

## PEOPLE DYING IN TORRID EAST

### May Records for High Temperature Broken at Several Points in Middle and Southern States.

## MERCURY CLIMBS TO 98 DEGREES

### Saskatchewan and Wyoming Experience Snow Storms—Heat Wave to Move Further East Today.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Record-breaking temperatures for May were recorded today at points in the lake region and Mississippi and Ohio river valleys, but a promise of cooler weather there on Sunday and Monday was made by the weather bureau tonight.

The mercury reached 95 degrees at Evansville, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis and 94 degrees at Chattanooga and Cairo.

At Madison, where it was 93 degrees, previous May high records were equaled. In marked contrast, temperatures near or below freezing were recorded from Nevada, Wyoming, northern Arizona, southwestern Colorado and Montana, while snow fell in Wyoming and Saskatchewan.

The hot wave will move eastward into the Middle Atlantic and New England states on Sunday and it will be warm in the northwest states, the northern Rocky Mountain and plateau region.

**Warm in Mississippi.**

JACKSON, Miss., May 27.—This was the warmest day ever experienced in Mississippi, so far as weather bureau records show. In Jackson 98 degrees was registered. At Vicksburg, where one prostration was reported, 92 was the maximum.

**Two Dead in Toledo**

TOLEDO, O., May 27.—With the mercury registering 92 degrees for a sixth day today, two persons died as a result while one young man was overcome and died in a serious condition. At 7 o'clock tonight the temperature was 95 degrees. Three were drowned here this evening as a result of taking to water sports because of the heat.

**Regina Gets Snow**

REGINA, Sask., May 27.—There is nearly six inches of snow on the ground tonight. Snow started falling at 10 o'clock yesterday, but melted quickly. Early today there was a heavy fall, however, and about six inches remained. It is still snowing hard.

**DAYTON, O., May 27.**—May temperature records of half a century were broken today when the mercury climbed to 98. Four prostrations are reported.

**LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 27.**—One death and two prostrations were reported here today, due to the heat. The temperature registered 96 degrees.

**CINCINNATI, O., May 27.**—The thermometer reached 96 degrees here today, and nine prostrations were recorded.

## CONCESSION TO JEWS

### Obtain Rights to Enter Russia on Business Missions—Passports to be Abolished

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Russia is conceding the right of entry into that country of American Jews visiting the czar's domains on business missions. The Russian embassy here is now issuing passports of this kind to identify American Jewish business men.

It is said here that this is not the result of any pressure brought to bear upon the Russian government through threatened legislation in the direction of abrogating of the existing Russo-American treaty, but results from a more liberal view that has been taken in Russia as a matter of sound internal agreement.

It is now proposed to abolish the whole system of Russian passports, which would remove the last obstacle to the entry into the country of persons of any religious faith or race.

**Lytton Fire Extinguished**

LYTTON, B. C., May 27.—The fire that threatened Lytton was extinguished early this morning by the splendid work of the bucket brigade, despite the strong wind and lack of water. Three sleeping grandchildren of A. B. Blanchford were rescued from the flames, but the home was burned to the ground.

**Carnegie Peace Palace**

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAINE, May 27.—The Frankfort Zeitung says that the powers are exchanging views regarding a call for a third Hague conference on the occasion of the dedication of the Carnegie Peace palace in Holland. It is proposed, according to this paper, to submit all colonial entanglements regularly to arbitration.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy and Miss Percy leave today for Prince Rupert.

## HALLEY'S COMET

### Position of Celestial Wanderer Still Recorded by Instruments in Lick Observatory

SAN JOSE, Cal., May 27.—Director W. W. Campbell of Lick observatory, tonight issued the following report on Halley's comet:

Halley's comet, which was nearest to the sun and to the earth and at its greatest brilliancy more than a year ago has been followed on its journey into distant space with the telescopes of the Lick observatory. The comet is now a little farther than Jupiter is from the sun, that is about 500,000,000 miles, but astronomer Curtis has photographed with the Crossley reflector on two nights this week, exactly in the predicted positions. Even with the powerful photographic telescope, the tail of the comet is extremely faint on the plates, and it would be doubt be invisible in the most powerful telescopes if looked at visually. The comet is now sixty per cent farther away from the sun than it was when it approached to the sun and was discovered photographically in September, 1910.

