

THE PRESIDENT JUST ESCAPED DEADLY

Carriage in Which He Was Riding, Struck by an Electric Car Near Pittsfield, Mass.—Everyone Was Thrown to the Ground in a Heap—President Received Cut on Head—Gov. Crane Bruised—Secret Service Agent Craig Instantly Killed—Driver Pratt Badly Injured.

At Time of Accident, President Was Enjoying a Coaching Trip Over the Berkshire Hills—Car Struck Coach in Rear and Smashed It—Car Was Traveling at a Terrific Rate—Motorman Was Signaled to Stop, But Gave No Heed—Motorman and Conductor Placed Under Arrest—Awe-Stricken Crowd Had No Expectation of Seeing President Alive Again—He Maintained His Usual Composure, But Was Very Solicitous For Rest of Party in Carriage—After Short Stop at Lenox Was Driven to Train—Embarks at Bridgeport, Conn., For Oyster Bay.

Lenox, Mass., Sept. 3.—A terrible accident overtook the president's coach a short distance from Pittsfield about 10 o'clock this morning. After a short visit to the home of ex-Senator Dawes, the president started on the long drive to Lenox. He had not gone far when an electric car ran into his vehicle, throwing everyone to the ground and smashing the coach. The president received a cut on the head. Secy. C. Cortelyou was bruised and George B. Craig was killed. Gov. Crane was bruised. The accident happened at a point about a mile and a half from the city near the Pittsfield country club house. The president was enjoying a coaching trip from Dalton, Gov. Crane's home, where the president spent the night, to Lenox, a distance of 20 miles, over the Berkshire hills. The car was in charge of Conductor James Kelly, with Motorman Luke J. Madden, and the front of the car struck the coach in the rear and smashed in the back of the coach, tipping it over and throwing its occupants to the ground. The car was not badly damaged. Motorman Madden and the conductor, Kelly, were at once arrested and brought to Pittsfield.

After leaving Senator Dawes' house the carriage containing the president and party were driven down South street, two carriages on either side. When near the Pittsfield country club and at the railroad crossing, the electric car was notified coming at a terrific rate of speed. Mr. Craig signalled the motorman to stop, but he apparently paid no attention to the warning. A witness of the accident stated that the motorman was speeding his car in order to reach the club. The president, Gov. Crane and Secy. Cortelyou were piled up in a heap. The awe-stricken crowd which witnessed the accident, rushed to the president's carriage with no expectation that he would be found alive. The president was cut to the right side of his chin and his face was much swollen.

Pratt, the driver of the coach, was taken to the Pittsfield hospital. The president and Secy. Cortelyou, with other members of the party, went to the country club, where their wounds were dressed. In a short time they proceeded to the Curtis hotel at Lenox, arriving there at 11 o'clock. The president retained his usual composure, although he was solicitous for the rest of those in the carriage. The excitement prevailed and rumor flew that the president had been killed. After remaining at the scene of the accident for an hour the president determined to continue his journey to Stockbridge. After a brief stop at Lenox he was driven to the train. In the next carriage to the president's when the accident happened was Dr. A. G. Lung, of the navy, who accompanied the president for just such an emergency as this. He was a former member of the Queen's Grenadiers, and was an expert broadswordman. Years ago he gave exhibitions with Duncan Ross and was credited with many victories over him. Craig caught and arrested a

crank at Montpelier, who was attempting to reach the president on his trip.

CRAIG'S REMAINS.

Stockbridge, Mass., Sept. 3.—The president's physician, Dr. Lung, says that the president and Mr. Cortelyou received slight contusions about the head and face, but that the injuries are not at all serious and the scheduled stops will be made. The president has asked Gov. Crane to look after the remains of Wm. Craig, and the governor will personally do so.

NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

New York, Sept. 3.—News of the accident to President Roosevelt and his party was received in Wall street shortly before 11 o'clock. The first reports were more or less conflicting and a general decline in the stock list followed, although at no time was the market panicky. The downward tendency was checked as soon as it became known that the president's injuries were not serious and a rally followed.

NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

Washington, Sept. 3.—Capt. Montgomery, in charge of the temporary White House, received a telegram shortly after 11 o'clock today giving information of the accident to the president's coach. Col. Montgomery immediately informed Mr. Leob, assistant secretary to the president, who is now at Oyster Bay, and it is assumed that the latter probably advised Mrs. Roosevelt of the occurrence, and of the president's fortunate escape.

Chief John E. Wilkie, of the secret service, is in receipt of the following telegram concerning the accident to the president's party:

"Lenox, Mass., Sept. 3.—Wilkie, Treasury Department, Washington: President's carriage struck by electric car at 9:30 this morning. Craig killed. Pratt injured. (Signed.) 'TAYLOR.'

Richard Taylor is one of the secret service operatives with the president.

EXPECTED TO BE KILLED.

Stockbridge, Mass., Sept. 3.—The president arrived in Stockbridge shortly before 12 o'clock having driven leisurely across the country from Lenox. The president had turned out to give him a welcome, but the news of the accident had preceded him. His face was badly swollen and he was no doubt suffering from the shock of the accident. He was in waiting, many of whom had come some distance to see him, he stopped just long enough to say a few words. He spoke as follows:

"I presume you have heard that our party met with an accident. I shall not address you beyond thanking you for your kind reception and request that you make no applause or demonstration of any kind."

The president went immediately to his train which left as soon as he got into it.

The president was calm and collected, and deplored the death of Craig.

"He was the most faithful man I ever had," he said. "My children fairly worshipped him."

When Craig saw the impending danger and that a collision could not be averted, he was heard to say:

"Oh, my God, and then he was hurled into the air and fell under the car wheels, his head and body being mutilated almost beyond recognition. On the right of him was the driver, Pratt, who was thrown a distance of 25 feet."

The president asked the motorman: "Why were you running your car like that?" which brought only the reply: "Because I had the right of way."

The president said that when he saw the car coming at such a terrific speed, he felt that all in the carriage would surely be killed. Gov. Crane suggested that the best thing for him to do would be to go to his train at once. Another carriage was procured, and in company with Gov. Crane, Secy. Cortelyou and the representative Lawrence, the start was made for Lenox. By the time the president reached Lenox the people in the town were in a state of consternation. The president's face was getting larger all the while, but he kept the apartment at the Aspinwall hotel, where he referred to the accident, assuring the people that he was not badly hurt and requesting them not to applaud.

NEWS AT OYSTER BAY.

Oyster Bay, L. I., Sept. 3.—News that the president had met with an accident in Massachusetts caused great excitement and telegraph and telephone offices were soon besieged by residents anxious to obtain particulars. When it was learned that President Roosevelt was not seriously hurt, expressions of thankfulness were heard on all sides.

William Craig, who was killed in the accident, was well known here. He was in charge of the secret service men here during the president's stay.

AT PITTSFIELD.

Pittsfield, Mass., Sept. 3.—President Roosevelt reached here at 9 o'clock this

MORTENSEN NOW IN STATE PRISON

Affecting Scene Between Prisoner and His Father and Brother.

HIS PARTING WITH WATKINS

At First Declined to Shake Hands With His Brother-in-Law—Appeared Cheerful This Morning.

At 10:30 o'clock this morning, Peter Mortensen, convicted of the foul murder of James R. Hay, was taken from the county jail where he has languished for so many months, to the state prison where he will enter upon a new phase of prison life.

There he will not have the pleasure of mingling with other prisoners, he will not have the freedom accorded him while at the county jail, but will be confined in a narrow cell on the same row with four other murderers. In other words, he will be what is known at the prison as "Bull locked," and will have but one hour out of every twenty-four to walk about in the sunlight and breathe his native air.

He was taken out to the prison by Sheriff Naylor and Deputy Sheriff Joe Halsegh, in a single seated buggy to which were attached two horses. His dress was a suit of blue cloth, and he took along with him a box of trinkets and some pictures.

