

FROM SLEEP TO DEATH MANY WERE KILLED TODAY

Fast Train in Connecticut Jumps Over Embankment With Over One Hundred Passengers

In Twinkling of Eye Express Train Dropped and Groans and Shrieks of Dying and Wounded Filled the Air—Engineer and Firemen Met Instant Death—St. Louis Baseball Team Had Narrow Escape From Death—Twelve Bodies Taken From Wreckage Up to Noon—Scores Carried to Hospitals.

Bridgeport, Conn., July 11.—The Federal Express on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, the fastest train carrying passengers without change from Washington to Boston, this morning plunged down a 20-foot embankment, while running sixty miles an hour. Of one hundred passengers that went down with the first six cars scarcely one escaped death or injury. Twelve bodies had been taken out of the twisted wreckage by noon, including the engineer and fireman, who were so mutilated it is evident they must have met instant death.

Forty four of the injured are in hospitals. Nearly a score or more received injuries not severe enough to prevent them from continuing their journey. The dead are Engineer A. M. Curtis, Fireman W. A. Ryan, Mrs. Gwendolyn F. Rogers, wife of Electrician Sergeant, Coast Artillery, U. S. A.,—Rogers, aged seven weeks, the daughter of Mrs. Rogers; Mrs. C. W. Christie, 2031 Rittenhouse street, Philadelphia; Geo. E. Saunders, Norwich, Conn.; two unidentified men, one a negro, and two unidentified women, one boy, and Helena B. Walcott, residence unknown.

New "Cross Over" Responsible. A new "cross over" installed on the Burr Road viaduct and an embankment on the western outskirts of the city are indirectly responsible for the accident. The train was late and the engineer was driving to make up the lost time when the heavy vestibuled train of nine cars struck the switch at full speed. The locomotive leaped, rocked and swayed over the ties for nearly 100 yards and finally fell to the street below, dragging the six cars down the bank. The coupling broke between the sixth and seventh car, leaving three sleepers upright on the embankment; two of them still on the rails. The wreck occurred just before dawn when one hundred and fifty passengers occupied berths and in a day coach. Just behind the locomotive three cars were piled, one above the other. At the bottom of the heap was the day coach and a majority of the dead were taken from this car. Axes were used in chopping into the overturned cars and in assisting passengers to safety.

The Plunge. The express left Hartford river an hour late, shortly after 4 o'clock this morning, and it was going at a high rate of speed when the open switch, a mile and a half west of Bridgeport, was struck. The switch was near a tower. There was a tremendous crash, an instant of intense silence and then the groans and shrieks of the wounded. The wreck was almost complete, five cars having gone over the viaduct and only two cars of the long train were left on the track. The engine, twisted into junk, was two hundred feet away. Behind were the mail and baggage cars, while a Pullman and coaches were in a mass in the rear. Three Pullmans were almost crumpled up. Passengers in the Pullmans were partly protected because of the Pullmans' strength. In the wreckage of the engine was found a body, thought to be the engineer, who died at his post. A babe, about one year old, was found in one car. It was alive and had become separated from its mother. In another coach a woman was taken out alive, but her child was dead under her. The members of the St. Louis National baseball team, on their way to Boston, were in the last Pullman. All escaped. The ball players were thrown from their berths and badly jarred. Recovering their composure they assisted in rescues of the dying and injured. A mistake of a switching crew in the New York yards probably saved the lives of the players. When the team boarded the train out of Philadelphia they were in the fourth car from the engine. When the cars were taken off the ferry, after circling Manhattan Island, the switchmen accidentally put their coach at the end of the train. All the team's baggage, including their uniforms, was lost in the wreckage.

