

NOTHING BUT THE BEST IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR WEST VIRGINIAN PATRONS.

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SOMETHING FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE FAMILY IN TODAY'S PAPER.

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5,000 NEGROES TERRIFY THE CITIZENS OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

THREE ATTEMPTS TO FIRE CITY WERE MADE LAST NIGHT

LIVES AND PROPERTY OF THE PEOPLE WERE SAVED BY ARRIVAL OF STATE MILITIA.

FOUR HUNDRED EXTRA DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND 50 RESERVE POLICEMEN CALLED.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 21.—For twelve hours yesterday five thousand negroes held away here waiting for the darkness to envelop the city so that their work of destruction might be started. They were thwarted by the timely appearance of four companies of militia, four hundred extra deputy sheriffs and fifty reserve policemen.

With all these precautions, there were a dozen scrimmages between whites and blacks and half a dozen persons were severely injured, while three attempts were made to start fires in different sections of the city. The effective work of the fire department, special officers and soldiers prevented the destruction of vast property interests which were endangered and the loss of life during the night.

There was almost constant shooting during the night and it is believed it will develop that many were injured.

The situation is not strained to-day, although unsettled.

The cause of the negro uprising in Chattanooga is explained in the following telegram:

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 21.—Ed. Johnson, colored, was taken from jail Monday night by a mob of seventy-five men and hanged to a beam of the county bridge over the Tennessee river. The rope broke and the negro's body fell and the mob quickly riddled him with bullets. The sheriff and jailer were locked in a room while the mob secured the prisoner. There was no disorder. The negro was to have legally hung Monday, but the United States Supreme Court granted a stay of execution, and this action served to anger the citizens of the city.

Early in the evening, the mob began to form and it was all done so quietly that only those in the immediate vicinity of the jail knew when they were ready for action. Soon 75 of the better class of citizens assembled at the jail and at once gained admission. Overpowering the sheriff and his deputies, they secured the prisoner and quietly led him to the bridge, where the hanging was carried out in the most orderly manner. The mob was composed of men of mature years.

This was the third attempt to lynch Johnson, who was convicted of crim-

U. S. Supreme Court Holds Secret Session at the Home Of Chief Justice Fuller Today

ACTION OF THE COURT IS BELIEVED TO BE CONCERNING LYNCHING OF ED. JOHNSON AT CHATTANOOGA AND IS ALMOST WITHOUT PRECEDENT IN HISTORY OF THE COUNTRY

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—A special meeting of the Supreme Court of the United States is being held at the home of Chief Justice Fuller to-day. The utmost secrecy is being preserved regarding the session. It was even denied by the court officials that there was a meeting. It is assumed that the business considered was the lynching of the negro Ed. Johnson at Chattanooga. Such a session held during a recess of the court, which adjourned last Monday until April 2, is almost without precedent, and only matters of the gravest import could have called the court together before that time.

inal assault on Miss Nevada Taylor, a white woman. The trial was hurried and there was talk of taking Johnson from the court room at the trial, but a strong force of guards over-awed the would-be lynchers. After the trial Johnson was taken to Knoxville, but was brought back again, when public sentiment was allayed.

NEW MILLINERY.

All the new things in Ready to Wear Hats will be shown at Jolliffe's opening to-morrow, including the "JOHNNY JONES" Sailor.

\$48,087

NOW SUBSCRIBED FOR THE Y. M. C. A. BUILDING FUND—STILL GROWING.

Yesterday the Citizens' Building Campaign Committee met again and received reports and made further plans.

Mr. R. E. Mason reported \$100, subscribed by Dr. Lee Boyers.

Mr. Glenn Barnes reported a subscription of \$50.00 for a friend, also one of \$100, from Ribaldaffer & Brownfield.

Chairman J. M. Hartley reported W. S. Meredith as subscribing \$100 in addition to the \$100, pledged by his son.

To-day Mr. F. K. Lowe reported \$100 from Charles E. Manley and Mr. A. L. Lehman stopped Secretary Hawley this morning and handed him as personal subscription for \$100.

This makes the total subscribed up to this time \$48,087.

Let every one remember that the time is rapidly approaching within which the \$60,000 should be subscribed April 24, at midnight.

At least \$75,000 will be required for lot, building and furnishings.

MILLINERY OPENING TO-MORROW

See the "Johnny Jones" Sailor, the new hat.

"JOLLIFFE'S".

SWEET MELODY FLOUR.

