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## VILLA AND MEN GO FOR MUNITIONS

ON MARCH TO SOUTH OF PARRAL WHERE ARMS AND HORSES ARE HIDDEN.

## CONFIRM DEATH OF FISHER

Passengers from Chihuahua City Tell of Conditions and Confirm Many Reports—Claims Villa Has 7,000 Men.

El Paso, Texas.—Francisco Villa and his main command are marching toward Mesa de Sandias, 35 miles southwest of Parral, where a quantity of ammunition and arms and a large drove of horses are known to be hidden for the Villa forces according to an American refugee from Chihuahua City. These are hidden in the ranch of General Urbina, the Villa general, who was killed by Villa troops because he would not divide his loot with Villa.

Passengers arriving from Chihuahua City said that the feeling of apprehension among the people there had been greatly allayed because of the arrangements of General Trevino to protect the city against a surprise attack. No reports have been yet received regarding the Americans in Parral, they said, but refugees from Santa Rosalia confirmed the death of Dr. C. H. Fisher, an American at the hands of the bandits who raided that place.

The Associated Press correspondent at Chihuahua City, who reached the border was informed before leaving Chihuahua City that Dr. Encanacion Brondo Whitt, the physician of Guerrero, Chihuahua, who has been made prisoner by Villa and forced to treat the bandit's wounded leg, was in Guerrero Saturday in charge of Villa's temporary field hospital. Doctor Whitt is a Mexican citizen not a British subject. He was reported recently by refugees from Chihuahua City as having been killed by Villa bandits.

It was reported to the German Consul at Juarez that a Belgian subject had been killed in Santa Rosalia by Villa forces, but this was not confirmed. A Spaniard, who arrived from Chihuahua City last night claimed to have confirmation of the report that Dr. C. H. Fisher, aged and wealthy American physician at Santa Rosalia, had been stabbed to death by Villa bandits.

Refugees say seven thousand is considered a conservative estimate of the number of men Villa has. Carranza soldiers, refugees say, are joining Villa daily.

## GERMAN AMBASSADOR DEUTSCHLAND VISITOR

Count von Bernstorff and Wife See Undersea Freighter Loaded For Homeward Trip.

New London, Conn.—Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, accompanied by his wife, came here from Washington for the purpose of visiting the undersea freighter Deutschland, now being loaded for her homeward trip.

The Ambassador, it is understood, brought a suitcase filled with official mail from the Emperor. Count von Bernstorff said his errand is entirely a social one. He decided to take advantage of Washington's official inactivity on election day, he said, by giving the Countess an opportunity to inspect the Deutschland.

The Ambassador and his wife were guests at an informal reception at their hotel attended by Captain Keonig, the Deutschland's commander, and a number of German-Americans of Baltimore and New London.

## FRANZ JOSEPH ASKS RIGHT FOR GALICIA

Amsterdam, via London.—Emperor Franz Joseph has addressed an autograph letter to Premier Ernest von Korbic stating that it is his will when the new State of Poland comes into existence to grant Galicia the right independently to manage its own internal affairs.

## ASK WILSON TO ADD APPEAL FOR SUFFERERS

Long Branch, N. J.—President Wilson was asked to include in his Thanksgiving Day proclamation an appeal to the people of the United States to give aid to European war sufferers. The request was made by Ignace Padewski, the pianist, and a delegation representing organizations interested in relief work in Germany, Austria-Hungary, Poland, Russia, Armenia, Syria and other countries.

## CUBA SEEKS TO SUE N. C. FOR CARPET BAG BONDS

Washington.—Attorneys for the Republic of Cuba requested the United States supreme court for permission to sue North Carolina for payment of \$2,186,130 worth of bonds issued in "carpet bag" days. The action is the first known effort of a foreign state to sue one of the United States. There are eight counts. Reprints of the bonds are shown. The bonds were issued in '68 and '69 and are signed by Governor Holden.

## FRENCH IN SOMME HIT GERMAN LINE

SEVERAL IMPORTANT GAINS ARE MADE BY VIOLENT FIGHTING.

## FRENCH TAKE 3 TRENCHES

To the North Despite the Stormy Weather the British Over a Front of 1,000 Yards, Capture Hills Near Warlencourt.

