LABOR'S PLAN.

The Meeting of Delegates Settle Inent Texas ranchman said yesterday: Down to Business.

A PLAN SAID TO BE FORMULATED.

Mr. Batchford Tells About the Miners' Strike and "Government by Injunction" and Wants a Special Session of tongress.

ST. Louis, Aug. 31.-Fourteen differcent labor organizations, including Bebs' social democracy, supplemented by the populist party in Kansas, were represented at the big labor confersence that assembled here yesterday, But what the 88 different delegates accomplished during a very busy session from ticks, and they could have been no one knows besides themselves. The safely admitted into any country. committee on resolutions and pian of action was at work all afternoon and dast night. Mr. Sovereign announced Three Robbers Carry Away 82,000 from that it had formulated a plan, but deselined to give any details.

Chairman Steinbiss, of the local comemittee of arrangements, called the dabor conference to order at ten o'elock. About 100 people were scattered about the hall, not all of them, however, being delegates. Mr. Steinhiss suggested that as the call for the convention had been issued hurriedly, and as many of the delegates were yet annadvised as to the meeting place and hour, an adjournment be taken till 11 o'clock. Shortly after 11 o'clock the convention was again called to order, W. B. Prescott, chairman of the National Typographical union, of Indianapolis, was chosen temporary chairman, and W. C. Pearce, of Columbus, temporary secretary. Mr. Prescott then appointed a committee on -credentials. Considerable controversy | the street in front was thronged with on resolutions, which, although the convention was not yet permanently organized, was moved by one of the delegates. This brought out a flood of amendments and motions, but the whole matter was finally tabled and the meeting adjourned until two o'clock.

The committee on credentials made its report immediately upon the as- Chicago, narrowly escaped death in a sembling of the conference for its afternoon session. It was shown that 88 delegates, representing the following organizations, were represented: United Mine Workers of America, the Social Democracy, the American Federation of Labor, the Stonemasons' International union, Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators, Brotherhood which Peter Rafferty, of Bloomington. of Bottle Blowers, Building Trades Council of St. Louis, the Patriots of taken out fatally injured. Several Pull-America, the Brotherhood of Track mans, in which were theatrical peo-Foremen, the Single Tax League of America, Central Labor Council of Cincinnati, the International Typograph- berths and several were injured more ical union, the People's party of Kan- or less seriously. sas and the Industrial Order of Freed-

The chairman then named a commitrass on resolutions and plan of action. Mr. Ratchford then took the floor. He west over the miners' strike from its inception to the present day, and dwelt particularly upon "government by injunction." He pleaded for prompt action, and coming to the moint of his argument, advocated an appeal to the president of the United : States to call a special session of congress to act upon the matter of injunetions, and find means of relief from the existing troubles in the labor world. "In case of refusal," said Mr. Russehford, "I am in favor, if the president refuses to call congress together, of a complete paralysis of business. believe in a sympathetic strike."

Watrick O'Neill, of Rich Hill, Mo., who said he represented 1,500 "organi ized picks," favored a labor revolution. He was a socialist, he said, and believed in the miners taking things in their own hands, if necessary. His nerce harangue pleased the audience greatly. Mr. Sovereign put himself on record as opposed to Mr. Ratenford's plan. He believed this would be the last convention to be held under present conditions and that the crucial test now confronted organized labor.

Less than 1,000 people, among whom were a large number of women, assembled in Masonie hall last night to listen to addresses by prominent labor leaders brought to the city by the conference. Grand Master Workman Sovereign, who presided, made an impassioned address, in which he said the laboring men of the country are now face to face with the last great problem of civilization-their rights and liberty of free speech. He predicted that the conference would result an the issuance of an edict that would Lead to a new era of liberty to the laboring classes of America.

The presiding officer then called for Eugene V. Debs, and John F. Kelley announced that the social democracy feader was busy with the committee on resolutions and could not attend the meeting. He sent word, however, that after the presentation of the report of the committee this morning he would make an expression of his views on the question before the conference. John V. Lloyd, of Chicago, spoke in his stead. He said the injunction was the East nail in the coffin of freedom and justice, and predicted that there would never be an effective strike until every wheel of industry in the country was

stopped. At midnight the committee on resoentions went into session at the Laelede in an endeavor to prepare something tenable to report at to-day's sible for the bitter attacks made on

KILLS TEXAS FEVER.

