

EXPLOSION KILLS 38

Explosion of Coal Dust in Mine at Newcastle, Colo.

SNUFFS OUT LIVES OF MINERS

Accident Occurred in Shaft of Vulcan Mine of Rocky Mountain Fuel Co.

Newcastle, Colo., Dec. 17.—Thirty-eight men were killed in the Vulcan mine here yesterday afternoon by an explosion of coal dust.

Two miners were rescued after the workings caught fire. The mine was equipped with modern safety devices. Most of the victims were married. The mine is owned by the Rocky Mountain Fuel company.

TAFT SPEAKS FOR NEW HAVEN.

Urges New Englanders to Help the Road in Its Fight.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 17.—Ex-President Taft, speaking to the members of the Quinpiack club yesterday, urged them to use all their influence to aid the New Haven railroad in its "fight for existence."

"The prosperity of New England depends more upon the prosperity of the New Haven railroad than upon any one thing I can think of," said Professor Taft. "But the railroad might be run for the people and not primarily for the stockholders."

"Personally I believe that the new management understands the situation and is directing its efforts to benefit the public. The people of New England should not stand aloof and criticize a former management, but should do everything possible to save a great property from destruction."

President James Hustis of the railroad, who was introduced as the chief of the "Chuchu" tribe, thanked former President Taft for his support and for the support which the road has received from New Haven people.

BELIEVE PERUGIA'S STORY.

Police Give Full Credence to Account of How "Mona Lisa" Was Stolen.

Paris, Dec. 17.—The police and the officials of the Louvre give full credence to Vincenzo Perugia's story of the theft of the "Mona Lisa." The authorities have closely examined all the details and find nothing to cast doubt on Perugia's narrative. Seymour De Ricci, an art expert, described yesterday the experiments made immediately after the "Mona Lisa" was stolen. A dummy picture of the same size and weight, from thirty-five to forty pounds, with the frame, was easily removed by a police official who had no experience in handling pictures and who carried it twenty yards to the staircase, where the frame of the stolen picture was found. This was all done within one minute. Another official accustomed to transporting pictures did the same thing in twenty seconds. It has been proved that Perugia assisted in rehanging the "Mona Lisa" some time before the theft. Officials declare the picture without the frame is about twenty-one inches wide by thirty high, is less than an inch thick, and weighs five pounds.

PRESIDENT PARDONS DR. MORTON.

Physician Convicted With Hawthorne Has Civil Status Restored.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Wilson has pardoned Dr. William J. Morton, the physician convicted with Julian Hawthorne for use of the mails to defraud, and who completed his term in the Atlanta penitentiary in October.

It was stated at the department of justice yesterday that the pardon was issued, after Morton had completed his term, in order that he might again be eligible to practice medicine.

HOOD'S PILLS

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"NO REAL DEPRESSION."

Gompers Says Men Are Out of Employment Because of Nation's Transition.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor told the House judiciary committee yesterday that while the number of men out of employment in the United States might possibly be a trifle above normal, he believed that was "due to the transition we are in, rather than to any real depression." Mr. Gompers made this statement during the course of an argument for the Bartlett bill. He pointed to the recent indictment of labor leaders in Colorado for violation of the Sherman law to emphasize his contention that they should be exempt from prosecution for combining to better wages and conditions. He urged the committee to adopt the Bartlett bill as a part of its anti-trust program. The bill would exempt from prosecution persons employed or seeking employment who enter into any combination or agreement to lessen hours of labor, increase wages or better conditions. It also provides that no combination or agreement among persons engaged in horticulture or agriculture shall be unlawful when made to enhance the price of agricultural or horticultural products. The rights of courts to issue restraining orders or injunctions in labor cases would be limited. Mr. Gompers said he was confident the present attorney general was not going to proceed against labor organizations. "But who knows how long this administration is to last?" he inquired. "We don't want to exist at the whim of any officer. We have a right to exist."

BRITISH CABINET TAKES UP FAIR; MAY PARTICIPATE

This the Expectation of the San Francisco Chronicle on the San Francisco Exposition.

London, Dec. 17.—The Daily Chronicle, which may be regarded as a government organ, announces that the cabinet council Monday discussed the question of British representation at the Panama-Pacific exposition. The Chronicle says that no decision was arrived at, but that it is confidently anticipated that the government will not display a penurious spirit in a matter of such importance.

GOVT. BUILDING FOR PANAMA FAIR

President Wilson Assures President Moore That He Will Send Congress Special Message.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Wilson yesterday promised Charles C. Moore, president of the Panama-Pacific exposition, that he would soon send a special message to Congress urging a government building at the fair. Mr. Moore was the president's only unofficial caller.

