

DAY OF GRACE IS POSTPONED ONE DAY

Church and State Must Separate in France Thursday of the Present Week.

CLERGY TO BE FOREIGNERS

Must Also Observe Military Obligations Just Like All Other Males of France.

[By Associated Press.] PARIS, France, Dec. 12.—The day of grace to the churches of Paris in execution of the law providing for a separation of church and state was today postponed until tomorrow as well as the measures for its enforcement.

The delay, however, has only served to increase the excitement caused by the expulsion from France yesterday of Mgr. Montagnini, secretary of the papal nunciature at Paris. Prosecutions have been begun against three abbots of the churches where the greatest resistance to taking inventories occurred and it has decided to immediately take over the buildings belonging to the ecclesiastics, stop the pensions of the clergy, compel aspirants to priesthood to fulfill their military obligations, and, if necessary, treat the clergy as subjects of foreign powers.

This constitutes a sufficient demonstration of the spirit with which the government intends to meet resistance.

The government today accepted the application of M. Martineau, editor of the Renaissance, and Felix Robin for permission, under the public meetings law of 1881, to hold religious meetings in all churches as being compliant with the law.

In other words, the step taken provides for the legislation of Catholic services in churches of Paris tomorrow. The application was made on their own initiative. Later this action was approved by Cardinal Richard.

ADVENT SEASON IS CELEBRATED

Just Before Christmas By the Catholic Churches All Over the Country.

Local Catholics are now celebrating Advent, the feast immediately preceding Christmas, at which the church commemorates the first coming of Christ on earth, and are making elaborate preparations for the celebration of the Nativity. The four Sundays of Advent to Catholics represent the four thousand years before the coming of Christ upon earth.

During the season of Advent the priests in all the Catholic churches wear purple vestments as a sign of sorrow and penance. There is no "Gloria in Excelsis" in the mass, and all worldly amusements are supposed to be set aside as penance so that the world may prepare for Christmas the most beautiful of all the festivals of the church.

Elaborate preparations are being made by the Catholic churches throughout the country for the feast of Christmas and the choirs of the congregations are preparing special musical programs.

HIGH SCHOOL IS TO GIVE PROGRAM

The High school will give a musical oratorio just before the holidays, the proceeds of which will be used for additions to the school library.

On Library Day, last Friday, the grades throughout the Clarksburg district observed the occasion by rendering a literary program, readings, etc. The pupils and other friends of the schools donated \$69.92 in cash, besides a number of books.

ANOTHER INDUSTRY COMING THIS WAY

Large Fertilizer Factory Will Be Built and Operated Some Distance From the City.

Clarksburg is to have a large fertilizer factory. D. M. Morris and others are promoting it. Considerable stock has already been subscribed for a joint company to own and operate the plant. A charter will be applied for this week, with the authorized capitalization at \$100,000.

The proposed company has purchased the state right of a patent for

MINING ORES IN MEXICO

Are Mostly By Capitalists From Western States, Writes Mr. A. P. Gladden, of This City.

[By A. P. Gladden.]

OCAMPO, Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 11.—My last letter was from Mesacoreo, where we camped for the night. Snow was too plentiful to admit of comfort. The day before our stages drove from Mesa-Corea to Navidad, where we had dinner at one of the Green Company's silver mines, an up-to-date industrial plant, with electrical power and lights. The Green gold and silver mining company is well known as one of the largest mineral mining companies in the United States or in the Mexican republic. We have passed several of their mining plants, which are capitalized each in the millions and are becoming large producers.

Our afternoon drive brought us to a camping point in a canyon—Callece Durazo, where we took possession of a new stable building, which was yet unroofed. We emade up our bunks, had supper at a Chinese restaurant in a tent and went to bed with our loathes on and handkerchiefs tied over our heads for "night caps." Some of us slept between snoring spells by Mine Inspector Clarke and Alvin Bassell. As Bassell has won all honors on this trip in killing game, he is now working to deprive Mr. Clarke of a belt he has held for fifteen years as a skilful snorer.

Bassell was the first of our party to kill a Mexican squirrel and rattlesnake. The first named is about twice the size of West Virginia squirrels. The latter was six feet and six inches from tip to tip with a nice rattle toy.

