

pretenses of giving a genuine measure of relief will be put to the test. The votes on the Bailey amendment will determine who among the professing friends of the bill among the republicans are sincere and who are not.

Senators Knox and Spooner are greatly chagrined over the knock out they received at the hands of the redoubtable Texan. The reputation of Knox and Spooner as great lawyers has suffered greatly because of their inability to reply to Senator Bailey.

Senator Tillman is causing the republicans a great deal of worry because of his insistent demands that the part played in the national banks of the country in furnishing funds in the last three national campaigns should be investigated. The republicans, members of the house, are still harassed with fears concerning the fall elections, but are assured of abundance of campaign funds from the protected interests who have determined to make a desperate fight for the next congress in order to prevent a revision of the tariff. They realize that the people are becoming impatient and restive over the cowardice of the republicans in dealing with tariffs that shelter trusts and enable them to plunder the people.

Much disgust is felt by the friends of reform in the republican ranks over the treatment accorded Senator LaFollette in the matter of federal appointments, the friends of Spooner and the enemies of LaFollette carried off all the plumbs. They are also much chagrined over the assistance the administration is furnishing to the railroads and corporations of the state of Iowa in their fight against Governor Cummins who voices the sentiment of the Roosevelt followers in the state of Iowa, but who receives no assistance from Roosevelt now when he is making a fight for his political life against the railroads and corporations of the state. At this stage it is impossible to exactly forecast the outcome in the senate on the rate bill, but one thing is certain, the effects of Senator Bailey's speech upon the country at large has changed the situation and many who were counted upon to stand with Mr. Aldrich for his broad court review amendment are now halting and their final action is in doubt.

#### LEAVES HOTEL BY REQUEST

**Maxim Gorky Not Welcome as Guest of Belleclaire.**

New York—When Maxim Gorky arrived in this country last Tuesday he stated to the immigration officials that he was accompanied by Madame Gorky. This morning the statement was published that this companion was not his legal wife, who with his children remain in Russia. As a result of this publication Gorky today issued a statement denying this charge and declaring that he is accompanied by his legal wife. The Gorky party left the Hotel Belleclaire today at the request of the proprietor, and went to the residence of H. Gaylord Wilshire, in West Ninety-third street, as the guests of Mr. Wilshire.

President Mitchell of the miners was unable to meet Maxim Gorky, the Russian revolutionist, today, owing to pressure of business.

#### Hold Owners Responsible

Charlestown, W. Va.—The grand jury of Fayette county returned indictments today against F. W. Scarborough and Fred Dixon charging them with responsibility for the death of twenty-two miners who lost their lives in the Paral mine explosion on February 8. Scarborough is the manager and Dixon is the superintendent of the mine.

#### Report Is Not Credited

London—The statements published here to the effect that Germany is supporting Turkey in maintaining the occupation of Tabah are not credited at the foreign office here.

## HOT POLITICAL BATTLE

**Rival Candidates for Republican Nomination for Governor of Iowa Debate Issue.**

Des Moines, Ia.—The joint debate drew a large crowd. The inclement weather drove the people into the opera house, far too small to hold them all, but the audience was a representative one of this part of the Eleventh district.

When Governor Cummins was introduced the applause was deafening. In his preliminary remarks the governor denied that he had worked for the election of Governor Boies for governor and said he was a republican and had worked and voted for every republican candidate for the presidency since U. S. Grant. He said he was not a "standpatter" in anything. He believed that progress could be made in everything.

He referred to John D. Rockefeller and his billions, and to the United States steel corporation, and said that the people cannot permit a monopoly in an article used in every household in the country, and that it is the duty of the government to shatter this monopoly. He referred to the packers' conspiracy and the failure of the government to hold them. He believed they should be in the penitentiaries.

Then Governor Cummins took up some of the editorial statements of Mr. Perkins in regard to the governor's position and charged that the Sioux City Journal's editorial page and news columns had been "filled with misrepresentation and falsehood with respect to things I have said and done."

#### Perkins the Railroad's Man

Passing to the principal feature of his address, Governor Cummins said the development of corporations, the establishment of trusts and monopolies, and their disposition to interfere with the government and to dominate public affairs is without a parallel in the history of the world. He said common, ordinary people have awakened to the necessity of regulating the power and of curbing the avarice of the corporations. Following on this line, he said the corporations which in Iowa were attempting to mold the policies of the state are the railway corporations. Continuing, he said:

"My charge against the candidacy of Mr. Perkins is this, that, with or without his consent, it matters not which, he has been selected as the candidate through whom the power of the railway companies in Iowa politics is to be exhibited. They have chosen him as the medium to make it clear to the people of this state and to the people of the country that they can nominate whomsoever they please. His nomination would be hailed from one ocean to the other as evidence that in Iowa the corporations are supreme.

"I have not challenged Mr. Perkins' integrity, but I do assert that substantially the following he has in the present contest springs either directly or indirectly from railway influence and organization."

#### Reign of "Jim" Blythe

Governor Cummins then proceeded to an examination of railway influence in the state in detail. First, he took up the "reservation" through which territory runs the main line of the Burlington road. He said this part of the state is ruled politically with an iron hand by J. W. Blythe, general counsel of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad.

