ENTOMBED IN MINE BY GAS EXPLOSION

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to-night, with the shrieking wives and children of the dead and missing miners crowding about waiting reports from the rescuers.

Four of the dead have been identified as follows:

J. A. Richardson, blacksmith; Ray Bennett, Matthew Lloyd, William Reno.

Jesse Jonghan was rescued alive, but is so badly burned that his recovery is doubtful.

It is believed that the explosion was caused by a track repairer going into an abandoned room with an uncovered lamp, as the room is shattered almost to atoms, and the body of the repairer is nowhere to be seen. Inquest will be held at once.

The Browder Mine, together with three others in this vicinity, was recently purchased by a syndicate of Tennessee and West Virginia capitalists. C. D. M. Freer and T. B. Coldwell, of Memphis, are now holding the properties, as trustees, pending the formation of a company to take over the four properties.

The mine is not on fire, and the fans are working. This gives rise to the hope that all the bodies may be recovered by daylight.

FORTY BODIES DISCOVERED

Large Force Engaged in Rescue Work at Colorado Mine.

Primero, Col., February 1.—To-night in Primero, where yesterday the lives of seventy-nine miners were snuffed out by an explosion in the main slope of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company's mine, the bodies of forty victims lie in the temporary morgue installed in the machine shop.

A large force of men is still engaged in restoring ventilation throughout the mine, and hundreds of people are lingering about the mouth of the shaft waiting the recovery of more bodies.

Some of the officials of the company have turned their attention to relief work. Coroner Guilfoil has impaneled a jury to investigate the catastrophe, and relatives and friends of the identified dead have turned their attention to preparations for their burial.

The disaster is believed to have been caused by an explosion of fire damp, ignited either through the crimping of a cap for a fuse or the lighting of a match surreptitiously carried into the workings.

Immediately following the report of the explosion, a column of dust and smoke poured out the main entrance. Large pieces of timber were thrown from the entrance more than 100 feet, and with such terrific force that a string of cars in the mine mouth was blown from the track.

The huge ventilating fans within an hour were put in operation and rescue parties were forcing their way into the gas-filled workings. The rescuers followed the main ventilating shaft for several hundred yards, gaining entrance to the main slope through a cross cut.

It was not until the relief party reached entry A 7 on the main slope that they found the first evidences of the destruction wrought by the explosion. Here probably a dozen bodies were encountered, but the rescuers pushed on in the hope of finding signs of life. A little further on, near the mouth of entry A 8, the party in charge of L. A. Manly, local mine inspector, came across Leonardo Virgen, the only survivor, shortly after 2 o'clock this morning.

As if waking from a deep sleep Virgen opened his eyes and said: "Please, may I go home now?"

Virgen was hurried to the temporary hospital. To-day he had sufficiently recovered to join the ranks of watchers around the mine entrance. Up to this evening those still missing were given up as lost. Rescue work was pushed, with frequent relieffs, until to-night the advance guard had pushed within 400 yards of the face of the main slope.

To-day orders were issued through officials of the Colorado Supply Company, a subsidiary of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, to issue provisions to families of the victims until a permanent system of relief could be obtained.

Work of identification proceeded slowly, the only means being to check the missing numbers carried by each miner with the company's roster.

A check of bodies recovered reveals that forty-seven have been removed, leaving thirty-two still in the workings.

A large force of men is at work digging graves in the cemeteries of Trinidad, and to-morrow the bodies recovered will be buried. The bodies of nine Japanese miners will be buried in the Catholic Cemetery.

Three drays have been transformed into temporary hearses for use to-morrow to convey the bodies from the train to the cemeteries. Seventy coffins were brought to Primero to-day and to-night, and this supply will be further increased to-morrow.

Two Miners Rescued.

