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SINKS IN NIAGARA.

Eighteen-year-old Boy Loses Gallant Battle.

BRAVES WHIRLPOOL RAPIDS.

Before He Succumbs to Terrible Current He Swims 100 Yards Farther Than Did the Famous Captain Webb.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Aug. 17.—August Sporer, an eighteen-year-old boy of this city, went to his death in the whirlpool rapids after a gallant battle with the giant waves between the lower bridges and the pool.

With three companions Sporer went for a swim in the river at the old Maid of the Mist landing. He struck out at once for the middle of the stream and then turned toward the bridges.

His companions called to him to turn back, for the current is very swift at that point, but he kept on downstream and was caught in the great sweep, the first break from the smoother waters to the rapids.

The boy battled for a time against the current, but to no avail. Then, evidently realizing that he was beyond human help and was to be carried through the rapids, which took the life of Captain Webb and which have resisted every unaided human effort at passage, he deliberately turned downstream and began a grim fight for life.

Not in all the history of the river has such a brave battle been witnessed. Although but a frail boy, Sporer went into the rapids swimming strongly and held his own until he struck the giant wave which curls up opposite the old battery elevator. Then he went under and for a second was lost to sight of the score of people who stood on the lower anchorage.

Again and again he disappeared, only to reappear, each time fighting desperately against the terrible current, but when within 300 yards of the whirlpool his strength gave out, he sank and was lost to view.

Even then he had swum perhaps 100 yards farther than did the great Englishman, Captain Webb.

TEN HURT IN EXPLOSION.

Disaster in Cleveland Caused by Natural Gas—\$100,000 Damage.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 17.—Seven men and three women were injured when an explosion of natural gas wrecked the four story building occupied by the Wirick Moving and Storage company. The debris caught fire and was almost entirely consumed.

The roof of the building was lifted high in the air. On the north side the falling wall crashed in upon T. M. Cleary's saloon, causing considerable damage. The south wall almost demolished J. C. McIntyre's meat shop. Immediately after the explosion seven buildings in the neighborhood caught fire.

BRIDE ELECT OF 81 SMOKES.

Pulls Out Clay Pipe as She Applies For License to Marry Man of 51.

Pittsburg, Aug. 17.—Mrs. Evalina Hall, a widow of eighty-one years, and Robert B. Wright, aged fifty-one years, both of Turtle Creek, Pa., took out a marriage license in the Allegheny county license office here.

Mrs. Hall, who owns a large farm and is quite rich, created excitement by asking Marriage License Clerk J. S. Wherry if he would object to her taking a little smoke. Wherry told her to "go as far as she liked" and she produced a clay pipe.

Mrs. Hall has been a widow five years. She offered to bet Clerk Wherry that she would live to be 100 years old.

GIRL POISONED BY MONEY.

Germs From Tainted Greenbacks Cause Rash on Her Face.

New Brunswick, N. J., Aug. 17.—That Etta White, cashier in a store here, has been poisoned by money is declared by a physician who is treating her for a peculiar rash which has broken out on the left side of her face.

He says her case should be a warning to persons who have to count much money daily not to pause and rest their chin in their hand in the process, as that, he says, caused Miss White's affliction.

ROBBERS BIND COUPLE.

Masked Men After Robbery Set the House on Fire.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 17.—Four masked men entered the home of Charles Burlew, a storekeeper at West Pittston, near here, and, going to the room occupied by the merchant and his wife, demanded of the former the money he received from his sales.

Burlew refused and was knocked insensible. The intruders then bound and gagged Burlew and his wife and ransacked the room. After securing \$300 from under a mattress the men set fire to the house and fled.

Burlew managed to work himself loose and after liberating his wife carried her and their one-year-old baby to the roof to escape the flames. Upon the arrival of the firemen ladders were run to the roof, and Burlew and his wife and child were brought to the ground.

Mrs. Burlew became unconscious as the result of her experience and is in a serious condition.

DR. BULL'S WILL ADMITTED.

Surgeon's Widow Loses Fight For Whole Estate For Son.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 17.—In spite of opposition on the part of the widow of Dr. William T. Bull of New York and the latter's son, William Bull, Jr., the will of Congressman Melville Bull was admitted to probate in Middletown by the town council acting as a court of probate.

