

BAD FIRE IN HARTINGTON

Two Firemen Were Injured During the Blaze.

FELBER'S BIG STORE WENT.

Loss Amounts to Eleven Thousand, Covered by Insurance—Will Rebuild Immediately—Tom Denny and Geo. Merrill Hurt.

Hartington, May 8.—Special to The News: Fire last night destroyed the large general merchandise store of Felber & Stevens, the loss being estimated at \$11,000. Both the building and the stock were well insured, however, and it is announced that the firm will rebuild.

During the progress of the fire and while seeking to control the flames, two of the volunteer firemen, Tom Denny and Chas. Merrill, were slightly injured.

BEATEN INTO DOCILITY.

Topka Asylum Attendant Says Patients Are Disciplined With Clubs.

Topka, Kan., May 8.—Sensational disclosures were made here by the investigation of the Kansas insane asylum. A. S. Mason of Lawrence, a former attendant in the institution, appeared before the legislative committee and said that all the new patients in the asylum were beaten into a condition of docility by order of the superior officers. Mason said it was necessary to have the patients understand from the first that they would have to obey the attendants. For this purpose they were beaten even before they had broken any of the institution's rules. In reply to a question, the witness stated that some times the attendants beat the patients with their fists, but "if they thought it would hurt their fists they used a club for the first time." There are a number of witnesses to be examined.

East and West Divide Whist Honors.

Chicago, May 8.—The championship honors were divided equally between the east and west in the woman's whist tournament. The Howell Women's Whist club of Boston won two first championships, the Philadelphia trophy and the Toledo trophy. The principal cup, the Washington trophy, was won by the Hamilton club of St. Louis, while Chicago was forced to be content with the junior championship, the Cavendish trophy. The next meeting will be held in Baltimore. Miss Ellen Goldsborough was elected president.

Strikers Up for Contempt.

Topka, Kan., May 8.—Judge Hook of the federal court ordered Samuel Gaston and William Sanders to appear before him today to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of court. The order was issued on account of the interference these two are alleged to have made with some workers in a Kansas city box factory after an order had been issued by the court restraining the men who were on strike there from interfering.

CONFERS WITH STRIKERS.

Governor Mickey Will Endeavor to Adjust Differences.

Omaha, May 8.—Special to The News: Governor Mickey this afternoon conferred formally with the strikers, regarding a settlement of the differences existing between them and their employers. At this hour the conference has not ended and the results are not known. There is nothing new in the situation today and everything is quiet.

Mayor Suggests Arbitration.

Omaha, May 8.—At a meeting of the Business Men's association Mayor Moores suggested arbitration of the strike through a board appointed by the governor and the suggestion was well received. Governor Mickey stated that no troops would be called out unless the situation changed. Judge Munger modified his restraining order sufficiently to permit of the Teamsters' union keeping up its organization. No move was made to resume business in any line.

WILL TEST THE TEMPLE LAW.

Burlington Road Will Carry Personal Damage Case to Highest Court.

Des Moines, May 8.—The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad has decided to test the validity and constitutionality of the Temple amendment, if necessary, in the United States supreme court. A case now on trial at Creston, before Judge Roberts, in which Charles C. McGuire sues the Burlington road for \$2,000 damages for personal injuries, is the basis for the test.

The amendment provides that any contract between a railroad company and its employes which shall release the railroad company from liabilities for injuries received by the employe upon the payment to the injured employe of damages by a relief society shall be void.

Warren Not a Candidate.

Cheyenne, May 8.—A report published here that Senator Francis E. Warren is a candidate for the vice presidency on the Republican ticket in 1904 was denied by the senator. He has never intimated that he would seek the nomination.

VENEZUELAN PROTOCOL SIGNED

Negotiations Concluded at British Embassy in Washington.

