

TO SAVE ENTOMBED MEN

Rescuers Work Desperately to Reach Seven Men in Flooded Mine.

Johnstown, Pa., April 30.—Officials of Mine 38, of the Berwind-White operations at Foustwell, where seven men have been imprisoned by water for the last 84 hours, stated that it would take at least 12 hours more to effect a rescue.

The first dip between the pit mouth and the imprisoned men has been drained, and the pumps being used by the rescuing party have been started upon the second dip. A wall of water 400 feet through, completely filling the mine heading, now separates the unfortunate men from the rescuing party. When this section of the mine has been cleared of water the way will be clear and the seven miners can be brought outside.

Mine officials stated that they had arrived at a solution of a problem that has been puzzling them since the imprisoned foreigners first started signalling on the air pipe line. The prisoners sounded four taps first and then seven. This the officials believe to mean that they are imprisoned in the fourth north heading off of the second right heading and that there are seven of them living. The map of the mine shows that the overcast in this fourth north heading—or air course—is almost two feet above the water level and that the men are all safe if they have reached the elevated position mentioned.

RURAL CARRIERS' PAY

New Schedule Shows Increase of 9 to 25 Per Cent.

Washington, April 29.—Postmaster General Meyer has approved the detailed adjustment of salaries of rural free delivery carriers, as submitted by Assistant Postmaster General DeGraw, and the new schedule will become effective July 1 next, will make a graded increase in the compensation of carriers of from 9 to 25 per cent., based upon the number of miles traversed by carriers, as shown by the records of the department. The schedule follows:

Routes of 24 or more miles, \$900 per annum; 22 to 24 miles, \$864; 20 to 22 miles, \$810; 18 to 20 miles, \$770; 16 to 18 miles, \$630; 14 to 16 miles, \$540; 12 to 14 miles, \$504; 10 to 12 miles, \$468; 8 to 10 miles, \$432; 6 to 8 miles, \$398.

OUR SWEET TOOTH

Will Take 5,000,000,000 Pounds Sugar To Satisfy It This Year.

Washington, April 29.—The consumption of sugar in the United States in the fiscal year which ends with the month of June will probably exceed that of any earlier year in the history of the country, according to a statement issued by the bureau of commerce and labor. The total quantity of sugar imported in the nine months ending with March last was 3,929,000,000 pounds in round numbers, while the quantity brought in during the first nine months of the high record year of 1903 was 3,606,000,000. It is estimated that the production of sugar in this country in 1906 was 1,304,000,000 pounds, which exceeds by 14,000,000 pounds the figures of the former high record year 1905.

LEFT FORTUNE TO SERVANT

Over Fifty Years' Faithful Service of Negress Remembered.

Stratford, Conn., April 30.—By the will of Nehemiah Gorham, who was business manager of the New York Sun prior to the purchase of the paper by Charles A. Dana, the bulk of his estate is left to a negro servant, Ann G. Wright, who entered the employ of the Gorham family at the time of Mr. Gorham's marriage over half a century ago, and who since Mrs. Gorham's death 15 years ago had been housekeeper for Mr. Gorham. She is about 75 years old. In the will she is left \$6000 in cash and all of his real estate, valued at between \$15,000 and \$20,000. Mr. Gorham died two weeks ago.

WILL BUILD BIG HALL

Philadelphia Will Try to Secure Next National Republican Convention.

Philadelphia, April 27.—Announcement was made by Mayor Reyburn that the Trades League has secured an option on an entire block of property between 23d and 24th and Chestnut and Walnut streets, on which to have erected in this city a convention hall with a seating capacity of 20,000 persons. The primary object is to bring the next Republican national convention to Philadelphia. Plans for the hall have been made. It will cost \$1,000,000.

\$1000 For Needy Confederate Women.

Richmond, Va., April 26.—A check for \$1000 was received in Richmond from Andrew Carnegie for the home for needy Confederate women here. No conditions are attached to the gift, which comes in a personal letter to Miss Mary Custis Lee, who is at the head of the home board of managers, and who met Mr. Carnegie in Florida last season. It is said to be the first contribution made by Mr. Carnegie or any of his assistants to the Confederate institution.

