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SENATOR BECK DROPS DEAD

Stricken in the Depot Where Garfield Was Shot.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Senator James B. Beck, the strongest man, in many respects, on the Democratic side of the senate, has passed away. He died suddenly of heart disease without a moment's warning at about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. He was in the Baltimore and Potomac railway station, within 100 feet of the silver star that marks the spot where Garfield fell when struck by Gaiter's bullet, when he expired. He had just arrived on the limited express from New York, and was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Goodloe. He got off the train with the rest of the passengers and walked with his daughter the entire length of the platform and through the gate leading to the station proper. After passing into the station the senator and his daughter stopped and were joined by his private secretary, who had brought a carriage to take them home. A few words were exchanged with regard to the care of baggage, when the senator placed his hand to his head, saying, "I am so dizzy, and fell into the arms of his companions. Mrs. Goodloe was so overcome, that she, too, fell upon the platform. The senator was carried to the superintendent's room and died before a physician could reach them.

The Funeral.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—The funeral of the late Senator Beck, of Kentucky, is now in progress in the senate chamber at the Capitol. At 9:30 this morning the honorary pall bearers assembled at the house of Hon. W. C. P. Breckenridge, on Capitol hill.

At 10 o'clock the body was conveyed to the marble room of the senate and there lay in state until 11:30. A large crowd of friends and admirers of the dead statesman passed through the room.

Before 12 o'clock the galleries of the senate chamber were crowded. The families of the president and vice president occupied the east gallery. At 1 o'clock the religious ceremonies commenced, under charge of Rev. Dr. Butler, chaplain of the senate, assisted by Rev. Mr. Bullock, an ex-chaplain and personal friend of the deceased senator.

As soon as the ceremonies are concluded the funeral procession will form and march to the Baltimore and Potomac station in the following order: The clergy, the committee on arrangements, the hearse, the family and relatives, the senate, the house representatives, officers of the senate and house and the invited guests.

Senator Beck's Career.

James Burnie Beck was born Feb. 13, 1822, in Dumfriesshire, Scotland. He received an academic education in his native country. Coming to this country while a youth with his parents he settled in Lexington, Ky., and he was graduated at the law school of Transylvania university, of that place, in 1846. He entered law practice there and continued it with flattering success for twenty years. He was elected to congress in 1866, and three times re-elected, his last term closing in 1875. In May, 1875, he was appointed a member of the commission to define the boundary between Maryland and Virginia, and in the same year was selected to represent Kentucky in the United States senate. He was re-elected as senator in 1882 and again in 1888.

Brental Flogging in Delaware.

GEORGETOWN, Del., May 4.—The whipping of a colored man at Laurel by Dr. W. S. Hitch has created great excitement in Sussex county. The man had taken two of Hitch's horses from his stable and used them and it is claimed that the justice of the peace, contrary to all law, gave Hitch permission to whip the culprit. Hitch, followed by a crowd of idlers, is charged with taking the man to the boat landing, stripped his back to the skin and fastened his arms and legs and hit him sixty-six times with a whip. The colored man was then ordered to leave the state. It is said that steps will be taken to have Hitch arrested.

Dwyer Will Back Corbett.

NEW YORK, May 5.—Phil Dwyer, the well known sporting man, has expressed a willingness to back Jim Corbett, of San Francisco, to fight any of the heavy weight pugilists, including John L. Sullivan, for any amount up to \$50,000. Mr. Dwyer says he is willing to back Sullivan against Kilrain, but he thinks Corbett can defeat Sullivan.

No Dissatisfaction in Denver.

DENVER, Colo., May 5.—Over 5,000 laboring men paraded the streets yesterday afternoon. After the parade they held a meeting where speeches were made by a number of leading men. As all the union men are working the eight hour day, there is no occasion for dissatisfaction or for a strike.

Praying for Snow.

ST. PAUL, May 5.—Prayers were offered from a thousand churches in Minnesota yesterday for a continuance of the heavy snow storm now in progress all over the state. The prairie fires are remote from great forests and reports, as far as received, all show the heavy snow has practically obliterated the fires.

Smallpox from Europe.

NEW YORK, May 5.—The steamship Amsterdam, which arrived here Saturday with a case of smallpox aboard, is still at quarantine. The passengers, numbering 905, will be removed to Hoffman Island to be held until the authorities are satisfied. No others are afflicted. The ship will be fumigated.

Strikers in Camp.

BUDA PESTH, May 5.—Fifteen hundred bakers here have struck and have camped in tents upon an island in the Danube. They have cattle with them and can subsist for some time. They have been joined by 700 striking girls from the jute factories.

Pittsburg Stonecutters Strike.

PITTSBURG, May 5.—The stonecutters, stone polishers and marbleized polishers went out on a strike this morning for an increase in wages averaging 35 cents per day. They number fifty.

Mr. Hayes Returns from Bermuda.

NEW YORK, May 5.—The steamship Orinoco, which arrived from Bermuda yesterday, brought ex-President Hayes, accompanied by his daughter and Lieut. Col. King.

