

PERISH IN WYOMING MINE

Shaft No. 1 at Diamondville is Burning.

SEVENTY MEN ENTOMBED.

Many Are Thought to Have Lost Their Lives in the Flames. All Efforts at Rescue Have Thus Far Failed—Property Loss Will Reach Enormous Figure.

Kemmerer, Wyo., Feb. 26.—A disastrous fire in the Diamondville coal mine No. 1 late last evening was attended with serious loss of life and great destruction of property. There were 70 miners and 15 horses entombed, but one miraculous escape was made, however, by John Anderson, who was working near the mouth of the level. With some difficulty he reached the main lead and by throwing a heavy overcoat over his head and shoulders he pushed his way through the flames and reached the main lead completely exhausted and terribly burned, but will recover. He was taken out by friends.

All efforts to rescue those farther back have failed, as the flames drove the rescuers back. That all have perished is without question. The scenes around the mine were heart rending. Mothers, wives and sweethearts weeping and tearing their hair in terrible agony and all effort to calm them proved of no avail. The loss of property will reach an enormous figure and as the officials are very reticent the amount and names of those imprisoned are unobtainable at a late hour. The cause of the fire is at present unknown. The mine has been plugged at the sixth level, about two miles from the mouth.

FLOOD CONFRONTS DEWET.

Rains Raise Orange River Five Feet in a Night.

De Aar, Cape Colony, Feb. 26.—General Dewet, accompanied by Mr. Steyn, recrossed the railroad north of Kranskuil and south of Orange river station yesterday. The Orange river rose five feet last evening. A heavy rain is still falling and it is believed to be impossible for the Boers to cross the stream. They are being closely followed by Colonel Thornycroft. Several other columns are converging on General Dewet.

It is reported that Commandant General Botha, with 2,000 Boers, has broken away from General French's pursuit in the direction of Koomati-poort.

The Boers are attacking the village of Richmond, in the central part of Cape Colony, and reinforcements have been dispatched from Hanover road.

PUNY REPUBLICS CLASH.

Party of Haytiens Attacked by a Number of Dominicans on Frontier.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, Feb. 26.—A skirmish has taken place between Haytiens and Dominicans at Phitobert, on the northern frontier. A party of Haytiens was suddenly attacked by a number of Dominicans. The Haytien consul at Dajoban sought refuge at Ouananinthe, Hayti, about five miles from the frontier. The Dominican consul at Cape Haytien has received orders from his government to repair immediately to the scene of the disturbance and endeavor to put an end to the fighting and cause the Haytien consulate at Dajoban to be respected.

Sends Satisfactory Edict.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Mr. Conger has cabled the state department from Peking, under date of Feb. 23, as follows: "Satisfactory edict in answer to punishment demands has been received."

From this statement the department assumes that the punishments are to be administered substantially as stated in Mr. Conger's cablegram received on the 21st instant. The minister has not yet informed the state department of the date he has selected for his departure from Peking for home.

Mrs. Seelye Released on Bond.

Kansas City, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Catherine Seelye, who shot and slightly wounded her former husband, W. A. Seelye, at his home in this city two weeks ago, was released from the county jail yesterday on a \$750 bond. Accompanying the bond was a promise from Miss Ida Seelye, daughter of Mrs. Seelye, that she would take her mother to Chicago, care for her there and have her in Kansas City on the day set for the trial, March 25.

More Missionaries Murdered.

Shanghai, Feb. 26.—Prince Tuan, Prince Chwang Lu and General Tung Fu Hsiang are still taking refuge at Ning Hai Fu, province of Kan Su. Two native Christians from Kuli Hua Cheng, in the northern part of the province of Shan Si, report the massacre of 20 male and female missionaries and nine children, who have been missing since October.

No Decorations at Cronberg.

London, Feb. 26.—The special dispatches from Cronberg say that neither Cronberg nor Homberg showed any decorations whatever to mark the presence of King Edward and that not even flags were displayed. One correspondent says: "It was remarked that a large number of detectives from Frankfurt-on-the-Main and Berlin were present."

Americans Had No Casualties.

Manila, Feb. 26.—Lieutenant West, with a detachment of the crew of the gunboat Laguna de Bay, attacked 200 insurgents under Cabelos near Cavinta, province of Laguna de Bay. After a hard fight of 40 minutes the insurgents were dispersed, losing six killed and 14 captured. A detachment of the Forty-seventh volunteers encountered

ered a body of insurgents in the province of Albay, killing 18 and subsequently another body, killing nine. The Americans had no casualties.