Peoria, Ill., February 1.—While fire was raging in the shaft in the upper works a rescue party entered the escape shaft of Sholl Mine, at South Bartonville, a mile away from the main shaft, and brought two miners, nearly dead from suffocation, to the surface. The fire is believed to have had an incendiary origin, and started in the tipple at 5:30 P. M. All the upper works and wooden construction in the main shaft were burned. The blaze was extinguished by volunteers two hours later. Only the two men were in the mine. The mine is owned by Sholl Brothers, of Peoria. An investigation will be started.

Death of a Respected Colored Man.

Wilson Jones, aged seventy-six, for thirty years the trusted janitor of the City Bank, died at his home on North Fifth Street on Saturday. His funeral took place from the Leigh Street Methodist Church yesterday afternoon. Wilson belonged to the Misses Murray, and fifty years ago was butler in the home of Miss Martha Murray, who resided on Grace Street between Sixth and Seventh. He came from a family highly respected by its owners.

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mittee is directed to include in their report the evidence taken."

TAFT IS GIVEN PLEDGE

Insurgents Promise to Support Policies of Administration.

Washington, February 1.—The unanimous decision to support the administration's program of legislation was reached at a conference of the "insurgents" of the House of Representatives held here last night. Representatives Gardner, of Massachusetts, and Hayes, of California, were authorized to inform President Taft to that effect. The administration's program of legislation embraces among others those of railroad legislation, conservation, postal savings banks and anti-injunction

The action was taken, it is stated, in order to give definite assurance to President Taft and to the country that the "insurgents" were unanimously in favor of all progressive legislation advocated by the President. It is a conspicuous fact that the ship subsidy and Federal incorporation recommendations of the President are not included in the list, and it was stated by one of the "insurgents" that there had been no endeavor to reach an agreement upon these subjects.

The "insurgents" discussed the question of a Republican caucus on the proposition of amending the rules of the House and of deposing the Speaker from the chairmanship of the Rules Committee, and it is stated there was practically a unanimous understanding to the effect that the "insurgents" would not caucus on the rules question. They stand ready, however, to act whenever the matter is presented on the floor of the House.

IN HANDS OF RECEIVER

T. A. Miller, Inc., Well-Known Drug Firm, to Have Affairs Adjusted.

A decree was entered in the Law and Equity Court yesterday appointing Thomas W. Purcell, formerly head of the firm of Purcell, Ladd & Co., as receiver for the firm of T. A. Miller, Incorporated, proprietor of a drug store at 519 East Broad Street. The receiver is to take over the business and conduct it until the further orders of the court, and to report on the assets and liabilities. He furnished bond in the sum of $10,000. The receivership was granted on application of the Vaughan-Robertson Drug Company and others. The assets are estimated at from $10,000 to $15,000 and the liabilities about $16,000.

T. A. Miller, president of the failed firm, is secretary and treasurer of the State Board of Pharmacy, and is one of the best known druggists in Richmond.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: For Virginia—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday, increasing cloudiness and warmer; possibly rain by night; light, variable winds, becoming moderate south.

For North Carolina—Fair Wednesday and probably Thursday; rising temperature; light, variable winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

8 A. M. temperature	26
Humidity	93
Wind, direction	N. W.
Wind, velocity	12
Weather	Clear
Rainfall	.06
12 noon temperature	38
3 P. M. temperature	41
Maximum temperature up to 5 P. M.	41
Minimum temperature up to 5 P. M.	26
Mean temperature	33
Normal temperature	38
Deficiency in temperature yesterday	5
Deficiency in temperature since March 1	478
Accum. excess in temperature since January 1	27
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1	6.73

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES (At 8 P. M., Eastern Standard Time.)

