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CLARKSBURG, W. VA. TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1911.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

# BANDITS ROB ALL ABOARD A TRAIN

Negro Porter is Shot and Killed and Another is Mortally Wounded ON SOUTHERN PACIFIC Two Masked Men Make Rich Haul from Pullmans in Utah.

OGDEN, Utah, Jan. 3.—Southern Pacific train No. 1, of the Overland Limited, westbound, was held up by two masked bandits early this morning at Reese, nine miles west of Ogden. One negro porter was shot and killed and another porter was mortally wounded. They disregarded one of the robber's commands. A curious passenger was slightly wounded. A hundred passengers were relieved of their valuables. The robbers did not attempt to enter the express car, but devoted their entire attention to the Pullmans, where they made a rich haul. Not a passenger escaped the robbers and the trainmen also lost their money and jewelry. The bandits held the train up for more than an hour and it was not known until more than three hours later that the train had been held up. When the police department was notified, posses from nearby towns were started at once toward the scene of the robbery. The train was stopped at a little watering station by means of a red light.

# MERCHANT

Policeman is Engaged to Protect Business Section at Night.

It is a matter of gratification to business men of the city that a merchant policeman and night watchman is again to be made part of the local system of police protection. The man filling the position must be trustworthy and reliable, and Chief Bronks believes he has found the man for the place in the person of James A. Tucker, until recently traveling salesman for the R. D. Wilson Sons Company. Mr. Tucker was formerly advertising manager of the Daily News, and is well known in this section for his integrity and trustworthiness. The duties of the position are easily defined, although their execution involves considerable risk and requires courage. The beat includes the entire business section of the city, and the watchman is expected to guard it between the hours of 9 p. m. and 6 a. m. He must be on the lookout for suspicious characters, must see that no doors are left open or unlocked, and be prepared to stop or prevent possible burglaries and incendiaries.

# HEAVY FOG

Envelopes the Atlantic Seaboard with No Signs Yet of Lifting.

\*NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—A heavy fog which enveloped the Atlantic seaboard the last twenty-four hours showed no signs of lifting early today and marine traffic in and out of the port of New York is at a complete standstill. The steam collier, Kennebec, is ashore on Vineyard sound, a side of Pasque Island.

# PETITION

For Whipping Post is Being Extensively Signed at Morgantown.

MORGANTOWN, Jan. 3.—Captain J. M. Shaw, local humane officer and truant officer for the city is obtaining the names of many signers to a petition addressed to the legislature, asking that the whipping post be established in West Virginia for the punishment of husbands who beat their wives and fathers who desert their wives and families. The movement seems to meet with general favor, and so far there has been no

# JANUARY TERM BEGINS BUSILY

Great Amount of Business First Day by the Circuit Court.

Chancery business engaged the attention of Judge Charles W. Lynch and members of the bar at the opening session of the January term of the circuit court here Tuesday morning. Partition of realty was ordered in the case of Benjamin F. Heldreth against James Long et al. The bill was dismissed in the case of E. A. Barte, committee for Eliza Sturm, against Haze Morgan. The bill was dismissed in the case of James Long et al against Benjamin F. Heldreth. Dismissal of the bill in the case of Samuel E. Strother et al against Bertha McKay et al was made. A decree referring the cause of Joseph I. Vincent against Amelia Dav's et al to a commissioner was entered. In the case of William J. Nixon, administrator, against Stephen A. Nixon et al, the will of the late Phoebe Gore was interpreted and a decree directed. The injunction proceeding of the county court et al against the Hope Natural Gas Company involving the right of the defendant to use the Raccoon road for pipe line purposes was dismissed because of misjoinder of the plaintiffs. A decree was entered in the case of Sheridan R. Griffin against the Hope Natural Gas Company. The suit of Armstrong, Castor and Company against John J. Elwood et al was dismissed on motion of the plaintiff. A new trial was granted in the case of F. C. Devericks against the Fair Grounds Improvement Company. A suggestion proceeding by Frank Armstrong against Nathan Goff was dismissed. A dismissal order was entered in the suit of Howard J. White against D. W. Jacobs, the Fair Grounds Improvement Company, the Capitol Land Company and the Clarksburg Realty Company. The suit of A. C. Osborn against H. L. Cork was dropped. An order of non-suit was made in the suit of L. G. Robinson against J. F. Dye and also one in the case of A. F. Millan against W. H. Spear. The suits of the Weidemann Brewing Company against the Baltimore and Ohio and Gilbert L. Hurst against E. A. Humphries was dropped. Litigation having agreed the cases of John W. Brown against Johnston W. Beacom and Johnston W. Beacom against John W. Brown et al were dismissed. The suit of the Hornor-Gaylord Company against Lloyd L. Rogers was dismissed, agreed. A similar order was entered in the suit of the Hope Natural Gas Company against the Crude Oil Company. C. O. Coffindaffer, guardian, was authorized to lease lands of infants for oil and gas purposes. Demurrer was filed in the causes of Ida V. Wesner against the Reserve Gas Company, James W. Tetrick et al against A. R. Tetrick et al and G. N. Martin against the South Penn Oil Company. In the afternoon the first jury trial, that in the case of I. P. Brickley against the Krebs Lumber Company with a carload of lumber involved, was begun.