Washington, May 8.—Shortly after 7 o'clock last evening the closing scene in the Venezuelan negotiations was concluded at the British embassy in the presence of Herbert W. Bowen, Venezuela's plenipotentiary; Signor Mayor des Planches, the Italian ambassador; Sir Michael H. Herbert, the British ambassador, and Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German representative. Mr. Bowen first signed with the three foreign representatives separate protocols for reference to The Hague tribunal of the question of preferential treatment for the blockading powers in the payment of their claims against Venezuela, and immediately afterward there were signed the conventions providing for the settlement of the allies' claims by the several commissions, which are to meet at Caracas this summer. Mr. Bowen almost immediately cabled to President Castro the brief announcement: "Last protocol signed."

Mr. Bowen expects to sail for Caracas from New York on May 16. The striking feature of The Hague protocol is the concluding clause of article 1, which provides that in case The Hague decides adversely to the blockading powers' contention for preferential treatment, the manner of payment of other creditor nations shall be such "that no power shall obtain preferential treatment."

PARROT YELLS MURDER.

And There Was Murder in a Washington Residence.

Washington, May 8.—Special to The News: A parrot in one of the residences of this city this morning aroused the neighborhood with cries of murder. The house was broken into and the proprietor was found on the floor with his throat cut. The wound was not of a fatal character, however, and physicians succeeded in saving the man's life.

CONVENTIONS OF WOODMEN.

Majority of Delegates Elected to Head Camp Favor Readjustment.

Rock Island, Ill., May 8.—Official returns from thirty-five state conventions of the Modern Woodmen of America show that 355 of the 469 delegates elected to the head camp meeting at Indianapolis on June 16 were instructed to favor a rate readjustment of some sort. Many of these 355 delegates, however, were instructed to oppose the step rate plan recommended two years ago by a readjustment committee.

The returns do not show who will be elected head consul. J. G. Johnson of Peabody, Kan., a candidate for head consul, is said to have only seventy delegates out of 469.

The Modern Woodmen have led the fight begun by the National Fraternal Congress to place all benefit orders on a foundation of graded rates of assessments. It is said that such a scheme, if scientifically carried out, will make all beneficiary orders prosperous and perpetual.

American Medical Association.

New Orleans, May 8.—Final action on the proposed revision of the code of ethics was the feature of the session of the house of delegates of the American Medical association. The original code was established fifty years ago. The committee having the matter in charge unanimously reported that the committee regarded it wiser to formulate the principles of medical ethics without deference to code or penalties, thus leaving to the respective states, etc., to form such codes and establish such penalties, provided that in doing so, there is no infringement of the established ethical principles of the association. The report was adopted unanimously. The adoption of this report settles a controversy which has disturbed the peace of the meetings for many years.

Baseball Results.

National League—New York, 8; Philadelphia, 4. Pittsburgh, 8; Cincinnati, 11. St. Louis, 1; Chicago, 10. Brooklyn, 12; Boston, 1. American League—Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 2. Philadelphia, 19; Washington, 5. Cleveland, 6; Detroit, 5. Boston, 6; New York, 2.

American Association—Minneapolis, 8; Kansas City, 9. St. Paul, 12; Milwaukee, 4. Toledo, 2; Indianapolis, 19. Columbus, 5; Louisville, 4. Western League—Omaha, 3; Des Moines, 2. Colorado Springs, 6; Denver, 5.

Italians Discuss Lynching Case.

Rome, May 8.—Replying in the chamber of deputies to a demand made by Deputy Cirimeli for an explanation of the present status of the lynching of Italians in Mississippi in 1901, Under Foreign Secretary Bucaliti said that in spite of the activity of the Italian consul and diplomatic officers, no convictions had been secured, owing to the reticence of witnesses, who persisted in declining to make depositions.

Charities and Corrections Convention.

Atlanta, Ga., May 8.—The session of the charities and corrections conventions was devoted to the discussion of state supervision and administration of charities and corrections. The report of the committee upon this branch of the work was presented by its chairman, Professor Frank W. Blackmar of Lawrence, Kan.

