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MINERS HOPING FOR SETTLEMENT

Believe They Will Get Increase in Wages at Least.

NATIONAL MEETING BEGINS TO-MORROW

First Business Will Be Discussion of Plans for Joint Conference With Bituminous Operators—Rescinding of Ryan Resolution Necessary.

(By Associated Press.) INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 13.—At the special national convention of the United Mine Workers of America, called by President John Mitchell, in response to the request of President Roosevelt to make efforts to avert a strike of all coal miners in the United States, the business of the first session, which opens Thursday morning at the German House, in this city, will be a discussion of the plans for a joint conference with the bituminous operators in Indianapolis next week.

President John Mitchell and several national board members arrived to-night. There were a number of conferences at the headquarters among the higher officials of the organization and the board members.

The Indianapolis Star says: "The rescinding of the Ryan resolution will be the most important business to come before the meeting. If it is done, there can be no joint conference with the operators who will come to Indianapolis next week."

"This is the effect of the announcement by the anthracite operators that they will not accede to the demands of their employees. The refusal of the anthracite operators to treat further with the miners makes a settlement with the union in districts one, seven and nine out of the question."

LOUIS DE LANGE FOUND DEAD, WITH THROAT CUT

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 13.—Louis De Lange, a playwright, whose home formerly in Philadelphia, was found dead with his throat cut in his room in West One Hundred and Forty-second Street, when his brother went to awaken him. De Lange collaborated in the production of "Possessive," and was the author of "The Globe Trotter," "The Little Host" and "Sweet Annie Page." He was formerly an actor. At first it was thought to be a case of suicide, but the police later announced that he had been murdered and come to his death by foul play. De Lange was also known as Louis De Lange Moss, having been adopted by a wealthy Philadelphia when a boy.

PROPHET DOWIE AND WIFE ARE SEPARATED

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, March 13.—John Alexander Dowie, head of the "Zion" Church, and his wife, have parted, according to a story printed in the Daily News today. It is declared that the last message of Dowie to his home was ignored, and that Mrs. Dowie has thrown in her lot with the ordinary followers of Zion. It is asserted that Mrs. Dowie has said to her friends that she has been deceived as to the real condition of the church, and believed that millions of money were available when there was no such condition existing.

Accept Wage Scale.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—The committee of five, representing the telegraph and telephone unions in the Southern Railway, last night agreed to accept the wage scale of that road. The wage scale, as agreed upon, does not contemplate a minimum or maximum wage, but has been adjusted with a view of fitting each individual case.

Conklin and Norris Lose.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Ill., March 13.—Calvin Demarest, Chicago, and Ferdinand Poggenburg, New York, won the second and third games in the national amateur billiard championship, today here today. They defeated National Champion C. F. Conklin, of Chicago, and Charles S. Norris, New York, respectively. The victors displaying masterful billiards, especially Demarest, whose youth and inexperience in tournament play were expected to count against him.

Republicans Meet.

The Republican City Committee met in Ford's Law Building to-night in secret session. Chairman J. M. Elliott presiding. There was no business disposed of in which the public could feel deeply interested, only a few party matters having been formally talked over.

CARNEGIE OPENS HEART AND HAND

The Great Philanthropist Gives \$100,000 to the R. R. Y. M. C. A.

DOUBLES OFFER FOR CITY LIBRARY

Tells Mayor McCarthy He Will Give \$200,000 if City Will Buy Site and Maintain and Equip Building—Only Here Between Trains.

Andrew Carnegie, steel king, philanthropist and two hundred times a millionaire, whose inordinate wealth has built up waste places and scattered sunshine and intelligence throughout the land, made a brief call on Richmond yesterday while passing through, and left his promise of \$100,000 for the use and benefit of his people.

Ten thousand dollars was unconditionally given to the Railroad Young Men's Christian Association, and he told Mayor McCarthy that he would double his offer for the building of a public library here, making the sum \$200,000, instead of \$100,000.

All this was done within less than an hour, and Mr. Carnegie treated it as lightly as though he had given a boy a quarter to shine his shoes.

He was in the finest health and spirits and seemed to greatly enjoy his brief stay in the city.

