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SETTLEMENT OF COAL STRIKE IS EXPECTED; LEGAL ACTION PUT OFF

President Lewis and Secretary Green of the United Mine Workers of America Urged Miners to Accept Proposal Made by Pres. Wilson at Washington on Saturday.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MET THIS AFTERNOON

The Contempt Proceedings Against 84 General and District Officials of the Union Were Postponed on Government's Motion to Next Tuesday.

Indianapolis, Dec. 9.—Settlement within 24 hours of the strike of 400,000 bituminous coal miners of the country which had its inception more than five weeks ago, was confidently predicted to-day.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the executive board and scale committee of the United Mine Workers of America were scheduled to go in session to consider a proposal made by President Wilson to John L. Lewis, acting president, and William Green, secretary-treasurer of the organization. The proposal was approved by the miners' officials, who received it while in conference with Attorney General Palmer in Washington Saturday and agreed to urge the executive board to accept it as a basis of settlement of the strike.

The terms of the proposal submitted to Mr. Lewis and Mr. Green Saturday night have not been made public, and government representatives refused to discuss them. Mr. Lewis met all questions with the remark that he would have to tell the "story" to the executive board this afternoon and did not want to tell it more than once.

Practically all of the district officials who form the executive board and scale committee of the coal workers' organization arrived last night.

Contempt Cases Postponed.

Hearing on the charges of contempt of court filed against 84 general and district officials of the United Mine Workers of America, was postponed until next Tuesday morning on motion of C. B. Ames for the government when the case was called in the federal district court to-day. The postponement was taken pending the outcome of the meeting of miners' officials.

United States District Attorney Slack moved the postponement of the empanelling of the federal grand jury summoned by Judge Anderson to investigate alleged violations of the Lever and anti-trust laws by operators, miners and coal dealers, and the court fixed Wednesday, Dec. 17, as the date.

SEC. WILSON URGED MINERS TO ACCEPT

Said That Pres. Wilson "Has Pointed a Way Out with Honor to the Government and Honor to Yourselves."

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Secretary Wilson to-day sent a telegram to John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America, urging the miners to accept President Wilson's proposal for settlement of the coal strike.

The president, Secretary Wilson said, "has pointed a way out with honor to the government and honor to yourselves."

The telegram which was addressed also to the members of the miners' scale committee follows:

"I cannot too strongly urge you to accept the basis of settlement proposed by the president. I have been associated with him for more than six years, and I know that every fibre of his strong nature has been devoted toward securing fair play for everybody, and particularly to the under dog in a fight. Every blow he has had to bear, and he has had to bear many of them, has been brought about by his intense earnestness in that direction. You can rely thoroughly upon every promise he makes.

"But aside from that, as a result of the stoppage of work in the mines, we are facing the most difficult industrial situation that ever confronted the country. It threatens the very starvation of our social life. In this emergency, the president has pointed a way out with honor to the government and honor to yourselves. If my judgment and experience are of any value to you, let me use them in advising you for the welfare of yourselves and the country as a whole to accept the way out that is proposed by the president."

COAL FOR NEW ENGLAND.

Ocean Shipments Will Be Resumed in a Few Days.

Boston, Dec. 9.—Ocean shipments of coal, which have been cut off from New England for three days, will be resumed within a day or two. The New England sub-committee on coal has obtained from the central committee at Washington permission for the loading of 40 cargoes of coal for this section, comprising 77,000 tons.

MONTPELIER

The regular meeting of the board of charities and probation will take place Wednesday afternoon here, when L. Josephine Webster, the new social worker in Burlington, will speak to the members of the board.

Dwight Dwinell was called yesterday to Orleans by the death of Miss Clara Dwinell, his daughter, who died during the morning. She had been ill but a few days, although she had not enjoyed good health. She had been a teacher in the schools in Orleans and was a very bright woman. Besides her father, she leaves three brothers, Roland, Carl and Dean, the latter of Newport, who was a representative in the last legislature.

The compilation of the amount of money that the state banks paid to the state in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919, has been made by the state treasurer, which shows that $737,692.62 was paid by the banks collectively. Of this sum, the Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co. paid $9,706.56, Granite Savings Bank & Trust Co. $7,088.888; Montpelier Savings Bank & Trust Co. $26,280.50; Capital Savings Bank & Trust Co. $15,862.33; Waterbury Savings bank, $4,758.36; Northfield Trust company $1,551.93; Northfield Savings Bank & Trust Co. $8,828.37.