BECAUSE OF THREATS.

Police Detain Frank Fuller of Gardiner, Maine.

Gardiner, Me., Dec. 17.—An alleged threat by Frank Fuller, an aged farmer, to kill his wife and daughter, yesterday caused his detention. Officers think Fuller's mind may have been affected by the investigation into the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge, whose burned bodies were found in their home near the Fuller farm.

DYNAMITER PLEADS GUILTY.

Man Implicated in Davis' Confession Asks Innocence.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 17.—George E. Davis, confessed dynamiter, in federal court yesterday, pleaded guilty to the charge of conspiring illegally to transport dynamite on interstate railroads.

Harry Jones, secretary-treasurer of the ironworkers' union, implicated by Davis in a confession and indicted for conspiracy, pleaded not guilty. No date was set for the trial.

LEWIS' NEW WIRE PLAN

Would Have Government Buy All Telephones

WOULD NOT NEED THE TELEGRAPH

The Former Could Be Used for Talk or Messages

Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative Lewis of Maryland, chairman of the labor committee and author of the parcel post act, will shortly introduce a bill for the acquisition by the government of all the wires of the telephone companies, but will not provide for the taking over of those of the telegraph companies. It is Mr. Lewis' belief that the telegraph properties are not worth buying, inasmuch as the copper wires of the telephone systems can be utilized economically for the sending of dispatches. Since the postmaster general has come out in favor of government ownership of the wires it is expected that the Lewis bill will receive all the consideration of a party measure. It is known, however, that several Democrats in the House and Senate are opposed to this proposed invasion by the government into the field of private enterprise, but, on the other hand, Mr. Lewis and some of his more radical colleagues have been working up sentiment for months in such a way that it will be difficult for congress to do otherwise than obey the administration and the demands of the people throughout the country who have been carefully educated by various news agencies in Washington to favor government ownership of the wires. Some idea of the extent of this publicity campaign may be gathered when it is stated that Representative Clyde H. Tavenner of Illinois, who supplies a daily and weekly news service to something like 2,500 papers and who is regarded by his leaders as a spokesman for the Democrats, has been sending out matter criticizing the conduct of the telephone business under private ownership and setting forth the advantages of government ownership.

Under the Lewis plan, the details of which have just become known, the government would go into the telegraph business and handle individual messages. The federal system is to be set up by attaching telegraphers' instruments to the telephone wires and using the telephone copper circuits for both telegrams and conversations. By eliminating the purchase of the telegraph companies it is estimated that the cost of the government adding wire communication to its post office department machinery will be reduced by \$200,000,000. An outlay of not less than \$800,000,000, it is believed, will be required to purchase the telephone systems of the country.

NEW HAMPSHIRE GRANGE GROWS.

Gain of 103 in Membership and \$20,000 in the Treasury.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 17.—The New Hampshire state grange, patrons of husbandry, met here this noon for its fortieth annual session and listened to reports by officers, showing a total membership of 29,418, a gain of 103 for the year, and \$20,000 in the treasury. State Master Richard Pattee, in his annual address, stated that the grange should insist upon these things: The immediate establishment of a permanent, non-partisan highway department; the compulsory supervision of all public schools, the adjustment of present hardships and inequalities in taxation, including a change in the method of railroad tax distributions and the careful study of business co-operation among farm people.

OPPOSE F. D. ROOSEVELT.

Tammany Men Disturbed by His Candidacy for Governor.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Tammany representatives in Washington and organization Democrats from the Empire state, generally are disturbed over reports that Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, has determined to contest against the Democratic nomination for governor next year. The Tammany men in Congress, who will express themselves, are opposed to Mr. Roosevelt. They say that Gov. Glynn will be forced to take the nomination in spite of his declination in advance. They have positive information that Roosevelt has been "feeling out" the situation through emissaries, they say.

HAS A \$250,000 LOSS.

Woburn, Mass., Leather Plant Was Destroyed—50 Are Out of Work.

Woburn, Mass., Dec. 17.—Fire destroyed the leather plant of the Cottle company last night, causing a loss of \$250,000.

Fifty employees were thrown out of work. The cause is unknown. Sparks were carried throughout the leather district and explosions of gas were frequent.

WANTED—LADY WITH TYPE.

Yonkers Bachelor Willing to Marry to Get Printing Shop.

Yonkers, N. Y., Dec. 17.—"Gentleman wishes to meet homely lady having a little capital, with a view to matrimony."