He was driven around, and shown the principle points of interest by the Mayor, and the Railroad Young Men's Christian Association Committee. Mr. Carnegie arrived from Jacksonville on his private car over the Seaboard Air Line at 7 o'clock, and remained here until 2 P. M., when he left over the Chesapeake and Ohio for the Hot Springs. He was accompanied by his thirteen-year-old daughter, who remained in the car while here, except when she took a short drive to get some fresh air. The Young Men's Christian Association people are delighted at the generosity of Mr. Carnegie in their case, and as a token of appreciation will designate the second floor of their proposed new building "Carnegie Hall."

Lost Little Time.

Mr. Carnegie met the committee in the Mayor's office, a conference having been arranged by His Honor, and as soon as their wishes were made known to him, he cheerfully offered them \$100,000.

Later he took up the public library question with the Mayor and told him that the \$100,000 originally offered was not sufficient for a great and beautiful city like Richmond, and that he would make it \$200,000.

Mayor is Pleased.

The Mayor is greatly pleased, and will recommend at once the purchase by the city of the entire block bounded by Eighth, Ninth, Marshall and Clay Streets, on which the new High School building will be, the remainder to be used as a site for the library. This brings the matter sharply "up to the Council again, and another fight will be had.

Unique Circumstances.

Not only were the circumstances leading up to the interview with Mr. Carnegie in the Mayor's office altogether unique, but the results were extremely gratifying, and the whole affair full of human interest.

When it became known through Mr. George W. Brown, of the firm of Baldwin and Brown, that the great steel king was in the city for a few hours, the Railroad Y. M. C. A. people at once put their lines to secure an audience with him.

His private car had come in on the fast Seaboard Air Line train from Jacksonville.

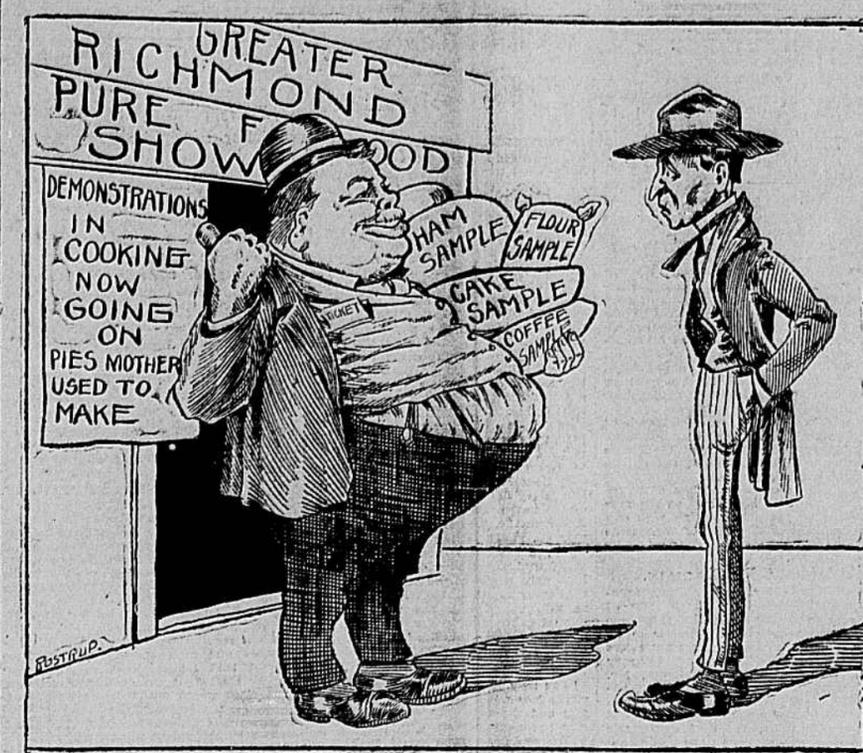
FIRE DOES \$300,000 DAMAGE IN NEW YORK

Two Buildings Occupied by Nearly a Dozen Firms Swept By Flames.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 13.—A fire which originated to-night in the basement of the five-story brick building, Nos. 15 to 19 East Fourth Street, and running for six numbers on Lafayette Street, completely destroyed that building and spread to the adjoining five-story building, Nos. 11 and 13 East Fourth Street.