H. M. Davis, the deputy commissioner of weights and measures, was called to a store in Montpelier Monday afternoon relative to the amount of sugar that was being sold and he found that the package was over an ounce short in weight, including the bag in the weighing. As a result of an advertisement he found that some of the people selling wood do not understand that a fraction of a cord must be sold and not so many runs. For instance, the advertisement stated 12- and 14-inch wood. The man told Mr. Davis he gave three runs for a cord This is only about seven-eighths of a cord. Mr. Davis urges persons selling wood to check up and find out what the law provides. The quotation made the wood cost over $15 a cord.

James Counter is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sunderland were to leave this morning for St. Charles, Ill., but they received a message that Mr. Sunderland's aunt is improved. She is an aged woman and, in falling, broke one hip.

Several accident reports were received at the secretary of state's office this morning. These included Fred M. Long of Warren, whose automobile slid into the Mad river near an electric plant in Moretown. This was due to the slippery condition of the road. Mr. Long was driving slowly. No one was injured and the machine was not damaged.

The Gray Lawn farms of St. Johnsbury have filed a certificate of paid-up stock showing $24,500 has been paid of their capital stock.

G. Maruzzi of Barre settled his account to-day in probate court as administrator of the estate of Angelo Bernardina, late of that city. G. F. Ball has settled his account as administrator of the estate of Sarah L. Ball of Barre. Flora C. Doucett has been appointed administrator of the estate of Cyrus F. Richardson, late of Montpelier.

Judge Charles Dana of Woodbury was in the city to-day to have a commissioner appointed in a probate estate, W. C. Daniels of Woodbury, one of the commissioners having died last Friday night of heart trouble. His wife, who had been in Boston in connection with some property she owns, did not arrive until Saturday and did not know her husband had died until she arrived at the house. He leaves a wife and son, 12 years old, as well as a brother, among other relatives. The funeral took place Monday from his late home.

SPEAKER GILLETT GETS FORTUNE

Is Willed $700,000 By His Father-in-Law, Late of Worcester, Mass.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 9.—Speaker Frederick H. Gillett of the national House of Representatives is given $700,000 in the will of his father-in-law, William E. Rice of Worcester, filed for probate to-day. Mrs. Gillett is given $100,000 and her two daughters, Miss Frances Helen Hoar and Miss Louisa Ruth Hoar are given $100,000 each and an annual income of $8,000 from a trust fund established under the will. Public bequests are $10,000 each to All Saints' Episcopal church and the Temporary Home and Day Nursery, $5,000 each to Worcester Society of District Nursing, Worcester Employment society and Memorial Home for the Blind.

SENT TO ASYLUM.

Albert A. Houghton, Middlebury College Man, Accused of Theft.

Middlebury, Dec. 9.—Albert A. Houghton, a Middlebury college senior, who was arrested about 10 days ago by Chief of Police George H. Chaffee and Officer Charles J. Shaw, on a warrant charging him with making an entry in the store of Clayton M. Hanks, was brought before Judge Sherman R. Moulton in the Addison county court yesterday afternoon.

He pleaded not guilty and was sent to the state institution at Waterbury for observation as soon as the papers could be made out.

SCORE OF PEOPLE RESCUED.

Were Taken Out of Burning Building at Springfield, Mass.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 9.—Nearly a score of persons had to be helped from the second story of a two-story business block in Worthington street today, during a fire which virtually destroyed the building, with loss that may reach $200,000. One young man who entered the building in an attempt to rescue several women was so overcome by smoke that he was taken to a hospital.

COAL RULES ARE PUT INTO EFFECT

Despite an Expected Settlement of Coal Strike at Indianapolis

GARFIELD SAYS THEY WILL BE NECESSARY

Manufacturing Plants Not Already Supplied Must Operate Only 3 Days

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—In the face of an expected settlement of the bituminous coal strike at Indianapolis, Fuel Administrator Garfield put in effect to-day the most drastic regulations for fuel economy since the restrictions of 1918. Even if the strike were settled to-day, he declared, fuel saving measures would be necessary, as several weeks would be required before the nation's normal fuel supply could be restored.

