

## OUTSIDERS BLAMED FOR DELAY IN ENDING COPPER MINE STRIKE

Governor of Michigan Says Miners and Operators if Left Alone Would Agree Quickly.

## EXECUTIVE FINISHES INQUIRY

Outside Advice is Likely to Prolong the Struggle.

## LONG TALKS WITH MINERS

Stories of Union and Nonunion Men Given Attention.

## EVICTIONS BECOME FEATURE

Two Men Forced to Leave Company Houses Appear at Hearing—Union Relief Committee to Care for Them.

## HOUGHTON, Mich., Jan. 9.—Governor Woodbridge N. Ferris struck his personal work in the copper strike district today and left for his home in Big Rapids at noon.

"I got what I came for," he said as he stepped aboard the train. "This strike cannot be settled in a week or a fortnight. I think that it is left to the miners and employers themselves to be settled very quickly. It is the advice of the outsider, and this is a somewhat venturesome thing to say, that it is likely to do more than anything else to prolong this strike."

The governor said he thought the present time inopportune for executive action, calling attention to the fact that the judicial machinery of the state is in full swing. He said he was unwilling as governor to do or say anything that might be construed by any interest as an attempt to influence the course of justice.

Delegations of workmen representing union and nonunion elements came to the Douglass house in a steady stream, but Governor Ferris managed to see all of them to clear up his own calendar of appointments as well.

Eviictions become feature. Two additional eviction cases were related to the governor, and it became evident that this phase of the situation is likely to assume major proportions soon. In this connection the governor was influenced by the decision of the state supreme court at Lansing upholding Judge O'Brien's decision as to dilatory pleas.

The men who were evicted were strikers from the Winona mine. Theodore Besenette said his furniture was thrown out yesterday and was still in the snow. His wife and four children, ranging in age from 10 to 15 years, he said, were housed with neighbors. Joseph Burcar, whose family consists of four children, the eldest less than 5 years old, said one of his children was sick and that the doctor at Winona "wouldn't come for nothing."

That brought action from the governor and, turning to Daniel Sullivan, president of the union's district council, he told him to see that the strike relief committee provides a doctor at once. Sullivan explained that Burcar had made no report of the illness to his union.

Sullivan said he recognized that the union would have to meet the eviction situation soon. He thought that arrangements could be made for sheltering and feeding families in halls of commons, but said this far the union had been unable to plan definitely for the care of the furniture.

This far all cases in which the use of plain force has been alleged have come from the Winona district. The mine management explained to the governor that no evictions as such had taken place, that there had been some dispossessions where families had voluntarily left the location and that the company was holding this furniture in storage.

## Controversy With Colombia Said to Be Near Settlement

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Negotiations between the United States and Colombia for the settlement of the latter's alleged claims arising out of the independence of Panama, are now proceeding on the basis of direct proposals for a settlement on indemnities. State department officials said today substantial progress had been made toward an ending of the long standing controversy.

Colombia insisted during the Taft administration that the case be submitted to arbitration and would not consider proposals made by the United States for the payment of any specified sum for the relinquishment of all claims. It became known, however, that early in the present administration, the southern republic made a direct proposal to the United States, the scope of which has not been made known by either country.

A counter proposition was made by Secretary Bryan. It is understood the present negotiations contemplate the payment of a cash indemnity to Colombia by the United States. Thaddeus A. Thompson, American minister to Colombia, is now in the United States.

## Trunk May Hold Key to a Triple Tragedy

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 9.—If Joseph D. Graves, brother of Mrs. Mary Graves-Cox, can prevent it, the police will not open the trunk the woman expressed to Florence Moore, Yuma, last Tuesday, just a few hours before she killed William Moore and her daughter, Florence, and then took her own life. Graves also said he would permit no prying into the registered package of Mrs. Cox mailed to him and which is now in the San Francisco postoffice awaiting his call.

The trunk Mrs. Cox sent to Miss Moore at Yuma is said to have contained the effects of her daughter, Florence, some belongings of Mrs. Cox and a number of letters which the police believe might shed some light on the woman's reason for perpetrating the triple tragedy.

Miss Moore left Yuma for San Francisco Wednesday just before the trunk arrived. The trunk has been seized by Yuma officers. The police here will seek an order permitting them to search its contents.

