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KILLED IN A CAVE-IN.

A MINER AT COALGATE MEETS SUDDEN DEATH.

Bankment Caved In While He Was in the Pit and Crushed His Life Out.

Coalgate, I. T., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—At 9 o'clock this morning George Conners, while holding scrapers at Farrington Coal company's strip pits, part of the bankment caved in on him, covering him and one of the horses completely. He only lived ten minutes after being taken out. The horse is crippled so badly it will have to be shot. Mr. Conners was a single man, 30 years of age, well known and liked by every one here. Has a brother in St. Louis, as yet have been unable to obtain a street address to wire him of his brother's sad fate.

OLD VETERAN DEAD.

Work of the Grand Jury—The Lee Case.

Milton, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—W. Cauthon, an old Mexican war veteran and a highly respected citizen of Delado, died at his home Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, and will be buried with Masonic honors today at 2 o'clock.

The grand jury has been diligently at work for over a week, and up to date have returned only seven indictments. Detectives at work on the John L. Lee case are confident that Lee is now in Mexico and think that his whereabouts will be learned this week.

GAINESVILLE WOODMEN.

They Elect Officers—Bank Directors Chosen.

Gainesville, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Gainesville camp No. 12, Woodmen of the World, installed their officers for the ensuing year tonight, and crowned the event with a banquet.

The shareholders of the First National bank met today and elected directors.

The Red River National bank also elected directors.

RESTORE THE WHIPPING POST.

It Is That Effect Introduced in the Virginia Legislature.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 14.—A bill was introduced in the Virginia Legislature today to restore the whipping post and the infliction of flogging for petty larceny. There was a similar law in this state up to 1841. At about that time a white girl was flogged for stealing a pair of shoes, and it raised such a clamor as to force the repeal of the law. Several unsuccessful attempts have been made to replace the whipping post.

HEIR TO A FORTUNE.

Good Luck of Conductor Finley of Denison.

Denison, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Friday night Conductor Jeff Finley of the MKT received a paper from Wales concerning information of an immense estate in which he has an interest is being brought nearer settlement. The estate is valued at $50,000,000, and comprises vast blocks of business and residence property of the city of Philadelphia.

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BARNEY

Is Getting Extremely Well Advertised.

HIS POLITICAL FLOP EXPECTED FOR SOME TIME.

KNOWN IN DALLAS

FOR QUITE A TIME THAT HE CONTEMPLATED LEAVING THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Ex-Mayor Connor Talks About the Rapid Transit Road and Free Silver—Capital Notes.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Colonel W. S. Simpkins of Dallas is here today. Conversing to the Gazette correspondent on political matters in general he said:

"It has been a matter of general comment around Dallas for some time that Barney Gibbs was getting very weak kneed in his Democracy. In fact, it is known in our city that Mr. Gibbs stated some months ago that he intended to make sixty speeches during the coming campaign in criticism of the national and state Democracy. Gibbs is gone. The Democracy might as well bid him a tender good bye, and I take it that the Populists are willing and anxious to give him a warm reception into his ranks. He however, seems to prefer the appellation of "independent" to his name, and it remains to be seen how Barney will organize his own little party and fire hot shot into the Democratic ranks.

"Politics are very much in a mixed state in Dallas county. You called the turn, young man, when you said that the Dallas gold bugs are for defeating the Democratic nominee for congress at the ensuing election. My idea is that Jerome Kearby will again be put to the front for congress in our district, and there will be lots of fun ahead, I promise you. I am candid in saying that I believe the gold standard fellows will lend all the aid and assistance to Kearby that they can to defeat the Democratic nominee, though I am of the opinion that they would prefer to see both the Populists and Democratic nominees on the free silver platforms defeated, and would very probably unite with the Republicans if they thought there was a ghost of a chance to defeat either.