THE WAR FOR WAGES

New York Carpenters Win Without a Struggle.

SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS ELSEWHERE.

Chicago Carpenters Expect a Speedy Settlement—Western Coal Miners Striking—Victories at Wilmington, Del., and Jeannette, Pa.—Nine Hours Satisfies Some Smaller Towns.

CHICAGO, May 6.—General meetings of the sash, door and blind makers were held in several parts of the southwest side. The meetings were held for the purpose of strengthening the union now being formed, the men employed at the machines, promising their support. It was decided that they would in a measure pool their issues with the carpenters and no union man of the latter organization will handle work turned out by mills refusing to grant the demand for eight hours.

There was no strike at N. K. Fairbanks' works as expected and the strike of the gas men, which was to take place yesterday, failed to materialize. The expected strike of the dockmen on the Western Transportation company's line and the Anchor line did not take place. The reason is said to be that they are not sufficiently organized and that there are too many men all ready to take their places. There is no change in the situation of the carpenters' strike. Negotiations for settlement with the new bosses association are said to be so overleap and the men will resume work in a day or two.

Eight Hours in New York.

NEW YORK, May 6.—Yesterday was the time fixed for a strike by all those carpenters of this city whose bosses should refuse to adopt the eight hour working day. The strike has failed to materialize, for the reason that all but three or four of the employers have agreed to the schedule and those holding out have given assurances that they will agree to terms in a day or two. Work on all the big buildings downtown is going on as usual and the few carpenters who are awaiting the decision of their employers are hardly missed.

A Cotton Mill Strike.

NEWBURG, N. Y., May 6.—The strike at the cotton mills continues, both sides being determined to hold out. Yesterday morning a few weavers went to work, but quit shortly afterwards. Superintendent Beckman says if the weavers do not come back at once he will shut down the whole mill, thus throwing about 600 hands out of employment, mostly women.

Strikers Hold Secret Meetings.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 6.—Seven hundred masons and bricklayers are holding secret meetings here with a view to strengthening the position they have taken against the builders, who offer the men 45 cents per hour against the demand of 45 cents per hour. It is said that the men will refuse to resume work unless their demand is granted.

Victorious Painters.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 6.—Four master painters have acceded to the demands of the journeymen painters of this city, for a day of nine hours at \$2.25 per day, this being the same rate for a day of ten hours, which has ruled heretofore.

Will Strike According to Orders.

DANVILLE, Ills., May 6.—The miners of Danville, Vandercook, Grape Creek and Kellyville held a mass meeting and decided to strike. They have no grievances, but strike in obedience to orders received from headquarters at Chicago.

Strikes in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, May 6.—Two hundred and fifty harness makers and 100 quarrymen went out on strike here. The former demand an increase of 15 per cent, and the rectification of shop abuses, the latter \$2.25 per day and eight hours.

Miners Want Higher Pay.

IRWIN, Pa., May 6.—The Irwin miners at a mass meeting decided not to work until their demand of 65 cents per ton be granted. About 800 men were present, and the resolution was carried by an overwhelming majority.

Jeannette Carpenters Win.

PITTSBURG, May 6.—The Jeannette, Pa., carpenters, about 200 in number, who have been striking for eight hours have been granted their demands. The men are very jubilant over their success.

Decatur Miners Strike.

DECATUR, Ills., May 6.—The 275 coal miners employed at the Decatur coal mine went on a strike for an increase of 5 cents a ton for digging. No serious trouble is anticipated.

To Continue Work.

SPRING VALLEY, Mo., May 6.—Spring Valley miners held a meeting and decided to remain at work until the arrival of W. L. Scott, who is expected before the 15th.

Striking for Nine Hours.

BATH, Me., May 6.—The joiners' union, of this city, numbering 200 men, went on strike for a day of nine hours and a per diem increase of 25 cents.

No Change in Boston.

BOSTON, May 6.—No material change has occurred in the carpenters strike situation.

Senator Beck's Successor.

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 6.—Senator Beck's successor will be elected on May 18, according to the general statutes provision. The election may be held upon the second Tuesday after the general assembly shall have been notified officially by the governor of a vacancy in the United States senate. The Democratic caucus will be held either Saturday or Monday next.

A Negro Lynched.

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 6.—Will Leaphart, the young negro convicted of criminally assaulting Miss Ross Cannon, a white girl of 16, and sentenced to be hanged on April 11, but who obtained a respite, was lynched in Lexington jail.

The Code in Georgia.

AUGUSTA, Ga., May 5.—In a card to the public about the Harper-Davis challenge to a duel, which the former refused to accept, Phil Davis denounces Harper as an unmitigated scoundrel and an infamous coward.

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

The State Convention Will Be Held at Scranton on July 2.

HARRISBURG, May 1.—The executive committee of the Democratic state committee met here and fixed Wednesday, July 2, as the date for holding the state convention in the Opera house at Scranton.

