

LATEST NEWS BY TELEGRAPH

Domestic

As a consequence of the recent death of Grover Cleveland, its chairman and counsel, the Association of Life Insurance Presidents voted to amend its constitution by abolishing the office of chairman, which had been held by Mr. Cleveland since its organization.

Miss Marie McKenna, daughter of E. W. McKenna, vice president of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, has gone to St. Paul to attend the funeral of her father, who died on Saturday night.

Sheriff Lane, who refused to comply with an order to produce Harry K. Thaw before a Pittsburgh court, has been ordered to explain his dereliction to the court.

Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks delivered an address at the cornerstone laying of Allegheny County Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall, Pittsburgh.

The answer of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana to the government's petition for a hearing by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals will not be answered by District Attorney Sims.

Because his son Richard refused to give him money which he demanded, John Burkhardt, 66 years old, of Union Hill, N. J., shot and seriously wounded his son.

If the warning of Miss M. Cary Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr College, Philadelphia, is heeded, Miss Helen Taft will probably escape hazing.

A full-grown African lion escaped from the water quarters of Leon Washburn's Circus, as New Brunswick, N. J.

James H. Vahey has been nominated for governor of Massachusetts by the Democrats of that state.

The attorney for Martin Schleyer, of Kenosha, Wis., charged with the murder of his wife, acquitted his client by dropping the charge of adultery and substituting Byron's "Don Juan."

Mrs. Claude Libby Hains, wife of Capt. Peter C. Hains, in answering her husband's suit for divorce, denies that she acted improperly with William E. Hains.

A committee of the Indiana Legislature has exonerated Governor Hanley of charges of trying to influence the vote of a member of the General Assembly.

Viktor Babineff, of the American Museum of Natural History, found himself in the Arctic regions short of matches.

The Demler tin plate plant, at McKinneyport, Pa., the cradle of the tin plate industry of the country, is to be abandoned.

Miss Emily H. Niles, a wealthy woman of Arlington, Mass., was frightened to death by the screaming of a maid.

The United States steamer Tarback was driven ashore on the Saco Island by a gale and may be a total loss.

Samuel Hohenbalt, a wealthy resident of Cherry Valley, Pa., was killed by a fall from a porch.

Foreign

A Moari patient at the New Zealand leper station was discharged as cured, after having been treated for eleven months by Dr. Mason with injection of cultures.

The American fleet arrived at Manila, and congratulations were exchanged between the commandants of the forces on land and on the warships.

The rains of Manila have been recommended that the customary fasting on the Day of Atonement be omitted, abstinence being favorable to cholera.

France has decided to support the proposal made by Russia to submit to the signatories of the Berlin Treaty the question of the occupation by Bulgaria of that part of the Orient Railroad lying in Rumania.

The steamer Erik, which carried supplies to the Far East steamer Roosevelt, at Dutch West Greenland, was returned to St. Johns and reports all members of the expedition well.

A revolutionary movement against President Gonzalez Viquez, of Costa Rica, was attempted, under the direction of former President Iglesias.

A mob at Smyrna burned the offices of the company to which the steamer belonged that ran down a ferryboat, causing the loss of 140 lives.

The indiscriminate bombardment of the town of Fabric, Persia, continues, and two shells recently fell close to the American consulate.

Rev. Dr. Andrew T. Taylor, of Gaston Memorial Church, Philadelphia, has accepted a call to Cooke Presbyterian Church, Toronto.

The second International Congress for Popular Education was opened in Paris with an attendance of 6,000 delegates.

Wireless telephony experiments, conducted for the British Admiralty by Dr. Lee DeForest, have been satisfactory.

Russia's war budget for 1909, as submitted to the Duma, carries an increase of \$20,000,000 of which \$3,000,000 is for increases in salaries of officers of the lower rank.

TYPHOON HITS BIG BATTLESHIPS

American Fleet Safely Rides Out Storm at Manila.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE ASHORE.

The storm was expected, but it broke suddenly, and ships' cutters and launches had to scurry for safety inside the breakwater—all warships had steam up.

