

## SEVENTY-THREE LIVES LOST NEAR ATLANTIC CITY

### An Awful Disaster On Penn's Electric Line.

## PEOPLE DROWN IN THE CARS.

### Several Pleasure-Bound Families Wiped Out.

### ALL-NIGHT SEARCH FOR THE DEAD.

### A Turned-in Rail on the Bridge Over the "Thoroughfare" Causes the Train to Jump the Track—Two Cars Filled With Passengers Drop Into the Water at High Tide and Are Submerged—Third Car Hangs on an Abutment Long Enough for Some of Occupants to Escape.

### CAUSE OF DISASTER.

Electric train of three cars on the Pennsylvania West Jersey and Seashore Line jumped track on trestle bridge over "Thoroughfare" near Atlantic City, and three cars dropped into 30 feet of water.

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The bridge spanning the Thoroughfare, the body of water separating Atlantic City from the mainland, was the scene of a terrible disaster Sunday afternoon. The 1 o'clock fast electric train of three cars from Philadelphia on the Pennsylvania West Jersey and Seashore Line, due here at 2:30, jumped the track at the draw on the bridge, and three cars were plunged into a half acre of water, sinking in 30 feet of water. The third car hung partly on an abutment of the bridge, and the rear end was suspended long enough to permit some of the passengers to escape.

Men, women and children in the first two cars were drowned like rats in a trap, less than a half score escaping through broken windows.

The list of dead is expected to reach 55 to 60. It is estimated that there were about 80 to 100 people on the train. The line is operated by the third-rail system. Survivors of the tragedy are scattered throughout the city, and it is impossible to tell exactly how many escaped, but it is believed about 20 were taken out by rescuers or managed to smash their way through broken windows and to reach the top of the water, where a boat of them were picked up by boatmen, who witnessed

## BOTH NATIONS MAKE DEMANDS

### Affair With Japan Getting Quite Serious.

## MR. AOKI SEES SECRETARY ROOT.

### Japanese Ambassador Formally Requests that the Subjects of the Mikado in California Be Accorded Their Treaty Rights—Is Indignant.

Washington (Special).—Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, at a conference with Secretary Root at the State Department made the request, in behalf of his government, that the United States see that Japanese subjects in California were accorded their full rights under the treaty in 1881, including the right of children to freely attend the public schools of San Francisco. Secretary Root will take the matter up with the President and it is likely that representations will be made to the authorities of California.

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## THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

### Domestic.

## TRAIN REBOUNDS INTO THE OHIO RIVER

### Eleven Hurt When Flyer Side-Swipes a Freight.

### MANY CUT BY FLYING GLASS.

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).—Running at a speed estimated at 50 miles an hour, the fast train between Cleveland and Pittsburgh on the Port Wayne Road, known as the "Cleveland flyer," was side-swiped by the caboose of a freight train near Bellefontaine, Pa. The freight train was running on a parallel track. The collision with the caboose threw the engine down an embankment 20 feet high, and it slid into the Ohio River. The baggage car with two passenger coaches was thrown across the rails. The destruction of the freight train was complete, but none of the passenger cars was injured beyond the breaking of windows.

At least four persons were seriously injured and many others sustained cuts and bruises.

According to the statement of some of the passengers, the special was coming to the city on the outer tracks, these being on the side nearest the river. When the engine jumped the track it took a quick turn to the inner tracks and collided with a freight train that had been standing on these tracks. The engine and tender were thrown again to the outer tracks. As a result of the collision the baggage cars were broken and the engine and tender were completely smashed. The combination car and the two following cars then jumped the tracks, but the dining car and the Pullman remained on the tracks.

The fireman and engineer, as soon as they noticed that their engine had left the tracks, immediately applied the brakes and shut off the steam, helping, in this way, to lessen the force of the collision they could not avoid. When the collision did take place, the two men were thrown from their seats and both dropped over a 25-foot embankment down to the brink of the Ohio River. The freight train escaped with comparatively slight damage, the caboose and one freight car being wrecked.

Rev. Dr. Phillip Melancon, pastor of the Reformed Church at North Branch, N. J., for more than 50 years, died suddenly.

