

FORTY KILLED IN COLLISION NEAR CHICAGO

Details Are Meagre Yet But It Is Thought Open Switch Was Cause.

TRAINS WERE PASSING WHEN WRECK CAME

Michigan Central and New York Central Expressed in Fearful Accident.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—The Michigan Central railroad officially announced tonight that between thirty and forty persons had been killed in a wreck at Porter, Ind.

An unknown number of persons were injured, the officials said. The Michigan Central train which was wrecked at Porter, Ind., was a passenger train. The New York Central train which was wrecked at Porter, Ind., was a freight train.

Officials of both roads said the actual cause of the wreck could not be determined, but it was presumed that the Michigan Central train either ran into a closed switch, or else the rails spread as the two trains were passing each other. The Michigan Central and the New York Central use the same tracks out of Chicago.

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Michigan Central officials placed the number of dead at more than thirty, while unofficial reports made the death list as high as fifty. The tower man of the Michigan Central was arrested immediately after the wreck. The cause of the wreck was not yet determined.

Word received at Michigan Central offices at midnight said that twenty-seven had been taken from the wreckage and that many more were believed still hidden in the debris.

More than 100 injured, seriously and slightly, had been sent to hospitals at Chesterton. The injured passengers were brought into Chicago on a special train late tonight. John H. Gehlert, of Oak Park, Ill., one of the New York Central passengers gave a graphic description of the wreck as follows:

"The first intimation we had of the disaster came when our train began to jerk and jump when the emergency brakes were suddenly applied.

"We crawled out of the wreckage as best we could. On all sides were people lying on the ground, some dead and some injured. Many of the bodies were badly mangled.

"Everyone was running around frantically, flames and clouds of steam were shooting from the engines, but wreckage of the cars did not catch fire.

Women Seek Place On Mandate Board

London, Feb. 27.—Urging the appointment of women on the Mandate Commission of the League of Nations, the women's advisory committee of the League of Nations Union has addressed a letter to Earl Curzon of Kedleston asking that the matter be considered at the session of the council of the league in Paris tomorrow.

Sea of Flame In Streets of Buffalo

One Hundred Persons Driven from Their Homes When Gasoline Tank Explodes.

Buffalo, Feb. 27.—One hundred persons were driven from their homes and several badly injured by the explosion of an explosion of a tank containing 5,000 gallons of gasoline here today. Directly following the explosion, the block and streets surrounding it changed into a sea of flame. All the windows of more than thirty houses were broken and the many smaller structures were shaken down. Several of the houses were almost wrecked.

POLICE CAUGHT 1,400 PRISONERS IN LIQUOR RAID

Huge Quantity of Liquors Seized When Raids Made in New York.

WELL KNOWN PLACES VISITED BY POLICE

Fifty Raiders Had a Busy Night in Attack on "Wet" Resorts.

New York, Feb. 27.—Federal prohibition agents raided sixty-four cafes and cabarets, many of them at the white light districts yesterday, taking more than 1,400 prisoners, seizing a large quantity of alcoholic beverages.

The raids, which began simultaneously at three o'clock in the afternoon, extended over a period of five hours, and included places in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Staten Island. The raiders, about fifty in number, were assisted by New York from Boston, Philadelphia and New Jersey cities for this particular raid.

Salary Too Small So Stole Bonds of \$772,000

When He is Caught Clerk Says He is Sorry and Crime is Unprofitable.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 27.—William Dalton, who robbed a Chicago bank of \$772,000 in Liberty bonds Thursday, was captured at Haywood, 25 miles north of here, according to Jack Draper, constable. He had all but \$500 worth of the bonds in a grip.

Air Pocket Kills Two Young Airmen

Bohacaway, N. Y., Feb. 27.—An air pocket at an altitude of 800 feet which threw their airplane into a tail-spin and caused it to crash to the ground, is believed to have been responsible for the deaths of Lieut. Harold F. Stevens, U. S. N., and Chief Mechanic Mate Eugene Lindsay, while making a routine flight over the naval air station here yesterday afternoon.