The committee held its sessions in the Democratic state headquarters, Chairman Kiser being present, with W. J. Brennan, Allegheny; J. M. Healey, Puttville; T. K. Vandye, Lewisburg; J. M. Kerr, Clearfield; E. F. Kerr, Bedford; B. F. Myers, Harrisburg; W. D. Clendenin, New Castle; J. Marshall Wright, Allentown; C. P. Donnelly, Philadelphia; and Secretary B. M. Neal, Harrisburg.

The entire proceedings occupied but a few moments and the whole affair seems to have been previously arranged. The original intention was to hold the convention on July 3, and have a grand ratification meeting on July 4, but the convention expects to be in session two days and as a consequence July 2 was selected.

There was no talk of candidates. It was a quiet and harmonious gathering and peace reigned. The early convention is looked upon as favorable to Wallace, although this is disclaimed.

SHELLENBERGER RETURNS.

The Swindler Gives Himself Up in Philadelphia—Tired of Hiding.

PHILADELPHIA, May 6.—J. Monroe Shellenberger, who ran away several weeks ago after swindling clients and farmers in Bucks county out of nearly \$150,000, returned to Philadelphia Sunday and stayed at the house of his brother-in-law in this city. After leaving Doylestown Shellenberger went west and was seen in Tacoma, but he disappeared from that city before warrants could be served upon him.

Yesterday Shellenberger sent word to the sheriff of Bucks county that he was here awaiting his orders. The sheriff came to the city last night and left for Doylestown with his prisoner on the 11 o'clock train.

Those who saw the once handsome and dashing lawyer say that he looks much broken in health, and it is believed that he came back to the scene of his operations and gave himself up because he was tired of hiding from the officers of the law.

The Broken Banks.

PHILADELPHIA, May 5.—Criminal proceedings were begun against Lewis E. Pfeiffer, president of the Bank of America, and Joseph Paucost, the receiving teller of the Columbia avenue branch, on the charge of embezzlement. The attorney general of New Jersey has prepared a bill in which he will ask the chancellor to put the affairs of the Merchants' Bank of Atlantic City under the control of the proper state officials. The plan of the Gloucester City National bank officers, looking toward resumption, contemplates the payment of deposits partly in cash and partly in stock which stockholders are understood to be willing to turn over to them. The plan of resumption on the part of the Bank of America makes the subscription of \$50,000 in cash by the stockholders necessary to its success.

Treasurer Boyer Sworn In.

HARRISBURG, May 6.—Henry Kline Boyer was inducted into the office of state treasurer at 12:30 p. m., the oath being administered by Hon. J. H. Longenecker, deputy secretary of the commonwealth, in the presence of the clerks in the state department. Mr. Boyer was then given his commission, and proceeded to the treasury department, where he met Col. Lysey, the retiring treasurer, and assumed formal charge of the office. On his desk was a handsome bouquet of flowers, as well as the sworn statements of the banks having state deposits. Every cent was accounted for and the transfer did not occupy more than fifteen minutes. Col. Lysey will be retained as cashier of the treasury.

The Montgomery Trust.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., May 6.—The Montgomery Insurance Trust and Life Deposit company which yesterday morning suspended payment pending the arrival of expected cash, resumed its payments during the afternoon. The officials refuse to give any information, but the impression among conservative financiers is that the company is considerably involved.

The statement that the Montgomery Insurance Trust had suspended its company would continue business proved to be erroneous. The doors were opened but a short time.

Did Not Like Sawdust Life.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 3.—The young lady who recently married James Gilbert, known as the Mexican giant, in a rink at Scranton, before an audience of 3,000 people, has returned to her family. Her husband is with Seils Bros. circus, in Ohio, and the young wife says life on the sawdust is not anything like she supposed. Gilbert is 7 feet 6 inches in height, and his wife only 4 feet.

Killed Others While Falling.

PITTSBURG, May 5.—Thomas Carey, a workman on the top of the new government building here, was thrown to the ground, a distance of 150 feet, by the breaking of a derrick and instantly killed. In his descent he knocked down two other workmen, James Brisson and William Lavelle, both of whom were fatally hurt.

Too Fat to Live.

WERNERSVILLE, Pa., May 6.—Charles Spohn, one of the heaviest men Berks county, died of fatty degeneration of the heart, aged 63 years. Deceased was 5 feet 2 inches in height and weighed 340 pounds. He held the office of justice of the peace for over thirty years and was re-elected last February.

Foul Play Suspected.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 5.—The dead body of Peter Hughes, a well known young man of Inkerman, was found in Red Ash creek last evening. There is strong suspicion that he was the victim of foul play.

Mr. Randall's Successor.

HARRISBURG, May 3.—Governor Beaver issued a proclamation for a special election to be held on Tuesday, the 20th of May for a successor to the late Samuel J. Randall in the Third congressional district.

Nominated for Congress.

LANCASTER, Pa., May 5.—Marriott Brovis was Saturday renominated for congress by the Republicans of the Tenth district.

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