VILLAGES DESTROYED BY SAMOAN VOLCANO

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HONOLULU, March 13.—The officers of the steamer Sierra, which has arrived here from Sydney, N. S. W., via Samoa, reports that the eruption of the volcano on the island of Savaii, of the Samoan group, continues on a large scale. Three villages have been completely destroyed, including Maieola, where was located the finest cocoa plantation on the island. The residences of A. King and G. Barley have been reduced to ruins and are a total loss. The lava from the volcano is flowing into the ocean in a stream three-quarters of a mile wide and twenty feet deep, at the rate of twenty feet an hour. At night a solid wall of molten lava five miles long can be seen reaching far out into the sea. For some distance the sea water is boiling and the surf breaking over the fiery stream. The government recently chartered the steamer Maori to remove women and children from the zone of danger.



THE SHOW IS ON!

WORKMAN MEETS SUDDEN DEATH

Falling Wall Crushes Life Out of L. E. Kensey; Companion Injured.

TON OF DEBRIS LAY ON HIM

Mr. Kensey's Skull was Crushed; Ancient Walls on Main Street Crumbled.

By the falling in of a wall of a tenement house being torn down at Twenty-third and Main Streets about four o'clock yesterday afternoon one man was almost instantly killed and another badly injured.

Was Bruised and Cut.

Goode was badly cut about the head and was severely bruised about the left leg, though no bones were broken. The latter's quickness saved his life, for he saw the wall giving way and jumped back just in the nick of time.

PRESIDENT IS NOW HONORARY VETERAN

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 13.—President Roosevelt is now an honorary member of the United Veterans, having been elected by the camp at Poplar Bluff, Mo. The resolutions of the camp electing the President a member of the organization, was presented to him to-day by Senator Warner, of Missouri. The organization is composed of Union and Confederate soldiers. The President's election to membership was due to his attitude on his trip through the South last fall.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia and North Carolina—Rain Wednesday; Thursday, followed by fair in the afternoon; fresh southeast to east winds.

Conditions Yesterday. Richmond's weather yesterday was rainy and cold. Range of thermometer: 9 A. M. 34 6 P. M. 36 12 M. 34 12 midnight 37 3 P. M. 34 12 midnight 37 Average 36.5

Highest temperature yesterday 43. Lowest temperature yesterday 33. Mean temperature yesterday 38. Normal temperature for March 43. Departure from normal temperature 5.

Thermometer This Day Last Year 9 A. M. 30 6 P. M. 47 12 M. 47 12 midnight 37 3 P. M. 47 12 midnight 39 Average 42.5

Condition in Important Cities. (At 5 P. M., Eastern Time.)

Table with 4 columns: Place, (At 5 P. M., Eastern Time), High, Low, Weather. Includes cities like Augusta, Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, etc.

Miniature Almanac. March 14, 1906. Sun rises 6:24. Moon sets 6:15. Moon rises 10:50. High tide 7:45. Low tide 1:30.

POSSES CHASING WICKLIFFE GANG

Pursuit May Last Several Days Before the Indians Are Overtaken.

NO NEWS RECEIVED YET

Deputy Reported Dead Is at Head of Posses Pursuing Outlaws.

(By Associated Press.) VINITA, I. T., March 13.—Up to 9 o'clock to-night, no word had been received from United States Marshal Darrough or any of his posses who are pursuing the Wickliffe gang of Cherokee outlaws. The night is dark and rain is falling, and a courier would not be able to make his way from the Night Hawk county. The chase may last several days before the Indians are overtaken.

PANIC STRICKEN ON RAGING SEAS

Wielding Revolvers and Knives, Officers of French Liner Force Passengers Back.

WANTED TO DIE ON DECK

But Storm Abated Shortly After Order Was Restored On Ship.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 13.—A terrifying experience at sea was reported by the officers of the French liner Hudson, which arrived here to-day. During the storm which swept the Atlantic last Friday afternoon and evening, the 336 steerage passengers on the steamer became panic-stricken, and were quieted only after the captain and first officer had threatened them with revolver and knife. Both the barometer and thermometer fell rapidly, and a terrific gale rolled up great seas.

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NOT A WORD OF TRUTH IN STORY ABOUT SMALLPOX

Rumors have been current around town for a day or two regarding an alleged case of smallpox among the employees of Miller and Rhoads' store.

MITRED BISHOP AND PEOPLE HOLD CHURCH

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(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 13.—So suddenly that none on the platform could interfere, or the motorman put on the brakes a young man threw himself in front of a Second Avenue elevated train at Forty-second Street early this morning and was ground to pieces. The body was so mangled up under the train that the car under which it remained had to be jacked up to get it out. This required almost an hour, and for that time, the line was blocked. The crowds on the station platforms became so dense that the police were called to keep them back from the tracks. In the dead man's inner coat pocket was found a note-book, which bore on the first page this writing: "Henry Peterson, bandmaster, W. S. R. B., Franklin Yard, Norfolk, Va."

