# LUMBER KING DIDN'T WANT TO BECOME A TRUST EMPEROR

#### T. W. Walker Declined to Form Combination to Control Output of Forests.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 24.—Content to be simply the largest individual owner of timber in the world, T. B. Walker, the Minneapolis millionaire lumberman, has rejected the opportunity to become the trust emperor of the world—to be greater even than John D. Rockefeller, commonly termed the richest man in the world, and at that only a trust "king," ruler of a kingdom which would be puny compared with the empire of lumber over which Mr.

Walker might have reigned.

Mr. Walker disclosed this fact, at the same time declering he did not believe in trusts, though characterizing John D. Rockefeller, creator of the Standard Oil trust, as "one of the best citizens of the Valtas," States hoperscale, ust, and States - honorable, just and

For the first time, too, the fact was brought out that, whatever Mr. Walker's view of a lumber trust may be, he is himwas introduced before the Minneapolis chapter of the American Institute of Bank Clerks as "the largest individual owner of timber in the world," and his statements as to his position in the lumber world all went to support the assertion. Mr. Walker said that he is not a believer

in trusts, and that, should there ever be an attempt to form a lumber trust, he would break up the combination. "Such a trust would, without doubt, be one of the most powerful in the country," he said. "It would be capitalized at \$600,000,000, as against \$100,000,000 for the oil trust. But I have always maintained that if such a move were made I would break up the combination. I control enough timber lands to make such a combination impos sible in case I antagonize it. I have been approached and asked to form and become the manager of such a trust, but I have declined."

#### AIMEE LLOYD, "WOMAN IN BROWN" CONFESSES

Rochester, Minn., Feb. 24.—Galled by the monotonous life in the county jail here, where she has been in confinehere, where she has been in confinement since October, and welcoming most anything if it were a change from a situation that has become abhorrent to her, Aimee Lloyd, who was charged with a series of bold forgeries and swindles upon merchants and other business men of Eastern cities as well as of Rochester, appeared before Judge A. H. Snow, of the district court, and pleaded guilty to the indictment charging her with obtaining money on a fraudulent check. She was sentenced to the state reformatory at St. Cloud. to the state reformatory at St. Cloud. She is a woman of wonderful beauty and was once socially prominent in Winona where her family still lives.

Mrs. Lloyd's resolution to plead guil-and begin her term came as a great surprise to every person connected with this extraordinary case. No court qualified to receive her plea of guilty was convened here at this time, but Judge A. H. Snow, of Winona, was advised of the wishes of the fair defendant and consented to come to Rochester and hold a special term.

No friend or relative attended Mrs. Lloyd in court and there were only a few spectators of her humiliation. The fact that her Winona relatives have ignored her from the outset no doubt had its effect in causing her to plead guilty at once rather than stand a long trial.

Mrs. Lloyd broke down when sentence was pronounced and sobbed aloud. She surprise to every person connected with

was pronounced and sobbed aloud. She would make no statement, but her attorney, Thos. Spiliane, said: "Mrs. Lloyd had a good defense, but for family reasons I could not prevail upon her to use it."

The woman now admits that the man Albert who called on her in jail, is her husband. He has apparently forsaken

#### AMERICAN OFFICERS REGARD SENTENCE OF GEN. STOESSEL JUST

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# STOESSEL'S FORMER SERVANT TAKES LIFE, SO GREAT IS GRIEF.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 24.-Because of her regret over the conviction of General Stoessel at St. Petersburg, Amelia Karris killed herself by in-haling illuminating gas. The girl was a Russian and had formerly been employed in the general's fam-ily.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The sentence of General Stoessel is regarded by American military officers as the logical consequence, both of the surrender of Port Arthur and Russian military distributions.

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military discipline.

That the sentence is justified is the generally expressed belief. The consensus of opinion is that Port Arthur was surrendered prematurely. The considerations which entered into the military problem, which General Stoesses. tary problem which General Stoessel had to face are summed up here as embracing a choice between standing out to the last ditch, and in that way keeping the besieging army engaged and not free to strike at another point,

and not free to strike at another point, and surrendering because the ultimate result was apparently hopeless.