**Ireland's Population Decreases**

LONDON, May 27.—Ireland has a population of 4,381,961, according to the census returns made public today. This is a decrease of 75,824 since the last census was taken ten years ago.

**Injured by Explosion**

GRENFELL, Sask., May 27.—Rev. R. H. Dobson, pastor of the Methodist church, while trying some new views in his lantern, set fire to gas and a violent explosion took place. Mr. Dobson was seriously burned about the hands and face. The house furnishings also caught fire. Mr. Dobson will be required to have new skin grafted on his hands.

**PARRAL, Mex., May 25.**—via El Paso, Tex., May 27.—Many federal officials, including jefe politicos, have been killed, scores of others have been placed in jail, stores have been looted and burned and hundreds of people are on the verge of starvation as a result of a reign of terror waged in the state of Durango and southern Chihuahua by bandits and insurgents who have heard of the peace agreement.

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## MOTOR RACING FINDS VICTIMS

### One Driver Killed and Several Other Men Injured While Practicing With Cars for the Coming Contests.

DENVER, Colo., May 27.—Speeding over the three mile motor course at Sable, ten miles east of Denver, in preliminary practice today for the three hundred mile race on Decoration Day, two racing automobiles, running some distance apart, veered from the course, at the same point but in opposite directions, and turned over, instantly killing the driver of one car and injuring the other driver and the mechanics of both cars.

Robert W. Bean, aged 24, whose home is in Detroit, was crushed to death beneath his car.

The injured are: Otto E. Manglitz, of Denver, two ribs broken, internal injuries, Lee Bert Roberts, of Denver, badly bruised, Harry Ball of Denver, head bruised.

HARRY BALL is one of the youngest of the professional motor drivers, and has many race winnings to his credit. Only last year he won the Denver to Cheyenne race.

Manglitz was his mechanic, and is the most seriously injured of the three. Roberts was acting as Bean's mechanic and his second death by being thrown clear of the car.

The accident was peculiar. Bean, driving a Studebaker stock car, stripped for speed, was bowling along at fifty miles an hour when his car veered to the right. In an effort to right the machine he swung it around and it shot off the course, and into the field to the left. Ball, at the wheel of an Apperson Jackrabbit, which had just completed a lap at seventy-five miles an hour, felt his car give way when it reached the point where the Studebaker encountered it unsteadily, and in attempting to straighten it out, whirled it off the course to the right.

Both cars leaped into the air as they struck soft earth, turned over and lay masses of wreckage over one hundred yards apart.

Ball and Roberts were tossed out of their machines, and after lying stretched upon the ground for a moment were able to rise and give attention to their companions. It was hours before the injured could be conveyed to hospitals.

**One at Indianapolis**

**MOTOR SPEEDWAY, INDIANAPOLIS, May 27.**—Running eighty miles an hour, a Lozier driven by Harold Van Gorder struck the "danger" curve entering the home stretch of the Indianapolis speedway this afternoon while tuning up for the Memorial Day 500 mile race and crashed into the outer railing.

Van Gorder and W. I. Bardell of New York, who was in the machine were hurled over the wall and heavily one hundred feet across the lawn. Both escaped dangerous injuries. The heavy racing car tore out a 20 foot stretch of the foot thick concrete wall, then turned over twice and landed upside down in the centre of the speedway.

The wheels were taken from the machine. Little damage, however, was done to the engine of the body and the car will start in the race. Van Gorder said the accident was caused by the blowing out of the two outside tires, while he was swinging round the turn at high speed. At this same point last Wednesday, an Amplex car driven by Joe Horan turned over and Horan's leg was broken.