Manila (By Cable).—The Atlantic battleship fleet has safely outridden a hurricane which swept Manila Bay for 12 hours, and did much damage ashore.

Typoon signals were displayed early Sunday morning, but the storm broke over the bay suddenly, and unexpectedly at noon. It was impossible to hold the cutters and launches belonging to the fleet, because of the danger of smashing them against the steel sides of the breakwater, and the little craft were sent scurrying inside the breakwater into the Pasig River, where they remained all night.

The storm quickly increased in intensity and the torrential rains shut in the ships.

At 6 o'clock Sunday night the storm had reached its height, and then gradually tapered down, until at midnight it was comparatively calm, although heavy seas swung across the harbor. During the storm all the battleships had steam up, ready for any emergency. Rear Admiral Sperry finally ordered the flagship Connecticut and the Kansas, Minnesota, Vermont, Virginia and Ohio under way. They were close to the breakwater, and Admiral Sperry feared they might drag anchors. The six vessels steamed down close to Cavite, where they anchored.

At times the wind blew at the rate of 100 miles an hour. All communication with shore was cut off. It was impossible during the height of the storm to see the warships through the haze of rain and spray.

On shore it was dangerous to go about. Several carriages were overturned by the wind, trees were blown down, electric wires were prostrated and several buildings were unroofed. Among the buildings unroofed was the depot of the commissary. Several naval officers ashore on various errands were compelled to remain ashore all night.

JAPAN'S GREAT WELCOME.

Plans To Outdo Every Other Reception To American Fleet.

Tokio (By Cable).—Japan is planning to give the American battleship fleet a welcome that shall eclipse in splendor and enthusiasm any of the receptions tendered the American vessels on their voyage around the world. The arrival of the fleet at Manila has given a stimulus to the interest in their forthcoming visit to Japan, and the preparation for the constant entertainment of the American officers and men are now completed. The vessels are due here October 17 and will remain a week.

The Japanese authorities have taken delight in thinking up new ways and means in extending hospitality to their guests and making their stay here thoroughly enjoyable, and various exceptional attentions have been planned which will aid in making the sojourn of the Americans in Japan something always to be remembered.

The entertainments and receptions will begin at Yokohama and continue there for two days before the scene of hospitality is removed to Tokio. At the special wish of the Emperor, Admiral Spegier is to be entertained and will reside for four days at one of the imperial palaces at the capital. The program provides for the constant entertainment of officers and men and everything will be free.

There is to be telephonic connection between the shore and the flagship; all telegrams for the American officers will be delivered on board the ships; three special boat landings have been erected for the exclusive use of the visitors; five information bureaus will be established on shore at Yokohama, suites of rooms have been engaged by the Japanese authorities at the principal hotel in Tokio for the use of the visiting officers, and there is to be a special train service for both officers and men between Yokohama and Tokio.

No American in uniform will have to spend his own money for a railroad ticket, and the various trolley companies have expressed their determination to carry any member of the fleet free of charge.

CANAL WORK GOING WELL.

Col. Goethals Tells President It Will Be Finished in 1914.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Col. George W. Goethals, chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, and Major W. L. Sibert, one of the army engineer commissioners, arrived in Washington for a thorough discussion of canal matters with the authorities here.

Colonel Goethals discussed the subject at some length with the President, telling him that everything was going along nicely; that they had met with no unexpected obstacles, and that he still adhered to the belief that the canal would be ready for business January 1, 1915.

Cigarettes In Chelsea Fire.

Boston (Special).—Cigarette smoking by ragpickers who were violating the Sunday ordinance was the cause of the great Chelsea fire, which destroyed property valued at more than \$1,500,000 and resulted in the death of 18 men and women on April 1st last. Such is the report of Judge Cutler of the Chelsea court, who held an inquiry to determine the cause. Israel Smarsky, foreman in charge of the ragpickers, is held directly responsible for the cigarette smoking.

Death Of Naval Constructor.

Washington (Special).—Word reached the Navy Department of the death of Elizabeth N. J. of Naval Constructor John B. Hoover, retired. He was a native of Philadelphia and was appointed an assistant naval constructor on July 29, 1875.