## DELAY STRENGTHENS FEDS

Every Hour Means Added Security to Defenders of Ojinaga.

## CASTRO HAS FAITH IN MEN

Declares Soldiers Undergoing Hardships of March Across the Desert Will Not Run from Poe.

OJINAGA, Mexico, Jan. 9.—Returning today to Ojinaga from a reconnoitering trip ten miles inland, General Pascual Orozco, commander of federal volunteers, said he had encountered only the outposts of the rebel army.

The rebels were believed to be concentrating under the personal direction of General Francisco Villa, to present a solid front when they again march on Ojinaga. The situation was such that the rebel attack might begin momentarily or be further delayed.

All of the nine generals who remain in the trenches here with the 4,000 Huertista soldiers, said every hour of delay gave them opportunity to prepare resistance and General Villa would have had greatly to increase the rebel force to repeat the six days' battle of last week, when the rebels reached within 400 yards of the Ojinaga trenches without being able to take them.

Won't Be Beaten. Looking from his adobe headquarters on the high mesa of Ojinaga towards the smoke curling from the distant rebel camps, perhaps twenty miles away General Castro, commander of the federal regular army said he was confident his army never would be beaten by Villa.

General Castro said he was well aware that the conflict impending at this little Mexican village, opposite Presidio, Tex., was of momentous importance to the Huertista regime.

It would settle, he said, a question whether the Mexico City government was to maintain its authority in the north or whether the "lawless rabble which goes by the name of constitutionalists is to have full sway."

Faith in His Soldiers. The federal commander, with a suggestive tear lurking in his eyes, added that his soldiers had endured hardship, had gone without food for days, raged and footsore, they had marched over the waterless desert as a token of their loyalty, and he did not believe they would run at the sound of battle.

"We will never retreat, but all of us will die right here in Ojinaga if our ammunition gives out," said General Castro, himself scarred in a torn and dusty uniform as evidence of the recent fighting.

## Catskill Aqueduct, Greatest in World, Ready for Service

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The new Catskill aqueduct, through which within a year New York City's water supply of 500,000,000 gallons a day will flow, will be opened tomorrow morning. A blast of dynamite will be fired 400 feet underground at One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and St. Nicholas avenue and will signal the completion of the tunnel, one of the most stupendous undertakings of the sort in the history of the world's municipalities.

The aqueduct has cost the city \$162,000,000 in money and the labor of more than 72,000 men and the injury of death of nearly 4,000. Foreign engineers rank the aqueduct with the Panama canal as one of the greatest engineering feats of the world.

The aqueduct is the most difficult part of the gigantic provision which has been made for New York's water supply. The Ashokan reservoir, from which the water will flow through a fifteen-foot pipe in its ninety-six-mile trip to the city, is 12.5 miles away, and its cost, including that of relocating highways and paying for eleven miles of railroad track which must be removed, will approximate \$20,000,000.

## Burned to Death By Fire in Hotel

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Mrs. Wolf was trying to start a fire with kerosene. She poured a quantity of the oil from a well-filled five-gallon can, when the can exploded, scattering oil over her and three children, the oldest of whom was 4 years.

## RALPH LOPEZ SEEN IN LOS ANGELES THURSDAY

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 9.—Ralph Lopez, the Mexican outlaw who killed six men and escaped from several sheriff's posses in the Utah-Apex mine at Bingham, Utah, was in Los Angeles yesterday and was reported today to be in Compton, ten miles south of here, according to information received at the sheriff's office.

The sheriff did not reveal anything further than that Lopez was recognized on the streets by a fellow countryman who once worked in the mine with the desperado.

Deputies conducted a search for Lopez in Compton without result.

## KILLS WOMAN AND THEN SHOOTS SELF

John Spooner, Nephew of Former U. S. Senator, Shot and Killed Miss Emily McConnell, 25 Years of Age, a School Teacher in Madison, Wis., and Then Turned the Gun Upon Himself.

NO REASON KNOWN FOR DEED

Hallway of School Building Scene of the Tragedy.

VICTIM CALLED FROM ROOM

Murderer Fires Two Shots, Both Taking Effect in Her Head.