## MEXICAN CITIES ARE TERRORIZED

### Insurrectos and Bandits Kill Federal Officials and Loot Stores in Durango and Southern Chihuahua.

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## DECLARES FOR CHURCH UNION

### Alberta Conference Passes Resolution in Favor of Joining with Congregational and Presbyterian Bodies.

**PROPOSED BASIS IS SATISFACTORY**

CALGARY, May 27.—That the Alberta conference declares itself in favor of union with the Congregational and Presbyterian churches in Canada, in accordance with the proposed basis as possessing the elements of perfect agreement in matters essential, of flexibility in things not essential, in deviations of doctrine, policy and ministry, administration and law, and as being calculated to immeasurably advance the Saviour's kingdom, particularly in the western conference.

After an enthusiastic and spirited discussion the members of the Methodist conference passed the foregoing resolution unanimously today. All members qualified to vote voted in favor of church union.

The chairman called for those who wished to oppose the motion, but not a single man replied.

## DEATH OF DR. ELLS

### Prominent Geologist and Authority on Mineral Resources Passes Away at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, May 27.—There died here one of Ottawa's most prominent citizens, and one of Canada's greatest geologists, Dr. Robert Wheelock Ellis. Death came at an early hour, after a week's illness, from paralysis. The late Dr. Ellis was born at Cornwallis, N. S., on July 26, 1845. His ancestors were United Empire Loyalists who came to Nova Scotia in 1781. He joined the staff of the Canadian geological survey in 1872 and was active in that service ever since. He was a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and a fellow of the American Geological Society. He was elected president of the Ottawa Literary and Science society in 1895 and has published various reports on geology and mineral resources in the different provinces of Canada, including British Columbia.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cowan and family arrived in Vancouver this afternoon. They will spend the early summer months here before Mr. Cowan returns to his duties in the House of Commons on July 15th.

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## BANDITS ATTACK TRAIN OF DIAZ

### Unrecognized Force of Rebels Suffers Severely in Attempt to Make Capture—Many Killed or Wounded.

VERA CRUZ, Mex., May 27.—General Diaz himself took command of the federal soldiers who repulsed a large force of rebels while the former president was on his way from Mexico City to Vera Cruz. The latest estimate places the number of rebel dead at 20 and the wounded unknown.

The attack on the train in which General Diaz was travelling and the ensuing train wreck at Tepic, Yucatan, with General Diaz at the time were Senora Diaz, Colonel Porfirio Diaz, his son, and the latter's family. The trains were proceeding slowly with a pilot engine in the lead, the military train next, then the former president's special, and last of all a wrecking train to repair tracks if necessary.

The rebels came into the open as the trains were approaching Tepic, Yucatan. They numbered 500 and began a fierce attack on the train. The train was derailed and used rapid fire guns. General Diaz ordered his special car to proceed nearer to the scene, and as it drew up he alighted, and with pistol in hand, ran forward to aid his defenders. The rebels' quick action with the rapid fire guns had all of the rebels by surprise, and they soon were in full retreat. The trains then proceeded at high speed.

On his arrival here General Diaz was received in silence. There were neither cheers nor hisses for the man who had held power in Mexico for so many years. Diaz was met by J. B. Body, to whose home he hastened. From the flagstaff of this mansion the British flag is flying.

General Diaz will be a passenger on the Humber-American steamer, which range, which sails for Spain May 31, by way of Havana.

The health of General Diaz appears to be greatly improved.

**Punished by Revolutionists**

MEXICO, City, May 27.—Swift and bloody punishment was given the assassins of the troop train acting as an escort to General Diaz on his trip to Vera Cruz, according to a message received tonight by Alfred Robles Dominguez, the representative of Madero. The telegram was sent by Hiram G. Marquez, the revolutionist leader in the state of Vera Cruz.

