

### State of Texas Loses Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars by Carelessness.

### MUCH MONEY SPENT ON PRIVATE LAND

AUSTIN, Texas, July 25.—Mismanagement, carelessness and lack of business judgment that has cost the state hundreds of thousands of dollars are charged in the report of the joint legislative investigation commission which has been probing into the operation of the state penitentiaries.

The report opens by declaring that the prison system had been a losing proposition practically all the time and the committee recommends that a law be passed providing for the employment of a business man to act as general manager of the prison system and that he be selected regardless of political affiliations and that his salary be not less than \$5000 a year. A minority report is submitted by representative Humphrey, a member of the committee, in which he recommends certain phases of the investigation not elaborated upon by the majority of the committee.

**System Deeply in Debt.**  
According to the majority report it is shown that the system is in debt to the state treasury to the amount of \$1,228,458 on January 1, 1913. It is shown that there has been nothing but a series of losses at Huntsville and Rusk in the manufacturing enterprises.

**Refuses Congratulations.**  
The house refused to act today on a resolution by representative Reedy congratulating postmaster general Burleson on his efforts in reducing the deficit of the treasury. The resolution was referred to the committee on federal relations.

**Wanted the Money.**  
Politics were injected even into the passage of the oil fine money and contingent expense bills. The senate had already passed these two measures. The house took up the bill and passed. Before the mileage and per diem bill was passed, representative Harvey introduced an amendment that the salaries of the members of the legislature be paid out of the \$500,000 oil fine money. He declared that the oil fine money was not necessary for the retirement of any state bonds and that the members of the legislature should be forced to discount their salaries on the state treasury, which was defeated by a vote of 67 to 57 and the bill was passed. It carried an appropriation of \$50,000 for the contingent expense bill carries \$18,000.

**May Hold Night Sessions.**  
There is already strong talk of night sessions in the senate, although the session is not four days away. The members are apparently fretting under the hot weather which is prevailing and want to wind up the affairs of the session at least within the prescribed limit. The members of the upper house are expected to adjourn for the remainder of the summer at Austin.

**Penitentiary Matter.**  
Now that the penitentiary committee has made its report, it is expected that the governor will have something to say regarding the matter. It is expected he will soon send up a special message directing attention of the legislature to the future of the prison system. Chairman Reedy, of the penitentiary committee, expects to call that committee to meet shortly to frame some kind of a bill providing for the management of the penitentiary system on some kind of a business basis. However, he takes several days to digest the report of the committee and the minority report submitted by Mr. Humphrey.

**Will Await Report.**  
There will be no meeting of the house penitentiary committee to consider any prison reform bill until the report of the legislative committee created to investigate the maniac condition of the prison system, has been received.

### WIFE AND HOME IS DAMAGED BY LAPSE

ED TAYLOR, a plasterer, was injured and approximately \$5000 damage resulted when the three brick and mortar columns supporting the front part of the roof of Frank Allen's new home, under construction at Aransas, and which were being set in place on Friday morning, fell at 11:30 o'clock Friday morning. A portion of the front roof on the west side of the new home caved in and hung suspended by a few beams. The injured man was buried under the debris and it required the almost superhuman efforts of his coworkers and that of the members of the Central fire department, who were summoned, to extricate him. Taylor sustained several severe scalp wounds, his face was badly skinned and he is suffering with several painful lacerations on both arms and chest. His condition is not considered serious.

### Colquitt Holds a Club Over Legislators Until They Act as He Wishes.

### OIL FINE MONEY IS THE CAUSE

AUSTIN, Texas, July 25.—That the governor may withhold his approval of the mileage and per diem bill, pending the final disposition of the \$500,000 standard oil fine, seems very likely.

In fact it was so reported today and this is causing considerable anxiety among certain members of the legislature who are needing their mileage and per diem for current expenses. The bill, with the contingent expense bill, reached the executive department yesterday and heretofore it has been customary for the governor to sign such measures without delay. It is apparent that the governor does not want to have this measure approved, and then have the money come out of the oil fine.

**House Committee on Federal Relations.**  
The house committee on federal relations today reported favorably the Burges resolution, urging upon the senate delegation in congress to take steps for the protection of American citizens in Mexico. The house has not as yet taken up the resolution for passage, but Mr. Burges and his colleagues, Mr. Harris, declare the resolution will be passed in the senate.

**Oil Fine Money.**  
Fearing the oil fine money action taken relative to the \$500,000 oil fine money and its disposition, it may be used to pay the state bonds, Mr. Nowell and Kirby introduced a concurrent resolution in the house instructing the state treasurer to withhold the amount of the money for any purpose pending legislative action in the premises. The resolution, which was adopted, but not passed, until it has been amended so to provide that only \$200,000 shall be withheld, and the balance amount with which it is contemplated to retire the A. and M. college bonds, will be withheld and the money to be turned into the general revenue fund, unless some decisive action is taken within the next few days.

**Cost Per Convict.**  
The cost of maintenance of each of the convicts for the average of 1912 was \$24.90, while in 1912 the average per convict was \$24.90. It is shown that the state has a net loss of \$275,751. The loss to the state in 1911 and 1912, due to the abolition of the lease contract system, amounted to \$68,208.

**Some Careless Expenditures.**  
The penitentiary authorities are criticized by the committee for their failure to gin the cotton on the Ramey farm in 1911 and by which alleged negligence it cost the system \$18,000. The authorities are also criticized for selling the output of the box factory at Rusk in Porto Rico at prices 15 to 20 percent less than the product could have brought if sold in the state of Texas.