Agent To Africa

London, Feb. 27.—It is stated that Sir Edgar Walton, a wealthy British South African newspaper proprietor, has been appointed the new high commissioner for South Africa in succession to the late Right Hon. William Philip Schreiner.

Study Rail State

Boston, Feb. 27.—The Governors of the New England states after a conference with railroad executives of this section at which the latter proposed a ten per cent increase in passenger and freight rates yesterday decided to appoint a committee from each state to examine into the condition of the roads. The officials of the latter had announced that unless assistance in this form or another were forthcoming shortly several lines would become insolvent.

FORD CAR IS SPECIAL IN BIG CONTEST

Three Weeks' Extra Prize Offer is Beginning Today for Contestants.

EXTRA VOTE OFFER IS MUCH HIGHER

Special Inducements to Secure Great Activity During First Week of Race.

Which contestant in The Standard's big prize contest will win the Essex Ford Touring Car which The Standard is going to give away to the one who turns in the greatest amount of subscription money during the contest. The contest opens on Monday, Feb. 28, and Saturday, March 19th. New contestants have an equal chance with those taking the list to win the special prize.

300,000 EXTRA votes are given for each and every \$30 worth of business turned in during the first week only of the special Ford offer.

CORK PLEADING FOR CONDEMNED

Six Irishmen to Die Today for Attacks Upon Crown Forces—Prayers in the Churches.

Cork, Feb. 27.—The Cork Corporation at a meeting yesterday adopted a resolution appealing to the military to suspend the execution of six Irishmen in Cork jail, whose death has been fixed for Monday morning. A copy of the resolution has been sent to General Sir Nevill MacCreedy, commander of the troops in Ireland, and to General Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien, Deputy Lord Mayor, Messrs who were not guilty of the alleged charges, among them being John Allen, of The Terrace, who was sentenced to death by a court martial for having a revolver and ammunition in his possession. Sentences is Continued.

This resolution was confirmed by the King's Bench on February 24, who decided that a state of war existed and that the military had full power to deal with the insurrection without interference by the civil courts. Prayers were offered in all the Catholic churches here today for the condemned men. The others five are: Timothy McCarthy, O'Brien, Patrick Mahoney, John Lyons and Daniel Callaghan. These men were tried early in February on the charge of levying war against His Majesty by attacking Crown forces at Drissey, County Cork, last autumn.

Six Sleepers Roused By Big Opium Raid

New York, Feb. 27.—Detectives Waitword and Lamare, acting on a "tip," called at a house at 306 East Thirty-first street at midnight yesterday. Latrine went up the front stairs and Waitword climbed the fire escape, smashing with the butt of his revolver a window in the suspected apartment. At the same moment Lamare broke in the door from the hallway. The detectives said they found six bunk beds along the walls, and in them six sleeping Chinese.

Rousing the sleepers, the detectives placed them under arrest and searched the place. They said they found eight cans of opium, 67 boxes of the same drug, eight pipes, seven lamps and apothecary scales.

Geo. Kae, described as the owner of the place, was held in \$2,500 bail by Chief Magistrate Wm. McCleod in Yorkville Court, for trial in Special Sessions, and the others were held in \$500 bail for trial. They were Tom Lee, 305 East 33rd street, Brooklyn; Len Ching, 11 Pell street; Wong Sing, 18 Pell street; Ching Hea, 10 Pell street; Ong Tong, 17 Doyers street, and Tom Pan, 14 Pell street.

Shackleton Back in England Again

New York, Dec. 27.—Sir Ernest Shackleton returned to England yesterday. Sir Ernest's attention was called to the fact that shortly after he predicted "a broken winter," the heaviest blanket of snow of the winter fell. But the explorer replied that he still maintained he was right.

Winslow Bill Signed

Washington, Feb. 27.—President Wilson signed yesterday the Winslow bill, authorizing partial payments to United States railroad under provisions of the transportation act.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA
Capt. George H. Perry, retired captain, is reported to be in his own yard at Yarmouth, N. S. The Methodist Church at South Yarmouth is burned with a loss of \$50,000.

