

England's recent flight over an imagined airship from Germany is paralleled by the amazing tiger scare which put central and southern Wales in commotion about several years ago. It was reported that a tiger had escaped from a travelling menagerie at Brecon. Mangled sheep were said to mark its course across the mountains. Lindridge Wells, some farmers lost their dogs and on market days at Builth, Brecon, Penybont and Llanmarlach the wild beast was the center of rumor. Country schools were closed because parents feared to let their children go along the roads, and bands of armed men sought to bait the tiger down.

This state of terror lasted a week, though no person was found who had actually seen the tiger, but only people who "had heard that some one else," and so forth. Then the truth was hunted down, and the origin of the whole affair discovered at the remote hamlet of Ebered. One night the schoolmaster there, in dismissing the children, playfully had warned them not to loiter in going home lest a tiger should get them.

The scared children accepted the warning as real and hastened home with stories of a savage beast lurking behind hedges or growing in ravines. And so the story grew, as stories do under the culture of imagination.

Trumpeting Ancient German Choral.

The most noted ornament of the town is the Rathaus, whose no artist who visits Rothburg fails to sketch. It is of a most imposing beauty, consisting of a Gothic building, containing back to the middle of the thirteenth century, with an elaborate renaissance facade. It was from its darkling dungeons that many of the instruments of torture in the museum at Nuremberg came, for Rothburg was not tender in its treatment of prisoners. The earlier building has a high square tower crowned with a bell copula, where thrice a week the clock of St. Jakob's, a reverend church living within its shadow, painfully climbs, armed with trumpets and other musical instruments.

The sweet Lutheran chorale is repeated four times at the mystic rites, respectively face the four points of the compass, and the ceremony, so in keeping with the quaint, old-time life of the town, is one of the visitors' most unforgettable memories. Rothburg is from a Hothenburg (Bavaria) Letter to Yogan.

Stockyards to Be Beautified.

Unoccupied places in the Chicago stockyards are to be made to bloom. Instead of unattractive lanes and pens and roadways and great barn buildings, the yards are to be made stretches of flower beds, with here and there buildings surrounded with shrubbery. The scheme originated with J. Ogden Armour, and the first fruits of his plan may be seen at the general offices of Armour & Co. where bright flowers are in bloom all around the buildings. The packers who take the visitors to the yards will find comfort in the flowers and shrubbery after they have listened to the thousand and one grating noises which fill the air at all hours of the day.

He Died It.

"What's become of the charming actor with the beautiful white hair that hung on his shoulders?" they asked at the summer garden. "He used to be here so much. Now we never see him."

"He thought he'd look handsome with auburn hair," his friend explained, "so he dyed it. It's seventeen different colors of auburn, all the way from dark brown to bright red. He's remaining in seclusion until it grows out white again."

French Officer Rival of Maxim.

Col. Humbert, a retired officer of the French army, has invented a gun-silencer like that of Hiram Maxim as it employs the principle of muffled the sound by confining the gases of the explosion and allowing them to escape gradually. Col. Humbert, however, uses simple horizontal cells, whereas the cells in Maxim's device are arranged on the principle of the gyroscope. Col. Humbert's silencer is much heavier than Maxim's.

The Great Trek of 1909.

A prominent Vancouverite who has just returned from a three-month visit to the northwest, says that there are herds of people, piles of furniture and droves of cattle and horses taking every trail to the great farming lands of the prairie. They are coming from the states, and he says that in after years the exodus will be known as the great trek of 1909. (V. B. C.) Post.

Not Honored in Old Age.

Warships, unlike war horses, stand small chance of being turned out to grass when their work is done. The old British battleship Edinburgh, which is on the sale list, is to be used as a target. If the vessel survives the gunfire it is probable that she will be subjected to an attack of shrapnel, to discover what would be the effect of a well-placed shot with a Whitehead on the bottom of a salp of the Dreadnought type, which a section of the Edinburgh's bottom can be made approximately to represent.

# EPITOME OF A WEEK'S NEWS

## Most Important Happenings Told in Brief.

### WASHINGTON NEWS

President Taft in an address at Norwich, Conn., said he favored the (ing) man worship God as he chooses.

The senate voted to submit the income tax question to the state legislatures for an amendment to the constitution.

The corporation tax amendment to the tariff bill suggested by President Taft was passed by the senate by a vote of 65 to 25.

Successor will worries the senate. The library committee of that organization being unable to agree which of two busts, one in repose or the other in strenuous attitude, to accept. James H. Moran of Idaho speaking in favor of an income tax, said the trusts favor the corporation tax because they can make the people foot the bill.

