

TALK OVER STRIKE

Mitchell and Labor Commissioner Wright Will Confer on Mine Affairs.

LATTER AGENT OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Great Interest is Aroused Over This Prospect of Settling Difficulties.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE ANXIOUS FOR PEACE

His Power Circumscribed by Law, but May Use Moral Influence.

LITTLE HOPE UNLESS OUTSIDE AID COMES

Miners and Mine Operators Become More Determined Each Day and Signs of Voluntary Yielding Are Absent.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 9.—President Mitchell here at 10:30 over the Lehigh Valley railroad for New York, where he will meet Carroll D. Wright, the United States commissioner of labor, at 7 o'clock tonight at the Manhattan hotel. He expects to return to this city tomorrow morning.

Mr. Mitchell went to New York at the request of Mr. Wright, with whom he was in communication today. When this information became known rumors of peace were revived and for a while they flew thick and fast. Mr. Wright, it is believed, will directly represent President Roosevelt.

According to Washington dispatches Mr. Wright has been here for a conference with the president during the last two days on the strike situation in the anthracite coal field. Whether Mr. Wright carries a plan for peace is not known at this time. Mr. Mitchell said before leaving that he did not know what Mr. Wright wanted to see him for. It is not believed that the president or the commissioner of labor will interfere, because they have no authority to do anything but investigate strikes. It may be that the president wants to obtain a thorough knowledge of the dispute and that he wants it officially, and for that reason he has sent his personal representative to New York to meet the labor president.

Acting for the President.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Carroll D. Wright, United States commissioner of labor, said today that for him to tell who he expects to see or what he intends to do might seriously interfere with his investigation of the anthracite coal miners' strike. He said that sections 7 and 8 of the law under which the labor bureau is operating charged the commissioner to investigate and report on all labor disputes. "Of course," said Mr. Wright, "I cannot interfere or act as arbitrator. Although possessing no power under existing conditions, as a general report and upon which Roosevelt is interested in settling this trouble. He cannot interfere, but can advise or suggest, and the official investigation may reveal points in the situation which have not as yet been touched upon in the general report and upon which he may be able to act. He wants all the information obtainable and all energies of my department are being directed to that end. Perhaps he may be able to discover something below the surface. I shall hold a conference with him and do not anticipate I shall have any trouble in getting the information asked for."

Women Attack Superintendent.

HAZLETON, Pa., June 9.—Superintendent Kudlicke of Cox's Bros. & Co. was attacked by women on the streets of Freeland today, but was not injured. About 800 strikers gathered today at Ebervale and about 1,000 at Jeddo to interrupt traffic and carrying ammunition men to north side collieries. Sheriff Jacobs was notified last night of the strikers' intention, and accompanied by eight special officers, took an early car to Freeland to prevent any demonstration.

The mine workers learned last night that the sheriff had been appealed for protection and, to make interference on his part unnecessary, District Secretary Gallagher preceded Sheriff Jacobs to Freeland. As his car neared Ebervale it was boarded by the strikers in search of nonunion men, but Secretary Gallagher appealed to the men to disperse and to return to their homes. He was again stopped and boarded by strikers, but no nonunionists were found. Mr. Gallagher talked to the men at Jeddo and told them it was for the best interests of all that they discontinue these tactics. They were taken to their homes when an hour later the sheriff and his officers came along no strikers were in evidence. The sheriff proceeded from Freeland to Wilkesbarre.

Will Not Start Up.

A. Pardee & Co. today issued a statement that they have no intention of starting up operations at Cranberry colliery under present conditions. It was reported last night that an effort would be made today to resume work at the Cranberry washery. Unable to secure firemen from rungers, J. S. Wentz & Co. will permit the Hazlebone colliery to be flooded. Cox's Stockton colliery is reported by the mine workers as filling with water, owing to the depleted force of firemen and pumpmen. The mine workers have given permission to the local light companies to haul culm for their plants from abandoned banks. A committee of citizens went to Mauch Chunk today to protest against the stationing of deputies at the Yorktown colliery by Sheriff Gombert of Carbon county. Sheriff Jacobs has been appealed to by Cox's Bros. & Co. to give protection to nonunion men on their way to and from Drifton.