London's New Lord Mayor.

London (By Cable).—Sir George Truscott was elected Lord Mayor of London in succession to Sir John Charles Bell. He will assume office November 9.

BIG POWDER HOUSE BLOWS UP AT SPENCER

Two Fire Fighters Hurled To Death With Debris.

Spencer, N. C. (Special).—Two lives were lost and 20 or more persons were injured in Spencer by the explosion of a powder storage house on the yards of the Southern Railway Company and most of the buildings nearby were damaged by the shock and the fire which followed.

The dead are: C. H. Layton, aged 48, of Raleigh; George Gould, aged 30, of Spencer. It is feared that other bodies are in the ruins.

Fire was discovered in the storage room of the powder house and the Spencer shop fire department rushed to the scene. C. H. Layton and W. F. Stafford were holding the fire hose when the explosion occurred and were buried under the debris. With great difficulty their bodies were pulled out of the burning ruins after the scene was reached by follow workmen.

The fire consumed 20 or more cars and other material. It is said that a powder magazine contained a half-load of powder, dynamite and other explosives.

Every building in Spencer and for many miles around was badly shaken up and damaged. Of the Southern's buildings the blacksmith shop is the most seriously damaged. The large new machine shop, 200x600 feet, was also badly demolished, all windows being torn out and a number of columns torn down.

WOMEN IN FIGHT FOR A MILLION

Former Peddler Lived in Paris in Style.

New York (Special).—Another sensation was sprung Tuesday in the contest over the will of Benjamin Hart, an American millionaire, who died in Paris on May 11, when Stewart and Shearer, attorneys for Michael Hart, nephew of Hart and proponent of his will, submitted to Surrogate Beckett, in reply to an application by Lawyer Franklin Elen for leave to file in this city, an affidavit showing that Hart had, on May 10, 1883, obtained from Justice Donohue a decree of absolute divorce on statutory grounds, naming a Mr. Magellan, otherwise known as Count Magellan.

Hart, who first accumulated a fortune as a peddler of clothing in Virginia, after the close of the Civil War, which was subsequently increased by judicious deals in real estate, residing in Paris for 25 years prior to his death, living on a most lavish scale. He left an estate valued at \$1,000,000. For years he had resided at 29 Rue de Galilee, Paris, his establishment being presided over by Mme. Gabrielle Juliette Antoinette de Bie, to whom he left an annuity of \$15,000 a year, his Paris house, and \$25,000 to be paid her immediately after his death.

To his nephew, Michael Hart, who lives at the New York Athletic Club, he left \$100,000 in cash and the income of his residuary estate, which is valued at several hundred thousand dollars.

His adopted daughter, Isabel Lucchesi Hart Guillemin, who is the wife of Jean Guillemin, a prominent member of the French diplomatic corps, was cut off without anything.

Mme. Guillemin contested the will, alleging that it was procured by undue influence on the part of the Mme. de Bie and others and Mrs. Hart, living in this city, in answer to the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Wright, also filed objections to its probate, claiming to be Hart's widow.

Denies She Wrote Letters.

Clinton, Ill. (Special).—Authorship of the letters alleged to have been written by Mabel Snell McNamara, of Kansas City, niece of the late Col. Thomas Snell, a millionaire of Clinton, and which were a feature of the suit to break Snell's will, is emphatically denied in an answer filed in the Dewitt County Court by the niece. The answer is made to a suit recently filed by the contesting heirs to have deeds of land which Colonel Snell gave Mabel set aside.

Dowie Was a Millionaire.

Chicago (Special).—G. D. Thomas, receiver for the estate of John Alexander Dowie, founder of the religious community of Zion City, Ill., filed a report in the Federal Court showing the assets of the estate to be \$1,709,647. Against this are secured claims of \$226,327 and unsecured claims, including a number still in dispute, of \$4,903,725.

Wright's Time Extended.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Secretary Wright has approved the recommendation of the acting chief signal officer of the army that Orville Wright's contract time for delivering his aeroplane to the Government be extended to June 28, 1909. This was done in order to allow Wright ample time to recover from the injuries he received in the accident to his aeroplane at Fort Myer, Va.

