

KILLED BY LIVE WIRE

Neerton Wheeler, Young Cornell Engineer, Meets Untimely Death Today.

CAUGHT WITHOUT WARNING.

William Freckleson, Who Was Injured in the Same Accident, Dies at Hospital.

Derick in Falling Cuts High Tension Strand With Tragic Result—Structure is Criticized.

Two lives and a third man suffering from severe wounds was the terrible toll paid today in an accident that was nothing less than a tragedy. The terrible accident occurred this afternoon, shortly after 1 o'clock, at the Jordan river transformer station of the Utah Light & Railway company. Eleventh West and South Temple streets, where the derrick of a pile driver working there gave way, crashing to the ground and carrying with it one of the high pressure wires, carrying a 40,000 volt.

This wire fell upon Morton W. Wheeler, employed at the station as assistant operator, literally burning him to his death, while the frame of the derrick in its breakage caught William D. Freckleson and Andy Weston, two of the workers in the driving of the piling. Freckleson sustained a fracture of the skull and died on the operating table at the hospital at 3 o'clock. Weston escaped with several bad bruises and scalp wounds.

The accident was caused by the breaking of the derrick of the pile driver which was being used by McCormick & Gray company, contractors, in some new construction work at the power station.

CAUGHT WITHOUT WARNING.

Wheeler, in company with Mr. Harrell, was sitting on a pile near the driver, resting after the noonday lunch and watching the driver at work. Without an instant's warning, and while the heavy hammer of the driver was plunging downward, there came the crash of rending timbers, and before Wheeler could move, almost, the high voltage wire was falling upon him. He had evidently grasped the wire in his hands, and then in the convulsion of the shock rolled backwards over the pole, and with the wire underneath him. His hands and chest were horribly disfigured by the cruel marks of the burning wire, and the shock must have been such that death was instantaneous.

Freckleson was caught directly underneath the falling derrick, and the hasty examination of the physicians before he was removed to the hospital led them to anticipate a fracture of the skull. Weston just barely missed getting out of the way of the derrick, and although struck in several places his wounds are not considered to be of a serious nature.

Immediately following the accident the power was shut off the wires connected in contact with the fallen derrick. Wheeler's body removed out of contact and doctors and the police summoned. Fellowworkers and neighbors hastened to the assistance of the injured man, and gave such aid as could be administered until the arrival of the physicians.

Dr. E. L. Wilcox, was the first to reach the scene of the accident, and finding Wheeler beyond all aid directed his attention to Freckleson, giving him first aid and then ordering him taken to the Granger hospital. Dr. Wade and Dr. Landmesser, the latter the company's physician, together with several other physicians responded promptly to the hurry call. Mr. Harrell, an attaché of the power station, barely escaped death by electrocution. He was sitting at the side of young Wheeler, but at the crash of the derrick, and seeing the falling wire managed to roll free from the wire.

Among the bystanders and onlookers, attracted to the scene by the fatality, there was some criticism regarding the construction of the derrick, which as it lay on the ground in its broken condition presented a frail, weak appearance. It seemed to have been constructed more of scaffolding and light timbers than the stout timbers the heavy work of the pile driving hammer would demand.

WELL KNOWN YOUNG MEN.

Merton Wheeler, Mert Wheeler as he was known to a wide circle of friends in this city, was the son of J. M. Wheeler of 616 south West Temple street. He was a member of the class of 1909 Cornell, and has in his immediate circle of friends many younger professional men of the city. In his high school days he was known as one of the stars of the football team. He was a leader in his classes both from a social and educational standpoint. After completing his course in the high school, he entered the electrical school at Cornell, where he was graduated in 1906. After graduating he took up special work in his profession and at the time of his death he was engaged as assistant operator, seeking special training along practical lines.

Wheeler was also a classmate at the high school and the two were closely associated in their work at the Jordan station. He was among the first to reach his friend.

The family was not notified of the distressing occurrence officially until an hour after it happened, and it fell to the lot of a "News" reporter to inform the family. It was assumed that the word had reached the family, and the reporter upon reaching the Wheeler home was met by Mrs. Wheeler. Upon being asked for information, she became so distressed that she was unable to say more than that the accident had occurred beyond measure and the grief of the home was pitiable.

