

Downers Grove Reporter

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

Domestic, Political, Economic and Foreign Happenings of Major Importance Told in Paragraphs.

The chain holding a huge ladle containing a mass of molten metal in a steel plant at Pueblo, Colo., broke and J. Kuplick, W. H. Hartman and John Legach were killed.

It is expected that for economy of operation the Cleveland Union Stockyards Company and the Farmers' and Breeders' Stockyards Company of Cleveland will combine, with capital of \$200,000.

Negotiations for the purchase of the Western Military Academy of Alton, Ill., by the Michigan Military Academy of Orchard Lake, Mich., may be concluded in Chicago.

Frank Delferman, former private in the Thirtieth United States Infantry, has been arrested at San Francisco on charges of having escaped from Alcatraz Island, where he was imprisoned for murder in the Philippines. He says he was discharged.

Extensive maneuvers for the torpedo fleet as well as several of the new submarine craft of the navy will take place off Newport, R. I., in the spring.

Mrs. Kate Glaser, aged 65, of Webster City, Ia., has committed suicide by hanging. Despondency brought on by illness, and a final fastened to a corset.

A deal has been consummated whereby a syndicate of eastern capitalists, headed by W. F. Sheehan of New York, has acquired control of the Louisville Electric Light Company and the Citizens General Electric Company, controlling nearly all the electric-lighting contracts in Louisville, Ky. Nearly \$1,000,000 is involved.

Cot. W. C. Hartridge, a lawyer of Savannah, Ga., has left for Hong Kong and the Caroline Islands to look after the estate of Captain David O'Keefe, known as "King O'Keefe of Yap." Twenty-five years ago O'Keefe was wrecked on Yap, an island of the Caroline group, and became chief of the natives. He is supposed to have left an estate of \$7,000,000.

After thirty years of litigation W. A. Brown and his daughter, Miss Marion Estey Brown of Boston, have won their suit against the estate of George N. Fletcher and have been awarded \$294,000 in cash and title to timber lands at Thunder Bay, Mich., now partly occupied by the city of Alpena. The defendants were Frank Fletcher, regent of Ann Arbor university; Allan M. Fletcher, mayor of Alpena, and Mrs. Grace Fletcher King.

According to a telegram from Kiev a widespread and well-organized sedition movement against the government and against capitalism has been discovered in south Russian labor circles, and it is rumored that three industrial areas will be placed under martial law.

Miles Johnson, colored, was hanged at Augusta, Ga., for assaulting a white woman.

Former Secretary of the Navy John D. Long is reported to show continued improvement at Boston, and hopes are now expressed of his complete recovery.

The Missouri Supreme court at St. Louis has ordered the bondsmen of the fugitive hoodler, Charles Kratz, to pay into the school fund \$200,000, the amount of the bond.

Steve Clark, white, and Will Gatlin, colored, were hanged at Poplar Bluff, Mo., Clark for murder of his brother-in-law in June, 1901, while Gatlin had killed a negro.

At Liberty, N. Y., the H. J. Series & Co.'s general store burned. The loss was \$60,000.

Street car service was suspended in Montreal and employees say they will not return to work until their demands for more wages, shorter hours and reinstatement of men are granted.

Fireman Winderwall, the conductor, whose name is unknown; G. Davis and two unknown men were killed in a head-on collision between two Rock Island freight trains near Tecolote, N. M.

The master builders, masons, carpenters, painters and plumbers of Schenectady, N. Y., have decided to organize a builders' exchange. The motive is to cope with the trades unions.

The Navy League of the United States has been incorporated at New York, with Benjamin F. Tracy, former secretary of the navy, president, and William McCook, former assistant secretary of the navy, vice president.

The date for the international Epworth League convention to be held in Detroit next summer was finally fixed by Willis W. Cooper of Kansas. The convention will begin July 13 and continue through Sunday, July 19.

The session is contemplating placing the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, under the jurisdiction of the congregation of studies, thereby removing it from the jurisdiction of the congregation of the province, and was done July 13 in the case of the same university at Washington.

At a sale of live stock at Morning Sun, Iowa, thirty-eight hogs were sold for \$3,700, said to be the highest price ever paid in the United States.

The spike and part of the horseshoe department of the Trodegar Iron Works at Richmond, Va., were destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

By the death of Epress Messenger Kelley at Terre Haute the list of those killed by the collision on the Vandalia is increased to three.

Santa Fe trainmen, in conference with officials of the road at Topeka, demand an increase in wages of 20 per cent, but a compromise on 15 per cent is expected.