PRESIDENT IN CALIFORNIA

Is Given Welcome at Redlands by Governor and Citizens.

WATER GOLDEN STATE'S NEED.

Roosevelt Points to Irrigation and Preservation of Forests as Chief Requirements—Nation's Chief Spends Night at Riverside.

Redlands, Cal., May 8.—President Roosevelt was formally welcomed to California before a crowd estimated at 10,000. In front of the Hotel Casalama was packed a mass of humanity that stretched for two blocks east and west. The enthusiasm displayed must have reminded the guest in whose honor the demonstration had been planned that California hospitality was really what he cared it to be. There was an ovation all along the line until the hotel was reached. Thousands were gathered in the streets. On the corner opposite the balcony from which the president spoke 1,000 school children were seated on a grandstand, put up for the occasion. As the president approached each of the children waved a flag and their young voices were often raised in cheers. They also sang national airs.

Mayor Fowler introduced Governor Pardee, who, in a brief address, welcomed President Roosevelt to California. The great throng cheered itself hoarse when the president arose to deliver his address. It was several minutes before he could proceed. He said, in part:

"I am glad, indeed, to have the chance to visit this wonderful and beautiful state, but I did not have to come to know you or like you, for I know what the sons and daughters of the state have done. If I did not appreciate their achievements I would indeed be a poor American. But for the country itself, though, I had been told so much of its beauty and its wonders, I had never realized or could not realize in advance all I have seen. Coming down over the mountain I was impressed with the thought more and more of what can be done with the wise use of water and the forests of this state. The people have grown to realize that it is indispensable to the future of the country to conserve and properly use the water and to preserve the great mountain forests. All this great valley shows what can be accomplished by irrigation, and it is to be congratulated that your settlers had the foresight to take advantage of it. The sight of these children convinces me of the truth of a statement just made to me by Governor Pardee when he said that in California there is no danger of race suicide. You have done well in raising oranges, and I believe you have done better raising children."

The presidential party left here at 3 o'clock for San Bernardino, where a short speech was made. The night was spent at Riverside.

LOS ANGELES CONVICED.

McKinley Visited There Three Years Ago—Czoiglo's Brother Jailed.

Los Angeles, May 8.—Special to The News: President Roosevelt arrived in the city today from Redlands and was enthusiastically welcomed by thousands of the people of the city and vicinity. The president was formally welcomed by the mayor in the rotunda of the hotel.

In his speech the president recalled the rather odd co-incidence that it was on this date three years ago that Los Angeles had extended a welcome to the late president, Wm. McKinley.

Another peculiar coincidence is that Czoiglo, a brother of the assassin of President McKinley is in the city and to make certain that the coincidence goes no further he has been placed in jail until President Roosevelt leaves the city.

Japan and Russia.

Victoria, May 8.—The steamer Toa Maru brings news from Tokio that unusual activity is prevailing in Japan as a result of the feeling against Russia in regard to the Manchurian matter. The arsenals of Japan are working day and night with increased staffs and vast amounts of naval and military stores are being turned out. The Yokohama papers say Japan is preparing for a decisive step. The Japan Times, reviewing the reports from north China, says that far from taking steps to evacuate, it is plainly shown that Russia is engaged in active warlike preparations. The paper says things look decidedly ugly in China.

'Frisco-Rock Island Merger.

New York, May 8.—The Herald says that the 'Frisco-Rock Island agreement has been signed. The terms are not stated, but it is understood that they vary but little from the original contract, which was abandoned at the time the stock market was shaken up by the recent decision at St. Louis in the Northern Securities case. Under the new agreement, however, no cash will be paid. The 'Frisco common stock, which will be turned over to the Rock Island, carries the absolute control. It will be deposited as a collateral underlying the new bond issue, which will be issued to pay for the stock.

TWELVE SLAIN IN WRECK.