The American articles of war prescribe death as the penalty for exactly such conduct. Such a sentence, however, has never been carried out in this country, although it was imposed in the case of General William Hull, who surrendered Detroit in the war of 1812. General Hull was subsequently cashiered in lieu of the sentence because of his previously excellent record.

### COLD WAVE KILLS

FRUIT IN SOUTH New Orleans, La., Feb. 24.—Early fruits and vegetables, mostly intended for shipment to the North, have been damaged by the cold wave the last

### WOMEN AID SALOON MEN IN CAMPAIGN

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 24.—Anna Willard, from Chicago, heads the executive committee that is expected to do great things in saving the jobs of men who met here today and formed the state organization of bartenders and hotel and restaurant employes. Miss Willard is not a bartender, but she is going to help her co-laborers on the committee who are. The work of killing off the anti-saloon movement is the most important decision of the convention. portant decision of the convention.

## IN CONGRESS

FLEET SURELY WILL RETURN VIA SUEZ.

Washington, Feb. 25 .- Confirmwashington, Feb. 25.—Commandation has been given to the report that the American battleship fleet, after completing its voyage to San Francisco, will return by way of the Suez canal. The information was given out by Secretary Metcalf in answer to an invitation from the Australian government to have the fleet, or at least some of its units, visit that country. After expres-sing his appreciation to Aus-tralia, the secretary said:

'The eventual movement of our fleet has not yet been deter-mined. While it is probable that the vessels will return by way of Suez. I would be glad if some of them could be sent by the Aus-iralian route, but it would be premature to promise this."

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* HINSHAW, OF NEBRASKA

TAKEN ILL AT FUNERAL
Spartanburg S. C., Feb. 25.—Representative Edmund H. Hinshaw, of Nebraska, one of the congressional party accompanying the body of Senator Latimer to the latter's home at Belton, became ill just before the funeral trait reached here. Physicians were sumpresched bere Physicians were sumpresched bere Physicians were sumpresched reached here. Physicians were summoned to the station and it was found that Mr. Hinshaw was suffering from bladder trouble. After they had administered relief the train proceeded to

#### CONFEDERATE GRAVES SHOULD BE MARKED

Washington, Feb. 25.—A joint resolu-tion for the marking of graves of sol-diers and sallors of the confederate army and navy who died in Northera prisons and are buried near the prisons where they died, was reported by Senator Foraker.

#### UNCLE SAM DOESN'T

PAY FILIPINOS' SUPPORT Washington, Feb. 25.—Secretary Taft made an argument before the Senate committee on the Philippines to in-crease the Philippine commission to nine members. The bill was ordered

nine members. The bill was ordered reported favorably.

"There is not a cent paid out of the United States treasury for the support of the Filipinos." This statement by Secretary Taft to the House committee on insular affairs is regarded by the administration as decidedly important information.

information.

The secretary made one exception, the small amount expended in charting the rocks of the harbors by the coast and geodetic survey, and expressed the opinion that the information thus gained was cheaply obtained for the benefit of the navy.

#### TO ENLARGE HOMESTEAD

TO 320 ACRES OF LAND Washington, Feb. 25.—Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, has introduced a bill providing an enlarged homestead ir the states of Colorado, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Nevada and Wyoming, and the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, by allowing any person who is a qualified entrymar under the homestead laws of the United States to enter upon 320 acres of land States to enter upon 320 acres of land not exempted by law.

#### BILLICK'S ACCUSER ADMITS HE LIED

Chicago, Feb. 25.—It was anonunced today that a sworn confession had beer obtained through the instrumentality of Rev. P. J. O'Callaghan, head of the Paulist fathers of this city from Jerry M. Vrzal, age 18, whose testimony in a great measure served to convict Herman Billik, the Bohemian fortune teller, in which Vrzal declared the evidence given by him was simply perfectly the state of the service of t dence given by him was simply per-

jury.

