

Diggers Now 3 Feet From Collins Cell

Engineers' New Prediction Entombed Man Will Be Reached by Sunday Night at 8.

By Associated Press. Cave City, Ky., Feb. 14.—The following official bulletin on the situation at Sand Cave was issued at 12:30 p. m.:

"Another test was made when the shaft reached 55 feet. It was hoped that at that distance we would hit solid rock to hold the shaft in position. However, we did not strike the rock, and as a precautionary measure the shaft is now being tied into position to keep it from slipping down. It is being swung from the top of the ground. The shaft is now within five or 10 feet of the complete depth."

By Associated Press. Cave City, Ky., Feb. 14.—The roof of an avenue expected to lead to the natural rock trap where Floyd Collins has been imprisoned for 15 days, was only three feet away from the diggers in a rescue shaft this morning, according to the official bulletin issued by those in charge.

M. E. S. Posey, executive secretary of the state highway department, who was sent to Sand Cave by Governor W. J. Fields, sent a telegram to the governor at Frankfort today in which he fixed 8 Sunday night as the zero hour, unless unexpected difficulties are encountered.

It had taken nine and one-half hours to complete a three-foot section last night, said the bulletin. The rotten character of the material encountered, and four distinct cave-ins made the progress the slowest on record.

Two weeks ago today Collins' plight was discovered and for the last 10 days he has not received food. Four workmen testified before the military board of inquiry yesterday they had heard the imprisoned cave explorer breath and cough.

Three feet immediately below the earth still to be removed is a layer of limestone, also estimated to be three feet thick, H. T. Carmichael, in charge of operations said. Once they have penetrated this "roof" they expect to find a passage through which they can reach Collins.

Converse Through Wall. Men in the natural passage to Sand Cave talked to men in the rescue shaft being sunk toward Collins while making soundings at 11 this morning.

Carmichael and Albert Marshall, a miner, went to the bottom of the shaft and held distinct conversation with Ed Brenner and two other men who were in the passage far as the cavern, said an official statement.

"It is estimated that we will reach Collins in approximately 20 hours, provided no other difficulties occur. We still have six more feet before we reach the original limestone top, believed to be the roof of the cavern leading to Collins."

Shaft in Front of Collins. The shaft, according to Carmichael, will tap Sand Cave between Collins and the point where the cavern occurred in the natural passage last week. The point between the cave-in and Collins was estimated at 20 feet. The penetration of Sand Cave will be in front of Collins. Previously it had been believed that it would be behind Collins.

A perfect specimen of flint arrowhead of the type used by the Cherokee Indians was found today in the rescue shaft. Dr. W. D. Funkhauser of the University of Kentucky, the geological expert of the rescue party, was keenly interested in the find. He declared it verified the previous theory that the workmen were now boring through the roof of a collapsed cavern which occupied the little ravine where Sand hole begins.

The arrowhead, he said, that the Indians had used the old cave for shelter and abode. More small crevices found in the walls of the shaft this morning gave added proof that the real honey-combed section of the hill overlying Sand hole was at hand.

Newspaper men today were assigned a small triangle-shaped location atop the ledge or hill overlooking the mouth of the rescue shaft, about 35 feet away. General Denhardt decided on this arrangement so that none could interfere with the rescue workers or endanger the shaft and the newspaper men and press photographers would themselves be protected from interference by spectators.

The reporters were kept back yesterday with the crowd which collected during the tense moments of exploration of the crevice found and explored with no results by Carmichael. As the time of Collins' rescue draws closer, the work of rescue and the plans for spreading the tidings to a waiting world are shaped almost to perfection.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, Ex-"Princess Alice," Gives Birth to Baby Girl, First Child; Married 19 Years



AN INFORMAL VIEW. WHEN SHE WAS THE MADCAP "PRINCESS ALICE". THE LATE THEODORE ROOSEVELT WITH ONE OF HIS GRANDCHILDREN.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—A daughter was born to Mrs. Nicholas Longworth at the Chicago Lying In hospital at 10:30 this morning. Physicians in attendance said mother and baby were "doing well."

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, widow of the former president, accompanied her step-daughter, Mrs. Longworth, to the hospital, as did the latter's brother, Kermit Roosevelt. Representative Longworth had planned to be here too.

The baby weighed six pounds and eight and one-half ounces, the nurses announced, and was a normal, healthy infant. The mother, too, was in good condition though for some time after the event of the daughter's arrival was under an anesthetic.