Frightful Accident Occurs on Canadian Pacific Road.

Port Arthur, Ont., May 8.—One of the worst accidents in the history of railroading in the west occurred on the main line of the Canadian Pacific railroad, near Dexter station. Twelve laborers imprisoned in the wreckage of a derailed work train were either killed outright or burned to death. Eight others were frightfully burned and a number of them will die. The men were asleep when the train left the track. The train was running at high speed when it was derailed, presumably by the breaking of an axle. Every car left the track and plunged down an embankment into the ditch. The men killed were asleep in what is known as "the boarding car," which was attached to the rear of the train. There were thirty men in the car. It was crushed like an eggshell and many of the men were pinned under the debris so that they could not be removed. Fire added to the horror of the scene, the splintered wood of the car being ignited by an overheated stove. The men who escaped injury set to work to liberate the imprisoned men, but they were driven back time and time again by the flames, which spread rapidly. One of the imprisoned men succeeded in extricating himself unaided and smashed a window and crawled out from under the wreckage. He reported that several others, some of them badly injured, were lying near the window. The rescuers succeeded in getting ten or twelve men through the shattered windows. The men were finally driven from the work of rescue by the intense heat.

BOILER MAKERS STRIKE.

Southern Pacific Employees Walk Out in Sympathy.

San Francisco, May 8.—Special to The News: The boiler makers and machinists employed by the Southern Pacific railroad company will go out on a strike tonight. The strike is planned to aid the Union Pacific strikers, with whom they are in sympathy.

TULLOCH WRITES A LETTER.

Takes Exceptions to Comments of Postmaster General Payne.

Washington, May 8.—The feature of developments in the postoffice investigation was a letter by Seymour W. Tulloch, for many years cashier of the Washington city postoffice, to Postmaster General Payne, in reply to the latter's letter requesting any information Mr. Tulloch might have to sustain his charges, charging irregularities in the postoffice department and the Washington postoffice several years ago. Mr. Tulloch, in his letter, takes exception to personal comments of Mr. Payne and refrains from giving any facts bearing on the investigation, suggesting that the officials to whom Mr. Payne has written have all the necessary data, if they choose to give it. While thus refusing to give any information in the letter under the circumstances, Mr. Tulloch said that he is ready to substantiate all he has said, but that he wants first to read the replies of the parties to whom the postmaster general has written before going into details.

John T. Morrison Dead.

Pittsburg, Kan., May 8.—John T. Morrison, one of the best known coal operators in the southwest, died at his home here of Bright's disease after a year's illness. He was consulting engineer of the Missouri Pacific railway in 1880. He owned valuable coal mines in Missouri, Kansas and the Indian territory. Burial will be at St. Louis.

Six Men Are Under Arrest.

Caruthersville, Mo., May 8.—Sheriff J. A. Franklin has returned from the Little River neighborhood, having under arrest six men charged with being members of the mob who killed Constable W. J. Moneyhon and "Rev." D. M. Malone, last Saturday night. Their names are: Ed Chitty, D. C. Fisher, Bob Godard, Jim Price, "Ruf" Nichols and Jeff Nichols. All deny guilty knowledge of the affair and claim to be able to prove an alibi.

Congress of Mothers.

Detroit, May 8.—The session of the conference of the American Congress of Mothers was devoted to a paper on "Education for Social Efficiency," by Dr. M. V. O'Shea of the University of Wisconsin. At its conclusion, the paper was discussed briefly by Hon. Levi L. Barbour of Detroit, former president of the University of Michigan.

WORTH-WHILE FEATURES IN NORFOLK TODAY.

DR. C. A. McKIM, veterinarian 'Phones, office 185, residence, 14.

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THREATEN NEGRO CARRIER

Masked Men Menace Colored Postman in Tennessee.

PAYNE SUSPENDS RURAL ROUTE.