Billik is under sentence to be hanged March 20, the supreme court having just affirmed the judgment of the trial

In the purported confession, young Vrzal not only impugns his own testi-mony but declares two of his relatives falsified on the witness stand. In an affidavit the boy states that all of the vital part of the evidence he gave against Billik was perjury, taught him by a high police official and an assistant state's attorney, and specifically names

these men.
Father O'Callaghan has been inter ested in the case for some time; and has repeatedly expresed his belief in Billik's innocerce

#### MARYLAND BREAKS WORLD RECORDS IN MARKMANSHIP

San Francisco, Feb. 24.-The record of the recent target practice at Magdalena bay shows that the Maryland made two world's records with three-inch and six world's records with three-inch and six inch guns. Out of 18.55 shots per minute with the three-inch guns the Maryland's men made 18.65 hits per minute, a perfec record of 1,000 per cent without a single miss. This is the highest score ever made with this particular gun. The Maryland not anly carried off individual records but also led in the highest score made among all ships.

among all ships. among all ships.

The range measured about 1,600 yards and the men were obliged to train their guns on canvas targets 12x20 feet in size and checkered in black and white squares Six cruisers participated in the shoot. It the final score the following percentages were attained: were attained:

Maryland, 78.89; Tennessee, 68.24; Colo-ado, 63.68; Pennsylvania, 57.80; West Vir-ginia, 55.70; Washington, 55.50.

#### HERMIT LEAVES BIG PILE OF WHISKY JUGS FOR HIS MOURNERS

Columbia, Mo., Feb. 25.—James W Turner, a hermit farmer living six miles from here, who frequently declared he wanted a monument built of whisky

wanted a monument built of whisky jugs is dead.

On his farm is an abandoned corscrib almost filled with empty whisky jugs, that Turner is said to have emptied himself during twenty years and which he saved for his monument. I is averred that he drank not less that averred that he drank not less that whisky a day for 20 years. a quart of whisky a day for 20 years He was 45 years of age. He owned a well stocked farm of 480 acres on which he lived the life of a recluse.

#### CZAR'S COUSIN WAS TARGET OF PLOT

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25-Official an St. Petersburg, Feb. 25—Official an nouncement was made today by the minister of the interior concerning the plct which was discovered and frus trated two days ago by the police, the object of which was the assassination of Grand Duke Nicholas, second cousing to Emperor' Nicholas and M. Chtcheg lobitoff minister of justice. The details correspond to those already given The official announcement ascribes the attempt directly to the social revoluattempt directly to the social revolu-

#### POISON GAS KILLS BELMONT'S DAUGHTER

New York, Feb. 25 .- Mrs. William Proudfit Burden, who was Natica Rives, daughter of O. H. P. Belmont and a society favorite in New York, Newport and Washington, was found Newport and Washington, was found dead in bed at her Fifth avenue home. Death, the coroner decided, was accidental and due to gas poisoning. A disconnected gas tube, which had led from a chandelier to a drop light, so placed that Mrs. Burden might read while propped up in bed, had permitted a flow of gas that filled the room and escaping into the hall finally attracted the attention of the servants.

Mrs. Burden was 22 years of age and since her marriage on April 17, 1907 she and her husband had been occupying the beautiful home of the latter's father, the late James A. Burden, at 908 Fifth avenue. The discovery of her death threw the household into confusion, and when the facts became generally known created a sensation in the

erally known created a sensation in the social set to which the Burdens belong.

"Goodnight." Mr. Burden had spent the night in another part of the house and learned of his wife's death from the servants, who had entered her room at 10 o'clock who had entered her room at 10 o'clock in the morning. Entering the house at 11 o'clock at night, Mr. Burden had noticed that a light was still burning in his wife's room, and passing the door called out, "Goodnight." Mrs. Burden responded, "Goodnight," in a tone that indicated that she was in her usual health and spirits.