"His power has been one of the marvels of the time," said the governor. "His organization, created through the prodigal distribution of passes and through the favors that can be bestowed by a transportation company, has been for a long period the most potential factor in the poli-

tics of the commonwealth. He has been able so to make and unmake public men that there has been drawn to his throne a host of political followers in all parts of the state, and he is courted by all candidates who prefer the easy path to public place."

#### SUMMARY OF FOREIGN NEWS

Mount Vesuvius continues to throw out great masses of ashes and cinders. The suffering in the region increases and the death list grows as rescuers dig in the ruined towns.

Only five of the 179 members of the lower house of the Russian parliament are reactionaries, the progressive and liberal parties winning other contests.

Orthodox Russian church is denied a vote in the new parliament, every priest who was a candidate being defeated.

Changes in the Russian laws which will give more personal liberty to the people will be recommended to the lower house of parliament by a commission which has outlined important alterations.

Ashes and sulphuric fumes from Vesuvius pour down on Naples in increasing volume, causing the tourists to flee in panic and the thousands of refugees from the devastated district nearer the volcano.

Radical Russian organizations, in spite of the activity of the police, elect delegates to a congress meet in Finland and make plans for revolution.

Labor wars, accompanied by acts of savagery on the part of strikers, plunge France into a serious plight, and J. Cornely draws a grave warning to the nation from the history of the century.

Mrs. Whitelaw Reid will present many Americans at the British court May 25, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth being among the number.

Baldheaded men are not in danger of landing in prison or the lunatic asylum, all criminals and insane persons having shaggy pates, say an English clergyman and a magistrate.

Performances by magicians captivate London society, an American conjurer being declared the most clever. Remarkable tricks are executed by him.

London swelters in the first hot wave of the season, two persons being killed and many prostrated.

Mrs. Nat Goodwin retires temporarily from the stage, takes a house in London and aims to become a social leader in the British capital.

J. J. Hill's proposed railway invasion of Canada is regarded as a grave menace by the people of the Dominion.

Two aged women who were entombed under the ruins of their home in Ottajano, Italy, which was wrecked by the eruption from Mount Vesuvius, are found alive, though nearly at the point of death from starvation.

Ivan Petrunkevitch, who will be president of the douma in St. Petersburg, is a remarkable character, who has become famous by his work for the betterment of Russia.

Famous temple at Artemis, built centuries before the Christian era, and which is filled with a profusion of rich relics, is discovered near the site of Sparta by a British archaeologist.

#### Weeding Out the Regicides

Belgrade, Serbia—General Alanazkovic, one of the plotters on the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga was placed on the retired list at his own request today. It is hoped that this marks the beginning of the weeding out of the regicides.

The Politka today says the Serbian government after Easter will furnish King Peter with a list of the officers to be retired and that in case he does not acquiesce the ministry will resign.

## END PARTY SLAVERY

**President Gompers of Federation of Labor Urges Workingmen to Disregard Party Lines in Voting.**

Washington, D. C.—In a circular letter to the trades-unionists of America, President Gompers says:

"Let the inspiring watchword go forth that we will stand by our friends and administer a stinging rebuke to men or parties who are either indifferent, negligent or hostile, and, wherever opportunity affords, to secure the election of intelligent, honest, earnest, trades-unionists, with clear, unblemished, paid-up union cards in their possession.

"That as our efforts are centered against all forms of industrial slavery and economic wrong, we must also direct our utmost energies to remove all forms of political servitude and party slavery to the end that the working people may act as a unit at the polls of every election."

If the action of the Central Labor Union of this city meets with approval throughout the country there will be established in this city a committee to look after all matters of legislation in congress affecting labor. The proposed body will be composed of a representative from each of the five hundred and fifty-nine central labor unions in the United States.

#### Appeal in the Idaho Case

Washington, D. C.—Attorney E. F. Richardson of Denver today docketed in the supreme court of the United States appeals from the decision of the United States circuit court of Idaho in the cases of Charles H. Moyer, William D. Haywood and George A. Pettibone, who are held in custody at Caldwell, Idaho, on the charge of complicity in the murder of the late Governor Steunenberg.

Moyer is president and Haywood secretary of the Western Federation of Miners, and they, as well as Pettibone, were implicated in the crime by a confession alleged to have been made by the man Orchard, who is charged with placing the bomb with which Steunenberg was killed. The appeal is from a decision by the circuit court refusing to grant writs of habeas corpus. Richardson will on Monday ask the supreme court to advance the case in order to secure a hearing during the present term of the court.

#### Ship Abandoned and Burned

Delgoa, South Africa—The British ship George T. Hay, bound for Argentina, being in a sinking condition, was abandoned and burned off Port Elizabeth. The captain and crew were brought here by a German vessel.

#### Soon to Visit Betrothed

London—The king of Spain was today elected a member of the royal yacht squadron preparatory to his arrival at Cowes, April 17, to visit Princess Ena of Battenberg, the future queen of Spain.

Paris—The postmen who have been on strike have been returning to their duties. There are now only 1,400 strikers among a total of 10,000 postmen. The postmen's strike at Lyons is ended.

#### Presents Picture to Storer

Vienna—The emperor today through an aide-de-camp presented Bellamy Storer with the monarch's picture, set in a frame of diamonds, his usual present to a retiring ambassador.

#### No Meeting This Summer

The Hague—It is stated here on good authority that it is now certain that the peace conference will not meet here this summer.