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PRICE FIVE CENTS

BURIED IN AN AVALANCHE OF SNOW AND ICE

(By Associated Press.)
Telluride, Colo., Feb. 28.—The mine buildings and bunkhouse of the Liberty Bell mine were completely buried under an avalanche of snow and swept to the gulches, hundreds of feet below at 7:30 o'clock this morning.

At this hour (12 o'clock) it is impossible to ascertain the number of lives lost, but it is estimated to be anywhere from 10 to 60. The bunkhouse, which was crushed like an eggshell by the mountain of wet and frozen snow as it came tearing down the steep mountain side, was crowded with miners at the fatal moment.

A few of these managed, by almost superhuman efforts, to extricate themselves from among the broken timbers and dig their way out of the snow. Many, however, who were not killed outright, were maimed into a state of helplessness and carried down in the awful maelstrom of debris, snow, earth and ice to a horrible death in the gulches below.

Bodies Recovered.

At 12 o'clock a courier arrived from the scene of the accident with the news that many of the bodies had already been recovered and were being carried down the mountain sides upon the shoulders of those who escaped, to the morgue at Telluride. Of the dead, two have already been identified. They are: FRED CLEMMONS, boarding house keeper.

CHARLES HALL, miner.

Communication with the mine is entirely shut off and until the messengers, who were hastily sent to the mine upon receipt of the news of the accident, return, the full details of the awful catastrophe will not be known.

The trail leading to the Liberty Bell mine is fully 37 miles long, and is one of the most difficult to ascend in the entire San Juan country. Especially hard is the trail to climb at this season of the year, when the snow is deep and the weather severely cold.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon a powerful glass was directed toward the trail lead-

ing up to the Liberty Bell. Squads of miners, carrying bodies of their unfortunate companions, could be seen coming down.

Bringing Down the Bodies.

It required from two to four men to convey each body and the descent is necessarily slow. Every now and then one of the men assisting in this gruesome task, could be seen to lose his footing, stumble and fall, carrying those near him down.

It was a scene never to be forgotten by those who witnessed it—the risking of life to bring back to their desolated homes the bodies of those who a few hours before had been full of life and hope.

Several Finns who were caught in the slide reached the city at noon, but were too excited and frightened to give any details.

The foreigners are superstitious and believe that accidents like this morning's are pre-ordained and come as a punishment.

Today's catastrophe, following so soon after the terrible fire at the Snuggler-Union, a few months ago, in which a score or more of lives were lost, has completely unnerved the miners.

Another Slip Occurs.

2:30 p. m.—Another snowslide occurred on the Smuggler Mountain this afternoon, burying about 40 men who were engaged in rescuing the men buried in the first slide.

Following is a list of the dead, whose bodies have been recovered:
S. C. CLEMMER, timekeeper at the Liberty Bell.

JOHN MARSHALL.

HENRY BAUES.

S. C. LENNER.

CHARLES L. SUMMERLAND.

GUS SWANSON.

JAMES HENNESSEY.

HARRY TROWBRIDGE.

Charles Hall, who was reported to have been killed, has been rescued alive. It is believed that the loss of life in the first slide will not exceed thirty.

M'LAURIN AND TILLMAN WERE CENSURED TODAY

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTION COMMITTEE AGREE UPON A RESOLUTION OF CENSURE.

FULL TEXT OF THE DOCUMENT

Some of the Republican Members of Committee Not in Favor of It But Chairman Burrows Presented It to Senate.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 28.—The senate committee on privileges and elections today agreed to report a resolution of censure in the cases of Senators Tillman and McLaurin.

Three republicans, Pritchard, McComas and Beveridge, voted against it. As soon as the journal was approved in the senate today Mr. Burrows presented the resolution of censure upon Senators Tillman and McLaurin.

Following is the full text of the resolution recommended by the committee:

The Resolution.

"That it is the judgment of the senate that the senators from South Carolina, Benjamin R. Tillman and John L. McLaurin, for disorderly behavior and flagrant violation of the rules of the senate during the open session of the senate on February 22, deserve the censure of the senate and they are hereby censured for their breach of the privileges and dignity of this body; and from and after the adoption of this resolution the order adjudging them in contempt of the senate shall be no longer in force and effect."

"Without objection," said President Pro Tem Frye, "they will be withdrawn."

"I object," said Mr. Dietrich, republican, Nebraska, but in the confusion, he evidently was not heard.

