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Twenty Lives Lost and \$50,000,-000 Damage at Pittsburg.

FEET WATER REACHES 39

Ten Square Miles of Territory Inundated-Fires Spread Terror and Destruction-Dynamite Checks Flames-Looting Amid Suffering.

Pittsburg, Pa .- The flood of 1907 the most disastrous Pittsburg ever saw, has caused a loss of \$50,000,000 and a score of lives. The crest of the flood came when the rivers reached 36.6 feet, breaking all records.

Then the waters slowly began to recede. But the danger had not passed. Al! night the chiefs of the Fire Department had been in suspense for fear a fire would break out, with no water to fight it. At 8 o'clock a. m. the expected happened. A small blaze started on Mount Washington and the firemen were powerless. The flood had put the city water plant out of service, and soon an entire block in Shiloh street, the business part of Mount Washington, was burning fiercely. The firemen used chemical engines and bucket brigades were formed, but the flames continued to spread. Then dynamite was resorted to and several buildings were blown up. In that way the loss of half a million dollars.

out at various places, but fortunately | tion for twenty-one years. none of them was serious.

car system was blocked completely. There was no electric light, not a telephone in service, and no water. in the constitution. Every railroad entering Pittsburg, except the Pennsylvania from the

east, was out of business. The newspapers were badly crippled and some were compelled to print in the pressrooms of rivals sitnated on higher ground.

Twenty lives were lost in the Pittsburg district, two at Gloucester, Ohio, four near Parkersburg, W. Va., and

sixteen near Steubenville, Ohio. Business was practically suspended, and reports of crime were many. the eyes of the owners. Pickpockets reaped rich harvests among the crowds of sightseers until the police issued an appeal for people to stay

Five men are thought to have lost their lives in the Ohio River at Sewickley. Four well-dressed. menalighted from a train on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad, which was stalled at Lashiel's ferry, and engaged James Greenway, a ferryman, to take them across the Ohio River, a mile wide at this point, to Sewickley, where they could catch a train. Greenway collected \$10 from the men and, after turning it over to his wife, put out in the raging torrent in a yawl with the four men. Within a few minutes cries for help came out of the darkness. The party never reached Sewickley. It is believed their frail craft was crushed in the

heavy ice floes. A city distressed is McKeesport. Death rode on the wave in that famous little steel town. Eleven lives were lost. Paul Rice, while trying to save his household goods, fell into the Youghiogheny and was drowned. A wharf boat broke from its moorings, carrying Watchman Bilas Gray to death in the flood. The four-yearold son of J. B. Tomodolsky fell from a perch into the water. Three Hungarian children were drowned.

The relief corps of McKeesport reported that 25,000 sufferers had applied for and received relief. -There is fear, however, of a bread and milk

There was much looting there. Mayor Coleman gave orders that the

floors by ropes. much was feared, passed out without ! tinuing vigorous." doing much damage.

Eleven Drowned in Flood.

Athens, Ohio .- The flood waters of the Hocking River took seven lives | in Athens and four elsewhere in the

All the persons, with the exception of the World. of Barth, were in a skiff which cap-

part of the town is not in danger.

OKLAHOMA'S CONSTITUTION

Convention Adjourns and Its Work Will Be Voted on August 6. .

Woman's Suffrage Defeated-Probibition is Declared and a Fellow Servant Low Included. .

Guthrie, Okla .-- The Constitutional Convention, after completing its work of drawing up a set of laws to govern the proposed new State of Oklahoma, adjourned sine die. The constitution as prepared will be submitted to the people of Oklahoma and Indian Territory for ratification or rejection at a special election on August 6 next.

The convention was in session 115 days. One of the last acts of the convention was to appoint a committee to solicit funds to pay for the election of August 6, the convention having exhausted all the money appropriated by Congress. The convention was composed of 100 Democrats and

twelve Republicans. Probably the most important measure killed by the convention was that providing separate railway coaches for whites and negroes. Female suf-

frage was defeated by a few votes. The initiative and referendum, patterned after the Oregon law, was adopted, as was a provision provid-ing for the nomination of all State officers and United States Senators by primaries.

Oklahoma will be a prohibition tion: State, the most stringent liquor law in existence, prohibiting not only the flames were arrested after twenty sale, but the introduction of liquor buildings had been destroyed with a into the State, being provided for. The enabling act provided that In-Within the day other fires broke dian Territory must accept prohibi-

Provision is made for a State Rail-Early in the morning the street | way Commission, to be elective, and a two-cent passenger fare is ordered. A fellow servant law is embodied

Corporations are prohibited from owning more land than is absolutely necessary in the operation of their

The issuance of watered stock is prohibited, and the books of all corporations are made subject to inspection at all times.

