

The boys choose marbles for their fun, The girls play jumping rope; But then you see when playtime's done They all choose pure

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BIG COAL MINING COMBINE

Plans for Gigantic Merging of Interests Are Being Made.

POOLS CONCERNS OF SOUTH AND WEST

Total Capital Stock of Proposed Combination Will Be Two Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 19.—The Post tomorrow will say: Plans for one of the greatest coal mining company mergers in the history of the country, which includes the consolidation of the Pittsburgh Coal company, the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke company and practically all the competing interests of these companies in the Ohio, West Virginia and Illinois fields, are again attracting attention in financial circles.

The preliminary steps to this end are said to be in the recent incorporation of the combine of the central Pennsylvania and West Virginia companies.

One of the next steps, according to the coal men, will be merging of the two big Pittsburgh coal companies into a single-headed corporation, the river combine, a capitalization of \$30,000,000 and the rail combine with \$4,000,000, or a total of \$34,000,000.

Says Trust Raises Cost of Paper. CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—At today's session of the Illinois Press association a lengthy paper in the nature of a report, written by Fred B. Whitney of the Waukegan Gazette, on "Trusts—Cost Thereof to Publishers," was presented.

SUSTAINS MISSOURI GOVERNOR

Decision Confirms Executive's Appointment and Displaces Hold-Over Officials.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 19.—The state supreme court today upheld the title of E. S. Washburn, republican member of the Kansas City board of election commissioners, to that office from which he had been ousted, and issued judgments of ouster against five republican hold-over officers of Kansas City as follows: Hans Lund, city controller; Dr. George O. Coffin, city physician; Charles Curry, city clerk; R. B. Middlebrook, city counselor, and C. C. Yost, city assessor.

The legislature of 1899 passed a law giving the governor the power to appoint two of the election commissioners from his own party and the third from three names to be submitted by the city central committee of the opposing party.

The supreme court today reverses Judge Graves' opinion reinstating Washburn, and holding that the legislature had no right to limit the governor in making his choice. The court declines to confer power upon a "partisan committee."

The city officials ousted, endeavored to hold the offices, which are appointive after their terms of two years had expired, refusing to give way to officials named by the incoming democratic mayor.

ELECTRICITY'S FATAL WORK

One Man Dies Instantly and Six Others Shocked by Contact with a Live Wire.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Feb. 18.—A special to the Deseret News from Provo, Utah, says that August Blumenthal, a coranic maker, was instantly killed and six workmen, Will Clayton, L. V. Johnson, Joseph Goodman, Lee Hampton, Frank Holt and W. Bolt, were severely shocked today while placing a wire on a new building.

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It can't help but do you good

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INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

Kester of Daughters of Revolution Makes Gains During Year.

OFFICERS SUBMIT THEIR ANNUAL REPORTS

Important Changes Are Made in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Organization—Spirited Debates.

WASHINGTON, FEB. 19.—When Mrs. Fairbanks, president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, called her convention to order today but few of the delegates had arrived and it was some time before anything like a fair representation of the society was present.

Mrs. Layton of New York demanded the reading of the minutes of yesterday's proceedings and much time was consumed in this detail. Mrs. Karow of Georgia offered a resolution, which was adopted, requesting the appointment of a committee to attend the reentering of the remains of General Nathaniel Greene at Savannah, Ga., in May next.

An invitation to the congress from the South Carolina delegates that they attend the Charleston exposition on South Carolina day was accepted with thanks.

Upon motion of Mrs. McLean of New York the congress, by a vote of 273 to 145, reconsidered its vote of yesterday laying on the table the amendment to article VII with respect to appointing a certain portion of dues to be used toward the erection of a continental hall.

The debate was becoming very spirited when Mrs. Swift of California moved a recess until 2:30 o'clock. The congress refused to adjourn rising to a question of privilege. Mrs. Millspaugh of California moved that debate be closed, but this was declared to be not a question of privilege.

The motion was again made by a New York delegate and amid much confusion was carried.

McLean closed the debate by expressing the opinion that the proposed plan would not accomplish the desired result because one-half of the income is at present applied to current expenses.

Total gross receipts, \$98,236, including account of current fund \$44,056 and account of permanent fund \$54,180. Gross expenditures, \$31,481. In addition there are investments in United States bonds \$10,000.

Current investment at face value \$10,000, at cost price \$10,000. Total investment at face value \$46,000, at cost price \$43,000. The profits from annuities, less \$804 refunded, amounted to \$35,000.

