

TO PENETRATE THE MINE TODAY

Mine Inspectors Says he Will Conquer Fire or Die in the Attempt to Reach the Bodies.

EARLING HAS DEPARTED

Many Rumors at the Mouth of the Mine, One Being That Heaps of Bodies Had Been Seen.

CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 18.—Illinois Mine Inspector Taylor took charge of the preparations for the descent and issued a statement today declaring that this time he and his men would take out the bodies or die in the attempt.

"We are going to conquer that fire down there today, or it will conquer us. We will go into the mine today sure. If we are successful, we will take out the bodies. If we are not, we will not come out alive. I pray God we will succeed in this desperate effort."

Taylor and Thomas-Moses, another inspector will make the first descent Taylor said it was his purpose to go down the shaft as far as the second level and then attempt to cross over to the shaft and open it also.

When the miners gathered at the mouth of the pit to wait the attempt to recover the bodies, many wild rumors spread among them. One of them was that Inspector Williams had seen heaps of bodies last night. Williams himself refused to confirm this statement. The private car of President Earling of the St. Paul railroad, left Cherry suddenly early today. Its destination is unknown but it is reported to have gone to Chicago. One of the reports circulated when the car left was that Earling had received a threatening letter signed, "two brothers," stating that the signers do not care about the others, "but we will get you." The departure of the car followed a lengthy conference of the officials, the result of which is not known.

Early today workmen finished the construction of a temporary elevator in the shaft of the St. Paul mine and preparations were made at once to send fifty men down into the mine to fight the flames if found necessary, or if possible to dig for the bodies of the entombed miner's bodies.

The suffering of the many stricken families in Cherry is increasing. By a strange irony of fate many of the little homes are without coal to heat them despite the fact that it lies in great heaps near the mine shaft. The reason for this is that there is a great scarcity of wagons for hauling the fuel. The Red Cross society has organized the relief work and food and provisions are being distributed to all of the houses today.

Attempt Last Night.

Two daring men, braving the deadly fire damp and other noxious gases, took their lives in their hands last night and descended into the blazing St. Paul mine in an effort to learn if any of the 310 entombed are still alive.

Standing in tiny buckets and clinging to the ropes, with the oxygen apparatus for supplying them air on their backs, they made the descent. They remained below a few minutes, and then, almost exhausted from the terrific heat, were hauled to the surface, only to report that they had found no trace of the victims, but that conditions appeared to be such as to make a further search possible today.

R. Y. Williams, head of the United States mine rescue station at Urbana, and Thomas Morris, his assistant, were the men who made the daring attempt. They waited until after midnight, when the bitter winds had driven the despairing crowds of men and women from the vicinity of the mine, before making the attempt. It was feared that there might have been serious trouble had they gone while the now thoroughly aroused throngs were near.

From what they discovered it is thought the fire has moved back from the main shaft and that it may be possible to enter it soon.

Williams, much the lighter man of the two, descended to the second gallery, where the fire started. The shaft was comparatively cool. There was considerable steam, but much less smoke than on Sunday.

"We're all in," was Morris' first words as his head, hidden in a metallic cap like that of a diver, appeared above the pit.

Trees Detrimental to Plant Life. Plant life rarely thrives under yellow and ash trees.

KEOKUK PAPERS NOT LIKE THIS

Henry Watterson Gives an Address Before the National Press Club and Criticizes the Press.

TOO MUCH YELLOWNESS

Reporters Being Turned Into Detectives and Bringing the Profession Into Disrepute.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Deprecating the tendency of the newspaper profession of today toward sensationalism, Col. Henry Watterson, the venerable editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, addressed the members of the National Press Club in this city last night, at a reception in his honor, on the personal relation of the newspaper toward the public. Col. Watterson is on his way home after an extensive European trip.