London.—The French troops in the Somme region of France and northwest of Verdun again have smashed the German lines hard. North of the Somme between Les Boeufs and Sully-Saillisset to the east of the latter place and on the St. Pierre-Vaast wood sector important gains were made in violent fighting which proceeded throughout Sunday, according to the French official communication. The attack on the St. Pierre-Vaast wood, which was made from three sides simultaneously, netted the French three trenches on the northern side and the entire German positions on the southern outskirts of the wood.

To the north, despite the stormy weather, the British over a front of a thousand yards, captured the hills in the neighborhood of the Butte de Warlencourt.

Keeping up their offensive in the Verdun region the French have been enabled to occupy the entire village of Vaux and also the town of Damplois, which is situated a mile to the east of Fort Vaux.

## KOENIG PLANS HOMEWARD DASH BY SUBMARINE FRIDAY

Stevadores Work Steadily Loading Cargo of Crude Rubber and Nickel.

New London, Conn.—Capt. Paul Koenig, of the German submarine merchantman Deutschland, indicated that he would make his homeward dash Friday—probably late in the afternoon.

Stevadores worked steadily all day loading a cargo of "crude rubber and nickel," the Deutschland's crew was engaged in overhauling the engines and five mechanics from a local shipyard practically completed the work of tightening rivets on the shaft's bow which had become loosened by tossing in the high sea. Captain Koenig visited the government submarine base and later conducted Commander Stirling and his officers through the Deutschland.

## 5 KILLED, 40 WOUNDED IN I. W. W. MOB BATTLE

Everett, Wash.—Five persons were killed and 40 wounded in a fight at the Everett City wharf between 250 members of the Industrial Workers of the World, who came here from Seattle on the steamer Verona and a posse of 150 citizens headed by Sheriff Don McRae. Sheriff McRae is among the seriously wounded.

## PARRAL IS ABANDONED BY CARRANZA GARRISON

El Paso, Texas.—Parral has been abandoned by the Carranza garrison under command of Gen. Luis Herrera, according to passengers arriving in Juarez by train from Chihuahua City.

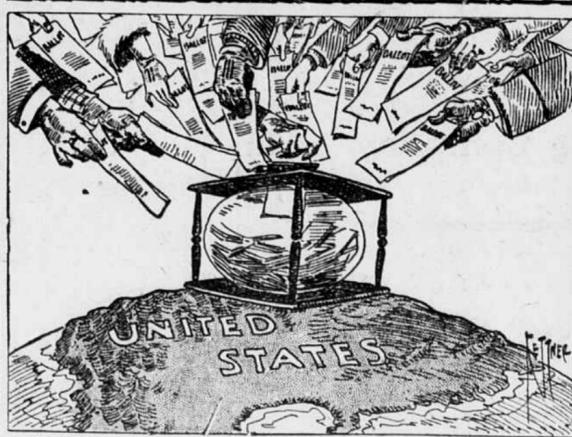
## STEAMERS COLLIDE IN STORM; 92 LIVES LOST.

Belfant.—The loss of life in the disaster to the steamers Retriever and Connemara aggregates 92. Only two persons are known to have been saved when the two vessels collided in the Irish channel during a gale. The crew of the Retriever numbered 13, one of whom and also a passenger of the Connemara were saved. The two vessels lie partly submerged within sight of land. High seas are breaking over them.

## VILLA KILLS AMERICAN DOCTOR REFUGEE SAYS.

Chihuahua City, via El Paso Junction.—Dr. Fisher, an American physician, living at Santa Rosalia, was killed by the Villa bandits under Gen. Baudelio Uribe, according to the statement of a Mexican refugee who arrived here from Santa Rosalia. Dr. Fisher was one of the few Americans known to have been in Santa Rosalia at the time the Villa bandits captured the town. Gen. Uribe also captured a number of Chinese and Arabs,

## ELECTION DAY



## REPORT BUSINESS ACTIVE

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARDS BUSINESS SUMMARY IS ANNOUNCED.

Richmond District Farmers Are in Excellent Financial Shape.—Some S. C. Counties Report Small Cotton Crop.

Washington.—The Federal Reserve Board's business summary just announced that general conditions in the 12 Federal reserve districts of the country were satisfactory with extraordinary activity in nearly all lines. Labor shortage was reported by nearly all the district agents, and most of them referred to the increasing cost of living.

