

Staring individuality is superior to collective uncertainty.

An unconscious, unselfish, benevolent beauty is the rarest jewel of truth.

There are more than 4,000 different editions of the Bible in the British museum.

Those who cannot find happiness in their present location will not be apt to find it in future situations.

Those who are constantly traveling in search of pleasure and never find it forget to leave themselves behind.

Germany is preparing to build several 25,000-ton battleships in England, was, of course, reply at once with an order for as many 26,000-ton fighting vessels.

A Cleveland wife suing for divorce claims that her husband has been drunk every night for 13 years. We always said that 13 was an unlucky number.

A Kansas woman observes that "most men would pop the question several months before they were married to most readers." More light from Kansas.

America ships lemons to every country except Russia. Japan recently handed to Russia all the lemons that country will need for a good many years to come.

The irony of fate was strikingly exhibited when H. G. Wells, the author of various plans for improving locomotives, was run down and seriously injured by an automobile on a London thoroughfare.

A scientist reports that cold feet indicate great intellectual power and activity. The common supposition that cold feet indicate unusual weighing inclinations will probably continue, however, to prevail.

Peat covers one-seventh of Ireland, sometimes reaching a depth of 100 feet; the United Kingdom has 6,000,000 acres, of an average depth of 12 feet; Germany's peat covers 11,000 square miles, and Scandinavia's supply is thought to equal 3,000,000,000 tons of coal.

Thomas Wightman, pioneer glass manufacturer of Pittsburg, has been in active business for three-quarters of a century and now, at the age of 90, is to be found in his office every day. Mr. Wightman is interested in two banks and in other business enterprises, taking an active part in the affairs of all.

It is related that a loving wife told her partner that she would not be the alleged complainer to another who told him to consult his dictionary and ascertain what it meant. He did so, and found that a model husband is a misanthrope and a misanthrope is a man who is not the real thing. And he lived unhappily ever afterward.

Some of the wealthiest sportsmen of Vermont are now engaged in a movement to stock the covers of Vermont with foreign game birds. Among the birds which it is believed can be introduced into the state are the dalerpa, which is a native of Norway, the capercaillie, which is found in the highlands of Scotland, black cock and ring-necked pheasants.

One of the youngest members of the United States senate will be Joseph M. Dixon, the senator-elect from Montana, to succeed the late William Clark. He was born in North Carolina in 1867 and went to Montana in 1889. He was admitted to the bar there and has been elected to congress twice, though the state has only one member of the house of representatives.

Queen Maad of Norway is fond of collecting pieces of ivory. The specimens she most prizes are tusks of elephants shot by her father, King Edward, and the duke of Connaught. The czar of Russia is reported by some wild boar tusks taken from animals shot by himself. Among other tusks and teeth are those of walrus and lions, sharks and seals, alligators and swordfish, slain or captured by her majesty's relatives or friends.

A characteristic tale comes from Rambouillet, France. The state has when, at a rosy shoot, a cock pheasant got up within range, the cry was "Coq au Roy!" and only the king drew trigger. Kings went, and the cry followed, too. But Felix Faure revived for him, Felix I. President Loubet allowed it to "Coq au President!" and now, with his practical common sense, President Fallieres has decided that there shall be no cry at all.

History repeats itself in the arrival of Spaniards in large numbers in this country just now. They do not come to conquer this time, however, but to become in time good American citizens. They will learn here not to put off till to-morrow what can be done today.

A Cambridge man writes to the London Daily News suggesting the formation of a museum for the exhibition of articles found in jam. He says he can contribute a used butter match, pink in color, recently acquired.

WHAT MAY HAVE CAUSED THE SPOT ON THE SUN.



SETTLE JAPANESE TROUBLE

SCHOOLS OPENED TO ALIENS UNDER RESTRICTIONS.

Coolie Labor Shut Out by Agreement

—Negotiations for New Treaty to Be Started.

Washington.—Japanese children are to be admitted to the white schools of San Francisco under certain restrictions, skilled and unskilled laborers coming from Japan are to be barred from the mainland of the United States, and American laborers, skilled and unskilled are to be excluded from Japan.