"Not since the Welborn fight in our district for congress have I been in politics, but you may rely on it now that if the Democracy stands flatfooted on a free silver platform I will be on hand to make a fight for it."

Ex-Mayor "Bud" Connor of Dallas, in conversation with the Gazette correspondent today stated that he was very much in favor of a rapid transit road between Fort Worth and Dallas. "The enterprise will receive the hearty cooperation of Dallas," he said, "and would inure to the benefit of both cities." When asked for a political expression anent the Gibbs matter he said that he was out of politics for all time to come, and was at present building railroads, and besides he would not care to in any way criticise Mr. Gibbs, as he was one of the directors of his road. "I do not now or never did belong to the brass collar Democracy," he said, "and I want to say for Barney Gibbs that he is a thorough campaigner."

A CIRCULAR ISSUED

To County Superintendents by State Superintendent Carlisle.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—The superintendent of public instruction today gave out the following:

To County Superintendents and Treasurers of the School Fund: The treasurers' annual statements for 1894-95 show that much improvement has been made in the way of restricting expenditures of school funds to legitimate purposes. But the reports also show that considerable sums were expended during the year for purposes which this department cannot approve as legal and necessary. The most important items among these illegal expenditures are those for charts, maps, globes, mathematical blocks and similar articles. Disbursements for these articles, I find, are variously classified by treasurers. Some of them are reported as disbursements for supplies, others for furniture, still others for apparatus. The truth about these articles is that they are not included in the meaning of any of the terms under which they are reported; many of them are entirely worthless to the schools for which they are bought; some of them possess a limited value; but none of them are, in my judgment, entitled to be classed as necessary supplies, furniture or apparatus; hence, there is no provision of law that authorizes the purchase of these articles with school funds. The schools can be conducted successfully without them, and there is every reason why all unnecessary expenditures of funds should be denied, and as nearly as possible all the funds used to extend the school term. I trust, therefore, that no further expenditures for these articles will be made, as this department will feel compelled to object to all such expenditures appearing in treasurer's reports.

I need not repeat that expenditures for exchange, interest, attorneys' fees, court costs, surveyors' fees, fees for recording instruments, printing bills, and all such items are unauthorized by law and will not be approved by this department in checking up treasurer's reports.

Treasurers are reminded that it is their duty to require each voucher to show for what it is drawn, and when a voucher is drawn for an illegal purpose, treasurers are charged by law with notice of the illegality of the expenditure and will be responsible upon their official bonds for any funds paid out on such voucher, notwithstanding the signatures of the two trustees and the approval of the county superintendents.

It should be observed also that funds derived from school taxes are public school funds and are no more subject to disbursements for illegal purposes than other school funds.

I congratulate school officers upon the improvement along these lines, indicated by the reports for 1894-95, and I trust that the reports for the current year will show but illegal expenditures of school funds have been entirely discontinued.

DEPARTMENT NOTES.

Two Special Judges Appointed in Twenty-Fifth District.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—The governor today appointed Thomas McNeal of Gonzales and Volney Ellis of Lavaca county as special judges to try certain cases in the Twenty-fifth judicial district.

The Waco Business college of Waco today amended its charter so as to read "Hill's Business College." The Beeman-St. Clair company of Comanche (mercantile), capital stock $50,000. Incorporators: G. A. Beeman, T. C. Hill, C. T. Morrow, Eugene Greer, C. P. St. Clair and Mrs M. E. Rogers.

The railroad commission today agreed to approve $50,000 Dallas Terminal first mortgage railway bonds on four miles of completed road. The application was presented by ex-Mayor Conner and Colonel W. S. Simpkins of Dallas.

Mayor J. Milo Sharp of Tyler today presented to the attorney-general's department $35,000 city of Tyler refunding bonds for approval.

The attorney-general is preparing to bring suit against the Southern railway of Kansas for violation of railroad commission rates.

The state board of education has approved the decision of Superintendent of Public Instruction Carlisle in the Denton school muddle as given in today's Gazette.