Mrs. Medill McCormick, wife of Senator McCormick, also accompanied Mrs. Longworth and her relatives to the hospital. Mrs. Longworth, wife of the Ohio congressman, and Mrs. McCormick, the latter the daughter of the late Mark Hanna of Ohio, have been close friends and partly at the suggestion of Mrs. McCormick, the daughter of the Roosevelt family some time ago decided to come to Chicago and place herself under medical care. She arrived here three weeks ago.

The child is, the first born of Mr. and Mrs. Longworth and is an addition to the grandchildren of Theodore Roosevelt. Representative Longworth of Ohio was expected to arrive tomorrow by fast train to be with his wife and their first child.

FRIEND BETRAYS HIM; KILLS SELF

Despondent because he found his faith in a friend misplaced, George Weiss, 46, ended his life by inhaling gas in his room at 1211 Chicago street yesterday.

Weiss recently withdrew his savings from a bank and gave them to a friend who wanted to buy an automobile. Neither the friend, the money nor the automobile were seen after that.

Yesterday Weiss left home shortly after noon. He had not been working for a week. Miss Louisa K. Starck and G. F. Lutz, residents of the same house as Weiss, returned home shortly after 5. Weiss was found lying across his bed, the room was filled with gas, the man was dead.

Weiss had no relatives in this country. He came here several years ago from Vienna. His mother now lives near that city. Weiss was a member of the Hungarian club here.

Politics Forgotten as Democratic Leader Cheers Longworth, Father

Washington, Feb. 14.—Representative Longworth was given a tumultuous reception today when he walked into the house a few minutes after the news from Chicago that he was a father had been circulated among his colleagues.

Smiling from ear to ear, the republican leader bowed his acknowledgment as the leader of the democrats, Representative Garrett of Tennessee, led in a prolonged outburst of cheering and then delivered a short speech of felicitation.

It was the hope of all members of the house, said Garrett, that the Longworth baby would have a prosperous life. First word that he was a father was given the Ohio member just before the house met. Half an hour later he received a telephone message from Chicago, assuring him that Mrs. Longworth and the baby girl were doing splendidly. He immediately made plans to leave for Chicago this afternoon.

Dozens of house members swarmed about Mr. Longworth to congratulate him. The house floor was a picture of confusion to which Representative Upshaw of Georgia unwittingly contributed by gaining recognition after Representative Garrett had concluded his speech and under the apparent impression that the baby was a boy, saying he was glad the name of Theodore Roosevelt and Nicholas Longworth was to be perpetuated.

Boy Shot in Attempted Holdup Sent to Join "Pal" at Industrial School

Guy Parker, 16, of 655 South Twentieth street, the youth who admits that poolhalls are the cause of his downfall, appeared in juvenile court Saturday morning to deny that he had attempted a holdup on the occasion which he was shot through the chest by Ralph Coppock.

Young Parker was shot on the night of January 21, while returning from a dance. It was thought that he would die, and he was still pale and weak as he faced Judge Day. "It was the second dance I've ever been to in my life," he said. "I'd been to Danceland. I thought maybe if I went to dances I could get away from the poolhalls."

The boy's mother and father, who are divorced, appeared with an attorney, who asked the judge to permit him to be taken to a farm in Kansas instead of to the state industrial school.

"I have sent this boy's chum, George Gillespie, to the reform school," said Judge Day. "Both boys were paroled by this court long before this last shooting incident and one of the conditions of the parole was that they keep away from each other. They didn't do it, and there has been more trouble. If I didn't send Parker to the reform school it would make a holmeshevik out of Gillespie, whom I have sent there. So Parker must go there too."

Coppock, who shot young Parker when he says the lad attempted to hold him up, was not in court. The boy said he was trying to avoid Coppock when Coppock shot him, but admitted that he was carrying a revolver himself.

Arrest of Trio Opened Query of Missing Rum

Cans of Alcohol Taken Bore Stamp of Firm With Shortage; President Helped Trail Manager.

Arrest of Tom Kelly, Gene Livingston and Jack Fisher, early last month, according to Prohibition Agent Bob Samardick, was a forerunner of the investigation of Frank L. Peterson, former Omaha manager of the Rossville company, who, returning after an absence of a month, has confessed that he disposed of more than 5,000 gallons of alcohol, held by the company for legal distribution.

Cans of alcohol taken at the time of their arrest bore the Rossville stamp on the bottom side. Eugene O'Shaunessy, president of the Rossville company, with headquarters in Lawrenceburg, Ind., himself, is said to have accompanied the private detectives who found Peterson in Havana, Cuba. Peterson voluntarily returned to Omaha with G. O. Holdridge of the company.

