

DRY GOODS FIRM IS IN BAD SHAPE

Court Receivers Are Named for a Big Wholesale Concern in New York.

FLURRY IS A RESULT

Of Rumors Rife But the Scare Does Not Seriously Affect the District.

NEW YORK, June 25.—Receivers were named today for the wholesale dry goods establishment of the H. B. Claffin Company.

The United Dry Goods Companies was incorporated under the laws of Delaware May 21, 1909, to consolidate the dry goods interests of John Claffin.

The receivership caused a flurry in the financial district although rumors that something was impending were rife all day yesterday.

The liabilities of the firm represented by commercial paper held all over the country are estimated at \$35,000,000.

It is understood that the Claffin company controls about twenty-eight dry goods firms throughout the United States apart from those affiliated with the United Dry Goods Company.

The unprecedented shifting of trade centers in New York has caused great loss to many interests.

RECEIVER APPOINTED FOR KANSAS STORE. KANSAS CITY, June 25.—Alexander New, legal representative here of H. B. Claffin Company of New York, was appointed receiver today of the Jones Store Company of this city.

Announcement was made this afternoon that all the so-called Claffin stores strictly speaking would be closed pending adjustment of the company's affairs.

NO DECISION

Is Reached as to the Removal of the United States Marshal's Office.

PARKERSBURG, June 25.—When United States Marshal Ned Smith was seen yesterday relative to the transfer of the marshal's office either from this city to Clarksburg or to provide new quarters for it on the third floor of the local federal building, he stated that there was nothing to be announced.

Mr. Smith was in the city in attendance at the Democratic state convention and left for his home in the evening. He will return here again in a few days.

VOTERS REGISTER.

The county court registered Grand district voters Thursday for the district election to be held in that district June 29.

BUSINESS AGENTS OF BLACKMAILING UNION

SALOON

Keepers to Be Told On by Negro Youth Who is Jailed by Magistrate.

Nathan Curry, a negro 18 years old who was recently arrested by city policemen and turned over to Magistrate W. E. Starcher as a common drunkard, was committed to the county jail for an indefinite period Wednesday evening by the magistrate.

Curry not only admitted to the magistrate that he was a drunkard but that various saloonists in the city would sell him liquors of all kinds.

The actual charge upon which the negro was tried was that of being a person not of good fame, and in default of bond, as is required by law, he was committed to jail to await further action in the case by the prosecuting attorney.

ARSON CHARGE

Against Dora Gay Davis Now on Trial in the Criminal Court Here.

Dora Gay Davis is on trial in the criminal court charged with setting fire to a house at Industrial and belonging to John F. Mason July 9, 1912.

An appeal case between Stealey Heights and Edward Hart was dismissed.

Bruno Piori was found guilty of assaulting his child.

Arthur Whitaker was found guilty of unlawful assault.

LODGE ROOM DEDICATED.

CHARLES TOWN, W. Va., June 25.—The handsome new lodge room of A. Nobb lodge of Masons at Shepherdstown was dedicated last evening.

TO INSTALL.

Pythian Lodge, No. 29, will install officers at 8 o'clock this evening. Refreshments will be served.

RAILWAY MAIL PAY IS INADEQUATE NOW

As Much Express Business Has Been Transferred to That Service.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—A conflict between the legislative and administrative branches of government appears in the presentation of the so-called Moon postal bill, understood to have been confirmed by the postal authorities and introduced in the House at the same time that a joint committee of Congress is undertaking the preparation of a bill on railway mail pay after a thorough investigation which has been made during the past year.

In this investigation representatives of the Postoffice Department and the Interstate Commerce Commission co-operated with the congressional committee. A special committee of the American Railway Association, of which Ralph Peters, president of the Long Island railroad, is chairman, has also worked with the congressional committee and the railroads generally have furnished a large amount of data requested to develop the whole subject.

It was expected that growing out of the investigation of the congressional committee headed by former Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr. of Oregon, would develop the facts both from the sides of the Postoffice Department and the railroads, so that a plan affording the greatest economy in handling the mail might be effected and which at the same time would grant the railroad such compensation as they are reasonably entitled to for the service performed.