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In the evening consideration of amendments to the bylaws was completed. The most important amendment adopted was one requiring amendments to be sent to all the chapters sixty days before the meeting of the congress, in which they are to be voted on.

Miss M. B. Tulloch, the vice president general in charge of organization of chapters, submitted her annual report. Miss E. W. Howard of Virginia, recording secretary general, submitted her annual report.

During the past year it has been my privilege to cast the ballot of 3,530 applicants and to sign 2,718 certificates. There were 3,619 applications received, 3,530 certificates issued and 27,919 names entered on the roll.

As ordered by the tenth continental congress, contracts were entered into for the purchase of the new headquarters building, the official insignia of the society, the official bear pin and ancestral bar, and also for the purchase of the new headquarters building.

The resolutions of sympathy offered by the national meeting every part of its first meeting after that terrible tragedy which shook our whole land to its foundations were handsomely engrossed and sent to Mrs. McKinley.

Miss Mickle reported that during the year 3,814 members have been added to the rolls, including forty-nine actual daughters of the Declaration of Independence. The society has obtained the military record of thousands of soldiers.

The descendants comprise 349 descendants of forty-two signers of the Declaration of Independence, and there is in preparation a reference list of their children, as also of the brigadier generals of the revolution.

The society, the report says, has grown to such numbers that the authenticity of the records has become of vital importance. The report also called attention to the proper limit of the revolutionary period and recommended the adoption of a resolution that the revolutionary period shall be held to extend from the resistance to the stamp act (1765) to the treaty of independence in 1795.

Tickets to nearly all points in the United States on sale at all ticket offices of the Chicago Great Western railway on the first and third Tuesdays of January and February at the low rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip.

MCKINLEY MEMORIAL FUND

Much Interest in Being Manifested Through the Country and the Fund is Growing.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 19.—That public interest in the McKinley National memorial is on the increase is evidenced by the ever growing volume of letters and telegrams received at the headquarters of the association in this city. Secretary Hitchins is securing information from every section for his report, to be submitted at the Washington meeting of the trustees on February 15.

Richard C. Kerens, who has lately been appointed to the chairmanship of the Missouri state auxiliary, has opened headquarters in St. Louis and says the state will give \$25,000 to the fund. In Kansas City an effort is being made to get a contribution from every resident, ranging from 1 cent up.

Cincinnati will erect a monument there, and the fund is not large enough. The funds raised for the local monument will be given to the national memorial fund. Both Toledo and Columbus are discussing the same proposition to turn in all funds raised for small local memorials to the greater and more splendid tribute of the state to the dead president.

Grand Jury is Kept Busy Investigates Thirty Cases and Brings Indictments Against Seven Parties.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Feb. 19.—(Special.)—The grand jury has reported in circuit court of the Eighth judicial circuit, after being in session a week. Seven indictments were returned, out of nearly thirty cases investigated.

Three of the persons indicted are not in custody for having their parts unknown, and their names are withheld. The other four are: Leo Winsberg, for attempting to kill Sol Levinson; Jerome Harvey, for stealing a horse belonging to Timothy D. Coleman, and Albert C. and Harley Sawyer, for robbery.

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APPEAL FOR BROADER TERMS

Liberals in House of Commons Condemn Unconditional Surrender of Boers.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—At the annual meeting of the general committee of the Liberal federation held today, after considerable discussion, a resolution was passed condemning the policy of insisting upon the unconditional surrender of the Boers in South Africa, affirming that the future contentment and security of South Africa could only be secured on broad, generous lines, and calling on all liberal members of the House of Commons to support the liberal policy of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, in his advocacy of this policy.

She Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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TENANTS REFUSE TO PAY RENT

Adhere to United Irish League Movement—Forty Farms Sold by Sheriff.

DUBLIN, Feb. 19.—Forty farms on Lord De Freyne's estate in Roscommon county were sold by the sheriff today, the tenants having refused to pay rent. A large number of other "distressed sales" are pending as the result of the "no rent campaign" now being carried on by the United Irish league.

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Are Quickly Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, effecting a permanent cure.

It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

It is pleasant to take, both children and adults like it.

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Mrs. Ida McDonald, Supreme Deputy of the Maccabees of the World. I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a number of years and have no hesitation in saying that it is the best remedy for coughs, colds and croup I have ever used in my family.

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