# NEW JUDGES

Take the Oath of Office and Begin Performance of Duties.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—The two vacancies on the bench of the supreme court of the United States were filled today when Judge Willis Vandevanter, of Wyoming, and Judge Joseph R. Lamar, of Georgia, each took the oath of office as associate justice and began immediately the performance of the duties of that position. The ceremonies were simple.

# HOWELL TO SUE

County Court of the Clarksburg and Weston Electric Railway Company.

Calvin P. Howell, contractor, will sue either the county court or the Clarksburg and Weston Electric Railway Company for damages as a result of work being done into the town of Stealey Heights. The county court, therefore, lies with the company and the town of Stealey Heights.

# NO JURISDICTION

Has the County Court Over the Bad Fill at Stealey Heights.

The county court it appears has no jurisdiction over that part of the road at Stealey Heights recently filled by the Clarksburg and Weston Electric Railway Company, the road and fill being within the corporate limits of the town of Stealey Heights.

# HOLMER

Wins the Marathon Race in Record Breaking Time Today.

EDINBURGH, Scotland, Jan. 3.—Hans Holmer, an American, won the professional Marathon on the Powder Hall grounds in the record time of two hours, thirty two minutes, and twenty-one seconds, defeating twenty six runners of Continental and British fame today.

# COMMITTED TO ASYLUM.

Mrs. Eva Brand, of Meadowbrook, has been committed to the Weston insane asylum by Justice G. H. Gordon following a medical examination by Dr. B. F. Matheny, of that town, and she will be taken to that institution within a few days. Her

# PORTUGAL TROOPS ORDERED TO BE IN READINESS TO MOVE

Garrison at Valenca is Committed to Barracks by Lisbon Orders.

RIFLES ARE SEIZED

By Persons Who Make a Dash to the Interior of the Country.

MADRID, Jan. 3.—A despatch from Vigo says that the garrison at Valenca do Minho, Portugal, has been committed to the barracks upon orders from Lisbon and the order is to be ready to move at a moment's notice. It is said that the authorities at Moncao, a small town of Portugal, near Vigo, surprised and seized two automobiles loaded with rifles and dashed toward the interior of Portugal. This discovery was followed with the order to the garrison.

# MEXICO A COUNTRY FILLED WITH SMALL EATING BOOTHS FOR UNSUSPECTING

To the tourist who first strikes Mexico the swarm of eating stands that greet him around the railroad stations and in every large city are appalling in numbers, and, while the numbers may cause him to marvel, the food to the uneducated is a terror. Think of serving large red ripe strawberries with hot milk! But that is exactly what your Mexican chef will do, and he will resent it if you file an objection. The average peon is supposed to get but a score of pennies a day for his hire, but at that he seems to be eating two-thirds of the time. And he is unhappy unless he has at least one dog to accompany him throughout his meal. If he has half a dozen dogs, then indeed is the meal a feast. While there are poor eating houses, the Chinaman has invaded Mexico, and he conducts high class cafes. Some Americans shudder at the thought of eating food prepared by a Chinaman, but if he spends much time in Mexico he will liken the Chinese chef to the finest cook in the land in comparison to the average native cook.

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# ANARCHISTS BATTLE HARD TO A GRIM END

# BOY SUCCEUMS

In Hospital as the Result of a Coasting Accident at Mt. Clare.