Probably the most important regulation is that prescribed for manufacturing plants using bituminous coal or coke, which will be restricted to operation of three days a week on the basis of present working hours. Exception is made to plants manufacturing what is considered necessary products and those consuming anthracite coal, gas and other fuels. It is understood that plants already having a supply of soft coal on hand would not come under the provisions of the order.

The order, which will be administered through the railroad administration, includes curtailment of street lighting, lights and heat for office buildings and industrial plants and current for street raliways.

BIG THEFT ALLEGED OF GOODS IN TRANSIT

John M. St. John, Railroad Yardmaster at Providence, Is Put Under Arrest.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 9.—As a result of a long investigation conducted here by the detective and police force of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad and by the officers of the United States marshal into the wholesale theft of goods from interstate commerce, John M. St. John, yardmaster of the Providence, Warren and Bristol division of the New Haven road, is under arrest, charged with larceny of goods from interstate commerce, and other arrests are expected to follow.

A truckload of goods alleged to have been stolen from interstate commerce was recovered here last night by the railroad police and the marshal's office, after search warrants had been served at the home of St. John in East Providence and also at the homes of other railroad employes and their friends said to be connected with the theft.

MAN AND WOMAN PUT UNDER ARREST

He Is Charged with Murder of 3-Year-Old "Billy" Dansey at Mays Landing, N. J.—She with Being Accessory.

Hammonton, N. J., Dec. 9.—Charles S. White, 29 years of age, son of Councilman Edward H. White, and Mrs. Edith Jones, housekeeper for the councilman, were held in the county jail at Mays Landing to-day to await the action of the grand jury in connection with the death of three-year-old "Billy" Dansey, whose body was found by a hunter in a swamp about two miles from his home here on Nov. 21.

White is charged with the murder of the child, while Mrs. Jones, 53 years old, is accused of being an accessory after the fact.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH

In Tenement House Fire at Fall River, Mass.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 9.—In a tenement house fire at the south end today, Manuel Ferry, jr., five years old, was burned to death. The parents of the victim worked in the mill and he was left in the care of his grandmother. In the latter's temporary absence, fire from some unknown cause originated and the child was burned to death before the department could effect a rescue. The flames were confined to the upper story.

BULLETS CONNECTED WITH THREE BANDITS

When Bank Robbers Were Surprised By Deputy Sheriffs at Orwell, O., This Morning.

Ashtabula, Ohio, Dec. 9.—Two bandits were killed and a third seriously wounded at Orwell, 25 miles south of here, when Sheriff Eldred and five deputies surprised them entering the building occupied by the Orwell Banking company early to-day.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 9.—Robbers who attempted to raid the safes of the Virginia Power company here early to-day were intercepted by the police, who killed one and arrested three others after a pistol duel.

UNITED STATES IN SMALL ROLE

May Sit in Supreme Council but Has No Initial Authority to Act

AMBASSADOR WALLACE ONLY AN AGENT

Clemenceau Tells Polk of Regret Over His Departure

Paris, Dec. 9.—The supreme council at to-day's session, the last before the departure of its American member, Under Secretary of State Polk, did not succeed in settling the question of the continuation of the supreme war council. The consent of the United States has not been given to the original plan. The question will now be referred direct to the various governments.

Ambassador Wallace will sit in such meetings of the supreme council as may be held to deal with the Hungarian peace treaty and other unfinished business, but will have no initial authority to act. He will report the proceedings to Washington and act on instructions received from there. At the close of the council's session Premier Clemenceau made a brief speech, in which he gave expression to the regret that had been caused by Mr. Polk's departure.

RUMANIA WILL SIGN AUSTRIAN PACT

And Will Do the Same in Connection with Bulgarian Treaty in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 9.—Rumania is expected to become a party to the peace treaties with Austria and Bulgaria to-day. Her plenipotentiaries, it is stated, will sign the treaty in connection with the Austrian pact providing for the protection of racial minorities and will attach their signatures to the Bulgarian treaty.