The new battleship Minnesota, in the Japanese fleet, sailed from England Coast, maintained an average speed of 18.551 knots an hour.

Rev. Dr. Washington Gladden delivered an address at the meeting of the American Missionary Association on the negro problem.

William Wittman, began a prison sentence of 20 years for the murder of David Howard at Somerville, N. J., last June.

A sweeping antiquity statute was passed by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias in session in New Orleans.

Charles Page Bryan, American consul general in London, sailed from New York for Europe on the steamer La Savole.

The freight steamer Hastings, bound from New York to New Haven, was sunk in Long Island Sound off Stamford, Ct. The crew of 11 men got away in a life-boat.

The French government has decided that if the clergy persist in their rebellious attitude against the church and state separation law, the property and revenues of the churches will be confiscated.

To relieve the distress of the small tobacco planters in the province of Pinar del Rio, Cuba, caused by the hurricane, Governor Magon has authorized the free distribution of 1,000 pounds of tobacco seed.

The bogus military officers who, on a forged order, arrested the postmaster and the treasurer of Cooper's Creek, Germany, and many others, has been identified as William Voight, an ex-convict.

After the recent complete defeat of the Dominican revolutionists near Monte Cristi by the troops of President Caceres the greater part of the rebels surrendered and were pardoned.

Fearing trouble on October 30, the anniversary of the grant of the Russian constitution, the garrison of St. Petersburg will be strengthened by three regiments.

Tokyo, Oct. 28.—The special financial agent of the Japanese government in London, says the present bank rate in New York and London is so high that the Japanese find it less trouble and cheaper to get their money at home.

## AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL

### Some Interesting Happenings Briefly Told.

## Must Please Audience.

### Brussels (By Cable).—The director of the theater at Namur will put upon the audience the onus of accepting or rejecting newcomers on the stage of that theater. In the future performances each actor and actress will be given a chance to appear in three different characters. Then a poll of the audience will be taken, and on this the subsequent fate of the actor and actress will depend.

## Big Cotton Fire.

### Eutaw, Ala. (Special).—A disastrous fire here swept away the eastern half of the Planters' and Commission Company's warehouse, destroying property estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The warehouse contained from 2,000 to 3,000 bales of cotton. About 250 bales stored in the western side and about 500 bales on the platform adjoining the warehouse were saved. Possibly only 500 bales are insured. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is thought to have been started by a spark from a passing locomotive.

## Civil Service League.

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## Veteran Newspaper Man Dead.

### Santa Ana, Cal. (Special).—Frank W. Mack, for many years a newspaper man and formerly superintendent of the Eastern division of the Associated Press, died here of consumption, after a lingering illness.

## FRISCO'S LIVELY MUNICIPAL ROW

### The War Between Mayor and District Attorney.

## WAS SUSPENDED BUT NOT DOWNED.

### An Early Morning Injunction Proceeded to Restrain the Removal of the Prosecuting Official by the Executive—Assistant District Attorney Suspended.

San Francisco (Special).—After a day of excitement, District Attorney Langdon, of San Francisco, who Thursday night was suspended from office by acting Mayor Gallagher, was apparently in a victorious position, and had gained a temporary advantage over the city officers and politicians who sought his removal, after Langdon had announced his intention to seek the indictment of several city officers for felonies and misdemeanors.

Almut at daybreak an attorney appeared at the residence of Superior Judge Zettell and obtained an order temporarily restraining Abraham Ruef, the political boss, whom the acting mayor appointed to succeed Langdon, from interfering with the district attorney's office.

Judge Zettell set the case for a hearing one week from Friday. The restraining order was served on Ruef and the board of supervisors at an early hour, and Langdon and his assistant, Francis J. Heney, was not disturbed in their official capacity.

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## A DAY FOR THANKSGIVING

### President Roosevelt Issues His Proclamation.

### Washington (Special).—President Roosevelt Tuesday afternoon issued his annual Thanksgiving proclamation, setting Thursday, November 29, as the date.