From Durazo we reached the terminus of the magnificent mountain-made road a distance of 108 miles, which as a whole is the greatest piece of engineering I ever saw. To condense a lengthy detail I will mention the drive of twelve miles in the forenoon. There is a burrow trail from Durazo to Ocampo, which is said to be four miles. The route by stage is twelve miles. We reached the top of the mountain at a distance of six miles. In the descent of the mountain we dropped over 2,000 feet in six miles. The road was built by the Green Gold Mining company at a cost of over half a million dollars. The roadbed is single track for wagon. At many places the wheel of the vehicle is within twelve inches of the break-off that looks to be over 1,000 feet deep. If it had not been for showing want of nerve, I would have gotten out of the stage and taken the trunk platform in the rear and hugged close to the wall side of the road.

I had the pleasure of meeting the engineer of this mountain road, who is a young man formerly of Missouri. I was surprised to meet so many men from the States. All industries here seem to be controlled by men from the States. I met this noon two young men from Ohio and one from Salem, Va. We receive a hearty welcome from all persons originally from the States.

We have traveled through an almost continuous mining section since we left Chihuahua City, a distance of about 355 miles. The State of Chihuahua is a veritable gold-silver-copper-lead mine. The Green Mining Company is at work cleaning out an old, abandoned gold mine at this town, which has not been used for over 100 years. It was then owned and operated by the Mexican natives and was known as Jesus-Mary. It is expected to be a valuable producer.

While waiting at this point for our mule transportation, which will con-

TABLET TO KEEP ALIVE BIRTH DAY OF STATE

vey us to our objective mine point, we were allowed to be shown through a large gold and silver operating plant. We started first where the crude ore from the mine was being treated, followed on through all the many processes required, and at the final wind-up lifted a bar of silver and gold that was completed the day before.

I find the capitalists from the Western States are largely in the ascendancy over the Eastern States, in the Mexican mining enterprises. It looks as though the Eastern capitalists are yet leary of the "fake gold brick." They want to visit Mexico and see the "real gold and silver mines."

This has been a mining point since 1765, and has never had a wheel vehicle, not even a baby carriage. The stage stops one-half mile out of the city. The population is five thousand.

DEATH SUMMONS MISS DESPARD

She Was a Sister of Mrs. Nathan Goff and Burton M. Despard, of This City.

The body of Miss Diana M. Despard will arrive here on No. 3 tomorrow morning and be taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Duncan, on West Main street. The funeral and burial will be Friday.

Miss Despard died Tuesday morning in Philadelphia, where she and her mother and brother have made their home several years. Last July she had typhoid fever and never recovered from the effects of it.

Miss Despard was a daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Despard and the late Burton Despard, of this city. She is a sister of Mrs. Nathan Goff and Burton M. Despard, and a niece of Mrs. J. J. Duncan, of this city.

STATE FEDERATION IS TO CONVENE

Secretary Kollman Issues Call For Meeting in Charleston in Next Month.

George N. Kollman, of this city, secretary-treasurer of the State Federation of Labor, has issued the call for the meeting. The call calls attention to the importance of the meeting this year, "meeting in the same city and at the same time as the law making power of the State is in session."

It then goes on to say, "matters of vital interest to the wage workers will necessarily be considered; the most important question being the Employers' Liability Act. The changing of the method now in vogue in regard to employer and employee. The prevention of child labor; the extending or lengthening of the school term and the important facilities for the education of the children of the State. The importance of the factory regulation; the importance of mine inspection and the necessary safeguards for railroad employees. The advisability of establishing permanent headquarters for the organization and such other legislation as they deem wise, necessary and beneficial to the workers of the State."

The call makes an appeal to the representatives of the railroad workers to affiliate themselves with the organization and have delegates at the annual meeting, claiming that if labor is to be successful in obtaining what it deserves it must be by united effort on their part. It says, "we have several members of the State Federation of Labor who are representatives in the legislature; we have hosts of friends who have promised honest consideration and action on labor measures. All of which tends to the betterment of all the workers if they are honest, united and agree to work for the betterment of their condition."