Mr. Hoar presented an additional rule looking to the prevention of such occurrences in the future, which was referred.

The conference report on the consular bill was taken up.

The senate agreed to the conference report on the consular bill.

Senator Tillman was asked if he would have anything more to say regarding the action of the senate. He replied: "No, I'm done."

The roll was called on the adoption of the report of the majority of the committee on privileges and elections. Senators Beveridge, Clark of Wyoming, DeBoe, Dietrich, Foster, Washington, Kittredge, Millard, Pritchard, Proctor and Scott voted "no" on the resolution. It was carried.

McLaurin, Mississippi, asked to be excused from voting on account of his friendship with the McLaurin of South Carolina. The latter declined to vote and Tillman also declined to vote, saying: "Among gentlemen an apology for offenses committed in the heat of blood was sufficient."

Mr. Kean of New Jersey, having voted in the affirmative, said that in view of the remark of Mr. Tillman he would change his vote.

BOERS MEET DISASTER DURING RECENT DAYS.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 28.—The war secretary, Mr. Broderick, announced in the house of commons today that during the last two days six hundred Boers had been killed or captured and that 2,000 horses and 28,000 head of cattle had fallen into the hands of the British troops.

The prisoners include General de Wasson and the general's secretary.

GOES THROUGH A TRESTLE

PASSENGER TRAIN IN SOUTHERN GEORGIA MEETS WITH A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

WEAKENED BY HEAVY RAINS

First-class Passenger Coach Was the Only One That Did Not Go Down — Passengers Escape.

(By Associated Press.)

Griffin, Ga., Feb. 28.—A southbound passenger train on the Columbus branch of the Southern railway went through a trestle into a creek at midnight near Zetella, Ga.

The killed:
A. F. MATHEWS.
J. L. HILL, baggagemaster, Columbus, Ga.
LEO G. MURRAY, mail clerk, Atlanta.
ISAAC McDOWELL, fireman, Columbus.

Several passengers were injured, but none fatally.

The structure had been weakened by the heavy rains, and three bents of the bridge gave way. The train was running cautiously at the time of the accident.

The first-class coach was the only car that did not go into the washout.

nounced, Mr. Burrows demanded that Mr. Tillman's words be taken down.

Committee Report.

The report of the committee read in the senate says that the offense of Mr. Tillman was much greater than that of Mr. McLaurin.

Mr. Bailey presented a report of the democrats agreeing to the resolution, but dissenting from the majority that there was a difference in the gravity of the offense. They also disagreed to the views of the majority that a senator might be suspended.

The report of the three dissenting republicans submitted by Mr. McComas, asserted that the offenses of the South Carolina senators were unequal and the punishment should not be the same.

The minority report favored the suspension of McLaurin for five days and of Tillman for 20 days.

Mr. Pritchard did not concur with McComas and Beveridge as to the infliction of punishment of McLaurin and asserted that he had already been sufficiently punished.

HENRY OF PRUSSIA IS NOT AFRAID OF RAIN

He Visits Annapolis and Reviews the Naval Cadets While the Downpour Was Unceasing, Forming Small Rivers in the Streets—Parade Ground Was Converted Into a Bay.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 28.—A driving rain did not deter Prince Henry from going to Annapolis today to visit the United States naval academy. At 9 o'clock, when the prince came to the door of the German embassy, the air was white with mist and rain.

Some of the prince's party sought to dissuade him from making the trip, but, like a true sailor man, he paid no heed to the elements.

Prince Henry was accompanied by Adjutant von Elsendecker, but as this was a purely naval trip, the German ambassador and the civilian members of the embassy staff did not accompany the party.

Prince Henry wore the undress uniform of an admiral of the German navy, with a heavy naval cape thrown over his shoulders and the naval service cap.

Left for Annapolis.

The prince and suite, with the president's delegates, left at 9:10 o'clock for Annapolis.

In the party were Secretary Long, Senator Hale of Maine, chairman of the senate committee on naval affairs, Assistant Secretary of State Pierce, Admirals Bowles, Endicott, Kenny, O'Neill and Bradford, Commander Cowles, Captain Sigbee and Captain Lemly, General Haywood of the marine corps and Chief Wilkie of the secret service.

Admiral Evans did not accompany the party, owing to a lame knee.

Parade Ground a Bay.