Following the insertion of this advertisement in a Yonkers newspaper for two days, Ralph Herman, a bachelor, 30 years old, of 34 Riverdale avenue, said yesterday that he had received a dozen replies and that he intended to make a selection soon and have the knot tied. Herman, who is connected with the Medical Hebrew, a weekly published in New York, declared that he wanted a wife with enough money to set him up in the printing business.

Colds Cause Headache and Grip.

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS REMOVE CAUSE. There is only one "BROMO QUININE." It has signature of E. W. GROVE on box. 25c.—Adv.

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For Boston Globe readers. See page 2 of today's Boston Globe for full particulars about the Globe's great Book-lovers' Picturegame Contest.

TRIPLE VICTORY FOR APOLLO CLUB

Defeated Vincitia Club Last Evening in Billiards, Pool, and Duplicate Whist, Match Being at Montpelier.

The Apollo club of Montpelier took the three contests in the opening match of the winter series with Vincitia club of Barre last evening, the clubs meeting at the rooms of the former. Apollo won in billiards with a score of 569 against Vincitia's 500; in pool with 446 against 374, and in duplicate whist by 110 against 83.

The scores were as follows:

Billiards.	
Apollo Club.	Vincitia Club.
Leslie	100 White
Phillips	100 Bralley
Long	100 Milne
Milo	74 Lundgren
Wood	100 Gale
Putnam	86 Mathews
Total	590 Total
	500

Pool.

Apollo Club.		Vincitia Club.	
Smith	73 Mathews	75	75
Wilson	75 Farrand	46	46
Phillips	75 Milne	70	70
Jones	74 Langlois	75	75
Stratton	75 Gale	35	35
Mower	74 Phillips	75	75
Total	446 Total	374	374

In whist, the Apollo club won the following matches: Love and Howland from Ayell and Cole, 12 to 3; Pitkin and Abbott from Abbott and Mackay, 10 to 7; Whittier and Green from Ballard and Rogers, 10 to 9; Temple and Dwinell from Johnson and Woodruff, 10 to 1; Stratton and Volholm from Hutchinson and Mower, 11 to 7; Laird and Blanchard from Hollister and Curtis, 9 to 5; Hanson and O'Dell from Tracy and Carroll, 10 to 6; Wheaton and Flannagan from Cook and Pierce, 14 to 3.

The Vincitia club victories in whist were as follows: Sargent and Lynde from Brooks and Farwell, 9 to 6; Phelps and Small from Bailey and Callahan, 8 to 7; White and Julian from Phillips and Briggs, 14 to 5; Randall and Love from Fitzgerald and Jayne, 8 to 6. Total: Apollo 110, Vincitia 83.

FEWER MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

There Are Fourteen Less in United States Than a Year Ago.

There are 14 fewer medical schools in the United States than there were a year ago; 1,200 fewer persons studied medicine in 1913 than in 1912; and there was a decrease of 500 in the number of medical graduates, according to figures compiled at the United States Bureau of Education.

The reduction in the number of medical schools is part of a steady movement for improved medical education that has been going on for the past 8 or 9 years. The American Medical association, the various state medical societies, and other agencies, have aroused public opinion to such an extent that 79 medical colleges have either merged with other institutions or ceased to exist, and the standard of medical training has been raised considerably. Of the 101 medical schools now listed at the bureau, 53 are requiring one or more years of college work as a prerequisite to entering upon the study of medicine. State examining boards in North Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Colorado, Indiana, South Dakota, and Kentucky have introduced regulations, in most cases to be made effective within a year or two, providing that every applicant for a license to practice medicine shall have studied two years in college, after a four-year high school course, before entering beginning medical training. A similar requirement covering one year of college work will soon be enforced by the state board of Connecticut, Kansas, Utah, Vermont, Pennsylvania, and California.

An interesting feature of the statistics is the part played by women. Although the total number of medical students has decreased, the number of women studying medicine has increased. In 1912 there were 18,461 medical students, of whom 7122 were women; in 1913 there were 17,238 students, of whom 835 were women. Only 70 women graduates this year, however, as compared with 142 in 1912.

VILLA BOWS TO UNITED STATES.