AN AFFECTING SCENE.

An hour prior to his leaving the jail, he was visited by his father, his brother Jesse and T. A. Petter. The scene between father and son was a most affecting one, and cast a gloom over the entire prison and the officials. When the aged father left he could scarcely speak. With pale face and shaking hands he bade his son an affectionate farewell. The son broke down completely and sobbed like a child, and the tears welled into the condemned man's eyes as he grasped his father's hand. Down in the office the father again broke down and sobbed as he said good-bye to Sheriff Naylor and Jailer Thomas and thanked them for their considerate treatment of Peter.

There was another pathetic scene yesterday afternoon when Henry Mortensen called to see the prisoner. Neither could speak a word for several minutes while the tears silently coursed down their cheeks. Mortensen's sorrow was sincere. His spirit was for a time at least, broken, and he gave free vent to his feelings.

At the City and County building yesterday afternoon when Henry Mortensen moved from the court room, he was met in the hall by his brother-in-law, "Bull" Watkins. Mr. Watkins held out his hand and said: "Well, good-bye, Pete. The prison looks for a time like that, but he took the proffered hand."

"I hadn't ought to take your hand," he replied.

"I don't know why," replied Mr. Watkins.

"Well, you know why," answered the prisoner. He then shook hands with his relative and said he wished him well.

HE APPEARED CHEERFUL.

Mortensen was not ready to leave the county jail this morning when the state prison was taken to him. He was writing poetry and wanted to leave Jailer Thomas a copy of his effort. When he finally concluded his writing, he went through the jail crying. "Good-bye, my friends, I have been treated well here by Jailer Thomas and all the officials, and I have had all the liberty they could, in reason, grant me, and I appreciate it. So far as the 'bull' locked' is concerned, I know practically nothing. I have only been there twice and then it was only to take part in the meetings there. I suppose you are all in the cell and that's what will make it hard for me. That is the most objectionable part."

Mortensen then walked over to Deputy Sheriff Joe Halsegh and held out his hands for the "bracketlets" to be applied. "As the handcuffs were fastened on his wrists, Mortensen turned smilingly to the reporter and said: "They are simple but they are strong enough."

The drive to the state prison was then quickly made. Upon his arrival there he was locked in a cell on the same row with Lynch King, Howarth and "Dutch" Cady. Mortensen makes the fifth "Bull-lock" prisoner at the institution.

M. P. Mortensen and his son Jesse, father and brother of the prisoner, will leave Salt Lake for California in about a week. The elder Mortensen's home is in Oakland, Cal., and he is anxious to return to it.

Following is a copy of the "poem" MORTENSEN OF LIFE.

O, judge not against me kind stranger,
Your friendship I faint would retain.
My faith in the "Child of the Manger"
Grows stronger with each passing day;
Though a cloud now hangs 'o'er my future
And a blight has come into my life,
Yet down in the bleak glimmering of
A ray of bright sunshine I see.
For I'll tear from my grass sweet liberty,
Like the Norman of old on the sea;
And I'll dance on the ocean (ocean) of trouble—
With my loved ones so happy I'll be.

Life dream has been thus rudely shaken
By the hands of this cold cruel world;
And, though friends my cause have forsaken,
My God will still join in my cause
And bring to my soul sweet salvation,
This freedom so dear to us all.
I listen to the voice of inspiration,
For its voice seems so mellow and low,
Like a beautiful dream from the Angel—
As it falls around my pillow at night,
And sweet visions of wife and babies
Flashes e'en in my heart day and night.

TO MY FRIEND.

Henrietta: Your sympathy seems to be
Such tokens as yours, now courage gives.

DEATH OF MRS. PALMER.

Prominent Salt Lake Woman Falls a Victim to Cancer.