William D. Freckleson, who died of his injuries in the operating room, was an engineer living at 1115 south State street. He has lived here for many

years and was well known. He is survived by Mrs. Freckleson and several children.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH PLAN FOR UNITY

Boston, May 14.—The closing day of the National Episcopal congress was regarded as the most notable of the week. The list of speakers included the Right Rev. William Crowell, dean, bishop of Albany, N. Y.; the Rev. Dr. H. Hensley Henson, canon of Westminster, London, widely known throughout the Anglican world as one of the leaders of the so-called radical board of churchmen; the Rev. Dr. Barry, rector-elect of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York, a leader of the High Church element.

Rev. Dr. H. H. Oberly of Elizabeth, N. J., outlined the plan of union based upon the following terms:

"1.—Each denomination to retain temporarily its independent existence, governed by its own laws and officers, subject to the bishop of the diocese as president, and having the sole right of ordination and confirmation.

"2.—Each denomination to use the sacramental form and repeat the words publicly; in other respects to be free as to forms of worship.

"3.—All ministers to be recognized as holding a ministerial office and as possessing the prophetic gift, but to receive ordination to the priesthood supplementing what powers they already possess and making them 'priests of the church of God.'

"4.—All people to receive confirmation and thus be admitted to the communion of the Catholic church. Inter-communion to be encouraged. Priests to exchange of pulpits means nothing but exchange of altars means everything.

"5.—Proselyting and rivalry between churches to cease.

The Right Rev. W. Crowell Doane, bishop of Albany, N. Y., declared: "The outlook for visible Christianity—that is to say, of a unity that involves uniformity in no other than the expression of religious opinion, or expression of feeling—seems not likely to be realized in this world.

"I wish that our eyes were turned more, as they used to be, toward the Catholic movement in Europe, and I do think it is our bounden duty to take steps toward reconciling the reformed church in America."

RACING AT GATWICK.

Gatwick, England, May 14.—The World stake race, which was run with 200 sovereigns added, for 2-year-olds, distance five furlongs, was won today by La Croisette. Flial was second, and Salve third. There were nine starters. August Belmont's Danon and H. P. Whitney's Exelsa filly were unplaced.

The Alexandra handicap of 500 sovereigns for 3-year-olds and upward, six furlongs, was won by Reckless. Reckless was second and Bella Trux third. Among the nine starters was H. P. Whitney's Baby Wolf.

MADE IN GERMANY.

Four Trainmen, One Passenger Killed In Collision at Herlisheim.

Strasbourg, May 14.—Four trainmen and one passenger were killed and 12 others injured last night in a collision between a passenger and a freight train at Herlisheim, near Colmar. The freight had been derailed by the explosion of the locomotive boiler and the passenger train ran into the wreckage which immediately took fire. The passenger train was destroyed.

PHILIPPINE OUTLAWS KILLED.

Manila, May 14.—Capt. Rhodes commanding two troops of the Sixth cavalry, struck a portion of the band of outlaws headed by Jikiri near Bamo last Wednesday and in a fight that followed, five of the natives were killed. One of these was Jamnang, noted as a trusted lieutenant of Jikiri.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Vancouver, B. C., May 14.—Through the premature explosion of a blast at the construction of a tunnel, near Aberdeen, 25 miles east of Prince Rupert, Alexander Wattso of Marysville, Tenn., and a Montegonier were instantly killed. They were engaged at rock work on the new line of the Grand Trunk-Pacific. Wattso's body will be sent to Tennessee.

HEARD HIS FUNERAL SERMON PREACHED

Gas City, Ind., May 14.—On his deathbed, Elias B. Burns, 58 years of age, today heard his funeral sermon preached.

After having been advised by his physician that he could live only a few hours more, Mr. Burns summoned Rev. Henry Schwan, and 40 of his neighbors. Burns was sung and a sermon was preached. Later the sickness relapsed into delirium.

MOROCCAN SITUATION MAKES SPAIN UNEASY

Madrid, May 14.—The Herald today says the present situation in Morocco is causing uneasiness in Spain, and that a partial mobilization of the Spanish troops is in progress.