SCHOOL LAWS

Are Being Looked After By Members of the School Commission

Prof. J. R. Trotter, of Buckhannon, arrived here Tuesday evening and he and Harvey W. Harmer as members of the commission to recommend revisions of the state school laws are busy working on their part of the work of the commission, preparatory to the meeting shortly to be held in Charleston, when the final report of the commission will be made up.

Tablet Will Commemorate First Meeting in State That Resulted in Foundation of This State

COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED

To Ascertain Cost of the Same and Select a Location in Court House For It.

The county court Tuesday evening appointed Nathan Goff, John J. Davis and Henry Raymond a committee to report on the advisability and cost of a tablet, as well as its location, intended to commemorate the initial meeting that resulted in the formation of the State of West Virginia, as shown by the following petition presented to the court: To the Honorable, the County Court of Harrison County:

Your petitioners respectfully represent to your honorable body that on the 22nd day of April, 1861, there was held in the court house that formerly stood on the ground occupied by the present building, a large meeting of the citizens of Harrison county, which was presided over by John Hursey, with John Wesley Harris as secretary, and that at said meeting the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That it be and is hereby recommended to the people in each and all of the counties composing North West Virginia, to appoint delegates not less than five in number, of their wisest, best and discreetest men, to meet in convention in Wheeling on the 13th day of May next to consult and determine upon such action as the people of North West Virginia should take in this fearful emergency.

Resolved, That Hon. John S. Carlin, Waldo P. Goff, John J. Davis, Thomas L. Moore, Solomon S. Fleming, Lot Mowen, William E. Lyon, Felix Sturm, Benjamin F. Shuttleworth and James Lynch, be and are hereby appointed delegates, to represent this county in said convention.

The above resolution, calling on the people of North West Virginia to assemble in Wheeling was promptly responded to by nearly all of the counties comprising the State of West Virginia by the appointment of delegates as therein requested, and these delegates assembled in Wheeling on the 13th day of May, 1861, the convention holding its meetings in Washington hall in that city, and the action taken by that body finally resulted in the formation of the new State, on June 20, 1863.

Your petitioners, all of whom were present at the meeting held in the court house aforesaid, further represent that this interesting and historic event occurring as it did at a trying and stormy period in our Nation's history, and showing a courage worthy of emulation, and resulting in changing the destinies and government of the people of Virginia, west of the mountains, is fast passing from the minds of men, and suggest that for the benefit of coming generations should be commemorated by a suitable tablet placed in the present court house building in some conspicuous place.

Your petitioners for the purpose of carrying out the object set forth above request that the court appoint a committee to ascertain and report as follows:

First, To recommend a suitable tablet for the purpose suggested and ascertain its cost.

Second, To select and recommend the place where the tablet should be located in the court house building, and report its action to the court for its future consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted, December 11, 1906.

JOHN J. DAVIS,
B. F. SHULTEWORTH,
ALEXANDER C. MOORE,
HENRY HAYMOND,
I. P. R. ASH,
JASPER Y. MOORE,
E. B. HURSEY,
B. BROWN STOUT.

But two of the delegates sent to the Wheeling convention from the Clarksburg meeting are now living. They are John J. Davis and Benjamin F. Shuttleworth.

Such a tablet ought by all means to be placed in the court house here and as the report will favor it, it is the belief that the court will have such a tablet placed.

POLK CANNING FACTORY IS ENTIRELY DESTROYED.

GREENWOOD, Ind., Dec. 12.—The vegetable canning factory of J. P. Polk Company burned today at a loss of \$222,000. The entire plant was destroyed. It was the largest of its kind in the world.

SHERIFF HOLDS SALE

The sheriff held a land sale Tuesday afternoon for taxes. The state bought two tracts or lots and citizens bought six. Several lots advertised were redeemed.

WANTED THE DATES

Senate Desired to Know Time Presidential Appointments Were To Become Effective.