Mrs. Nettie Palmer passed away at her home, 222 North First West street yesterday afternoon, her demise being due to cancer from which she had suffered for a period of six months. Mrs. Palmer was well known in this city through her connection with the Woman's Relief corps, the Macabees, the Orphan's Home and other institutions in which she was a leading spirit, and to her many friends her death will come as a severe shock. She was born in Jamestown, Pa., Sept. 30, 1847, and leaves a husband, a father and two brothers to mourn her untimely taking off. Funeral announcement later.

A DEFECTIVE FLUE.

Caused a Blaze at the Gordon Academy Yesterday Afternoon.

About 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon flames were seen to burst from the roof of the Gordon academy on Third South and Third East streets. An alarm was quickly sent in and department No. 1 responded. The blaze was caused by a defective part of the flue at the top of the building. It was soon extinguished with but little damage. The building is fully insured.

ACCIDENT WAS FATAL.

Little Willie Halloran Dies as Result of Gunshot Wound.

Death reached forth its grasping hand and about 1 o'clock this morning took from this earthly home little Willie Halloran, son of W. J. Halloran, who was accidentally shot in the groin on Monday evening while on an outing in Tarley's canyon with his elder brother and Henry Kendall, a 16-year-old boy. The accident is said to have happened while young Kendall, standing a little distance from the other boys, was handling a 22-caliber rifle, which was discharged. The missile entered Willie's right groin and perforated the intestines in 14 places, passed through the left hip where it lodged just under the skin.

The boy was operated on at the Holy Cross hospital yesterday afternoon by Drs. Hosmer and Stewart and although it was 20 hours after the accident hopes were entertained for the young fellow's recovery until 10 o'clock last night when he got worse and continued to sink until the end came at 1 o'clock this morning. About four feet of the injured intestines were removed by the operation.

Shortly before he died Willie asked for his father, but the latter, who was immediately sent for, arrived just after his son passed away. Willie was an exceptionally bright boy and was fondly admired by all who knew him.

PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS.

Paving on South Temple from Monument to Eagle Gate Goes Over.

The board of public works held a meeting yesterday afternoon in Spencer Clawson's office, and audited a number of bills. The board decided to ask the city attorney as to the province and power of the board in the matter of sidewalk improvements, notably in repairing the sidewalk between the South Drug company corner, the State street walk at the Theater corner, in front of the Grand theater, and the B. Y. Trust company's property on State street. The board also decided to contract with the city council to give the board power to contract for the work. It was also decided to ask the city council to make much needed improvements in the sidewalks on Second, Third and Fourth streets, between East and Fourth West streets, before the cold weather sets in. It was agreed to have the asphalt pavement completed on South Temple street between East and Fourth West streets, before the cold weather sets in, and to have the alley in Block 70, which is in sad need of improvement, and for the paving of which 40 per cent of the tax has been collected, and which the city council has agreed to give the board power to contract for the work.

ANOTHER GUN ACCIDENT.

Deadly 22 Caliber Rifle Only Fractures Instep This Time.

On Monday evening Stanley Hooper, of the 14-year-old son of Thomas H. Hooper of 23 Ninth East street, met with a severe accident. The boy, with a number of friends, had been up the canyon spending the holiday. On the way home at the close of the day's sport, while handling a 22-caliber rifle, the weapon was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering his foot between the toes, passing through the foot and lodging in the sole of the shoe. The wound caused so little pain at first that he was injured till attention was called to blood oozing from his shoe. He was taken home and the wound dressed. Fortunately no bones were broken, and the boy is getting along nicely. This is the same neighborhood within ten days, as the work of the dreadful 22-caliber gun.

SALOON MEN ARRESTED.

Irwin and Magness Charged With Selling Without a License.

Deputy County Attorney Ritter today drew up a complaint against Joseph Irwin and Alexander Magness, of Brigham Junction, charging them with selling intoxicating liquor without a license. It is set out that Magness has neglected and refused to secure a license from the county commissioners and, notwithstanding that fact, on August 28, 1902, he sold J. H. Horne a pint of whiskey. The complaint will be filed in Justice J. J. Williams' court at West Jordan today.

