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NATIONAL BLIZZARD IS APPROACHING

Seven Killed in Colorado, and Storm is Raging Over Upper Mississippi Valley

ICY REPORTS FROM EVERYWHERE

Points in Northern New York State Report the Coldest Weather of the Winter—Serious Interference with Traffic—New England is Frozen Up.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Severe cold is reported from Central and Northern New York. At Watertown the mercury dropped 25 degrees in twelve hours to 16 below zero. Blizzard conditions prevailed at Interlaken, a temperature of 4 below being accompanied by heavy snow and high wind. Utica had a temperature of 12 below. The mercury dropped 53 degrees at Saranac Lake, marking 25 below. An inch of snow fell at Rochester, thermometer showed 20 below throughout the Mohawk Valley. Plattsburgh, Oswego, Buffalo and all other points report the coldest weather of the winter and serious interference with traffic.

Snow and sleet, accompanied by a cold north wind, fell in the central west, the storm extending from Oklahoma northward. In Iowa a blizzard interfered with railway and street car traffic. In Nebraska schools are closed on account of snow blockades.

The snowfall in Northern Nebraska and Southern South Dakota is reported as half a foot. The temperatures range around 12 below zero. In Central and Western Kansas the fall of snow was the heaviest in ten years. It extended to the Colorado line. In Western Kansas the snow is a foot deep. The temperature in Missouri, Kansas and North Oklahoma averaged about 10 degrees above zero.

New England is frozen up. Portland had a temperature of 4 below, while in the Rangeley Lake region it was 30 below. The Andover-Rumford (Me.) stage was overturned by the high wind. No one was hurt.

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Over the Upper Mississippi Valley a big blizzard is raging after a day of wind, snow, sleet and shifting drifts that impeded trains and made life a burden for those whose tasks called them outdoors. In Chicago sleet as hard as bird shot is cutting obliquely through the air.

Denver, Col., Jan. 11.—Big snowslides are running in the western and southwestern sections of Colorado as a result of blizzards. The reports thus far received indicate that seven men are dead. Over the private telephone wire of the San Juan Power Company the report reached Durango that four men had lost their lives there. One man lost his life in an avalanche that swept by the Iowa mine, near Silverton. The victim was Charles Brun. The slide did \$5,000 damage.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 11.—The suffering among the poorer people as a result of the sudden change in the weather was intense, and all the lodging houses and free shelters for the destitute were crowded to their fullest capacity.

The great battleships in the North River looked like pictures of an Arctic exploration vessel trapped in the ice. The brief interval of sunshine made them glisten like immense mountains of ice, and the sight proved so unusual it attracted a shivery crowd to the river's edge.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Jan. 11.—The ice bridge has formed here, and the scenery about the park and falls is very beautiful.

HOSPITAL SWALLOWED UP

Seven Die When Cave-in of Disused Mine Occurs.

Vienna, Jan. 11.—An extraordinary accident occurred at Raibitz, in Carinthia. The sudden subsidence of the site of a disused mine completely engulfed a small hospital building. Not a vestige of the hospital remained, and only a huge cavity in the ground was to be seen.

Seven inmates of the hospital, including Surgeon Wesseley and his family, perished.

Flaxseed \$2.10 a Bushel.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Flaxseed touched the highest point in its history, No. 1 northwestern selling at \$2.10 a bushel on the Chicago market. This is an advance of six cents over yesterday's close. No. 1 southwestern closed today at \$2.00. There were no receipts of flaxseed at this city today.

Morgan Trinity's Donor.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 5.—The mystery concerning the New Yorker who contributed \$100,000 to the Trinity endowment fund of \$500,000 was cleared up today by the announcement that J. Pierpont Morgan is the donor.

HUGHES IN MESSAGE CALLS FOR REFORMS

Stands by Demand for Direct Nominations—Would End Bookmaking and White Slave Traffic.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 11.—In two of the most important documents sent out from the Executive Chamber Governor Hughes called upon the State Legislature to defeat the proposed income tax amendment to the federal constitution, again urged a law providing for direct primaries and announced the gift of 10,000 acres of land and \$1,000,000 from Mrs. Mary W. Harriman for a great public park on the Hudson River.

One of the documents was the Governor's annual message to the Legislature. The attack on the proposed income tax amendment was made the subject of a special message. The Governor analyzes the amendment from a constitutional standpoint, quoting eminent judicial opinions to justify his determined opposition, and recommending that the proposed constitutional amendment providing for an income tax be not ratified by the Legislature of this state.

The Governor in the general message urged amendments of the Penal Code to prevent oral betting, or bookmaking without the recording of bets, and the so-called "white slave" traffic. A renewal of his recommendation for the inclusion of all telephone and telegraph companies under the jurisdiction of the Public Service commissions was distinctly brief, even curt. Extension of the state's agricultural work, the state development of water powers and the adoption of a more liberal forest preservation policy were other features of the message which were expected by the legislators.

