



Passing Events Pictorially Presented by the Inter Mountain Cartoonist.

ADVANCE IN WAGES DEMANDED BY THE MINERS

United Mine Workers Hold a Conference and Decide Upon General Strike.

PENNSYLVANIA MINERS ESTABLISHING A CAMP

Peace Rumors Again Given Out—Every Locality Is Quiet—West Virginia Operators Are Trying to Secure Miners at Hazelton—All Mines Are Completely Shut Down and Bosses Compelled to Run Pumps Without Assistance.

Huntington, W. Va., May 24.—Today the United Mine Workers conference ordered that a general strike among all the miners in Virginia and West Virginia begin on June 7 and last until demands of a 7 to 22 per cent advance in wages adopted in convention here March 7 was accepted by the operators.

Coal Miners Camp.
Blairsville, Pa. May 24.—The striking coal miners have established a camp at this place and active efforts will be made to close down the mines. A brass band from Carnegie and nearly 1,000 strikers are here and, it is said, they will remain until the agreement is signed by the operators. President Dolan says the men will depend entirely on moral suasion. Daily parades will be a feature of the camp.

Peace Rumors Again.
Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 24.—Peace rumors are again in the air. Reports from the entire coal field showed that every locality was quiet. President Mitchell left this afternoon for a flying trip to Chicago to see his family.

END OF BOER WAR TOLD HORSEMEN

BUYERS NOTIFIED THAT NO MORE ANIMALS ARE WANTED BY ENGLAND FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

REPORT IS RECEIVED IN BUTTE LAST NIGHT

Men Interested in Horse Purchases for the British Government Assembled in Butte Told of the South African Struggle by Cancellation of Orders—Montana Profits by Prolonged War.

Butte had a notification in an unusual manner last night that the Boer war is drawing to a close.

"Notify all agents for the British government who have been purchasing horses that after this date no more horses will be required," was the message which came to O. H. Wallup of Sheridan, Wyoming, at the Thornton.

Several of the buyers assembled in Butte last night by appointment, and when it was learned that the British market for horses had closed, telegrams were sent all over the state to notify the many agents who have been picking up Montana cow ponies for service in South Africa to quit buying.

Moncrief Bros. of Sheridan, who have had several agents in Montana during the past two years, wired their agent, R. H. Walsh, to call all deals off immediately, and to dispose of the horses on hand, if possible.

"This war has meant a great deal to the people of Montana," said one of the dealers at the Thornton this morning. "Not less than 15,000 head of horses from this state alone have been sold to the British government through its agents. No matter what the right or wrong of it."

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GRINDROD'S DEATH STILL A MYSTERY

CORONER JOHNSON MAY POSSIBLY CALL FOR ANOTHER EXAMINATION INTO THE CASE.

SEARCH FOR MOTIVE TO PROVE MURDER THEORY

Neither Robbery or Revenge, According to Present Evidence, Is a Reason for Killing the Man—Finding of Morphine in Dead Man's Stomach Puzzles Those Working on the Case.

Efforts are being made to open the Grindrod case again because of the recent developments and it is not improbable that Coroner Johnson will call for another examination early next week.

Seldom in the history of the city has a case attracted such attention as the mysterious death of the president of the Molders' Union.

There are some who maintain that as at first supposed the death was due to heart failure and to the fact that Grindrod had been drinking more than usual during the previous week, but against this theory there stands the indisputable evidence of Prof. Traphagen of the Bozeman college, who showed by his analysis that he found morphine in the stomach of the dead man.

Motive for Murder.
There was no doubt in the minds of the coroner's jury which brought in a verdict that James Grindrod died from morphine poisoning, although the men who composed the jury were unable to determine by whom the poison had been administered.

Perhaps the most mysterious phase of the case is the apparent lack of motive. If it was robbery, the murderers could not have known much of the life and habits of the dead man, as he was never known to carry and considerable amount of money with him.

If the motive was revenge there has been no definite and tangible evidence produced that he had the ill-will of any one, and particularly to the extent that would

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE AT FERNIE

Now Estimated That One Hundred and Seventy-five Men Met Almost Instant Death-- Mine Is Free From Fire.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Fernie, B. C., May 24.—The loss of life in the Coal Creek mines on Thursday is even greater than was at first reported. It is now estimated that from 150 to 175 men met almost instant death.

The first body recovered was taken from No. 3 mine about 11 o'clock, and was that of Willie Robertson, a lad of 13 years.

Several hours elapsed and then three more bodies were recovered. None of the victims gave the slightest signs of life.

At 4 a. m. the relief parties had penetrated so far that the gas became unbearable and operations had to be suspended for an hour or two.

Free From Fire.
The mine is free from fire and the bodies will be removed as fast as the after damp is cleared. The town is horror-stricken and heart-rendering scenes meet the eye on every side.

All day the trains to the mine have been crowded with anxious friends and relatives of the imprisoned men, hurrying to the scene of the disaster.

A meeting of the Seattle board of trade has been called to organize a relief fund for the sufferers.