President Often Used the Train. Washington, July 11.—News of the wreck of the Federal express was received in Washington with more than common interest, not only because of the Washington residents included among the victims, but because of President Taft's using this train many times during the year. On his various trips to Beverly, to New Haven, and other points in the East the Pres-

ident's car was generally attached to the Federal express, leaving here at 5:35 p. m. and circling Manhattan Island by ferry. The President has not been in or near an accident during his many trips throughout the country and heretofore it has not been thought necessary that the unusual precautions should be taken on double track roads of the Eastern and Central West when he travelled. The wreck of the Federal express, however, caused a distinct shock at the White House and it is likely that when the President next goes to Boston or Beverly a pilot engine will precede the train, to which his car is attached. Such a request will undoubtedly be made by White House officials to safeguard the life of the President, where open switches or defective rails threaten peril.

FAIRBANKS TO ADDRESS CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORS

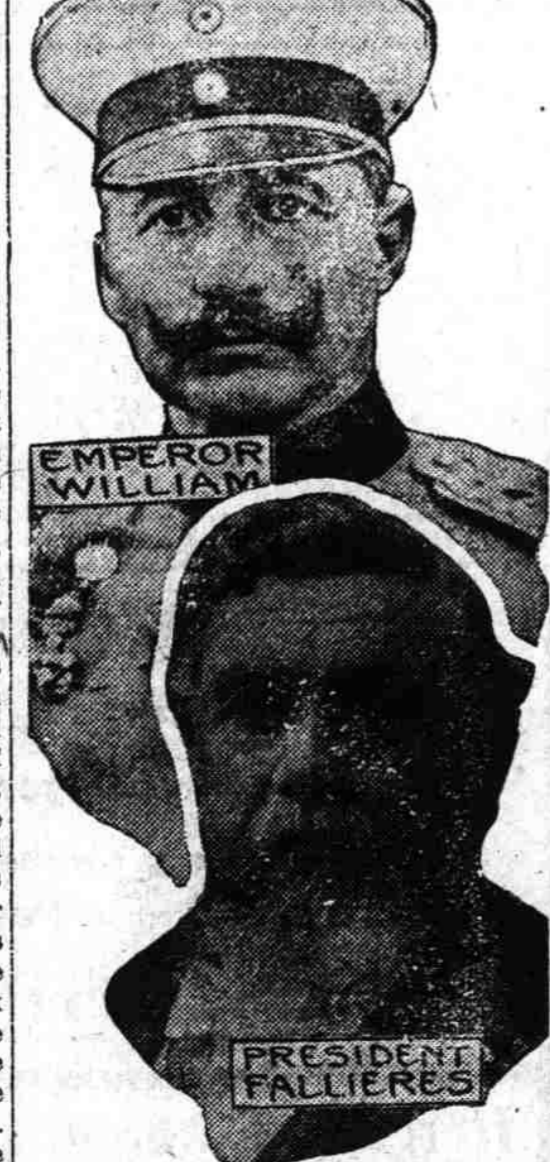
Atlantic City, July 11.—Nine sectional meetings were held here today in conjunction with the Christian Endeavor convention, the most interesting in many ways being the esperanto conference. Tonight former Vice President Fairbanks addresses the convention on the topic "How Foreign Missions Promote Fellowship."

Stocks Today. New York, July 11.—Wall Street—The strength of Western railroad stocks featured the stock market today. Trading was dull, but the market was firm.

Prices of stocks ruled somewhat higher during the morning, following yesterday's publication of the crop report. Traders took a more cheerful view of the crop report than gained from the first impressions of yesterday, laying especial stress on the increased corn acreage. The grain carrying railroads are among the strongest in the list. Some wide fluctuations in specialties were due partly to resumption of pool operations. Bonds were generally firm. There was considerable selling of American Tobacco bonds, which dropped one and one-half.

Business was scanty and purchases at high level, early afternoon prices showing the most of the principal railroad and stocks ruling in the neighborhood of a point above yesterday's closing.

"Courage of Sorts"
A most wonderful Vitagraph picture at the Grand today.



EMPEROR WILLIAM
PRESIDENT FALLIERES

Paris, July 11.—The French and German governments are dangerously near an open breach regarding the situation in Morocco. France is indignant at Germany's attempt to secure territory in the north African country. She claims that no other nations but France and Spain have rights to Moroccan territory. President Fallieres of France and Emperor William have authorized diplomatic representatives to confer with Spanish and British agents in regard to the disposal of the disputed territory. Frequent outbursts against Germany's tactics are heard throughout Paris.