(By Associated Press.)

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 28.—Deluging rain that was whipped around by gusty wind, marred the visit of Prince Henry to Maryland's capital and the United States naval academy. It fell in unceasing torrents that ran through the streets in miniature rivers and converted the parade ground at the academy into a bay.

But the naval men and their brother officers of the German party scorned surrender to the storm, and with all the military finery went through the program that had been arranged in their honor.

The train bearing Prince Henry made a slow run from Washington. During the trip Secretary Long, to whom the ear "Garronne" had been especially assigned, went to the car Victoria and called on the prince. Then the party of American naval officers were presented and Senator Hale and Representative Foss paid their respects.

Cordial Greeting.

The prince greeted them all very cordially. When the train reached Annapolis station it was cut in two and the

HONORARY DEGREE HAD STOLEN SUITS

PRINCE HENRY IS TO RECEIVE THE HONOR FROM HARVARD.

SOME IMPOSING CEREMONIES

German Emperor and the Prince Will Be Elected Honorary Members of New York Yacht Club Before Latter Returns.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 28.—Prince Henry of Prussia will receive an honorary degree from Harvard on March 6.

The name of Prince Henry had been mentioned soon after his arrival in this country in connection with this honor, but there was some opposition to the plan in the university corporation. This has, however, been overcome, and if the proposed plans are carried out, the degree will be conferred with imposing ceremonies.

It is believed that further details as to the gift of the works of art to the university by the German emperor will be made public at that time.

A member of the royal party said that all Germans are keenly interested in subjects pertaining to universities, and that the prince doubtless will enjoy his visit to Cambridge.

It has also been stated on good authority that the names of the German emperor and Prince Henry will be added to the list of honorary members of the New York Yacht club. This list already includes the names of their royal uncle, King Edward VII, and the Grand Duke Alexis.

In Ohio, Too.

(By Associated Press.)

Cleveland, O., Feb. 28.—One of the most violent gales experienced in years prevailed throughout northern Ohio early today. At the local weather bureau office the wind registered a velocity of 64 miles an hour. Telephone and telegraph service is seriously affected.

BILANT GUILTY OF SECOND DEGREE MURDER

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Red Lodge, Feb. 28.—The jury in the Bilant murder trial brought in a verdict at 3 o'clock this morning of murder in



"CUCKOO" BILANT.

the second degree and prescribed the life sentence.

JEALOUSY CAUSES THE DEATH OF THREE PERSONS.

(By Associated Press.)

Elgin, Ill., Feb. 28.—Benjamin F. Ellsworth, an influential man of Woodstock and owner of extensive machine shops, today shot and killed Anos Anderson, Mrs. Ellsworth and himself.

Ellsworth was jealous of Anderson's attentions to Mrs. Ellsworth. Both men were older than Mrs. Ellsworth.

Ellsworth's 19-year-old son has been arrested, charged with being in league with his father in a plot to kill Anderson.

STORM SWEEP GULF COAST

IT HAS PASSED TO THE NORTH AND OUT TO SEA BUT LEFT WRECKS BEHIND.

RIVERS AT FLOOD HEIGHT

Washouts Are Reported on All Railroads and Reservoir of Columbus, Georgia, Was Carried Away by the Angry Flood.

(By Associated Press.)

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 28.—The storm which swept over the southeastern gulf states yesterday and last night, has apparently passed north and out to sea, Charleston feeling its force at 4 o'clock this morning, when the wind registered 43 miles an hour.

The heavy rains have raised the waters to flood height in the Chattahoochee, Alabama, Ocmulgee and Savannah rivers and much financial damage is reported in Georgia and Alabama.

Four lives were lost as a result of a wreck caused by the washout near McDonough, Ga. Numerous freight wrecks occurred from the same cause. At Columbus, Ga., a wagon bridge was carried away last night and the Chattahoochee is higher than in 20 years.

Nearly all the manufacturing plants in Columbus, Phoenix City and Girard have closed down.

The regular water main supplying Columbus was washed away and the city is without water. Washouts are reported on all railroads and miles of track are under water.

All trains on the Atlanta & West Point railway have been held at West Point, Ga., since last night on account of a washout near Gabbetsville. The early warning sent out by the weather bureau gave the people at West Point ample time to move their stores of goods and cotton to places of safety. Although the river continues to rise, it has not as yet done any damage there.

