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SWIFT DEATH FOR NINETEEN

Montreal Express Ploughed Through Local

RED LIGHTS NOT SEEN

Near Baker Bridge Station, Mass., on Boston and Maine Railroad—Local Was a Few Minutes Late and Heavy Express With Two Locomotives Crashed Into Rear End.

(By the Associated Press.)
Lynn, Mass., Nov. 27.—Two additional bodies were recovered from the wreck this morning. One of them was taken from the top of the forward engine and the other from beneath the engine's truck.

One was that of a man and the other a woman. This makes a total of nineteen dead.

MARY CAMPBELL, Maynard, Mass.; WILLIAM WALSH, Maynard, Mass.; CHARLES WEATHERS, Acton, Mass.

DONOR GAUTHIER, Marlboro, Mass., brakeman of the accommodation train.

CHARLES P. BARNARD, Charleston, Mass., fireman of the Montreal Express.

ANNIE W. HAATWELL, 21 years old, of Littleton.

ANNA HILLBRIDGE, 1 year old, Acton, Mass.

MARY M. SWEENEY, Concord, Mass.

JOSEPHINE CARLSON, Maynard, Mass.

W. J. BARRIS, Maynard, Mass.

HARRIS, 3 years old, son of W. J. Barris.

B. TYDEPRUI, aged 60 years, residence unknown.

MCCURDY HAS RESIGNED

His Son and Son-in-Law Retire With Him

To Take Effect as Soon as the Trustees Can Find a Successor—James B. Tragan, President First National Bank of Chicago, Declines to Consider a Tentative Offer.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Nov. 27.—The World today says: "Richard A. McCurdy, president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, has resigned. The date of his resignation depends only on the time required by the trustees to find his successor."

Quickly following the retirement of President McCurdy, his son, Robert H. McCurdy, general manager of the Mutual, and his son-in-law, Louis A. Thebaud, the general agent for New York, have resigned.

A tentative offer to head the company was made to James B. Fagan, president of the First National Bank of Chicago, who once was an equitable director. Mr. Fagan declined to consider the offer.

No Official Statement.
No official statement was obtainable at the Mutual Life Insurance Company's office today as to the report that Richard A. McCurdy, president of the company, had resigned.

Unofficially, however, it was learned that the company's finance committee is believed to have Mr. McCurdy's resignation under consideration. It was learned also that the connection of Louis A. Thebaud, Mr. McCurdy's son-in-law, with the company, is expected to cease about January 1st.

DAMAGE BY GALE ON BRITISH COAST

(By the Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 27.—Great aggregate damage was done to the coast towns of Great Britain by last night's storm. Many small vessels were driven ashore, but thus far only a few lives are reported to have been lost.

During the night huge waves swept the sea fronts of many resorts. Sea walls and promenades were washed out, and houses and hotels along the sea fronts were flooded. In some cases houses collapsed.

The small coasting steamer Peridot of Glasgow was totally wrecked on the island of Maize. The crew were lost. Seven bodies have been washed up.

The provinces report great damage by the gale. The telegraph wires are down and the telephone line to Paris is interrupted.

The Red Star Line steamer Kronland and the Hamburg-American Line steamer Patrie, bound for New York, had to cruise in the channel until the gale moderated, and were unable to embark their passengers at Dover until this morning, after which they continued their voyage.

FIVE BUILDINGS WERE BURNED

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 27.—Five buildings were damaged by fire of an unknown origin which started today in the factory of Gosh Brothers & Company, manufacturers of picture frames and mouldings, 240 North Second street. The flames spread to the adjoining buildings occupied by W. H. Travilla, flour manufacturers; Dr. Lupton, druggist; the Hyoxia Water Company, and the Peerless Pearl Button Company.

PERKINS GOT COMMISSIONS

He Regarded Them as Trade Discounts

Had Never Made—New York Life's Syndicate Participation.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Nov. 27.—George W. Perkins, vice president of the New York Life Insurance Company, and member of J. P. Morgan & Co., was the first witness called before the legislative life insurance investigating committee today.

He testified that he was insured in the New York Life Insurance Company to the amount of \$310,000. Some of the policies he held were taken out when he was an agent of the company. On six of them the commissions amounted to \$315, and he received these commissions from the agent.

In explaining the testimony of last Friday, when the statement was made by a witness that \$5,720 was paid to Andrew Hamilton, "the legislative insurance generalissimo" by J. P. Morgan & Company, George W. Perkins testified before the insurance investigating committee today that in 1901 J. P. Morgan & Company paid \$5,720 to the Central National Bank and the New York Security Trust Company.