The report from the Richmond district says farmers are in better position financially than ever before as the result of good crops and high prices. There seems to be a steady ingress of homeseekers and a large acreage of virgin soil is being cleared. The cotton crop in that district is generally reported short, the best sections estimating a yield of but 50 to 60 per cent, but the current price of from 16 to 18 cents a pound makes each bale worth more than \$100, including the seed. In a few counties in South Carolina only 20 to 30 per cent crop is reported, however, and small planters there will barely be able to pay this year's bills.

In reference to the cost of living in Richmond the report says: "High prices of crops bring many comments as to the high cost of living and expressions of serious doubt as to how labor is to support itself, notwithstanding high wages."

Reports from other districts follow: Atlanta—All lines of industry report extraordinary bright prospects for autumn and winter trade. Labor conditions satisfactory despite some disturbances. Business strong in retail and wholesale lines, some difficulty being experienced in securing goods. Car shortage causing fear of shutdown of many plants.

Boston—General expansion of business and tendency toward greater activity and higher prices in retail trade. Manufacturers cautious about making future contracts until they are assured of materials.

New York—Despite high prices remarkable activity continues in most business lines, with general tendency toward further expansion, manufacturers being unable to keep pace with their orders and handicapped by labor shortage and other deterrents.

## AMERICANS IN DANGER AS VILLA TROOPS TAKE PARRAL.

Fate of U. S. Citizens Exemplified by Attack on German, Thought to Be an American.

El Paso, Texas.—Parral, Chihuahua state, has been taken by Villa troops, according to a message received by Americans from Chihuahua City. The report, also received by United States Government agents and forwarded to Washington, said the Villa forces have taken possession of the city. There has been no confirmation from Mexican sources of the message.

American mining men who have interests in Parral are concerned over the fate of nine Americans known to be in the city. This anxiety was increased by the news from Chihuahua City that the bandits who held up the Mexican Central passenger train at Laguna station assaulted Dr. Steven Haffner, a German subject, because they thought he was an American. What they said, was an indication of what may happen to Americans in the Parral mining district.

## BRITISH RECAPTURE DUTCH STEAMER, GERMAN SEIZED.

Amsterdam, via London.—A German submarine placed a prize crew aboard the Dutch steamer Oldambt, which left the Hook of Holland. A British destroyer appeared and recaptured the Oldambt, according to The Het Volk. The prize crew fired two bombs with the hope of destroying their prize. According to the Handelsblad the Oldambt reached the Hook of Holland, but capsized, the cargo being lost.

## DEUTSCHLAND ARRIVES

BRINGS TEN MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF DYES, DRUGS, JEWELS, ETC

Was a "Quiet," But Thrilling Voyage.—Defies Allies' "Blockade That Does Not Block."—Hopes to Make Another Trip During Year.

New London, Conn.—Ten million dollars' worth of dyestuffs and drugs and it was said "possibly stocks, bonds and precious stones" comprise the cargo of the German submarine merchantman Deutschland, according to a statement by Capt. Paul Koenig, commander of the craft.

The Deutschland is in this port after having succeeded in making a second voyage from a German port to the American coast, despite the watchfulness of British and French war vessels.

"I must keep up this traffic alone for the present, that is, the Deutschland must," he said. "In a fortnight I shall be gone, I hope, to return before the end of the year."

It was possible, the navigator stated, that other merchant submarines would be built by that time.

In a summary of his voyage, just completed, Captain Keonig, who returned with decorations from German royalty as marks of recognition for his pioneer voyage, said this was "a quiet trip." Recital of its incidents, however, developed matters of lively interest. The Deutschland did not lie on the ocean floor this time, as in the voyage which ended at Baltimore last July. The submarine instead varied the monotony of its sailing under water or on the surface with occasional dodges beneath vessels identified as warships of belligerent nationality or thought to be. Seven times, Captain Keonig said, he maneuvered in this way. The last time was off Nantucket when he sighted a "four-funnelled steamer" and dived beneath her.

The storms gave us more trouble than this so-called blockade," he continued. "We were beset by heavy southwest gales for days, and they were with us most of the way across. Fog also hindered us. We might as well have been submerged, the weather was so thick at times."

