

JAMES JEROME HILL DEAD.

Great Railway Magnate Left Estate of About \$250,000,000.

St. Paul, Minn., May 29.—James J. Hill, railroad builder, capitalist and most widely known figure of the Northwest, died at his Summit avenue residence at 9.30 o'clock this morning as the result of an affection due to bowel trouble. An operation was performed Friday, from which he failed to rally.

The family physician announced that Mr. Hill died of blood poisoning.

Left Great Fortune.

Mr. Hill's wealth is estimated at from \$100,000,000 to \$500,000,000. He probably was worth between \$200,000,000 and \$250,000,000.

Mr. Hill had the absolute control of the First National Bank and the Northwestern Trust Company, which have a combined capital and surplus of \$6,500,000. He was a large holder of stock in the Chase National Bank, of New York; First National Bank of Chicago, and the Northwestern National Bank, in Minneapolis. He was a large owner of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company.

The greatest portion of Mr. Hill's wealth, however, was in the stocks and bonds of the Great Northern, Northern Pacific, and Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroads.

Discovered World's Bread Basket.

James J. Hill discovered "the bread basket of the world" in the great Northwest. He led in its development from a wilderness into what now comprises six wealthy States dotted with 400,000 farms, and he blazed a trail for transportation which reached eventually from Bulo to Asia, with a total mileage of rail and steamship facilities that would nearly girdle the earth.

That but roughly spans the story of his achievement.

Near Guelph, in Ontario, where James Jerome Hill was born in 1838, the son of an Irish-Canadian farmer who died when the boy was 15, stands a tree stump labeled: "The last tree chopped by James J. Hill."

It marked the lad's resolution to go to the United States. He had been prompted by an odd incident. According to the story that is told, a strange traveler had stopped at the Hill farm to take dinner, and left his horse at the gate. Young Hill saw the animal was tired and he carried it a pail of water. The stranger was pleased with the lad's thoughtfulness and as he drove off he tossed him a newspaper from the United States and called out gravely: "Go there, young man. That country needs youngsters of your spirit."

Hill read the paper carefully. It contained glowing accounts of opportunities in the States. He resolved to investigate for himself. It was the next morning that he chopped his last tree.

As a mere roustabout lad of 18 he toured from Maine to Minnesota. When, in 1856, he disembarked from a Mississippi river packet at St. Paul that place was a frontier town of about 5,000 inhabitants. At the sign of W. J. Bass & Co., agents for the Dubuque and St. Paul Packet Company, he found a job as both stevedore and clerk.

In the 15 years that followed he seized every opportunity to study the whole problem of river transportation. He gathered no end of experience and a little capital with which he launched his own firm of Hill, Griss & Co., which promptly displayed its initiative by bringing the first load of coal that had ever been seen in that section into St. Paul. Two years later, with a flat-bottomed steamer, he established the first regular communication with St. Paul and the Manitoba ports of the fertile Red River Valley.

Turned Empire Builder.

With the line of Puget Sound once laid, he turned empire builder. He introduced the live stock industry into vast areas of bunch-grass plains, and developed them by importing blooded stock; he sent demonstration trains through the country with men who showed the people how to raise more wheat to the acre; he made an outlet for the grain by establishing a cheap rate by rail and

steamship to Buffalo, where he built great elevators; in fact for upwards of 20 years he left nothing in his power undone to develop the country where he had staked out his claim as the great commerce carrier.

But at the Pacific tide-water he was not satisfied, for he saw in the Orient still further opportunities. He organized a fleet of Pacific steamships for the commercial invasion of Japan and China. Japan at the time wanted steel rails, but proposed getting them from England, as the rates were less. It is related that when John W. Gates, the steel magnate of Chicago, came to Hill with the proposition of getting American rails to Japan, the latter replied:

"I will make you a rate of \$8 per ton from Chicago or Pittsburgh to Yokohama. If that is too much I will carry it for the axle grease used on the locomotives and freight cars, and if you can't stand that, I will carry your freight for nothing."

At the \$8 rate named, the American manufacturer was enabled to secure the Japanese contract.

The same tactics were adopted in getting American wheat and flour into Japan and China, where rice was the staple food.

His faith in the Far East was rewarded as liberally as that in the Northwest. It is estimated that the Pacific fleet now carries nearly \$50,000,000 worth of products to the Orient every year.

While Mr. Hill built up for himself and his associates an immense fortune, he also helped to create for the settlers along his lines a wealth of over five million dollars in real property, which is represented by the value of the 400,000 farms and their 65,000,000 acres of improved land.