"Pretending to be the especial defenders of liberty, we are becoming the invaders of private rights," continued Col. Watterson. "No household seems any longer safe against intrusion. Our reporters are being turned into detectives. As surely as this is not checked, we shall grow to be the objects of fear and hatred, instead of trust and respect. "Some one ought to organize an intelligent and definite movement toward the bettering of what has reached alarming proportions. "I say this in your interest as well as the interest of the public and the profession, for I am sure that you are gentlemen and want to be considered so, whereas the work you are often set to do is the reverse of gentlemanly. It subjects you to aversion and contempt—brings you and a high and mighty calling into disrepute—by confusing the purpose and functions of the newspaper with those of the police and the scavenger. I have been proud of that calling all my life, and when I go to my account I want to see a clean and honored flag flying from the masthead."

TWO AMERICANS WERE EXECUTED

Nicaraguan Trouble Has Led to a Couple of Uncle Sam's Children Having Been Killed.

CRUISERS ARE SENT

Des Moines and Vicksburg Have Been Ordered to Steam to Central American Ports at Once.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Following the receipt of a report from the consulate at Managua that two Americans Leonard Grace and Leroy Cannon were executed today by President Zelaya's orders, the state department today informed the Nicaraguan legation at Washington that the reception of the new Nicaraguan minister Senator Hazera will be indefinitely postponed. At the request of the state department, the navy department has ordered the cruisers Vicksburg and Des Moines to Central American waters.

Killed by Train.

OTTUMWA, Nov. 18.—Struck by Burlington passenger train No. 3 while at work east of Ottumwa, Frank Hempfer, a laborer in the steel gang of the company was instantly killed.

Engineer Instantly Killed.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—John McKinley, of Fond du Lac, an engineer on the Wisconsin Central, was killed here when his head struck an obstruction, while leaning out of his cab.

Bank Statement Wanted.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for the condition of National banks at the close of business on November sixteenth.

For Tired Nerves.

A soothing drink for tired nerves is a cup of scalded milk.

MAKING SEARCH BY WIRELESS

Stations and Ships are Flashing Out the Call for Astor's Yacht But No Reply Received.

GREAT ALARM IS FELT

Nothing Has Been Heard From the Yacht's Boat Since the West Indian Hurricane.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Every coast station of the United Wireless Co. is today trying vainly to pick up the Nourmahal, the palatial yacht on which Col. John Jacob Astor and his son Vincent have been cruising in West India waters and which has not been reported since the great gale which swept Jamaica a week ago. For two days the yacht's signal call has been flashed across the ocean and no answer received.

So great has become the alarm felt for the safety of the yacht that the government revenue cutter Algonquin has been ordered to proceed from San Juan to seek the yacht, which was last reported on Nov. 8.

On that day Mrs. Astor was granted her secret divorce in New York city. On that day the yacht sailed for Porto Rico. On Nov. 10, the hurricane devastated the West Indies and the Nourmahal was in its wake. Eugene Higgins' yacht Veruna, which was driven ashore is pounding to pieces off Funchal, Madeira Island. The Veruna was in the path of the same hurricane which the Nourmahal encountered. This yacht was as large and much more seaworthy than that of Astor.

In addition to the land stations of the wireless companies, there are 8 ocean going steamships in West Indian waters which are equipped with wireless and they have all been ordered to be on the lookout for the yacht. The wireless company has tried for two days to get in communication with the Nourmahal but has failed. Signals are still being flashed. Steamship people do not believe the boat has been sunk, but fear she has been driven ashore, or is floating about helpless with her machinery injured.

"TWO WOMEN AND A MAN TONIGHT"

Wonderful New Film to Be Shown at the Bon Ton Theatre This Evening.

Tonight and for the first time in Keokuk and west of the Mississippi river will be shown at the Bon Ton theatre that new wonderful Biograph picture, "Two Women and a Man." If the program ended there patrons would have received their full money's worth, but it doesn't end there as there are other brand new films, including the two special comedy dramas, "The Mislead baby," and "The Personal Conduct of Henry." Tonight should certainly see the new theatre crowded to the doors, as the Biograph picture is absolutely one of the finest presentations since motion pictures have been in existence. There will also be a splendid musical program. Arrange to spend the evening at the Bon Ton. The service now being received at the Bon Ton is absolutely the best that can be secured and the public will realize the merit of it when tonight's program is seen. First program at 7:45.