Handheld Implicated. They arrived here Friday morning but Peterson did not appear until afternoon in the office of Prohibition Director Elmer Thomas. Within a few hours Clarence Hanfeldt, former druggist, convicted of bootlegging, was also arrested. Peterson said he left Omaha January 26, and in Chicago, received \$1,000 from Hanfeldt, with which he went to Cuba.

Peterson was in the employ of the company for two years. He had finally diverted 5,400 gallons of the company's special denatured alcohol at 65 cents a gallon and was short in his accounts \$2,000. False bookkeeping covered the shortage, he stated. He sold the alcohol to Hanfeldt, he says. Hanfeldt denies this.

\$5,000 Bonds Each. Both men gave \$5,000 for their appearance in court. Peterson says his employers and other employees of the company knew nothing of these operations.

The division prohibition chief at Minneapolis had the Rossville company checked from month to month and reported that more than half the alcohol was diverted during December, 1924.

First news of the alcohol shortage and Peterson's disappearance was printed exclusively in The Omaha Evening Bee.

MAYOR NOTIFIED OF TROLLEY DATE

Mayor J. C. Dahlman received information Saturday morning that the application of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company for increased revenue, will be started on Monday morning, March 16, 10:30 a. m.

The hearing was to have been started on February 24, but owing to the indisposition of Corporation Counsel W. C. Lambert and illness of Thorne A. Brown, member of the state railway commission, the date has been postponed.

Mayor Dahlman has arranged to have the hearing in the city council chamber, instead of in the federal building, as previously announced.

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Quaint Civil War Valentine Held as Treasure by Daughter in Omaha



Mrs. Hugh B. Denham. Mrs. Rena Fox.

This quaint verse is on the front of an old valentine given on Valentine's day, February 14, 1862. The donor was Hugh L. Denham, civil war soldier in the army hospital at Memphis, Tenn., father of Mrs. Rena Fox, 3413 Ohio street, who still has the valentine and cherishes it as an heirloom.

As the young soldier lay in the hospital suffering with frozen feet, he was visited by his commander, Colonel Garner of the 25th Iowa infantry. The colonel asked the soldier if he wanted anything done for him and the soldier quickly replied that he wanted to send a valentine to his wife in Columbus City, Ia.

In Blue and Red. The valentine with the signature, "Your Affectionate Husband, Hugh L. Denham," was sent. On the outside of the sheet of white paper folder to fit the linen envelope was inscribed in blue letter, "My Dear Wife." Two hearts entwined with a tulip and rose in the centers are

drawn in the same blue as the fancy border on the edge of the paper. In red ink printed on the inside of the valentine are a number of verses each with elaborate design of hearts, arrows and borders.

Verse in Pyramids. Some of the verses are: Have I a wish, 'tis all for thee; Hast thou a wish, 'tis all for me. So soft our movements move, That angels look with ardent gaze; Well pleased to see our happy days, And bid us live and love.

Other verses are arranged at the top and bottom of the valentine in pyramids: Full Many a Name our banners bore, of former deeds of daring; but those were days of glory; both blazed in moon on Freedom's height, where, in the post thou'lt find me, still worthy of our sires, each Son, dear wife, that I left behind me.

The Hope of Final Victory. Burning is mingled with Sweet Thoughts of thee, and of my fond returning; but should I ever return again, still worth thy love, thou'lt find me, dishonored breath still Never stain the name I leave behind me.

RISK ASSOCIATION HAS GOOD YEAR. The Guarantee Fund Life association had one of the most successful years in the history of the company in 1924. This fact was published yesterday at the annual meeting of the organization.

Surplus funds for the protection of policy holders were increased to \$6,254,950.67 while death losses were reduced \$130,000 during the year. Friday the 13th held no terrors for the policy holders and directors who met yesterday. They were satisfied that the showing of the organization for 1924 would be improved in 1925. J. E. Gillespie was re-elected director for a period of seven years.

Advertisement for Thompson-Belden fur coats. It features several illustrations of women wearing different styles of fur coats, including a silver muskrat with a brown fox collar and border, a natural dark raccoon, and a brown caracul jacket. The text promotes 'Handsomeness Fur Coats' and offers 'February reductions of one-fourth to one-half' on the entire stock. It also mentions 'At \$245' and 'At \$195' for various models. The address is 15th and Barker Streets, Omaha.

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