Wonderful Successful Experiments With the Dip at Fort Worth, Tex.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 30. - A prom-"No discovery of recent years is fraught with so much interest to the southern and southwestern eattlemen as that of an efficient dip at Fort Worth, Tex., for tick-infected cattle, and a debt of lasting gratitude is due Dr. Victor A. Norgaard, the government veterinarian in charge." The results of dipping in a solution of parafine oil have been so wonderful that its adoption has already been officially recommended to Washington. It not only destroys the ticks in a short time, but does so without the least injury to the animal's hide, hair or eyes. It is said that cattle dipped in this solution in 17 hours from the time they entered the dipping vats were perfectly free

SUCCESSFUL BANK RAID.

the Institution at Elmdale, Kan. ELMDALE, Kan., Aug. 30.-Three daring robbers broke into the People's Exchange bank at an early hour Sunday morning, blew open the safe, after three loud explosions, and, though the building was surrounded by hastily-awakened citizens fully armed, escaped with nearly \$2,000 in cash in their possession. The cracksmen used nitro-glycerine in gaining entrance to the vault, and blew open the safe and the money drawer within it. There were three distinct explosions as the robbers forced their way to the bank's treasure. Although they were heard by hundreds of people and the bank was soon surrounded by an excited throng, the safe-crackers escaped and are still at liberty. The third charge was exploded even while arose over the naming of a committee people bent on capturing the daring men within.

HAD A NARROW ESCAPE.

Wreck on the Chicago & Alton Near Alton

Scares Theatrical Folks. St. Louis, Aug. 39.—The passengers and train erew of the midnight special on the Chicago & Alton railroad, which arrived in this city at 7:45 a. m. from wreck near Alton yesterday morning. Near the outskirts of that city the engine was derailed, while proceeding at a high rate of speed, by spreading rails, and went down a 45-foot embankment. The tender, three baggage ears and a postal ear, followed and rolled on top of the engine, under the engineer, was pinned. He was ple, remained on the track, but the shock threw the passengers from their

THREE FIRE VICTIMS.

Horrible Accident at Port Tampa City, Fla., Caused by Exposion of Gasoline.

TAMPA, Fla., Aug. 30. - Marie, the 14year-old daughter of Mrs. Frances Valdez, of Port Tampa City, went into the kitchen to start a fire yesterday afternoon. She poured on kerosene and instantly there was a deafening explosion, followed by the girl's agonizing cries as she ran from the room on fire. Mrs. Valdez at once went to her daughter's assistance. While she was attempting to extinguish the flames, herown clothes caught fire and the two ran screaming from the house. Both were burned to a crisp. The house caught fire and was destroyed. A small boy was burned in the house. His body is not yet recovered. The fire spread rapidly and five houses were burned, there being no fire pro-

CLEVELAND IS MODEST.

Gives \$1,000 to a Virginia Educational In-

stitution on a Secret Condition. RICHMOND, Va., Aug. 30.-Ex-Postmaster-General Wilson, president of Washington & Lee university at Lexington, has received a \$1,000 check for the institution on condition that the giver's name shall remain a secret, but it is believed that ex-President Cleveland, who advised Mr. Wilson to accept the presidency of the university. sent the money.

DEADLY TIDAL WAVE.

Handreds of People Drowned by Floods in Japan and China.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 30.—The Japan ateamer just in brings news of severe earthquakes in Japan on August 5, followed by a tidal wave and great floods. A thousand houses were inundated and 200 persons were killed and injured. Sixty-five Chinese villages were also inundated and many people

A Fugitive Cashier Located.

KANSAS CITY, Kan., Aug. 30 .- William G. Porter, Jr., the fugitive bank cashier of this cite, has been located at Guadalajara, Mex., where he and his wife are living under the names of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reed. Porter is dealing in real estate there on a small scale. The fugitive and his wife are both being constantly watched by a

Pinkerton detective.