### PERSONAL

Rev. Mr. Will C. Carleton served 25 hours as a policeman at Mason City, Ia., and made three arrests for minor offenses.

Moong Falconio, apostolic delegate to the United States, was received by the pope, who praised his work in this country.

Miss Marlon Lawson, daughter of Thomas A. Lawson, and James P. Fallon, a Chicago banker, were married at the largest American flag ever made and in the center of 11 acres of roses at Scituate, Mass.

Miss Mary Harriman, daughter of the railroad magnate, is a director of the National Association for the Promotion of Kindergarten Education, organized in New York.

Judge Ray S. Reed of La Crosse, Wis., was appointed for Wisconsin, has been commissioned by Senator Burton to go to Europe to lay out the route for the congressional party which will study European waterways.

### GENERAL NEWS

Fourth of July celebrations throughout the country cost 44 lives, caused injury to 2,061 persons and resulted in \$7,135 damage by fire.

James C. Miller, an aeronaut, was killed by a fall from a balloon in sight of 5,000 persons at Portland, Me. Educators at the Denver convention expressed the opinion that the object of the public school system of the country is not to train boys for the presidency.

Heari Lemmon, who swindled Sir Julius Weyerer out of many thousands of his plant, was sentenced to six months in prison by a Paris court.

Martin J. Sheridan won the national all round championship of the American Athletic union at New York by knocking out the breaking his own record of 1:20 1/2 minutes.

Referee Roberts gave the decision to Stanley Ketchel over "Jolly" Pappo after 25 rounds of fighting at San Francisco.

H. F. Strange, a Confederate veteran and five children were burned to death at South Boston, Va. After falling to see Premier Asquith in London, he was elected to the league announced that they will seek an audience with King Edward and all his hand were killed by United States soldiers in a desperate battle near Pinar del Rio, Cuba.

An unidentified man and woman evidently to carry out a suicide pact allowed their boat to drift over a dam at South Bend, Ind., and both were drowned.

Mrs. Lillian H. Hoag of Los Angeles, Cal., went without food for 46 days and cured a disease from which she suffered.

Officials of a New York hospital say John Early who was held in prison in Washington as a leper, hasn't a trace of the disease.

Allison V. Armour of New York entertained Kaiser Wilhelm on his yacht at Tasmanian.

President Taft accompanied Mrs. Taft to the summer White House at Beverly, Mass., and will return after congress adjourns.

Prof. James H. Hyslop told a remarkable story of how the ghost of R. Swain Dufford, a great artist, has taught Frederick L. Thompson, a gold smith, to paint masterpieces.

Tennessee's "dry" law will take effect at midnight June 30 and all but two saloons were closed.

Russia is preparing to send troops to Tchernia, capital of Persia, which is threatened with invasion by bands of "black" Cossack warriors. Russian men overcome by smoke and heat and \$250,000 damaged, caused a fire in the Kiechhofer Box Company's plant in Milwaukee.

Five hundred terror-stricken people scrambled for their lives when the fire started in a moving picture theater at "Blackwell" near Cleveland. All escaped without injury.

A duel was fought between Col. Orestes Ferrera, president of the Cuban house of representatives and Senator Manuel de Céspedes. Revolvers were used and both received slight injuries.

The British steamship Whakatane was in collision of Dungeness in a fog with the French steamship Orestes. It was an extremely narrow escape from a disaster as the Whakatane had 300 persons aboard.

Col. Ivomik of the quartermaster's department at Nizhnekoye, Siberia, was shot and killed by an attendant of the military canteen. The colonel stopped two soldiers on the street and rebuked them for failing to salute him properly. The attendant, who no doubt had the revolver and a magazine, shot the colonel dead.

Broughton Brandenburg, the magazine writer, who was acquitted last week on the charge of larceny in connection with publication of a letter purported to have been signed by the late Grover Cleveland, arrived in St. Louis to face the charge of entering away his stepson, James Shepard and his wife.

The United Society of Christian Endeavor began its twenty-fourth annual international convention in St. Paul with President Francis E. Clark in the chair and a large attendance of delegates and other visitors.

Great Britain is willing to surrender the territory in Liberia on which its subjects are trespassing on proper diplomatic representations by the United States.

New trials were granted by the supreme court of Tennessee to eight night riders convicted of killing Capt. Quentin Rankin at Reelfoot Lake.

Ray A. Hebe of Seattle and Miss Margaret Lewis of Chicago were married by wireless in a balloon at the Seattle exposition.