It reads as follows: The time of year has come when, in accordance with the wise custom of our forefathers, it becomes my duty to set aside a special day of thanksgiving and praise to the Almighty because of the blessings we have received and may be commended. Yet another year of widespread well-being has past. Never before in our history, or in the history of any other nation, has a people enjoyed more abundant material prosperity than is ours—a prosperity so great that it should excite a blessing. We are reckless and proud, and least of all a spirit of needless disregard of our responsibilities, but rather a sober sense of our many blessings and a resolute purpose, under Providence, not to forfeit them by any action of our own.

Material well-being, indispensable though it is, can never be anything but the foundation of true national greatness and happiness. If we build nothing upon this foundation then our national life will be as meaningless and empty as a house where only the foundation has been laid. Upon our material well-being must be built a superstructure of individual and national life, lived in accordance with the laws of the highest morality, or else our prosperity itself will, in the long run, turn out a curse instead of a blessing. We should be both reverently thankful for what we have received, and earnestly bent upon turning it into a means of grace and not of destruction.

Accordingly, I hereby set apart Thursday, the 29th day of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and supplication on which the people shall meet in their homes or their churches, devoutly acknowledge all that has been given them and to pray that they may, in addition, receive the power to use these gifts aright.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the city of Washington this 23rd day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-first.

Theodore Roosevelt, President.

Elihu Root, Secretary of State.

## PRESIDENT CHANGES CABINET

### Straus' Appointment Comes As a Surprise.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The President announced Tuesday evening the following changes in his Cabinet: Postmaster General Cortelyou will succeed Mr. Shaw as secretary of the Treasury.

Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte will succeed Mr. Moody as attorney general.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor Metcalf will succeed Mr. Bonaparte as secretary of the Navy. General Moody will retire on January 1, 1907, and Secretary Shaw on March 4, 1907. Most of the changes will take place, therefore, at the beginning of the new year.

A successor to Mr. Meyer as ambassador to Russia has not yet been announced. It is understood that Mr. Lloyd C. Griscom, who was recently transferred from Japan to Brazil, will go to St. Petersburg, and that Mr. John Barrett, now minister to Colombia, will succeed Mr. Griscom as ambassador to Brazil, unless the President decides to place him at the head of the Bureau of American Republics.

Appointment of Straus. Of the Cabinet changes only one, that of Mr. Straus to become Secretary of Commerce and Labor, is news. All the other changes have been reported in dispatches frequently. That Mr. Bonaparte would eventually become Attorney General was authoritatively announced in Washington when he was appointed Secretary of the Navy, for it has always been Mr. Roosevelt's desire to have Mr. Bonaparte at the head of the Department of Justice. Mr. Metcalf's transfer to the Navy Department finally fulfills a hope that he entered the Cabinet. The execution of the provisions of the Chinese exclusion law falls under the Department of Commerce and Labor, and Mr. Metcalf is a Californian and represented a California district in the House of Representatives for many terms, the recent attitude of the administration in favor of the most liberal possible interpretation of the exclusion law has made Mr. Metcalf's position extremely embarrassing, and it is, indeed, believed that if this present change in the Cabinet had not included his transfer from his present position to the Navy he would have resigned before long.

FINANCIAL WORLD. Atchison's September earnings showed a gain of \$731,677 gross and \$187,340 net.

The failure was announced of a London broker who traded in American stocks.

C. J. Hudson says: "Reading is still too high. I think \$65 a share a good price for it."

Since its organization United States Steel has taken \$90,000,000 from earnings and spent it in permanent improvements.

Graham & Co., who control the Chattanooga Railways Company, announce that September net earnings were \$15,559.

## STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

### Latest News Gleaned From Various Parts.

### A government inspector of public buildings sites arrived in Shamokin Thursday and began inspection of properties offered for sale for a public building.

### Montgomery County Poor Directors have filled the vacancy in the office of steward of the county house, caused by the death of J. Frank Voorhees. They named his son, Daniel Voorhees, for the place. His incumbency will continue until the first of next April. There were a dozen candidates from all sections of the county.

### The Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company's Bear Valley shaft, worked on which was started five years ago, has been completed and was operated Thursday for the first time. When the new breaker is completed work will be given 1900 men and boys.

### A jury in Meadville awarded Summer Gray judgment for \$4325 in his suit against the Meadville & Cambridge Springs Traction Company for injuries sustained in the College Hill runaway accident last December, when three persons were killed and several hurt.