Railroad Men May Quit.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 9.—The "tightening up" process which has been in progress since the anthracite coal strike began four weeks ago today continues. All classes of trades unions in the hard coal belt have taken a hard line in helping the miners, and now the long-predicted move of the railroaders in the region has been made. The decision of these men at meetings held in different parts of the region yesterday to refuse to aid the companies in their fight against the miners has encouraged the strikers greatly. At Freeland yesterday the railroad men of the Delaware, Susquehanna & Schuylkill railroad decided to refuse to handle the trains carrying deputies, coal and iron poles or nonunion men. The Lehigh Valley company men taken at the same time and will not handle soft coal that may be wanted to displace hard fuel, and at Kingston the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western employes protested against the hauling of

PELEE SOURCE OF DANGER

People in Vicinity Likely to Be Killed by Poisonous Gases at Any Time.

KINGSTOWN, St. Vincent, Saturday, June 7.

During the great eruption of Mount Pelee, island of Martinique, yesterday morning, the detonations were heard in the neighboring islands and heavy clouds of smoky issues simultaneously from Soufriere volcano, on this island, which alarmed the inhabitants. The island of St. Lucia was obscured by dust to a distance of three miles and vessels experienced difficulty in finding the harbor of Castries. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon of Friday pitch darkness prevailed here.

The three Americans, geologist of Harvard university, assistant curator of the Pelee National Park, who ascended the Soufriere, St. Vincent, on Thursday, June 7, made another ascent on Thursday. They were accompanied by a French geologist, who had been following their progress as they made their way up the precipitous trail, around the awful cliffs, with extraordinary courage and perseverance, and once more reached the edge of the crater on the east side, reaching an altitude of 3,300 feet above the sea, carrying with them aneroid barometer. They heard water boiling and spattering in the depths of the crater, but nothing could be seen through the fog, though the party watched a considerable time. The ascent occupied five hours. The return of settlers to the devastated areas is discouraged by a doctor, Jagger, who is of the opinion that the crater in continuing active may emit poisonous gases at any moment without warning and cause the death of many people from asphyxiation.

PONTIFF BESTOWS RED HATS

He Also Appoints Several Bishops, Including One for Sioux City, Iowa.

ROME, June 9.—The pope was present at the consistory held this morning. He was borne to the Sistine chapel in the sedia gestata, surrounded by cardinals, and formally bestowed red hats on Mgrs. Martinielli, formerly papal delegate in the United States; Prince Archbishop Sberchinsky of Prague; and Prince Bishop von Pryzyna of Cracow. The pontiff also appointed several bishops, including the Very Rev. William J. Kenny, vicar general of Jacksonville, Fla., as bishop of St. Augustine, Fla., in succession to the late Bishop Augustine Verot, and Very Rev. Philip J. Garrigan, vice rector of the Catholic university at Washington, as bishop of Sioux City, Ia. Subsequently, at the secret consistory, the pontiff delivered a short allocution. Judge Tat, governor of the Philippines, and the American with him were invited to attend the ceremony. The party occupied seats in the diplomatic gallery in the sala regia (entrance hall to the Sistine chapel). As the pontiff passed he recognized them and smilingly bowed to the American and smilingly bowed to the American.

After thanking God for preserving his life to attain the pontifical jubilee, the pope expressed his gratification at the pilgrimage to Rome and deplored the act of the enemies of the Catholic faith in seeking to dechristianize Italy, particularly by spreading and profaning heresy, Protestantism and pornography, by writings, speeches and theatrical representations. All the cardinals now in Rome, numerous bishops, prelates, diplomats, Roman nobles, the pontifical court and a host of privileged spectators attended the consistory. I shall hold a conference with him and do not anticipate I shall have any trouble in getting the information asked for."

GRAIN TAX IS FOR REVENUE

Imposed for the Purpose and Not to Promote Foreign Commercial Negotiations.

LONDON, June 9.—During the debate on the finance bill in the House of Commons this afternoon, the great tax on grain, known as the "Fony express," Sir William Vernon Harcourt, liberal, demanded to know whether the government intended the grain tax as a war revenue measure or whether it was intended as a lever to aid in the negotiations of differential trades with foreign countries.