Place.	Ther.	H. T.	Weather.
Detroit	22	38	Cloudy
Buffalo	24	26	Clear
Norfolk	36	38	Clear
Hatteras	38	40	Clear
Galveston	60	62	Cloudy
Yellowstone	10	12	Rain
Washington	36	36	Clear
Raleigh	40	42	Cloudy
Key West	62	64	Clear
Jacksonville	42	50	Clear
Tampa	52	60	Clear
Jupiter	52	62	Clear
Cincinnati	38	42	Clear
Pittsburg	26	28	Clear
Mobile	52	62	Clear
Atlanta	46	52	Clear
New Orleans	54	61	Clear
Savannah	44	50	Clear
Asheville	36	42	Clear
Kansas City	56	64	Clear
Memphis	52	56	Clear
Vicksburg	58	66	P. cloudy
Chicago	38	40	Clear
Augusta	42	50	Clear
Wilmington	38	48	Clear

MINATURE ALMANAC.

February 2, 1910.

Sun rises	7:16	HIGH TIDE.	
Sun sets	5:33	Morning	10:47
Moon rises	12:21	Evening	11:07

PRINCIPALS IN COURT MARTIAL NOW IN PROGRESS IN BOSTON

POLITICS IN THE SOUTH

Representative Morehead Believes Field Is Ready for Harvesters.

Washington, D. C., February 1.—Representative Morehead, of North Carolina, one of the Republicans unexpectedly elected to Congress from that State in 1908, is trying hard to impress the President with the ripeness of the political field in the South for the Republicans.

"North Carolina is more fertile ground for the Republicans to-day than Indiana," declared the young North Carolinian. "We have a splendid chance to elect six Republicans to the House this November, and we are sure of five under proper conditions. The business and middle classes of the South are looking favorably to the Republican party from a national point of view. They sympathize with its purposes and promises. Then, too, they are tired of the ring-ridden Democratic organizations; frequently with the boss-controlled Republican organizations. They want independence and reform in politics in the South, and they will go to any good party that presents these features."

Mr. Morehead has submitted to the President tentative plans for the upbuilding of the Republican party in North Carolina and elsewhere. These are dependent upon the right sort of nominations to Federal offices and upon the moral influence of the President along certain lines.

ROUTED BY SUFFRAGETTES

New York Aldermen Has Lively Tilt With Militant Delegation.

New York, February 1.—Joseph Schloss, a New York butcher and an Alderman, was routed by a band of militant suffragettes, who visited the Aldermanic chamber of the City Hill this afternoon to urge the passage of an ordinance requiring all foodstuffs placed in cold storage to be labelled. Schloss, who opposed the resolution on the floor, mentally collided with the suffragette delegation in a committee room.

"Go home and mind your homes and babies. What are you butting in on the Aldermen for?" he shouted.

"You can't make a fool out of me," he continued, "I know what I am talking about. These women ought to be at their homes. They have no right butting around, trying to tell us what to do."

"Judging by your language," said Mrs. Sophia Loebinger, "you have not done much to change our opinion. You are very far from being a gentleman."

Other Aldermen surrounded Schloss at this point and the women departed.

SHERMAN PRAISES SCOTT

Vice-President Seeks to Influence West Virginia Voters.

Washington, D. C., February 1.—Vice-President Sherman to-day injected his influence into the senatorial contest in West Virginia, where Senator Scott's re-election is being opposed by Representative Hubbard. The proceeding is so unequal that it will probably attract considerable attention in Washington political circles.

The Vice-President issued a statement, in which he says:

"West Virginia would indeed be short-sighted if she failed to avail herself of the opportunity to retain the services of a business man who at all times has looked after the interests of the State in every way possible to advance the great development that is now taking place. Such a Senator is Mr. Scott, and in my opinion it would be a misfortune to not continue in the Senate such an earnest Republican and so influential a legislator.

The Vice-President then paid a warm tribute to Mr. Scott's legislative career, and said that the report that there is a campaign in progress to prevent the Senator's return seems almost incredible to him.

COOPERS TRY FOR NEW TRIAL

Slayers of Senator Carmack Carry Appeal to Supreme Court.