SUIT OVER CHURCH ROW.

Germans of Webster City Make Archbishop Keane Defendant in Case.

Dubuque, Feb. 25.—Archbishop Keane is a defendant in a suit for \$2,245 growing out of a church quarrel at Webster City. When a new church was erected at that place a year ago and during the lifetime of Archbishop Hennessey, the German members of the congregation claim to have subscribed the amount mentioned, with the express understanding that they were to have a German priest as soon as the church was completed. There are no records of the promise, and, as Archbishop Hennessey is dead, the present archbishop knows nothing about the claims made. The suit has been begun to recover the amount of the subscription.

OFFER OF ARBITRATION

Vice Chairman Payne of the National Committee Tenders His Services to Nebraska Republicans.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—While the hotel corridors and lobbies are deserted and most of the members of the legislature away on visits to their homes, there is still a sufficient number of senatorial candidates and strategists on the ground preparatory to the resumption of the maneuvers on the senatorial battlefield. The approach of March 4, when the seat of Senator Thurston becomes vacant, naturally intensifies the anxiety on the part of Republicans to end the deadlock by the nomination and election of two senators. How that is to be done under existing conditions is the puzzle. It is recognized on all hands that no choice can be made in the caucus unless some of the candidates give way voluntarily or are forced off the track. Nothing may be expected in this direction unless the members themselves get together and concentrate upon two men. Although the Republican caucus is to reconvene tonight, it is not expected that a sufficient number of members will be in attendance before Tuesday night.

In the meantime speculation is rife as to the probable effect of the offer of arbitration on the part of Vice Chairman Payne of the national committee, who has addressed himself by letter to Speaker Sears and Senator Steele, president pro tem of the senate.

Leaps From Swift Train.

Grinnell, Ia., Feb. 25.—Harry Vaughn, an 18-year-old boy from Newton, while attempting to jump from a moving train here last night, received such injuries that he will die. Vaughn and a number of companions were bent their way up from Newton. They wished to leave the train before they arrived at the depot and Vaughn made the attempt at the foot of Broad street. His companions say that he struck the switch stand. He was horribly mutilated and mangled.

Senators in Conference on Cuba.

Washington, Feb. 25.—There have been several conferences of senators looking to an amicable understanding on the Cuban question so that an extra session may be avoided. As a result it is probable that an amendment dealing with our relations with Cuba will be presented in the senate today when the army appropriation bill is taken up.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Henry Robinson, colored, known as "the wild man from Borneo," died Saturday at Mayville, Ky.

Slavin and Devine have signed articles for a 10-round fight for the championship of the Yukon and a side bet of \$500 on March 5.

Brigadier General Theodore Schwan has been placed on the retired list on his own application under the 40 years' service clause.

Dr. G. H. Farnam, president of the Anti-Saloon league at Napa, Cal., was arrested Saturday for emulating Mrs. Nation by smashing the fixtures in a saloon.

Frank Bolden, injured in Thursday's railroad wreck at Rushing's Sidling, near Bordentown, N. J., died Saturday. This brings the number of dead up to 13, eight of whom have been identified. The Manitoba full court Saturday killed Hugh John MacDonald's prohibition law, finding it unconstitutional in almost every point. The law covered the entire province of Manitoba.

Colonel Robert Pollock, U. S. A., retired, died Sunday at Cornelius, Or., in his 82d year. He was a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars and had engaged in many Indian campaigns in the west.

Mrs. Rose Wursser, a widow, in a fit of insanity, drowned her six children, aged from 4 to 12 years, in a well at Unlontown, Wash., Sunday. Mrs. Wursser was found alive in the well with her six murdered children.

The executive council of the American Federation of Labor approved a letter submitted by President Gompers and addressed to the workmen of Porto Rico, having in view their organization and affiliation with the workers of the United States.

Haden's Opera house at Columbia, Mo., was destroyed by fire Saturday. The fire was caused by a defective furnace, and started while a matinee performance was in progress. The audience was largely composed of children, but all escaped injury. The loss is \$60,000; insurance, \$10,000.

Thieves entered the Slovak Roman Catholic church of St. John the Evangelist in New Haven, Pa., and stole all the sacred vessels and figures. Many beautiful golden images of Saints were stolen. The thief also wrenched the figures of Christ of two ebony crucifixes and took them.

ANOTHER HITCH IN CAUCUS

Douglas County Delegation Refuses to Participate.

ROSEWATER'S STATEMENT.

Explains Action as Based on Alleged Declaration Made by Some Thompson Men That They Would Not Support Rosewater if Nominated.