COMMITTEE SEES PRESIDENT

Omissions Apparently An Oversight—More Nominations—Holiday Adjournment.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—Senators Aldrich and Spooner held a conference with President Roosevelt today regarding the nominations now before the Senate. No dates were specified as to when the appointments were to become effective and objection was made. It has been customary heretofore, Senator Aldrich said, to specifically indicate the date and the omission in the present case was apparently an oversight. So far he is aware there is no objection to a confirmation of the nominations. As a result of the conference the nominations of Cortelyou, VonMeyer and Garfield are to be dated to take effect March 4, and the nominations of Moody, Bonaparte Metcalf, and Straus to take effect December 24.

The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate: Ambassadors, Henry White, to France; Lloyd C. Griscom, to Italy; John W. Riddle, to Russia, and Irving B. Dudley, of California, to Brazil.

The House of Representatives today adopted a concurrent resolution to adjourn for the Christmas holidays December 20 and to reconvene January 3.

NEXT EXAMINATION FOR RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

MORGANTOWN, Dec. 12.—Information has just been received that the next qualifying examination for the scholarships awarded under the Rhodes bequest has been fixed for the seventeenth and eighteenth of January, 1907. It will be held, as usual, at West Virginia University in Morgantown, W. Va.

Those interested in these scholarships should make application to President D. B. Parinton, Morgantown, W. Va., for particulars.

REVENUE VIOLATORS

Are Arrested and Must Answer to Federal Court for Violations.

Martin Cassidy, of Tunnelton, is in jail here to await the next term of federal court here for selling whiskey without a government license. Officer Hupp arrested and brought him in on a capias. Mr. Hupp also took Dick Lougy before Commissioner Daily at Kingwood and had his bail taken for federal court at Parkersburg.

WITHDREW COMPLAINT.

W. R. McIntyre was released from the county jail when his uncle, J. M. Moore, withdrew the complaint in Magistrate Riley's court charging him with attempting to evade the payment of a board bill of \$4.00. McIntyre arranged to settle the account out of court.

HARVEY RENEWS BOND.

Charles Harvey, charged with the killing of Ira Wetzel at Brown, and out on bond, appeared in circuit court Tuesday and renewed his bond of \$1,600. The case was continued until the next term of court. The former verdict of guilty was set aside several months ago by Judge

B. & O. PAY DAY.

Wednesday was pay day on the Baltimore & Ohio. The pay checks arrived early in the day and were handed out to the employees, who are happy as the month was a very busy one and the pay larger than usual.

TAKES POSITION.

Dennis Eurit, of Volga, this state, who has just been graduated from the West Virginia business college, has taken a position as stenographer in the offices of the Hazel-Atlas glass factory at Adamston.

CHRISTMAS SALE.

The ladies of the Christian church will hold a Christmas sale of fancy work and other articles at the home of Mrs. J. B. Smith, 341 Mechanic street, Friday and Saturday this week.

GRAND JURY FINDS SEVERAL TRUE BILLS

COUNTY COURT IS STILL BUSY

Orders of Various Kinds and Many in Number Are Entered By the Court.

County court was quite busy Wednesday and did much business.

A. N. Crim agreed to keep Nancy Crim for \$36 a year. J. W. Walker agreed to take Eliza Patton from the poorhouse and keep her the remainder of her life at \$48 a year.

H. G. Young was appointed guardian of Roscoe Griffith. Columbus Tallman was exonerated on a lot valued at \$95.

The contract was let for the laying of a sidewalk along the south side of the Shinnston bridge across the West Fork river.

George L. Duncan qualified as executor of the will of Mrs. Charlotte D. Lowther, deceased.

James B. Martin was exonerated on a lot valued at \$22.

C. C. Fittro, Allison Bartlett and John C. Johnson were appointed to view a proposed road through lands of the Clarksburg Fuel Company in Coal district.

An order was entered to summons land owners in reference to the establishment of a road through lands of Nancy Tetrick, in Clay district.

Susan Green was exonerated on a lot valued at \$770, and the lot was ordered stricken from the land books. The acreage of William Hannah was reduced from 62 to 32 acres and he was exonerated on 30 acres.

A road was ordered established through the farm of Hugh Garrett, Jr., in Coal district.

The valuation of 44 acres belonging to William M. Smith was reduced from \$15,840 to \$1,584, and he was exonerated on \$14,256.