The chairman of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, replied that the grain tax was imposed for revenue only. But without prejudice to the discussion which would take place between the colonial premiers in London, and which he hoped would have good results in promoting free trade between this country and the colonies. His disclaimer completely interpreted the Canadian premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, had put on the grain tax. He did not see why free trade with the colonies should involve increased duties on the part of foreign nations. "But," the speaker added, "if we could have free trade with the colonies, even some sacrifices in that direction might be made."

Movement of Danish Diplomats.

COPENHAGEN, June 9.—Constantin Bruun, the Danish minister to the United States, is expected to arrive here shortly on leave of absence. It is said in well informed quarters that Mr. Bruun is desirous of an appointment to the Paris legation, but that the government probably will wish him to remain at Washington, and that P. E. De Vosterman, the minister of Denmark at St. Petersburg, will be designated for the Paris legation. The present Danish minister at Paris, J. H. De Hegermann Dindorfer, will go to Berlin at the end of summer.

Pope Pleased with Gift.

LONDON, June 9.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Rome says the pope was highly delighted with President Roosevelt's gift of a complete set of the latter's works and confirms the report that the pope issued orders that mosaic of St. Peter's and the Vatican be transmitted to the president with his thanks. These mosaics are magnificent specimens of this branch of art and are made at the Vatican workshops.

Fatal Flood in Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN, P. R., June 9.—Extensive floods have occurred in the Patillas district of this island. Five persons have been drowned, a number of houses have been destroyed, and the owners of sugar property and cattle have sustained great losses. The inhabitants of the flooded part of the country are in need of assistance. No further details have been received.

Boers Cheer the King.

LONDON, June 9.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria, under today's date, announced the surrender on Saturday and Sunday of 2,500 fighters, of which 448 were handed in by Cape Colony rebels. The remainder were principally from General De Wet's men. The British commander adds that the Boers given by the Boers for King Edward were hearty.

PRESIDENT PATTON RESIGNS

Official Head of Princeton Lays Down Work After Fourteen Years' Service.

RETAINS CHAIR IN THE UNIVERSITY

Quits to Develop Literary Work and is Succeeded by Prof. Woodrow Wilson, Unanimously Elected to Succeed Patton.

PRINCETON, N. J., June 9.—The chief event in connection with Princeton's 151st annual commencement, as it was the great surprise, came today at the annual meeting of the board of trustees, when President Francis L. Patton resigned the presidency and jurisprudence and politics, was elected to succeed him. A full attendance of the trustees after the meeting had been called to order President Patton handed in his resignation and at the same time suggested that Prof. Wilson be elected to succeed him. A prominent member of the board of trustees said that President Patton so strongly urged his own resignation that the board could not do otherwise than accept it. He also said Woodrow Wilson's nomination to succeed him was acted upon and the election was made unanimous on the first ballot. When seen by the Associated Press correspondent afterward President Patton made the following statement:

Why He Quit.

I have resigned my office as president of the university because I desire to carry on my literary plans on a larger scale than I could do by retaining the presidency. This is really all there is to say. I shall retain my professorship in the university in the chair of ethics and the philosophy of religion. I have been president of the university for fourteen years. Former President Cleveland was among the members of the board present at today's meeting. The 1902 class day exercises were held in Alexander hall. Edgar H. Johnson delivered the class oration and Robert P. Schaeffer read the class poem. At the close of these exercises the ivy oration was delivered from the steps of Nassau hall by Alexander J. Barron and the class ivy was planted beneath a window of the building. The cannon exercises were held this afternoon.

The graduating class is the largest in the history of the university. It numbers 253 members, 175 academic, sixty-eight scientific department, nine engineering department and three special.

LONG CAREER OF OSBORN

Newspaper Man Under Whom Andrew Carnegie Served as Messenger Boy.