Magness, who is the proprietor of the saloon, has totally ignored the county commissioners in the matter of securing a liquor license and is attempting to run a saloon without paying the county for that privilege. On the other hand it is the intention of the county commissioners to punish Magness for each and every offense until he either quits business or pays his license.

Governor Wells On the Election

Issues Proclamation on Forthcoming Battle of the Ballots—The First of Its Kind in This State and Provided for Under Act of the Last Legislature—Nov. 4 is Named And Officers to be Chosen Are Specified.

Gov. Wells has issued a proclamation fixing Tuesday, Nov. 4, as the date for the coming election, the same being in accordance with the revised statutes. The proclamation follows in full:

"Whereas, section 780 of the revised statutes fixes the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, in the year 1902, as the day for holding the general election;

"And, whereas, section 783 of the revised statutes provides that at least 60 days before a general election the governor must issue an election proclamation;

"Now, therefore, I, Heber M. Wells, Governor of the State of Utah, in accordance with such legislative requirement, do hereby proclaim that on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1902, the same being the first Tuesday after the first Monday of said month, there will be held in the several election districts of this state a general election for the purpose of electing the following officers:

"One judge of the supreme court of the state of Utah; a representative in the Fifty-eighth Congress of the United States; one state senator from each of the following senatorial districts, sections fourth, ninth, eleventh and twelfth;

"Two state senators from each of the following senatorial districts, sixth and seventh;

"One representative in the State Legislature from each of the following representative districts: First, third, fifth, sixth, seventh, ninth, tenth, twelfth, thirteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-first, twenty-second, twenty-third, twenty-fourth, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh;

"Two representatives in the state legislature from the fourteenth representative district;

"Four representatives in the state legislature from the fourth and eleventh representative districts;

"Ten representatives in the state legislature from the eighth representative district;

"In each county in the state, three county commissioners, one for a term of four years and two for a term of two years each, a county clerk, a sheriff, a county recorder, a county attorney, an assessor, a treasurer and a surveyor;

"In each county having a property valuation of twenty millions of dollars and upwards, a county auditor;

"In each precinct of the state, except in cities having a population of more than 15,000 and less than 40,000 inhabitants, a justice of the peace and a constable."

DENVER'S EVENING PRESS ON "CORANTON."

Both Papers Give Good Notices, and the Post Thinks it Would Make a Fine Opera.

(Special to the "News.")

Denver, Colo., Sept. 3.—The "News" representative called at the Broadway theatre and asked for a statement of the receipts of the "Coranton" engagement in Denver up to this time. The answer was given that the company had decided to withhold the receipts from publication for the present, but Mr. Bean stated that the business is unexpectedly large considering the opposition of the horse show and that the receipts were growing. The two evening papers both gave favorable notices. The critic of the Post, noted as the most severe in Denver, says:

"Coranton" would be fine if it could be turned into an opera. As a play it is impossible. It has all the elements of a splendid success. It is a splendid pictorial finish and sumptuous drawing that pleases and fills the eye. In it are elements of exceptional beauty, that ring out in glorious unison, have a thrill in them and swell like the notes of a splendid organ. As an artistic picture and a worthy stage offering it is to be greatly praised. The ballet is decorous, graceful, and delightful, a Mormon ballet, a well and comfortably clad. The chorus I would go a good way to hear, especially to hear those Mormon maids send forth their peaceful harmonies. The production is a worthy novel and we welcome it. It was capably acted."

The Times says: "It remained for a young Utah man to give us a new variety. The actual policy of 'Coranton' had been waited with some trepidation. It is not often that an Astor romance at the time of 75 B. C. will prove deeply and soulfully interesting. 'Coranton' did not fill all the rest of the night, but was much better than had been anticipated. Mr. Bean has written a good play, but it remains to be seen whether or not it will stand the test of comparison with 'Ben Hur.' The piece is not particularly well acted, though Mr. Harworth's notable work is admirable. The chorus sings well and the ballet equals any."

BIG MONEY FROM GAMBLING.

Record-Breaking Revenue Collection at Police Station for the Month of August, as Shown by Figures Compiled Today.

