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NEW CAMPANILE DECIDED

Venice, April 25.—Tens of thousands of people witnessed the solemn blessing today of the reconstructed Campanile of St. Mark's. Not only the people of Venice, but hundreds from the provinces of Italy and from neighboring countries joined in making the event one of international importance. Interest was added to the occasion by the presence of King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena. Senators and deputies of the Italian parliament were present in numbers, while the vatican was represented by a distinguished delegation headed by several members of the college of cardinals.

The Campanile which was dedicated today is a perfect reproduction in every detail of the old one destroyed on July 14, 1902. The old tower was one of the famous structures of the world. For centuries it stood as a visible reminder of the time when the Venetians dominated the arts and commerce of the world. It began as a water tower before the Christian age was in its teens, and developed into a bell tower, with bells ringing forth at the first hint of danger, and later was considered a part of St. Mark's cathedral.

Today the tower stands just as before. Its restoration has occupied almost ten years and is considered by architects and engineers as a most remarkable achievement. The bronze statues and the famous gates are again in place, the whole loggia has been restored, and the great bronze angel, 16 feet high, looks down again from the pinnacle of the structure. At 10 o'clock this morning, as a fitting prelude to the dedication ceremonies, the chimes were rung. Tears glistened in the eyes of the Venetians as they gathered in the square of St. Mark's and heard the old familiar sounds for the first time in almost a decade. Of the five bells in the restored Campanile four are new and were presented to St. Mark's by Pope Pius X.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver of Gallup were visitors in Las Vegas today.

George L. Wimsura of Shoemaker, was in Las Vegas today on business.

D. S. Dunn of Solano, was in Las Vegas yesterday and today on business.

O. C. Robbins of Gross Kelly and Company, went to Santa Fe this afternoon.

H. B. Roeder of Albuquerque, came in last night from the Duke City on business.

J. A. Keene, son of Jeff Keene, is expected to arrive from Ohio in several days.

Adolfo Baca left yesterday afternoon for Albuquerque where he expects to locate.

J. C. Walker arrived last night from his home in Deming and was here today on business.

Dr. M. D. Gibbs, a physician and pharmacist of Roy, was in Las Vegas today on business.

John W. Condon returned this afternoon from a short trip to Kansas City and Des Moines, Ia.

R. F. Rohrer, of the Topeka Mica Mining company, went to Santa Fe this afternoon on train No. 1.

J. W. Bowden of Raton, was a visitor in Las Vegas today, having arrived from the Gate City last night.

Mrs. Cecil Haslett returned this afternoon from a short visit with friends and relatives in Rock Island, Ill.

Herman C. Ifeld, of the Charles Ifeld company, went to Santa Fe this afternoon on a short business trip.

John Westfall, justice of the peace in Solano arrived last night from his home on a short business trip to Las Vegas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Kearney and Hector Kearney came in today from their ranch near Watrous in their touring car.

M. Hortlein, who has been a patient at the Santa Fe hospital for several months, left today for his home in Topeka, Kan.

Mrs. William Praeger and her daughter, Miss Lena Praeger, were in Las Vegas today from their home at the Hot Springs.

J. P. Van Houten, a prominent ranchman of Shoemaker, came in last night from his ranch and was in Las Vegas today on business.

A. A. Sena, a member of the mounted police of New Mexico, returned this afternoon from a trip in the northern part of the state.

Max Nordhaus, manager of the Charles Ifeld company, was in Albuquerque yesterday visiting the Duke City branch of the company.

Mrs. J. J. Scudder, who has been in Las Vegas visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Carroon, left this afternoon for her home in Vincennes, Ind.

Olsen Shepard, who has been spending the winter in Las Vegas, will leave Saturday night for St. Louis. He will go by the way of Denver, stopping off for a short visit in that city.

Julius Linde, accompanied by his son, Bernice Linde, arrived last night from Denver and was in Las Vegas today on business. Mr. Linde was formerly a resident of Las Vegas.

J. M. Kurn, superintendent of the Western Grand division of the Santa Fe, passed through Las Vegas in his private car on train No. 1 en route from his headquarters in La Junta to Santa Fe. Mr. Kurn was accompanied by Mrs. Kurn.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Carleton, Jr., were visitors in Las Vegas today from their ranch east of Watrous. Mr. Carleton, of the Carleton Dry Goods company of St. Louis, who is visiting his son on his ranch, accompanied them to Las Vegas.

Charles V. Kavanagh, advance agent of the Ferris Hartman company, producers of "The Campus," which is billed at the Duncan opera house for May 9 was in Las Vegas today consulting with Duncan and Browne, managers of the local play house.

Mrs. J. D. Billingsley arrived last night from her home in Idaho for a visit with her sister, Mrs. M. Green. This is the first time the two sisters have seen each other in 30 years and their meeting was a happy one. Mrs. Billingsley will remain here several weeks.