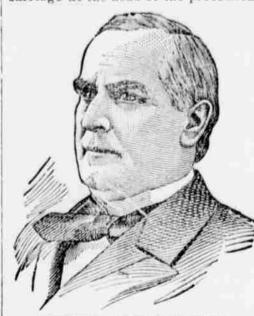
Prepared to Meet Gov. Evans. COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 80 .- Senator McLaurin sent word to Gov. Evans that he was personally responsible for everything that had been said against the executive during the campaign. Evans had informed the senator that he would hold him personally respon-

A PROUD DAY.

Thousands of Old Soldiers Again March to the Music of Bands.

They Are Led by President McKinley and Tramp Through Streets, Glorious in Flags and Cheered by Half a Million Voices.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 26.-Forty-five thousand men yesterday marched through streets glorious in flags and bunting, receiving the ovations of 500,-000 people. The president of the union they fought to save, himself their comrade, was at their head. When the line of the Grand Army procession moved at 10:30 in the morning, the sky had not a cloud. The rainstorms of the night left a clear, bracing air that was like tonic to the marching men. The procession moved for five and forty-two minutes. hours Along the route of march 100 girls, dressed in colors of the flag, scattered flowers in the path of the soldiers. President McKinley rode in a carriage at the head of the procession,



PRESIDENT WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

and waved his hat at the cheering crowd. At the reviewing stand he took his position with Commander-in-Chief Clarkson and Gov. Black, and the headquarters' staff passed in review. Of all the throng viewing the procession, no one person was more enthusiastic or more affected by the sight than President McKinley. With his hand on his hat, continually nucovering to the national colors or the salutes of the veterans, the president watched the array of proud veterans march by.

It was nearly five o'clock when the last of the New York state division. comprising a brigade of Buffalo posts, passed the stand, and after nearly six hours of constant attention the president and Gov. Black were driven to their hotel amid the huzzahs of the old soldiers and the appliance of the vast crowd. Throughout the entire day the great crowd was orderly, and there was no intrusion upon the president. The president admitted that he was tired with the day's work, but pleased. President McKinley, after his return

to the hotel at night, said of the parade: Even to a veteran the sight was a most surprising as well as an inspiring one. It is too had that every child in the country could not see it, for it would surely inspire patriotism and inculcate all the good qualities that go to make up the American citizen. I never had supposed until yesterday that so many brave sarvivors of the war were capable of following reartial music through city streets. Such a display of patriotic courage cannot fall to be of benefit to the entire country.

President McKinley visited campfires during the evening at two of the local churches and the crowds that greeted him were tremendous. He spoke briefly at one saying:

Ladies and gentlemen: The saddess part of the reunion of the old soldiers of the army is that at every annual encampment we miss many familiar faces. Our comrades are diminishing with the passing years, the circle is narrowing and every annual roll cail discloses one and still another not present, but accounted for. They have gone from human sight; they have passed from association with us here any longer; they have gone to join the great majority of that army wish which they were so long associated and they sleep tonight within those green tents whose curtains never outward swing. Grant has gone, Sherman and Sheridan and Thomas and McPherson and Logan and a long list beside, rich in precious memories and not only have the great commanders gone, but the rank and file of that splendid army have joined their old commanders on the other shore. They are gone who seem so great; their glorious work is done, and they wear a purer crown than any man can weave them. Speak no more of their renown. but in the vast cathedral leave them. God accept them. Christ receive them. It is our duty. it is our business to preserve and improve and strengthen and giorify the magnificent institutions for which they fought and for which they gave their lives. I thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for this moment that you have given to me to pay my respects to that noble army of volunteers, the sacrificial giants who threw darkness asunder and thus assured our nation-

AN ASSASSIN'S VICTIM.

President Borda, of Uruguay, Shot Down During a National Fete.

MONTEVIDEO, Aug. 26.-J. Idiarte Borda, president of Uruguay, was killed yesterday, the victim of an assassin's bullet. The crime occurred during a national fete, which was being held here. The murderer was a young man named Arredondo. He was immediately arrested. While the assassination of President Borda is universally denounced, his removal from the sphere of control is regarded as a good thing for Uruguay. He has long been suspected of keeping revolution alive for his own purposes and he was connected with a firm which provided military materials for the government whereby he had amassed a fortune.

ALL RECORDS ECLIPSED.

The Great Star Pointer Paces a Mile in Leas Than Two Minutes.

