

ALONG NOW TO RISE

JOHN BULL'S TROUBLES IN SOUTH AFRICA ARE FAR FROM BEING OVER

GOV. MILNER'S LATE REPORTS

SHOW THAT CONDITIONS NOW ARE WORSE THAN THEY WERE SEVEN MONTHS AGO

GUERRILLA WAR KEEPS UP

Innumerable Small Bands of Boers Loot the Country Through Which They Pass by Everything Portable.

LONDON, April 17.—The South African blue book, containing recent dispatches from Sir Alfred Milner and other official correspondence, is issued tonight. Sir Alfred Milner wired under date of March 3 requesting permission to return home at an early date upon leave of absence for the purpose of resting.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, colonial secretary, replied by granting this request, but expressing the government's regret that it should be necessary for Sir Alfred to leave South Africa at the present time, recognizing, however, his need of rest, and mentioning three months as the probable period.

UP TO THE LAWYERS NOW

TESTIMONY ALL IN IN THE TRIAL OF GARNETT RIPLEY.

FRANKFURT, Ky., April 17.—The argument in the Ripley case will begin tomorrow, the testimony having closed today. Judge Cantrill heard arguments this morning on two sets of instructions presented by the attorneys on each side, but will not decide upon the instructions until tomorrow. The grand jury adjourned today without bringing in any new indictments in connection with the Goebel trial. The Ripley case is not likely to go to the jury before Friday.

WORSE INSTEAD OF BETTER.

"Seven months ago this colony was perfectly quiet, at least as far as the Orange river. The southern half of the Orange river colony has been broken down, and even a considerable portion of the Transvaal, notably the southwestern districts, seemed to have definitely accepted British authority and to rejoice at the opportunity to return to orderly government and the pursuit of peace. Today the scene is completely altered. It would be superfluous to dwell on the increase of lawlessness, the increase of the prolongation of the struggle, and the form which it has recently assumed. The fact is that the enemy is now broken up into a great number of small fragments, raiding in every direction, and that our troops are similarly broken up in their pursuit, makes the area of actual fighting, and consequently of destruction, much wider than the case in a conflict between equal numbers. Moreover, the fight is now only over supplies.

LIKE THE MARCH TO THE SEA.

"The Boers live entirely in the country through which they pass—not only taking the food they can lay their hands upon, but looting the villages, burning, boats, coffee and sugar, which they are in great need of. Our forces are compelled to march in the face of everything movable in order to frustrate these tactics of the enemy.

THE LOSS OF CROSS BUCK IS MORE SERIOUS TO THE BOERS.

"The loss of Cross Buck is more serious to the Boers," continues Sir Alfred Milner, "than farm burning, of which so much has been heard. I say this not at all as an inveterate optimist, but as a man who has seen the destruction of farms, and who knows that the measure is now seldom, if ever, resorted to."

SIR ALFRED MILNER CONSIDERS THAT THE RESPONSIVE CHARACTER OF THE FARM BUILDINGS renders it a small sum in the total damage done. As to the wanton damage of gear, stamps and other outrages in the outlying mines, Sir Alfred expresses a hope that the mine-owners will turn out to be not Boers "but members of the community."

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LACKAWANNA STRIKE IS DECLARED OFF

SWITCHMEN RETURN TO WORK ON THE ADVICE OF GRAND MASTER HAWLEY.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 17.—The 200 Delaware Lackawanna & Western yardmen, who went on strike Tuesday noon because of the delay in their wages, returned to work at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, after a six hours' session with the national head of switchmen's union, Frank F. Hawley, of Buffalo. They returned without any special conditions, but when they assumed their places they found one of their grievances had been redressed, the two men who were brought out from Hoboken to take the places of the discharged men, Herity and Toomey, had been sent away, and two local switchmen promoted to the semi-official positions, which the discharged men had filled. Nothing would be given out as to what transpired at the meeting. Grand Master Hawley would only say that there would be some future developments. This was taken to mean that the reinstatement of Herity and Toomey would be insisted upon when the switchmen of the whole system make their contemptuous move on May 1 for a redress of general grievances.

A committee of the strikers waited on Gen. Supt. T. E. Clark, of the Lackawanna, this morning, to arrange for a conference between him and Grand Master Hawley relative to the reinstatement of Herity and Toomey.

Mr. Clark refused to enter into such a conference, saying that the two men had been discharged because their wages were not satisfactory to the company and there was nothing to confer about. The strikers who were called out this morning to do the switching demanded that being asked to take the strikers' places. The company did not insist and they went home.