Mrs. Bertie Hosmer of New York city, who has been visiting in Las Vegas for the past week, the guest of Miss Sadie O'Byrne, left last night for El Paso from whence she will go to California, traveling over the southern route. Miss O'Byrne accompanied Mrs. Hosmer to the Pass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowman arrived last night from their home in Santa Fe. Mrs. Bowman left this afternoon for a several days' visit in Ocala and Mr. Bowman went to Mora on business. They will return to Las Vegas for a short visit with Mrs. Bowman's mother, Mrs. Emma Cohn.

UNITED STATES TROOPS PREPARING FOR WAR

SOLDIERS IN FLORIDA ARE BEING PUT THROUGH STRENUOUS DRILLS

Pensacola, Fla., April 25.—All of the mortars and navy guns at Fort Pickens and McRee have been put out of commission, and the soldiers here and at Fort Barancas, are being put through infantry tactics. They go through skirmish and extended order drills two hours or more every day. Long marches along the beach are included. It is the general opinion that preparations are being made to take the field on notice similar to the movement to the Mexican border some months ago.

Rebel Army is Growing
Jimenez, April 25.—General Pascual Orozco, chief of all the rebels, reported here today from Chihuahua, bringing with him 600 men. This brings the total rebel force up to about 6,000 men, stretching from here to Escalon. Orozco will tomorrow make an inspection of all rebel soldiers, prior to leading them into battle. General Emilio Campa, who was detached from his command after his defeat at Parral by federals has been reformed and is now south of here with his army. All boys in the rebel ranks were weeded out last night and will be sent back to their homes.

Federals Retake Huitzilac
Mexico City, April 25.—The retaking of Huitzilac, state of Morelos, by federals last Monday, after an artillery bombardment, cost the Zapatistas 200 men killed, according to reports received here today. The loss of federal troops is officially given as eight men killed.

Reports from Nieves, in the department of Zacatecas, say that 150 rebels have surrendered and accepted amnesty. Telegrams say San Blas, on the west coast, is in danger of falling into rebel hands.

Furious Battles Raging
Tucson, Ariz., April 25.—The battle between federals under General Iturbe and the rebels near Zuilacan, capital of Sinaloa, was still in progress today, according to advices reaching here. The federals are outnumbered but have better arms. The message says the rebels are looting right and left.

At Tepic, advices stated, a battle between 2,000 rebels with three machine guns and a force of federals, occupying the city, raged all last night. The federals were greatly outnumbered, but because of the barricades erected within the city, had been able to hold off the attacking forces.

Orozco is Denounced
El Paso, Tex., April 25.—Brault Hernandez, the rebel "minister" to Washington who was arrested there on a charge of conspiracy to smuggle arms and ammunition into Mexico, and who was brought back here yesterday, today wrote a letter to General Pascual Orozco expressing disagreement with the latter's policies, resigning as "minister" and as a general.

DAWSON COMING HERE WITH A SPECIAL TRAIN

JOHNSON-FLYNN BOUT TICKETS HERE ALREADY IN GREAT DEMAND.

Las Vegas people who intend to attend the championship boxing contest between Jack Johnson and Jimmie Flynn for the heavyweight championship of the world would do well to make their seat reservations at once, as the requests for seats are coming in rapidly and it will not be long before all the choice reservations have been sold. Charles O'Malley, the local promoter, this morning received a telegram from Dawson requesting that a block of 500 seats immediately back of the ring-side section be reserved. The message was from Frazier and Bradley, who assert that the Dawson fans are planning to run a special train here on the day of the contest. O'Malley says those persons who wish seats reserved should apply to him at once.

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TONNAGE SHOWED A REMARKABLE INCREASE

RAILROADS MADE GAIN OF 76 PER CENT FROM 1900 TO 1910

The bureau of railway economics at Washington has compiled an elaborate statistical table of the railroad business of the United States for 1910, the latest year for which the figures are available. The table shows that there were transported that year more than 1,000,000,000 tons of freight, an increase of 76 per cent over the tonnage of 1900.

This increase in transportation necessarily means a remarkable increase in production. Some of the gain can be accounted for and definitely located without difficulty. It appears in the recorded output of cereals, coal, iron, cement, sugar, cotton and a long list of other commodities.

For instance, there was a gain of about 25,000,000 tons in iron ore production, and a large part of the output is carried by rail for the whole or a part of the journey from mine to smelter. Other fractions for the tonnage gain in transportation are to be found in the carriage of pig iron from smelter to foundry or to mill, and from those establishments, as finished or partly finished products, to other points. The various destinations to final consumers account for other fractions of the gain.

The increase in raw cotton was approximately 500,000 tons. Part of this was carried by rail to ports for shipment abroad. The remainder was shipped to American mills, from which it was again shipped by rail as a finished product to centers of wholesale distribution for dispatch in smaller parcels to retailers. Thus an original million tons of a given commodity may in its various movements represent several million tons of gain in the total of tonnage transportation.

The average charge for carrying one ton one mile in 1900 was .729 of a cent, and in 1910 .753; but this increase covers only a portion of the greater operative cost due to higher wages paid to employees, to greater cost of materials and supplies and to heavier taxation.