During the trip of 4,500 miles the Deutschland traveled under water less than 100 miles, 95 I should think," Captain Keonig said.

"They call it blockade. You can judge how much it blocks," the skipper exclaimed.

## CONFLICTING ELEMENTS IN MARINA LOSS ARISE.

Issue Threatens to Fall Into Technical Discussion of Whether Germany Has Violated Pledges to U. S.

Washington.—So many conflicting elements have appeared in the destruction of the British steamer Marina by a German submarine, with loss of American lives, that the incident threatens to fall into a technical discussion rather than a clean-cut issue of whether Germany has violated her pledges to the United States.

It became apparent that much which is essential to a determination of the responsibility remains undisclosed, if indeed the United States, Germany or Great Britain, are in possession of the full facts.

It appeared certain, however, that no move will be made by the United States until the German version of the affair, as well as that of the destruction of the British steamer Rowanmore, by shellfire with endangering of Americans, has been secured.

## OFFICIALS SURPRISED AT REVOKING DECISION.

Washington.—Administration officials were surprised when informed that the Mexican-American Commission had revoked its decision to make Washington its meeting place. Arrangements had been perfected to accommodate the commissioners here and the Bureau of Pan-American Republics had been chosen for the meeting place. Failure to agree on border difficulties have discouraged state department officials.

## RUMANIANS YIELD TO TEUTONS BLOWS

VIOLENT FIGHTING CONTINUES TO MARK AUSTRO-GERMAN ATTACKS.

## NO ACTION ON SOMME FRONT

The French Have Made Slight Gains at Saillley and the British Have Taken German Trench Near Guedecourt.

London.—Violent fighting continues to mark the Austro-German attempts to penetrate the Rumanian plains southeast of Kronstadt and Hiernannstadt and toward Bucharest. The stiff defense of the Rumanians is yielding slowly to the blows of Austro-German artillery and infantry about Predeal, and Berlin announces further progress south of the border for them.

East of Predeal, however, the Rumanians advancing in the Buzeu Valley have driven the invaders back over the frontier in the region of Table Butzi. They also have taken Mount Siriu and Taturumio, along the Transylvanian border southeast of Kronstadt. South of Hiernannstadt in the region of Rothenburg Pass, the Austro-Germans have extended their lines and captured an additional 350 prisoners. West of Bothenthurm and in the Prahova alley the Rumanians are holding their ground.

On the Eastern front fighting has taken place east of Kovel in Volhynia and southeast of Lemberg in Galicia. Berlin announced he repulse of seven Russian attacks against the Austro-German positions on the left bank of the Narayuvka River, near Halicz in Galicia, while Petrograd says the Russians have recaptured part of their trenches on the west bank of the Stokhod in region of Kiselin, in Volhynia. Near Lipnicadolina, in Galicia, the Russians have pushed back the Austro-Germans in some places.

There have been no heavy actions on the Somme front. The French have made slight gain at Saillley and the British have taken a German trench east of Guedecourt, Fort Vaux, in the Verdun region, has been occupied by the French, following its evacuation by the Germans.

## SUBMARINE U-57 TO ACT AS CONVOY FOR DEUTSCHLAND.

Sister Ship of U-53, Which Sank Five Vessels Off New England Coast, Expected.

New London, Conn.—The German armored submarine U-57, sister-ship of the U-53, which recently sank five vessels off the New England coast, is expected to act as a convoy for the undersea freighter Deutschland on her return trip to Germany, according to a statement by Captain Paul Keonig. The Deutschland's skipper added:

"I would not be surprised if the armored submarine appeared off this coast while I am in port. You can't tell what the government will do."

The U-57, it was reported, left Bremen on October 13, three days after the Deutschland sailed.

In answer to questions Captain Keonig said he probably would make his homeward dash within the next 10 days. He denied a report that he would go through the Cape Cod Canal, saying nothing was to be gained by this route.

Officials of the Eastern Forwarding Company announced that the Deutschland's cargo was discharged. Great care was exercised to prevent outsiders from seeing the work. Only the crews were allowed in the hold. They passed the freight out to negro stevedores who stored it in the warehouses. Nothing has been made public concerning the Deutschland's manifest.

The citizens' committee which has arranged for a complimentary banquet to the Deutschland's crew next Wednesday, announced that a gold watch, suitably inscribed, will be presented to Captain Keonig.