URNS THE GUN UPON HIMSELF

Inflicts What is Believed to Be Fatal Wound Above Right Ear—Engaged in Automobile Business.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 9.—John Spooner, a nephew of former United States Senator John C. Spooner, late this afternoon shot and killed Miss Emily McConnell, 25 years of age, a school teacher in Madison for fourteen years, and then turned the gun on himself, inflicting what is believed to be a fatal wound in the head above the right ear.

Spooner is a son of Roger Spooner, a brother of John C. Spooner. No reason is known for the tragedy.

Spooner is 43 years old, married and has two children. He used a .38-caliber revolver, firing two shots at Miss McConnell, both taking effect in the head. The woman died instantly. Spooner was taken to a hospital, where it was said he could not recover.

He called at the living school, went to the room where Miss McConnell was teaching, called her into the hallway and without engaging in conversation shot her.

Spooner is said to have called at the school yesterday and again early this morning, but nothing is known of conversation of the two. He is engaged in the automobile business.

Miss McConnell was a daughter of Mrs. Robert McConnell. Her father died in 1902 and was at one time a state oil inspector.

## Mrs. Manchester Ill and Condition Causes Some Alarm

Mrs. Emma B. Manchester, supreme guardian of the Woodmen Circle, is ill at her home in this city and her condition is such that it is giving her friends and business associates considerable cause for alarm.

It is said that she has a nervous breakdown is threatened and that she has been told that she must drop all business cares for a long time.

Mrs. Manchester has not been in perfect health for some weeks and the nervous strain brought on by the death of Joseph Cullen Root, sovereign commander of the Woodmen of the World, with whom she was intimately associated in a business way, is said to in a measure be responsible for her illness at this time.

While the ailment with which Mrs. Manchester is afflicted is not likely to prove dangerous, it is said to mean that she must have the best of care and that she must forget business in order to recover fully.

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## NOONE BECOMES SECRETARY TO CONGRESSMAN MAGUIRE

John Joseph Noone, son of Joseph Noone, 384 Franklin street, and a graduate of the Omaha high school in 1903, has been appointed private secretary to Congressman Maguire. He left Omaha last night for Washington to assume his new duties. When he received the appointment he was a senior in the College of Law of the University of Nebraska and would have received the degree of bachelor of laws in June. Now that he has withdrawn from the university he plans to complete his law studies later in an eastern college.

## Scenes Where Fighting is Fiercest in Mexico



Upper panel: General Ortega (on foot), commander of the rebel forces besieging Ojinaga. Lower panel: Rebels using a field gun captured from the federal forces.

## GETS DIVORCE FROM ELLISON

Last Chapter in Spectacular Career of Humane Society Officer.

## HE HAS A LONG RECORD HERE

Woman Moves to Omaha After Being Acquitted of Killing J. C. Erb, Philadelphia Millionaire, in Self-Defense.

Mrs. Margaret Ellison, a nurse, who according to testimony introduced in a well known divorce suit June 18, 1911, was the widow of J. Clayton Erb, Philadelphia millionaire, and was acquitted of a charge of killing Erb on the ground of self-defense, was granted a divorce from Captain Francis J. Ellison at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Ellison, whose maiden name was Florence Margaret Conway, came to Omaha in 1913 and took the name of Margaret Conway to conceal her identity.

She married Francis J. Ellison June 5, 1910, at Des Moines. At a time when Ellison's spectacular career in Omaha was drawing to a close, he had been divorced less than six months previously from Mrs. Lafayette A. Garner and his last marriage was considered illegal. He lived with Mrs. Ellison, who is the third wife to divorce him, for four weeks in Omaha, then deserted her, according to her testimony before Judge English.

She testified that Ellison left her because he feared that she would learn the facts concerning his former marriage. She made good several checks drawn in her name after he had become entangled in the coils of the law.

Tells Her Story. The story of Mrs. Ellison's life was made known by a plaintiff in a divorce suit, who named the former as co-respondent, but proved only that she and the defendant had been friendly. The testimony was that Mrs. Ellison had confided to the plaintiff this story:

Formerly a nurse in the home of J. Clayton Erb of Philadelphia, Miss Florence M. Conway married her employer after the death of his wife. In his country home outside the city some time after they had separated she and her sister met Erb and a quarrel followed, which resulted in Erb's death. The alleged murder and the trial which resulted in Mrs. Erb's acquittal was the talk of eastern society for months.