Rumania failed to sign the Austrian peace treaty, as did Jugo-Slavia, largely because of the racial minorities clause, which she considered an invasion of her right to deal with internal questions as might seem fitting to her. Rumania also has been at times apparently almost on the point of a break with the entente over her course in Hungary, including her persistency in clinging to the occupancy of Budapest after the allies had repeatedly warned her to withdraw. The withdrawal was effected some time ago, and the Rumanians have recently given indications of willingness to comply with the entente demands. The cabinet at Bucharest resigned a short time ago and is was announced late last week that a new ministry was being formed, whose purpose it would be to sign the Austrian treaty. Jugo-Slavia became a party to the Austrian pact last week.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGED.

Against Cecil Snow, for Death of Aged Townshend Hunter.

Brattleboro, Dec. 9.—Cecil Joe Snow of Townshend, who has been canvassing in Rutland, was arrested late yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Frank L. Wellman on a complaint issued by State's Attorney Ernest W. Gibson of this place, charging him with manslaughter. It is alleged that Snow shot and killed Sarrel Sawyer, aged 86, while the latter was hunting deer in Townshend last week Monday morning. There is no claim, however, that Snow had any intention of shooting Mr. Sawyer, but rather that he was guilty of criminal carelessness.

Snow waived examination before Judge A. E. Cudworth in the municipal court and was placed under bonds of $2,500 for his appearance in the April term of Windham county court. His mother, Mrs. Wallace Moore, and his grandmother, Mrs Frances Snow, both of Townshend, furnished security and Snow was released.

Snow is 26 years old. He served in the 19th field artillery, 5th division, was gassed at Voges and was confined in a hospital in France.

TWO WERE INJURED AND ONE MAY DIE

Charles H. Dow of Warner, N. H., and His Son, Clayton, Were Riding in Auto Struck by B. & M. Train.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 9.—Charles H. Dow, a well-known merchant of Warner, is at the Margaret Pillsbury hospital, this city, with injuries that it is feared will prove fatal, and his son, Clayton Dow, is suffering from serious hurts, as the result of a collision between their automobile and a train this morning. The motor car was struck at Healey's crossing, in Warner, by a southbound train on the Boston and Maine railroad.

FELL SEVEN STORIES.

Rev. Edward B. Henry of Portland, Me., Killed at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—The body of Rev. Edward B. Henry, a former chaplain in the United States navy, who fell to his death from a seventh story window of a hotel here yesterday, will be taken to his former home at Winthrop, Me., for burial, it was announced to-day. A deputy coroner, who investigated the case, said Father Henry, who at one time was connected with Catholic churches in Portland, Me., probably was seized with an attack of vertigo after he had raised a window in his room and fell out.

The priest came here yesterday and had planned to go to Atlantic City for the benefit of his health.

WOODBURY TRAPPERS GET TWO BAY LYNX.

Floyd and Heland Blake of Woodbury have in the last two days killed two bay lynx. The first one they got Sunday, when they went to gather their traps. They shot it. One of their traps was missing, so on Monday they trailed it and found the mate to the lynx they had killed Sunday caught in the trap in some bushes. This lynx fought well, but was finally killed. They expected to go to-day after two more, the tracks of which they saw Monday. They recently caught an animal that looks like a fisher cat, although they have been unable to find anyone who knew what it was.

DEER-SLAYING RECORD MOUNTS RAPIDLY

Up to This Noon the State Commissioner Had Received Reports of 2,423 Deer Slain.

The reports of deer killed still continue to come to the office of the Vermont fish and game commissioner, and the reports may not be all received until the last of the week. This morning cards showing 542 more deer had been killed were received at the office, making a total of 2,423 reported to date, which is quite a good many more than the state officials expected. The total reported last evening was 1,881.

HUNTER FROZEN TO DEATH.

John Lawrence of Orleans Was Hunting in Woods of Norton.

Newport, Dec. 9.—After a four-day search through the woods near Norton, John Lawrence, a farmer, of Orleans, aged 35 years, was found Sunday by a party of searchers frozen to death. Mr. Lawrence, who was a member of a hunting party consisting of D. W. Hildreth, C. H. Mossman, E. C. Skinner, Ed. Grow, Walter Lawrence and others, became lost Wednesday night and no trace of him had been found until Sunday, when he was discovered dead from exhaustion and the bitter cold.

It is a strange thing that in former years Mr. Lawrence had become strayed from his companions and lost his way on hunting trips, but always in the past had managed to find the way out of the woods.