REMARKABLE AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT IN BELGIUM

Liege, Belgium, May 14.—A remarkable and fatal automobile accident occurred here today. While one machine was trying to pass another on the road it skidded against a wall and crushed the life out of two children who were passing at the time. The car then was overturned by the power of the engine and thrown against a passing railroad train. It was a heavy machine, and as it crashed into the train two passengers were seriously injured and the driver killed. The car itself was reduced to matchwood.

ELEVATOR MEN STRIKE.

Philadelphia, May 14.—Four hundred elevator constructors went on strike in this city today for shorter hours. The workers demand a half holiday on Saturdays.

AUGUSTUS HEINZE ARRAIGNED.

New York, May 14.—F. Augustus Heinze, already under indictment on a charge of over-certification of his brother Otto Heinze's checks, was arraigned before Circuit Judge Hough today on a new indictment charging misapplication of the funds of the mercantile National bank in March and October, 1907.

He pleaded not guilty with the privilege of withdrawing the plea and making any motion his counsel might desire. Judge Hough set the case for next Friday and as Mr. Heinze is already under \$50,000 bail, no additional security was asked.

PEOPLE TIRED OF WIND JAMMING

Senator Scott Says He is Receiving Letters Daily Begging Senate to Get Through With It.

ENDORSED J. J. HILL'S ADVICE

That Oratory be Suspended and That Congress Promptly Pass the Tariff Bill.

Washington, May 14.—Asking that an interview with J. J. Hill be read to the senate immediately after that body convened today, Senator Scott endorsed its advice to Congress that oratory be suspended, and that Congress promptly pass the tariff bill.

"This," Mr. Scott said, "is in line with letters I am daily receiving begging and praying that these gentlemen (waving his hand over the senate chamber) get through with their wind jamming and let the country go ahead with its business."

Senator Beveridge spoke in support of an amendment offered by him relative to the internal revenue tax on tobacco and its products, contending that the government has lost \$184,000,000 in the last eight years through the repeal of the 1898 tax. Mr. Beveridge undertook by his amendment to increase the present rate of internal taxes on tobacco, snuff, cigarettes and cigars worth more than 10 cents. Mr. Beveridge declared that the "true" which he said, was the American Tobacco company, had derived great benefit from the loss of revenue, which, he said, was due to the law repealing the increased rates of 1898. The law providing for the high rates of 1898 permitted the manufacturer to reduce the size of the packages in which the tobacco is sold to the people, according to Mr. Beveridge. "In 1901 this increased tobacco tax was removed," said he, "but the short weight packages of tobacco were continued by the very law that removed the tax. The manufacturer still collects the war time tax from the people, by instead of the law to the government, he keeps it for himself."

Mr. Beveridge declared that his amendment would not affect the cigarette tax of the country, because, he said, it does not enhance the tax on any cigars except those which sell for 19 cents or more.

Claiming that his amendment would increase the revenue to the government of over \$21,000,000, Mr. Beveridge asserted that the tobacco trust is now reaping a vast benefit through failure to enact such legislation as he proposed.

Mr. Beveridge controverted the idea that the continuation by law of the short weight war time packages after the repeal of the 1898 law had increased the revenue to the government. "The law," he said, "does not fix the size of the cut that is sold, but the manufacturer of plug tobacco got the war time price for a cut of tobacco by selling a smaller cut than the plug and this practically still continues. When a box of plug tobacco is sold by the trust to the retail dealer, there is marked upon each box a place for a cut. By decreasing the size of these cuts very slightly, the tobacco trust through the retailer gets the war time price for a cut of plug tobacco."

Upon taking up the iron and steel sections of the tariff bill, Mr. Aldrich asked that the senate pass over the paragraph relating to pig iron as the committee on finance wished to consider an amendment affecting the duty on cast scrap iron.

RELIEF WORK AT ADANA.

Constantinople, May 14.—A mixed commission will leave Constantinople tomorrow for Adana to direct the work of relief in the interests of the sufferers from the anti-Christian uprising and to supervise the inquiry into the whole affair. The commission, which represents the government, is composed of Behi Bey, a member of the council of state; Mr. Arlin, inspector of courts at Monastir; Deputy Shefik and Deputy Agah Babikian. The last mentioned is an Armenian.