In the will the \$100,000 estate is left to the sister and three brothers of the testator. One of the brothers was Dr. William T. Bull, who has since died, so that his son becomes heir to his portion under the will.

The opposition of Dr. Bull's widow and son is based on the claim that another will which is now missing was drawn up in 1908, by which all of Melville's Bull's estate was to go to William T. Bull, Jr. The matter will be contested in the courts.

AGAINST AMERICANS IN HAITI

Germans in Black Republic Conducting Violent Campaign.

Port au Prince, Haiti, Aug. 17.—A group of Germans who for years have monopolized the commerce of this country are conducting a violent campaign against the American bankers who are negotiating for a concession for the construction of a railroad system in Haiti.

The Germans control the press of the country, which prints strongly worded articles against the Americans and predicts the annexation of Haiti by the United States if the concession is granted.

The Germans fear that if the railroad is built it will end their monopoly in the republic.

MINERS' LAW VIOLATED.

Certificates Granted to Foreigners Who Had Little Experience.

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 17.—Flagrant violations of the miners' certificate law were disclosed in the coroner's inquest into the death of Anthony Stenukas, a miner, who was killed in the People's colliery.

The law requires every holder of a certificate to have two years' experience as a laborer before taking the examination. Stenukas had been in this country less than two years. Witnesses testified that newly arrived aliens secured certificates from one of the three examiners after a mere formality.

Officials of the company admitted on the stand that these were considered valid certificates by the company and that they had accepted such.

CRETAN WAR CLOUD DARKER

Committee at Canea Takes Oath of Allegiance to Greece.

Canea, Island of Crete, Aug. 17.—The provisional administrative committee to which the administration of the island was entrusted when the Cretan cabinet resigned has taken the oath of allegiance to the king and kingdom of Greece.

The action of the provisional administrative committee in Crete in swearing allegiance to Greece apparently indicates that it is not their intention to meet the demands of the protecting powers and haul down the Greek flag and that therefore the powers again will be forced to land troops to insure the autonomy of the island.

MRS. HIGGINS ARRESTED.

Widow of Former Governor Will Appeal From Fine For Speeding.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 17.—Mrs. Kate C. N. Higgins, widow of former Governor Higgins, who was fined \$15 in Vernon for automobile speeding, will appeal, saying that court was held in the post-office and that the fine was illegal.

The village constable had started to take the chauffeur before Justice Bowers when Mrs. Higgins interfered, saying she owned the car. Then she was arrested and fined. She denied that the car was speeding.

PERSCH INDICTED.

Grand Jury Continues Probe of Heinze Conspiracy.

BOSTON MAN ALSO ACCUSED.

Powerful Moneyed Interests Believed to Be Behind the Men Who Made Loans on Copper Stock.

New York, Aug. 17.—Two indictments were voted by the grand jury in connection with the theft of \$110,000 worth of Heinze Copper stock while it was being held by the Windsor Trust company.

The indictments, which are against Donald L. Persch and A. D. F. Adams, a wealthy stockbroker of Boston, charge grand larceny in the first degree.

John E. McIntyre, attorney for Persch, stated that if his client could get out of the Tombs he would be able to regain most of the missing securities or the money realized on those sold.

"This young man can go to those associated with him in this affair," said Mr. McIntyre, "and get back cash or securities, as no one else can do. As I have before asserted, he was a tool in the hands of more powerful, more experienced men."

Information has come into the possession of the district attorney that in not a few banking institutions of high standing in the community loans have been made for rich houses on securities which were thereupon used for speculation. How far this system of finance is within the law is a question which it is known that the present grand jury is very eager to learn.

The grand jury also purposes to inquire if in other loans from which rich commissions were charged subordinate employees got tips for helping put the deals through. In the Heinze loan it was discovered that Sterling Birmingham got a fee of \$250, for which after exposure he was dismissed. The grand jury wants to know how prevalent this "tipping" system extends in the trust company's past business.