A commission is appointed to negotiate the purchase of the segregated mineral lands in the Indian Territory, valued at many millions of dollars, and State ownership and op-Valuable goods were stolen under cration of the coal mines thereen is contemplated.

KILLS JERSEY CHARTERS.

Annual House Cleaning of Delinquent 1600 Corporations.

Trenton, N. J .- Governor Stokes issued a proclamation revoking the charters of more than 1600 New Jersey corporations which have failed to pay the annual franchise tax levied by the State for the fiscal year of 1905-'06.

The proclamation is an annual affair, provided by the corporation laws for the weeding out of delinquent corporations, and it seldom makes its appearance without sensational stories of a great fight being waged against corporate interests by the State.

The fact is that the revoking of has little effect upon the business world, since a large percentage of the corporations involved are without actual existence, except on paper. It is estimated that probably eighty per cent, of the delinquent companies have never transacted any actual business since their incorporation, many of them having failed even to obtain subscribers to \$1000 worth of stock, which is the minimum amount with which they may start

CONFINED TO WALL STREET.

Bradstreet's and Dun's Agencies Report No Outside Depression.

New York .- Both agencies agree police should shoot any one found that the depression in Wall Street, looting without asking any questions. has not affected commodities. Brad-"Shoot, and let the Coroner ask ques- street's thus outlines the situation: tions-I'll answer him," was his curt | "Trade conditions continue to improve, the tendency in this respect It was a day of suffering in Alle- | being the direct antithesis of that disgheny. All the city officials, under played in the stock market, where the direction of Mayor Kirschler, prices have been moving downward worked, taking people out of flooded at a rapid pace. This movement has houses and providing retreats. Hun- given rise to some pessimistic sentidreds of persons are now without | ments, but it is noteworthy that con-100d. Mayor Kirschler got all the sumption of commodities throughout money in the Charities Department, the country is going on at an enorand sent boats through the streets | mous rate, and that high prices seem delivering food, coal and medicine to have little, if any, effect on demand." to the marooned ones. Supplies had Dun's Review says: "Depression in to be hoisted up to second and third | the stock market did not extend beyond Wall Street, commodity prices The ice gorges, from which so ruling high and general business con-

GOLDFIELD SHUTS DOWN.

Mine Owners and Merchants Suspend Business to Fight a Union.

ens off from the world. Communica- store in Goldfield is closed. The tion by telephone was restored. streets are crowded with idle men, Those drowned in Athens are: E. D. and armed guards are everywhere as Sweet, Albert Sweet, — Turner and a result of the general lockout insti-wife, — Young, Charles Bears, Otto tuted by mine owners and business men against the Industrial Workers

Everything is at a standstill and sized. The other drownings occurred will be for an indefinite time. This at Neisonville, where three lost their is the culmination of labor troubles lives, and at Trimble, where one was that have been almost continuous for months. The mine owners and mer-Fifty houses were swept away, and | chants, who have the support of memfifty more are tottering. A thousand bers of the unions affiliated with the bersons are homeless and living in American Federation of Labor, are churches and halls. The business determined to fight the Industrial New Delmar-Pitt Railroad. Workers to a finish.

MRS. RUSSELL SAGE GIVES \$10,000,000 FOR CHARITY

Founds Trust Fund to Improve Living Conditions.

RESEARCH IMPORTANT FEATURE

Will Be Known as Sage Foundation, and is to Be National in Scope-Social Conditions Are to Be Remedied-Helen Gould a Trustee.

Albany, N. Y .- Ten million dollars of the Russell Sage fortune is to be given by Mrs. Sage to the improvement of social and living conditions in the United States. An organization known as the Sage Foundation, managed by prominent philanthropists of both sexes, is to have charge of the fund. Only the income from the \$10,000,000 is to be used.

A bill incorporating the Sage Foundation was introduced in the Assembly by Assemblyman Prentice, of New York. These persons are named as the incorporators of the Foundation:

Robert W. De Forest, Cleveland F. Dodge, Daniel C. Gilman, John H. Glenn, Miss Helen M. Gould, Mrs. William B. Rice and Miss Louisa L. Schuyler.