Lincoln, Feb. 28.—Eight more members of the legislature, making 15 in all, deserted the Republican senatorial caucus when it met last night. The eight new absentees comprise the entire Republican delegation from Douglas county. They are supporters of Edward Rosewater for long term senator. As justification of their action the following statement was given out by Rosewater: "The Douglas county delegation did not attend the caucus last night. They remained away as a protest against the action of two of the D. E. Thompson men in the caucus Tuesday night declaring openly that they would not be bound by its action should it result in the nomination of Mr. Rosewater."

Three ballots were taken, the caucus adjourning shortly before midnight. The third resulted: Thompson, 38; Melkjohn, 22; Rosewater, 4; Currie, 16; Hinshaw, 4; Crouse, 5; Harlan, 4; Young, 6; Smithberger, 2.

There were more changes than usual in joint senatorial ballot Wednesday. Cain made good his accession to Thompson in the caucus by voting for him in the open. Melkjohn got back Mendenhall and Van Boskirk, who had been with him before, while Crouse gained Edgar from Currie and Johnson from Melkjohn. Tweed went back to Hinshaw from Wethereld, his place being taken by Miskell, who has been voting mostly for Rosewater. Evans went from Morlan to Hainer. The totals: Allen ..... 42 Kinkaid ..... 1 Berge ..... 7 Martin ..... 5 Crouse ..... 8 Melkjohn ..... 33 Currie ..... 14 Metcalfe ..... 29 Dietrich ..... 1 Morlan ..... 2 Harrington ..... 5 Rosewater ..... 15 Hainer ..... 2 Thompson, D. E. ..... 29 Harlan ..... 2 Thompson, W. H. ..... 11 Hitchcock ..... 4 Wethereld ..... 4 Hinshaw ..... 13

SOUTH DAKOTA CLEANS UP.

Wipes Off Its Legislative Slate a Lot of Unfinished Business.

Pierre, S. D., Feb. 28.—Only two new bills were presented in the house yesterday, they being a valued policy insurance bill and one declaring express companies to be common carriers and placing them under control of the railroad commission. Not a bill of any kind was passed. The whole day was put in at house cleaning and getting old matters off hands.

Senate took up bills on final passage and passed every measure which came to a vote. They passed senate bills legalizing the incorporation of Elkton, granting to cities of third class power to bond for waterworks, limiting time for beginning action on bonds or warrants to six years and empowering cities to maintain lighting plants.

Railroad to Be Extended.

Des Moines, Feb. 28.—Iowa people have learned from reliable sources that during the present year the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern railroad, which is closely allied with the Rock Island, will build a new line across South Dakota from Sioux Falls. It is the present plan of the Rock Island to run through trains from Des Moines into Sioux Falls over the new Gowrie line, and the Cedar Rapids line by way of Sibley next spring, and as soon as the road is built westward from Sioux Falls to continue these trains on through South Dakota to the Black Hills and beyond.

Denial of Alleged Interview.

Washington, Feb. 28.—An authoritative denial is given at the White house to an alleged interview with President McKinley, printed in the Manchester (England) Guardian and circulated in this country. The language attributed to the president is as follows: "The thirst of Christendom for blood must now be considered sufficiently slaked, after taking at least 100 lives for every Christian slaughtered."

Owl Cars for Omaha.

Lincoln, Feb. 28.—The house committee on cities and towns will today report favorably on the Johnson bill to require street car companies of Omaha to run one car per hour over each line from midnight to 6 a. m. There was vigorous opposition to the measure, but the committee, after listening to arguments for both sides, decided to submit for consideration of the whole house.

Veterans Decline to March.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Veteran organizations of the civil and Spanish wars have officially declined to participate in the inaugural parade on March 4. The dissatisfaction of the veterans with the place assigned them in the parade is responsible for this action.

Populists Hold Full Term.

Pierre, S. D., Feb. 28.—The supreme court yesterday handed down its decision in what is known as the board of charities case, and holds that the appointees of Lee hold for their full terms.

Starts Fire in His Own Cell.

Clinton, Ia., Feb. 28.—A tramp, supposed to be Daniel Riley, set fire to his bedding in jail at Maquoketa and was burned to death. The court house had a narrow escape from destruction.

To Talk on Appomattox Day.

Des Moines, Feb. 27.—The Hamilton club of Chicago has invited Major E. H. Conger, United States minister to China, to address the club on April

9, Appomattox day. A dispatch from Washington states that Minister Conger will probably arrive in Des Moines April 29 or thereabouts.