Marquez says the attack was made by a band led by Delfino Villanueva, and that as soon as he heard of it he gave orders to pursue them. Leading the revolutionists himself, he found Villanueva with his hand, routing them with great loss.

Robles Dominguez says Villanueva has never taken orders from any recognized revolutionist, and has been regarded as nothing more than a bandit. He expressed deep regret that any attack should have been made on Diaz's train.

**Street Car Held Up**

FRESNO, Cal., May 27.—A masked highwayman, armed with a revolver in each hand, held up a street car on the north park line late tonight, robbed the crew of about \$25 and then ran their car to a safe. He abandoned the car on the outskirts of the city. Posses late tonight are scouring the fields north of here in search of the robber.

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## WILL BE READY FOR CORONATION

### Contingents from British Columbia and Prairie Provinces Benefit from Drill at Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, May 27.—On Sunday morning the cavalry contingent from British Columbia and the western section of the Canadian Coronation contingent leave for Montreal, which will mean that the last of the Canadian boys who are to see the crowning of King George as representatives of their provinces will have left. All this week the three units from British Columbia, Manitoba and Alberta have been drilled unceasingly into shape, with the result that they paraded in full regimental order before Colonel Steele this afternoon. The whole corps moved as one man. It was a brilliant scene, with all the various uniforms, and the staff surrounding Colonel Steele was visibly pleased with the result of the week's drilling.

**Farmers Bank Case**

TORONTO, May 27.—The trial of Lieut.-Col. James Munro of Embro, Ont., former president of the defunct Farmers Bank, was begun and concluded today before Judge Winchester, and judgment was reserved. The charge against Colonel Munro was that in each month during last year he signed false reports of the bank's standing to be forwarded to the government.

**Firmen's Wages**

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Negotiations looking to a final adjustment of the controversy between the Southern Railway and its 2,400 firemen caused by the demands of the latter for a twenty per cent increase in wages, will begin next week, probably Monday, before Judge Martin A. Knapp, of the court of commerce, and Dr. Charles F. Neill, commissioner of labor, mediator under the Erdman Act. Both sides agreed today to submit the matter to mediation.

**Sun Down by Navy Vessel**

WASHINGTON, May 27.—While returning to Washington tonight from a trip down the Potomac river with Miss Helen Taft and a party of young women chaperoned by Mrs. George Von L. Meyer, wife of the secretary of the navy, the secretary's flagship Dolphin ran down and sank at Alexandria, Va., the power boat Culprit Fay, containing three men. Alexander Yellowlegs of this city, one of the three, could not be found when the Dolphin's boat resumed the other two.

**Evidence at Viterbo**

VITERBO, Italy, May 27.—Adele Esposito, fiancée of Ericcione, was interrogated and gave testimony most favorable to him.

"Ericcione," she said, "was a most honest man and quite incapable of committing crime."

The woman then told the court how she and Ericcione were arrested several days after the murder of Cucco and his wife. The vice-prefect of police in Naples recounted minutely the details of the finding of the body of Cucco's wife, the condition of the apartment, and also how, a few days later, the police accused Ericcione and his companion of being instigators of the murder and arrested them.

McPhalen Brothers have been awarded the contract for the new school at Cedar Cottage.

## LUMBER CURTAILMENT

### Oregon and Western Washington Mills Observe Agreement to Close on Saturday

SEATTLE, May 27.—Lumber manufacturers of Oregon and Western Washington began today to observe the curtailment agreement calling for the closing down of their mills every Saturday until the lumber market improves. At a meeting of lumbermen held here today W. C. Miles of Globe, Wash., who is directing the curtailment campaign, announced that lumbermen representing a cut of approximately 10,000,000 feet a day have signed the agreement. Reports received here indicate that most of the mills in the South Bend, Gray's Harbor, Everett and Bellingham districts shut down today in conformance with the curtailment plan.