Three persons were killed by a tornado and hail stones a large area extending from Galoisburgh, Ark. to Col. Orestes Ferrera and Senator Monlon, members of the Cuban house of representatives, fought a duel with rapiers, both being slightly wounded.

Fire in a nickel theater in Cleveland, O., caused a panic among 500 persons, but all escaped without injury.

Gilman M. Gust, according to the report of Newton, Kan., has confessed to having killed his uncle, C. M. Gust, of St. Iovmik of the Russian army, was shot and killed at Nizhnekoye, Siberia, for rebuking two soldiers who failed to salute him properly.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1909, 27,824 1/2 pounds of coffee were imported, according to a customs report at New Orleans.

Two strange women in an auto called at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Metz in New York and left a package containing \$75 for the "conscience fund" of Manhattan.

Two daughters of a Montana rancher named Mueller, living at Helena, were killed by a mine car at the bank and were drowned. A brother, aged 13, was drowned trying to save them.

The committee which investigated charges against meat inspection at East St. Louis reported to Secretary Wilson that they were unfounded.

H. F. John, president, E. T. Larson, cashier, and George H. Meador, asst. cashier, of the First National bank, Grand Island, Mich., were held by the grand jury following charges that \$200,000 of the bank's funds are missing.

The Wright aeroplane was badly damaged in landing at Fort Myer after Orville Wright had made a sensational flight. The aviator was not hurt.

Cornell crews won the varsity four cup against the defying, Strating-Straing, Columbia, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin with ease.

Charles Carr was arrested in St. Louis and taken to Carmi, Ill., where he was charged with bigamy by Miss Carr, who found him there after a marriage with him that he had a wife.

Bertram R. Graves of Iowa, Ia., a student at the University of Iowa, was drunk in Iowa City.

The schooner John Schuette of Toledo was sunk in collision with the steamer Alfred Mitchell of Duluth at Detroit.

An employee of the Hotel Rousseau at Lake Placid, N. Y., was burned to death, but all guests of the hotel, the hostelry was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$200,000.

Twenty men were killed by a landslide at the new docks at Newport, England.

The gold output of the Fairbanks district in Alaska from the opening of spring to June is estimated at \$4,760,000.

Papers found in the clothing of a man who died in a railway station at Yuma, Ariz., indicate that he was Sir Arthur Carl Steppes of London, a baronet of large estates.

The body of the man found in the river at Spring Valley, Ill., was identified as that of Charles Butler of Peru, Ill., after it had been exhumed from the potters' field.

# LOOK VERY BAD FOR DEPOSITORS

THE BANK AT IRONWOOD SEEMS TO BE A FORTUNAL RUIIN.

THE ASSETS VANISHED

Grave Charges Are Made and the Affairs of the Institution Look as if Queer Things Happened.

That the failure of the Ironwood National bank is complete is indicated by a statement credited to one of the investigators that the collapsed institution will not pay its claims on deposit to its creditors. Depositors had cash and valuable bonds in the safety deposit boxes, but the business men who at the request of the bankers and who had deposited their own checks in the bank to swell its assets—these were heavily mortgaged and will be utterly ruined.

Half the deposits in the bank belonged to miners of the neighborhood and represented their savings. Dr. Williams' chief surgeon in the Norrie mine had \$35,000 in valuable securities taken out of his pocket and placed in the bank's drawers. Only \$4,000 in negotiable paper was left in his box.

National Bank Examiner George H. Luther of Grand Rapids, who ordered the bank's doors closed and the banker arrested, is blamed by many of the losers, who assert that when Charles Larson, the banker, was a week ago and replaced by Postmaster Hook, because things in the bank did not look right, Luther assured the public that the institution was perfectly safe.

In the next few days the bank was permitted to accept several thousands of dollars in deposits. It is said, and then the crash came. Business men in the town as well as practically paralyzed by the bank failure. Business men who had all their funds in the institution see little chance to save anything.

### Only Case on Record.

A case in which Amel Honka was the defendant and which was disposed of in the court of Justice Duffy at Marquette is believed to be the only one of its kind on record in the state.

In some need of men to fight a forest fire, a party of seven men, including Honka, was sent to the south of Wetmore, Deputy State Fire Warden W. O. Frost, visited a saloon in search of recruits for his fire-fighting brigade.

Honka was one of the loungers about the place, but while he admitted that he did not have anything in particular to do, he stubbornly declined to assist in beating back the flames. Frost swore out a warrant for his arrest, charging him with refusing to assist in the fire.