HEAT CAUSING GREAT SUFFERING

And Badly Damaging the Crops

Condition the More Favorable in the Cotton Growing Sections—Weekly Weather Bulletin of Government Makes Interesting Showing—Nine More Deaths in Philadelphia.

Washington, D. C., July 11.—Continued high temperatures, causing hundreds of deaths and much suffering to human and animal life, together with a further general deficiency in precipitation, marked the weather of the week over most of the districts east of the Rocky Mountains, says the National Weather weekly bulletin of the Weather Bureau. In the cotton growing States east of the Mississippi high temperature continued. There was a general lack of sufficient rainfall and the drought continued in many portions of those States. Over the Atlantic Coast States, from Virginia Northward, the week was hot and mostly dry. Vegetation is suffering in nearly all localities. In the cotton growing States the weather conditions are more favorable. The temperatures are moderate. Good rains occurred in many portions. It continues dry, however, over most of North Carolina, and portions of Texas are still dry. More rain is needed in Oklahoma and Tennessee.

With the Government's forecasters clinging to their oft repeated prediction, "Cooler tomorrow," the hot weather continues to prevail throughout the New England and Middle Atlantic States. Local thunder showers over the section east of the Mississippi river were to have brought the temperature down yesterday and today, according to the bureau. The showers came, it is said, but the mercury didn't mind them. Today the bureau insists there will be appreciable moderation tomorrow and the hot wave will be effectually broken by Thursday. Boston and other New England points were the hottest places in the United States this morning, at 8 o'clock the thermometers registering 86 degrees. Atlantic City, and Philadelphia are well up on the list with 84 degrees. Washington and New York began with 82 degrees and promise for a rise high into the nineties.

Nine More Die in Philadelphia. Philadelphia, July 11.—Philadelphia is sweltering again from excessive heat. Up to 10 o'clock nine deaths from prostration were reported. Since the hot wave set in one hundred and forty two deaths have occurred from the heat. The official thermometer recorded ninety degrees.

Teaches Girls to Shoot. Trenton, July 11.—Girls of the Broad Street Park Methodist Episcopal Church are to be taught the use of firearms. Under the direction of their pastor, the Rev. William Stone, the girls have organized the Girl Rangers Club. They are to be trained in artillery and will also devote themselves to athletic sports. The object is to get them to exercise in the open air.

SHRINERS FROM ALL PARTS GATHER IN ROCHESTER

Rochester, N. Y., July 11.—With Shriners present from all parts of the country, Canada, Hawaiian Islands, and the Philippines, the thirty seventh annual session of the Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, assembled here today. Imperial Potentate Fred A. Hines, of Los Angeles, called the convention to order.

GIVE EMPLOYEES A DANCE.

Stamford, Conn., July 11.—Mrs. Frank Danforth, the daughter of the late J. Joseph Alexander, has just received a million and a half dollars from her father's estate, having reached her twenty-first year. Instead of a big affair for her society friends she gave a barn dance for the employees of her mother's estate. Mr. and Mrs. Danforth and a party of house guests, including Miss Cornelia Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Willard and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Curtis, of New York, attended.

STRONGLY GUARDED TO PREVENT LYNCHING

Elkins, W. Va., July 11.—A heavy guard has been placed around the Parsons, W. Va., jail to protect Floyd Helmick from lynching. Helmick, it is alleged, committed a vicious assault yesterday upon the eleven year old daughter of his employer, John Corbin, fatally injured her young brother and then escaped. Following a sensational chase, Helmick was captured twenty miles from here. Lynching was narrowly averted.