Nashville, Tenn., February 1.—The motion for a new trial for Colonel D. B. Cooper and Robin Cooper, convicted and sentenced to prison for twenty years for the murder of former United States Senator E. W. Carmack, was called before the Supreme Court to-day. The case bids fair to become the most voluminous one ever filed. The two defendants were in court with a score of relatives and an imposing array of counsel. Judge J. M. Anderson opened for the defense to-day. The decision of the court may not be handed down for some time.

The defense's counsel are basing their hopes for a reversal on twenty-two exceptions as errors, but have assigned other causes besides the principal errors alleged, which include undue prejudice by the trial judge by his charge on the State's theory of the crime. Also failure to charge Robin Cooper's independent intent, permitting the jury to hear of Colonel Cooper's alleged shortage while clerk of Maury county; the exclusion of Governor Patterson's testimony as to Colonel Cooper's mental state before the shooting; the exclusion of certain editorials attacking Cooper; the emphasis the court put on the theory that Carmack was shot in the back.

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News of Manchester

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, 1103 Hull Street.

At Belvidere Hall last night Unity Hive, No. 7, Ladies of the Maccabees, of this city, gave a delightful banquet and german. The Ladies of the Maccabees of the World was founded in 1892; has three great hives, 2,749 subordinate hives, and 152,909 members. The benefits disbursed since the beginning of the organization amount to $7,158,172; the benefits of the last fiscal year, $770,691. Its national officers are: Supreme Commander, Lillian M. Hollister, Detroit, Mich.; Record Keeper, Bina M. West, Port Huron, Mich.; Finance Keeper, Nellie C. V. Heppert, Akron, O.

The preparations for the banquet to be given by Hestia Conclave, Improved Order of Heptasophs, on the occasion of the annual installation of officers to-morrow night, have about been completed. The order was founded in 1878, has 837 conclaves and 76,789 members. The supreme provost of the order is Thomas B. Hicks, of Richmond.

To-morrow night also Davis Council, No. 27, Jr. O. U. A. M., will hold its twentieth anniversary celebration. This order was founded in 1853, has thirty-two State councils, 2,061 subcouncils, and 201,987 members. Benefits disbursed since organization amount to $7,000,000, of which $769,533 was during the last fiscal year.

Indianola Tribe of Red Men, No. 52, of this city, is growing rapidly, and expect to have an enrolment of thirty on its thirtieth anniversary in April. This is one of the oldest organizations in the world, its founding dating back to 1763. Its membership is 475,450, and the benefits disbursed since its organization amount to upward of $25,000,000.

Hunting Season Nearly Over.

The true sportsman of Chesterfield county has enjoyed the pleasure of hunting a great deal during the past season, as game has been very plentiful. Owing to the excellent game laws existing in this State pot-hunters have not been able to exterminate the game. Many Richmond men take the opportunity now and then to shoulder their guns and go in quest of partridges in the county. Cary Shepherd, of Richmond, said the other day that the birds flew from the covey with great rapidity, and that the coveys were unusually large. But with January a "has-been" the hunting season around Manchester is about over.

Council Committees.

The Fire Commissioners and Cemetery Committee held short sessions in the Council chamber last night. At the former meeting past bills were approved for payment, and other routine business transacted.

At the meeting of the Cemetery Committee, at which M. A. Campbell took the chair, the bills, minutes and reports were read and adopted. The yearly report of cemetery, submitted by Superintendent Jones, showed receipts to total $2,340.95 and disbursements $2,170.30.

Out of Danger.

Little Selden Post, who was so badly burned with hot gravy a few weeks ago, is entirely out of danger, and his parents say he will soon be all right again. No serious results are feared, and only a slight scar will remain to mark the place of the burn.

Census Enumerators.

Postmaster Smith will soon designate the census enumerators of this city. The census will be completed in thirty days after April 15. All records will be of April 15. Candidates from certain points in Chesterfield county will be examined in Richmond.

Funeral of Mrs. Cox.