Mrs. Burden had been in the habit of reading after retiring and this practice

reading after retiring and this practice recently led her to have a gas reading lamp placed in her room. This stood on a stand conveniently near the head of the bed. At 10 o'clock, Mrs. Burden leaving directions that she be called at 10 o'clock in the morning, dismissed her maid and settled herself in bed with a book. The greeting of her husband an hour later was the last heard from the

Passing through the hall on her way to Mrs. Burden's room on the second floor in the morning the maid detected the odor of gas and hastily entering the chamber found her mistress dead The room was filled with gas, though a window was open several inches from the bottom. The fumes were pouring from the rubber tube direct into the dead woman's face. Mrs. Burden's physicians, Dr. Finnicutt and Dr. H. H. Lyle, were summoned, and they in turn notified the coroner. The latter's investigation showed that the tube had been disconnected from the lamp. Hay-Passing through the hall on her way been disconnected from the lamp. Hav-ing apparently become drowsy Mrs Burden had reached from her bed and turned off the lamp cock instead of taking the trouble to get up and shut off the gas at the chandelier jet. In some manner undetermined the tube became loosened at the lower end and, slipping off the feed pipe of the lamp, laid in such a position that the flow of poisonous gas was directed in the sleeper's

### COAST LINE TO **BREAK RECORDS**

Chicago, Feb. 25 .- According to President Earling a record has been made in the construction of the Milwaukee's Pacific coast extension never before equaled in the history of railway building. Mr. Earling and a party of St. Paul officials returned last night from an extended inspection of new

lines.

In the party was C. A. Goodnow, formerly general manager of the Alton and also formerly general superintendent of the St. Paul road. It is understood that Mr. Goodnow was to accept service on the coast extension work, but Mr. Earling said that there was not to be an appointment just yet.

The president of the Milwaukee announced the opening of the line to Lombard or Terry, Mont. This is the place where the road crosses the Yellowstone river and near where the Missouri rises.

### SALESMAN WINS AN IOWA HEIRESS

Chicago, Feb. 25.—The love of a banker's daughter for a traveling salesman triumphed last night over parental objection, and in a justice court at Crown Point, Cupid chalked another

Crown Point, Cupid chalked another victory to his credit.

Miss Augustina Duncombe, daughter of the president of the First National bank of Fort Dodge, Ia., figures as the heroine in the romance. Her marriage to G. H. Willington was performed only after the two had overcome innumerable obstacles. Immediately after the ceremony Mrs. Willington returned to her home in Fort Dodge, while the groom came to Chi-Dodge, while the groom came to Chi-

cago.

The two met three years ago. banker frowned upon the attentions which Willington bestowed upon his daughter. Several months later the couple planned to elope. Their arcouple planned to elope. Their arrangements were upset by the vigilant father, who sent his daughter to Europe. There she remained for two years, but all the while she longed to return to the United States, so that she might meet her admirer.

Mr. Duncombe permitted his daughter to return home last December, but she and Willington did not meet until three weeks ago, when she again paid a visit to friends in Chicago.

#### **DUMPING GROUND** OF ALL CRIMINALS

New York, Feb. 25 .- That New York is a dumping ground for the criminals of Europe and that immigration au-thorities are to blame for this fact, is the opinion of Police Commissioner

"We have had records of 50 Italian criminals," said Mr. Bingham, "which would exclude them from this country, or once here should bring about their deportation. Out of these 50 only six have been deported notwithstration have been deported, notwithstanding the fact that the police have been ready to furnish the immigration officials at all times with information to keep out and send out of the country these ha-bitual criminals.

### ANOTHER DRYFUS CASE?

Toulon, Feb. 25.—Chas B. Ullme, an ensign in the French navy, has been found guilty by a courtmartial of at-tempting to sell naval secrets to for-eign powers. He was sentenced to life imprisonmeent and degraded from his

#### CARNEGIE GIVES \$1,100 FOR NEW PIPE ORGAN

Estherville, Ia., Feb. 24.—The trustees of the Methodist church met in the old the Methodist Church her in the old church Thursday evening and signed a contract with the Estey Organ company, presented by their representative from Vermont, Mr. Nealy, for a pipe organ to cost \$2,200.