Honka was charged with the offense which is covered in the state statutes. Justice Duffy sentenced the man to a fine of \$100 and the loss of citizenship at Detroit. The fire south of Wetmore burned over a considerable area, came within a narrow margin of reaching the city of Marquette, and caused serious losses.

Among the property destroyed were several thousands of cords of hardwood.

### The Aftermath.

With a three days' celebration of the Fourth, the list of accidents to Michigan motorists is rather longer than in previous years, but fortunate, marked by few fatalities. The number of hoppers, eyes and other members donated to the cause of soldierly patriotism is larger than in former years. There is a noticeable increase in the contingent that looked into the plans and the details of the convention and find out why they didn't.

Fredericks displayed their customary and quietest on the ground until picked up for purposes of investigation. Fires from skyrockets and roman candles showed a wider range of increase, but in only a few instances did they find the entire local fire departments and their bail games, water festivals and other excited features.

### Surprised the Doctor.

Dr. Shumway, secretary of the state health board, who has been in Detroit for the past week conducting "emulating tests for the undertakers' convention, was astonished to read in the paper that a young man, a sumner health bulletin advising the public to leave meat alone and drink more beer during his convalescence, had been out of touch with my office at Lansing and am not certain just what has been sent out from there," said Dr. Shumway.

A fifth national bank with a capital of \$200,000, will be organized in Kalamazoo.

While driving one horse and leading another, Arthur Morse, proprietor of a hotel in Bigle township, Clinton county, had the thumb and one finger torn off. The animal he was leading became frightened and ran over the strap which Morse had wound around the members.

By a peculiar mark upon her arm, Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett of the Sanjour family was recognized by her daughter, Mrs. Frank Davis. For 15 years the older woman has been thought dead, and the daughter was raised by other relatives.

George Sulzbach, aged 86, Frank and Lillian Sulzbach, all of Barry township, were being taken to the circuit court for trial on charges of cruelty preferred by 13-year-old Belle Powers, daughter of Mrs. Sulzbach, by a former marriage. The child told of being compelled to work in the hay fields and showed bruises inflicted by the defendants.

### Costs Some Money.

Friday the secretary of state's department was shipping to each member of the house of representatives 100 copies of the Michigan manual and to each senator 200 copies. The department is obliged to pay cartage and freight on these shipments amounting to a large sum. Deputy Secretary of State Means dug up an old forgotten statute of general assembly, the department to draw \$300 to pay express and freight bills, and is using this amount to help get the legislators.

Critics of the legislature point to the fact that with a decretive general fund, now is the time for the members to be really self-sacrificing, and notify the department of state to hold the books for awhile. They have seen how, however, that this will be done when they remember the accounts returned in for extra pay during the recent session.

### State Treasury Dry.

The state treasury is short of funds. There are now \$300,546.67 left in the general fund, but as the new fiscal year opens on the 1st of July, and as there are a number of appropriations for coming for prisons and asylums, it is expected they will take nearly all of this sum.

The loan of \$250,000 authorized by the legislature has not yet been made, however, but notwithstanding this it is expected that they will be in the middle of January there will be a large shortage. The question which confronts the treasury officials is how to remedy the matter. It is feared that by the time the taxes have come in, in January, the deficit will be almost a million.

### MICHIGAN BREVITIES.

Eight wildcat skins and a wolf were brought 45 cents to Thomas Moore, a Marquette trapper.

Davis Scott, aged 91, and the oldest Mason in Calhoun county, dropped dead at the dinner table.

Everett G. A. R. post in Easton county will cooperate in a movement to compel the city to return a cannon removed from the court house square on Oak street.

The 15-acre farm of the late Judge George H. Durand, north of Flint, has been purchased by Cleveland and Chicago capitalists, who will plant it and erect 100 houses.

Tommy Smith, a cobbler of River View for 20 years, shot himself. He was on a protracted appeal and was being discharged because at a recent term of circuit court he had been refused his citizenship papers.

Accepting a dare, Albert Eddy, 20 years old, of the Detroit city, ran a crack in his right leg and his right hand was discharged. When the crack cleared two of his fingers were gone and he was left with only two fingers.

Mrs. N. W. Kujawa, 71, who was playing pool in the G. R. Club at Grand Rapids, crawled under a car to escape a rain storm and a cat struck her through the ear. The woman was run over and fatally killed.

Wm. Jettins, a Flint laborer, refused work that a fortune of \$149,000 was given him in England. His share of the estate left by his grandmother, Mrs. Jettins, started immediately for the old country. His grandmother died at the age of 100 and left a fortune of \$1,000,000.