## AVIATOR WITH U. S. MAIL REACHES N. Y. SAFELY

New York.—Victor Carlstrom, who left Chicago for New York in a New York Times mail-carrying airplane, descended on Governor's Island ending his flight at 8:55 1/2 a. m. His journey was interrupted by stops at Erie, Pa., and Hammondsport, N. Y. On his flight from Hammondsport Carlstrom broke another record covering the distance, 315 miles, at an average speed of 137 miles an hour.

## WILL USE 3,000 TONS OF PRINT PAPER IN 1917

Raleigh, N. C.—Commissioner of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman has prepared an estimate which shows 3,000 tons of print paper will be used by North Carolina daily and weekly newspapers in 1917. The amount is based on the last reports on circulation filed in his office by these newspapers. This amount at the present advanced prices will cost publishers \$321,000.

## FIVE THOUSAND ENROLLED

Now, George D. Brown Proposes a Night School For Every Mill Village in State.

Columbia.—Five thousand persons attended the 98 schools in the mill villages of South Carolina last year. An effort will be made by Geo. D. Brown, Jr., state supervisor of mill schools, to increase the enrollment for the schools this year. He is sending out a letter to the teachers urging "a night school in every mill village in South Carolina in 1916 and 1917."

"We are hoping to give every mill adult an opportunity to attend night school this year," says Mr. Brown in his letter.

Mr. Brown's letter in full follows: "The activities of your school along other lines have been so successful that I am anxious to have you start a night school. Last year there was in the mill villages of South Carolina 98 night schools with an enrollment of over 5,000 pupils.

"The teachers have said that they enjoyed teaching adults more than any work they have ever done. The pupils have profited immensely. Will you, through your night school work, help to lift from our state the blight of ignorance? The best way to work up the night school is by personal visiting and special invitation. The illiterate wants to learn but has to be persuaded that he can learn.

"When the exact night is set for the opening the announcement should be made in the churches, in the mill, and elsewhere. The mill authorities are always glad to furnish house, light and fuel for the night school and often to pay something on the teacher's salary.

"A session of at least six or eight weeks should be held before Christmas, while the nights are long and the weather usually better than later in the winter. Then too, the teacher should have the Christmas holiday rest after the strenuous session of night school labor. In this way, night schools should open by November 10. You can not realize what it means to a grown man, after a hard day's work, for you to open your school promptly, work steadily for an hour and a half, or two hours, two or three times a week.

"When instructing the class, if you visit each man at his work and help him to figure his pay warrant, and read his paper and to spell his infrequent home letter, you have solved your problem.

"Your night school pupils may use the same texts as the day school pupils. The B. F. Johnson company, Richmond, Va., publishes for 20 cents each, an excellent primer for adults, 'Country Life Reader,' first book by Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, the founder of moonlight schools.

"We are hoping to give every mill adult an opportunity to attend night schools this year. No child should be allowed to attend adult classes unless the necessity for work makes it impossible for the pupil to attend the day school. If possible, men and women should be in separate classes. In order to leave some one at home with the children the fathers and mothers may come on different nights.

"The slogan, 'A night school in every mill village in South Carolina in 1916 and 1917,' we present to you. May we expect your support?"

## For New Interurban Railway.

Charleston.—The proposed 22 miles of track to be constructed by the Charleston & Summerville Interurban Railway company took a step forward when the company is said to have started filing deeds to the right of way, preliminary to resuming work on the plans for its proposed line between Charleston and Summerville.

## SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS ITEMS.

A parole for Lawrence Frazier, who was convicted of manslaughter at the summer term of the 1915 court for Richland county and sentenced to five years' imprisonment, has been granted by the governor.

A commission to the Farmers' Live Stock Company of Hemingway, with a capital of \$5,000, was issued by the secretary of state. The petitioners were: E. A. Simmons, H. E. Eaddy and G. P. Cox.

Gov. Manning will be accompanied to the Orangeburg fair, November 16, by the members of his staff. Other state officials will attend the fair this year.

E. J. Watson, commissioner of agriculture, who has just returned from a Northern trip, says that the impression was that Columbia would be selected as the location for the land bank for the southeastern district.