The cause of the accident is unknown, but the opinion of many is that it was the result of a heavy shot from one of the machines.

List of Dead.
The dead recovered up to 10:30 p. m. last evening follows:
STEVE MORGAN.
JOE SENGALA.
WILLIE ROBERTSON.
Y. JOHNSON.
J. LEADBEATER.
FRANK SALTER.
JOHN McCLEOD.
THOMAS FEARFUL.
THOMAS JOHNSON.

LORD PAUNCEFOTE, AMBASSADOR, IS DEAD

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Washington, May 24.—Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador to the United States, died at 5:35 o'clock this morning.

The improvement which had been noted in his condition during the past week received a sudden check about 6 o'clock last evening, when it was noticed that he was experiencing difficulty in breathing.

Dr. Jung, his physician, was immediately sent for and he decided upon a consultation, and Dr. Thayer of Johns Hopkins university arrived about 2 o'clock this morning.

When Dr. Thayer left the embassy at 3 o'clock the ambassador was resting so comfortably that a cablegram was sent to his son-in-law, Mr. Bromley, in London, that there was no immediate danger.

Soon after 3 o'clock a weakness of the heart developed and his pulse began to collapse.

Peacefully Passed Away.

He died so peacefully that it surprised even his physician. At the bedside when the distinguished diplomat passed away were Mrs. Pauncefote, the Hon. Maude Pauncefote, Miss Sybil and Miss Audrey, Dr. Jung and a Mr. Radford, one of the clerks attached to the embassy.

No arrangements have been made for the funeral.

Flags were half-masted over the different embassies this morning and at the Arlington hotel, where the visiting Frenchmen who have come to witness the Rochambeau statue unveiling are stopping, the French flag was placed at half-mast.

Messages of Condolence.
The news of Lord Pauncefote's death brought Secretary of State Hay to the White house shortly after 9 o'clock. After

Grindrod's stomach and the other attempt a desperate man to take his life, gains in which traces of morphine were found are still in the hands of the authorities and were not interred with the body which was sent to Helena, where the dead man's family resides.

FATHER AND SON IN A LIVELY ROW

SON ACCUSES THE FATHER OF ASSAULT AND THE FATHER THE SON OF FRAUD.

SON SAYS HIS FATHER HAS BEEN IN A PRISON

Family Quarrel of Unusual Features Brought to the Notice of the County Attorney by A. E. Lynes and Stewart Lynes—Chance for an Easter Sermon in This Domestic Difficulty.

There is nothing so remarkable as human nature. This truism was exemplified by A. E. Lynes in County Attorney Breen's office this morning.

Lynes, who is a man apparently 38 or 40 years old, secured a complaint against both his father and mother and also his sister, charging them all with assault in the third degree, and he quarreled and squabbled viciously with Deputy County Attorney Lynch because the latter would not issue a complaint charging his aged parents and his sister with the state prison offense of assault in the first degree.

"He is a c. l.," said Lynes, speaking of his father. "He has been in state's prison twice in Canada, and I can prove it."

That a man should make so astounding a statement about his own father was enough to take the breath away, but he backed it up with others equally as extraordinary. Both he and another man who accompanied him declared that the elder

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Have Enough Funds.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Chicago, May 24.—The Martiniere committee of Chicago has issued an announcement that the contributions for the earthquake sufferers has reached \$8,200, and that no other contributions need be made. The amount has been forwarded to Cornelius N. Bliss of New York City, who is treasurer of the general fund. The local committee expresses its thanks for the response to the call made.

a conference with the president it was announced that he would call at the British embassy immediately after the unveiling ceremonies to offer his personal condolences and ascertain the wishes of Lord Pauncefote's family in regard to the further plans.

The president also sent a letter of condolence to Lady Pauncefote.

Immediately after the unveiling ceremony



Lord Pauncefote, British ambassador and Dean of Diplomatic Corps, Washington.

nies the flag on the White house was placed at half-mast. Mrs. L. Z. Leiter, who was to have given a reception in honor of the French delegation this afternoon, has called it off on account of Lord Pauncefote's death, and it is very likely that the French ambassador also will recall the invitations to his reception tonight.

SEARCH FOR MAN WITH SMALLPOX

HEALTH DEPARTMENT VERY MUCH EXCITED BY HIS ESCAPE FROM HIS HOME.

ARE UNABLE TO FIND HIM AND FEAR AN EPIDEMIC

John Ross Flees From His Home With Dread Disease and Dr. Sullivan Sends Men Out to Look for Him—His House in Kemper Avenue Is Kept Under Close Quarantine.

Pursued by officers of the health department, John Ross of No. 401 Kemper avenue, suffering with smallpox, is fleeing somewhere about Butte or vicinity this afternoon.

Late this afternoon there was a report received by Dr. Sullivan of the health department that Ross was in Basin and officers were at once sent out to find him, while the marshal of the town was wired to look out for the escaped smallpox patient.