PREFER PRIVATE INNS TO PUBLIC SERVICE

Tilton, Ill., May 14.—The town's business is at a standstill because three members of its board of affairs have had to choose between resigning public office or their positions as employees of the Standard Oil company and have decided that their private jobs were more important than their public service. Elmer Williams, J. B. Daniels and Harry Hammond were elected to the board of affairs in April. General Manager Warren of Decatur, Ill., has let them know that the Standard Oil company wishes its employees to have no part in public administration and that if a quorum of Tilton's board of affairs.

FIRE IN RAWVIDE.

Rawhide, Nevada, May 14.—A fire that started in the California beer hall at midnight, which threatened a re-ignition of the disaster of last September when the town was reduced to ashes, was controlled this morning after it had destroyed the beer hall and several buildings adjoining. Firemen who broke into the building declared that they were almost overcome by the pungent odor of kerosene. It is regarded as little short of a miracle that the blaze was confined and now that it is known that the fire was of incendiary origin, threats of lynching if the guilty parties are found are being heard on every side.

WESTON GOES ON WALKING.

Topeka, Kansas, May 14.—Edward Payson Weston reached Wilson shortly before noon today and left for the west after a light lunch. He spent the night at Black Wolf, which is only 10 miles west of Ellsworth, having walked only that distance. Thursday, Wilson is 20 miles east of Russell, the place he had expected to reach last night.

BANKER ADLER GUILTY.

New Orleans, May 14.—The jury in the case of William Adler, president of the defunct State National bank, who was charged with misapplication of funds of the bank, today brought in a verdict of guilty. Sentence was deferred.

DISABILITIES OF CATHOLICS

Bill for Their Removal Introduced In House of Commons by William Redmond.

PREMIER ASQUITH FAVORS IT.

Declared Their Exclusion from Lord Chancellorship and Lord Lieutenantcy Unjustifiable.

Bill Removes Objectionable Portion of Oath of Accession—Repeals Acts Prohibiting Residence of Jesuits.

London, May 14.—A comprehensive bill for the removal of Roman Catholic disabilities and providing for an alteration in the accession oath taken by the British sovereign was introduced by William Redmond in the house of commons today.

The Roman Catholics have never ceased to inveigh against the "insulting references" to certain beliefs in the monarch's accession declaration as "superstitious and idolatrous." The same opposition that hitherto has defeated any effort to alter the oath again showed up today when a petition signed by 400,000 persons against the removal of Roman Catholic disabilities was handed in just before Mr. Redmond rose. Mr. Redmond's bill not only removes what is regarded as the objectionable portion of the oath of accession, but it repeals the acts prohibiting residence and the acquisition of property by the Jesuits and other monastic orders and abolishes the disqualification which prevents Catholics from filling the offices of lord chancellor of Great Britain and lord lieutenant of Ireland.

Premier Asquith gave his cordial support to the bill. He declared that the exclusion of Roman Catholics from the lord chancellorship and the lord lieutenantcy was quite unjustifiable on the grounds of logic or policy.

The bill passed its second reading by a vote of 123 to 123, but as it is not a government measure, there is little prospect of finding time to pass into a law at the present session. The fact that a majority of the house of commons voted in favor of the measure, however, is regarded as a great victory for the Catholics. Although similar bills have been debated on many previous occasions, this is the first time that one has passed its second reading.

SENTENCED TO PERPETUAL EXILE

Eighteen Members of Moscow Social Democratic Organization To End Their Days in Siberia

OTHERS SENT TO FORTRESS.

Among the Exiles is Prof. Rodkoff of The University of Moscow, Famous Authority on Russian History.

Moscow, May 14.—The trial of the members of the local Social Democratic organization came to an end here today. Eighteen of the prisoners were sentenced to perpetual exile in Siberia, and 20 others are to be imprisoned in a fortress for terms varying from one to three and a half years.

The exiles include Prof. Rodkoff of the University of Moscow, whose connection with the party for a number of years has been a mystery to the police. The authorities were aware that one of the most competent members of the general committee resided permanently in Russia, but they never identified this man with the noted university authority on Russian history. The other men condemned include Police Judge Sparsky and Instructor Presin of the University of Moscow, who will serve respectively terms of two years and 18 months imprisonment.