This payment was made, he said, upon the request of President McCurdy of the New York Life, to take up loans to Edward E. McCall and Andrew Hamilton, which those institutions had made at the request of President McCurdy.

Edward E. McCall is a Justice of the New York State Supreme Court, and is a brother of President McCurdy of the New York Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Perkins maintained that the commissions on his own policies were returned to him as trade discounts, and that it was not improper for him to accept them as such. Mr. Perkins said he did not regard it as wrong for any man in any business to receive a trade discount. It was his impression that it had been the general custom for life insurance officers to accept the commission on policies taken out by them.

His own acceptance of a commission, Mr. Perkins said, was in part because he took it out during a price competition between agents. Under the New York Life plan the offering of bonuses, he said, did not promote rebating. Competition between companies he believed to be the cause of rebates.

"What was the New York Life's participation in New York Security and Trust Company's participation in United States Steel syndicate?" asked Mr. Hughes.

SLEW HIS OWN BROTHER

Stabbed Him on the Road Going Home

Had Been Drinking but Were Not Drunk—Said His Brother Was Suddenly Angry and Beat Him Over Head With Bottle.

(Special to The Evening Times.)
Greenboro, N. C., Nov. 27.—Chief of Police May of Greensboro tonight gave yesterday a H. Hornady a well-to-do young farmer of the county, who on Saturday night while going home with his brother, D. B. Hornady, to their country home four miles distant, stabbed and killed him with a pocket knife.

The two men were drinking but were not drunk and had apparently been friendly all the way home, say those who were in the party following fifty yards behind the brothers. It was about ten o'clock. Those behind were attracted by hearing some of the noise in front suddenly begin to grow over something.

When they reached the home, L. H. Hornady was beating over his brother crying, and the protesters in the road gaped out "Hud has stabbed me," and immediately expired.

The fratricide, as soon as the corpse was conveyed to a near by residence, took two companions, walked back to Greensboro and surrendered to the Chief of Police, who brought him and placed in jail yesterday awaiting an investigation to be held here this afternoon.

While Hornady will not talk, it is said that his brother got suddenly angry at him and began beating him over the head with the whiskey bottle and without considering what he was doing he had in his hand. The stab was in his left breast and the blade must have reached his heart.

EXPECTS 15c COTTON

Col. J. C. Cunningham Pleased With Conditions

Addressed Farmers at Enfield Saturday—Found Them Holding for Higher Prices—Diversifying Crops and Buying Machinery.

Col. John S. Cunningham, president of the North Carolina Cotton and Tobacco Growers Association left for his home in Person county this morning. He stopped here en route from Enfield where he addressed a large gathering of farmers Saturday afternoon.

Colonel Cunningham says that they are holding their cotton well, determined to have 14 or 15 cents for the remainder of their crop. He expresses confidence, too, that these prices will prevail before the season is over.

MORE EVIDENCE OF BAD BLOOD

Branch's Efforts to Report Meriwether

Story of the Fight

Branch and Meriwether Fell Together in Clinch Three Times, and Branch Fell in Three Other Instances—Branch Not Badly Punished After 17th Round, When Meriwether Offered to Stop.

(By the Associated Press.)
Annapolis, Md., Nov. 27.—The court martial which is hearing the case of Midshipman Minor Meriwether, Jr., charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Midshipman James R. Branch, Jr., in a fist fight, resumed its sessions this morning.

Charles J. of the defense offered Midshipman W. W. Bradley of the second class, to testify in circumstances to show that Branch had misused his official position when on duty to make unjust reports against Meriwether. An objection to this evidence was entered by the judge advocate.

The court decided that such testimony could be given provided it was shown that circumstances had come to Meriwether's notice previous to the fight.

Midshipman Bradley then said that he had been detailed for duty with Branch shortly before the fight. Branch had told him that they must try to get a report against "that man Meriwether."

When on duty Branch had tried to induce the witness to make a report against Meriwether, which he (Bradley) did not think was justified, and which he refused to make.

Branch had also told him about finding the civilian clothes in the suit case, but had said he had found that they did not belong to Meriwether.

Midshipman Leigh Noyes testified that he had heard of the proposed report from a midshipman, and had told Branch that he had no right to make it if the inspection which he made was not in the line of duty.