The district attorney's office has learned that in addition to the so-called "man higher up" there must have been powerful moneyed interests behind the transactions. It has been admitted by several witnesses that the \$50,000 advanced to Joyce for his Copper stock was put up by Leonard J. Field, a young curb broker and son of Jacob Field, a Stock Exchange broker. That young Field was willing to advance the money without receiving any security for it has puzzled the district attorney and has given rise to the belief that some one else, with plenty of means at his disposal, was the real lender.

Up to date the following men have been mentioned as connected with the stock loan puzzle:

F. Augustus Heinze, who admits that he owned almost all of the Davids-Baly and Ohio copper stock, valued at \$110,000, placed as collateral in the Windsor Trust company for a loan of \$50,000.

M. M. Joyce, broker of Heinze, who put up the collateral with the trust company.

John Alvin Young, president of the Windsor, who says it acted merely as an agent in the transaction.

Sterling Birmingham, loan clerk of the Windsor, who is said to have received \$250 for his services.

W. L. Clark, the broker who originally approached Joyce with the proposition to raise money and introduced Joyce to the Windsor Trust people.

Donald L. Persch, the broker, who shares office room with Clark.

A. D. F. Adams, stockbroker, of Boston, who is said to have turned over 100,000 shares of stock to Leonard J. Field.

John S. Sherwood, broker, who, acting, he says, as Persch's broker, got Joyce's collateral immediately after it had been left with the Windsor Trust company.

Leonard J. Field, Jacob Field's son, who advanced \$50,000 with which the collateral was bought. Field's commission is said to have been \$300.

Richard Kaufman, notebroker, who introduced Sherwood to the Windsor Trust company, but says he was acting simply as a clearing agent for the loan.

Charles Katz, president of the Eastern Brewing company of Brooklyn, described by some of the witnesses as principal in the loan made through Kaufman as clearing agent.

Millionaire Killed at Monte Carlo. Monte Carlo, Aug. 17.—Ned Marghall, who is described as an American millionaire, was killed here by a hospital guard, who escaped.

NEW VENEZUELAN CABINET.

Several Castro Partisans Appointed on Government Council.

Caracas, Aug. 17.—The new Venezuelan cabinet is announced officially as follows: Minister of the interior, Senor Linares Aleutara. Minister of the exterior, General Juan Pietri. Minister of finance, Dr. Abel Santos. Minister of war, General Regulo Olivares. Minister of patronage, Senor Rafael Carabano. Minister of public works, Dr. J. M. Orrego-Martinez. Minister of public instruction, Dr. Maldonado. Secretary general, Senor Antonio Pimentel. Governor of Caracas, Dr. Carlos Leon.

President Gomez has appointed a government council, as provided for by the new constitution, consisting of ten members. They include a number of prominent politicians and several of the Castro leaders. Senor Ramon Ayala is president and Senor Nicholas Rolando and General Teira first and second vice presidents of the council. These officials act as vice presidents of the republic in the order named.

THREE FLIGHTS BY CURTISS.

American Aviator's Machine Slightly Damaged in Last Landing.

Rheims, France, Aug. 17.—Glenn M. Curtiss, the American aviator, who will take part in the "aviation week" contests, made two successful trips in his aeroplane near here.

At the end of his third flight, which lasted four minutes, Mr. Curtiss made an abrupt landing, and his machine was slightly damaged. Undismayed, he at once set about repairing his flier. He declared that the machine needed nothing but a little tuning to be in perfect shape.

Curtiss' trial was viewed by a large crowd. When he brought out his aeroplane to the Betheny field fifty mounted gendarmes were engaged in a practice drill. Curtiss started up his motor when suddenly a dozen horses, frightened by the whir of the machine, began plunging wildly and galloped off almost beyond the control of their riders.

Remarking that the motor ran well even if it did make a good deal of noise, Curtiss took his position on the machine and flew away, making a turn over the heads of the horses before he landed.

ALBERT PRAISES LEOPOLD.

Belgium's Heir Returns From Congo With Good Words For King.

Antwerp, Aug. 17.—Prince Albert Leopold, heir to the Belgian throne, arrived here on his return from the Congo and was given an ovation.

He spoke in praise of what King Leopold had accomplished in the Congo and said the resources and possibilities of development of the country had exceeded his expectations. Belgium, he declared, would work for the moral and material welfare of the natives in lessening their burdens, combating the sleeping sickness and increasing means of communication.