On Monday of last week a large number of hunters left Orleans for the woods in the town of Norton for the deer hunting season. It seems that Mr. Lawrence started out from camp on Wednesday morning by himself, and did not return at night, and when he did not show up on Thursday they began to fear for his safety, when a search began, which was kept up until Sunday morning, when they found his gun and evidence that he had been traveling in a circle in that vicinity. Following the trail they soon came upon his body lying face downward, as though having fallen in his tracks.

COLLEGE GIRL SHOT HERSELF TWICE

Grace E. Monty, a Middlebury Sophomore, Is Alive Although Two Bullets Took Effect in Her Head.

Middlebury, Dec. 9—Miss Grace Elizabeth Monty of Hudson Falls, N. Y., a sophomore at Middlebury college, shot herself twice in the head about 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon while in her room in Pearsons hall.

Medical aid was at once summoned, Drs. S. S. Eddy and J. J. Ross responding. Her parents are on their way from Hudson Falls to Middlebury.

There is as yet no definite knowledge of just how the shooting occurred, but it was stated at the office of the president of the college last night that Miss Monty had been handling a revolver that belonged to one of the young men of the college. No explanation was given to account for the fact that the young woman had inflicted two wounds upon herself.

BARRE SHAFT PRESENTED.

And Dedication at Mt. Gilead, O., Before Big Crowd.

Athol R. Bell, secretary of the Barre Granite Manufacturers' association, has returned from Mt. Gilead, O., where last week he attended the dedication of the large 30-foot Barre memorial, presented by the Barre association to the county in Ohio that purchased, per capita, the greatest amount of war savings stamps in the recent campaign. Morrow county proved the winner and to this county, which registered a sale of $75 worth of stamps to every inhabitant of that county, the formal presentation of their reward was made by Mr. Bell in behalf of the association.

For the occasion a public holiday was declared in that county and at Mt. Gilead national figures from Ohio addressed the 8,000 or more enthusiastic citizens. Such men as Senator Harding of Ohio, prominently considered as a presidential candidate for 1920, ex-Ambassador G. Sharp, recently representative in France, Gov. Cox of Ohio, H. P. Wolfe and John A. Kelly of Columbus, O., state director and secretary, respectively, of the Ohio war savings commission, and F. S. McMillan, the Morrow county chairman, were men who also addressed the great gathering. The 4th (Rainbow division) regimental band and two aviators, formerly of that division, were among the chief entertaining attractions for the affair.

The shaft was dedicated in the principal public square on Dixey highway, which is on the main highway between Columbus and Cleveland, O. It is a masterful representation of the exquisite Barre granite qualities and the superb Barre workmanship and besides representing the patriotic spirit of the Barre manufacturers, portrays the high quality of Barre's chief industry.

The northbound morning mail train was almost two hours late to-day because of engine trouble south of Bethel. Engine 102 would not steam, so that when Montpelier Junction was reached, engine 418 of the freight-hauling type, was placed on the train.

TROLLEY PLAN AGREED ON

But Cities May Refer Matter to Voters in Barre and Montpelier

HOURLY CAR SERVICE IS ONE FEATURE

Montpelier's City Council Has Already Decided to Refer the Matter

A conference took place between the Montpelier and Barre city councils and the selectmen of Berlin last evening in the Barre city council chamber, which resulted in the Montpelier city council voting, in a special meeting held following the conference, to call a special city meeting in Montpelier for the purpose of ascertaining if the voters of that city will grant authority to the council to change temporarily the running schedule of the traction company between Montpelier and Barre; and a committee, composed of one man from Montpelier and Barre city councils each and the two selectmen from Berlin will meet shortly for the purpose of devising some plan to be presented to the company in behalf of Berlin, so that that town will not be neglected in the matter of improved conditions if such are made.

The conference was held at the invitation of the Barre city council, Montpelier having previously granted the request that the traction company asked after they found they could not extend the service to one hour as the majority of the franchise committee wanted to do. This left out the five-cent local rate within the city. It had been stated to members of Montpelier council that Berlin had adopted the same as Montpelier did, but this impression was corrected last evening. What the selectmen did say was that they would abide by the decision of the two cities.