Andrew Carnegie, through the efforts of

the pastor here, has donated \$1,100 toward the new organ. The organ will be installed in the new

\$25,000 brick church which is nearing com-pletion and which will be dedicated in about slx weeks.

# RAILROADS THREATEN TO CUT OFF MANY OF THE COUNTRY STATIONS

Say They Cannot Get Operators Enough to Otherwise Comply With New Law.

Washington, Feb. 22.—A proposition very serious to many thousands of peo-ple residing at, and in the vicinity of small railroad stations throughout the, country is presented to the Interstate Commerce commission in informal petition in which the Wabash Railroad company asks for an extension of time of the going into effect of the nine-hour law which applies to railroad employes who have the direction of the movement of trains. It is declared in the petition unless the order of extension is made, either by the commission or by congress, the only alternative will be to close a large number of stations on the Wabash road. This action, it is recognized, will impair the efficiency of the service, result in public inconvenience and interfere with the prompt movement of trains, but the Wabash officials assert they see no way out of the difficulty into which they will be plunged by the operation of the aw. tition in which the Wabash Railroad

It is pointed out in the petition that It is pointed out in the petition that in order to comply with the provisions of the law, the company would have to employ an additional telegraph operator at each of the 245 stations on its line. Thus far, the company says it has not been able to secure the services of effects and company in of efficient and competent operators in such numbers as will enable it to com-ply with the act.

Other railway companies have taken substantially the same ground as the Wabash. They maintain their absolute inability to secure a sufficient number of competent telegraph operators to man their wires as the law, after the 4th of March will require. It is pointed out that in complying with the law their only recourse will be to transfer the operators now in their employ to stations of greater importance and stations of greater importance and larger traffic, thus practically closing many of the small stations where now the operator performs the duties of ticket agent, freight agent and teleg-

rapher.

The seriousness of the situation sented by the railroads is realized fully by the Interstate Commerce commis-sion, which will endeavor to reach some satisfactory adjustment of the matter before the law becomes operative.

#### UNION PACIFIC TO SELL BOND TO PAY DEBTS

New York, Feb. 22.—The directors of the Union Pacific railroad have decided, acording to information obtained to-day, to sell at the earliest possible mo-ment not less than \$35,000,000 worth of bonds to pay off its floating debts. The bonds will be secured by first mortgage on 1,600 miles of branch lines in Kan-sas, Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado,

### KIDNAPERS DRAW LONG PRISON TEAM

Chicago, Feb. 22.-William Jones, also

known as William Birmingham, and his wife, Alzina Jones, were found guilty by a jury in Judge Kersten's court of hav-ing kidnaped Lillian Wulff, a 12-year-old girl, from her home in Chicago last December. The punishment of Jones was fixed at thirty years and that of his wife at twenty-five years in the penitentiary The Wulff girl was enticed from her home in the southern portion of the city by Alzina Jones early in December last and forced to enter a covered wagon in which Jones was waiting. A week later the couple was found near Momence, Ill., with the child in their possession. The with the child in their possession. The identity of the child was suspected by a farmer, of whom information was asked by the abductors as they traveled through the country, from widely printed stories of the kidnaping. The authorities were notified and Jones and his wife were ar-rested and brought back to Chicago with

their victim. Jones under questioning by the police endeavored to shift the blame upon his wife, asserting that it was to console her for the loss of a child by death that he took the child.

The woman declared, and so testified at the trial, that she was forced by Jones under threats of death to steal the child under threats of death to steal the child that he might train her to beg for him. She declared that all the while she was persuading the little girl to accompany her she was menaced by Jones, who sat in the wagon with a shotgun in his hands. The Wulff child took the stand in court and testified that after being taken prispner, which was accomplished by promises of candy and a pair of new shees, her of candy and a pair of new shoes, her clothing was taken from her and burned by the roadside and that she was whipped

by the roadside and that she was whipped by Jones on several occasions when she attempted to escape. When found she was clothed in rags. The case attracted widespread interest at the time of the abduction, reports of the child having been found being received from far and near and numerous clews having been followed before the recovery of the child was consummated. was consummated.