This is the basis of the agreement between President Roosevelt, Secretary Root, Mayor Schmitz and the San Francisco school board as an adjustment of the anti-Japanese agitation brought about by the segregation of Japanese children in the schools of San Francisco.

The agreement means that the schools of San Francisco will be conducted in the same manner as they were before the board of education adopted the resolution last October providing for the segregation of the Japanese, except that adult Japanese who are in primary grades must continue to attend the separate schools and that Japanese children under 16 years of age will be admitted to their classes with white children of their own ages.

While the resolution of the school board, as amended, reads, "Children of alien birth," it is freely admitted by Mayor Schmitz and his associates that the resolution will apply only to the Japanese children and that the change in the wording was to make it plain to the Tokio government that no discrimination was intended against Japanese children.

Assistant City Attorney Williams of San Francisco, who has acted as legal adviser to Mayor Schmitz and the board of education since negotiations have been pending in Washington, Monday night said: "The only concession we have made is to admit Japanese children to the white schools while in return the administration has brought about the exclusion of Japanese laborers from this country."

"This is only a temporary agreement. President Roosevelt has given us direct and positive assurances that he will at once begin negotiations with Japan for the purpose of bringing about a new treaty that will exclude Japanese laborers, skilled and unskilled, from continental United States."

Six Seamen Drowned.

Highland Light, Mass.—Six seamen lost their lives when the Philadelphia A. Reading Coal company's tugboat, Girard, and Alaska went ashore and broke up off here Monday. Two men, the captain of the Girard, and one seaman, were saved. They were hauled ashore in the breeches buoy by means of the life-saving crew of the Highland Light station.

Leaves Much to Charity.

Omaha, Neb.—The will of the late Count John A. Creighton was filed for probate Monday afternoon. It makes specific bequests of \$1,150,000, of which \$250,000 goes to relatives and his housekeeper and \$900,000 goes to educational and benevolent institutions, the Creighton university leading with \$500,000.

Dynamite Blast Kills Five.

London, Ky.—Five men employed by the Louisville & Nashville railroad, one mile south of Hazelpatch, this county, were killed Monday by the explosion of one hundred sticks of dynamite, which they were thawing.

Fremont Again Flooded.

Premont, Neb.—Water broke through the dyke southwest of Fremont Monday and the city is again inundated south of the railway tracks. Dynamite gangs are working to break the gorge south of the city.

STEAMER SINKS, 14 DROWN.

Orlando Sent to the Bottom by Collision with the Heliopolis.

Cardiff.—The British steamer Heliopolis collided Saturday midnight with the British steamer Orlando, outward bound from Penarth.

The Orlando sank and 14 persons, including her captain were drowned.

The Heliopolis put into this port with her bows damaged. The night was clear, but there was a gale blowing and a heavy sea running. The Orlando, which was coal laden for Spezia, was struck between the engine room and the stove hole and immediately began to fill and heeled over and sank within half an hour. The Heliopolis drifted away without rendering assistance.

The captain mustered all the Orlando's 19 men on deck. Each was given a life belt and jumped into the sea. Six of them reached a waterlogged lifeboat, the only boat it was possible to launch, and all of them, with the exception of one who died from exhaustion, were rescued by a pilot boat after suffering greatly from exposure.

RAILROADS TO BE PROSECUTED.

Accused of Violating Law Relating to Shipment of Cattle.

Washington.—The department of justice, through the United States attorney in the several states, is about to begin proceedings against a number of railroads for violations of the law relating to the shipment of cattle. The law, which was approved June 3, 1908, provides that cattle shipped in interstate commerce shall not be confined on cars longer than 28 hours consecutively without their being unloaded for food, rest and water, except in cases where a request is previously made, the time may be extended to 36 hours.

BOY TRAIN-WRECKERS CONFESS.

Admit Crime in Georgia, Their Object Being Robbery.

Tallapoosa, Ga.—Four boys, led by Carl Davis, the oldest 13 years, have confessed to attempting to wreck a Southern railway train just east of here Tuesday night. An accommodation train from Atlanta ran into an open switch. The engine was demolished and the engineer and fireman badly hurt, but the passengers escaped. The lock had been broken and the switch left open. The boys said their object was to rob the express car.

Railroad Magnet Dead.