Distinguished Visitors Coming

GENERAL W. B. PACK AND BRIG ADIER GENERAL JAMES A. EWING TO BE HERE TO-MORROW.

General W. B. Pack, Grand Chancellor West Virginia Knights of Pythias, accompanied by Brigadier General James A. Ewing, the beloved commander of the Uniform Rank of the Mountain State, will arrive in Fairmont at noon to-morrow to attend a social session of Mountain City Lodge No. 48, at the castle hall on Main street. Delegates from Watson Moonongah, Rivesville and other points have been invited and are expected to be in attendance. All visiting Pythians in the city are cordially invited to come out and greet these distinguished members and officers.

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Slightly In Error.

The Wheeling Intelligencer is in error in stating that Judge Mason had a minister summoned before the grand jury to state what he knew about charges made in his sermon. All that Judge Mason did was to call the minister by phone and give him an opportunity to go before the grand jury and tell what he knew. Or, if he knew nothing personally, to give the name of his informants. The Judge was simply endeavoring to have the facts placed before the grand jury for official action.

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BEHIND CLOSED AND GUARDED DOORS

MINERS AND OPERATORS ARE AT WORK

INDIANAPOLIS, March 21.—The joint scale committee of coal miners and operators went into session this morning. It has been just a week since the executive board of miners convened as a part of the reassembled convention which has been in session ever since. The fight is now behind closed and guarded doors. Every precaution has been taken to prevent any feature of the deliberations from becoming known outside the hall.

W. C. HAWKINS

Secures Box for "Girls Will Be Girls" To-night at Grand Opera House.

Out of about 250 estimates sent to Ed. J. Hasson, manager of the "Girls Will Be Girls" Company, which appears at the Grand Opera House to-night, on the distance the attraction had traveled this season, the one nearest the actual number of miles traveled was presented by W. C. Hawkins, whose estimate was 19,881 miles, and he will be awarded a box for the performance to-night. The next three estimates nearest the right number were presented by Miss Mary Morgan, 19,674 miles; Francis Thralls, 19,863, and C. H. Cavanaugh, 19,500. The estimates ranged all the way from 12,125 to 34,960 miles. The actual number of miles traveled by this company is not published on account of the fact that the same problem will be given to other towns in this State.

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THE WEATHER.

Colder To-morrow.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Forecast for West Virginia—Light snow to-night; Thursday snow furries, colder.

SWEET MELODY FLOUR.

THE FARMER'S STRIKE.



If he ever does take a sweat it it there'll be something doin', but the farmer always has too much work on his hands to spend any time on these fancy exercises. —Bartholomew in Minneapolis Journal.

Blizzard and Caldwell Will Be Taken to Charleston to Tell Of Charges Made By Them

CHAIRMAN SEAMAN OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES HOLDS CONFERENCE WITH WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF RELATIVE TO TAKING THEM TO THE STATE CAPITAL TO TESTIFY.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., March 21.—Chairman Seaman of the special committee of the House of Delegates, appointed at the last session to investigate charges in relation to ex-Governor White's official conduct, was here yesterday in conference with Sheriff Carter in regard to taking United States District Attorney Blizard and Senator C. T. Caldwell before the committee as witnesses.

They were summoned last spring but denied the authority of the committee to summon them and refused to appear. They were arrested by Sheriff Carter but were released on a writ of habeas corpus granted by Judge Dayton. The State appealed the case and the United States Supreme Court dismissed the writ of habeas corpus. As soon as the Supreme Court's order is received the district attorney and the Senator will be taken to Charleston by Sheriff Carter.

PHILIPPI

MAY BE MADE A PLACE FOR SITTING OF FEDERAL COURT AND IT MAY NOT—IT DEPENDS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—There is some doubt whether Congress will authorize the holding of a term of court at Philippi, as urged by Judge Dayton and his friends. President Roosevelt has recently vetoed 2 bills providing for additional terms of federal courts, and does not seem disposed to approve legislation of this character, regarding it as unnecessary and extravagant. However, Congressman Davis and other members of the West Virginia delegation, have urged the department of justice, to favorably report on the Davis bill for Philippi, and there is assurance that they will report an amended bill, authorizing the holding of court at Dayton's home during the next two years. In that time, it is believed the necessity for court at Philippi will be developed, if such necessity exists; otherwise terms at that point will be discontinued. Dayton insists he is not asking this for his own personal benefit, but in the interest of litigants in that part of the State, though he confesses the bill will save him much personal inconvenience.