AMERICAN CUTTER SEIZED.

Master Charged With Diamond Robbery in Africa, but Later Freed.

Washington, Aug. 17.—The state department has received a telegram from Mr. Handley, the American consul at Boma Congo, stating that the crew of the cutter flying the American flag seized at Quissanga Argola, West Africa, were Americans and that the vessel was American owned.

The master and one sailor were sent to Loanda, the former charged with diamond robbery in the neighboring German colony. The charges were not sustained, and the affair has been settled.

X-RAY LEPROSY CURE.

Quarantine Officer Says It Is Effective in the Early Stages.

Washington, Aug. 17.—The X-ray as a cure for some cases of leprosy has been demonstrated by the American health authorities in the Philippines, according to Dr. Victor G. Heiser, chief quarantine officer in the islands.

Dr. Heiser in a report to Surgeon General Weyman of the public health and marine hospital service says the X-ray is suitable for specially selected cases and is valuable in the early stages.

Official figures show that there are 2,446 lepers in the Philippines.

LOST ON MOUNT TACOMA.

Staffs and Packs of Missing Climbers Found Near Crater.

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 17.—T. F. Callaghan of West Seattle and Joseph W. Stevens of Trenton, N. J., are believed to have lost their lives while endeavoring to ascend Mount Tacoma.

A rescue party found the Alpine staffs and packs of the missing men ten feet from the crater.

MAENNERCHOR DAY.

A Rainy Day, but, Nevertheless, Enjoyable.

Monday morning Honesdale dressed itself in gala attire, in honor of the visiting Maennerchor societies, which were to spend that day with the Maennerchor of this place. Flags and streamers fluttered profusely and everything wore a holiday air. The first train arriving with visitors was a special from Scranton and bore the Scranton and Carbondale delegation which filled twelve cars. They were met at the depot by the reception committee and band. Following there came the guests from Hawley and Port Jervis. The parade was formed, music being furnished by Bauer's band of Scranton and the Honesdale cornet band, and brought up at the town house where Mayor John Kuhnbach delivered an eloquent address of welcome as follows:

"It affords me pleasure and gratification to greet you, the Junger Maennerchor of Scranton and their friends here in the name and on behalf of the citizens of Honesdale. I extend to you a cordial welcome to the Maple City."

"It is eminently proper that for your annual outing you come to a place teeming with historical associations. Pennsylvania, the grand old Keystone state, of which we are all residents, was colonized after the most peaceable citizen who ever left his native soil to find a new home, William Penn, whose life and principles were in accordance with the Scriptural doctrine, peace and good will to all."

"Wayne county is named after the grand old Revolutionary warrior, General Anthony Wayne, one of the most trusty generals of Washington's staff, whose principles of ambition and energy pervade the very atmosphere of our county to this date."

"Honesdale is named after a former president of the Delaware and Hudson Canal company, one of the most courtly, chevaliers and scholarly mayors that New York city ever had, Philip Hone, who stood first, last and all the time for law and order, which principles we try to emulate."

"As the sun rises in the east to open and rule the day it discloses to us, Irving Cliff, which stands as a grand sentinel, guarding the eastern portals of Honesdale; it was named in memory of Washington Irving who visited this place more than seventy years ago, and as he stood upon the summit of Irving Cliff and gazed upon the scenery revealed to him, he was inspired to write those beautiful words which will be revered as long as the English language is written, spoken or can be translated."

"It is customary to literally and verbally give the president of the visiting organization the keys to the city. We are doing this, not in that sense alone, but in a substantial manner. It is with pleasure that I present to you the key of the city of Honesdale, the first of its kind ever made in the United States and perhaps in the world; it is emblematic of one of our greatest industries, it was manufactured, cut and engraved by the original and greatest glass firm in the world, C. Dorringer & Sons, of White Mills, the senior member of which is not only the pioneer glass man of this section of the country, but he is one of the grand old men of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania."

"We regard Scranton as the most progressive, up-to-date hustling city in the United States, therefore, it is justly named Electric, and with pardonable pride we recall the fact that a large portion of its population originally came from Wayne county."

"We hope your stay here will be pleasant and agreeable and that when you return to your homes, you will carry with you recollections which will in the future recall to you, if you are in doubt as to where to spend a pleasant day, you will once more come to Honesdale."