If it is true that the city has decided upon the policy of gambling in order to make money out of the calling, it is certainly meeting with pronounced success in that direction, as shown by the record breaking figures compiled by Sergeant Smith and Clerk Walter J. Meeks today and completed this afternoon.

The cash receipts of the police department for the month of August broke the records of many years, if indeed they do not smash all previous high water marks in this line. These receipts, including fines and forfeitures aggregate \$14,923, which is \$205 in excess of the actual police pay roll. It is an admitted fact that the big increase is due principally to the reopening of gambling houses and accessions from other sporting places.

TELEPHONE LINEMEN ON STRIKE

The linemen of the R. M. Bell Telephone company in this city struck at 3 p. m. today, for a raise in wages of 50 cents per day. They gave notice this morning, of what they were likely to do, and at the hour named demanded an answer. The management

BARTLETT VS. C. F. & I. CO.

The U. S. Circuit Court Assumes Jurisdiction.

Denver, Colo., Sept. 3.—The United States circuit court today assumed jurisdiction in the suit of George F. Bartlett for an injunction to restrain the Colorado Fuel & Iron company from holding its annual election of officers. The suit was brought in the district court of this state and Judge Mallin granted an ex parte injunction causing an indefinite postponement of the election which was to have been held in this city on August 29. Attorneys for John W. Gates and associates who are seeking control of the company petitioned the federal court to assume jurisdiction in the case and the application was today granted by Judge H. C. Caldwell.

Christian Endeavorers Gather.

London, Sept. 3.—There was a large gathering of members of the Christian Endeavor society in the Metropolitan tabernacle last evening. Harry Harmanworth presided. He wished Godspeed to the Rev. Francis E. Clarke, president of the society, who started for the United States Sept. 4. Mrs. Clarke was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers. Both Dr. and Mrs. Clarke addressed the meeting and received ovations. Mrs. E. M. Wetherly and the Rev. E. M. Smith also spoke.

Terrorized by Robbers.

Colon, Colombia, Sept. 3.—A small band of armed robbers has lately been terrorizing the foreign and other residents of Porto Bello, Playa Dama, and other points of that section of the coast. The robbers have extorted money, in many instances, on the plea that it was for liberal causes. The government gunboat, General Pizarro, controlled the Porto Bello coast, and landed a small armed force, but the robbers betook themselves to the hills upon the arrival of the government forces and they have not been captured.

IOWA DEMOCRATS CONVENE. THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATS.

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 3.—At 11 o'clock State Chairman S. F. McConnell called the state Democratic convention to order in the new auditorium. Only one-half of the delegates were present. The principal issue was the wording of the plank with regard to the endorsement of the Kansas City platform. Charles A. Walsh, secretary of the National Democratic committee, asserted before the convention opened that there was no doubt with regard to the endorsement and that the opposition would not have to exceed three representatives out of 11 on the committee on resolution. Ex-Gov. Bois, leading the forces who desire the silver question ignored, would not concede his defeat. H. C. Taylor of Davis county, temporary chairman, delivered a speech of two hours' length.

Report on Anthracite Coal Strike.

Washington, Sept. 3.—The report of Carroll D. Wright, the commissioner of labor, on the anthracite coal strike, was made public today. Commissioner Wright finds that there is no confidence existing between the employees and their employers. This he believes is one of the chief causes of difference between the operators and miners. He suggests that it would be reasonable and just for the operators to concede

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at once a nine-hour day for a period of six months as an experiment. He suggests that there should be organized a joint committee on conciliation, composed of representatives of the operators, and of a new union of anthracite employees, to which all grievances should be referred for investigation and that their decision should be final, and binding upon all parties and that there should be no interference with the non-union men.

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disputes infringing upon the rights of free speech, free assemblage and freedom to organize. The platform endorses the construction of the isthmian canal and favors such legislation as may lead to its early completion; favors an eight hour day for all government employees and the construction of government vessels in government navy yards.