All morning officers of the health department searched the city for Ross. A half dozen reports were sent them as to his whereabouts, and three times they were certain that they would be able to apprehend him within a few minutes.

Escape Causes Panic.
The health department and among the policemen who were detailed to catch him. With a pronounced case of smallpox, Dr. Sullivan realized that the freedom of the man threatened the whole city of Butte with an epidemic, hence the herculean efforts made to find him.

There is no definite knowledge of where Ross has gone, and the result is that there is much anxiety this afternoon among the health department officials. Strenuous efforts are being made to follow up the wanderings of Ross, so that prompt action can be taken to prevent the breaking out of the dread disease.

"I am in hopes that we will be enabled to definitely trace Ross and effect his capture," said Dr. Sullivan this afternoon. "From him we can learn where he has been, and by prompt action we can, in all probability prevent the disease from breaking out."

Quarantine the House.
Dr. Sullivan this afternoon quarantined the Ross house at No. 401 Kemper avenue, and will not lift the quarantine for two weeks. Two houses in the neighborhood, whose occupants are known to have visited Ross yesterday, were also quarantined. The quarantine will be extended as rapidly as information about Ross' movements is secured by Dr. Sullivan.

Dr. Freund discovered the case last night. He at once took all necessary precautions and then notified Dr. Sullivan. Dr. Sullivan hastened to the Kemper avenue house, but before he got there Ross had escaped. His family and friends said that they did not know where he had gone.

Dr. Sullivan notified the police and the search for the escaped smallpox patient began.

INDEPENDENT MINE IS ORDERED CLOSED DOWN

United Mine Workers Officers Have Notified Miners Not to Go to Virginia.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Hazelton, Pa., May 24.—President Duffy of the United Mine Workers' organization of this district today notified the owners of the Dusky Diamond colliery at Beaver Brook and Matthias Schwabe, an operator of a small mine at South Heberton, which furnish coal for domestic uses, to close down until after the strike.

The former is still at work and no report has been received from South Heberton.

Agents from West Virginia are here trying to secure miners. The United Mine Workers' officers have notified the strikers not to go south as they say there is danger of the early inauguration of a strike in the section where miners are wanted.

The pumpmen at the Crystal Ridge colliery of the A. Pardee & Co., have been suspended and bosses have been put in charge of the pumps.

Want Another Revolution.
Panama, May 24.—It is persistently rumored here that General Alfaro, ex-president of Ecuador, is preparing to start a revolution in that country. He asked that the gunboat Padilla, which he owns and which is in the service of the Columbian revolutionists be returned to him.

UNVEILING STATUE OF MARSHAL DE ROCHAMBEAU

Many Demonstrations of Good Will--Oratory Expressive of Deep Friendship.

TRAIN FROM ANNAPOLIS BRINGING FRENCHMEN

President Roosevelt Makes the Speech of Welcome Which is Heartily Cheered—Descendants of Both the General and Count Lafayette Are Present and Took Part—Many Other Distinguished Citizens Present.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Washington, May 24.—The president of the United States joined with the representatives of the French republic in unveiling the statue of Marshal de Rochambeau, the commander-in-chief of the French forces in America during the revolutionary war.

It was an event combining many demonstrations of international good will and with oratory and music expressive of Franco-American friendship. Distinguished representatives of the French government and also the Count and Countess de Rochambeau and Count de Lafayette, descendants of the gallant soldier, were present.

Rev. Dr. Stafford opened the exercises with an impressive invocation. At its conclusion President Roosevelt stepped to the front of the platform and extended a generous welcome to the French guests. The president spoke as follows:

President's Speech.
Mr. Ambassador, and you, the representatives of the mighty Republic of France—I extend to you on behalf of the people of the United States the warmest and most cordial greeting. We appreciate to the fullest extent all that is implied in this embassy, composed of such men as those who have been sent over here by President Loubet to commemorate the unveiling of the statue of the great marshal, who, with the soldiers and sailors of France, struck the decisive blow in the war which started this country on the path of independence among the nations of the earth. (Applause.)

I am sure that I give utterance to the sentiments of the United States, of Americans to whom the honor and the glory of our republic in the past as in the present.

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LIKE RED SUNSET IS CHINK'S FACE

BLUSHES MANTLE HIS YELLOW CHEEK WHEN HE IS QUIZZED ABOUT HIS VISIT.

BEATS THE ROSY DAWN DURING INQUISITION

Chink Hop Chop Is Going to the Flowery Kingdom for a Pretty Soo Who Is Watching and Waiting for Him—Friend With Heathen Countenance Could Not Save the Questions.

Did you ever see a Chinaman blush? In all likelihood such an experience has been denied you. Perhaps you think a Chinaman is incapable of suffusing his yellow hide with a rosy tinge under any circumstances.

If you think so you are wrong, and if you had been in the county attorney's office today you would have seen the rare sight known as the blushing Chinese. The blushing Chinese in this instance was Chink Hop Chop, and he was there to secure information concerning how he should proceed in the matter of filing a certificate of identity that would enable

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