The conference was presided over by Mayor Glysson, who asked Clerk Mackay to explain the problem to the conference members, which was done, and then considerable discussion took place. During the course of this it was brought out by the Barre council that almost every member of the Montpelier council was agreeable to Barre's plan in spite of the fact that the Montpelier council had voted to grant the request of the traction company. From time to time during the evening different members of the Montpelier delegation let it be known that they wanted to try out the hour schedule, excepting Aiderman Bowers, who opposed it. Mayor Shurtleff explained why, in his opinion, that plan had not been adopted, namely, the clause in the franchise which does not permit a longer schedule than every 45 minutes.

The Barre council sustained its attitude that it was not favorable to the request asked by the company and it intimated that it would not grant it until a trial of the new proposition took place.

Those present were of the opinion that public sentiment was such that no opposition to the temporary arrangements of the hour schedule would take place; but the Montpelier members believed their charter would not permit granting the proposed change without a vote of the city, and the council members seemed agreeable to asking the mayor to have a meeting.

Upon suggestion of Montpelier aldermen, a special meeting of the Montpelier council then took place, so that the matter might be placed before its voters at the earliest possible time. Upon motion of Alderman Stratton it was voted to instruct the clerk to call a special meeting as stated above.

Mr. Mackay then suggested that he was interested in how Berlin was coming out and suggested that representatives of each council and one of the selectmen of Berlin draft some proposals to the councils that would take care of Berlin so that residents of that town would not have to pay 12 cents to get to either city. This was the sentiment that Alderman McMillan had suggested by inquiry of the selectmen earlier in the evening. Alderman Bowers, chairman of the franchise committee in Montpelier, was designated from that city.

It was proposed an effort be made to get a nine-cent fare for Berlin residents to either city. Then it was decided to allow both Berlin selectmen to act, there being but two selectmen at the present time. There is a meeting to be held Dec. 23 to elect a selectman in that town so that the proposed temporary change in schedule can be handled by Berlin at that meeting.

It is expected that at the Barre city council meeting held to-night the matter of the city meeting will be considered to agree with the action of the other two municipalities. An adjournment of the conference occurred at 9 o'clock with a feeling that considerable had been accomplished.

MRS. C. M. WALLACE

Died Last Night at Daughter's Home in South Barre.

Mrs. C. M. Wallace of South Barre passed away last evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Guy Howard, after an illness of several weeks.

Delia D. Gilbert was born in Concord, Vt., April 4, 1847. She was the daughter of Nathaniel and Rosette Reed Gilbert. Of a family of 11 children, she is survived by one sister, Mrs. Florence E. Matthews of Groveton, N. H. Dec. 30, 1869, she was married to George Quimby of Concord, and two daughters were born to them, Mrs. Clarence Cutting of Concord and Mrs. Guy C. Howard of South Barre. Mr. Quimby died in 1907. In 1909 she married Charles M. Wallace of Ryegate, who survives her. She is also survived by five grandchildren, Malvern B. Cutting, Mason G. Howard, Marion L. Howard and Grafton C. Howard. Mrs. Wallace was a member of the First Universalist church of Concord, of the Adah chapter, No. 39, O. E. S., and Woodbury W. R. C., No. 5.

The funeral will be held from the Universalist church in Concord, Rev. P. J. MacInnis officiating. Interment will be in the village cemetery.

PROLONGED COLD OVER WHOLE COUNTRY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—A prolonged period of cold weather over the entire country is indicated, the weather bureau announced to-day, by the abnormally high pressure over the region west of the Mississippi, the low pressure over the Gulf of Mexico, the Ohio valley and off the North Pacific coast. The cold wave in the West is spreading eastward and southward, with zero temperatures as far south as the Texas Panhandle, and cold weather is forecast in the East and South to-night and tomorrow.

CAME OF OLD BARRE FAMILY.

Miss Agnes French Died Yesterday Afternoon of Pneumonia.

Miss Delia Agnes French, the last of the 11 children of David French, one of Barre's earliest settlers, succumbed to pneumonia at her home at 6 Averill street yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Her illness was contracted a week ago Sunday night, and because of the advanced age of the woman she easily became the victim of the disease.

She was born in Barre on Aug. 15, 1838, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David French, pioneer settlers of Barre and later known as one of the most enterprising families in this section. For many years this family dwelt in the large brick house which occupied the lot now the site of the Aldrich public library.