The funeral of Mrs. S. P. Cox took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Cowardin Avenue Christian Church. Rev. C. O. Woodward, formerly of Manchester, now of Clifton Forge, and Rev. Mr. Lane conducted the services.

Fractured His Hip.

Clyde M. Chalkley, a young man, of 1919 Bainbridge Street, is suffering from a severe fracture of the hip received Monday evening at 5:30 o'clock. He was on board a Hull Street car which collided with a wagon in front of R. A. Patterson's office. Mr. Chalkley was unable to walk yesterday morning. He is attended by Dr. Hill.

Mrs. Mary Simms Bailey has sold her residence in Mason Park, and will make her home in Richmond.

Funeral of Infant.

The funeral of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Moody, who died Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at the home of its parents, 816 Maury Street, took place yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The Missionary Society of Bainbridge Street Baptist Church heard a very interesting talk from Mrs. Durham yesterday afternoon in the church, on the "Life of Livingston."

Road Improvement.

The supervisors of the roads of Manchester and Chesterfield are doing all in their power to improve the highways, and the result of their efforts is not lacking. The subject of "Charities, Corrections and Good Roads" is an important question in the minds of the supervisors and local authorities. They say the number of criminal arrests call for stringent vagrancy laws, and their vigorous enforcement. The co-operation of municipal and county authorities to utilize the labor of able-bodied tramps, vagrants, paupers and short term prisoners in road and public improvements is a much-discussed question, and those interested say that such labor can be used economically and with good results on quarries, gravel pits and rock piles in perparing the materials and loading it upon work trains or wagons and in the actual construction of roads and streets. The authorities are of the opinion that there is a large army of itinerary men who drift from place to place, and who live by begging or stealing. If the Commonwealth can enact suitable laws providing for this public work and then see that the law is enforced, the supervisors feel sure that better conditions will result.

DAVIS OPPOSES MEASURE

Arkansas Senator Vigorously Attacks Postal Savings Bank Bill.

Washington, D. C., February 1.—Declaring it to be a measure in the interest of the "national banks, the high-collared roosters, the money sharks and money-grabbers of Wall Street," Senator Jeff Davis, of Arkansas, in the Senate to-day made a vigorous attack on the postal savings bank measure.

Mr. Davis's antagonism was aroused by the refusal of Senator Carter, in charge of the bill, to entertain an amendment eliminating the requirement that savings funds be deposited only in banks subject to supervision and examination. The Arkansas Senator explained that there was no supervision of the State banks of his State, and the effect of the measure would be to rob them of all the business growing out of postal deposits. An aye and no vote on his amendment was demanded by Mr. Davis. It was voted down, 6 to 43.

The measure was read in full, and Senator Carter then asked for an agreement that when the vote on it should be taken it should be by ayes and noes. The request met with vigorous opposition from Senators Bacon and Gallinger, and therefore was withdrawn. The Senators objecting declared the manner of the vote should be determined when it was reached by Senators then present.

After extended debate Mr. Carter gave notice that to-morrow he would ask the Senate to agree to vote on the bill next Monday, but afterwards, on request of Mr. Gallinger, he consented not to do so. The bill was still under consideration when the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

$250,000 FIRE IN BALTIMORE

About Half of Two Blocks in Southeastern Section Destroyed.

Baltimore, Md., February 1.—Fire starting between 1 and 2 o'clock this afternoon destroyed about half of two blocks in the southeastern section of the city, and ate up property worth more than $250,000, of which $200,000 falls upon Eisenhauer, MacLea & Co., lumber dealers, whose insurance totals $100,250. The Bennett Pottery Company lost $50,000, which is fully covered by insurance. The remainder of the loss is divided in small amounts among the J. H. Duker Box Company, the B. Kegan Sons' Company, box-makers, and the Standard Oil Company.