THEY WENT HOME.

Blue Book, Lackawanna & Western mines were thrown idle by reason of inability to get cars. They will, however, resume tomorrow.

GOMEZ'S LITTLE JOURNEY

CUBAN COMMANDER IS COMING TO THE UNITED STATES.

HAVANA, April 17.—Gen. Maximo Gomez, commander in chief of the army in the United States, to visit Gen. Estrada Palma. He will be accompanied by his son Urbino, and will probably remain in the United States until the meeting of the convention's commission on relations. He desired to await action on the Platt amendment, in order to avoid the accusation that the trip is made for political purposes. He is now in the hands of the convention's commission on relations. He desired to await action on the Platt amendment, in order to avoid the accusation that the trip is made for political purposes. He is now in the hands of the convention's commission on relations.

FRASER RIVER STEAMER

FATAL EXPLOSION ON

VAN COUVER, B. C., April 17.—By the explosion of the boiler on the river steamer Ramona this afternoon four persons were killed outright and six others seriously injured. The dead include two women, who were passengers on the steamer, and two deck hands. Of the injured, the pursuer and the mate will probably die. The dead are: Mrs. M. Morrison, Port Langley, B. C.; Mrs. Bailey, Mount Lehman, C. F.; John Mack, deck hand; Henry Phipps, deck hand.

ALASKAN PIONEERS

BANQUET IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 17.—Three score pioneers of the new frontier city of Nome, Alaska, banquets tonight at the hotel Manhattan. They chose a name for their reunion from classic Indian, calling it a "hotch" and gave the affair as much color of the frozen north as the sumptuous private dining room of the hotel, the luxuries of metropolitan fare, and the conventional garb of civilization. The participants were assessed half an ounce of gold for locations at the banquet, and in addition, a speech were in the strange new city of the Northwest, a mixture of English, Sioux and Chinook. A dozen women who had also faced the cold, white horrors of the North, participated in the banquet. The dining hall was a cheerful one when Maj. L. H. French, toastmaster, claimed the attention of the crowd, and called for the first of the formal speeches. The vividly recalled, and there were tales of the lucky and unlucky, and adventures, droll and comical, that carried the audience to the side of the world almost to the northern pole. There were humorous comparisons between the bacon and coffee of Nome and the broiled bird and frapped bottle of New York. There was a serious vein running through most of the speeches, and it was a plea for better laws, better government, truer justice and material development in the great territory of Alaska. H. S. Woolley, Charles Brewster, Arthur H. Schiller, Maj. L. H. French, Robert Bradnan and John Leedy, a committee of the Nome Social association, arranged and directed the banquet.

TO STRIKE OR NOT TO STRIKE

THAT IS THE QUESTION DIVIDING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE AMALGAMATED

SHAFFER WANTS A STRIKE BUT CALMER COUNSELS ARE NOT UNLIKELY TO PREVAIL IN THE END

Executive Board was Powerless to Act Yesterday in the Absence of Two of Its Members—Meets Again Today.

NO DECISION MADE AS YET

Col. G. Watson French, vice president of the Republic Iron and Steel company, visited amalgamated headquarters today in relation to matters pertaining to some of his own mills.

PITTSBURGH, April 17.—A strike of all the men of the amalgamated association employed in the organized mills of the American Sheet Steel company and subsidiary of all the organized men of the association in mills of the United States Steel corporation trembles in the balance tonight. On the one hand, President T. J. Shaffer is backed up in his determination to call a general strike by a majority of the members of his advisory board and the district vice president and trustees who were in session all day today. On the other hand there is a new move toward conciliation and arbitration, which may end the entire controversy in Pittsburgh tomorrow or may carry it to New York to be adjusted by higher powers. President T. J. Shaffer said tonight that the outlook for settlement is better than at any time since the McKeesport trouble started. He refused to explain this statement.

ONE JOINT WAS FOUND EMPTY

In Other Places a Few Unfortunates From Each Were Bundled Into the Waiting Patrol Wagon.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The committee of fifteen raided seven alleged pool rooms this afternoon. The raids were made on warrants issued by Justice Jerome and upon evidence obtained by the staff of detectives working for the committee under the direction of Supt. John McClellan. The raids in each case were personally conducted by individual members of the committee, assisted by their own detectives and policemen of the regular force from the precinct in which the raid was made. In only one place did the raiders fail to make any arrests and C. C. Brewster, of the committee, openly says the inmates of the place received a tip from the police.

POSTPONED TILL TODAY.