Miss Agnes French, as she was known, in her youth attended the old Barre academy. At the passing of her relatives she inherited considerable property. Her keen interest in foreign missionary work caused her to expend much money every year in support of foreign missionary workers of the Methodist Episcopal church. In Fuchow, China, she had for several years entirely supported a missionary school, besides contributing bountifully to various other institutions of similar nature. It has been known for many years that she has contributed a certain sum of money each week to the Salvation Army, as well as to the Methodist Episcopal church. She had always attended the services at the church.

David French, her father, who came here from Westmoreland, N. H., in 1810, acquired a great amount of real estate, much of which was located in the central part of Barre.

The surviving relatives are a cousin, Miss Clara Annis, who resides at Goddard seminary; three nieces, Mrs. Julia Hayden and Miss Josephine French of Evanston, Ill., and Mrs. Alice French of Milwaukee, Wis., and four nephews, John Jackman of Bridgeport, Conn., Harry French of Cleveland, O., and Maurice and F. E. French of Chicago.

The funeral will be held from her late home to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. B. G. Lipsky officiating, and interment will be in Elmwood cemetery.

WHOOPING COUGH LEADS.

There Were 142 Cases Out of 192 Communicable Diseases in 5th District.

Whooping cough has been the predominating communicable disease in health district No. 5 during the month of November, according to the reports submitted to the district health officer, Dr. C. H. Burr of Montpelier. Out of 192 cases reported, 142 were of whooping cough, with chicken-pox coming second with 32 cases.

Cabot reported the most whooping cough cases, there being 28 in that town. Barre had the most chicken-pox cases, having 17 out of the 32; but Barre was strangely free from whooping cough, only a single case being reported.

The six diseases listed as communicable and reported on are as follows:

Whooping cough: Barre City 1, Barre Town 5, Berlin 7, Bradford 6, Brookfield 17, Cabot 28, Calais 4, Chelsea 6, Duxbury 19, Marshfield 1, Middlesex 2, Montpelier 7, Moretown 3, Ryegate 9, Thetford 7, Washington 4, Williamstown 6, Worcester 16—142.

Diphtheria: Barre City 1.

Pneumonia: Montpelier 1, Topsham 2—3.

Chicken-pox: Barre City 17, Barre Town 1, Duxbury 3, East Montpelier 1, Marshfield 6, Moretown 1, Thetford 1, Vershire 2—32.

Mumps—Duxbury 2, Orange 1, Strafford 1, Washington 2—6.

Scarlet fever: Barre City 4, Fairlee 1, Montpelier 1, Strafford 1, Williamstown 1—8.

FUNERAL LARGELY ATTENDED.

And Many Flowers Told of Respect for Mrs. Jessie Spence.

The funeral of Mrs. Jessie (Forsyth) Spence of Ayers street, who died Saturday morning from pneumonia, was held yesterday afternoon from her late home, Rev. William MeN. Kittridge of the Presbyterian church officiated. The bearers were William Emslie, Richard Laws, Adam Silver, Fred Simpson, Angus McDonald and Robert Paterson, jr. There were many more than the house would hold, in attendance at the funeral, and there was a profusion of floral tokens of love. There were bodies in attendance from the orders of which she was a member. Burial was in Hope cemetery.

Among the people from outside of Barre to attend the funeral were Mrs. J. Benzie and Miss Beatraice McIver of South Ryegate. The flowers were as follows: Pillow, family; floral column, employes of Littlejohn, Milne shed; wreath, neighbors; floral star, Eastern Star order; carnations, neighbors, Mrs. J. M. C. Clark, Mrs. Christie Frazer, Mrs. Moir, Mrs. Perkins, Mrs. Watkins, Miss Moir, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Alex. Rennie, Mrs. David Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Silver, Maccabees, Clan Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McIver, J. Benzie and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reed, A. H. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. McHardy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Ogston and family, Mrs. Catto, Mr. and Mrs. James Lamb and daughter, Miss Leona, Miss Doris' classmates and teacher, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Paterson and family, Mrs. David Rennie, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Paterson, jr., Mrs. J. C. Robertson and Mrs. Lizzie M. Wood.