THE UNITED STATES
Forty persons killed in an appalling train wreck near Chicago. Police arrest 1,400 persons in New York on liquor resorts in New York City.

THE BRITISH ISLES
Viscount Jellicoe was married on Saturday, quietly, to Lady Cecil, Marshal Field, Lloyd George and Premier Brand confer on an action to be taken against Germans if they refuse to accept indemnity terms.

U. S. DESTROYER SUNK; 16 SEAMEN AMONG MISSING

Vessel Was Taken in Tow But Sank Soon After the Collision.

ONE SAILOR KILLED AND TWO INJURED

"Woolsey," a Modern War Vessel, Cut Down by the U. S. "Steel Inventor."

Washington, Feb. 27.—One naval enlisted man is dead, fifteen are missing and two are injured as the result of a collision yesterday between the United States destroyer Woolsey and the United States steamer Steel Inventor, off the Pacific coast of Panama. The Woolsey was cut in two at the stern by the collision and sank at six o'clock this morning while in tow of the destroyer Aaron Ward of the Pacific coast of Panama. The Woolsey was a modern war vessel, 112 of Woolsey's crew were aboard.

Mail Order Trade Reduced One-Third

Manager of Philadelphia Branch of Sears-Robuck Tells of Conditions.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Systematic frauds by which Montague, Ward and Company, mail order house, Ward and Company, mail order house, have defrauded of thousands of dollars through a conspiracy of employees and customers became known yesterday through the arrest of Charles Steinbach, a messenger for the company, 18 years old, and three men who posed as customers.

Huge Supply of Food In Cold Storage Here

New York, Feb. 27.—An immense amount of food is held in cold storage in New York, according to a report made yesterday by the state Division of Food and Markets. Holdings of frozen beef, American cheese, frozen pork, frozen lamb and mutton, poultry and frozen fish have increased considerably as compared to the amount held in cold storage last month.

Caught Thief After A Stirring Chase

Robber Made Him Take Off Shoes and Trousers But Victim Got Him in End.

New York, Feb. 27.—The deep laid plan of Adolphus Temple, a negro of 122 West 129th street, said by the police to have been robbery, failed yesterday, although the victim was hampered by the snow, and the fact that Adolphus had compelled him to disrobe of everything except his underwear. Patrolman Joseph McKay of the West Thirtieth street station, on post at Ninth avenue and Fortieth street, was hurried to the sight of a negro racing towards him, travelling west in Portieth street, pursued by a man who was sprinting through the snow in his bare feet, and carrying his shoes and trousers in his hands.

Three Women Held For Car Robbery

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 27.—The arrest of three women and recovery of \$40,000 stolen from the mail car of a Northern Pacific train on Feb. 13, is announced by federal officers.

PROVINCE MAY PROTEST THE NEW SENATOR

Delegation from New Brunswick to Go to Ottawa to See the Federal Leaders.

RUMORS TELL HOW CHOICE WAS MADE

Appointment Intended to Bring Gov't Side Strong Body of Labor Voters.

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Feb. 27.—Interest in the appointment of a Nova Scotian—J. A. McDonald—to the Senate as a representative for the Province of New Brunswick is remaining at fever heat. The latest development in the case is the probability of a delegation going from the province to Ottawa to make a personal protest to Premier Maguire and the other Federal authorities against the appointment. It is understood the matter will be decided definitely within a few days.

CANADA MUST BE READY TO FIGHT

Such is the View of Major General MacBrien, Chief of the General Staff.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—That while nearly sixty thousand of Canada's best men gave their lives in Flanders in the belief that they were fighting to end all wars, and while idealists fervently hoped, and believed that Christian teaching would change human nature to the extent that another war would be impossible, yet that change was still somewhat distant, and the peace which should have come with victory was still absent, was the theme of a most interesting speech at the annual reunion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry here last night by Major-General J. H. MacBrien, chief of the general staff, and as such adviser to the minister of militia. Canada must be ready with an efficient fighting force when the next war comes, he urged.