GAMBLER'S WILL WAS PECULIAR

Wants to Repay Every Person From Whom He Won Money During His Career.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 18.—One of the strangest wills ever made here came to light when the last testament of Gen. Brown, Jr., noted as a gambler and race horse man, was filed in the probate court. "It is my desire, as far as possible," the will reads, "to repay every person, man, woman or child, any money which I may have won from them by gambling during my lifetime, and I direct my executors to make effort to learn their names and reimburse them to the full amount with interest from the day the money was won." Another strange provision of the will is for a tombstone to be erected above the testator and his wife, which will bear only their given names, omitting the name "Brown."

For Tired Nerves. A soothing drink for tired nerves is a cup of scalded milk.

PLANTERS' FEUD ENDS IN DEATH

Clarence Compton and His Daughter are Dead and the Neighborhood is Very Much Excited.

THREATS OF LYNCHING

Some One Made an Unkind Remark and This Led to a Revolver Duel Between the Interested Parties.

FLOYD, La., Nov. 18.—Clarence Compton, a wealthy planter, and his 12-year-old daughter, are dead as the result of a feud encounter, and Sylvester and Albert Owens, sons of a prominent clergyman, are in jail charged with the crime. The two families involved are among the leading people of the state and the whole parish is greatly excited over the occurrence. Further bloodshed is expected.

Albert Owens accused Compton of having said he had been forced to support Mrs. Owens' whole family since marrying her. Compton refused to retract and the brothers opened fire on him, emptying two shotguns and four revolvers. The daughter, who was near her father, fell dead at the first shot and Mrs. Compton had a narrow escape.

The child was shot in the stomach and both of her legs were broken by leaden slugs with which the Owens' guns were loaded. "We didn't intend to shoot the girl," said Albert Owens, "but it was her own fault, as she rushed in front of the old man."

Threats of lynching are heard on all sides. Should mob violence be attempted, a pitched battle will ensue, as both the Comptons and the Owens have many friends.

COLLEGES TAKING UP AERONAUTICS

Perhaps Next Year There Will be Sky Tournaments Instead of the Deadly Football Games.

SAFER THAN GRIDIRON

College Man Believes a Man in a Balloon Has a Better Chance for Life than the Man on The Eleven.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Carl H. Carson, president of the Aero club of the University of Pennsylvania, stated today that several of the large universities were planning to devote considerable time to aeronautics. His club will plan an initial trial on Thanksgiving day when a balloon manned by under graduates will be sent up. An aeroplane will later be purchased and the challenges be sent out to other colleges to compete. "Safer than football," says Carson.

ASK INCREASE OF THE BOND

U. S. Attorney Wants the Walsh Bond Raised to a Quarter Million Dollars.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—A petition asking that the bond of John R. Walsh, the convicted banker, be increased from \$50,000 to \$250,000 was filed in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals today by U. S. District Attorney Sims. The court took the matter under advisement.

Panama Laborers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Prompt action will be taken by President Taft to prevent contractors engaged in building railroads in South America from enticing laborers away from Panama. Last month these contractors succeeded in inducing about a thousand laborers to leave the canal zone to embark in their own enterprises. President Taft will shortly issue an executive order making the enticement of these laborers a misdemeanor.

FINNISH DIETS IS DISSOLVED

Looked Upon as the Beginning of the End of Independence for the People of Finland.

AT WAR WITH RUSSIA

Perhaps Armed Resistance Will be Shown to the Actions of the Czar in Oppressing the Fins.

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Nov. 18.—The Finnish Diet the last legislative body of Finland, reserved from Russia, was dissolved today. The dissolution is looked upon as the beginning of the end of Finnish independence. It will undoubtedly be violently opposed by the Fins and may precipitate armed resistance to Russian rule. The dissolution is the result of the refusal to give four millions to the Russian military fund. The demand came in a note from St. Petersburg. The senate stocked with Russian officials, passed the measure, but the diet rejected it, formulating in its stead, a demand that the request for money be made in accordance with the Finnish constitution.