The fire started among bales of packing straw in the stable yard of the Bennett Pottery Company, adjoining the lumber yards of Eisenhauer, MacLea and Company, to which the flames, driven by a high wind, communicated with tremendous rapidity. The whole of the large lumber yard was in a few moments a roaring furnace, and at one time the flames jumped across a street seventy feet wide, endangering the tanks of the Standard Oil Company, in which 3,000 gallons of lubricating oil were stored. The fire throws 300 persons out of employment.

FIGHT PROPOSED INCREASE

Publishers Assert That Higher Postage Will Force Them Out of Business.

Atlanta, Ga., February 1.—Declaring that the proposed increase in postage rates on magazines and other second-class mail matter would practically force them out of business, representatives of eighty magazines published in Atlanta, through their organization, the Southern Magazine Publishers' Association, have appealed to Southern representatives in Congress to do all in their power to "avert this real and threatened danger to the welfare of the American people."

Notice to the Public

To All Whom It May Concern:

Take notice that I will apply to the Judge of the Hustings Court of the City of Richmond on the 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1910, for a retail liquor license at No. 4 North Eighteenth Street, in the city of Richmond, Va., under the provisions of the statute law of this State in such case made and provided.

January 26, 1910. L. GIEWE.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST COWLES

Sensational Developments in Court-Martial of Paymaster Auld.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Boston, Mass., February 1.—Developments to-day at the Auld court-martial were even more sensational than those of yesterday. Dr. Cowles, the complainant, was accused of practicing medicine without a license in Massachusetts, having failed six times to pass the State examinations. The accusation was made by Dr. Edwin B. Harvey, chairman of the State Board, who also declared that he had suspected Dr. Cowles of cribbing in these examinations, and had had him watched. Dr. Harvey declared that Cowles, by practicing without being registered, was liable to a heavy fine and sentence, for thus violating the State laws relating to the practice of medicine. Another witness declared that Dr. Cowles had charged $25 per day for treating the witness' brother, who was afflicted with paresis and died.

These details are being raked up by the defense in the effort to show that Dr. Cowles was not a fit person to attend naval dances, and that the officers were justified in ordering him to leave. Miss Virginia Swift, daughter of Admiral Swift, the commandant, was a witness, and asserted that she had been given to understand that Dr. Cowles was not a fit person to associate with the navy yard set.

Miss Dorothy Hesler, the "woman in the case," testified that Dr. Cowles had sought clandestine appointments with her, but declared he did not insult her at a dance November 27, as had been stated by others, including Miss Swift. She said Dr. Cowles had been asked to return her photo, which he had taken from her uncle's home, and not receiving any reply, she had told Dr. Robnett, who had telephoned Dr. Cowles about the matter. Miss Hesler had refused to meet him alone or to accept candy and flowers from him. She had also refused to call upon his wife. She identified the letter written by Dr. Cowles when he returned the photograph.

"A Woman's Fight."

"It's a woman's fight," said a naval officer as he left the court-martial proceedings to-day of Paymaster George P. Auld, after hearing the wife of the man whom the young Burlington officer is said to have assaulted testify that she made a special trip to Washington to get Secretary of the Navy Meyer and Senator Lodge to press the charges against Auld.

Women predominated in the courtroom to-day, while the presence on the witness stand of half a dozen young women of the naval dancing set gave the staid procedure of a naval court-martial a decided feminine touch.

From the testimony to-day it appeared that the quarrel which the men took up originated over a photograph of Miss Dorothy Hesler, of Evanston, Ill., which Dr. E. S. Cowles, of Boston, is said to have carried off from the room of Dr. A. S. Robnett, who is coupled with Mr. Auld in the charges, and who will be tried later.

Dr. Cowles said that he carried the picture off by mistake, and that when about to return it Dr. Robnett called him by telephone and ordered him in emphatic language to return the picture at once or take the consequences. Dr. Cowles accepted the latter alternative, and said that Mr. Auld carried out the orders of Dr. Robnett, which resulted in the alleged assault on December 11 at the now famous hop.