Peritonitis brought on by internal injuries received three weeks ago in a coasting accident at Mount Clare, caused the death of John Knight, aged 10 years, son of Mrs. Eldridge Cavins, of that town, at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday morning in a Clarksburg hospital. Three surgical operations were performed on the lad while he was in the hospital. The boy's mother was formerly Mrs. Ella Knight and he is a grandson of Granville Knight, of Mount Clare. Arrangements for the funeral have not been made.

# MORE EXHIBITS

Are Arriving and Being Placed at the Poultry Show.

Exhibits are still arriving at the Armory for the poultry show being held by the Clarksburg Poultry Club this week, and those in charge were busy all morning receiving and arranging the pens. The Armory presents a handsome appearance for the show, as the decorations used for the holiday dances have been left in place. The judge of the exhibition, J. A. McIntosh, of East Liverpool, O., arrived on the scene Tuesday morning and is well pleased with the appearance of the fowls on exhibition. A number have called already to examine the feathered folk on exhibition, and a large crowd is expected tonight, when all of the exhibits will have been received and placed in order.

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# GIRL DROWNS IN THE RIVER

Body is Recovered Below at Fairmont and Suicide is Suspected.

FAIRMONT, Jan. 3.—The lifeless body of Nora Poe, a nicely dressed, good looking girl 17 years old, was found in the river a short distance below the bridge at the railroad station just before noon today. It is not known whether she jumped into the river or fell into it accidentally, but a theory of suicide is entertained as her uncle and guardian, Frank A. Poe, of Independence, says she threatened several times in fits of despondency to kill herself. Some time ago the girl was employed as stenographer and bookkeeper in the office of the Jarrett Sign Company in this city but she gave up the position about six weeks ago. She then made application at the City hospital for a position as nurse, but never returned to the hospital to see what disposition had been made of the application. What she did and where she staid since then is not known at present. Her parents are dead.

# DESPERATE RESISTANCE IS MADE BY DESPERADOES WANTED FOR MURDER.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Battling to a grim end against desperate odds, "Peter the Painter" and "Duch Fritz," reputed anarchists, went to their death today shouting defiance to the laws of England. It is believed that four of their companions perished with them in flames that consumed their den in Sydney street not far from the heart of London. This afternoon only the charred bodies of the two desperadoes wanted for the assassination of three policemen two weeks ago had been recovered. The men gave up their lives only after a desperate battle with policemen, troops and guardsmen. When their house was riddled with bullets and set on fire the trapped men clambered to the roof and there made a last stand firing at the crowds below and jeering their assailants until the upper supports of the building gave way and the outlaws were swallowed up in the crashing flames. Vastcrowd gathered in the narrow streets leading to the scene of the activities. The authorities sought to get the men out alive but their desperate resistance made it necessary for the police to call on two half-companies of scout guards, a battery of horse artillery, three machine guns, a gatling gun and a fire brigade.

# STROTHER

Is Chosen President of County Court Here for Year at Tuesday's Term.

John B. Strother, the oldest county court member in point of service, was chosen president of that body, when the court met Tuesday morning to organize and hold its first term as it is now constituted. The other members of the court are Charles Post and Leeman Maxwell. The selection of Mr. Strother as president of the court was pursuant to a long custom of the court of electing its oldest member in point of service president. Mr. Strother's term as president is for a year. Charles A. Schutte, of Salem, qualified as a deputy county assessor.

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# INVESTMENT

Is Made in City Property by Mr. and Mrs. Post of Colorado State.

Mr. and Mrs. Will S. Post, who have been visiting relatives in Harrison and Marion county for several weeks, left today on No. 3 for Springfield, Ark., to visit Mr. Post's sister a few days, after which they will return to their home at Canon City, Colo. Mr. Post is a brother of Howard Post, of this city, and a successful fruit grower. While here they purchased through the Post-Regis Co., real estate agents, the C. L. Price home on Mechanic street. They are well pleased with the future outlook of Clarksburg and think it a splendid place for an investment.

# BLOODSHED FEARED.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 3.—Attorney G. B. Buskirk, of Matewan, has asked Governor Glasscock to send the sheriff of Mingo county to Matewan Thursday, when a town election will be held, to see that the citizens are properly protected and the election laws are strictly observed.