An Old Mason Dead.

Bellingham, Wash. (Special).—Possibly the oldest member of any secret order in the United States died at Lynden. He was the Rev. Alexander Le Claire, 96 years of age, who had been for 75 years a member of the Masonic fraternity. For 40 years he was a frontier preacher, leaving the Catholic Church at the age of 21 to join the Methodists. He was born in Canada of Scotch and French parentage and learned the cobbler trade. At the age of 70 he gave up the ministry.

Manila Hears From Fleet.

Manila (Special).—Admiral Sperry has notified Capt. U. R. Harris, commandant of the Cavite Naval Station, by wireless that the fleet will arrive on Friday afternoon. The cholera is steadily decreasing here.

\$200,000 Fire in Dallas.

Dallas, Texas (Special).—One fireman was killed and five persons seriously injured in a fire in the business section, which caused a loss of \$200,000.

THOUSANDS DEAD MILLIONS STARVE

The Conditions in India Are Appalling.

CITY OF HAIDARABAD DEVASTATED.

Pestilence Threatens to Follow Flood—Subsiding Waters Leave Sea of Mud—Relief Expeditions Cannot Traverse Quagmire—City or 400,000 Population Wrecked.

Bombay (By Cable).—Between two and three million people are shelterless, facing starvation and threatened with a fever pestilence as a result of the flood that has devastated the city of Haidarabad and the entire Musi River Valley.

Rescuers who are now on the scene report conditions as more appalling as the waters subside. The whole valley is a sea of soft mud, from which the arms, legs and heads of thousands of victims are protruding.

The relief expeditions are unable to traverse this quagmire for fear of being swallowed up in the soft mud. Boats cannot be propelled in the slimy streams, and it will be probably two weeks before the stricken section will be sufficiently dried out to permit of a thorough search.

Haidarabad, a city of 400,000, has been completely wrecked, and dozens of small towns have practically disappeared.

The danger from fever and starvation is still the greatest menace. Rescuers are wearing clothing soaked in disinfectants to prevent contamination, and at times the stench is so fearful as to drive them from their work.

The total casualties resulting from the disaster will undoubtedly reach 10,000. Half this number are believed to be dead, and as many more deaths will undoubtedly result from the terrible conditions now prevailing in the region.

BOMBTHROWER AN EXILE.

De Rudio, Who Tried To Kill Emperor, Living in California.

San Francisco (Special).—A story published here is to the effect that Conte Camillo De Rudio, the Italian exile who threw one of the bombs that shattered the carriage of Emperor Louis Napoleon III and Empress Eugenie, killing ten persons and injuring 150 others in Paris on the night of January 14, 1858, is living quietly in Los Angeles with his English wife, who aided him to escape the scaffold and who has been with him ever since.

De Rudio says the idea back of the plot to kill the French Emperor was a hope that an uprising in France would be followed by one in Italy, in which the monarchs would be overthrown. De Rudio, in his story, connects Francisco Crispi with the plot, declaring that he saw him in conference with Orsini a few moments before the bombs were thrown.

FIND LOST MAN IN BROOK.

Rich New Englander May Have Ended His Life.

Saxonville, Mass. (Special).—The body of Frederick C. Dawson, superintendent of the Saxonville Woolen Mill, for whom several hundred names have been hunting since his disappearance, was found in Lyman Brook, near Saxonville.

There was nothing about the body to indicate foul play, and some of his friends believe that the wealthy mill man jumped into the water to end the mental depression from which he has recently been suffering.

SCHOOL FOR WIVES LATEST.

Chicago Clubwomen Will Teach Means To Domestic Felicity.

Chicago (Special).—A school for wives is the latest undertaking of Chicago clubwomen.

At a meeting held at the Union League Club, representatives of the local women's clubs met to found an institute of domestic science which, ultimately, it is planned, will be a national organization affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Courses will be given in making clothes, cooking, household economies and general housekeeping.