Winnipeg Is Tired Of Having Tag Days

Movement on Foot to Have All Charitable Funds Handled by One Bureau.

Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—Proposals to eliminate tag days in Winnipeg and distribute funds to charitable institutions through a federated budget board are being considered and probably will be adopted in the near future, according to information obtained at the city hall. The board would have 12 members, including a manager, a secretary of information and publicity and an executive of five members. Funds from the public would be collected by means of a "general drive" and not by piecemeal contributions.

Sir William Peterson Left 15,186 Sterling

London, Feb. 27.—By a will written on a half sheet of note paper Sir William Peterson, former principal of McGill University, disposed of \$15,186 sterling to his widow.

Japs To Quit Siberia

Tokyo, Feb. 27.—Japanese forces will evacuate Siberia in March, says the Kōmeishin Shimbun. Confirmation of this report is not as yet available in official quarters.

General MacCreedy Shot In Shoulder

Report in Sinn Fein Circles That He Was Injured in An Ambuscade Recently.

Dublin, Feb. 27.—That General Sir Nevill MacCreedy, commander of the Crown troops in Ireland was the victim of an ambuscade a fortnight ago at the Merrion gates behind the walls of the Merrion Hotel, Dublin, and still is suffering from a bullet wound in his shoulder, is the report circulated in Sinn Fein circles here today. Confirmation of the report, however, has been impossible up to the present.

CROWN ARMY IS TRYING TO TAKE MACROOM PARTY

Casualties in All-Day Irish Battle Not So Large as Was Anticipated.

FIND PLOT AGAINST POLICE BARRACKS

Attack Proved Abortive Although Extensive Preparations Had Been Made.

Dublin, Feb. 27.—Reliable details of Friday's ambuscade of Macroom and the fight which followed it still are lacking. It is believed, however, that the casualties reported are exaggerated. A communique issued yesterday by Dublin Castle describes the pursuit of the attacking party Friday afternoon by twenty Royal Fusiliers.

Naval Crews Lead In Great Mutiny

Six Battleships and Many Other Vessels in Uprising of Soviet Sailors.

London, Feb. 27.—Details of the recent mutiny of Soviet sailors at Kronstadt, says the Central News Hiding from correspondent lead to the belief that the crews of the Soviet battleship Andrei Pervovskan, the cruiser cruiser Petrovskan, the cruiser Rostov, Admiral Makaroff, Oleg and Aurora, and several gunboat participated in the revolt and murdered a number of commissaries.

ADOPT IMMIGRATION BILL

Washington, Feb. 27.—The conference report on the immigration bill was adopted yesterday by the House and Senate. The bill was sent to the President. It would limit immigration for fifteen months from next April 1, until three per cent of the nationals of the various countries who were in the United States at the time of the 1910 census.

Girl Killed By A Rifle Bullet

Montreal, Feb. 27.—Struck by a bullet when a rifle in the hands of her brother was accidentally discharged, Ethel Bell, aged fourteen years and six months, of Bellevue, was instantly killed in her home at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. According to the information furnished to Chief of Police Lemieux, of Valleyfield, the girl went upstairs for a rest, and while preparing to lie down on her bed, her brother George, aged seventeen years, began to examine a rifle which he had in the house, when it was discharged, the bullet piercing the girl's nose and lodging in the brain. Medical assistance was summoned, but the girl had died instantly. The mother of the girl was on the lower floor and when she heard the shot ran upstairs, where her son explained that he was examining the rifle when it was fired. The sister, James Bell, a motion picture operator for G. T. R., was away at Ottawa at the time of the accident. Coroner Bosmer was notified and will hold an inquest today.

Issue Forged Passports

Washington, Feb. 27.—Furged passports to enable undesirable and dangerous aliens to enter the United States are being issued in almost every European country, it was announced yesterday at the State Department.