

Bellefonte, Pa., January 25, 1907.

Carload of Powder Exploded and Twenty-Two Were Killed.

#### BODIES BURNED AND MUTILATED

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 21 .- Twenty-two charred, broken, mutilated bodies were taken from the smouldering ruins of the accommodation passenger train on the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis (Big Four) railroad, following its destruction by the explosion of a carload of powder as it passed a freight train at Sandford, Ind., five miles west of Terre Haute. The number of injured will total at least 35.

The cause of the disaster has not been fully explained, but several theories are advanced. The result was terhible. The shock was felt for 30 miles, many believing it to be an earthquake. The entire train, including the loco-

motive, was blown from the track, the coaches were demolished, the engine was hurled 50 feet and the passengers were blown to pieces, consumed by fire or rescued in an injured condi-

According to trainmen of the freight, the explosion of the powder was caused by the concussion of the passenger train, which was slowing down for Sandford.

Besides the passenger train, eight freight cars were blown to pieces by the explosion. Huge masses of iron were found hundreds of feet from the track. The tank of the passenger locomotive was hurled 100 feet.

The wrecked train and eight freight cars were consumed by fire, which broke out in the wreckage. The other cars were pulled out of danger. Not a building in Sandford escaped damage. Windows were shattered, dishes and furniture broken and several doors

were torn from hinges. As the passenger train was just abreast of the powder car the contents of the powder car exploded. The entire passenger train was blown from the tracks into the air and crashed to the earth a tangled mass of wood and steal, beneath which lay 40 human beings. Fire broke out in the wreckage, and before the eyes of citizens and rescuers, who rushed from their homes,

many burned to death. Cries of the injured and the crackling of the fierce flames greeted the ears of the resucuers, who worked frantically, but were soon forced back

by the terrible heat. Passengers were pulled from the ruins as the flames advanced, while the men frantically worked to disentangle the human forms from the wreck and hunted for the injured blown far from the train, the women of Sandford cared for the injured. After the fire drove the rescuers away they searched for scattered persons unail the heat died down, and then began dragging out charred bodies. Men continued to search nearby fields, where pieces of bodies and wearing apparel were picked up.

Under the wreckage of the baggage car was found a charred torso, bearing a lineman's belt and pools about the waist. Four mutilated bodies were found in a woods several hundred feet from the tracks.

A thousand feet of track was torn up, and a great hole shows where the powder car stood. This car contained 500 kegs of powder.

Engineer Welsh and Fireman Jarred, of Mattoon, Ill., who were on the passenger locomotive, were hurled 100 feet and fell in a muddy field.

## WILL CONTINUE INDIAN SCHOOL Senate Committee Rejects Recommen-

dation to Abolish Carlisle School. Washington, Jan. 22 .- The appropriation for the support of the Indian school at Carlilse, Pa., will be continued for another year, at least. The full senate committee on Indian affairs rejected the recommendation of a sub-committee that the appropriation be discontinued and the Carlisle school abolished. It is expected the fight against the school will be renewed at the next session of congress.

# \$138,138,500 FOR PENSIONS

New Bill Reported Is For \$2,000,000 Less Than Last Year. Washington, Jan. 22. - The house

tion of \$138,138,500 for 1908. The appropriation for pensions in 1907 was \$140,200,000. In the bill appropriation is made for only nine of the 18 pension agencies which now exist.

Postmasters Appointed. Washington, Jan. 22 .- The president sent to the senate the following nominations for postmasters:

Delaware-D. C. Allee, Dover. Maryland-S. M. Moore, Cambridge. New Jersey-A. Kandle, Elmer; T.

E. Hunt, Penn Grove. Pennsylvania--W. H. H. Lea, Car negie; J. S. Kennedy, Grove City; W. F. Brittain, Muncie; L. P. Ross. Saxton; G. C. Wagensellar, Selins Grove; J. C. Lauffer, Portage.

## Acquitted of Embezzlement. St. Louis, Jan. 19 .- D. P. Dyer, Jr.,

suspended sub-treasury teller, was ac- cle of feeding be made complete. quitted by a jury in the federal court on a charge of having embezzled \$61,-500 of government funds. Well-Known Editor Dead.

#### Elmira, N. Y., Gazette, and founder of the Wellsboro, Pa., Gazette, is dead at CASTORIA his home here. He was 74 years old.

Green Churchill, former editor of the

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 22. - Franklin

SCALED DOWN \$40,000,000 Grand Jury Finds Big Undervaluation

For Coal Mines. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Jan. 21. - The grand jury, which has been investigating alleged frauds in assessing property in Luzerne county, made a special report to the court. The revelations are startling.

The grand jury claims that the investigations so far made show that property, mostly coal lands, is undervalued to the extent of \$40,000,000. The county commissioners are urged to increase the value of this property at once by about \$15,000,000.

The jury ordered the indictment of three men for neglect of duty and conspiracy, two assessors and an ex-clerk in one of the offices of the court house, It is claimed that the assessors were friendly to the coal companies and kept down their assessments, and the court-house clerk altered assessments after they had been filed with the as-

The grand jury, in its report, is very severe on those coal companies that will not sell the surface of their coal lands for building lots, although such lots are very much in demand. The assessment on these lands is only \$1000 an acre, while adjoining lots, owned by individuals, are taxed at the rate of \$200. In other words, the small property owner pays tax on \$200, while the coal companies pay only at the rate of \$14 a foot.

#### BURSTING BOILER KILLS THREE Reading Railway Engine Blows Up at

Blue Anchor, N. J. Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 21.-In the explosion of the boiler of a Reading railway engine attached to one of the Atlantic City flyers at Blue Anchor the engineer, Edward McConaghy; the fireman, Frederick Arthur, and an extra fireman named Clark were instantly killed. No passengers were hurt. The fiver had just passed Blue Anchor when the explosion came without warning. The cause will never be known, for the lifeless forms of the engineer and firemen were found in the debris. Clark, it is said, was off duty and was returning to his home

## in Camden. BEE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM

R. I. Young Allowed Himself to Be Stung By Eighteen of the Insects. Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 19.-Professor James Klinger, of Mifflin, Pa., was elected president of the State Bee-Keepers' Association at its annual meeting here. Addresses were made by Dr. E. F. Phillips, apiarist of the national department of agriculture; E. R. Root, of Medina, O., and Charles Stewart, New York state bee inspector. R. I. Young, of Middletown, Pa., who has been taking the bee treatment for rheumatism, allowed himself to be stung by 18 cyprian bees. The stinging took place before the association, the

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