### William Charnley, aged 3 years, son of John N. Charnley, of Darby, fell fifty feet from a chestnut tree. His left arm was dislocated and fractured, his head was badly lacerated and bruised. After having his injuries treated he was removed to the hospital, where he is improving.

### Because Elmer Freeman, one of the detectives who have been testifying in the liquor license cases at Allentown, reported to Judge Trexler that he was attacked while in the reading room of his hotel. The Judge postponed hearings of two cases for ten days, in order that the affair may be sifted to the bottom. Freeman told the Court that he was sitting in the reading-room of the hotel when a number of men filed into the building and began to attack him and began to kick him. By the time policemen arrived there was no trace of the alleged assailants.

### Miss Frances Berks, agent of the Service Federation, was in Shamokin to inquire into the condition of miners and slate pickers whose conditions, according to her report, are among the most miserable kind. She said the articles were exaggerated and written by strangers in the region. She was greatly surprised over the prosperity of the average miner. Where poverty existed she found it due largely to indolence. In many instances the miners own their own houses and that some own considerable other property.

### President of Georgetown and Laurel Run, on the mountain near Wilkes-Barre have been frightened by some strange animals during the last few days. They have seen them near down from the brush along the mountain road between the two places. Opinions as to what it is differ. Some say it is an enormous ape and others that it is a bear which has wandered down from the Bear Creek district where they are plentiful. Those who have seen it have not wanted to make any investigation, but have fled as fast as they could. Hunters are now in the woods.

### Nathan W. Beddall, of Pottsville, and W. L. Bryant, of Schuylkill Haven, returned from a very successful hunting trip through New Brunswick, Canada. The former shot a moose and a caribou, and the latter shot a moose and a lynx. Bryant's moose measured 56 inches across the antlers, which had 21 points. Beddall's moose was 48 1/2 inches from tip to tip of the antlers and 14 inches high. Much smaller game was also bagged by the hunters.

### More than-half a dozen boys whose ages are from 13 to 15 years, led by one whose brain became inflamed by reading cheap novels, formed a Jesse James Club and created much excitement at Brodheadville. The fathers of the boys, who are respectable citizens, broke up the organization. Old fashioned whippings had a salient effect. The boys formed the organization and elected their officers. They thought they did not get the rewards they coveted so much was due to the fact that a letter sent by them to the sheriff, ordering the weapons, was intercepted. The persistence of guilt against them the boys broke down and confessed to their parents.

### A jury in court at Media, awarded to Jane B. Clymer the sum of \$3758.75. Her suit was for \$3000 and interest. The case was one of the most peculiar ever tried in the county. Lev. H. Clymer, now dead, was married three times. Jane B. Clymer was his third wife. The second wife was in court aiding the executor under the will in their protest as to the payment of the amount claimed by the plaintiff. It was shown, however, that the plaintiff had lived with Clymer for nineteen years and he thought that she was his legal wife. A bill of separation was put in evidence between the deceased and the second wife, which was claimed to be a legal separation or cohabitation. In law, however, the separation did not amount to a divorce, but the plaintiff testified that she had lived with Clymer for nineteen years, believed that she was his lawful wife, that she had loaned him \$5000 on a property in Lansburg, Pa., and also that during several years she had taken care of him. The jury gave her \$3758.75 and her costs and interest.

### A new hostelry mill will be established near York Haven, by Joseph J. Baughman, of York. The mill building is being equipped and operation will begin December 1 with thirty employees.

### Judge Heydt, of Mauch Chunk, ruled the exceptions to the award of the viewee allowing \$20,000 for freeing the Allentown and Bethlehem tracks. The county says the award was too high and the viewee owners say it was too low. An appeal to the Supreme Court will be taken.

### The Haines Oil Measuring Pump Company will establish a new industry in the eastern section of York as soon as their plans can be completed.

### George Reeks, who says he lives in West Warwick, arrived in Wilkes-Barre Thursday and inquired the possibilities of his getting a wife there. He is about seventy years old and having been a widower for many years now wants another wife. He says he will take a widow with one or two children, but no more, or an old maid. He says, too, that he has had a number of letters from a widow with several children.