Upon his retirement at 69, the "streak of rust" he had bought 30 years before, had expanded to more than 6,000 miles and it was earning gross profits of more than \$66,000,000 a year and carrying 15,000,000 tons of freight annually. He still retained a hand in the Great Northern's policy as chairman of the board of directors, while his son Louis, who had worked up from the humblest position of his father's railroad, became president.

The secret of the Hill success was no secret at all, according to Mr. Hill, and he had no new recipes to offer. "The man with the big opportunity to-day," he said, "is the man in the ranks." But the secret of failure he frequently declared to be extravagance. He regarded this as a national tendency, against which he strongly set himself, particularly as concerned the natural resources.

The "League to Enforce Peace."

Washington, May 27.—In every State, county and city in the United States branches of the League to Enforce Peace must be organized to create public sentiment favorable to this country's joining a federation of nations to minimize future wars, speakers asserted to-day at the league's meeting.

Strong public opinion is necessary for success of the plan, J. Mott Halliwell, Boston lawyer, explained, "first because probably no national administration would venture to bind the United States to such a radical step unless this step were endorsed and understood by the people; second, because if any administration should so pledge the faith of our country and should afterward be called upon to make good its word, the ability to do so would depend on the strength of the public opinion indorsing the pledge."

Officers of the league planned to solicit \$300,000 with which to carry on the campaign.

Easley Youth Attempts Suicide.

Easley, May 27.—Roy Jameson, eldest son of Mrs. A. S. Jameson, of this place, attempted to commit suicide here yesterday afternoon by taking poison. His efforts were immediately discovered, and, owing to prompt medical aid, it is hoped that the dose will not prove fatal. The young man has suffered from a mental derangement recently and he is not at all accountable for his action.

While the proprietor of one of the drug stores was at dinner and the clerks were busy the young man slipped in behind the prescription counter and secured the poison. He then went to his home, and after mixing a soft drink he poured the powdered poison into the glass and took several swallows. He then became very sick and in intense pain, so two physicians were hurriedly sent for. Stomach pumps and other methods of extracting the poison were used, and it is hoped that his condition will improve.

Call Meeting Democratic Ex. Com.

All members of the Democratic Executive Committee of Oconee county are requested to meet at the court house in Walhalla on next Monday, June 5th, at 11 o'clock. Let every Executive Committeeman from each of the Democratic clubs of the county be present, for we have some important business to transact at said meeting. J. M. Moss, Chairman. M. C. Long, Secretary.

CHARLESTONIAN DIES AT 96.

Otto Tiedeman Was Well Known by Many in Up-Country.

(News and Courier, 30th.)

Otto Tiedeman died yesterday afternoon at his residence on Broad street in the 96th year of his age. He was probably the oldest native German in South Carolina.

Born in Sillstedt, near Bremerhaven, February 7, 1821, he came of that sturdy Hanover stock which has done much for German prestige in the Southern States. He received a good education in Germany.

At the age of 17 Mr. Tiedeman sailed with other emigrants for Charleston. He arrived here in 1838 and secured a position as a grocery clerk. After a year he became a partner of John A. Cook, Jacob Cook being the other partner. The partnership continued for five years, after which Mr. Tiedeman carried on the business on his own account until 1871, when he became an active partner in a wholesale business.

After three years (in 1874) Mr. Tiedeman took over the whole business, and his sons, Otto Tiedeman, Jr., and John C. Tiedeman, became his partners.

Mr. Tiedeman is survived by four sons, John C. Tiedeman and Otto Tiedeman, Jr., of Charleston; Irvin B. Tiedeman, of New York, and Geo. W. Tiedeman, of Savannah, and a daughter, Mrs. John W. Robson, of Charleston. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Riggs Officials Not Guilty.

Washington, May 27.—The three Riggs Bank officials, on trial here for perjury, were to-day found not guilty after the jury had deliberated nine minutes. Charles C. Glover, president; W. J. Flather, vice president, and H. H. Flather, former cashier, were the defendants.

The government contended that when, in the celebrated case of the bank against Secretary McAdoo and Comptroller Williams, the three officials signed an affidavit that the bank never engaged in stock transactions, they had perjured themselves.

The bankers' defense was that they signed the affidavit on advice of their counsel and that its intent was to swear that the bank never had engaged in stock dealings for itself, but not to deny that the bank's officers had executed transactions for depositors and customers in their present capacities.

Pickens Youth Drowned in Texas.

(Pickens Sentinel.)

B. N. Glazener, of the Cross Roads section, received a telegram Monday stating that his son, Jeff, had been drowned near the border line between Texas and Mexico. Jeff was a member of the United States army and was on duty near the Mexican border. No particulars have yet been learned concerning the sad occurrence, but the body of the soldier is expected to reach Easley Thursday and funeral services will be held at Cross Roads.

Card of Thanks.