ST. LOUIS, June 9.—Charles J. Osborn, who has been correspondent of the Associated Press in this city since 1885, representing a term of forty-seven years of continuous service, will retire from the more severe labors of active service about July 1. The Associated Press, however, retains his advisory cooperation as part of the working force by an arrangement highly complimentary to Andrew Osborn. Major Osborn began his newspaper career on the Cincinnati Herald in 1847, of which Stanley Matthews, afterwards supreme court justice, was then editor and Salmon P. Chase, afterward chief justice of the United States supreme court, was one of the principal contributors. In 1848 he went to Pittsburgh as the instance of his former playmate and schoolfellow, Anson Stager, who was then manager of the Pittsburgh Telegraph office and who afterwards became general superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company. He worked under General Stager at Pittsburgh and Cincinnati until 1851, when he was in 1855 he took up his duty as agent of the New York Associated Press. At that time the overland mail, and later the "Fony express" was the only means of communicating news across the plains to Visalia, a point in California 240 miles south of San Francisco, to which the telegraph wire had been extended.

Major Osborn has, therefore, witnessed the development of the telegraph service of America and the marvelous advances which have been made in news gathering during the half century. During his stay in the city of Pittsburgh, Andrew Carnegie was one of the messenger boys. For more than twenty years he has been the dean of the Associated Press service, widely known, most highly respected and personally known to the great body of Associated Press workers all over the world. His retirement from the arduous daily responsibility of correspondent at Louisville has been accepted. He remains in touch with the St. Louis staff and in active sympathy with the work. He will continue to be a member of the general force of the Associated Press.

EXCITEMENT IS SUBSIDING

Danger of Race War in Mississippi is No Longer Imminent.

MERIDIAN, Miss., June 9.—Telephone reports from Marion and points in the north of Lauderdale county state the excitement of Saturday night has somewhat subsided. Green Johnson and Nate Moore, the negroes arrested Saturday afternoon as leaders in the movement to murder the whites, were released today owing to a failure to identify them as writers of the letters appointing the rendezvous for the negroes who had been armed. Every white man over a territory of ten miles was armed Saturday night and slept with a gun near him, in anticipation of trouble. The decisive action of the whites in visiting negroes and telling them that the first move on their part to carry out their plans would result in their wholesale slaughter is believed to have had a quieting effect.

CUBAN MINISTER IS COMING

Will Open Headquarters for the Present at Hotel in Washington.

NEW YORK, June 9.—A Havana dispatch to the Tribune says that Gonzalo Quesada, Cuban minister to Washington, and his family have called for Washington. The minister Quesada will go immediately to Washington and open the legation at the Hotel Raleigh until he secures a house. He is a bearer of the good wishes of President Palma to President Roosevelt. He also has been instructed to use every endeavor to secure favorable and quick action on the question of tariff reduction on Cuban products. A large number of citizens went aboard to say goodbye and wish Senator Quesada success. General Garcia, oldest son of Calisto Garcia, probably will be sent to Havana as consul general.

BATES TO BE MAJOR GENERAL

Commander of Department of Missouri Designated by President for Promotion.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The president today sent the following nominations to the senate: Army—Brigadier General John C. Bates and George W. Davis, to be major generals. Colonel to be brigadier general: Theodore W. Vin, Sixth cavalry; Frank D. Baldwin, Twenty-seventh infantry; Jesse M. Lee, Thirtieth infantry; William H. Carter, assistant adjutant general.

Major to be brigadier general: Lasker Bliss, commissary. Surgeon general for a period of four years, with rank of brigadier general, Colonel William H. Porwood, assistant surgeon general. Henry Torrell, United States attorney for the western district of Texas; Silas A. McFarland, Iowa, now consul at Nottingham, England, to be consul at Reichenburg, Austria; Frank W. Mahon, Iowa, now consul at Reichenburg, to be consul at Nottingham, England.

The following statement was made at the War department as to the policy governing the army nominations: The president within the few months past, with rank of brigadier general, has named the active list of the army, to be brigadier general for the present. The officers last nominated for promotion to the grade of brigadier general are all officers possessing the opportunity of being able to carry on the active work of the army for two years. This action, however, does not indicate that no further promotions of veterans will be made. A number of vacancies will occur during the coming year which will afford a small number of opportunities for promotion to the active list. There will be many vacancies the next two years. I shall retain my professorship in the university in the chair of ethics and the philosophy of religion. I have been president of the university for fourteen years. Former President Cleveland was among the members of the board present at today's meeting. The 1902 class day exercises were held in Alexander hall. Edgar H. Johnson delivered the class oration and Robert P. Schaeffer read the class poem. At the close of these exercises the ivy oration was delivered from the steps of Nassau hall by Alexander J. Barron and the class ivy was planted beneath a window of the building. The cannon exercises were held this afternoon.