In one of the daily riots incident to the strike of shoemakers at Boston, F. J. McQuade of Chicago, a nonunion workman, was seriously injured and was taken to a hospital.

Cole Younger has complied with the condition imposed by the Minnesota board of pardons and filed a pledge with Governor Van Sant not to exhibit himself as an actor or participant in any exhibition.

It is proposed at Toledo that every union man in the city write personal letters to Senators Hanna and Foraker and Congressman Southard to urge passage of the eight-hour bill pending in Congress.

The Democratic convention to nominate circuit judges in the eighth Illinois judicial district will be held at Pittsfield March 24.

State Insurance Commissioner Barry of Michigan has announced his decision not to interfere in the contest between the great camp of Macabees and the supreme tent of Macabees, rival fraternal organizations, which have their headquarters at Port Huron, Mich.

The South Carolina house of representatives has passed the bill, already passed by the senate, prohibiting child labor in textile manufactures and mines. After May 1, 1903, the age limit is to be 10 years, for the year following 11 years and after May 1, 1905, 12 years.

Christopher Moran of Sioux City, Ia., walked into a saloon and was seized with a violent attack of sneezing. He sneezed until physically exhausted, then threw up his hands and fell to the floor dead.

The national convention of United Brewery Workers which has been considering the troubles of the brewers of Cincinnati, Covington and Newport has secured a final settlement of the long lockout which the union workers say cost their organization over \$180,000 the past year.

The Monteruma group of gold mines, Chihuahua, Mexico, have become the property of the United Mining and Exploration Company of Los Angeles, Cal. The purchase price is \$5,000,000.

The shoe factories of Bowers & Shaw, F. W. Lord & Co. and W. E. and C. E. Osgood at Peabody, Mass., were destroyed by fire. The loss is \$70,000 and 200 hands are thrown out of work.

The notorious Socialist leader Fabri, who fled from Holland to escape imprisonment for participating in the Antwerp strike last year, has surrendered and has been returned to the prison at Antwerp.

Prof. Delitzsch, the Biblical critic, now says the Mosaic law was not derived from the Babylonians and asserts that the idea of monotheism is purely Jewish.

The city of Paris has given up the idea of establishing municipal gas works, and a statement is made that the city will be supplied with gas made by French and not American capital.

The Ministers of Central American republics called on Secretary Hay at the state department and gave information concerning the disturbances in those countries.

An entire business block at Scottsburg, Ind., was destroyed. The loss is about \$40,000.

A strike has begun in the mills of the American Woolen company at North Vassalboro, Me., the spinners asking for an increase in wages and the weavers objecting to the practice of teaching apprentices.

Following their demand for 20 per cent increase in wages, trainmen and conductors of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad have been offered a raise approximating 11 per cent.

A bill was introduced in the Colorado house to exclude all trusts from operating in the state. The measure is modeled after the Texas and Kansas laws.

The breaking of an elevator cable in the Joseph Creswell building, Denver, Colo., caused the maiming and bruising of seven persons, one of whom may be crippled for life.

The reichstag has passed the second reading of the bill protecting child labor in factories and shops and prohibiting the employment of children under 12 years of age in some branches of industry and under 13 years in others.

D. M. Ryan of Kipton, O., who was indicted last October on a charge of offering a bribe of \$2 to John Roseman, a school trustee of Peru township, to purchase sets of an encyclopedia for use in the schools, has been arrested, taken to Norwalk and released on bail.

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AGREE ON SCALE FOR THE MINERS

District Conferences Are in Order to Ratify Work of Committee.

OLD AND NEW WAGE FIGURES

Vice President Lewis Gives Out a Comparative Statement, Showing the Difference in Pay in the Various Bituminous Fields.

The final session of the national executive board of the United Mine Workers was held at Indianapolis Monday. All of the district members were present except James Wood of Kentucky, William Morgan of Ohio, Harry Bonfield of Kansas, and Miles Dougherty and J. P. Gallagher of the anthracite district.

The officers of the Mine Workers' union will all be very busy attending the different district conferences, which will be held in the various states between now and April 1.

The times for holding the joint conferences in the several states have not all been fixed. The Indiana bituminous convention will be held in Terre Haute, beginning March 2, and the joint conference on March 10. That of Illinois will be held at Springfield, Feb. 15; Kentucky miners and operators will meet in March.

Many Conventions. Other conventions which have been arranged are Michigan convention at Saginaw, March 15, and the joint conference immediately afterward at Bay City, and nine joint conferences in Ohio during the month of March.