Mrs. Sage, through her attorney, R. W. De Forest, makes the following statement concerning the founda-

"I have set aside \$10,000,000 for the endowment of this foundation. Its object is the improvement of social and living conditions in the United States. "The means to that end will in-

clude research, publication, education, the establishment and maintenance of charitable and beneficial activities, agencies and institutions and the aid of any such activities, agencies and institutions already established

"It will be within the scope of such a foundation to investigate and study the causes of adverse social conditions, including ignorance, poverty and vice, to suggest how these conditions can be remedied or ameliorated, and to put in operation any appropriate means to that end.

"It will also be within the scope of such a foundation to establish any new agency necessary to carry out any of its conclusions and equally to contribute to the resources of any existing agencies which are doing efficient and satisfactory work, just as the present general education fund, organized to promote higher education, is aiding existing colleges and universities.

"While its scope is broad it should, preferably, not undertake to do within that scope what is now being done or is likely to be effectively done by other individuals or by other agencies with less resources. It will be its aim to take up the larger and more difficult problems, and to take them up, so far as possible, in such a manner as to secure co-operation and aid in their solution. In some instances it may wisely initiate movements with the expectation of having them maintain themselves unaided after being once started. In other instances it may start movements with the exthe charters of even 1600 companies | pectation of carrying them on itself. Income only will be used for its charitable purposes, because the foundation is to be permanent and its action continuous. It may, however, make investments for social betterment which themselves produce income.

"While having its headquarters in New York City, where Mr. Sage and I have lived and where social problems are pressing and complicated, partly by reason of its extent and partly because it is the port of entry for about 1,000,000 immigrants a year, the foundation will be national in its scope and in its activities. I have sought to select as my trustees men and women who are familiar with social problems and who can bring to their solution not only zeal and interest, but experience and judg-

NIAGARA ICICLE KILLS MAN. Drops on Trolley Car and Five Pas-

sengers Are Injured.

Niagara Falls, N. Y .-- A huge icicle dropped from the cliffs of the Niagara Gorge onto a trolley car of the Gorge road as it was passing the Whirlpool Rapids. Everett Ramsdell, a conductor, was killed. Dr. and Mrs. I. E. Nerveg, of Siour City, Iowa, and Miss Nerveg were struck on the back and badly bruised, and S. C. Lindsay and wife, of Pittsburg, were injured, the former having his hand smashed. The injured were taken to the Prospect House.

Dr. Nerveg and wife were on their honesmoon. Ten days ago they were married in Harvey, Ill., as the climax of a pretty romance in the Sioux City College of Medicine, of Sioux City, lowa. Dr. Nerveg had charge of one of the surgery classes and Miss Edna Shadle, of No. 720 West Fourth street, Sioux City, now his bride, was one of his students.

TWENTY-TWO MEN DROWNED.

Only Two Saved When Boat Capsized in the Sacramento. Redding, Cal.-Twenty-four Greek

laborers started to cross the Sacramento River in a boat at Pitt. The boat capsized and twenty-two of the men were drowned. The men were employed by the

FATAL OHIO RIVER FLOODS Lives Lost Amid Ice Floes as Towboat Sinks.

Railroad Bridge Swept Away in Pennsylvania, Precipitating Freight Train Into Rushing Waters.

Pittsburg, Pa. - In one of the greatest river boat disasters in recent years two lives were lost and a score threatened on the Ohio River, and eight others are known to have been drowned in other places on the river and its tributaries.

The spring floods promise to be the worst since 1873.

The dead, besides John Kennett and a deckhand named Session, lost in the boat wreck, are Lloyd Weyant,

of Bakersville; William Beard, Jones Mills, and Annia Shute, of Hastings. Three men drowned, a railroad bridge washed away, a county bridge in danger of following the railroad bridge into the Allegheny River and an engine and five cars in the water are the first results of the rapid rise during the night of Deer Creek, near Harmarsville, on the West Penn Railroad.

A freight train east-bound entered on the bridge about 5 o'clock a. m., but had not gone further than the second pier when the pier suddenly gave way. Before the engine driver, fireman or a brakeman on the front part of the train could realize what had happened the bridge went down, carrying the engine, trainmen and five freight cars with it.

So rapidly had the Deer Creek risen during the night that it had attained a height of sixteen feet instead of the normal, from four to six feet. So great, too, was the force of the current that one of the five freight cars, heavily loaded, was carried down the creek a distance of over a quarter of a mile before its progress was stayed. The fireman. engine driver and brakeman had not the slightest possible opportunity of escaping, but were immediately dragged into the roaring current and

About ten miles below Pittsburg at Pacific Coast. 1906, choice.. 13 @ 8 o'clock p. m., the great tugboat Cruiser, of the River Coal Trust, went down after striking the abutment of

a Government dam. wenty other persons were plunged into the icy water. Captain Harry Swaney, of the Cruiser, met his brother at the pilot-house door. They swam out together into the stream, holding to the same bit of wreckage.