MASTODON HEAD FOUND IN ILLINOIS

Remains of Prehistoric Beast Was Discovered in the Bed of Lawrence County Lake.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 18.—A discovery of the head of a mastodon in the bed of a lake in Lawrence county, this state, has created profound interest among individuals interested in scientific investigation who have heard of the unusual discovery. It was after Beaver Lake, four miles from the little town of Lawrenceville, had been drained of most of its water that William Warner, a wealthy sportsman of Lawrence county, and brother-in-law of Secretary J. K. Dickerson, of the state board of agriculture, made the find. Mr. Warner was bass fishing in the lake and stepped from a row boat onto what he thought was a stump, which before the lake was drained had been imbedded in the bank over twelve feet below the surface of the water. The supposed stump excited Mr. Warner's curiosity and he investigated and found it to be bone. With the aid of men in the vicinity he got the head out of its crust of earth in which it had probably lain for thousands of years.

THE REVOLUTION IN NICARAGUA

Blockade of Greytown Has Been Broken and Port is Now Open to Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The State Department has been officially advised by the Nicaraguan Government that the insurgent blockade of Greytown has been broken, and that the port is now open to commerce. Advice from President Zelaya to the Nicaraguan minister here report that Gen. Salomon Rumero, chief of Gen. Zamorro's government, was killed in the battle with the government troops before Greytown, and Gen. Pedro Fornos Diaz, another revolutionary leader, was seriously wounded. The insurgents, according to these advices, have fallen back from Rama, and have made a stand against the Second Army Corps, under Gen. Vasquez, and are in retreat toward Bluefields, with the government troops in close pursuit.

SAYS RAILROAD BURNED HIS FARM

Mt. Pleasant Man Wants \$600 From the C. & Q. on Account of Its Sparks.

MT. PLEASANT, Nov. 18.—A petition was filed in the office of the county clerk by Mr. P. B. O'Laughlin of Rome, and which made the Chicago Burlington and Quincy road the defendant. The plaintiff states "that during the year 1908 his farm caught fire from the sparks of an engine on the railroad tracks and that the fire resulting burned a lot of pasture, a lot of pole wood, cord wood and saw logs. During the years 1907 and 1909 more fires resulted from the same cause and did more damage all of which was named in the petition. Mr. O'Laughlin asks that he be granted judgment in the sum of \$600.18, with interest from the date of the first fire."

LILY'S DAUGHTER WILL WED JAP

Dorothy Russell is Waiting For Nephew of the Emperor of Japan to Come and Marry Her.

WAS COLLEGE ROMANCE

The Mikado Tried to Put a Stop to the Match But the Prince Will Marry in Spite of It.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 18.—Miss Dorothy Russell, daughter of Lillian Russell, the actress, is reported to be engaged to Aoki Sumuturi, Prince Mutsuhito, a nephew of the Emperor of Japan.

Miss Russell, who is waiting here for the arrival of the Prince from Japan, admitted that she intends to marry him.

Prince Mutsuhito was formerly a student at Yale, where he met Miss Russell. He soon commenced to show her ardent attentions which she encouraged. Some rumor of what was going on at last reached the Mikado in Japan and he ordered the Prince to leave Yale and return to his country. But after separation the Prince and Miss Russell found means of exchanging frequent letters. At last the Prince announced that he was on the point of sailing for this country and making Miss Russell his wife, regardless of the wishes of the Mikado.

Miss Russell said that she did not know whether Prince Mutsuhito was still upon the water or already landed at San Francisco. The wedding is expected to take place soon after the arrival of the Japanese Prince here.

Nineteen Injured.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Nov. 18.—Frisco passenger No. 11 was wrecked by spreading rails at Rogers, Ark. Nineteen persons were injured, including W. J. Ballard of St. Louis, who received cuts and whose legs were sprained, and T. M. Martin also of St. Louis.

GOD WITH HIM BUT NOT WHITES

Colored Revivalist Down South Will Probably be Tarr'd and Feathered at Tonight's Meeting.

SOCIAL EQUALITY TALK

Rev. Phillips Has Been Asked to Leave Town by Committee But Refuses to Take the Hint.

BOLOXI, Miss., Nov. 18.—An outbreak of hostilities caused by race prejudice is feared here as the result of the preachings of Rev. Samuel Phillips, colored, who has been agitating social equality of whites and blacks. He has been ordered to leave town by a vigilance committee and threatened with tar and feathers unless he complies. He declared he would not go. "God is with me and I will stay," he said. He is preaching at a revival meeting and it is feared that trouble may follow the meeting tonight.