The last log cabin in Calhoun county, which stood on the site of the Marquette township, was burned to the ground, together with all its household goods. A defective chimney caused the blaze. The family escaped in their night clothes, jumping from the bedroom window. Loss, \$1,200, no insurance.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett, who cut across a routing house in Crosson township, was destroyed and the house set on fire, which struck a great wood, alleged to have been loaded with cartridges, exploded. She has asked for warrants for certain negro boys with whom she had had considerable trouble.

After suffering great agony, 16-year-old Kinetel Cole of Battle Creek, died Saturday morning at Nichols hospital of lockjaw. The lad shot himself in the left hand with a toy pistol the week before. The wound was not cured and the boy died Saturday night when the boy was rushed to the hospital and set was removed. Tetanus had set in, however.

### WIRELETS.

The Holy Ghost and U. S. society, which undertakes operations in aid of Shihoh, Me., has received advice that the end of the world is to come on 10:20:30 a. m. Wednesday, Sept. 15.

Four Boston bridge companies admitted "collusive bidding on city contracts and the Boston and Orton companies were fined \$1,000 each. The Cuyton company \$2,000 and the Orton Bridge Co. \$1,000.

Fire swept 6,000 acres of wheat and barley on several ranches near San Fernando, Cal. The loss is estimated at \$240,000. The fire started in the afternoon and by nightfall great fields of barley and wheat had been laid waste.

A local option election will be held in Bristol, Va., at an early date with a view of making the town "wet" and supplying of Tennessee, which went "dry" today, with liquid refreshments. Part of this place is in Tennessee and is now hopelessly "dry."

Although more than 60 Mississippi counties are dry and the Sunday closing laws are enforced vigorously, June shows greater consumption of beer than any other month since the creation of the office of beer inspector, eight years ago.

Merchandise imports for the fiscal year 1909 at the port of New York were \$85,000,000 in value. Exports were \$774,253,634. Exports were \$221,000,000 less than in 1908.

A landslide occurred at a work connected with the new docks, Newport, England, and as a result 40 men were buried alive.

### Rate Go to Canada.

Consul General John Edw. West reports that Winnipeg is preparing for an active campaign against rats, which have invaded Manitoba from the south, and are described as marching on Winnipeg.

The people look with a serious concern upon the subject, says Mr. Jones. "Recently the matter was taken before the council of general assembly with a view to devising ward and means to check the rodent advance."

"Western Canada, especially the grain belt, has ever been free from rats, and the farmers are much concerned over their appearance and the threatened destruction of their harvest."

The deputy minister of agriculture is making a careful investigation of the subject along the international boundary, and will shortly make a report to the government.

### Crazy Snake's War.

The late ambassador to the Little Tiger mountains has left Oklahoma with a war debt. Because the chief of a crew of the warpath venture, the chief Crazy Snake and the Marston of Col. Roy V. Hoffman and 200 brave soldier lands over the Henry Stamping Ground course. It is hoped that lawyers will be able to construe the act so that the present appropriation may cover the debt.

Gov. Hoffman's unapproved expenditure of \$200,000 was a military appropriation of \$300,000 which will defray the cost.

### Hungman Snocked Them.

As if the hanging of a murderer in the Stratford, Ont. jail yard was not enough to show the people that the justice of the law is being done, the hanging of a murderer in the memory of the gruesome event by falling out of a window of the jail, which the victim was hanged, he has also parted with the body, which covered the murderer's body, certain details are given, including the bits of hemp and a lead plumber has the black cap on exhibition in the store.

### Want White Men Only.

Concerned about what they regard as the possibility that Negroes may be sent to the home of white men, the deeds of the south is a committee to gather information for the Department of Agriculture, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the United States Army.

President Taft to give instructions that only white men should be employed in the post office.

### THE MARKETS.

The American Wheat & Flour Association... (Detailed market data for wheat, flour, and other commodities, including prices and trends.)

Wheat - Market steady... (Detailed market data for wheat, including prices and trends.)

Grain, Etc. (Detailed market data for various grains and related commodities, including prices and trends.)

Des Moines, Ia., tobacco dealers estimated that the harvest of 100,000 cigarettes had been purchased by Des Moines people. The sale of cigarettes in Iowa ended at that time, and many smokers bought supplies to last for 1909.

Joseph Corlier, of Thompsonville, Ct., after playing ball in the hot sun for several hours, stopped to pack ice in a big water refrigerator. The sudden change of temperature chilled him and he fell unconscious, remaining in that state several hours. For two days he was dead, dumb and blind, and recovering.