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VERY BUSY

IS MR. VANCE, THE JOLLIFFE STORE MANAGER, WITH IMPROVEMENTS AND SPECIAL SALE.

The Jolliffe store is turned "topsy turvy" to-day making room for the improvements that are being made to the room. Mr. A. M. Knight, who has the contract for painting and papering, has a large crew of men at work on the interior of the room, and he is giving the work his personal supervision it is useless to say that it will look fine when completed.

The largest improvement, however, will be the new front of plate glass. Mr. Vance explained to-day the plan of the new front which will give two large show windows on the side of the entrance, with a 12 foot vestibule and 14 foot outside entrance; over this will be placed the new Luxer Prism Light, to throw the light from the front all over the room. With this system of lighting, the light can be controlled or focused in any part of the room desired. The work of improvement together with the closing out sale that is going on at Jolliffe's makes Mr. Vance a very busy man these days.

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PENNSYLVANIA CONGRESSMAN DIED TODAY OF HEART TROUBLE

HON. GEO. S. PATTERSON EXPIRED AT FIVE O'CLOCK THIS MORNING.

HAD RETURNED ONLY YESTERDAY FROM A VISIT TO HIS HOME AT ASHLAND

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Hon. Geo. S. Patterson, member of Congress from the twelfth Pennsylvania district, died suddenly at five o'clock this morning of heart trouble at his home on Q street. At four o'clock his niece was aroused by a noise in his room. On entering she found Mr. Patterson had fallen from his bed to the floor and was unconscious. Physicians were summoned and they resorted to heroic treatment but without effect, except that consciousness returned just before his death, when Mr. Patterson exclaimed, "I am afraid I am going." Deceased returned only yesterday from a visit to his home at Ashland and spent last evening in conversation with his Secretary. He leaves a widow, son and a daughter. The funeral arrangements have not been determined. Patterson was a Republican and had represented his district for the past three sessions. He was about 43 years of age.

BEST OF THE SEASON.

"Girls Will Be Girls" Pleased Packed House at Washington, Pa.

The following telegram is self-explanatory:

Washington, Pa., March 21. J. E. Powell, Mgr. Opera House, Fairmont, W. Va.

"Girls Will Be Girls" played here last night to packed house. Best show of the season. I want return date. You cannot recommend it too highly to your people.

D. B. FORREST.

OF GREAT BENEFIT TO WEST VIRGINIA

Will Be Building Of Erie Canal

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Senator Elkins said to-day the bill now before the Senate and referred to the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce of which he is chairman, to incorporate the Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal Company, is one of the most far-reaching and beneficent pieces of legislation to West Virginia ever proposed.

"It means untold millions added to the natural wealth of West Virginia," said he, in speaking of the matter. "It gives practically every part of West Virginia water connection with the Great Lakes. It opens up the ore and coal fields of the Kanawha, the Big Sandy and all the other navigable streams of the State to direct communication by water, with the lake regions, and through the canal across New York State, with the ports of the Atlantic seaboard itself.

"It will go a long way towards solving the railroad situation in West Virginia. With her navigable waters open to commerce and an outlet to the Great Lakes through the proposed canal, West Virginia will be able to save millions of dollars every year, that now go to the payment of freight on the trunk line railroads. I repeat that the building of this canal would give West Virginia a way to get to

market with her coal, her lumber and her other products at a very great saving in freight charges.

"And the Government is not asked to put up a cent for this canal. I think that next to the Panama Canal itself, this is the greatest piece of work even planned in this country for providing water transportation. The canal will connect the Great Lake system with the Ohio and Mississippi rivers and their tributaries, constituting over 15,000 miles of navigable water-ways. With it in operation, twenty-four States can have their products interchanged at a cost of less than one-sixth of what it now costs to move the same products by rail.

"Nearly three million tons of West Virginia bituminous coal was shipped to the Lake Erie ports in 1905. With a saving of 65 per cent per ton on transportation charges, the total saving on this one item alone would have been some two million dollars for 1905.

"The completion of this canal would mark an era of unprecedented development of the great natural resources of West Virginia. Short line railroads could be built to the water-ways of the State, all the coal West Virginia operators could turn out, would find an open and free way to market.

"It is a great project, and I have been doing and shall continue to do everything in my power to have the necessary legislation promptly passed. West Virginia will benefit immeasurably by the building of the canal.