Editor Keowee Courier: We wish, through your columns, to thank our friends and neighbors of this community for the kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our darling babe, Gracie; also the good doctor of Oakway for his close attention. May God's richest blessings rest upon one and all in our sincere prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ivie, Westminster, Route 3.

Card of Thanks.

Editor Keowee Courier: Please allow us space in your paper to thank the good people for their help and attention during the sickness and death of our father and grandfather.

We appreciate everything that was done for us, from the greatest to the least. May God bless all with good health and happiness, and may a crown be the reward for their kindness. Any time we may be called upon we hope to be able, in some measure, to show our appreciation more substantially than by mere expression of appreciation and thanks. D. E. Nicholson and Family. Salem, Route 1, May 29.

Indignant Customer — "Barber, why did you drop that steaming towel on my face?" Barber—"Because it was too hot to hold, sir."

WINTHROP COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AND ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 7, at 9 a. m. Applicants must not be less than sixteen years of age. When scholarships are vacant after July 7 they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarships should write to President Johnson before the examination for scholarship examination blanks.

Scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition. The next session will open September 20, 1916. For further information and catalogue, address President D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.

MORGAN OFFICE BOYS CAUGHT.

Stole \$10,500, But Soon Caught and \$9,000 Recovered.

New York, May 27.—All but about \$900 of \$10,500 which was stolen from J. P. Morgan & Co. yesterday was restored to-day by detectives who followed three of the firm's office boys to Philadelphia and brought back two of them under arrest this morning. The detectives said the boys confessed the theft and accounted for the missing money by saying each boy mailed \$300 to his mother.

The \$10,500 represented part of the Morgan firm's weekly payroll. It was handed to young Wm. A. McManus, aged 18, to carry to the export department. McManus disappeared and with him Wm. J. Bain, aged 17, and a third office boy, whose name was not revealed.

Detectives had no difficulty in tracing them to a hotel in Philadelphia. The boys were out when the detectives entered their room, but \$9,600 reposed on a table divided into three neat piles. When the youngsters returned and found the detectives awaiting them, McManus leaped from a window to a roof 20 feet below, but was caught there. The third boy escaped.

McManus and Bain are charged with grand larceny, but it is said their employers are disposed to be lenient.

The May Meeting at Salem.

The usual large crowd met at Salem that always comes in May. We think it was a record-breaker. The services were fine, and the spirit of God was manifest. Bro. G. A. Martin, from Pickens, preached a wonderful sermon.

The crowd was the quietest on the outside it ever was. Sheriff Davis and Rural Policeman Littleton, who have done so much good work around Salem, were both on the grounds, for which we were duly thankful.

Up here most of us love "the little birds." Would to God we had more of them. If we had, the "pigs" and "tigers" would all soon be in Georgia and we would have peace instead of them.

The singing of Messrs. Holding, Rampy, Morton, Smith, Murphree, Chastain, Crow and others was fine. Bro. Morton preached at Boone's Creek Sunday night and we had another glad service. A. Salem, S. C., May 29.

Fatal Stop on Tracks.

Winder, Ga., May 29.—Seaboard train No. 5 to-day ran into an automobile containing six persons two miles south of Statham, Ga., about 4.15 p. m., killing George Littlefield, of near Winder; Mrs. Jim Peppers, of Statham, and daughter, and Mrs. Montene Hegesty and her daughter, of Jacksonville, Fla., and seriously injuring two sons of Littlefield.

As far as can be learned the accident was caused by the parties trying to cross the track just ahead of the train and the automobile engine stopping with them on the tracks.

Note to Britain and France.

Washington, May 26.—The United States, denouncing interference with neutral mails, has notified Great Britain and France that it can no longer tolerate the wrongs which American citizens have suffered and continue to suffer through the "lawless practice" those governments have indulged in, and that only a radical change in policy, restoring the United States to its full rights as a neutral power, will be satisfactory.

The communication, addressed to the British and French ambassadors, was delivered Wednesday.

The Ladies' Store.

The ladies of Oconee are invited to call at our store and inspect a new shipment of Laces. The prices are attractive as well as the goods.

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her work seems easier and she has regained her appetite. Get a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin from your druggist and have it in the house. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 454 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

Want Broughton Again.

Atlanta, May 28.—Members of the Baptist Tabernacle decided here today to extend a call to Rev. Len G. Broughton, now pastor of the First Baptist church, at Knoxville, Tenn., to return to the Tabernacle church, which he founded some 15 years ago. He served the Tabernacle as pastor

until six years ago, when he became pastor of Christ's church, London. Dr. Broughton returned from London nearly a year ago and became pastor of the Knoxville church.

A movement is on foot here to raise \$80,000 to pay off the Tabernacle Church debt coincident with Dr. Broughton's return, should he accept the call.

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