Transferring the express business from which the railroads derived compensation in such large quantities to the postal service without adequate provision in the matter of pay is said to have imposed an undue burden upon the railroads and led Louis J. Brandeis, special counsel of the Interstate Commerce Commission in the advanced rate case of the eastern railroads, to state in his closing argument on the rate case what his investigation had shown with reference to the question of railway mail pay.

Mr. Brandeis said in such connection: "Then there is another element in connection with this passenger train service which we expect to find unremunerative, and more and more unremunerative, and that is the matter of the railroad mail pay. A committee of Congress is now investigating."

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REBELS FINALLY CAPTURE CITY OF ZACATECAS, MEXICO

Villa's Men Take 5,000 Federal Prisoners and Quantity of Ammunitions.

CITY'S DEAD ARE 4,000

Villa Thinks Not More Than 500 of His Men Are Dead and 800 Wounded.

ZACATECAS, Mex., June 25.—After four days of preliminary fighting the final assault on Zacatecas took place Tuesday night. The Constitucionists at 7:30 p. m. General Villa himself gave the following account of the battle:

"After four days' hard attacks, today was the decisive one. The enemy, numbering 14,000 commanded by Medina Barron and five other generals, were defeated completely by my forces which were aided effectively by General Natera's men. Up to this moment we have 5,000 prisoners, twelve cannon, nine trains, two carloads of ammunition and nearly 6,000 Mauser rifles and a large quantity of provisions and other munitions of war."

"The enemy, who escaped, went in the direction of Aguas Calientes, after dynamiting the postoffice, the state treasurer's office and the stamp revenue office buildings. The explosions killed many of our men and destroyed part of the city. The dead of the enemy number 4,000 and about 2,000 wounded."

"On our part we can not tell the losses of the battle, which lasted for five consecutive days, but I think there are not more than 500 dead and 800 wounded. Among the latter are General Herrera and General Rodriguez, who were severely wounded. Our artillery operated splendidly. The federal troops were every foot, the last being El Grillo."

"The fiercest fighting on both sides and unusually high loss of life to both federal and Constitutionalists ended last night in the capture of Zacatecas by General Villa's forces. It required four days of battle to take the federal stronghold of Central Mexico."

The rebels, under General Barón, defended their positions stubbornly. But they finally were overcome by the forces of General Villa and General Natera. The Constitutionalists scaled hill after hill and mountain after mountain. So far it has been impossible to obtain an accurate estimate of losses on both sides. The heaps of dead on the mountain sides and in the city bore testimony of the ferocity of the fighting.

General Villa was in the van of the attacking party. Five members of his staff accompanying him were wounded. The number of Constitutionalists officers killed or wounded was unusually great. General Rodriguez, one of Villa's best brigade commanders, was shot through the throat and is not expected to live.

The rebels in many cases had to advance on hands and knees. Nothing seemed to lessen the determination of Villa's troops though the federalists had thrown up trenches on all sides. Hillside afforded no cover for the attacking troops. The coronation of the defense gradually narrowed until the last hill on the outskirts of the city fell into the hands of the rebels.

BODIES FOUND

Of Three Women and a Man, Victims of An Automobile Accident on Bluff.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., June 25.—At the foot of a 100-foot bluff on the ocean beach near San Pedro, Calif., the bodies of three women and a man, victims of an automobile accident, were found today.

The automobile, a new car, driven by Harry Baker, a wireless operator of San Pedro, had plunged over the bluff late last night, killing four. It was Baker's first trip in the machine. Percy Townsend, also a wireless operator, was unconscious when found, but he may recover.

WELLS HANGED

In Just Twenty-Two Seconds after He is Taken from the Death Cell.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., June 25.—Frank Wells, 20 years old, was hanged today for the murder of Charles H. Butler, near McClellandtown on January 3, 1913. The trap was sprung twenty-two seconds after Wells was taken from the death cell. It was the quickest of the thirteen executions which have taken place in Fayette county. Wells and Luigi DeLeo were convicted of the crime and sentenced to be hanged but DeLeo's sentence was commuted. Both were Italians.