400 GRANGERS AT THE OPENING

Of the 48th Annual Session of the Vermont State Grange at Montpelier

PRELIMINARY WORK CONDUCTED TO-DAY

State Master O. L. Martin of Plainfield Presided Over Convention

The 48th annual session of the Vermont State Grange convened at 11 o'clock this morning in the auditorium of city hall at Montpelier. There was some delay in starting owing to the lateness of the Central Vermont train from the south, the secretary, Mr. Flint, not arriving until 11 o'clock. O. L. Martin of Plainfield is the master and he presided over the meeting, although suffering with grip and feeling very poorly.

This morning the opening in the fifth degree occurred and was followed by the call of delegates, some 330 attending, who, with other officers, brought the number to about 400 persons. The standing committees were announced and some resolutions were introduced. This afternoon the annual address of the master occurred.

No election of officers occurs this year other than two members of the executive committee.

CONDEMNED CATTLE PAYMENTS.

Thus Far This Year the State Has Paid for 1,317 Cattle.

Of the 11,700 cattle that have been tested at state expense in Vermont thus far this year, 1,317 have been killed because they failed to meet the tuberculosis test. There have also been 8,273 head of cattle tested but these have been private tests in which the owners of the cattle have borne the expense of the losses whatever they may be. Later, perhaps, some of these will be taken care of at state expense.

The state treasurer yesterday paid out quite a sum of money under the provisions of the law for condemned cattle. These include A. Malinetti, Barre, 31 head, $1,348.84; C. E. Curtis, Montpelier, 13 head, $591.62; R. A. Wells, Stowe, $291.44; S. R. Waldo, East Randolph, one cow, $50; S. H. Turner, Randolph Center, one cow, $81.46.

PRAISED 26TH DIV. FOR VALIANT WORK

"Sandy" Chapman, K. of C. Secretary, Thrilled Audience in Barre Opera House Last Night with War Stories.

"To-day this organization is paying the complete expenses of 200 lads, ex-service men, in American colleges," declared Charles "Sandy" Chapman, president of the Knights of Columbus overseas secretaries, in the Barre opera house last evening, as he neared the conclusion of a very interesting and thrilling revelation of the organization's accomplishments from the beginning of the great world war to the present day.

"And besides this," he continued, "we have established a vocational school on Berkeley street in Boston in which any ex-service man, upon the presentation of his service papers, irrespective of his creed or color, may enter and receive, at the expense of the national organization, one year's training in any vocation he chooses to follow. This school accommodates 360 and there is a waiting list to accommodate 1,500. A single K. of C. hut located on Boston common placed in employment 3,600 ex-service men in the past month. In the state of Massachusetts 12,300 men have found employment through this agency, and in all 40,000 unemployed discharged soldiers, sailors or marines have been placed in positions, none of which netted less than $18 a week nor required the worker to spend more than eight hours a day at his employment."

These were some of the latest accomplishments of the organization, others of much greater value to humanity and especially to the fighting men of Uncle Sam having been performed during those terrible months of bloodshed and strife.

Chapman, whose very appearance commands attention, proved to be one of the best speakers Barre has heard and his story of the great struggle, as he saw, and as hundreds of thousands of others have seen it, kept the audience spellbound throughout his entire speech, for he depicted situations with such precision and exactness that one could easily picture the action of the subjects in mention. And "Sandy," who before entering the secretarial work was a comedian of national repute, displayed those natural characteristics of entertaining an audience oftentimes with a very humorous story.

His opening remarks commended highly the action of the Vermont councils in their alertness at meeting the requirements of the times, emphasis being laid upon the fact that Vermont was the first state in the union to erect a K. of C. hut, that being at Fort Ethan Allen.

"No deed of heroism of the American soldiers on the battle line has surpassed that of the Red Cross nurse," said Mr. Chapman, and to illustrate this he cited an incident which he witnessed in a base hospital in France. A young soldier had been hit by a shrapnel, and in order to save his life his arm had to be amputated below the elbow. The operation was being performed at night. In the midst of the operation a Miss Jeffries of Brookline, Mass., was holding the arm to prevent the unconscious lad, under the effects of ether, from bleeding. Suddenly a shell burst into the room, having been dropped from an enemy airplane.

"As customary, all lights were put

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