Mrs. Jones claimed to have been at one time a member of the Salvation army in Evanston, Ill., and admitted having been convicted several years ago in Kansas City for horse stealing. For this crime she was sentenced to serve two years' imprisonment, but was paroled after having served two months.

Jones also was charged with having kid-naped a child in Kansas City. This child, Ella Cates, was found in an institution in Dubuque, Ia.

#### EDISON'S PLAN IS NOT PRACTICABLE. SAY CEMENT MEN

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 22.—Members of the Iowa association of cement users, in annual convention here today declare Edison's plan for making cement houses will not be a success. They declare the cost of moulds will be enormous and that all houses would look alike, thus det acting from popularity.

popularity.

Sioux City sought to land the next convention, but Des Moines offers a new coliseum as an inducement, which probably will result in the selection of Des Moines.

#### BODY CUT TO PIECES BY THE MURDERERS

New York, Feb. 22.-The dismem. Flat Bush section of Brooklyn today. The trunk had been cut in two portions. The arms and legs are missing, while the face is so slashed as to make the features almost unrecognizable. The severed portions of the body were wrapped in olicioth and tied in two separate packages.

In the twast the vast expenditure on the new navy was fully warranted, was made in the Senate today by Senator Perkins, of California.

"The policy," he said, "which sent the fleet to the Pacific is wise and necessary if we are to retain on that ocean the prestige that will give a fair, open field to our sea trade."

### "STAMP BIDDER" SCORES ONCE MORE

Boston, Mass., Feb. 24.—Abraham White, the "postage stamp bidder," is the man behind the throne who profited by Baldwin Bros.' coup whereby they obtained approximately \$3.000.000 of the recent issue of New York city bonds at an average cost of 104, making a net profit of about \$126,000.

White came over to Boston today and took part in a meeting of the stockholders of the Massachusetts Loan and Guaranty company, which certified the

holders of the Massachusetts Loan and Guaranty company, which certified the \$168,00 check of Charles A. Baldwin, W. A. Baldwin, S. L. Tingley and A. E. Reid, in whose name the allotment was made. Incidentally White was elected president of the company.

White is jubilant at his latest coup. It makes the sixth of the kind that he has worked since the day ten years ago when, as a telegraph operator, he took advantage of a message he heard going over the wires and, by the investment of 44 cents in postage stamps, obtained an allotment of \$1,500,000 of United States bonds that netted him \$200,000.

# IN CONGRESS

JOHN MITCHELL MAY BE SENT TO PANAMA

Washington, Feb. 24.—That John Mitchell, the retiring president of the United Mine Workers of America, may be asked by President Roosevelt to go to Panama and make a report en labor conditions, is one of the results which may accrue from a conference on Panama affairs at the White House. The president, Secretary Taft and Colonel Goethals considered not only the labor phase of the isthmian situation, but many others. Colonel Goethals received final instructions and will sail for the isthmus next week.

next week. No conclusion was reached as to the appointment of Mr. Mitchell, and it is understood that James Reynolds, the president's Chicago packing house investigator, also was considered for the same work. The necessity of having accurate information on labor conditions on the isthmus has been emphasized recently by numerous minor complaints which are coming to Washington. It is considered desirable also to have expert information on the manner in which the reforms ordered, as a result of the investigation of Miss Betts, have been made effective.

Reductions in forces are being No conclusion was reached as to the

Reductions in forces are being made by the canal commission in the divisions of building, construction and that of mechanics; also in the clerical force on the isthmus. Notwithstanding these facts there has been a considerable number of unemployed mechanics and clerks migrating to the isthmus recently, but their chances of securing employment are very remote. The commission is anxious that prominence be given these facts, as any vacancies will be given to former employes who have not left the isthmus. Some time ago President Dolan, of the Steam Shovelers' and Dredgers' union, went to Panama to see how the shovel men were getting along under Reductions in forces union, went to Panama to see how the shovel men were getting along under the new management as to hours of duty and pay put in operation by Secretary Taft. In a letter to the president, dated "Cana Zone, February 7," Mr. Dolan says as a practical man he feels that this is one of the best equipped and handled jobs that has