MAN HUNT IN INDIANA.

Fosse Scouring the Country for the Negro Assassin of Ida Finkelstein.

Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 28.—Ida Finkelstein, aged 29, a school teacher, while walking through a lonely strip of woods yesterday on the way from the school house, was assaulted by an unknown negro, who shot her in the back of the head and cut her throat, severing the windpipe.

After the assault had been committed Miss Finkelstein ran for a half mile to a farm house with the blood streaming from her wounds, and fell unconscious on the doorsteps. She died at 11 o'clock. Officers and men who have a fairly good description of the negro are scouring the country east of the city with revolvers and shotguns.

STILL NO CHOICE.

Nebraska Senatorial Deadlock Unbroken. Members Explain Their Positions. One of the Bolters Returns.

Lincoln, Feb. 27.—The Republican senatorial caucus was in session until nearly midnight last night, but only two ballots were taken. Much of the time was occupied in speeches, a number of members explaining their positions. Representative Broderick, one of the eight bolters, reentered the caucus. He made an extended speech justifying his course. The second ballot resulted: Thompson, 39; Melkjohn, 23; Currie, 13; Crouse, 6; Rosewater, 16; Martin, 5; Hinshaw, 8; Kinkaid, 2; Harlan, 2; Wethereld, 2; Dietrich, 1.

Only a few changes were recorded on joint senatorial ballot Tuesday. Martin made good his promise to go to Thompson, who also gained Friedrich. Four of Melkjohn's followers gave their votes to his campaign manager, Frank Wethereld, reducing the votes of Martin, Hinshaw and Kinkaid, while a few new bouquets were thrown to personal friends. The totals: Allen ..... 37 Hinshaw ..... 11 Berge ..... 7 Kinkaid ..... 2 Crouse ..... 8 Martin ..... 6 Currie ..... 14 Melkjohn ..... 29 Dorrington ..... 1 Rosewater ..... 15 Harlan ..... 2 Thompson, D. E. ..... 29 Harrington ..... 5 Thompson, W. H. ..... 31 Hainer ..... 4 Wethereld ..... 4 Hitchcock ..... 25 Young ..... 1

EDUCATORS IN CONFERENCE.

Superintendents Discuss Methods—Manual Training the Principal Topic.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Prominent educators from all parts of the United States are here attending the annual convention of college and school superintendents of the National Educational association, which opened yesterday at University hall in the Fine Arts building.

There will be a contest between Atlanta and New Orleans for the next meeting of the department. The place will not be decided on until Thursday.

At each annual meeting of the department some one subject is usually emphasized and this year it will be "Manual Training." The fact that it is one being generally introduced in schools makes it one of interest. There are numerous papers and discussions on the subject.

A heavy blow was dealt the proposed system of phonetic spelling when the department of superintendence refused by a vote of 105 to 77 to allow the question to be taken into consideration by a committee of the best known educators in the country. A heated discussion preceded the vote.

Elevator Men Win Out.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Reinforced by 200 additional signatures, the petition of the board of trade brokers who espoused the cause of the elevator men was submitted to the directorate yesterday and the amendment prohibiting elevator proprietors from owning or dealing in grain was temporarily withdrawn. The men opposing the warfare against the elevators believe that the amendment is killed.

Dies From Fright.

Youngstown, O., Feb. 27.—William Emmons died of fright at his home at Kansas. He was a section man and got his foot caught in parallel rails a few days since. Being unable to break loose, he fainted when a train was a few yards off. The train stopped. He was carried home, but never regained consciousness.

Appointed Judge in Philippines.

Washington, Feb. 27.—L. J. Carlos, a prominent attorney of Peoria, has been appointed judge of the court of first instance in the Philippines. The salary is \$4,500 to \$5,500, according to assignment, which is directed by Chairman Taft of the Philippine commission. Mr. Carlos is 33 years old.

Saloon Smasher Convicted.

Topeka, Feb. 27.—Balf Stark was found guilty last night of helping smash Murphy's joint on Feb. 17. Stark accompanied Mrs. Carrie Nation and the home defenders on their raid. The case will be appealed to the supreme court if sentence is passed by the court.

Blow to Fusion in Kansas.

Topeka, Feb. 27.—Senator Postmans' election bill, which prevents fusion, passed the house yesterday and was sent to the governor for his signature. The bill prevents the name of any candidate appearing on a ballot more than once. It is considered the most important measure passed at this session.

Imprisonment for Life.

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 27.—Edward Gardner was convicted at midnight last night of the murder of Herman Zahn and was sentenced to imprisonment for life.

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