Then Mrs. Cowles went on the stand She testified that she was surprised to learn, nearly a month after the incident, that the matter had been closed. She did not pause in Boston to ask why, but went straight to the fountain head in Washington, where she laid the Cowles side of the case before Secretary Meyer. He said, she testified, that the affair was the most scandalous that had ever been brought to his attention.

Secretary Meyer asked her, she said, not to press the case too hard, as he said Rear-Admiral Swift was a friend of his. She is expected to finish her testimony to-morrow.

DEPENDS UPON PRESIDENT

Appeal for Pardon of Man Who Is Promised Immediate Employment.

Washington, D. C., February 1.—President Taft, Attorney-General Wickersham and Pardon Attorney Finch, of the Department of Justice, will take up to-morrow or next day what is regarded as one of the most interesting pardon appeals that has ever come up for consideration. Upon their decision in the matter hangs a man's chance to come out of the penitentiary, where he was sent after conviction of mishandling bank funds, and immediately step into a position of trust with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

The man is W. M. Harvey, of Pittsburg, Pa. He was a bookkeeper in the Enterprise National Bank, of Allegheny, whose gigantic failure several years ago startled the financial world. The Enterprise was considered to be an unusually strong financial institution until one morning the cashier was found dead with a bullet hole in his forehead. He had committed suicide and left a note telling how he had looted the bank. Harvey was one of his right-hand men and was sent to the penitentiary.

Believing Harvey to be more sinned against than sinning, his friends went to work in his behalf. Shortly after President Taft was inaugurated Harvey's sentence was commuted. With time off for good behavior his term will expire in September.

But in order to obtain the promised position with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Harvey must get out of the Western Pennsylvania prison, where he is serving his time, before the 20th of this month. For on that day he will be forty-five years old, and the Pennsylvania company employs nobody who has reached that age.

Representative William H. Graham, of Allegheny, has taken a keen interest in Harvey's case. He is now in Pittsburg conferring with the United States attorney there. Pardon Attorney Finch received a visit not long ago from Harvey's nineteen-year-old son, who came to talk about his father's case. Mr. Finch told the young man and Representative Graham to bring a certification from the proper officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company that Harvey would be given employment if released before he became forty-five years old and that he would take the matter up to the President.

Representative Graham and young Harvey are expected in Washington to-morrow with all the papers in the case. The United States attorney and the warden of the penitentiary have certified that Harvey's conduct during his imprisonment has been above question. His prison record is perfect. The position the Pennsylvania Company is holding for him is that of cashier in one of its freight stations.

MEET IN WASHINGTON

Virginia Commission May Withdraw Statues of Washington and Lee.

The Virginia commission which has had charge of selecting the two statues to be provided by Virginia for Statuary Hall, in the Capitol at Washington, will meet in Washington on Saturday. It is not known whether any action will be taken in view of the protests from certain quarters over the placing in the Hall of Fame of a statue to General Robert E. Lee. The commission is made up of Ex-Governor Swanson, Henry T. Wickham, George L. Christian, Thomas D. Gold, of Berryville; J. C. Featherston, of Lynchburg; George E. Sipe, of Harrisonburg; H. C. Rice, of Blackstone; Edward Lyle, formerly of Roanoke, now of Atlanta, and Don P. Halsey, of Lynchburg. As a companion to the Valentine statue of Lee, Virginia has placed in Statuary Hall a replica of Houdon's Washington. From expressions by members of the commission it is probable that if one of the statues is withdrawn, both will be withdrawn.

Postponed to Thursday.

Because of the absence of one of the attorneys in the case, the application for a dissolution of the Firemen's Relief Association, pending before the Law and Equity Court, was postponed yesterday morning until to-morrow. The only question at issue is as to how the fund of about $20,000 is to be distributed—that is, whether the division shall be equally between the 181 members, firemen and non-firemen, or whether it shall be on the basis of length of membership and number of assessments paid.

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