One mile down the river they were rescued by Joseph McDonald; who, from his residence, saw the lights of the Cruiser disappear and jumped into a yawl. He took the captain and pilot to shore, and started across the river to where the steamer Valiant lay with steam up.

Dispatches from all sections of Western Pennsylvania report heavy rains. Connellsville streams rose at an alarming rate. Dunbar is inundated and Oakdale, Ingram, Carnegie, Wilmerding, Sharpsburg and Turtle Creek borough were already under water. At the latter place many were rescued from houses by skiffs. Pittsburg rivermen prepared for a flood stage of twenty feet.

Cincinnati, Ohio. - Heavy rain storms throughout the Ohio Valley did much damage in the Mill Creek Valley and other suburban sections.

Lancaster, Ohio .- The worst flood since 1873 swept Lancaster. The police and fire departments are working to rescue people from the second stories of their homes in the west and south ends and the Hocking Valley tracks are washed out for more than a mile.

Springfield, Ohio. - Twenty-five families were rescued in boats from the flooded district near Buck Creek, where a section a mile long by four blocks wide is under water. Mrs. Mary Wills and her four-day-old child were removed to the hospital. This is the worst flood in eleven years.

ADMITS JAPANESE TO SCHOOLS.

San Francisco School Board Adopts Resolution President Asked For.

San Francisco, Cal.-In accordance with a promise to President Roosevelt the Board of Education passed a resolution readmitting Japanese children of limited age to the primary schools of San Francisco.

The board members declare they have now kept taith with the President and are waiting for him to fulfill his part of the contract. If the large influx of Japanese should continue the board will ask an explanation from Washington.

Mayor Schmitz was at the meeting, but there was no discussion of the resolution, which was prepared at Washington. P. S. Barber, chief clerk to United States District Attorney Devlin, was present, and as soon as the resolution was adopted he sent a telegram to the President.

Robbers Wreck Bank. The Union State Bank of Hunne-

well, Kan., was wrecked by safeblowers. Five explosions aroused the residents, who gave chase to the burglars. The robbers escaped on a handcar.

Former French President Dead. M. Casimir-Perier, former President of France, died suddenly at Paris of embolism of the heart. He was born in 1847.



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Sweets, per bbl. 2 75 @ 3 75
Tomatoes, per carrier 2 06 @ 3 50
Egg plant, per box 2 00 @ 3 50
Squash, per box 1 00 @ 2 50

 Peppers, per carrier
 2 00 @ 3 50

 Lectuce, per basket
 40 @ 2 00

 Cabbages, per ton
 15 00 @50 00

 String beans, per basket
 1 00 @ 3 50

 Onions, Ct.; white, per bbl
 4 00 @ 7 00

 Orange Co., per bag
 1 25 @ 2 75

 Carrots, per bbl
 1 25 @ 2 00

 Beets, per bbl
 1 00 @ 1 50

 Celery, per case
 1 25 @ 2 50

 Turnips, per bbl
 1 12 @ 1 25

 Okra, per carrier
 2 00 @ 3 00

 Cauliflower, per basket
 2 50 @ 4 00

 Brussels sprouts, per gt
 5 @ 20

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 Parsley, per bbl.
 5 00 @ 4 00

 Spinach, per bbl.
 1 00 @ 2 00

 Watercress, per 100 bunches 1 00 @ 2 50

 Kale, per bbl.
 1 25 @ 1 50

 Shallots, per 100 bunches
 2 00 @ 4 00

 Radishes, per basket
 1 50 @ 2 00

 Parsnips
 per bbl
 1 75 @ 2 25

 Horseradish
 per bbl
 5 00 @ 6 00

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MANY BILLS HIT AT ROADS.

Western State Legislatures Have Con-

sidered 712 Measures.

New York City.-How prolific railroad legislation has been during the past year is shown by the fact that in ten Western States 712 bills have been presented during sessions of Legislatures, and forty-five in the National Congress just closed. The bills are apportioned as follows: Illinois, seventy-two; Iowa, forty-seven; Wisconsin, 125; Missouri, 177; Nebraska, seventy-nine; Kansas, fifty-five; Colorado, four; Montana, eleven; South Dakota, ten, and Wycming, seven. In every State an anti-pass has been presented.