The session of the amalgamated executives today took no action on the president's proposed resolution giving him power to call out the men of the Metal Sheet company. The advisory board for an hour, advising conciliation and arbitration.

NOT SEEKING TROUBLE.

The nature of this agreement consumed in argument much of the time of the sessions and on it hinges largely a remote possibility of settlement. Further concession by the sheet company or a testing of strength of the new industrial combine of capital, and President Shaffer, who has been in the combined skilled men, John Jarrett asserted in the meeting and out of it that the company had made absolutely no effort to displace the men on strike at McKeesport. He said that the company was running the mill it is now seriously working in the line of conciliation, he said.

NO STRIKE IMMEDIATELY.

A canvass of all parties to the dispute indicates that the decision of a strike will not take place for several days. Effort at conciliation to be made tomorrow will be followed by others that will take time.

STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF A PROMINENT OIL WELL MAN.

EL PASO, Tex., April 17.—There has been a great deal of activity in police circles here today, over the mysterious disappearance from a train of C. S. Young, a wealthy oil well owner of Bakersfield, Cal. Young was going to Beaumont, Tex., where he is interested in oil wells. He was accompanied by two companions, one of whom was missing. Search failed to locate him and a notice was sent back to El Paso. It is almost certain that he was not killed by the train, as the body was not found after diligent search.

ANDRIES WESSELS ALIVE

LATE ADVICES FROM HELLBRON SAY HE WAS NOT SHOT, AS REPORTED.

GRADOCK, Cape Colony, April 17.—Andries Wessels is alive. Wessels accompanied Morgandall on his visit to the Boers in 2, was to have been sent as a peace envoy and was reported to have been shot by order of Gen. Dewet.

M'KINLEY'S JUNKET.

SLIGHT CHANGE MADE IN PLANS PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Slight modifications in the itinerary of the president's Western trip, as given out last Saturday, have been made. Sunday, June 2, was to have been spent at Salt Lake City, but it is now understood that the date will be spent in Colorado, possibly at Glenwood Springs.



—Cablegram from the Cape. "IT IS REITERATED THAT DEWET IS DEAD." —Philadelphia Record.

COPPERS TIPPED IT OFF

NEW YORK'S COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN RAIDS ELEVEN ALLEGED POOL ROOMS

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BULLETIN OF IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE DAY

Weather Forecast for St. Paul: Fair; warmer.

1-Boers Full of Fight. Uncertain About Striking. Work for the Allies. Uncle Sam Growing Rich. Coppens Tipped It Off.

2-Shake-Up of Patrolmen. Gen. Tostevik's Dismissals. Eager for Cudaly Plans. Progress of Painters' Strike. Hope for Two Convicts.

3-Invested With Pallium. Age Seeks Divorce Court. Iowa Banker Skips Out. News of the Northwest. Taft Commission at Cebu.

4-Editorial Page. Young Orators Chosen. Minnesota at Buffalo.

5-Sporting News. Rules for the Empire. Local Baseball Gossip. Loomis Makes Denial.

6-News of Railroads. Plans of the Soo. Popular Wants.

7-Markets of the World. Chicago May Wheat 70 3-4. Bar Silver, 58 7-8. Stocks Nervous; Weaker.

8-Lamprey Sues for \$50,000. Thiel's Claim Turned Down. Justus Loses Some Fees.

WEATHER FOR TODAY.

Minnesota—Fair Thursday; warmer in western portion; fresh northerly winds. Friday fair, with warmer in eastern portion.

Wisconsin—Fair Thursday. Friday fair; warmer; fresh west to north winds. Iowa—Fair Thursday; warmer in northern portion. Friday fair; warmer; fresh northerly winds.

North and South Dakota—Fair; warmer Thursday. Friday fair; variable winds. Montana—Fair Thursday; warmer in eastern portion. Friday fair, probably clear. Windy mostly westerly.

St. Paul—Yesterday's observations, taken by the United States weather bureau at St. Paul, F. Lyons, observer, for the twenty-four hours ended at 7 o'clock last night—Barometer corrected for temperature and elevation: Highest temperature, 34; lowest temperature, 23; average temperature, 27; daily range, 11; humidity, 72; precipitation, 0; 7 p. m. temperature, 2; 1 p. m. wind, north-west; weather, cloudy.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Table with columns: City, High, Low. Rows include: Battleford, Des Moines, Detroit, Duluth, Edmonton, Green Bay, Havre, Kansas City, Marquette, Montgomery, Nashville, Norfolk, Omaha, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, St. Paul, St. Petersburg, Toronto, Washington, etc.

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