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Vice President Lewis said that during the next year he would be in Indianapolis at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers the greater part of the time. He will be nearer the center of the fields here and can better direct the movements of his organizers in all parts of the country.

It is the intention of the officers to devote much time this year to the unorganized districts of the country. Old and New Scales.

Vice President Lewis has figured out the scale of wages which will now prevail in the several states and districts. The old and new scales are as follows:

Indiana, pick mining, screen basis, was 8 cents, and is now 90 cents per ton. Pick mining, run of mine basis, was 49 cents, and is now 55 cents per ton.

Machine mining, punching machine, screen basis, was 62 cents, and now will be 72 cents per ton. Machine mining, punching machine, run of mine basis, was 39 cents, and now will be 45 cents per ton.

Machine mining, chain machine, screen basis, was 53 1/2 cents, and now will be 63 1/2 cents per ton. Machine mining, chain machine, run of mine basis, was 36 1/2 cents, and now will be 42 1/2 cents per ton.

In the Ohio District. Ohio, Hocking valley, pick mining, screen basis, was 80 cents, and will be 90 cents per ton. Pick mining, run of mine basis, was 80 cents, and now is 90 cents per ton.

Machine mining, was 53 cents, and now is 61 cents per ton. Ohio, Massillon district, Pick mining, screened coal, was 80 cents per ton, and is now 90 cents per ton.

Pick mining, run of mine coal, was 60 cents, and is now 67 1/2 cents per ton. Pennsylvania, Pittsburg district, pick mining, 1 1/4-inch screened coal,

Street Railway Shops Burn. Chagrin Falls, O., special: The car barns, repair and machine shops of the Eastern Ohio Traction company here were destroyed by fire. Eight large electric cars and a snowplow were burned. Loss, \$85,000.

Vigilance Committees. English, Ind., special: During reported postoffice robberies in adjoining counties a vigilance committee has been organized here to guard this town. The bank postoffice and stores are guarded by volunteers.

Kills Sister and Himself. New York dispatch: While standing at the counter of her cigar store Mrs. Mary Fleischer was shot and killed by her brother, Adolf Gross, whose demand for money she had just refused. Gross shot himself dead.

Mabel Bouton is Dead. New York dispatch: Mabel Bouton, the actress, died of consumption in Flower Hospital, of which she had been an inmate for some weeks. She was one of three sisters, all of whom were well known on the stage.

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NAVAL APPROPRIATION.

Bill Carries \$8,000,000 Less Than Department Estimates. Washington special: The naval appropriation bill reported to the house carries \$78,048,420, or \$6,142,080 less than the estimates submitted by the navy department.

The current appropriation is \$78,886,343. In addition to the provision for three first-class battle ships, one first-class armored cruiser, two steel training ships and one wooden brig, the bill allows the selection of two midshipmen for each senator, representative and delegate in Congress, thus doubling the number.

The committee says the deficiency in officers at the end of four years will be 1,360 unless additional midshipmen are authorized.

Further provision is made for the appointment of twelve ensigns, thirty additional lieutenant commanders, fifty lieutenants, thirty surgeons, 120 assistant surgeons, twenty-nine naval constructors, eighty-four additional officers for the pay corps and 3,000 enlisted men. To the marine corps the bill adds one colonel, one lieutenant colonel, five majors, twelve captains, twenty-five first lieutenants, twelve second lieutenants, three assistant adjutant paymasters and 675 enlisted men.

The limit of cost for the building of the naval academy is increased from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

Coal Instead of Coin. The young people of Westchester, a suburb of New York, have formed what they call the Anti-Coin Trust Club. Their first public entertainment is about to be given and the price of admission has been fixed at one pound of anthracite coal, the patron not being restricted to that amount, of course, it being merely the minimum weight.

Insist on Getting It. Some grocers say they don't keep DeLancey Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because DeLancey contains 14 oz. for the same money. Do you want 14 oz. instead of 12 oz. for the same money? Then buy DeLancey Starch. Requires no cooking.

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Not Habitual. According to a Massachusetts judge a man who gets drunk every Saturday only is not a habitual drunkard and will not be until every day is Saturday, by and by.

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Advertisement for Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, featuring an illustration of a hot air balloon and text describing its benefits for the stomach and digestion.

Advertisement for Mexican Mustang Liniment, claiming to take the aches out of muscles and joints, and heal old sores.

Advertisement for Bromo-Seltzer, stating it promptly cures all headaches.

Large advertisement for The Northwestern Life and Savings Company of Des Moines, Iowa, listing assets and securities on deposit.