Postmaster General May Abolish Service at That Point Altogether or Send Troops to Guard Mail Entrusted to Negro.

Washington, May 8.—The postoffice department was notified officially that John C. Allgood, a colored rural free delivery letter carrier, while making his regular trip near Gallatin, Tenn., was stopped by men armed and masked and he and his colored substitute carrier were warned not to continue in the service under pain of death. Postmaster General Payne has suspended service on the route pending investigation and the incident may become a second Indianola case.

The news of the affair reached the postmaster general in the following dispatch from Special Agent Conger, in charge of the rural free delivery service, with headquarters at Nashville, Tenn., as follows:

"Rural carrier No. 1, colored, Gallatin, Tenn., advises that he was stopped on route by armed, masked men and his life threatened if he continued in service. Threat also applied to colored substitute carrier. Warned not to divulge cause of his removal, but to assign other reasons. No time allowed to await upon appointment of successor. Believing it hazardous, he will not serve route tomorrow unless assurances are given him that no violence will be committed."

Postmaster General Payne said if the facts were as reported only two courses of action would be open, namely: To abolish the route and leave the people thereon without that service or to send soldiers to the scene to protect the carrier in the performance of his duty. Mr. Payne said the former course was the more probable. He called attention to the civil service status of the carriers and said that the appointees were secured through the civil service commission, their selection therefore not being optional with him.

Gunfire Breaks Record.

New York, May 8.—Gunfire, 12 to 1, won the twelfth running of the Metropolitan handicap at Morris park before 45,000 cheering spectators, who had made Mr. Whitney's swift filly the favorite in the betting. With T. Burns in the saddle she went the Wither's mile in 1:38½, breaking the track record by one second.

Pope Gets Jubilee Gift.

Rome, May 8.—Rev. Father Baude-nilli, former provincial of the American passionist fathers, and Rev. Father Francis J. Van Antwerp of Detroit, Mich., were received in private audience by the pope and presented to the pontiff President Roosevelt's Jubilee gift of ten handsome volumes.

SEE DOOM OF SMALL COLLEGE.

Conference Opened in Chicago This Morning to Speak.

Chicago, May 8.—Special to The News: Representatives of nearly one hundred colleges and universities throughout the country are attending the conference which opened here today. The conference arises from fear among educators, that professional schools may destroy smaller colleges.

Flanagan Cited for Contempt.

St. Louis, May 8.—John A. Flanagan of Carthage refused to answer questions regarding his supposed participation in lobby work at the state capital and as a result has been cited to appear in court today and show cause why he should not be sent to jail for contempt. Flanagan said he had a right to refuse to answer and the indications are that the matter will be carried to the supreme court to ascertain the limits of jurisdiction in examining witnesses pursuant to the investigation into the Jefferson City hoodling.

Twenty People Are Injured.

Chicago, May 8.—Twenty persons were injured, a few seriously, in a collision between two southbound Halsted street electric cars. One woman was taken from the wreck and carried into an adjoining store. It is believed her injuries are fatal. The conductor on the rear car, H. S. Lockwood, was thrown through the window and sustained serious injuries. The collision was due to an accident to the running gear of the forward car.

Fatal Rock Slide at Kansas City.

Kansas City, May 8.—Several tons of limestone rock, a part of the high cliff bounding the railroad yards in the west bottoms, fell, smashing a frame house below and killing Mrs. Fronie Dibble, colored, aged twenty-five, who was sick in bed. The slide is a short distance south of the site selected for the new Union railroad station.

Thirty Thousand to Quit Work.

Pittsburg, May 8.—Nearly all of the brick makers, tile layers and clay miners and helpers will go on a strike tomorrow. From 25,000 to 30,000 men will lay down their tools, most of them being employed in making fire brick. The combine has refused to recognize the union.

NINE LIVES CRUSHED OUT.

Three Others Fatally Hurt by Slide of Rock in Tunnel.