From best information obtainable here it seems that Saluda county has been honored by the first visit of the boll weevil in this state. An insect, believed to be a boll weevil, was on exhibition at Saluda and caused a great amount of discussion and comment among those who saw or heard of it.

Gov. Manning honored requisition papers from Gov. Moorehead of Nebraska for the return to that state of Francis Clarke, wanted to answer a charge of forgery. Clarke is held at the detention station at Fort Royal.

## MANNING ACCEPTS PLAN OF AGENTS

COMMITTEE TO PROPOSE NEW FIRE INSURANCE LAW FOR ASSEMBLY.

## NAMES NEW COMMISSION

Governor Announces Committee—White a Visitor at Spartanburg. Headed by F. H. McMaster.

Columbia.—Gov. Manning will appoint a committee of nine members to recommend legislation to meet the fire insurance situation in South Carolina. The insurance commissioner will act as chairman of the committee. One representative citizen from each county in the state will be appointed to confer and co-operate with the special committee. The findings of the committee will be presented to the general assembly in January. This was the conclusion reached at a conference between Gov. Manning and a committee of five, representing all of the fire insurance agents in the state.

The delegation conferring with the governor was headed by Lawrence M. Pinckney of Charleston. Other members of the committee were: A. G. Furman of Greenville, August Kohn of Columbia, H. W. Fraser of Georgetown and S. M. Grist of York. F. H. McMaster, insurance commissioner, also attended the conference.

The "full time" fire insurance agents met in Columbia several weeks ago and adopted a resolution, containing the plan for remedial legislation. This resolution was not given out at that time, but was presented to Gov. Manning. He heartily indorsed the plan as suggested by the agents.

The resolution containing the plan follows: "Resolved, That in view of the seriousness of the fire insurance situation in South Carolina, the governor be requested to appoint a committee of nine to consider and recommend the best legislation and course for the state to pursue.

"Resolved further, That the governor or request the insurance commissioners of South Carolina to act with and as chairman of such a committee, which he is to call upon to consider the entire fire insurance question.

"Resolved further, That the governor, in the composition of this committee, be requested to select representatives of the various interests affected.

"Resolved further, That the governor be requested to designate one representative citizen from each county to co-operate with this committee in the best solution of the fire insurance situation.

"Resolved further, That this resolution be presented to the governor in person by a committee of five, the chairman of this meeting to be chairman of the said committee."

Spartanburg.—While in Spartanburg attending the Spartanburg fair, Gov. R. I. Manning announced the appointment of the following members of the commission to consider and recommend an insurance code for the State of South Carolina: F. H. McMaster, chairman, Columbia; George K. Laney, Chesterfield; D. D. Moise, Sumter; Bright Williamson, Darlington; J. D. Harris, Greenville; J. W. Gaston, Spartanburg; A. G. Furman, Greenville; E. P. McCrae, Easley; Lawrence M. Pinckney, Charleston.

## Creamery Organized at Orangeburg.

Orangeburg.—The stockholders of the Orangeburg creamery met at the court house for the purpose of organizing the Orangeburg creamery. The meeting was well attended and nearly all of the stock being represented, the election of directors was entered into. The following were elected: W. E. Atkinson, W. Fletcher Fairry, William L. Glover, Frank C. Bryant, Jerome B. McMichael, Frederick P. Schiffler, Dr. Lawrence S. Wolfe, H. R. Sims and J. Leroy Dukes. It was decided that the company should be known as the Orangeburg Creamery. The capital will be \$5,000, all of which has been subscribed.

## Killed in Auto Accident.

Abbeville.—Frank Dorn was killed about three miles from Abbeville when the automobile in which he was riding turned over. The owner and driver of the car, Lucien Schroeder, was only slightly hurt, but Dorn's skull was crushed, causing instant death. Dorn had been working for the county as a convict guard for the past 11 years and was highly regarded. He came here from Indianapolis, Ind., 23 years ago. His remains were sent there for burial.

## Big Force Works State Highway.

Charleston.—Fifty men are now engaged at Carne's Cross Roads on the work of improving that section of the old state highway, 44 miles of which are to be put in first class shape by Christmas to give Charleston and Columbia a smooth automobile route. At Holly Hill work is being actively pushed on this link. Charleston on November 22 will send out several hundred business men to put in a day's work with pick and shovel to help the cause along.