READING, Mass., Aug. 30.-The twominute mark for harness horses, about which experts have long written and talked, was passed at the grand circuit races here Saturday, the grand Chicago pacing stallion, Star Pointer, owned by James A. Murphy, going the full mile in the phenomenal time of 1:59%, thus necessitating the setting of a new limit to the speed of light harness horses. Accompanied by a runner, the big bny Tennessee pacing-bred stallion wiped out the mark and had threequarters of a second to spare when he went under the wire. It was the most wonderful performance ever show a by a light harness horse and about 8,000 people went wild over it.

Progress of the	Harnes	a Horse.	
HORSE.	Gait	Record.	Year.
Flora Temple	Trot	2:10%	1854
Dexter	Trot	2:17	1805
Goldsmith Maid	Trot	2:14	1874
Smuggler		2:14	1876
Maud S		2:10:4	1851
Johnston	Pace	2:10	1883
Jay-Eye-See	Trot	2:10	1884
Maud S	Trot	2:0834	1885
Sunol		2:0814	1891
Nancy Hanks	Trot-	22104	1893
Alix	Trot	2:03%	1894
Robert J	Paco	2:0215	1894
John R. Gentry	Pace	2:0734	18.06
Star Pointer	Pace	1:5954	1897

DEATHS EXCEED BIRTHS.

Declaration Made That the Negro Race May Be Extinct within a Century.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 30.-Statisticians, scientists and sociologists have for some years declared that the negro race in America is diminishing in numbers. This statement is based upon the mortality reports of large cities, and recent statistical publications declare that the negro problem will settle itself by the extinction of the race from natural causes within a century. However true this may be, the reports of the health department of Kansas City show some remarkable facts which have their weight upon this subject. The table of mortality statistics shows that there were born in Kansas City during 1896 2,431 persons. Of these 2.231 were white and 200 black. The deaths numbered 1.873, of which 1,550 were white and 325 were black. Here is the remarkable feature of these figures: While 681 more white persons were born than died during the year, there were 123 more deaths than births among the negroes. When it is seen that the negro population is less than ten per cent. of the whole population, these facts and figures are rendered even more remarkable.

GRAND ARMY SUGGESTIONS.

Favoring of Veterans in Work Urged-For Oklahoma's Home-Lincoln Monuments. BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 30.-At the final executive session of the Grand Army of the Republic encampment a resolution was adopted urging the work of soldiers who were wounded sible in favor of such veterans. The committee reported in favor of urging congress to pass a bill setting apart 640 acres of timber land in the Indian territory for the use of the inmates of the soldiers' home of Oklahoma. The report was adopted. A communication from the Lincoln Monument association of California recommending that monuments to Lincoln be erected in every city in the land was indorsed and the National Monument association will be asked to take favorable

action. A CORNER IN COAL.

Pittsbargh Firm Said to Be in Full Control of the Market.

Pertsburgh, Pa., Aug. 30.-By the end of this week practically all the coal in the Monongahela river district will be in the hands of one firm, and prices will be made by the lucky possessors of the valuable mineral. When the present strike began the firm of John H. Jones & Co. saw that prices must advance, and they quietly went to work and bought coal everywhere they could at prices which now seem very cheap. They have been keeping this coal, and now practically control the coal trade in this vicinity. When seen Mr. Jones refused to say just how much coal they had, but admitted that the amount was over 5,000,000 bushels. Inquiries among other coal firms developed the fact that there was very little coal outside of that held by Jones & Co., and Santa Fe "plug" last night at 5:10. that that firm would be able to get their own price.

MINERS ARE STARVING.

Twelve Hundred Persons at Nelsonville, O., Absolutely Destitute.

NELSONVILLE, O., Aug. 30.-The destitution among the miners here is very great. Manager Buckley says 1,260 persons, the entire mining population of the town, have adsolutely nothing to eat, and 100 of these are sick. In this immediate vicinity there are 1,000 destitute people, a large number of whom are children. Local charity has helped them till its means are gone.

Era of Low Prices Ended.

London, Aug. 80 .- The Times, in an editorial article on the wheat question, expresses the opinion that the era of better prices is coming, closing the long period of depression, caused by the constant addition of the acreage of wheat, rendered possible by the extension of railways into new countries and the enormous increase of the tonnage of steamships.