That the remarks of Mayor Kuhnbach were appreciated was evidenced by the hearty applause which followed. The response was made in a neat and appropriate manner, by W. M. Bunnell, of Scranton, which was also well received.

Mr. Alex. Voigt, of Honesdale, then made an address in German in behalf of the Hawley delegation.

The gathering then dispersed for dinner, after which the entertainers and guests marched, with the bands, to Bellevue Park where the afternoon was spent in music, vocal and instrumental. The famous Kaiser cup song was a feature of the afternoon's music, and was greatly appreciated.

The rain, which, after a six weeks' absence, had put in an appearance the previous evening, somewhat dampened the enthusiasm and curtailed the attendance, nevertheless, it did not prevent the visitors and entertainers from making

the session one full of enjoyment. After supper the visitors were entertained in town until the time for departure, and all seemed to be well pleased with their visit in all respects—weather excepted, a fine rain continuing to fall throughout the entire day.

Business places in town closed at 5 o'clock p. m. in honor of the day and the visitors.

Everybody hopes for a repetition of the visit made by our neighbors at a time when the weather may be more propitious for an out-door gathering.

PHOEBE SNOW TEAM DEFEATED

A Pretty Game of Base Ball Seen Here Last Saturday.

On Saturday afternoon the recently organized Old Home Week base ball team defeated the Phoebe Snow team of Scranton by the score of 9 to 3. Schuerholz was in the box for the locals and kept the visitors' hits well scattered. He was given brilliant support by the other members of the team, Wenders, Liljquist, Murphy, Tuman, of White Mills, and Monaghan, of Carbondale, played with the locals. The feature of the game was Wender's long three-base drive in the first inning.

The following is the score:

Table with 5 columns: Player Name, R, H, O, A, E. Rows include Monaghan, Brader, Schuerholz, Wenders, Liljquist, Murphy, Murray, Clatter, Tuman.

Phoebe Snow.

Table with 5 columns: Player Name, R, H, O, A, E. Rows include Saville, Strunk, Morris, Duffy, Geahm, Clarke, Decker, O'Donnell, Paul.

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Bases on balls, off Schuerholz, 3; off Paul, 1; struck out, by Schuerholz, 3; by Paul 1; three base hits, Wenders; two base hits, Murphy; sacrifice hits, Schuerholz, Liljquist, and Monaghan; stolen bases, Honesdale-3, Phoebe Snow 3, hit by pitcher, Monaghan; double plays, Schuerholz to Wenders.

The Wayne Traction Co.

The regular session of the Honesdale Business Men's association was held Thursday night at the town hall. A goodly number were in attendance.

H. H. Richards, general manager of the Wayne Traction company, was present and asked for the cooperation of the business men of Honesdale in disposing of some of the bonds of said company:

Mr. Richards said in part:

"Mr. President, and business men of the city of Honesdale: I appear before you to-night on the behalf of the Wayne Traction company, Vice President Riffert and Mr. Kelly, representing the Bankers' Corporation company, of Reading, are in Honesdale for the purpose of selling the bonds of the Wayne Traction company. These gentlemen are not asking the people of Honesdale to invest in a construction bond, but are selling them at 6 per cent. collateral note of the Bankers' Corporation company, indorsed by the Union Trust company, of Harrisburg, and further secured by the St. Louis Webster Valley Park Railway company, of St. Louis, Mo., and the Warren County Traction company. This gives each investor triple security for his investment and they further agree to recall the collateral note at the expiration of two years and redeem same at 103 in the bonds of the Wayne County Traction company or any other bond of other properties which are in their possession. These gentlemen are endeavoring to secure certain subscriptions on or near the proposed line for the purpose of ensier interesting foreign investors. The new road will increase business and every business man is going to be benefited indirectly, and, gentlemen, you can make no better investment than buying as many of these bonds as you can afford to carry."

President S. T. Ham and the association then discussed the proposition and appointed a committee to investigate, and report at the next regular meeting.

The Shoemakers of Honesdale had a big crowd and a jolly time at their picnic at Lake Lodore on Thursday. Everything passed off smoothly and enjoyably, as usual.