The report of the appointment of Brigadier General John C. Bates to be major general was received in Omaha with much pleasure by the people. It was a surprise, as it had been semi-officially reported ever since he came to Omaha in charge of the Department of the Missouri that he would in a short time receive one of the vacancies which have been continued from time to time by the elevation of brigadiers who were shortly after their appointment to the higher grade.

General Bates is probably better known in the city than any of the general officers of the army, as he was stationed here for a long time as colonel of the Second regiment when that regiment was stationed at Omaha. As colonel he was in command of the post he took prominent place in the social affairs of the city and made a large number of friends. He was appointed from civil life to a position in the army by President Lincoln, his father being a member of the president's cabinet. He is a native of Missouri, and his permanent home is at Springfield, Mo., where he is a resident. He is one of the Indian fighters of the service and after his work in the civil war rounded out his experience in the lower grades of the service on the western plains. In the Spanish war he established his ability as a general commander and his personal bravery. He is a well known figure in the social life of the city and his acquaintances as a tribute to merit well earned by the recipient. General Bates is absent from the city, but is expected to return Saturday. He is at West Point attending the centennial exercises of the military academy and while there he will probably meet and confer with the higher officials of the War department as to his future. Until his return nothing can be said of his future. He does not retire under the age limit until 1906, but it is possible that he will follow precedent established in other cases and retire shortly to make way for the appointment of other officers. He is a well known figure in the social life of the city and his acquaintances as a tribute to merit well earned by the recipient.

LIBERTY BELL STIRS PEOPLE

Thousands View the Patriotic Relic as it Passes Through Washington.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The Liberty bell arrived here today enroute to Philadelphia from the Charleston exposition, where it has been on exhibition. The arrival of the bell was marked with brief patriotic exercises and thousands of people passed before the relic throughout the day and viewed the relic with interest. The ceremonies began by the playing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by the United States Marine band. President McFarland of the Board of Commissioners then delivered an address. Chairman Wilson H. Brown of the joint committee of the roundtable Philadelphia responded. Following this the Marine band played Sousa's "Liberty Bell." The crowd was then permitted to pass the car. A number of children were lifted onto the car while little bunches of flowers from other children placed on the car were carefully laid on the top of the bell. During the exercises the minute men of the district, uniformed in colonial uniforms, took position in front of the car, where they remained through the day. The Marine and other bands remained through the day and played patriotic selections at intervals. The car will remain here over night and will proceed to Philadelphia at 5 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Hotels Must Be Removed.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The secretary of war has notified the owners of the Hygia hotel and other private establishments on the military reservation at Fort Monr, Va., that the land occupied by them is urgently needed for military purposes and their buildings and contents must be removed within a "reasonable time." This action is taken on the recommendation of a board of army officers appointed to consider the subject, and it is in accordance with an opinion given by Judge Advocate General Davis as to the law in the case. It is the purpose of the department to extend the batteries at this post and to erect a number of new buildings for purely military purposes.

Quorum is Not Present.

NEW YORK, June 9.—The meeting of directors of the Amalgamated Copper company in Jersey City, called for today, was adjourned without day, there being no quorum present.

SARPY TURNS DOWN MERCER

County Convention Instructs for Orouse for Congress by Unanimous Vote.

ISSUE DETERMINED AT THE PRIMARIES

Sixth Term Congressman is Beaten Out by 25 to 9 and in Every Precinct but One in the County.