### ····· LEAK IN NAVY BEING PROBED.

been carried on in the

Washington, Feb. 24.—An effort is being made by Secretary Metcalf to ascertain the source of the information alleged to have been furnished to magazine and other writers who have criticised the constructive features of the battleships of the navy. With this object in view he has caused letters of inquiry to be addressed to various officers including Lieutenant Commander Wm. S. Sims, inspector of target practice and naval aide to the president and Lieutenant Commander Frank K. Hill, now connected with the general board of the navy, requesting categorical answers to certain leading questions on the subject.

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IN GOVERNMENT WORK Washington, Feb. 24.—The House committee on labor is nearing a report on the Gardener bill to enforce the observance of an eight-hour day in all work touching directly or indirectly government projects. The best rectly government projects. The best available information at the time is that a majority of the committee will report adversely on the bill.

ARMY BILL GIVES PRIVATES MORE PAY

Washington, Feb. 24.—The army appropriation bill's provisions for increasing the pay of soldiers finally represented a compromise, as the measure came from the House committee.

Nothing whatever was done for the officers, even for those of the lowest ranks, who are conceded in many cases to need consideration even more than the privates.

to need consideration even more than the privates.

But the measure makes provision for increased pay of privates and noncommissioned officers, in a measure which is expected to increase somewhat the desirability of the army service as an employment for men. It provides that the private at his first enlistment shall hereafter be paid \$15 per month instead of \$13 as now; on his second enlistment, \$18 instead of \$16; third enlistment, \$21 instead of \$18; fourth enlistment, \$22 instead of \$19; and so on, until at his 10th enlistment he will be paid \$25 instead of the \$22 now allowed.

The noncommissioned officers are given snug increases; while members of bands are given their present wages, plus an amount which is thought to equal their probable earnings from playing for private hire, and a proviso is inserted that army musicians shall not hereafter compete with those in private life by thus playing for entertainments for hire. There has been much complaint against this practice in the past.

in the past.

#### NO EMIGRATION TO AMERICA BECAUSE OF LACK OF WORK HERE

Antwerp, Feb. 24.—Emigration from this port to the United States has prac-tically ceased because of the belief that it is now very difficult to get employ-

#### OUR NAVAL POLICY IS DEFENDED BY PERKINS

Washington, Feb. 24.-A defense of New York, Feb. 22.—The dismemthered body of a man believed to be an instance of the policy of sending American battle-ships to the Pacific ocean, maintaining that the vast expenditure on the

### RIOT IN PARADE OF UNEMPLOYED

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* PRAYER FOR UNEMPLOYED.

Washington, Feb. 23.—In his invocation in the House Chaplain Couden referred to the numbers of unemployed throughout the country and prayed that they may be given an opportunity to subsist.

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Philadelphia, Feb. 24.-The marching of nearly 1,000 foreigners upon city half, where they said they intended to make demands upon Mayor Reyburn for work. precipitated a riot in Broad street late yesterday afternoon, in which twenty per-sons were injured before the police dis-persed the marchers and arrested fourteen of them.

The men, most of whom were Italians

The men, most of whom were Italians and Poles, marched from the foreign settlement in the lower section of the city. The leaders and a score of others carried red flags having a black border. When they reached Broad street a few blocks below the city hall, several wagons attempted to pass through the line. The drivers were dragged from their seats by the marchers and beaten.

the marchers and beaten.

Policemen ran to the rescue and a riot call was sent in. The motor bleycle police were sent through the center of the city and rounded up the entire mounted police. squad, the big reserve street squad and all patrolmen, who were hurried to the scene in wagons and automobiles. Pri-

scene is wagons and automobiles. Private carriages were even pressed into service. A number of persons who were watching the paraders got into the first disturbance, and when the big reserves hurried down upon the marchers a general riot was in progress.

Some of the marchers drew revolvers and began firing at the police, and the mounted officers, riding into the center of the fight, used their batons right and left upon the heads of the leaders.