FINANCIAL

Niplasing's quarterly dividend of 3 per cent. has just been declared. One of the things that is hurting American Smelting is the fact that so many mining companies are now treating their own ores.

Cripple Creek's output of gold this year is expected to reach \$17,000,000. In the past year the lessees on Goldfield Florence have paid dividends of \$315,000.

It is not improbable, say the bankers, that \$30,000,000 of Panama bonds will be issued this year.

Reading's September anthracite tonnage is expected to exceed 1,000,000 tons.

There will be little if any improvement prior to election in the steel trade," says the "Iron Trade Review."

INSPECTOR KILLED BY POSTMASTER

Victim Had Found Shortage in Accounts.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—F. E. McMillen, chief postoffice inspector, has received a telegram announcing the murder of Postoffice Inspector Charles Fitzgerald at Clinton, Miss., while in the discharge of his duties.

Inspector Fitzgerald was stationed at Jackson, Miss., when that place to investigate the Clinton postoffice. After checking up he found that the accounts were several hundred dollars short. As he was going to the railroad station to return to Jackson to make his report he was met by W. S. Sorsby, the deputy postmaster at Clinton, and the son-in-law of Mrs. Cabiness, the postmistress. They drew a pistol and shot Fitzgerald, who died shortly afterward.

Inspector Fitzgerald had been in the service since 1895, and was regarded as one of the most efficient and reliable men on the force. He had the reputation of being diplomatic in the conduct of his duties, and never incited trouble.

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE.

Hundreds Perish in Recent Great Floods in India.

Bombay (By Cable).—Thousands of native houses have been washed away and there has been a heavy loss of life in the Hyderabad and Decan districts as a result of the floods, which followed an unprecedented rainfall. The river Musi rose 60 feet, all the bridges were carried away and the country was devastated for many miles in either direction.

Corpses are strewn everywhere and scores of bodies have been found in the branches of trees, where they were lodged by the swollen waters. The native hospital at Hyderabad was undermined by the waters and collapsed and all the inmates were buried in the wreckage.

IS WORSE THAN LEPROSY.

St. Louis Hospital Has Patient Suffering From Rare Disease.

St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—Stricken with one of the rarest diseases known to science, Zoran Zigni, 34 years old, is a patient in the Skin and Cancer Hospital. No hope is entertained for his recovery. "Pemphigus follicularis" is the name given this disease. It resembles leprosy.

In leprosy the skin crumbles and wastes away. In Zigni's ailment it completely disappears, giving the body the appearance of being severely burned. Often the entire skin disappears before death comes, giving the victim terrible pain.

140 PERSONS PERISH.

A Turkish Steamship Runs Down A Ferryboat.

Smyrna (By Cable).—A Turkish steamship ran down the steam ferryboat Stambul outside the harbor. One hundred and forty persons were drowned.

Eight-Hour Law Unconstitutional.

Matteson, Wis. (Special).—The Supreme Court declared unconstitutional the Wisconsin eight-hour railroad telegraphers' law which was enacted at the 1907 session of the legislature. The law is declared unconstitutional on the theory that it is in conflict with provisions of the federal constitution.

Auto Crash Kills Girl.

Louisville, Ky. (Special).—Miss Katherine Hord, member of a prominent family, was almost instantly killed; Robert Payne, a young society man, was crippled and four other persons were bruised, when an automobile collided with a street car on Twenty-eighth Street and Broadway.

Robbers Escape On Handcar.

Ladysmith, Wis. (Special).—The State Bank was robbed of about \$3,000 by cracksmen who escaped on a hand car. Citizens turned out to ascertain the cause of the explosion and were met with a volley of bullets from the robbers. Night Officer Gordon was shot in the arm.

Three Blocks Burned in Vermont.

West Fairlee, Vt. (Special).—The business section of this town was nearly wiped out by fire. The loss, estimated at \$25,000, includes three business blocks, the Eagle Hotel, two livery stables, two dwellings and a dozen smaller buildings.

Skull Fractured By Fall.

York, Pa. (Special).—Samuel Diller, the 16-year-old son of Joseph Diller, was thrown from a horse and sustained a fracture of the skull. The Dillers live on a farm near Burn's meeting house. The boy is still unconscious.