REGENTS IN SESSION.

Colonel Brackenridge Presents University With a Telescope.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the board of University regents today it was decided to appoint an agent to attend to leasing the University lands, enforce payment of leases, etc. Other important questions were taken up, but will not be disposed of until tomorrow.

Colonel George Brackenridge of San Antonio, presented to the University, through the board, a very handsome telescope.

PENSIONS

Subject of Discussion in Senate.

SPECIAL PENSION BILL BRINGS OUT THE DEBATE.

MILLS' RESOLUTION

ON THE FINANCIAL QUESTION IS PRESENTED TO THE AMERICAN HOUSE OF LORDS.

It Declares for the Payment of National Obligations in Both Gold and Silver.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The bill granting a pension of $75 monthly to the widow of the late Brigadier-General Coggeswell, a representative in congress from Massachusetts at the time of his death, caused a long debate in the senate today.

Mr. Hill and Mr. Mills wanted information as to the system pursued in granting these special pensions and Mr. Allen (Pop., Neb.) opposed discrimination, saying:

"I want to go on record as opposed to any distinction between the widow of the private soldier and that of a brigadier general, major general or any other." It was a plain soldier, he added, who met the brunt of the war. To hear senators talk it would be thought that it was the brigadier generals who won the war. It was a discrimination.

Mr. Hoar asked if Mr. Allen's logic would lead him to approve placing the salary of General Miles, commander of the army, at $13 per month?

"It would doubtless measure the value of his services in many cases," answered Mr. Allen.

Mr. Hoar asked if the Nebraska senator did not pocket $5000 a year, "while some poor constituent made only 75 cents a day."

"At least I pocket no more than $5000," responded Mr. Allen, suggestively, and added that senators talked as though God made some distinction between the general and the soldier.

Mr. Thurston (Rep., Neb.) made his maiden speech in the senate in support of pensions, and eloquently portrayed the services of his deceased father as a plain soldier. He urged that war heroes have the amplest pensions.

Mr. Vilas said that the senate would certainly show full justice in granting pensions, but he pointed out that certain peculiar influences prevailed resulting in discriminations in pensions to widows of officers which bore severely on the old soldiers and they felt it.

The suggestion of "peculiar influences" was hotly resented by Mr. Lodge.

Mr. Allen disclaimed all purpose of attacking the widows, and added that it was only when the blue blood was touched that Lodge grew eloquent.

A motion by Mr. Allen to reduce the allowance to $50 was not agreed to—23 to 26, the Democrats, with some exceptions, supporting the motion, and all the Republicans voting against it. The bill was then passed without division.

The Associated Press bulletin announcing the election at Columbus, Ohio, of Mr. Foraker to the United States senate was received in the senate and started a buzz of comment among the senators.

Mr. Sherman read the bulletin and nodded his head approvingly.

A new phase of the financial question was presented by Mr. Mills in the form of a resolution giving seven declarations of policy substantially as follows:

1. Against the retirement of outstanding legal tender notes.
2. Favoring the coinage of the silver bullion in the treasury.
3. The issuance of emergency legal tender notes in case of a deficiency.
4. Against interest bearing bonds.
5. Establishing a policy of the United States in paying obligations in both gold and silver.
6. Repudiating the theory that a public debt is a public blessing.
7. Urging the rapid extinguishment of the national debt and the maintenance of the sinking fund therefor.

Mr. Mills' resolution went to the table until tomorrow, when he may make some remarks upon it.

A bill granting to the Atchison and Nebraska railroad company and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad company a right of way across part of the Sac and Fox reservation was passed.

The bond silver substitute bill was taken up at 2 o'clock and Mr. Butler (Rep., N.C.) offered an amendment prohibiting the issuance of interest bearing bonds and desiring the secretary of the treasury to pay in gold or silver according to the market value of the coins. Mr. Butler spoke in opposition to bond issues. It would not do, he said, for either the Republican or Democratic side to evade responsibility by saying it had no majority.