GRETNA, Neb., June 9.—(Special Telegram.)—At a result of the Papillon primaries held here for years, at which the issue was brought directly home to the voters, the republicans of Sarpy county, in their convention held here today, expressed themselves decisively against returning Congressman Mercer for a sixth term by instructing their delegates to the congressional convention for E. J. Cornish of Omaha. Notwithstanding the active work of the Mercer men, who had full control of the machinery of the party and who directed themselves particularly against Mr. Cornish, the anti-Mercerites carried every precinct in the county almost solidly, with the exception of the Papillon precinct, where the Mercer men, who showed the relative strength, gave twenty-five to Cornish and only nine to Mercer. The resolution of instruction was adopted unanimously and reads as follows: "Whereas, the question as to the choice of the republican voters of Sarpy county for the republican nomination for congressman from this district has been decided by the voters of Sarpy county, and whereas, it is the duty of the delegates to select delegates to this convention, and a large vote has been polled in nearly every precinct on that issue, therefore, it is resolved, That the republicans of Sarpy county favor the nomination of E. J. Cornish as candidate for congressman from the district of Nebraska, and that the delegates to the congressional convention hereafter to be called and instructed to use all honorable means to secure his nomination by said convention.

Mr. Cornish was called upon to make a speech and he said in part: "Gentlemen: I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me and I will do all I can for the good and welfare of the people. Again I thank you." Great cheers went up at the conclusion of his remarks. The delegation will carry out these instructions in the congressional convention are: A. R. Morrison, J. M. Fox, Thomas Coleman, A. L. Spearman, J. E. Hoyer, Henry Cory, Joseph Pugh and George S. Wall. By special resolution the convention authorized these delegates to cast all the votes apportioned to Sarpy county when the congressional convention should be called and to add to their number in case a larger apportionment should be given.

The other business of the convention went off with encouraging unanimity. The delegates, to the number of thirty-four, were called together at 2 o'clock in Trecker's hall by Chairman I. D. Clarke of the county committee. Mr. Davidson of Springfield presided over the deliberations of the convention and P. S. Nickerson acted as secretary. The first thing in order was the election of delegates to the state convention and but little time was consumed securing good men. They are: H. A. Clarke, Forrest City precinct; W. F. Martin, Bellevue; I. D. Clarke, Papillon; Frank Snodgrass, Joseph Pugh, George S. Wall, La Crosse, Thompson, Springfield; Charles Gleason, Richardson; A. O. Reis, Fairview. For delegates to the judicial convention the following men were selected: J. R. Wilson, Papillon; E. T. Hughes, Gretna; H. S. Eby, Bellevue; W. S. Davidson, Springfield. The convention proceeded to elect a county central committee, who are: Gretna, E. T. Hughes and J. Fox; Springfield, Charles Thompson; Fairview, Joe Pugh; La Platte, G. S. Wall; Plattford, John Mundeil; Richardson, F. Ward; Papillon, C. D. Brown and J. Lutz; Bellevue, Henry Eby and Ed Hoyer. Chairman Trecker will succeed to the place at the head of the committee held by J. D. Clarke.

Gathering in Third District.

FREMONT, Neb., June 9.—(Special.)—Every train to this city today from the state district of Nebraska, today decided that the local representatives of the packing companies would have to answer the questions that had been propounded to them by the grand jury now investigating the beef trust. The grand jury will meet this afternoon and it is expected that the witnesses will still refuse, and that they will be committed to jail in contempt, whereupon their attorneys will take out writs of habeas corpus and carry the matter before the United States circuit court.

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FOUR HURT IN A COLLISION

Accident Happens on the Colorado & Southern Road Near Valverde.

DENVER, Colo., June 9.—Four railroad men were injured today in a head-on collision on the South Park branch of the Colorado Southern railroad two miles north of Valverde, between a fisherman's train returning from Platte canyon and the westbound passenger train. None of the passengers were hurt. The train was driven by Samuel Lovell, engineer on the fish train. Internal injuries and shoulder wrenched. M. Elliott, fireman on westbound train, ankle dislocated and arm injured. Al Latham, engineer on westbound train, leg bruised. J. Hausinger, Wells-Fargo express messenger, leg bruised. The Colorado Southern officials attribute the collision to failure of Engineer Latham to follow orders, as the fish train had the right of way.

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Church Organist Commits a Horrible Suicide in Front of the Altar.