In Illinois a legislator offered a bill requiring fire escapes on passenger cars. Another bill would prevent freight train men from riding on top of freight cars while in motion.

Safety devices come in for a large share of attention, and one man in Minnesota offers a series of prizes for devices which will prevent train wrecks. The first prize is \$20,000 in cash, and the four others are graded down to \$2500. The bill does not say how the winners of the prizes shall be determined, other than that they shall be awarded for devices which will prevent train wrecks.

Larger Crops Expected.

The West and South are calling early for funds and the demand is larger than generally occurs at the start of the season; yet this only means extra preparation for enlarged planting operations, thus insuring, with ordinary weather conditions, more than average crops.

More Horses Wanted. than at any time in twenty year:.

UP AT HER DOCK

Disaster to the lena in Fatal Toulon Harbor.

POWDER MAGAZINES EXPLODE

Spectacle a Terrifying One-Bodies of Victims Hurled Through the Air-Scores Jumped Into Water -Death Roll Large.

Toulon, France.—By one of the most terrifying and strangest disasters in history, the great battleship Iena, the pride of the French navy, was blown up. As a result, Captain Adigard, the commander of the battleship; Captain Vertiez, Chief of Staff of the Mediterranean squadron, and from seventy to eighty bluejackets are dead, while Rear-Admiral Manceron and hundreds of other men

are suffering from horrible injuries. Naval circles are aghast at the extent of the fearful catastrophe, and the public is stunned by the appalling details of this accident, coming so soon after the loss of the French submarine boat Lutin, in which six-

teen men met a fearful death. There were about 630 officers and men on board the lena at the time of the disaster, but many of them

jumped into the water. The Iena was undergoing an inpection of her machinery in the first basin of the Missiessy dock.

The concussion caused by the ex-

plosion of a compressed air torpedo set fire to the after powder magazine, blowing the whole afterpart of the vessel up. Further explosions on the Iena occurred at frequent intervals and debris flew over the dockyard for a dis-

tance of 500 yards. The windows of

the workshops around the scene of

the explosion were all broken. The

electric wires flashed in the fuses and then broke down all about the Missiessy dock. A shell weighing twenty jounds was hurled a quarter of a mile before striking and sinking into the

A complete panic prevailed .. mong the employes of the arsenal, who were returning to work from lunch when the powder magazine blew up, and many of them made a rush toward the Missiessydock, whence clouds

of thick smoke were arising. No one seemed to know what had happened until some one shouted:

"The Iena has blown up!" An officer then peremptorily called out: "Save yourselves!" and all the workmen and others made a rush

for the nearest exit from the arsenal. Later squads of workmen and sailors approached the scene of the disaster, at the peril of their lives, and as they neared the dock they could dimly observe through dense smoke human remains flying constantly in the air, following further explosions on the doomed vessel, which presented a terrifying spectacle and caused the arsenal employes to wring their hands with horror.

Suddenly blackened forms with haggard eyes rushed madly through the lines of spectators, not knowing where they were fleeing.

Officials declare that the magazines of the Iena were completely filled with explosives and that the recurrent detonations indicated that they were all on fire.

A signalman on the Iena, named Giudicelli, who escaped, says that a large number of the crew of the battleship were gathered in the forepart of the ship, listening to a lecture which was being delivered by an officer when the first explosion came. Most of these were able to escape. Many of the crew saved their lives

ing the quays, whence they fled to places of safety. The Iena was flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Manceron, commanding one of the divisions of the Mediterranean squadron. The command-

by climbing down ladders and reach-

PITTSBURG HAS A BRAINSTORM

er of the vessel was Captain Adi-

When News Comes That It and Alle-

gheny Will Be Legally One. Pittsburg, Pa. — Pittsburg had a brainstorm when word came from Philadelphia that the Supreme Court had affirmed the Greater Pittsburg bill, making the consolidation of Pittsburg and Allegheny a certainty

ten days hence. Whisties were blown and every-

body acted foclish for a time. The annexation of Allegheny gives Pittsburg a population of 521,000, probably making it the sixth largest city in the United States, although this claim may be contested by Baltimore. By the consolidation Pittsburg moves forward from eleventh place among the cities, passing Cleveland, Buffalo and San Francisco.

37,323 Rural Mail Routes.

The report on the operations of the rural delivery service up to March 1, 1907, made public at Washington by the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General, shows that the total number of petitions received up to that date was 59,920, upon which 15,701 adverse reports have been made, and there are now in operation 37,323 routes More persons want to buy horses on which 37,174 regular letter carriers are employed.