Entirely new was the acknowledgment of a gift by Mrs. E. H. Harriman of a tract of land of 10,000 acres near her estate and \$1,000,000 in cash to acquire other land for a great state park in the highlands of the Hudson. In the body of the message and in an appendix giving in detail correspondence between the Governor, George W. Perkins, president of the Palisades Park Commission, and others there was set forth a comprehensive plan for the acquisition of the splendid park, to include most of the beautiful territory of the Palisades region, with a river frontage and a great roadway along the base of the Palisades. Gifts by John D. and William Rockefeller, J. Pierpont Morgan, Mrs. Sage, Miss Helen Miller Gould, George W. Perkins and others amounting to \$1,625,000 were announced, with the declaration that \$2,500,000 more had been raised. To meet this New York State is to appropriate \$2,500,000 to acquire land and build roads and to remove the new state prison from Rockland County to some place where it will not interfere with this park work.

Charter revision for New York City, the passage of measures to assure more economical condemnation proceedings, comprehensive automobile legislation, with a license tax, proper legislation to provide better compensation for injury of employees along the lines of the report of the Commission on employers' liability, the lessening of special legislation for municipalities and a definite system of budget making by the state were urged by Governor Hughes.

Other recommendations are: That the Governor appoint a cabinet of State administrative heads accountable to him, in place of the present elective State officers. This would require constitutional amendment.

That the New York ballot be simplified.

Publicity of all campaign expenditures.

Direct nominations.

That it be made a crime, with severe penalty, for a motorist to seek to escape after an accident to which his act has contributed.

AN OYSTER TRUST CHARGED

Mississippi Proceeds to Break Alleged Combination.

Gulfport, Miss., Jan. 11.—Alleging violation of the state anti-trust laws, proceedings have been brought here against the Lopez, Dunbar & Dukate Company, which is charged with controlling the oyster industry of Mississippi and restricting competition.

Penalties aggregating \$2,225,000 are asked, or at the rate of \$5,000 a day since September 4, 1908. On that date it is alleged that the defendants secured the conveyance of all independent oyster packing plants into one association. The suit is brought for the state by Wirt Adams, state revenue agent.

Two Auburn Convicts Dead.

Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Clarence Barton and Miles Halligan, convicts in Auburn prison, are dead, and the prison authorities decline to give details. The men, according to one story, drank over-doses of wood alcohol, but rumors from reliable sources indicate that the men died as the result of wholesale holds, indulgence in drugs.

PUT \$200,000,000 IN MORGAN'S GRIP

Money Powers Hand Over Sceptre of Finance to the Wall Street Banker

PASSING OF RYAN AND MORTON

J. Pierpont Morgan Buys the Morton and Fifth Avenue to Consolidate with His Guaranty Trust—Total Deposits \$171,000,000.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 11.—J. Pierpont Morgan, head of the Money Trust, has accomplished another of his tremendous coups, merging three trust companies into one of the greatest banking institutions in the country—a \$200,000,000 assets concern to be known as the Guaranty Trust Company.

The companies consolidated are the Morton Trust Company, the Fifth Avenue Trust Company and the Guaranty Trust Company.

As the power of Mr. Morgan expands to unlimited bounds the financial activities of another king of high finance, Thomas F. Ryan, are steadily diminished by his own volition. Very swiftly Mr. Ryan is divesting himself of properties and their burden of cares in order to seek complete retirement. The consolidation will make the Guaranty Trust Company the second largest trust company in the United States, with aggregate deposits of \$140,000,000 and assets of \$170,000,000. The merger will end Ryan's sway of the Morton Trust Company, which controlled the Fifth Avenue. It will give the Morgan and allied interests control or influence over life insurance companies, banks trust companies with aggregate resources of \$2,302,869,382, and of railway and industrial corporations with an aggregate capitalization of \$7,653,961,606, a total of almost \$10,000,000,000.

Coming so soon after J. P. Morgan's purchase of Ryan's majority holding of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, the merger of trust companies is especially significant.

About two years ago Ryan announced that he intended to give up practically all his big interests, and he withdrew from most of the firms in which he had big holdings. The Equitable Life and the Morton Trust Company were two of the corporations from which he did not retire. Morgan bought his holdings of stock in the insurance company, thereby eliminating him from that. Now interests closed to Morgan have wiped out the Ryan control of the Morton Trust Company by consolidating it with the Guaranty Trust Company.