"I pledge," said he, "six Peoples party votes in this chamber to any party that will stop the further issuance of bonds, and six votes will give that majority to either side. In fact, either party can have a majority in this body when it desires to pass any law in the interest of the American people."

Mr. Butler spoke of the Benedict Arnolds of finance who were betraying their country into the hands of the gold speculators. He referred to the "wild cranks and fanatical remedies of Dr. Cleveland and Dr. Carlisle" in ministering to the financial patient.

Mr. Butler closed at 4:20 and the senate held a brief executive session, adjourning at 4 p. m. until tomorrow.

THE HOUSE FOLLOWS SUIT.

And Pensions is the Subject of the Day's Discussion.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The house took up the pension appropriation bill immediately on convening today and Mr. Northway (Rep., O.) replied to the criticisms offered by Mr. Bartlett, (Dem., N. Y.) yesterday.

Mr. Hemenway (Rep., Ind.) favored the adoption of the Graff amendment prohibiting the suspension of pensions until fraud had been proven in a United States court.

Mr. Arnold (Rep., Pa.) in criticising the pension office, denounced particularly the practice of calling on Democratic postmasters to furnish information as to alleged fraudulent pensions.

A speech by Mr. Walker (Rep., Va.) attracted more than usual attention. Mr. Walker was a general in the Confederate army on the staff of General Jubal A. Early. He replied particularly to the remark of Mr. Hemenway to the effect that when a Republican again took his place in the White House no man from the South would preside over the pension office. General Walker declared there was a misapprehension of the feeling of the people of the South, and the southern soldiers in regard to pensions to the men who fought for the Union. There was no sentiment against the pension policy of the government in the South, and he assured his Republican friends in the North that the fortunes and pensions of the Union soldiers would be safe in the hands of the men of the South. His remarks elicited applause from both sides of the hall.

Mr. Wood (Rep., Ill.), Mr. Fitzpatrick (Rep., Kan.) and Mr. Poole (Rep., N. Y.) followed, and then Mr. Cummings (Dem., N. Y.) created the sensation of the day by a short but bitter arraignment of the pension office and an eloquent repudiation of the sentiments expressed by his colleague, Mr. Bartlett, yesterday. He declared that it was time some radical action was taken to call a halt on the pension office.

At the conclusion of Mr. Cummings' speech the committee rose and the speaker announced the appointment of the Chickamauga park commissioners as follows: Messrs. Grosvenor (O.), Keifer (Minn.), Strong (O.), Avery (Mich.), Bowers (Cal.), Republicans; Wheeler (Ala.), Cox (Tenn.), Maddox and Crisp (Ga.), Democrats.

He also announced the appointment of Delegate Flynn (Okla.) to the committee on agriculture, and Murphy (Ariz.) on coinage, weights and measures, and mines and mining.

The house then at 4:25 adjourned until tomorrow.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL

Before Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The Nicaraguan canal scheme received some little attention today from the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, when Chairman Hepburn designated a special committee of seven to have charge of all proposed legislation for building the canal.

Sherman (N. Y.), Doolittle (Wash.), Joy (Mo.), Noonan (Tex.), Stewart (N. J.), Price (La.), and Bartlett (N. Y.), constitute the sub-committee. The speaker is known to favor the canal plan and the committee relies on the committee on rules to give its bill a favorable rule.

The report of the commission which looked over the ground last summer is expected to be transmitted to congress at an early date.

A POPULAR COIN BILL.

Advocated by Senator Lodge to Provide Harbor Defense.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Senator Lodge today introduced an amendment to the fortifications bill authorizing a popular 3 per cent. coin bond bill of $100,000,000, the proceeds to be used in providing for the defense of the coast, for the manufacture of guns and for the erection of forts and batteries.