**Wappenstein Case Delayed**

SEATTLE, May 27.—Illness of a brother-in-law of Wm. Morris, chief counsel for the defense, caused an adjournment until the trial of the former chief of police Charles W. Wappenstein, accused of accepting a bribe. It had been expected that a jury to try the case would be secured today, but the sudden adjournment of court put off the completion of the jury until next week.

**Expulsion of Jews from Riga**

ST. PETERSBURG, May 27.—The Social Democrats yesterday introduced an interpellation in the Duma regarding the action of the government in referring the expulsion from Riga of 300 Jewish artisans.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—John W. Gates told the house steel investigating committee today the history of the United States Steel Corporation. Present at its birth, he described how it was the natural outcome of what he described as the refusal of Andrew Carnegie to be bound by the "gentlemen's agreements" that marked the early days of open competition in the steel business.

He also told of millions lost and created almost in a breath; how the Carnegie mills, appraised at \$150,000,000, were reorganized as worth \$320,000,000 almost within the time required to make the transfer to the corporation; the clash in formative days, when John D. Rockefeller was dissuaded from joining in the creation of the corporation and the manner in which others were prevented from engaging in the steel trade.

Relating how Carnegie had been forced to abandon plans for extending his steel business, Mr. Gates frankly admitted that the combination was formed to throttle competition, and that when John D. Rockefeller had sought to enter the steel business, Carnegie put through which forced him to sell out for forty cents on the dollar.

Characterizing Mr. Carnegie as "a bull in a china shop," Mr. Gates told of a midnight conference between himself, Charles M. Schwab and J. P. Morgan, at which the steel corporation was conceived, and how it resulted in Carnegie setting \$25,000,000 in the corporation's securities for his steel interests, which he had formerly offered for \$160,000,000 cash.

Mr. Gates also told the committee of the taking over of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company by the United States Steel Corporation in the panic of 1907, a deal in which he was interested as a stockholder of the Tennessee company. This, he said, was a forced transaction carried out by Mr. Morgan and other financial leaders to save the Trust Company of America, threatened in the financial upheaval because it had loaned too much money on stock of the Tennessee company.

Plans made by Mr. Carnegie in 1899 and 1900 to circle his steel interests with a railroad of his own and compete with the National Tube company, organized by Mr. Morgan, by the erection of a tube works at Ashtabula, Ohio, were factors that led to the birth of the steel combine.

Mr. Gates revealed how Mr. Morgan, alarmed by Mr. Carnegie's plans, had sought the advice of himself and James J. Hill; how Charles M. Schwab, who he said, was the only man who had influence with Mr. Carnegie, was called in to suggest a way to "stop Carnegie," and how the pioneer steel king was curbed, though greatly to his financial gain.

He explained that the steel business was threatened with several demoralizing forces when Carnegie's plans became known, and that Mr. Morgan and others became alarmed, fearing that Carnegie would demoralize both railway interests and steel prices. This was the situation described by Mr. Gates, himself a director in the Republic Iron and Steel company, when Mr. Morgan sent word to him through James J. Hill seeking a conference to determine what could be done. Mr. Gates said he told Mr. Morgan that Charles M. Schwab was the one man who could influence Mr. Carnegie. Out of that came an all-night conference at Mr. Morgan's New York home, the outcome of which was the United States Steel corporation.

John D. Rockefeller's name came up in the hearing when Mr. Gates was describing Mr. Carnegie's desire to branch out after the organization of the National Tube Company. "John D. Rockefeller," he said, "once started a steel mill and threatened to put us out of business. That did not last long. A deal was made whereby Rockefeller's steel interests were bought out at forty cents on the dollar."

Mr. Gates answered with candor nearly every question put to him by Rep. Stanley, the chairman, and members of the committee, but surred them somewhat when he declined to say what he thought was the value of the common stock of the steel corporation.

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## INNER HISTORY OF U. S. STEEL

### Mr. John W. Gates Tells Investigating Committee at U. S. Capital How Great Corporation Was Organized.

## WAS ONLY WAY TO "STOP CARNEGIE"

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