# JOHN LYON IS BURIED.

The funeral of John Lyon, a retired merchant of East Pike street, near Oak, whose death occurred Saturday noon, took place at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. A service was held at the Church of the Immaculate Conception and burial followed at

# UNION TO MEET.

The Stealey Heights Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in the Duff street church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The meeting is to be a very important

# FACTIONS ARE TO RENEW WARFARE

# BANNER YEAR IN COAL TRADE

West Virginia Coal Mining Year Closed Breaks Its Record.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Twenty-five per cent more coal was mined in West Virginia during the calendar year 1910 than in any previous year in the history of the state, according to figures given out today by the United States Geological Survey. The increase in 1910 over the production in 1909, the last year for which the government figures have been published, was more than 43 per cent.

For the first time West Virginia takes second place among the coal producing states, producing several million tons more coal in 1910 than Illinois has produced in any one year of its history. Of the entire coal production of the United States, West Virginia produced almost one-sixth. About one-fourth of all the coal produced in the United States outside of Pennsylvania during the last year came from West Virginia.

Statistics for the year have not been completed by Edward W. Parker, coal statistician for the Geological Survey, but a bulletin has been published showing from estimates that the total coal production of the United States for 1910 fell only about one per cent below the banner year of 1907, and that West Virginia's coal production for 1910 was by far the greatest the state ever had.

Of the increased production of coal in the state, the largest part was in the counties in the southern portion of the state, says the Geological Survey's bulletin. "Although the northern counties showed increased activity. In addition to the marked increase in shipments to the coast, there was also an increase in the tide-water shipments, the Virginian Railway and the new developments along its lines added materially to this tonnage."

The coal production of the entire country for 1910, according to reports received by the Geological Survey from coal mine operators and others familiar with the industry, was between 475,000,000 and 485,000,000 short tons, compared with 459,717,704 tons in 1909 and almost up to the previous maximum record of 480,350,434 tons, produced in 1907. Of this total production for 1910, Pennsylvania produced nearly 83,000,000 tons, leaving the total bituminous production between 390,000,000 and 400,000,000 tons.

"The most important factor influencing the coal mining industry in 1910," says the bulletin, "was the prolonged strike in Illinois and the Southwestern states. With the exception of the western district of Kentucky, West Virginia

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# CHILTON AND MCGRAW ARE TO ENGAGE IN OLD-TIME BITTER FIGHT

WHEN SOLONS MEET

Democratic Caucus is to Be the Scene of a Fight to the Finish.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 3.—One week from Wednesday the West Virginia legislature will convene at Charleston in biennial session and before the end of the present week the advance guard of members and politicians will have arrived at the capital to prepare for the organization of the State Senate and the House of Delegates and to learn the actual situation relative to the senatorial contest.

Aside from the election contests brought by the Democratic contestants in the State Senate, which has created considerable interest in both parties because if they eliminate successfully both branches of the legislature would be controlled by the Democracy, public sentiment is largely centered in the senatorial contest.

While no definite time has been fixed as yet, it is generally believed here that the Democratic caucus to determine the organization of the two houses will be held on Tuesday night, January 10, but that the senatorial caucus will be postponed until a later date as the statute does not require the election of the senate until January 24.

The priority of the organization caucus, however, has not dimmed the public interest in the contest for the toga, which, while not marked with the serenity that has characterized the Ohio and New Jersey contests, is attracting unusual interest on account of the realization that the future of the party in the Mountain State depends largely upon the selection of the Democratic caucus, for the senator to be chosen, will, by implication, at least, be named as the leader of the party.

It can be said that there are four likely candidates for the toga, Walter Chilton, McGraw and Tierney, although Chilton has made no formal announcement and will make about, but his name will go before the caucus and he and his friends are active.

Besides these active candidates, there are a number of others—Judge Taverner, of Parkersburg; John J. Cornwell, of Romney; Judge John B. Wilkinson, of Logan; Judge James H. Miller, of Hinton; Andrew Edmiston, of Weston, and Bahdin Willey, of Point Pleasant, and each of these latter will receive some complimentary votes.

Assurance that Chilton is making an earnest fight for the prize is taken to mean that there will be a renewal of the McGraw-Chilton factional warfare between the rival Democratic leaders, each of whom has been contending for supremacy for a dozen years. Between their closest friends there is no secret of the rivalry between the two Democratic warriors and the forthcoming struggle should be more intense and interesting than the memorable battle of 1907 when each was a contender for the honorary endorsement of the legislature, with the result that Cornwell received the honorable mention.

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