W. E. Parrish qualified as a notary public. Thomas Smith, William H. Fancher, Ruhama Fancher and Dora Rinehart were ordered summoned in the road case of William Fancher.

Porter, Frum was exonerated on 28 acres valued at \$310, not owning the same.

Lloyd Knight was exonerated from the payment of one cellar special road tax.

A lot charged to Martha O. Goff and valued at \$7,590 was directed to be charged to J. A. and E. A. Batten.

F. M. Davidson qualified as a constable in Tennesse district.

A. C. Dever was exonerated on \$800, Minnie Harrison, \$1,060, and J. R. Cray and B. H. and J. W. McDonald on \$2,168 on coal lands.

A CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION HELD

In Federal Building Here For Clerks and Carriers in the Local Mail Service.

A civil service examination was held here by Secretary A. B. Boggs, of the civil service board Wednesday. There were eight applicants, namely, R. B. Swiger, of Sardis; John Moore and I. G. Bartlett, of Bridgeport, and Robert Sedwick, colored, M. J. Martin and P. M. Hayes, of the city. The branches passed on were orthography, penmanship, correcting addresses, geography, copying, arithmetic and letter writing. The manuscripts were sent to Washington for grading and the issuance of certificates of eligibility. The examination was by clerks and carriers in the postal service.

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PLANNING NEW RESIDENCE.

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NATIONAL BANK IS CLOSED UP

Farmers and Drivers, of Waynesburg Pa., Had Confined Deficit in Money Reserve.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—The Farmers and Drivers National Bank of Waynesburg, Pa., was closed today by direction of the comptroller of the currency, and National Bank Examiner Cunningham was appointed receiver. The assets and liabilities are \$2,367,414. A statement issued by the comp-

Against Alleged Violators of Law and Those Charged With Commission of Various Crimes.

SEVERAL FELONY INDICTMENTS

Are Among Those Found By the Grand Jury, Which Is Still Sitting and Quite Busy.

The grand jury returned indictments as follows Wednesday morning:

Charles Rymer and James Hardy, felon, charged with hitting, striking, beating, tying, binding, choking and strangling Jessie Pritchard, October 17.

Clarence Ash, misdemeanor charged with an assault on Ralph Gavthrop, July 14.

Arlett Lynch, two misdemeanors, for carrying firearms on the Sabbath unlawfully.

Mike Bulic, felony, assault on George L. Hartley, also felony, charged with attempt to kill Hartley on September 13.

An order was entered dismissing the cause of the South Penn Oil Co. against Jackson Fletcher et al.

A decree was entered confirming the first distribution of funds in the cause of the Traders National Bank against the Park Coal Company.

The cause of the Traders National Bank against Robert A. Garret was dismissed.

The receiver was discharged in the cause of Marcellus V. Davison vs. Thomas B. Smith et al.

ONE OF THE OLDEST ELKS IS IN THE CITY

G. F. Stout Joined Order the Year It Started and Has Been a Member Ever Since.

One of the oldest Elks in the United States is in Clarksburg this week. He is G. F. Stout, one of the leading actors with the Chester DeVonde stock company, which is playing a week's engagement at the Grand. Mr. Stout joined the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks the same year the order was formed, 1870, and has been an active member ever since. He is one of the few members living that have been affiliated with the order for thirty-six years and he is very proud of the fact. He joined the mother lodge, No. 1, of New York City, but has since been admitted to Baltimore lodge, No. 11. Mr. Stout was a guest at the meeting and social session of the lodge Tuesday evening and gave a very interesting talk on Elkdom.

PRAYER MEETING

At Goff Church Tonight to Have Interesting and Timely Subject.

All who can do so are cordially invited to attend the mid-week prayer meeting at Goff M. E. church tonight beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The church is having a rally and revival in these mid-week meetings during December and the subjects will have some form of the "Advent or Coming of Christ, which will culminate in the subject, "His Coming to Human Hearts." Miss Nellie Fletcher will sing Bishop Phillips Brooks's hymn, "Old Little Town of Bethlehem."

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Messrs. Charles M. Henderson and S. D. Palmer have installed a handsome electric sign at their Manhattan restaurant on Pike street in keeping with the enterprises they show in a splendid service to the public.