U.S. OFFICIALS INSPECTING WRECK OF THE MAINE

Havana, July 11.—Work on the wreck of the battleship Maine is progressing rapidly, and General Bixby, the officer in charge of the operations for raising her, left for New York, stating that the work will be completed in about three weeks if nothing unforeseen takes place. General Bixby is at the same time of the opinion that it will be impossible ever to determine accurately whether the original explosion, which was responsible for the sinking of the Maine, came from the outside or whether it took place in one of the powder magazines in the ship's hull. Meanwhile the engineers are daily bringing rusted and corroded fragments to the surface which are being shipped to the United States, where they will find a final resting place in the various cities, either as relics or as decorations on the graves of sailors and soldiers. The water in the great caisson inclosing the Maine has been lowered fifteen feet.

GIRLS ARE HELD WAY NOW CLEAR

Young Women Who Shot Millionaire Stokes Are Held for the Grand Jury—Bond Fixed at Five Thousand Dollars.

New York, July 11.—Ethel Conrad and Lillian Graham, the young women who June 6th shot W. E. D. Stokes, the millionaire hotel man, in their apartment, were today held in five thousand dollars bail for the grand jury, on a charge of felonious assault.

LARGE SHIPYARD WAS BURNED UP TODAY

Vancouver, B. C., July 11.—Wallace's shipyard, one of the largest industries in North Vancouver, was today destroyed by fire. The loss is heavy. It is reported that several boats on the ways were burned.

"OLOGIES AND ISMS"

Prof. Morgan Discusses Live Subject Before Educators. San Francisco, July 11.—"Ologies and Isms" in connection with courses in science were condemned at a department meeting of the National Education Association today by Professor W. C. Morgan, University of California, who said:

"The most important contribution which science has to make toward the education of the people should be offered in the first year, the fundamental ideas affecting the life and welfare of mankind, whether they come from one science or from many. This means a general science course, treating those things which come within the general experience of the class. It should teach things, not 'ologies' or 'isms.' It should never be a series of 'six weeks courses' in half a dozen different sciences, but rather something like the old natural physiology."

DEMOCRACY'S HOPE.

Washington, July 11.—Former Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, who has been here in consultation with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, about the contempt proceedings against the Federation officials, conferred at the Capitol today with many Democratic leaders in both houses of Congress. There were numerous exchanges of views over the political situation. A fairly general expression of hope was voiced from the Democratic standpoint.

JOHN W. GATES IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Paris, July 11.—The condition of John W. Gates, the American financier, is worse. His physicians said today the patient is in a critical state.

BIG ATHLETIC MEET TODAY

Americans and Britishers Face Each Other

Sters and Giants of the Athletic Arena Meet in London to Contest for College Honors—United States Will Not Be as Well Represented as It Could Have Been—The Different Events and the Contestants.

ENGLAND WINS.

Queen's Club, Eng., July 11.—With America and England tied at four victories each, Philip John Baker, of King's College, turned the scales for the home team by winning the one mile run. It was the most exciting international university contest yet witnessed. The staying power of the Englishmen at long running featured. The only running event captured by the Americans was the half mile won by B. M. Preble, of Harvard. Baker won the deciding event by five yards amid great enthusiasm.

London, England, July 11.—For the fourth time since the proposition to match the boasted prowess of the American college athlete with that of the English university men was first mutually accepted twelve years ago, the merger forces of Harvard and Yale will meet a Cambridge-Oxford combination today in London.

In the last two of the three similar contests the Englishmen have been beaten easily by a total of 12 points to 6, and in the first meet, in 1899, they barely won by the margin of one point. Notwithstanding this showing, it was the Englishmen who renewed the idea of a meeting this year. Harvard and Yale promptly accepted, and on June 24th last eighteen sprinters, runners, jumpers and weight throwers—the pick of the track teams of the two universities—embarked at New York for another invasion of England, confident that nothing less than an upset by sea-sickness, climatic change or accident could prevent the annexation of another international event. Late reports from New Brighton, the seaside resort near London, where the invaders have had ten days' training, have indicated no such ill-luck to blight the assurance of conquest.