Crushed By An Auto.

Holland, Mich. (Special).—While on an automobile trip from Grand Rapids to Holland, Dick Brink, of Grand Rapids, a prominent merchant, was accidentally killed. While driving down a hill near Vriesland the steering-gear broke and the automobile turned bottom side up in a ditch. Mr. Brink was almost instantly killed. The other members of the party—Mrs. Brink, Mr. and Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Ten Brock, all of Grand Rapids—escaped with slight injuries.

Six Dead and Eight Injured.

Portland, Ore. (Special).—A logging train at Scappoose was in collision with a Northern Pacific passenger train. Six loggers were killed and eight injured. None of the occupants of the passenger train was hurt.

2 Firemen Killed; 6 Badly Hurt.

Youngstown Ohio (Special).—Two firemen were killed and six badly hurt as the result of a fire in Knox's and a gas store. The building which had three stories, was wrecked.

LOCKED IN A BOX CAR BY HAZERS

Student Bound and Gagged and Missing Four Days.

SUFFERING MAY CAUSE HIS DEATH.

Story That Young Men of Kentucky State University Placed Captive in Freight Car and Sealed the Door—Youth Disappeared Monday and the Box Car Cannot Be Traced.

Lexington, Ky. (Special).—A story is in circulation here which causes anxiety as to the fate of W. E. Smith, the Kentucky State University student, who disappeared Tuesday night. It is currently reported that a boy whose business throws him in close relations with the students at the university stated to his story in turn, told other persons, that he overheard several of the students say that in the course of a hazing experience to which Smith was subjected, the night of his disappearance the gang of students who had him in hand took him across the tracks which intervene between the university grounds and the Queen and Crescent Railroad Yards, and, breaking open the door of a box car, had placed their captive, bound and gagged, inside the car, and sealing the door, had left the helpless victim to his fate.

If the story is true, it may be assumed that the act was done in pure mischief by the boys who took part in it, they undoubtedly believing that the car would be entered next day by some of the railroad people while it stood in the yards, or at some adjacent station, and that Smith would be released unharmed. These expectations were, however, not realized. The car which contained the boy has been taken to some distant point or left abandoned on a siding. Efforts to trace the car have proved fruitless.

The police have been unable to secure a confirmation of the story, as the persons who allege that the statement was made to them by the father of the original informant, resolutely refuse to give the name of the person who told them, as they claim it would amount to a confession of the boy if the students are held to be guilty of his name, and, besides, they state the boy's evidence would not be conclusive, as he does not know the names of the students he overheard.

That some of his fellow-students are fully aware of his fate and are using every effort to stop investigation received further confirmation today, when Ernest Smith, a sophomore at the university, and who had roomed with his missing brother, received the following communication in a sealed envelope in his mail:

You had better stop this investigation. (Signed) BLACK HAND.

Ernest Smith has been untiring in his search for his brother, and authorized the announcement of a reward of \$50 for any information of his whereabouts. He was much alarmed when he received the threatening communication today and at once reported the matter to the detectives, who will take whatever steps are necessary to insure his personal safety.

The faculty of the Kentucky State University and the police officials of Lexington have been puzzled for over a week over the disappearance of young Smith. A committee appointed by the faculty has made an investigation, and they ridicule the story that Smith was thrown into a box car by his fellow-students. They, however, have failed in discovering the whereabouts of Smith, and say they are at a loss to know of his mysterious disappearance.

WASHINGTON

The quantities of the principal articles imported for manufacturing industries were considerably larger in August, 1908, than in the same month last year, when manufacturing concerns were making their greatest record.

President Roosevelt has made public a letter written by him to Secretary of War Woodrow Wilson, relative to the shipment of whisky into prohibition territory.

Five diamond rings, five set with opals, one set with topaz, one watch and other articles of jewelry were recovered from the well-hole of the sewer at Thirteenth and G Streets, Washington.