REMOVED BY PRESIDENT

Assistant U. S. Treasurer at Philadelphia

William S. Leth Declined to Have Presently Vacated Civil Service Exam—Frank in Examinations Shows, Says Secretary—Mr. Leth's Sister Implicated—Hearing at White House

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Nov. 27.—President Roosevelt today removed from office William S. Leth, Assistant United States Treasurer at Philadelphia, for unethical and improper conduct in the examination of candidates for the office.

In a formal statement issued at the White House today the President (quoted) Mr. Leth's removal is announced. The President says Mr. Leth's hearing last Friday at the request of Senators Dinsmore and Knox of Pennsylvania.

The President declared that the evidence showed fraud in the Civil Service examinations the fraud in one instance implicating Mr. Leth's sister. The President concludes:

"Under these circumstances of persistence in wrongdoing on your part it seems to me that there is no alternative but to remove you from office. You are accordingly hereby removed from the position of Assistant Treasurer of the United States."

ONE OF OUR EMBASSY BEATEN

ASSAULT ON GOV. JEFF DAVIS

(By the Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, Nov. 27.—A. W. Robert Woods Bliss, second secretary of the American embassy, who has just returned here after three months vacation in Paris, was the victim of an outrage by rowdies in one of the most fashionable streets of the capital last night, and only escaped being beaten to death through the timely arrival of the police.

Second Secretary Robert Woods Bliss of the American embassy at St. Petersburg comes from New York, and was formerly American consul at Vienna.

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 27.—Charles Jacobson, private secretary to Governor Davis, has given out a statement here to the effect that Governor Davis had wired him from Fayetteville, stating that former Congressman Hugh Dinsmore and Jack Walker assaulted him last night in his room at his hotel with drawn revolvers, and that he (the Governor) was struck over the head with a revolver. The Governor in turn, according to the statement, struck Dinsmore over the head with a large cane.

Other reports about the affair are current in Little Rock. It is said the Governor had made some remarks which Dinsmore resented. The latter is regarded as a supporter of United States Senator Berry, who is a candidate for re-election, and for which office Governor Davis is also a candidate.

VERMONT MUST DIE NOW

Supreme Court Refuses Mrs. Mary Rogers' Plea

Killed Her Husband

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Nov. 27.—The Supreme Court of the United States today affirmed the decision of the United States district court of Vermont in the case of Mrs. Mary Mabel Rogers, who is under sentence of death in Vermont for the murder of her husband.

The effect of the decision will be to again place the responsibility of dealing with the case in the hands of the State authorities, and in the meantime if neither the Governor nor the State courts take action in Mrs. Rogers' behalf, her execution must occur on the day set, which is December 1 next.

The court held, in effect, that it was without jurisdiction in all the points raised.

The opinion in the case concluded with an order that the mandate issue at once. This will obviate the raising of the question of post-conviction of the day of execution.

NINE KILLED IN POWDER EXPLOSION

DR. MCLEOD IS PLACED ON TRIAL

(By the Associated Press.)
Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 27.—A special to the News from Emporium, Pa., says: The Keystone Powder Company's mixing house and one packing house blew up today, killing nine persons. The dead:

JOHN BOUISSEY, JAMES JOYCE, JAMES CAMPBELL, JOHN HAMILTON, JOHN BUTLER, FRANK HARRINGTON, TOM WEBB, JAMES MURPHY, WILLIAM SPRING.

The injured are: Walter Palmer, slightly cut about head; Joe Galney, leg broken in two places. The town was badly shaken, but there was no damage to town property. The Keystone Works were completely destroyed.

A jury was quickly obtained. The indictment charges McLeod with having been an accessory to the act of performing the illegal operation which resulted in Miss Geary's death, and also with being an accessory to the concealment of the crime.

MRS. GRISSOM IN CRITICAL CONDITION.
(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Nov. 27.—No change is reported this morning in the condition of Mrs. G. Grissom, the young woman who attempted suicide in Farragut Park Saturday.

The husband of the woman, an official of the Leaksville, Woolen Mills, near Spray, N. C., arrived here this morning, and went at once to the hospital. The physicians will make no predictions as to the possibility of the recovery of the woman.

Must Testify.
(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Nov. 27.—In the case of John D. Jack against the State of Kansas, the Supreme Court of the United States today held that the Federal Constitution and the Federal laws cannot be invoked to relieve a witness from testifying before a State court in a proceeding involving the anti-trust laws of the State, thus affirming the decision of the State Supreme Court.

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