The senate naval committee decided today to take up the investigation of the armor cracks item in the Chandler resolution next Saturday, when Secretary Herbert will meet the committee. The hearings will be private.

STATEHOOD BILLS PRESENTED

To the Newly-Organized House Committee on Territories.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The house committee on territories organized today. The statehood bills were given some attention and frequent meetings will be held to consider them. It is probable that the Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma bills will be taken up in their alphabetical order.

WAS FAVORABLY REPORTED.

Bill Repealing Law Against Ex-Confederates Holding Army Offices.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The house committee on military affairs today unanimously reported favorably the bill which recently passed the senate repealing the law that prohibits ex-Confederates who held commissions in the United States army and navy at the beginning of the rebellion from being appointed to any position in the army or navy.

Senate Confirmations.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The senate has confirmed the following nominations:

Joseph R. Herod of Indian Territory, secretary of the United States legation at Japan; Herman Kretz to be superintendent of the mint at Philadelphia; William Miegern, to be coiner of the United States mint at Philadelphia; to be members of the Indian commissions, on the Dawes commission, F. C. Armstrong, District of Columbia; T. B. Cabaniss, Georgia; A. B. Montgomery, Kentucky; R. J. Ray of Woodford, O. T., to be register of the land office at that place; J. W. Cowan of Oklahoma to be receiver of public monies at Alva; to be members of the Missouri river commission, Lieutenant Colonel Amos Stickney, Major General William Henry Huer, Major Thomas Handbury.

EXAMINING TRIAL.

FATHER AND SON BEING TRIED AT PARIS.

Nearly All of the Evidence Has Been Taken—Amount of the Bonds Has Been Fixed.

Paris, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—The examining trial of Worth Duncan and his son, Bloom Duncan, charged with the killing of Dr. J. S. Lennox at Detroit, was held there today. All of the evidence was taken except that of one witness, which will be taken tomorrow. The justice of the peace announced that he would fix the bond of Worth Duncan at $3000 and Bloom Duncan at $2000, which was promptly given.

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All Linen Damask Towels	5c
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$1.65 Table Linen	$1.20
$1.50 " "	1.10
$1.25 " "	98
$1.00 " "	75
50c " "	39

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HEROIC RESISTANCE

IS MADE BY THE SPANISH TROOPS WITHOUT AVAIL—FORCED TO RETREAT.

The War Cloud is Growing Darker in Cuba—Devastation by the Torch.

Havana, Jan. 14.—Exciting news from the front was received about noon in a shape which prevented its accuracy from being denied. The sound of continued artillery firing was heard south of Union, not far from Bejucal, the town which was attacked with the insurgents with the result that, according to the official statement of the affair, they were forced to retreat after a heroic resistance on the part of the government force defending that place, the battle lasting, it is claimed, five hours. But is admitted that the insurgents plundered stores in the outlying street of Bejucal, burnt a number of houses and destroyed the railroad depot by fire. Previous to this they had burned the town of Salud, quite a good sized town, and partly destroyed Quivonica, a smaller place. They completed these operations by burning freight trains and destroying railway engines as they pushed northward toward Havana. Confirmation has been received of the report last night that insurgent leaders Rabi, Jose Maceo and others at the head of strong forces of insurgents in the province of Puerto Principe, believed to be much better armed than any previous forces and to have been reinforced by filibustering expeditions containing numbers of Americans, Americans are moving westward, probably with the intention of reinforcing the insurgents now operating in the neighborhood of Havana. The insurgents, it is believed, will be enabled to keep for some time longer their almost unchecked operations, and if the Spanish generals are unable to prevent a junction of all the insurgents forces now in this vicinity the situation will become more critical. Estimating that the insurgents now have about 15,000 men, more or less well armed, in this vicinity and that they are reinforced by 10,000 more well armed men from the eastward, Gomez will, friends of his cause say, have under his command quite a fair sized army and should be able, all things fairly favorable, to take the offensive, even against a strong force of Spanish troops defending Havana.