Stabbed by Mirror.

NASHVILLE, Ill., Nov. 18.—While scuffling with school children Harry Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelley, was injured seriously by falling and crushing a mirror which he carried in his breeches pocket. The pieces of glass pierced his abdomen and he almost died to death before action will be taken by President Taft, medical aid could be had.

Trial Next Month.

CAIRO, Nov. 18.—Judge Butler announced that the case of Arthur Alexander, the negro who was taken north to avoid lynching, will come up in the December term of the circuit court. A special grand jury may be called for the investigation of the double lynching in December.

—Read The Daily Gate City.

BECAUSE WIFE WAS OCTOROON

Cousin of Prince Von Buelow Jumped Into the River and Suicided For This Reason.

WAS HAPPILY MARRIED

Louisiana State Law Caused His Arrest and He Disappeared Three Days After Being Released.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 18.—Edward von Buelow, a first cousin of Prince von Buelow of Germany, committed suicide by jumping in a river. He was married to an octoroon woman, and was arrested a week ago charged with violating the concubinage law, which prohibits such relations between the races, and which the police think was the cause of the suicide.

Von Buelow came to this country about twelve years ago, and in 1902 was married to a young woman who claimed to be a widow with two children. She was almost white and the marriage was performed in Jefferson Parish. She bore him two children and the family lived in a quiet residential district and seemed very happy. Neighborhood gossip finally led to an investigation and the disclosure that the woman was an octoroon. Von Buelow was arrested and released on bond. He disappeared three days ago, writing to the district attorney that when his case was called he would be out of the jurisdiction of the court. A note found on the body directed that it be turned over to his wife. Von Buelow was working in the Federal Internal Revenue Service.

Supreme Court Decisions.

[Special to The Gate City.] DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Dymert against Lewis, appellant, Woodbury, affirmed. Ross, appellant, against Dowden Mfg. Co., Jasper, affirmed. Webster City against Wright county, appellant, Wright, affirmed. Little against Green, appellant, Jackson, reversed. Barthling, appellant, against German Mutual Insurance, Bremer, reversed. Hazle Rigg, appellant, against Dobbins, Buchanan, reversed.

Girl and Burglar.

PRINCETON, Ind., Nov. 18.—Miss Grace Witherspoon, 20 years old, overpowered a burglar who had entered her home, and wrenched from his grasp a pillowslip containing more than \$200 worth of jewelry and furs, which the intruder had stolen.

THE WEATHER.

For Keokuk and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday. Rising temperature.

For Iowa, Illinois and Missouri: Fair tonight and Friday. Rising temperature.

Weather Conditions.

There has been snow or rain in portions of the Lake region and Eastern States, and high winds on the northeastern coast, attending the passage of the storm into the Atlantic. The western field of high pressure has passed to the lower Mississippi River eastward, and freezing temperature is reported in Arkansas, Tennessee and Georgia.

A depression has developed in Alberta, which has caused a decided rise of temperature in the Northwest, and the temperature is rising west of the Missouri river.

Conditions indicate fair weather with rising temperature for this section tonight and Friday.

Daily River Bulletin.

Stations	Stage	Height	Change	Wthr.
St. Paul	14	3.9	0.9	Cl'dy
La Crosse	12	6.0	x0.5	Cl'dy
Davenport	15	5.2	x0.5	Clear
Galland	8	2.5	x0.5
Keokuk	15	5.3	x0.6	Clear
St. Louis	30	15.2	x3.9	Clear
Des Moines	20	11.9	x0.2	Clear

Local Observations.

Date Nov. 18. Bar. Ther. Wind. Wthr. 17 7 p. m. 30.50 27 NW Clear 18 7 a. m. 30.51 17 W Clear

River above low water of 1864 5 feet, 3 tenths. Change in 24 hours, rise 6 tenths. Mean temperature, 27. Maximum temperature 32. Minimum temperature, 22.

River Forecast.

The river will continue to rise during the next 48 hours. FRED Z. GOSEWISCH, Observor