Des Moines, Ia.—E. S. Ellsworth, promoter and builder of the Iowa Falls & Northern Short Line, and the R. C. R. & N., died at his home in Iowa Falls Friday of hardening of the heart. He was 59 years of age and leaves a family. The dead railroad magnet was rated at more than a million. He was a philanthropist and gave large sums to charity. The town of Iowa Falls profited mostly by his gifts.

Seven Killed by Blast on Ship.

New York.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Vadavia, fruit laden from the West Indies, came into port Saturday with her forward decks shattered, her funnel flat upon the deck, and the story of a boiler explosion on board last Wednesday morning which caused the instant death of seven members of the crew and the serious injury of another.

Start to See Panama Canal.

St. Louis, Mo.—Twenty representatives of St. Louis commercial organizations departed Monday night for Cincinnati, en route to Panama for the purpose of examining the work of construction of the canal.

Helena Tied Up by Strikes.

Helena, Mont.—Street car service, electric light service and telephone service in Helena were discontinued Monday by strikes of motormen, conductors, linemen and telephone girls. All demand higher wages.

SCORE DIE IN WRECK

ELECTRIC TRAIN DITCHED BY A BROKEN RAIL.

VICTIMS BADLY MANGLED

Disaster Occurs While Running Seventy Miles an Hour—Four Separate Investigations of Accident On.

New York.—Twenty-two persons are known to be dead and about 100 are injured, a number of them probably fatally, as a result of ditching of a New York Central Suburban electric train, near Bedford Park station, Saturday evening. Four of the deaths occurred in New York hospitals Sunday. The train was running about 70 miles an hour when it rounded a curve four of the cars left the track and turned over. They were dragged several blocks, being smashed to splinters, and scattering the dead and injured along the track. The dead were horribly mangled. Of the injured in the hospitals four were regarded Monday as being in a critical condition.

Broken Rail Is the Cause. Assistant District Attorney Smyth said Monday that he had arrived at the conclusion that the accident was caused by a broken rail.

The wrecked train left the Grand Central station at 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon. As the train sped along above Bedford Park station the four rear coaches were derailed. They bumped along over the ties for a short distance and then fell over the embankment. In falling they turned on the left side. The two engines, the baggage car and the smoker kept the rails. The shrieks of the passengers in the unscathed coaches could be heard above the roar of the train.

Despite the efforts of the engineer to stop the engine the speed was so great that the overturned coaches were dragged a distance of several blocks before the train could be brought to a standstill. Over this distance men, women and children who had escaped injury in the overturning of the coaches were dragged to death. For a further distance the track was lined with the dead and wounded. The coupling that held the engine to the train did not break and the police believe that the great fatality attending the wreck was caused by the dragging of the coaches.

Bodies Strewn Along Track. Finally the coaches plowed up enough dirt and snow in front of them to bring the engines to a halt. The bodies of several railway men along the tracks. Some of the victims were utterly unrecognizable. In being dragged along the cinders and coal dust had been so ground into their faces and clothes by severe rain that it was with difficulty that the rescuers could tell whether they were white or black. Many of them had their clothing torn off and were almost naked. The bodies scattered over the track and along the path over which the coaches had been dragged were the mutilated remains of the passengers. There was an arm here, a leg there, and other portions of the body.

To add to the horror of the situation fire started in the wreckage, and the shrieks of those being burned to death were added to those of the wounded. Fire alarms were turned in and engines quickly responded, but the fire was not extinguished until many of the bodies pinned beneath the wreckage had been charred beyond recognition.

Four Investigations Begun.

New York.—With four separate investigations into the disastrous wreck on the New York Central Suburban electric train, which derailed Saturday night, the cause of the accident is still uncertain. In addition to the inquiries under way, resolutions were introduced into the legisla-ture Monday for a legislative investigation.

One of the investigations already under way was under the direction of the coroner, a second was made by the New York state railroad commission, a third by the district attorney's office of New York county and the fourth by the railroad. The state railroad commission went over the scene of the wreck accompanied by several medical officials. No announcement was made, but it is said that the commissioners are inclined to the belief that the accident was due to a defect in the motors of one of the coaches. It was estimated, though not officially, that the wreck was not due either to defective rails or to the too great speed of the train. It was determined, it is said, that the motor cars also left the track.