\$240,000,000 IN DIVIDENDS

Great Disbursement by Banks to Holders of Securities.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 10.—The New York banks have begun the disbursement of more than \$240,000,000 in dividends and interest payments. This is the largest sum ever paid out in January in the history of Wall Street. During the last quarter of 1909 many railroad and industrial companies increased their dividend rates while others resumed or made initial payments.

At nearly all the national banks there were long lines of men and women waiting to collect coupons on Government bonds and railroad and industrial mortgages.

NO ONE CLAIMS \$60,000

Left by Apparently Poor Ragman in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Jan. 11.—A fortune of \$60,000 in good securities awaits the heirs of Jeremiah Moynihan, an aged ragman, who died on Friday. Apparently in destitute circumstances, Moynihan was to have been buried in Potter's Field to-day, but the public administrator found a key to a safety deposit vault in his effects. The safety box contained bonds worth \$60,000.

Moynihan was eighty years old. He was a miser and lived alone, and, as far as is known, he had no relatives in this country.

The Flea.

Oh, there's nothing quite so maddening as a pesky, crawling flea, when the little cuss is biting in a spot you cannot see! Nothing which drives man or woman to the point where they will swear, like this hopping, frisky critter, when he's out upon a tear!—Los Angeles Express.

Men's Measurements.

For the athletic type of man the average chest measurement is 38 inches, while the waist 31; while the motoring man, though shorter, demands a 28-inch waist.—Boston Globe.

WORLD NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Covering Minor Happenings From All Over the Globe

DOMESTIC.

In a statement issued at Cherry, Ill., by the Red Cross and mine workers it was recommended that continued relief be in the form of pensions to widows of the St. Paul mine victims.

It was announced at Keokuk, Iowa, that New York and Boston capital was behind a project to build the second largest dam in the world across the Mississippi at that point.

Jacob S. Coxey declared the increase in the cost of living could be remedied only by the Government taking control of the money from the banks and basing business on actual cash.

Oscar G. Murray's resignation from the presidency of Baltimore and Ohio Railroad was accepted and Mr. Daniel Willard was chosen his successor.

Senator Allds is selected at party caucus to succeed the late Senator Raines as Republican leader.

George F. Baer and other presidents of big railroads held a conference over the demands of the workers and arranged to hear the adjustment committees.

C. W. Morse, as convict No. 2314, began his fifteen-year term of imprisonment in the penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr. was made foreman of the Grand Jury, New York, which is charged with an inquiry into the alleged white slave traffic.

Senator Jonathan Bourne, of Oregon, announces that he will propose to the voters of his state that they vote directly for President.

WASHINGTON.

President Taft will not allow his retrenchment plans to interfere with the two battleship naval programs.

Reports of the Bureau of Statistics, Department of Commerce and Labor, show that the prices of imports are rapidly increasing.

Representative Mann precipitates a fight over the railroad law in Congress by presenting a bill before receipt of the President's special message.

President Taft declared war on the Insurgents in Congress who oppose his policies, cutting off their patronage.

The heads of six great railroads tried in vain to persuade President Taft against recommending further railroad legislation.

Secretary Knox is to confer with the British Ambassador and Brazil's Foreign Minister on matters affecting North, Central and South America.

The Director of the Census reports that he has had work getting men to accept appointments as enumerators. The compensation is \$60 for two weeks' to four weeks' work.

FOREIGN.

The Aero Club of France decided to issue a formal challenge for the balloon and seaplane cups, both international and both held by the Aero Club of America.

The Paris newspapers say the American policy in Manchuria probably has for its object the forcing of Japan out of China.

French aeronauts believe the action of the Wright company in seeking an injunction against Louis Poirhan will deter foreigners from entering the international cup contest in the United States this year.

According to a special dispatch from London, the election campaign is being conducted with considerable heat on both sides.

The police of Paris discovered the men who slew Marie Gouin on a high way train in the persons of two students, who have confessed.

Dispatches from Bluefields, Nicaragua, say that General Estrada has begun his movement westward.

It is stated that Dr. Cook's original polar data were delivered to Dr. Toyn, formerly rector of the University of Copenhagen, more than a week ago.

PLANS SUNNY JAIL

"Kills Crime Germs," Says Chicago's Assistant Chief.

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Chicago is to have a new city jail that will be a model for all jails, according to plans now in the hands of Herman F. Schuetzler, assistant chief of police.

Instead of being in the damp and unsanitary basement, all the 150 cells will be on the top floor of the building. Then instead of the regulation dark roof Chief Schuetzler has provided for a heavy glass roof, so that every cell will be bathed in sunlight constantly, making the cells cheerful and sanitary instead of breeding places for disease.

"Sunshine kills crime germs," declared Mr. Schuetzler.

Spread of German Language.

In Chili there are regions where there are so many Germans that the native servants learn their language.