KAISER GIVEN HEARTY WELCOME BY VIENNESE

Vienna, May 14.—The German emperor accompanied by the empress, reached Vienna from Pola, where they arrived on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern yesterday and were given a hearty and elaborate public welcome. Emperor Francis Joseph and all the Austrian archdukes and arch-duchesses met their majesties at the Southern railroad station. The greetings between the two monarchs were exceptionally cordial, as also was the ovation accorded them by the immense crowds that had gathered on the streets through which the visitors drove in an open carriage to the Wiener Hofburg. Rain somewhat marred the effect of the lavish decorations along the route, but there was no mistaking the warmth of the demonstration. Austrian gratitude goes out to the German sovereigns for the unfaltering support which enabled the dual monarchy to secure such a notable success in the late Balkan crisis.

MORE RAIN IN KANSAS.

Kansas City, May 14.—Rain again fell over the greater portion of Kansas last night, the precipitation ranging from three-tenths of an inch in the western part of the state, up to one inch and a half in the central counties, where it is said wheat will be greatly benefited.

PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS

Successful Campaign Can Only Be Waged Where it Can be Prevented in Childhood.

DANGER FROM COWS' MILK

Is Tendency to Overrate It—Disease Occurs More Frequently in Artificially Fed Infants.

Washington, May 14.—That there is a tendency to overrate the danger to children from milk from tuberculosis cattle was the decided view expressed today at the session of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. The subject was exhaustively treated in a joint paper by Drs. Henry L. K. Shaw and Arthur T. Laird of Albany, N. Y., who took the position that the attention of the public should not be diverted from the great and real danger of human contagion. If, they argued, tuberculosis milk was as virulent as so many declared, it was difficult to conceive how any children at all escaped infection. The association of the child with tuberculosis parents or other consumptives, they said, was a matter of such importance in the diagnosis as well as in the prevention of the disease that every member of a tuberculosis family should be vaccinated, and that every child, especially where there is infection because of their irresistible impulse to place everything in their mouths.

The pointed out the enormous danger to children in the home of the tuberculosis adult. Dust from a room inhabited by a consumptive, they declared, had been found virulent for six weeks. Toxins, they said, were a fertile source of infection.

That tuberculosis occurred more frequently in artificially fed infants was another view expressed by them. They pointed out, however, that this was not necessarily an indication that the infection was always of the bovine type and contracted from the use of milk from tuberculosis cows. They declared that the fact that a greatly lessened resistance to any infection. A campaign against tuberculosis could only be waged with success, they insisted, if its occurrence could be prevented.

The fact that the disease was not necessarily contracted from the use of milk from tuberculosis cows, they declared, urged the association as such, and individually, to bend every effort to prevent and arrest the spread of tuberculosis in children.

ROBIN HOOD OF RUSSIAN REVOLUTION KILLED

Mohilev, Russia, May 14.—The noted robber chieftain Savitsky, the "Robin Hood" of the Russian revolution, has been killed by members of the rural guard in a neighboring village, after a fight that lasted for four hours. Savitsky was a high school student when he took to brigandage, had been the terror of the police of the provinces of Tchernigov and Mohilev for several years, but he was a source of amusement to the rest of Russia on account of his dare-devil exploits. He delighted in playing fantastic tricks on the police. One day, disguised as a priest, he visited the governor of this province and various other officials. It was his custom to rob only the rich and he distributed his spoils among the peasants. He was betrayed by a member of his band.

SINGING SPARKS.

Name Given New Wireless System Just Perfected in Berlin.

Chicago, May 14.—A special cable to the Tribune from Berlin says: "Singing sparks" is the expressive name given to an improved wireless system just perfected in Berlin. It is a system which obviates the uncertainties with which other wireless systems have had to contend.

The new method consists in sending out the vibrations which greatly are regarded as pure musical tones that are capable of being heard by the receiver, no matter how softly they may be uttered.

It was declared by the inventors that by means of this device it will be possible for the first time since wireless telegraphy was established to maintain communication in spite of the most violent atmospheric disturbances. Another advantage claimed is that it will be possible to work with much smaller antennae for the aerial wires by which the energy is absorbed.

In their passage through the air the singing sparks will be entirely noiseless.