HOUSE WRECKED BY SERENADERS

Dynamite, Shot Guns, and Stones Figure in Wedding.

ALL YOUNG MEN IN TOWN UNDER ARREST

Father of Groom Tried to Frighten Boisterous Party Off, But Only Injuring Them, and Dire Results Followed—Besieged All Night.

(By Associated Press.) FERRYTOWN, Pa., March 12.—Because he was besieged in his home all night and because of damage to his property by strenuous serenaders upon the occasion of the wedding of his son, H. J. Mossbury, of this place, has sworn out warrants for the arrest of the town's prominent young men. Mr. Mossbury says that the serenaders made him a target for sticks and stones, riddled his house with shot and caused other damage with dynamite. In addition to the criminal prosecution, Mr. Mossbury announces he will bring civil suits against the offenders.

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The serenaders, fifty in number, appeared at the Mossbury home last Thursday night, and when Mossbury, with his son and daughter-in-law appeared on the porch, the crowd threw a volley of stones, one of these hitting the elder man on the leg, causing a painful wound. Incensed with rage, he drew a revolver and firing into the air, ordered the crowd to leave. His act only served to enrage them, and after sending a part of their number after shotguns, members of the mob began a fusillade which did not diminish until nearly four hours later.

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Over 300 shots were fired during this time, and when the crowd ceased firing at 2 o'clock, Friday morning, the shade trees in the front yard were shot to pieces and the crowd dispersed. When the house was riddled with shot, and the fences in the immediate vicinity were laid flat on the ground.

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VIRGINIAN WILL AID IN INQUIRY

William A. Glasgow Will Help Conduct Oil-Coal Investigation.

STATEHOOD BILL FACING DEFEAT

Friends Believe This Will Be Result if Measure is Referred to Committee As Now Contemplated—More About Campaign Contributions.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—The Interstate Commerce Commission has secured the services of William A. Glasgow, of Virginia, and Edward B. Whitney, of New York, to conduct the investigation into the alleged ownership by railroads of coal and oil lands, acting under the Tillman-Gillespie resolution.

Mr. Whitney, who is the senior of Mr. Glasgow, will probably be leading counsel. He is a Yale man, a classmate of Secretary Taft and has been a member of the New York bar since 1890. He was assistant Attorney-General under Attorney-General Olney, Harmon and McKenna. He is a Democrat.

Mr. Glasgow is a Hotspur county man, son of the Hon. William A. Glasgow, of Lexington, who was at one time a member of the Virginia Senate, and is still living at quite an advanced age. William A. Jr. is an alumnus of Washington and Lee, was admitted to the bar in 1888. He was for some years counsel for the Norfolk and Western Railway. About three years ago he resigned that position and became counsel for Castner, Curran and Bullitt, general forwarding agents for the Pocahontas Collieries Company, and a little over a year ago, he went to Philadelphia to take partnership in one of the best known firms of lawyers in that city.

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Mr. Glasgow is a lawyer of pronounced ability and his appointment as counsel of a great coal carrying road, and later as counsel for the coal companies has enabled him to learn both sides of the question—that is operators' side and railroad side. He is counsel for the Red Rock Fuel Company, the corporation which started the present investigations of the roads' alleged ownership of coal property. The complaint of the company was made to Senator Tillman by Mr. Glasgow. The Baltimore and Ohio, being largely interested in coal lands in the Fairmont District in West Virginia, the Pan Handle refused to allow the Red Rock Company to make connections with its tracks and to supply it with cars to move its coal. The coal company took the case to the Interstate Commerce Commission, and that body found the facts as stated, but was powerless to compel the road to handle the company's output. Mr. Glasgow then took the case to Senator Tillman, and a Democratic bill was introduced to railroad ownership, not only of coal property, but of oil lands as well, is to be investigated. And Mr. Glasgow is to do the investigating.

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It is worthy of note, that the author of the House resolution for the investigation, Mr. Gillespie, is a Democrat, the patron on the Senate side. Mr. Tillman is a Democrat, and both the lawyers engaged to prosecute the investigation for the commission are Democrats.

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