There has been and is at home, however, among close observers of the situation, less confidence in the team. If it were not, in fact, true that the challenge from England came a full two weeks before the recent intercollegiate games at Harvard, it might have been a popular suspicion among American observers that the Englishmen had taken note and advantage of the weakness of the Harvard-Yale forces this year. Yale was a poor second to Cornell in the intercollegiate, and Harvard a bad seventh. It is plain from this showing that the blend of Crimson and Blue can by no means be regarded as representative of championship colors among American colleges, and the fact is further impressed by noting that two of the eighteen competitors who have gone to England won a first place in the intercollegiate. The two are Chisholm and Holden of Yale, who won the 120 yards high hurdles and the running broad jump, respectively.

Whatever discounting of the chances of Harvard-Yale success in England may be involved in the lack of championship colors among American colleges, however, by the interesting comparison of the records of the American contestants with their Cambridge and Oxonian opponents. The comparison is decidedly favorable to Yankee success. As in the former contests, nine events are on the program, and in all but two the Harvard-Yale men boast of better past performances than are reported from the Oxford-Cambridge camps this year.

WIN CASE AGAINST SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Washington, July 11.—Eight companies, operating tanneries in different parts of the South, won the contest against the Southern Railway Company and other North and South carriers, when the Inter-state Commerce Commission today held that the recent advance of two cents a hundred pounds, on products of Southern tanneries, to Northern and Eastern markets was unreasonable. The defendant lines will be required to restore the former rates. Leave is granted the tanneries to file complaints for reparation upon the basis of the old rates, the broad intimation of the opinion being that such reparation would be granted.

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ELKS HOLDING BIG SESSION

Election of Officers Chief Event Today

Spirited Contest Over Three Offices, But Result Will Not Be Known Before Tonight—Portland, Oregon Gets the Next Convention—Monster Parade Takes Place Thursday.

Atlantic City, July 11.—Two sessions of the Grand Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, were held today. The principal business transacted was the election of officers, with a spirited contest on for the three principal offices, Grand Exalted Ruler, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. The candidates for the first office were Colonel John P. Sullivan, of New Orleans; Charles A. Rasbury, of Dallas, Texas; and A. C. Moreland, New York, editor of the Elks' Antler, known as the "Blind Elk."

Geo. B. Locke, of Rogers, Ark., was a candidate for Grand Treasurer against Edward Leach, of New York, the present incumbent. David McAaron opposed Fred C. Robinson, of Dubuque, Iowa, the incumbent, for Grand Secretary. The result of the balloting will not be announced until tonight. While the delegates to the twenty fifth annual meeting of the lodge discussed various problems, thousands of their brother Elks bathed in the Ocean or took in the attractions of the resort. The parade is the order for Thursday. It is expected that 50,000 Elks will be in line. The next meeting of the Grand Lodge of Elks will be held at Portland, Oregon. Portland had no opposition.

DARING AVIATORS END WASHINGTON TRIP

Baltimore, July 11.—Harry N. Atwood and Charles K. Hamilton, the aviators who alighted in an aeroplane here yesterday morning, after a spectacular air journey from Atlantic City, resumed the last lap of the record breaking overland journey from Boston to Washington shortly after dawn this morning, at 3:45 o'clock. The aeroplane moved at a height of about two hundred feet and arrived at College Park, a few miles outside of Washington, at 5:45 o'clock.

HOKE SMITH IS ASSURED SENATORSHIP

Atlanta, Ga., July 11.—Governor Hoke Smith's election as United States Senator, to succeed Joseph M. Terrell, was assured by separate ballots taken in the Georgia House and Senate at noon today. He received more than the 115 votes necessary to elect by joint session, which meets tomorrow.



W. W. ROCKHILL
Constantinople, July 11.—W. W. Rockhill, the new ambassador to Turkey, has begun his official duties and has been well received by the administrative authorities here. Mr. Rockhill has spent almost thirty years in the diplomatic service and is one of the leading authorities on Chinese affairs. He explored Tibet in 1887. He was serving as ambassador to Russia when appointed to the position in Turkey.