**Committee Recommends.**  
The committee recommends that in future no improvements be placed on rented land and on any land except that to which the state has a title. Also insisted that the prison system be divorced from all private interests.

**It is pointed out** that much land has been cleared for private parties in exchange for work which the state has 8000 acres of wooded land which could be cleared to good advantage and add to the value of the state property. The circumstances attending the purchase of the Ramey farm in 1908 is critically entered into. This land was sold to the state for \$13,750 and an agreement that the vendors would construct a railroad from Ram-

**Just before the columns fell,** Taylor was engaged in plastering one of them. J. B. Dickerson and H. Reese, also plasterers, were working on another column. Without warning, Dickerson said one of the columns gave way, and it was he who suggested that all climb down and make for a place of safety for fear the other columns they were working on would also fall. Dickerson said he and Reese had reached a place of safety, but the other two were still working on the column when the other two columns caved in and fell. Taylor was buried under the falling brick and mortar. That he escaped instantaneous death is considered miraculous. The injured man was rushed to Hotel Pien, where he received medical aid. It was reported here Friday afternoon that his condition was improved and he was resting easy.

### Mutinuous Prisoners Are Transferred From Sing Sing to Auburn, N. Y.

### AUTHORITIES FEAR ATTEMPT AT RESCUE

CALUMET, N. Y., July 25.—Sixty convicts, the dregs of the New York City criminal class, were taken one by one from their cells in Sing Sing prison today and placed aboard a train for the state prison at Auburn.

Recent riots in Sing Sing caused the warden to take no chances. Each convict was heavily handcuffed and shackled and then chained to his place in the railroad car which had been brought inside the prison enclosure. A hundred prison guards did this work.

**Prisoners Threaten Keepers.**  
The little prison at Auburn last night. At intervals some of the prisoners would start to howl and bang their heads against the bars. The noise increased as it was taken up down the lines of cells and continued until the angry convicts, who had charge of the train, were taken to the station. When the first convicts were brought out to the car, Sing Sing suddenly broke out. More than 1000 prisoners rushed to their cell windows and cursed and yelled threats at the keepers.

**Strikers Plan Meetings.**  
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### SIX COMPANIES OF MILITIA ARRIVE AT SCENE OF STRIKE IN CALUMET.

### STRIKERS REMOVE STARS FROM DEPUTIES

CALUMET, Mich., July 25.—With six militia companies on duty and other state troops en route from the upper and lower peninsulas to Michigan, the strike of copper miners settled measurably towards a state of dull routine today, the third of its existence. Some of the more enthusiastic union members organized parades and marched through several locations, but there was practically no disorder up to noon.

**Merchants Demand Cash.**  
The union leaders held fast to their previous attitude demanding recognition of the Western Federation of Miners as a sine qua non, but this was not even considered by the company manager. The plan of strike conditions, however, spread more generally through the score or more of communities dependent on the mines, mills and smelters.

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**LABOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES INCREASED WAGES**  
Atlantic City, N. J., July 25.—The executive committee of the National Labor Union has approved a plan for increasing wages of its members.

### TEXAN LEADS 'INSURGENTS' IN DEMANDING A REVISION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

### ADVOCATE AID FOR FARMING INTERESTS

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—President Wilson endeavored today to reconcile differences of opinion among democrats of the house banking committee on the administration currency bill.

**Keep Probe Report Separate.**  
The committee on the bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act, which was introduced by Representative Glass, chairman of the committee, is expected to report on the bill in the next few days.

**House Committee Disagrees.**  
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**Senate Attacks Glass Bill.**  
In a statement accompanying the amendments to the Glass bill, the senate committee on the bill, which was introduced by Representative Glass, chairman of the committee, is expected to report on the bill in the next few days.

**Remove Stars from Deputies.**  
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**Mines May Reopen.**  
The Western Federation of Miners is holding out for a conference with the managers. But this, it is said, will not be granted.

**Michigan Guards in Strike.**  
Lansing, Mich., July 25.—It was announced in the adjutant general's office here today that practically every company in the Michigan national guard was either on its way to the front or had already been ordered to the front.

**Unions Declare Sympathetic.**  
Pueblo, Colo., July 25.—Owing to the inability of the union teamsters to handle the heavy work of their strike, they have declared sympathy with the strikers.

**Quoted From Wilson's Book.**  
President Wilson's recently published political work, "The New Freedom," furnished the text of a discussion by representative Bulkeley, Mr. Bulkeley quoted from the president's work, passages which he said showed that when the book was written president Wilson was opposed to the idea of placing under governmental responsibility the hands of restricted

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### HAY WANTS ARMS FOR THE REBELS

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—When Huerta is finally captured and executed his body will not be permitted to be buried in Mexican soil, but will be thrown into the sea, as the only fitting place for traitors.

**Secretary Bryan conferred** briefly with the president and made an appointment for a longer conference later in the day.

**Wilson Reaches New York.**  
Henry Lane Wilson, American ambassador to Mexico, arrived today in New York on his mission to discuss Mexican conditions with president Wilson and Secretary Bryan.

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### BRYAN IS BACK AND AMBASSADOR WILSON IS TO BEACH WASHINGTON TONIGHT.

### AMBASSADOR IS STRONG FOR HUERTA

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