Roanoke, Va., May 8.—Nine men were killed and five others injured, three of them fatally, by a slide of rock in the east end of tunnel No. 2, at Eggleston Springs, on the Norfolk and Western railroad. Railroad contractors were engaged in double tracking the two tunnels at the point named and when the tunneling force had removed the earth and stone for the railroad tracks at the point where the calamity occurred a huge slide of solid stone gave way on the mountain side and came down at an angle of about forty-five degrees, striking the gang of laborers and crushing out the lives of nine men.

One man was in a niche of the tunnel way and escaped with slight injuries. A second man, who stood on the outer edge of the slide, was only slightly hurt, but three others were injured so badly that it is feared they will die. The bodies of the other nine men, some of whom are white, are still under the mountain slide. A wrecking car and derrick was taken out from Radford, but thus far have been of no avail. There is no likelihood that the bodies can be recovered soon, as the rock will have to be dynamited and removed bit by bit.

WILL FORM PEANUT TRUST.

To Control Five Million Bushels Annually.

Cincinnati, May 8.—Special to The News: It is announced here that a peanut trust will be formed which will annually control five million bushels of the production.

BULGARIAN CLOUDS LIFTING.

Porte Withdraws Note and War is Now Believed Improbable.

Vienna, May 8.—A decidedly optimistic feeling prevails in official circles regarding the relations between Turkey and Bulgaria, which are declared to have greatly improved within the last twenty-four hours. The probability of war between the two countries is now considered slight. The representative of the Associated Press is informed that official news has just been received here that the porte has withdrawn its note to Bulgaria. The warlike feeling at Constantinople is believed to be disappearing. It is frankly admitted that Turkey has very serious grounds for complaint against Bulgaria, but it is believed that the sultan is too clever to embark on a war in which, if he were victorious, he would gain nothing and in which he might lose everything.

IRISH LAND BILL IS APPROVED.

Measure Passes Second Reading in Commons by Huge Majority.

London, May 8.—The Irish land bill has passed its second reading in the house of commons by 413 votes to 26. An analysis of the division shows that all the nationalists, the main body of the ministerialists and almost all the liberals voted with the majority. The minority consisted of the radical section of the liberals, including Sir Charles Dilke, and a couple of unionists. In the lobbies of the house Mr. Wyndham's speech in winding up the debate was interpreted as meaning that the government is very willing to consider reasonable amendments to the bill.

May Veto Mueller Bill.

Springfield, Ill., May 8.—A report was current that Governor Yates before the final adjournment of the state legislature would send to the senate a veto or other message affecting the Mueller traction bill. The Mueller bill is the measure to defeat which an attempt was made to gavel through a rival bill, thus leading to a riot in the house. The legislature declined to accede to a request from the governor for a postponement of the sine die adjournment at midnight. About that hour the governor closed his office and it was stated authoritatively that there would be no action on the Mueller bill. Should the governor veto the bill and not call a special session of the legislature, the hard won victory for the Mueller bill is without avail, and the traction situation in Chicago becomes chaotic, as existing railway franchises soon expire in a number of cases.

Italian Strikers Repudiate Agreement.

New York, May 8.—Sweeping aside the proceeding of Chevalier Branchi, their consul general, and officials of the Central Federation of Labor, 1,500 Italians voted almost unanimously not to return to work on the city subway until they are assured of \$2 for eight hours' work. This means that the arbitration agreement entered into between the committee of the federation and the subway employes is repudiated. Not a stroke of work will be done on the subway tomorrow, as was promised by the committee, and another handicap is enforced against the already crippled building forces of the city. Immediately after the meeting the police were called to suppress a demonstration at One Hundred and Eighteenth street and Second avenue.

Rob a Store and Burn It.

Sioux City, May 8.—Burglars raided the store of J. E. Olson at Superior, Ia., rifled its contents, and then fired the building. The fire loss of \$10,000 is total. The postoffice was in the store. No clew.