BLAZER FUNERAL

Will Be Held in the Elks' Lodge Room at 8 O'clock This Evening.

The funeral of Harry H. Blazer will be held in the Elks' lodge room at 8 o'clock this evening and the body will lie in state there until 9:20 o'clock tomorrow morning. The services this evening will be public and Odd Fellows, Macabees and all other friends are invited to attend them. The body will be taken on Park No. 3 tomorrow morning to Parkersburg, transferred there and then taken to Winona for burial.

FIVE ENTER

For the Motorcycle Races to Be Held Friday Night at Elk Park.

Five persons have entered for the motorcycle races that will be run Friday night at Elk park. They are W. W. Curs, Charles Frum, Earl Frum, Jack Henderson and Henry Frum. Our will ride an Indian machine and the others Excelsior. The races will begin at 8 o'clock and there will be three of them, each going five miles. The first will be a "strip stock" contest, the second a free for all affair and the third a race for professionals. Music will be furnished by Gregory's band.

WILL ORGANIZE ALL STATE COAL MINERS

But the Case against Judge Alston G. Dayton Has Nothing to Do with It.

(From Chas. Brooks Smith.) WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—According to a representative of the United Mine Workers there is no prospect of permanent peace in the mining regions of West Virginia until that state is completely unionized or the miners organization becomes bankrupt. There is no fear of the latter happening, this official says.

According to him the unionization of the mines in the southern part of the state has made remarkable and gratifying progress, especially in the Kanawha and New River districts. Along the Norfolk and Western headwaters the fight there has not yet begun, nor in the Fairmont district in the northern part of the state. But these are fields which are destined to be invaded in the future. They have been left alone, because the union had its hands full with the Kanawha and New River fields, and its plan of campaign was to take one mine-province region at a time.

Asked if the attempt of the union to have Judge A. G. Dayton of the Northern district impeached, was a preliminary step of the union to an invasion of the Fairmont region, he answered that while it might appear so on the face of it, it was not, as the union had no means of knowing that, if it were successful in its prosecution of Judge Dayton, his successor would be any more satisfactory to the laboring class. "However," he smiled, "he couldn't be any worse from our standpoint."

"The fact is," he continued, "that we have undertaken to prosecute Judge Dayton both because he is a violent foe to union labor and we have a strong case against him, strong enough in our opinion, when all the facts are presented to warrant his impeachment. The action was not taken as a preliminary to our entering on the fight in the Fairmont field. When we get ready to start on that campaign Judge Dayton or no jurist who is known to be unfriendly to us will deter us. The strike at Collier's was but an incident, and nothing especially to do with our plan of campaign when the fight begins in earnest in the Fairmont field. It was, however, of importance to us in (Continued on page three.)"

INTENSE HEAT

Drives Westinghouse Strikers from Street of the Turtle Creek Valley Towns.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 25.—The intense heat drove Westinghouse strikers from the streets of Turtle Creek valley towns today, only the pickets detailed for duty at the plants being in sight. Deputy sheriffs guarded the bridge leading to the electric plant against the protest of strike leaders, who declared the bridge was public property and could be used by any pedestrian without question. Organizers of the Allegheny Congenial Industrial Union, who have been busy organizing workmen in the Westinghouse plants not affected by the strike, announced that locals had been formed in the Trafford foundries and at the plant of the R. D. Nuthall Company.

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Correspondence Concerning California's Land Law in Both Countries.

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PROMINENT

Young Men of Lumberport Are Caught in Tent Raid and Jailed by Officers.

Two prominent young men of Lumberport were in the county jail Thursday awaiting the action of county authorities under warrants charging them with trespassing and assembling for an immoral purpose on J. E. Lambam's farm in Sardis district, as the consequence of a raid upon a tent there the evening before by Deputy Sheriffs Laco Wolf and John Siers and Constable Robert McClung. Both are expected to be bailed out before tonight by relatives or friends.

MR. PARRISH

An Aged Retired Farmer Residing at Wallace is Dead There.