BAY CITY, Mich., June 9.—After saturating his clothing with kerosene oil, Joseph Rejch set fire to himself in the Catholic church at Fisherville, this county. His charred remains were discovered in front of the altar Sunday. Holes had been bored through the church floors by his blazing body. Rejch, who was 39 years of age, was the organist of the church and a teacher in the Sunday school. It is supposed he was temporarily insane.

Of Course Its a Volcano.

TACOMA, Wash., June 9.—Two columns of steam are rising from the apex of Mount Rainier. The melting of the snow by the heat of the sun, the lifting and driving of the snow from the summit by the wind and several other possible explanations of the phenomena are offered, but none of them seem to be satisfactory.

Drowned in a Canal.

CHILLICOTHE, O., June 9.—While returning from a picnic at a late hour last night in a rowboat on the Ohio and Erie canal south of here, Howard Faucett, a traveling salesman of Marietta, and Minnie Burkart of this city, were drowned by the boat capsizing. Six others in the boat were rescued.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair Tuesday and Cooler in Northern Portion; Wednesday Fair and Cooler in Southwest Portion.

Table with 3 columns: Temperature at Omaha Yesterday, Degree, Hour. Rows for 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

STEEL TRUST IN LITIGATION

Stockholders Object to the Proposed Conversion of Stock into Bonds.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Judge Lacombe, in the United States circuit court here today, denied the application made by the C. H. Werner company and others to restrain the United States Steel corporation from issuing \$200,000,000 in bonds and retiring at the same time \$200,000,000 of preferred stock of the corporation. The suit was originally brought in the supreme court of this state, but was transferred to the United States court because it involved a question as to the constitutionality of a New Jersey law. Vice Chancellor Emory, sitting in Newark, N. J., today, granted a rule to show cause why the proposed plan of the United States Steel corporation to convert \$200,000,000 of its preferred stock into bonds of the same amount should not be enjoined. The rule is returnable tomorrow. It carries with it a temporary restraining against the consummation of the plan pending disposition of the matter. Application for the order was made by Robert H. McCarty, as counsel for Miss Merriam Berger, who lives in Sullivan county, N. Y. Associate with Miss Berger are other holders of preferred stock of the steel corporation to the extent of 1,200 shares. A bill in the case, which was filed at Trenton, alleged that the conversion of the preferred stock into bonds was unconstitutional, as impairing the vested rights of the holders of the stock.

KEEPER OF JOINT MURDERED

Is Robbed and Beaten to Death by Transients, Who Are Arrested.

JAMESTOWN, N. D., June 9.—At Bowdon, Fritz Phillip, keeper of a "blind pig," was robbed and beaten to death, and Thomas Davis, Thomas Carr, Albert Bowman, Harry Cullum and James O'Brien, transients, have been arrested, charged with the crime. Phillip came from Garner, Ia., and three months ago started a "blind pig" at Bowdon. On the night of the murder there was a large crowd in his place, drinking and carousing, until finally only the five men now under arrest were left. The next morning citizens found Davis in a drunken stupor and Phillip nearly dead. He lived fifteen hours. A watch charm and coat belonging to Phillip, also a pair of skeleton keys, were found on the prisoners. At the inquest it developed that death had been caused by blows on the head and shoulders. Davis waived examination. The preliminary hearing in the case of the other prisoners is being held at Pescedora.

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TACOMA, Wash., June 9.—Two columns of steam are rising from the apex of Mount Rainier. The melting of the snow by the heat of the sun, the lifting and driving of the snow from the summit by the wind and several other possible explanations of the phenomena are offered, but none of them seem to be satisfactory.

Drowned in a Canal.

CHILLICOTHE, O., June 9.—While returning from a picnic at a late hour last night in a rowboat on the Ohio and Erie canal south of here, Howard Faucett, a traveling salesman of Marietta, and Minnie Burkart of this city, were drowned by the boat capsizing. Six others in the boat were rescued.

LIVES LOST IN FIRE

Ten Persons Known to Be Dead and Many Others Are Missing.

CHICAGO HOSPITAL IS DESTROYED

Among the Injured Are Mrs. Leah and John Dowsey of Omaha.

PATIENTS DRIVEN MAD WITH TERROR

Make Frantic Flight to Escape from the Fire-Enveloped Building.