Economies of operation have been effected by the use of more powerful locomotives and of cars of greater capacity. The tractive power of locomotive in 1900 is not reported, but in 1902 it was 788,502,775, as compared with 1,588,894,480 in 1910. This means both more and more powerful machines. The number employed was 37,563 in 1900, and 58,947 in 1910.

In 1902 there were 1,546,101 freight cars with an average capacity of 23 tons. In 1910 there were 2,135,121 cars with a capacity average of 36 tons. There were in 1900 about seven freight cars for every mile of line in the country, and in 1910 nearly nine cars of nearly 50 per cent greater carrying capacity. Passenger cars increased in number from 34,713 to 47,095, but the figures of average seating capacity are not reported.

The record shows that the American people travel more frequently than they did ten years ago and that they make longer journeys. The number of revenue passengers carried in 1900 was 576,831,251 and in 1910 it was 971,683,193. This statement includes some duplication, but probably not enough to affect results materially. The average number of trips, long or short and including commuters, has increased from 7.50 to 10.56 for each of us, man, woman and child.

On the same basis the average number of miles traveled in a year has risen from 211 in 1900 to 351.6 in 1910, while the average length of journey has extended from 27.8 miles to 33.5. The average train carries only 56 passengers, but that is a gain from the 41 of ten years ago.

The passenger revenue for the entire country averages slightly less than two cents a mile, a small reduction since 1900. The much better service today in both freight and passenger departments costs no more than the service of ten years ago when comparison is made on a basis of unit averages. There are now about 1,500,000 employees, an increase of 500,000 in ten years.

RIOTS IN LOUISIANA
Monroe, La., April 25.—Company D of the Louisiana National Guard left here today for Delhi, 36 miles east, where serious trouble between whites and negroes developed last night. One negro was lynched and further disorder is feared. The trouble which led to the lynching is attributed to the surly and impudence of negro food refusers, many of whom have refused to work since the government began distributing free rations amongst them.

"INJUN" SMITH IS TO RETURN TO VEGAS

POPULAR MEMBER OF LAST YEAR'S MAROONS EXPECTS TO COME BACK

If the management of the Las Vegas Maroons, and Louis Smith can come to terms the big "Injun," who is at the present time with the Louisville American Association team, will become a member of the Meadow City crew for the coming season. Smith is playing as infielder utility man with the Colonels, having made good in that capacity, but he has written to several friends here and also to James S. Duncan, Jr., assistant manager of the Maroons, stating that he is desirous of hooking up with the Las Vegas aggregation for this year.

Smith's work with the Maroons last year won him a place in the hearts of the local fans and nothing would suit them better than to see him again don the Meadow City uniform. Smith is in fine condition, having played ball on the coast all winter, after which he tried out with the Chicago Cubs, who farmed him out to the Louisville team, with the privilege of recalling him.

Smith has made good with the Kentucky team from the start in the capacity of utility man, but he says that he is desirous of being in the game all of the time and is not satisfied with playing the bench half of the time. In the association the "Injun" has been slugging the ball in old time style, and is a valuable player in the position for which he is signed. Then, too, Smith is capable of holding down practically any job out of the nine.

Last year, when not on the mound from the Maroons, he was playing second or first base, or, if the occasion demanded, in the outfield. At his best Smith as a twirler is hard to beat, and last year on the initial sack he was a star. "Chief" Lockhart has already been signed for this season and the fans will welcome the signing of the chief's mate, Smith, for these two olds certainly do travel well together.

ANTHRACITE MINERS REACH AGREEMENT

WILL RETURN TO WORK, HAVING SETTLED SATISFACTORILY WITH OPERATORS.

Philadelphia, April 25.—Confirmation of the report that anthracite miners and operators had reached an agreement in settlement of their dispute as to wages and hours of labor was given today in a statement from the office of President Baer. The statement reads: "Mr. George F. Baer, the chairman of the operators' committee, has issued a call for a meeting of the general committee of operators and miners' representatives in New York on May 2, to act on the report of the sub-committee having unanimously submitted a recommendation of conditions looking to an adjustment."

The terms and conditions of this report will not be made public until after the meeting of the general committee on May 2.

If the full committee approves the sub-committee report the proposed agreement will have to be ratified by the miners before it can be put into effect. This probably will be done at a convention of the three anthracite districts.

It is expected that if the agreement is ratified the 170,000 men who have been idle since April 1, will return to work by May 10. It is possible that the executive committee of the three anthracite districts headed by National President John White, may order the workers back at an early date.

The sub-committee's report, it is said, contains the following features: A 10 per cent wage increase. The miners asked for 20 per cent. The board of conciliation, created by the anthracite coal strike commission after the strike of 1902, with some modifications, is continued. The miners asked for a more convenient and informal system of adjusting local grievances. The sliding scale by which the men were given an increase

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Nothing has yet been made public regarding the demand for a reduction of hours, recognition of the union of the minor demands.

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GEORGIA TOWN BURNING.
Columbus, Ga., April 25.—Several blocks in the principal residence section of Columbus were destroyed by fire today, which late this afternoon was unchecked. The loss so far is estimated at more than a quarter of a million dollars. Water pressure is low and dynamite may be used.

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