Mrs. Erb then came to Omaha, secured employment at the Clarkson hospital under the name of Miss Margaret Conway and passed through her second matrimonial experience with Francis J. Ellison.

Divorce is granted. She appeared at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the court room of District Judge English, with Attorney J. A. C. Kennedy and was granted a divorce on grounds of non-support and desertion. She testified that Ellison never contacted her.

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## Cost of Extraction of Radium Reduced About 75 Per Cent

DENVER, Jan. 9.—Dr. R. E. Moore, chief chemist of the United States bureau of mines in Denver today announced in an executive session of a meeting of mining men three methods by which the cost of extraction of radium from ores had been reduced 75 per cent. News of this statement was given by men who attended the session.

The meeting had been called to discuss the protests made by industrial organizations and state officials to the proposed withdrawal of land in Colorado which contains carnotite and pitchblende ores. Dr. Moore announced that the methods, which would be patented, would be given to the National Radium Institute, which is to finance the construction of a laboratory here for experiments with radium.

Dr. Moore, before making his statement, insisted that all newspaper reporters be excluded from the committee session and no details of the matter could be learned. Dr. Moore was reticent even after the subject of the session had transpired.

## Iowa Bull Moosers Want Full Tickets

DES MOINES, Jan. 9.—All doubt as to the intention of Iowa progressives to nominate full state and county tickets, and also candidates for United States senator and the house of representatives, met in a meeting in the city here this morning. Later during the conference speakers appeared unanimous in declaring that the only way the party in Iowa could increase its strength, was through complete tickets. It was expected that all those matters would be cleared up later in the day when definite action was planned.

During today's session addresses were delivered by O. K. Davis, secretary of the national committee; J. S. Wylie, state chairman, and B. C. Allworth, state organizer. W. E. Cadoux and George Fitch of Peoria were on the program as speakers tonight.

Progressive meeting in state-wide conference today pledged the support necessary to guarantee the opening of state headquarters and the permanent continuance of state organization work.

After the report of the deficiency committee appointed yesterday, the conference adopted the plan of asking each county to pledge its support in an amount equal to 10 cents for every vote cast for Judge Stevens for governor in 1912. The total on this basis will be slightly more than \$7,000.

## COTTON PRICES TAKE SHARP JUMP UPWARD

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—A sharp advance in the cotton market followed the publication of the census spinning report. March contracts sold up to 12 1/2 cents, or \$1 1/2 a bale above the closing price of yesterday.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 9.—Small ginning between December 12 and January 17 caused a buying wave in the cotton market today which before noon resulted in putting prices 21 to 24 points, or more than \$1.50 a bale over Wednesday's closing.

AGED FUNDIST BURNED TO DEATH. PIREVILLE, Ky., Jan. 9.—Randall McCoy, who was a leader in the McCoy Hatfield feud thirty years ago, fell into an open fireplace today and before he could be removed he was fatally burned. McCoy was 96 years old.

## SUPERIOR BANK IS CLOSED

Comptroller of Currency Takes Charge of First National.

DIRECTORS HOLD A MEETING

Captain Adams Says Bank Will Be Reorganized and Will Resume Business—Closing Due to Heavy Withdrawals.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Jan. 9.—The First National bank of Superior did not open for business this morning, the doors being closed by the board of directors, who are awaiting the national bank examiner, who is to arrive tonight. This action was taken on order of the comptroller of the currency, according to an announcement of President Claire E. Adams.

The bank was supposed to be in excellent condition and according to the last statement had a capital of \$50,000, with surplus and profits bringing this up to \$72,000.

Over \$175,000 in deposits were withdrawn the last six weeks. The published report on November 22, showed \$55,873 deposits; cash exchange, \$72,800; loans, \$300,400. It is expected the bank will be reorganized. The State Savings bank in connection with this institution, is also closed until the examiner overviews the same.

The two banks had a million dollars more deposits the last year than the year before. Although no statement has been made by the bank examiner here, it is believed that heavy loans to farmers who are unable to meet their notes because of failure of the corn crop has some connection with the failure.

State Deposit Thousand. LINCOLN, Jan. 9.—(Special Telegram.)—The state of Nebraska had on deposit \$1,000 in the closed First National bank of Superior, but will lose nothing, as the bank was under bond to the state through the Lion Bonding company in the sum of \$3,000. The National Bank of Com.