S. N. Parrish died at 11 o'clock Wednesday night at his home at Wallace. His death was due to old age. He was 79 years old. Mr. Parrish was born in Marion county February 18, 1835, and was a farmer until a few years ago. He spent most of his life at Wallace. He is survived by his widow, Rebecca Parrish, one son, T. J. Parrish, of this city, one daughter, Mrs. H. J. Shaver, of Wallace, and by several brothers. Funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning in the Wallace Methodist Episcopal church and the burial will be in that town.

RECOMMENDS DANDO.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—Representative Hunter H. Moss, of the Fourth West Virginia district, today recommended the appointment to the military academy at West Point, Edwin Davis Dando, of Parkersburg. The two alternatives have not been designated. Judge Moss is inviting applications from his district for those two honors.

BANKING HOUSE TO MOVE.

The foreign banking house of Charles F. Zaruba and Company, has leased the store room in the Waldo building lately occupied by Joe Cohen and is making preparations to move into it the first of next week from its present location on North Fourth street.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Peter J. Garrett and Mary M. Madden; James J. Coughlin and Helen U. Gordon, and Edward S. Young and Floyd H. Haydon.

STEAM ROLLER IS RESORTED TO

BEALL AND DePUE FORCES ARE LASHED INTO LINE FOR DR. THOMAS E. HODGES.

BY THE MACHINE BOSSES

Federal Office Holders Take an Outrageous Hand at Democratic Convention.

(SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAM) PARKERSBURG, W. Va., June 25.—The good old Democratic steam roller was brought out again yesterday and it rolled over the Democratic state convention with ease and speed. It was the high speed clutch and it ran over the delegates with such effectiveness that hardly a grease spot was left of big Wylie Beall. Hal DePue was completely wiped out of his political existence and effaced from the convention save as a memory. John A. Preston, the old Democratic war horse of Preston county, was tossed a few complimentary votes, all of which were given to Thomas E. Hodges as soon as it was necessary for him to have them. Some of the votes given to Beall were withdrawn when it became apparent that Hodges required them, and it is difficult to tell how many of the votes cast for Beall and Preston were actually theirs and how many were given them to make it look less like the steam roller was at work. The matter of giving Hodges votes to other candidates was somewhat overdone, however, and there were not enough left for Hodges till some of the counties announced that they desired to change their votes and were allowed to desert Beall or Preston and go to Hodges.

The roller began to work yesterday morning when the word was passed around that Hodges had been decided on and that he was to get the nomination. But a telegram saying he could not attend the convention and that the convention should not believe several senators sent telegrams also to attest the fact that he was needed by Democracy in the Senate in trying to confirm Democratic appointees of the president to federal offices.

J. Hop Woods, of Philippi, placed Hodges in nomination and said that the Democracy of West Virginia wanted to send to Congress some one who could walk into the White House on equal terms with a literary standpoint with President Wilson. He was referred to as a second Woodrow Wilson. Charlie Osonen went back to the days when Beall's ancestors followed George Washington with bleeding feet at Valley Forge and said Beall was of the same stock. Mr. Van Sicker, of Greenbrier county, named John A. Preston in a brief speech.

FATAL KICK

Lewis County Farmer Dies Here as a Result of Injuries from a Horse.

William H. Hawkins, aged 62, a farmer of Middle Run, near Weston, died in a local hospital at 1 o'clock this afternoon from injuries received late yesterday afternoon when he was kicked by a horse at his home. The body will be taken to Weston on the 7:30 interurban car this evening and from there to his home, where the funeral services will be held tomorrow, the time not yet having been decided upon.

MOVES HIS OFFICE.

Dr. M. J. Bartlett has moved his office from the Irwin building at the corner of West Pike and South Third streets to rooms 312 and 313 in the Union National Bank building, where he has better quarters. He occupied the Irwin building nineteen years.

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The deceased is survived by a widow and one son. The son is Henry Hawkins, living at home. Mr. Hawkins was kicked in the abdomen by the horse while working in the field yesterday afternoon. He was rushed to this city, where an operation was performed in an effort to save his life. However, he did not rally and his death did not come unexpected.

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