Date for Triennial Saengerfest.

La Crosse, Wis.—The Northwestern Saengerbund, consisting of German singing societies, Monday fixed the date for the next triennial Saengerfest at La Crosse on July 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1908.

Girl Shoots Man and Herself.

Marion, Ill.—Norah Turner, daughter of G. H. Turner of Harrisburg, Ill., shot Robert Kennedy Monday and then shot herself. Both will die. She had told Kennedy she would kill him if he did not marry her.

To Commemorate Marathon.

Athens.—The chamber of deputies decided to commemorate the battle of Marathon in 1819, 24 centuries after the occurrence. This will take place simultaneously with the next Olympic games.

Illinois State News
Recent Happenings of Interest in the Various Cities and Towns.

POST OFFICE IS ROBBED.

Robbers Secure Two Hundred and Forty Dollars.

Bloomington.—The safe in the post office at Normal was blown by robbers and about \$240 in money and stamps were taken. The discovery of the robbery was made by Postmaster James A. Court-right when he went down to open the office. They overlooked a package containing \$166 which was the day's receipts in the money order department, but which was thrown on the floor with some empty envelopes and evidently not discovered by the robbers.

GET \$3,000 IN VILLAGE BANK.

Robbers Blow Open Safe in Private Institution at Ellipton, Ill.

Canton.—A private bank at Ellipton, a village 18 miles northwest of this city, was entered by four men. The safe was blown open with nitro-glycerin and \$1,400 in gold and \$1,600 in bills taken.

The village has no police. Citizens, roused by the explosion, rushed into the streets half dressed, but were unable to intercept the burglars, who escaped.

The bank is owned by E. W. Butler, of Ellipton. Its financial standing will not be impaired.

Investigates Negro Asylum.

Bloomington.—Charles Virden, representing the state board of charities, investigated the Harriet Beecher Stowe institute, which shelters negro orphans. The institution was founded two years ago, and at present has about 60 inmates. Complaints were filed that the children were mistreated and that some of the attendants were cruel to them. A report will be filed with the governor.

Chicago Boy Hurt at College.

Alton.—During a floor rush in the dormitories of Shurtleiff college at Upper Alton Ray L. Fieshugh, 20 years old, one of the students, was thrown over the banisters and fell nearly four stories. He suffered concussion of the brain. Drs. E. A. Cook and E. C. Lemm, of Alton, attended the young man and fear that he has developed a cerebral hemorrhage, which may prove fatal.

Davis Will Contest Settled.

Kewanee.—The trial of a \$30,000 contest over the will of Ewen Davis, a settlement was unexpectedly made. Misses Anna and Emma Broton, housekeepers for many years for Davis, to whom he left all his property, agreed to pay court costs to contest Iowa City, Ia., relatives. The suit was dropped. Costs amounted to \$2,600.

Ewing College Gets \$10,000.

Mount Vernon.—Andrew Carnegie has informed President Leavitt, of Ewing college, that he will give the college \$10,000. A like amount raised by the college. This college is in Franklin county, and is the only school for higher education in 27 counties in southern Illinois. Benton and Marion, Ill., each have pledged \$1,000.

Fifer Captures a "Hugger."

Bloomington.—Oscar Fifer captured a "Jack the Hugger" in Franklin square here after a fight with the fellow and his vicious dog. The "hugger" proved to be Wesley Gray, a car-borne and a half mile west of Raymond and one-half mile east of Zanesville, to Louis Koreger and sons for \$24,000, or \$100 per acre.

Lincoln College Wants Endowment.

Lincoln.—C. E. Gullett, a member of the board of managers of Lincoln college, has left for New York city to appear before the general educational board and present the needs of the school with a view of securing at least a part of the \$25,000,000 John D. Rockefeller recently donated to the cause of education.

Asylum Baked Discharged.

Lincoln.—Fred Hetman, a nearly 20 years old baker at the feeble-minded asylum in this city, was discharged by Superintendent Har-dit. Reasons for the discharge were not made public.

Killed and Hurt in Collision.