ITALY WILL CONSTRUCT FOUR DREADNOUGHTS

Rome, May 14.—The minister of marine, Admiral Miraballo, has obtained the approval of the cabinet for a naval program that provides for the construction within three years at a total expenditure of \$52,800,000 of four Dreadnoughts and several fast scout cruisers.

A local paper says the decision to build these vessels was reached after Italy had learned that Austria-Hungary was going to construct \$40,000,000 on increased naval power.

ADAMS EXPRESS CAR BURNED.

Pittsburg, May 14.—An Adams Express company car on the main line express, New York & Boston, over the Pennsylvania railroad, caught fire here today and was destroyed with its contents. The loss is said to be heavy.

RANKS OF PARIS STRIKERS ARE THINNING OUT

Paris, May 14.—Instead of showing an increase this morning, the number of striking postal employees in the city seems to have diminished. The leaders of the strike, however, still talk boldly of developments, including the declaration of a general strike by the general federation of labor in the city and the other hand the authorities, with the endorsement of the chamber of deputies behind them, insist that the movement will collapse totally in a few days without recourse to the elaborate reserve arrangements that have

HISTORIAN'S OFFICE, CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS.

FLORIDA ORANGES

Henceforth to be Marketed Direct to Wholesale Brokers and Jobbers.

Denver, Colo., May 14.—Henceforth the Florida orange crop will be marketed direct to the wholesale brokers and jobbers, according to C. Swinling, president of the Florida Fruit and Citrus Growers' association, who was in Denver last night.

The orange crop of Florida this year, he said, "will exceed that of any other year since 1895, and we will produce half as much as the entire crop of California."

"For years we have submitted to the abuses of the brokers who practically regulated the market, making big profits and keeping up the prices of oranges. From now on, we will market the Florida output direct, and this will reduce the price of oranges 40 per cent. Before this fight is over oranges will be selling at three for five cents, instead of five cents a piece."

KINDNESS PAYS.

Chicago Teacher Receives \$1,500 from Estate of Servant Girl.

Chicago, May 14.—Because of her kindness to a servant girl, Miss Mary Synon, a teacher in the Webster school, has received \$1,500 from the estate of Miss Mary O'Donnell.

Several months ago the servant girl became ill, and Miss Synon turned nurse and for several weeks cared for a sick woman. A few days before Miss O'Donnell's death, the woman, the servant confided to Miss Synon that she had saved over a thousand dollars and had given it to her in her will.

GOOD SNOW IN BUTTE.

Butte, May 14.—Three inches of snow fell in this section between midnight and daylight. The blizzard, which in low altitude would be a snow spring downpour of rain, will greatly benefit crops.

JUDGE HENDERSON ILL.

Well Known Member of the Bar Down With Pneumonia.

Judge H. P. Henderson, after presiding at the board of education special session last night, returned home to be seized with a bad attack of pneumonia. This morning he was in a semi-delirious state but rallied somewhat this afternoon. His friends report him to be a very sick man, but the family physician avers that he is holding his own.

Judge Henderson for years has been a prominent member of the Utah bar and is known throughout the state as a lawyer of more than average ability. He is the senior member of the firm of Henderson, Pierce, Critchlow & Barrette, attorneys of the city, and is prominently identified politically, socially and otherwise with the affairs of this city.

PARADE IS ABANDONED.

Grand Army Will Not March on Memorial Day.

The G. A. R. appointed Memorial day committees at last night's meeting in the Commercial club, and decided not to hold any street parade this year, and to hold services only at Mt. Olivet cemetery.

The following were appointed chairmen of the various committees, with power to select others to assist them: William Rowe, Maxwell post, Grand committee; W. C. Watterson, McKean post, flag committee; Thomas Harris, Maxwell post, transportation committee.

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CITY FUNDS IN BAD SHAPE

Board of Estimates and Apportionment Hoists Signal of Distress This Morning.

TAX LEVY RAISE DISCUSSED.

"American" Administration Talks Of Fourteen Mills as Panacea for Empty Coffers.

No More Salaries Will be Raised Despite Promises Made All Along the Line.

With the city's coffers empty, the board of estimates and apportionment gave a signal of distress this morning at a meeting held in the office of Mayor Bransford and orders of retrenchment were given. A raise of 1 mill in the tax levy was discussed to make up the deficit in the improvement funds. This will bring the tax levy up