Capt. Ten Eycke DeW, Veeder, commander of the battleship Alabama, at Gibraltar, has reported to the Navy Department the death at sea on September 27 of Eugene W. Cooper. Surgeon General Rixey has completed his organization of corps of nurses for the Navy and the appointments have been announced.

Director of the Mint Leach announced that he would resume the purchase of fine silver for subsidiary coinage.

The case of a colored soldier discharged for his part in the Brownsville affair was carried to the Supreme Court.

The Forty-fourth and Forty-third Companies, Coast Artillery Corps, from Fort Washington, Pa., held the fire command practice at Fort Monroe, Virginia, on September 10, 1908, made seven hits out of eight shots fired at two targets.

An aggregate loss of \$1,000,000 a day during the months when forest fires have been prevailing in various parts of the United States is estimated by W. E. Sloss, the erosion expert of the Department of Agriculture.

Secretary Wright will attend the dinner at Boston to be given by the merchants' association of that city to W. Cameron Forbes, the vice governor of the Philippines.

The Eastern Public Education Associations continued the reading of papers on pertinent topics.

Recent reports having failed to indicate the presence of yellow fever in Havana, Cuba, the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service has removed the quarantine.

Mr. Lane, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, declared that the commission has jurisdiction of foreign commerce between the seaboard and interior points.

Secretary of War Wright approved the application of Orville Wright for an extension of time for nine months in which to deliver an aeroplane to the government.

Judge DeLoe presided in the District labor law to be constitutional.

A GANG OF OUTLAWS TERRORIZES THIS TOWN

Arvonis, Near Richmond, Has a Reign of Terror.

Richmond, Va. (Special).—Commonwealth's Attorney Edmund W. Hubbard and Sheriff L. W. Williams left Arvonis for the purpose of tracking down the Thomas-Zimmerman force of outlaws, who are terrorizing the countryside, and who are believed to be guilty of the shooting of N. W. Gregory, on Saturday night.

The outlaws are in hiding in their stronghold between the Slate and James Rivers. Their spies are reported traversing every section of the country, ready to warn the desperadoes of any attempt on the part of the citizens to hunt them down.

Wardens have been issued for Mrs. Arthur Zimmerman, wife of the leader of outlaws, and her sister, Miss Burton, an alleged accomplice to the many crimes with which Arthur and Benjamin Zimmerman and William and Charles Thomas are alleged to be guilty. The women have disappeared an dare believed to have joined the outlaws in the fastnesses. With the leaving of the county authorities the citizens of Arvonis are left without protection. They have been authorized, however, to shoot to kill in the town in attacking a certain determined and armed men are guarding the little hamlet tonight.

Outlaws Are Desperate.

Associated with the outlaws are the Zimmerman and Thomas and Sweten families, numbering in all probably a hundred men. All of them are desperate characters and will fight if the posse of citizens comes upon them. The women families have intermarried throughout the countryside until almost all the country population is in league with them. There are also several families of negroes implicated with the gang, notably those of William Brown and George Martin. The gang remains hidden during the day, sallaying forth in the night time to seek food for themselves and their wives. Robberies are of almost nightly occurrence.

Roberts Banks, a negro, reported in Arvonis, stating that with ample protection by Samuel and William Zimmerman of Albemarle County, the later going to Payne Station from which point sufficient provisions to withstand a siege were shipped to the outlaws. The place in which the outlaws are hiding is densely wooded.

Some hundreds of men to take them in their formidable fortress.

The depredations of the Zimmerman and Thomas clans began two years ago. They are firebugs, thieves, illicit whisky stillers, and with the shooting of Gregory, the town is despoiled of the charge of assassin would be added. In many instances farms have been visited and the plants torn up and haystacks and barns burned. The Rev. Plummer Jones is actively engaged in the work of bringing the citizens together. His statement is: "I would kill any one of them without a pang of conscience."

Appeals For Aid.

The following communication from Arvonis was addressed to Governor Swannson: "Conditions here intolerable. Gang of assassins strongly entrenched in the town. Citizens taken shot in back; others threatened; county authorities appear powerless. We need detective and blood-hounds. Can you come up?"

8 DEAD IN NEW YORK FIRE.