Practically the whole of the island from the east to the west, with the exception of the large towns, is in possession of the insurgents, who have burned everything combustible and have levied tribute right and left under the very noses of the Spanish commanders.

One of the most intimate friends of General Campos claims that he has not been half successful in operations. The Spanish version of the attack made by Gomez's forces upon Bejucal is that in spite of all the damage done by the enemy in burning houses, stores and a railroad depot, after five hours' of fighting and a heroic defense on the part of the garrison, only two of the latter were killed and ten wounded, while Gomez retreated with heavy losses after completing his day's work with burning a passenger train. It is announced that on Sunday last the Spaniards made an important capture in the person of Jose Cepero, the second in command of the Cuban column commanded by General Rerio. Cepero is now safely lodged in Moro castle, and his trial will not long be delayed.

A report has just been received that the railway station and railway bridge at Govern have been burned by the insurgents, the bridge partially destroyed. There is nothing in the official report given out to associate the destruction of the railway property with the battle fought in that vicinity near any further details to be had of the engagement in that neighborhood. News come from Remedios that an insurgent lieutenant with thirty followers has surrendered to the Spanish authorities in that district.

Charley McAdams in Austin.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Charley McAdams, Jr., of Fort Worth, the champion four-year-old bicyclist of the world, arrived here this morning and went into active training out at the Zoo park today. He will race here during the meet next week. He holds a world's record of 57 seconds flat for standing start quarter mile, made at Evansville, Ind., October 5, 1895.

Reorganization Not Completed.

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—In the house of commons today the government announced that the work of reorganization was going on favorably, but had not been completed, whereupon an adjournment until tomorrow was carried.

May Have Full Power.

London, Jan. 15.—The Chronicle believes that Sir Augustus Hemming, the newly appointed governor of British Guiana, on arriving at Georgetown, will have authority to deal with the Venezuelan government if the latter so wishes.

May Receive Full Pardon.

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—Advices from Honolulu say that the prediction is made that the parole of ex-Queen Liliuokalani will on January 17 be at an end and that she will be granted a full pardon.

HE ATTACKED HER.

THE EXPERIENCE OF A WAXAHACHIE YOUNG LADY.

She Had a Struggle to Release Herself From Her Assailant—He Had a Knife.

Waxahachie, Tex., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—At 9 o'clock last night a white man entered the home of J. W. Manning in city and attacked Miss Johnnie Lancaster, who escaped after screaming for assistance. Mr. Manning had just gone over to a neighbor's house and no one was at home when he entered. Miss Manning said that the man had a big deerfoot knife in his hand and that she received several slight cuts on the arms in releasing herself from his grasp. After she screamed the intruder ran out the back way and disappeared in the darkness.

DRYDEN IS BOUNCED

FROM THE TARRANT COUNTY REPUBLICAN CHAIRMANSHIP.

A Letter to That Effect From L. P. Goodell, Chairman State Republican Executive Committee.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 8, 1896.—Will Dryden, Esq., Chairman Tarrant County Republican Committee, Fort Worth, Texas: Dear sir. The time is now fast approaching when aggressive action must be had in each and every county in this state. It is particularly desirable that Tarrant county shall not be laggard in this direction. The experiences of the campaign of 1894, when for the first time within my knowledge all pretext of an organization was wilfully abandoned, do not offer any hope that the reform Republicans of Tarrant county will be given an organization worthy the name, and around which they can rally against our ancient enemy. You are therefore removed from the position of chairman of Tarrant county for the reform Republican party from and after this date. Yours very truly, L. P. GOODELL, Chairman State Republican Executive Committee.

London Wool Sales.

London, Jan. 14.—The first series of wool sales for this year opened at the wool exchange today. The selections offered were above the average for an opening sale. The number of bales offered were 8,237, of which 700 were withdrawn.