Pearl City.—Two freight trains on the Chicago Great Western railroad collided here. Daniel H. Koontz, of Stoyeston, Pa., going east with a car-load of horses, was killed. Three trainmen were injured in jumping.

Crib on Fire; Baby Burns.

Mount Vernon.—The infant son of Alexander Dale, of Bonale, was burned to death. An older child set fire to the crib in which the little one was sleeping, then gave the alarm, but too late to save the baby.

ROBBERS GET NO MONEY.

Yeggenmen Blow Safe in Strasburg Bank, But Are Frightened Away.

Shelbyville.—An attempt was made by yeggenmen to rob the Strasburg bank. The two doors of the vault were forced open and the front plate and the lock of the safe were blown off. The money box was not reached. A number of private boxes in which there were private papers were destroyed. The funds of the bank proved very safe by the arrival of the night policeman, Ben Bingham, who heard the explosion of the dynamite and hastened to the scene to investigate. The policeman carried a lantern and his light and the robbers saw the light and made good their escape.

NEW EASTERN ILLINOIS LEAGUE.

Charles Weltart of Pana Elected President of Baseball Association.

Pana.—At Charleston the Eastern Illinois baseball league was organized by the election of the following officers: President and secretary, Charles Weltart, of Pana; treasurer, Fred Moore of Charleston; directors, Joe Young and W. A. Walker, of Shelbyville and T. J. Cunningham of Taylorville. Pana, Taylorville, Shelbyville and Charleston have signed. Mattoon and Charleston will join.

Say City Controls Liquor Traffic.

Chicago.—That ever since the granting of the first charter to the city of Chicago in 1837 the city had had absolute control of the liquor traffic and that the state Sunday closing law, enacted many years thereafter, is not applicable to Chicago, is the declaration of a committee of 31 suits brought against Mayor Dunne to compel the closing on Sunday of as many bars in downtown hotels and clubs. The answers were filed by the city attorneys, counsel for the defendants, and were presented to the circuit court.

Berment Post Office Robbed.

Berment.—The safe in the post office was blown open and \$150 to \$175 worth of stamps taken, besides between \$15 and \$20 in money. The stamps taken were in the following denominations: Three, four, five, eight and ten, also special deliveries and some stamp books. Altogether there was about \$60 in money in the safe. That it is in bills, and though the robbery took place everything out of the safe, they overlooked most of the money.

Seeks Assault on Witness.

Proctor J. A. Simpson is being sought in Kentucky for his alleged assault on Charles Johnson, ex-deputy sheriff and graft witness before the grand jury. The other supposed assailant has been discovered to be Earl Bredding, a shoe clerk, who says Johnson was the victim of his own temper. That Johnson was the victim of a plot is now accused by the police. He is recovering from the knife wounds inflicted.

Child Victim of Scarlet Fever.

Aurora.—The first death in the epidemic of scarlet fever at the state home for girls at Geneva occurred when Dorothy Hayden, seven years old, daughter of Matron Lillian Hayden, died, after an illness of a week. A doctor attending the child never had been reported up to February 12 at the Geneva home. A corps of seven trained nurses is in charge of the cases, which are in quarantine in Geneva cottages.

Loose Reason at Husband's Funeral.

Edwardsville.—During the funeral of John Triska, superintendent of an Edwardsville mine, who was killed by a fall of slate, Triska's widow became violently insane. She broke up the service, and it was necessary to summon the police. She was adjudged insane in a circuit court and ordered sent to the asylum at Anna.

Waterworks System at Mount Auburn.

Mount Auburn.—At the last regular session of the village council the question of the water works was brought up by Alderman Chick and was debated. It is the desire of the board that a petition be circulated among the people to see how they feel on the subject before final action is taken.

Plays Piano for 27 Hours.

Belleville.—J. H. Mohr, of New York, broke the record for continuous piano playing without stopping for 27 hours.

First Train Enters Taylorville.

Taylorville.—Several blasts of a locomotive whistle February 19 announced the arrival in Taylorville of the first Illinois Midland train. Connection having been made with the B. & O. road about one-half mile northwest of the city, the construction train of the new railroad ran to Taylorville passenger station. The Illinois Midland is the new coal road now practically completed in Christian county. It probably will put on a passenger service at once. The freight service will come a little later.