In the melee three policemen were shot and slightly wounded and Charles Munn, who was watching the fight, was struck in the leg with a stray bullet. Reserve Officer Plott was beaten unmercifully and is in a hospital, as is Policeman Smith, who first went to the rescue of the driv-

is in a hospital, as is Policeman Smith, who first went to the rescue of the drivers. Henry Druding, one of these, was beaten and nearly stripped of his clothing. Fourteen participants in the demonstration were severely clubbed and had to be sent to a hospital.

The clash occurred directly in front of one of the big hotels in Broad street, and fer a time it looked as though the marchers would sweep into the place.

Joseph Troi is declared by the police to have been the leader of the marchers, while Dominic Donnetti and Michel Costello were assistants. Donnetti, according to witnesses, is the man who shot one of the policemen, and with the other two he was locked up on charges of inciting a riot and assault and battery with intent to kill.

The other eleven prisoners are charged with intent a riot. Nearly all those are

The other eleven prisoners are charged with inciting a riot. Nearly all those arrested carried weapons of some sort.

SAME CONDITIONS

OBTAIN ABROAD Sunderland, Eng., Feb. 24.—In view of the recent demonstrations of the unemployed here, whose ranks are being augmented daily by the engineers allied to the shipbuilding trade, 300 men from the royal artillery garrison have been drafted to assist the police should the occasion arise. The engineers went on strike two days ago after voting not to accept a reduction in wages.

### **COLLEGIAN TIED TO** TREE IN A BLIZZARD BY HAZING PARTY

Galesburg. Iil., Feb. 24.—Clarence Robinson, a student of Hedding col-lege at Abingdon, during the worst blizzard, was tied to a tree in Hedding college park and almost perished from exposure. Only his pluck saved him. He was gagged and bound hand and foot and carried to the west campus and tied to a tree. The snow was himding and he soon was herumbed. blinding, and he soon was benumbed. Toward midnight he freed himself, but, unable to unbind his feet he crawled six blocks through a foot of snow to his boarding place. He was assisted into the house, where he collapsed from exhaustion, but recovered.

The faculty is making a close investigation.

### 28 MEN KILLED IN EXPLOSION IN **POWDER FACTORY**

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 34.—With a force that shook the entire bay region like an earthquake, the packing house of the Hercules powder works at Pineole, 14 miles north of here, blew up. In the explosion four white men and 24 Chinamon were killed. Ten tons of dynamite went up in the terrific blast. W. W. Stillwell, foreman of the packing house, was blown to atoms at his post of duty.

The Hercules plant is owned by the Dupont Powder company, and is used for the manufacture of black powder of high explosive power. The loss to the company is placed at about \$100,000. No definite cause can be given.

#### PIPE HER SOLACE AT 102 YEARS

New York, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Sarah O'Brien sat up in her bed at St. Fran-ces hospital and called for her pipe. Then she looked around on the ward

Then she looked around on the ward full of oid women and smiled:
"Well, children, and how is the health of ye, God bless ye all? Never did I expect to see this morning when James O'Brien led me into good Father McGillicuddy's church in Ballycarra. It is 102 years old that I am today, children, and ye make me think of a nursery full of bables." of babies.'

The old women in the ward, ranging from 60 to 80 years old, gathered around her bed and congratulated her as one of the sisters brought her black clay pipe filled ready to light. The centenarian puffed for a smiling moment. "Girls," she then said, looking around, "it is smoking ye ought to be, instead of drinking that black coffee of a morning. Yell never live to be a full-grown

ing. Ye'll never live to be a full-grown oman like me if ye don't take to the

#### SALARIES TOO HIGH; TO REFUSE LICENSES

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 24.-Superintendent Van Diver, of the state insurance department, announced today that when the state licenses of the Metropolitan, Equitable and Prudential Life Insurance companies expire March 1, he will refuse to grant licenses for next year because of the act passed by the last legislature prohibiting the licensing of any company which pays is officers salaries over \$50,000 per annum.