TRAINS COLLIDE.

Three Missouri Pacific Freights Come Together Near Stillwell.

ONE MAN KILLED, SEVERAL HURT.

There Were Two Wrecks Several Miles Apart-The First Caused by a Section Breaking Loose and the Second by a Misunderstanding.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 31.-A cellision between three freight trains occurred near Stillwell, Johnson county, Kan., yesterday morning, injuring several persons and killing one man, whose name is given as Ponteus, first name unknown. The wreck occurred about nine a. m. on the Colorado line of the Missouri Pacific between Stillwell and Martin City. Freight train No. 125, which left Kansas City at 7:15 a. m., was divided into three sections. Freight train No. 146, eastbound, comprised two sections.

There were two wrecks several miles apart. The first was due to the parting of one of the sections of the westbound train on a heavy grade. Several cars on the rear end of the first section broke loose and dropped down the grade, colliding with the front end of the section following. The engine of the second section was damaged and several cars derailed, but no one was injured. The engineer and fireman saw the runaway cars approaching and jumped in time to escape injury.

The second wreck, which was due to a misunderstanding between the engineers of the eastbound and westbound trains regarding the taking of a siding near Stillwell, was more disastrous, and resulted in several fatalities. It was a front end collision, the engines coming together while both were running at good speed. The engineers and firemen were not aware of their danger until it was too late to save themselves. One fireman is believed to have been killed outright. According to the latest report received in this city his body was buried in the wreckage and had not been recovered. One engineer, who is familiarly known by the name of "Daddy," and whose home is in this city, was severely injuried, and it is believed cannot live. At least three others are known to have been seriously injured.

SIX MEN MASSACRED.

Moonshiners Shoot Down Officers in the Wilds of Pope County, Ark.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 31.-Six men were probably massacred in the wilds of the mountains of Pope county Sunday afternoon. Two were killed outright, two were fatally wounded and left for dead, two have mysteriously disappeared, and are either dead government to enforce the law relative or being held captive by the bloodto the employment on government thirsty bandits who committed the awful crimes. The killed are: Capt. during the war and recommending all | B. F. Taylor, of Searcy county, a depucitizens who had occasion to give em- ty United States marshal; Joe Dodson, playment to discriminate wherever pos- of Stone county, a deputy United States marshal. The fatally wounded are two brothers named Renfrow, of Searcy county. The names of the missing men are not known, but they are supposed to be deputy sheriffs from an adjoining county. The victims were all officers, and the men who did the awful work of carnage are moonshiners of the boldest and most desperate class.

The scene of the bloody crime was a gulch or ravine in the mountains of Pope county, at an isolated spot 35 miles from Russellville, the nearest telegraph office. The region is wild and isolated. It has for years been the favorite rendezvous for counterfeiters and moonshiners, and a district in which no law-abiding citizen could live. The officers for a long time have been trying to break up the lawlessness in that vicinity, and many battles between them and the desperadoes have occurred. Capt. B. F. Taylor, the richest man in Searcy county, and a man of much prominence, determined to aid the officers in putting down crime in that section. He secured a commission as a deputy United States marshal and led the posse in the raid that resulted in his death.

MOTHER AND SON KILLED. Run Over by the Santa Fe "Plug" Near

Cedar Junction, Kan.

CEDAR JUNCTION, Kan., Aug. 31.-The wife and son of Thomas Coker, a blacksmith, were killed by the westbound They were caught on a bridge half a mile east of this station. Mrs. Coker was 35 and the boy was ten.

Cash to Move the Crops.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 31.-The sub-treasury at Washington, through the local banks, has transferred \$100,-000 to Kansas City. The treasury department is doing all it can to facilitate the transfer of currency to places where the money is needed for moving

Fierce Forest Fires.

St. Patt., Minn., Aug. 31.-An Anaconda, Mont., special says: A fierce forest fire is raging a few miles west of here and spreading with alarming rapidity toward this city. The fire has already burned over 10,000 acres of

Victim of a Mob's Wrath.

St. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 31 .- A lightning rod agent is reported to have been lynched at Belgrade, a small town in Stores county, Minn., the people alleging a case of swindling.