The damage in Lee county, Alabama, is reported to be \$50,000.

Telegraph wires were washed away in many places and all bridges on Mulberry and Standing Boy creeks in South Georgia were swept away.

WORST STORM IN YEARS.

North Carolina Railroads Are Completely Blocked.

(By Associated Press.)

Ashville, N. C., Feb. 28.—All railway traffic in the mountains is completely paralyzed as a result of last night's storm. The French broad river is the highest ever known. All manufacturing plants on the banks have been forced to close. A large number of houses on the lowlands along the river were cut off by the water last night and the occupants were taken out in boats.

The river rose over the 13 foot wall at Marshall, N. C., and flooded the town. Several small freight wrecks are reported. The water is reported 10 feet deep in one place on the Murphy division of the Southern railway.

The case went to the jury at 5:30 last night. When the first ballot was taken five of the jurors were for hanging and seven for life imprisonment.

About 250 ballots were taken before the verdict was arrived at.

An intimation of the verdict was given at 10 o'clock last night when the jury called Judge Henry in to give them further instructions.

"Cuckoo" received the verdict with stolid indifference.

The Austrian was placed on the stand in his own behalf yesterday afternoon and as he was leaving the witness box he caused a sensation by turning to the jury and crying: "Me ready to die today, tomorrow, five minutes, me ain't 'fraid to die, but me no kill Hobo Dave."

No Direct Proof.

The defense placed two witnesses on the stand to prove an alibi and acted upon the theory that the blood found on Bilant's clothing was from an ox he assisted in butchering and from the bleeding of his nose in a saloon fight.

There could be no witnesses found who could connect Bilant directly with the crime. No one saw Davidson murdered nor "Cuckoo" near the place of the tragedy.

Nevertheless there was a feeling that "Cuckoo" did the job and that fitting conviction is reflected in the return of the jury.

GORGES ON THE RIVER WERE BROKEN TODAY

STEAMBOATS CAUGHT IN THE RUNNING ICE ARE IN A DANGEROUS CONDITION.

FEAR ANOTHER GORGE BELOW

Much Damage Has Already Resulted and Much More Is Thought Probable—Residents Below Notified.

(By Associated Press.)

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 28.—The great gorges in the Allegheny river are broken and the ice is sweeping down on this city. The first break occurred at Montrose, about 3:30 o'clock this morning, and an hour later the gorge near Sandy Creek broke with a roar like that of heavy artillery and began to move slowly down the river.

Caught in the swiftly moving ice packs were two steamboats, the D. T. Watson and the George Browdy, with a crew of four men.

The Watson was reported from Montrose fighting her way against the heavy ice in the middle of the river. It is considered extremely doubtful whether she will be able to survive. The Browdy is off the mouth of Sandy Creek in an exactly similar position.

Been Warned Below.

The residents of the river towns have been warned of the approaching ice and preparations have been made to flee to higher ground in the event of the ice gorging again, causing the river to overflow.

The water at this point has only risen about a foot since yesterday and at 10 o'clock the river was free of ice, the head of the gorge not having reached the city.

Reports at 10 o'clock were that the ice had gorged again at Montrose, Six-Mile ferry and Sharpburg and that it was still intact at Brilliant station.

At Montrose it is piled 20 feet high from shore to shore.

The Freeport road is under two feet of water and all the houses along the road are partly submerged. Rope ferry was completely wrecked and two sand boats badly damaged.

The lower sections of Verona and Cheswick are under water and many houses flooded.

CANNOT TRANSFER.

Company May Soon Withdraw Their Offer to Sell.

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Feb. 28.—At an extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the New Panama Canal company today, President Bo read a message from the consul general of Colombia at Paris setting forth that the company could not transfer its concession to another nation without first securing the assent of Colombia, modifying the stipulation of articles 21 and 22 of the agreement.

After a discussion, during which it was urged that efforts should be made to keep the concession for France, the meeting adopted a resolution expressing approval of the attitude of the board of directors and deciding, in view of this fact, to postpone entering into any engagement.

Deer Lodger Goes Insane.

(By Associated Press.)

Deer Lodge, Feb. 28.—Samuel Headmark was examined as to his sanity this morning, and was adjudged insane.

Jack's Secret.

(Life.)

Jack—What is the secret of your popularity with the ladies?
Tom—I always mistake the society queens for debutantes and the debutantes for society queens.