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## John Dale, Who Defied Revenue Men for Years, Arrested

WALDRON, Ark., Jan. 9.—John Dale, who for forty years has defied revenue officers in the western counties of Arkansas, was found asleep in the woods near here today and arrested by a United States marshal's posse on charges of operating an illicit still. Dale lay asleep on his rifle at the foot of a tree. Awakened to find six guns pointed at him he showed fight, but soon was overpowered.

Dale's crude still and 300 gallons of liquor were confiscated and the operator put in jail. His whisky making device was of the portable kind generally known as "a wildcat still."

As early as 1894 attempts were made to corner Dale and secure of government officers, after trailing him for months in isolated regions of Scott and Polk counties, abandoned the chase.

## FIVE SAILORS FROM BATTLESHIP DROWN AS CUTTER UPSETS

Members of Crew of Flagship Wyoming of Atlantic Fleet Near Old Point Comfort.

TUG PICKS UP TWELVE MEN

Freight Craft is Swamped with Sixteen Aboard.

ONE DIES FROM EXPOSURE

Person Rescued from the Sea Succumbs Later.

TAR CLINGING TO BUOY SAVED

Boat Carrying Heavy Load Strikes High Seas, Begins to Take in Water and Then Soon Founders.

OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., Jan. 9.—Four sailors of the crew of the flagship Wyoming of the Atlantic fleet are reported to have been drowned today when a big freight sailing cutter of the fleet was swamped with sixteen sailors aboard. Twelve men were picked up by a tug, which went to their rescue.

Official reports from the Wyoming gives the number of dead as four men, while efforts are being made to revive others who were taken from the water. Ole K. Olson of Portsmouth, one of those taken out alive, died from exposure.

(Clings to Buoy. T. H. Quinn, another sailor, carried away by the strong tide, was taken from a buoy six miles out in lower Chesapeake bay. Quinn was clinging to the buoy all but exhausted when picked up and brought into Hampton Roads.

When the craft got two miles off Old Point and a half mile from the Wyoming, it struck unusual heavy seas and began to take in water. It was carrying a heavy load, including steel wheelbarrows, and soon foundered after going into a trough of the sea and becoming unmanageable.

Of the sixteen men who were thrown into the water, only twelve are reported to have been saved by the rescuing tug.

Captain's Statement. ON BOARD U. S. S. WYOMING, Via Old Point Comfort, Jan. 9.—Captain James Glenan, commander of the battleship Wyoming, gave the Associated Press an official statement as to the foundering of the Wyoming's cutter in Hampton Roads with a list of casualties as follows:

DEAD. OLE K. OLSEN, boatswain of the first class, 67 Jefferson street, Portsmouth, Va. GEORGE HUGG, ordinary seaman, 25 Thacker street, Newport, R. I. ERNEST A. ROTH, seaman, 70 Cherry street, New York, N. Y. THEODORE BAULDUP, ordinary seaman, 202 St. Nicholas avenue, Brooklyn.

## Kills Husband and Tries to Kill Self

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 9.—Mrs. Marie Jones shot and killed her husband, Frank Jones, in a downtown hotel here this afternoon and then attempted to commit suicide. She probably will recover. Jealousy is said to have been the motive for the shooting. Mrs. Jones formerly was Miss Marie Arthur of Topeka, Kan.

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## The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m., Saturday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity—Fair, not much change in temperature. Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hours Deg. 5 a. m. 22 6 a. m. 22 7 a. m. 22 8 a. m. 22 9 a. m. 22 10 a. m. 22 11 a. m. 22 12 m. 22 1 p. m. 22 2 p. m. 22 3 p. m. 22 4 p. m. 22 5 p. m. 22 6 p. m. 22 7 p. m. 22 8 p. m. 22

Comparative Local Record. 1914. 1913. 1912. 1911. Highest yesterday 25 25 25 25 Lowest yesterday 21 21 21 21 Mean temperature 22 22 22 22 Precipitation .00 .00 .00 .00

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal: Normal temperature 39 Excess for the day of the copper mines of Michigan. The legislative committee of the senate here today also decided to attempt to bring about the (Continued on Page Two.)

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