daughter to his shoulder, the silent, watching crowd that lined the rails of the Oscar II broke into a storm of cheers.

As Dr. Cook finally stepped ashore, it was noticeable that no representative of the nation, the state nor the city was there to greet him.

BROOKLYN WILD OVER DISCOVERER

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Brooklyn's reception to Dr. Cook had all the elements of a riot except violence.

As the Grand Republic steamed up to her dock the whistle of every craft within sight was blown down and a din that drowned out the brass bands had a run of fully five minutes.

It was as if everybody in Brooklyn had turned out to greet Cook. It was just at the noon hour and thousands of school children lined the streets, shouting one word in unison: "Cook!"