All Foreigners in Rebel Territory Now Given Protection.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Gen. Pancho Villa, leader of the Mexican rebel force in Chihuahua, has been prompt to comply with the demands of the United States that the rights of Spaniards and other foreigners in the territory under Constitutional control be respected. It was announced at the state department yesterday that the mission of Marion Letcher, American consul at Chihuahua city, to Gen. Villa had been entirely successful. Letcher made strong representations to the rebel chieftain on behalf of the Spaniards who complained of mistreatment when Chihuahua was occupied by the Constitutionalist army. Gen. Carranza was appealed to by the United States at the same time, and it is understood that he informed Villa in strong terms that outrages against foreigners must cease.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS

Alfred Goulette, who won the final sprint on Saturday night at the Madison Square Garden six-day bicycle races, says that this is one big grind on the level and not through any combinations. Goulette said that he was in perfect condition all through and was sure that he would have won had Jackie Clark, the Australian, stayed through to the finish. Goulette has paired up with Jackie Clark to race in the Paris grand on Jan. 18. A large number of American riders will take part in the race.

President John Tener of the National league has appointed President Ebbetts of the Brooklyn club to the board of schedule makers. Ebbetts has been a maker of the schedule for 25 years, having held the office until ousted by Thomas Lynch. Ebbetts will be a member of the board composed of Barney Dreyfuss, president, Secretary Hedyler, who will work in junction with Ban Johnson of the American league. President Tener, in appointing Ebbetts, said he appreciated and realized the worth of the Brooklyn man on the schedule revisions.

Carl Morris, one of America's white hopes, has been convinced that he will never win the heavyweight title. He has gone back to Oklahoma, where he will assume his old time position of locomotive engineer.

Richard Thompson has been selected to coach the Yale varsity crew this season. The English stroke has been abolished at Yale. This stroke has lost races for Yale on the Thames. In its stead will be substituted the Bob Cook stroke, which won so many races for the Eli back in the 90's. Thompson will be assisted by Guy Nickalls and Gianni. Nickalls is a brother of Vivian Nickalls, crew coach at the University of Pennsylvania. Thompson rowed with the Cook stroke when he was captain in 1895.

The sporting public will know definitely on Saturday night whether Joe Langford may still be a power in the world's heavyweight fighting circles. Langford is said to be losing his ability and effectiveness. On Saturday night he will meet Joe Jeannette, another colored boxer. They meet at Paris and the public will assembly know the true condition of Langford.

Fielding Yost, the famous Michigan football coach, has devised means to improve the gridiron game. He suggests that the posts be moved 10 yards back, as the posts are not necessary in scoring touchdowns. He put forth this idea in view of the danger from the posts. In kicking goals from touchdowns they would be required to stand on the five-yard line. He believes that it would benefit the game in field goal kicking. He thinks that it gives to-day a team with a fine kicker too much advantage. To-day the team has only to advance the ball within the 35-yard line before attempting the kick. With the posts changed the team would have to display its power and work up within the 25-yard line.

Howard Drew, the colored boy sprinter, will enter the University of California next semester. It is expected that the climate out on the Pacific coast will greatly increase the speed of the youngster. He has been attending Brown university. At California he will be under the guidance of Walter Christie, a one-time famous sprinter.

The vaudeville team of Maranville-Griffith has been broken up because of the death of the wife of the latter. These two Braves were paired up for the footlights for late into February.

Springfield Y. M. C. A. college is being sought after by both Dartmouth and Colgate for football games next fall. There is a possibility that Dartmouth will be taken on. Should they alternate

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games at Springfield and Hanover the Green's revenue might be greatly enhanced by the location of Springfield, which would certainly gather a crowd of large proportions.

Patrick Doyle, one of the best basketball players that ever stepped onto a court, is broken down mentally and has been taken to the state asylum at Concord, N. H. He is suffering under the delusion that he is afflicted with a serious illness. It is thought that his trouble was brought on by an injury received while playing the game, coupled with the fact that he has been grieving over the loss of his mother, who died recently.

Oswald Tower, who is recognized as an authority on basketball, picked an All-American team from the college ranks last spring. The team is composed of Eaton of Wesleyan and Swinbart of Yale, forwards; Parkinson of Wesleyan, center; Page of Williams and Harwood of Wesleyan, guards.

Walter Camp's selection for an All-American eleven comprised the following list: Ends, Hogsett of Dartmouth and Merrilat of West Point; tackles, Ballin of Princeton and Talbot of Yale; guards, Pennock of Harvard and Brown of Annapolis; center, Des Jardins of Chicago; quarter, Huntington, Colgate; halfbacks, Craig of Michigan and Brickley of Harvard; fullback, Mahan of Harvard. Whitney of Dartmouth was ranked on the third team at fullback.

NORTH ADAMS VOTES "YES"

Re-elects Mayor Brown for Another Term.

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 17.—Mayor Brown was re-elected yesterday and the city voted license.

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