Broke Leg Turning in Bed.

Chambersburg, Pa., April 29.—Olive Pine, an 8-year-old girl of Foltz, is rapidly improving in the hospital here. The little girl fractured a bone in her leg while turning in bed. The fracture did not yield to treatment, and in order to save her life the leg was amputated.

DAVID WILLCOX A SUICIDE

Former Railroad President Killed Himself On Steamer.

New York, April 27.—David Willcox, former president of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad company, committed suicide by shooting at sea last Wednesday, while a passenger on the North German Lloyd steamer Barbarossa, according to a report made to Health Officer Doty by Captain Langreuter.

The Barbarossa is at quarantine, where the steamer arrived from Genoa and Naples. Upon the arrival of the liner it was reported that Mr. Willcox had died of heart failure. As he had been known to be in ill health and had gone abroad recently in the hope of recuperating it was no great surprise to his friends to learn that he had succumbed.

Subsequent investigation, however, according to the captain, developed evidence that Mr. Willcox had shot himself. In reporting the facts to Dr. Doty, the captain said that he had only a few moments before been made aware of the real cause of death. Dr. Doty said that he would make an investigation.

Mr. Willcox, broken in health, sailed some time ago and recently, because he had not secured the benefit physically that he sought, he cabled his resignation of the presidency of the railroad, which was accepted by the directors, who chose his successor in Leonor F. Loree, former president of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Rock Island railroad. At the time it was given out that Mr. Willcox's retirement from the presidency of the Delaware & Hudson was prompted solely by ill health.

BEATEN AND LAID ON TRACKS

Victim of Negro Thugs, Horribly Mangled By Train, Is Dying.

Pittsburg, April 27.—Beaten into unconsciousness and laid on a railroad track, where a locomotive ran over him, cutting off both legs and one arm, Frank Driska, 42 years of age, an employe of the Pressed Steel Car company, is dying at the Allegheny General hospital. Friska regained consciousness long enough to tell his story of the assault after reaching the hospital. He said that he had come to Pittsburg to collect some money, and while crossing the tracks of the West Penn division of the Pennsylvania railroad in Allegheny on his way home, he was set upon by three negroes, who beat him. He says he knew nothing more until roused by the locomotive crushing his limbs. His cries brought some railroad men, who summoned an ambulance and sent him to the hospital. Driska gave a good description of the assailants, and a general alarm was sent throughout Allegheny county by the police. Robbery was the motive of the crime.

FARMER MURDERED

Attacked in Darkness by Men Who Sought to Break Up Party.

Mt. Holly, N. J., April 30.—Apparently without other reason than the wish to break up a party of merry-makers five men attacked and killed David Beebe, a farmer of Red Lion, near here.

Howard Reeves, Theodore Wells, Caleb Rogers, Harvey Reeves and Henry Hammell have been arrested and charged with the crime. Beebe and his fellow merry-makers were at the house of Irwin Mathias. The lights attracted the five men as they came upon them out of the darkness and heard the sound of feet upon the boards. They had no particular grudge against Beebe; they attacked him because he happened to be nearest, meaning to enter the house later and indulge in a free-for-all fight.

DIED JUST FOR FUN

Poisoned Herself That She Might See Her Nails Turn Blue.

Sioux City, Ia., April 27.—Claiming that she did it just for fun and wanted to see how it would seem to watch the blood stop in the ends of her fingers and the nails turn blue, Carrie Mattison, aged 21 years, took strychnine and died within an hour. The dead girl was the daughter of a farmer. She appeared in good spirits and had no love affairs or disappointments.

Insane Woman Kills Family.

Providence, R. I., April 30.—Her mind unbalanced, it is believed because of long continued nervous trouble, Mrs. Louisa Holden, 40 years of age, shot and almost instantly killed her husband, Lee S. Holden; then she turned the revolver on her son, Louis A. Williams, 15 years old, shooting him in the head, inflicting a fatal wound. She then shot herself in the head, dying at the Rhode Island hospital. The boy's death is expected at any time. During the evening the family spent several hours together playing cards, all apparently in the best of spirits.

Two Miners Killed.

Scranton, Pa., April 27.—Patrick Gallacher and John Novack, miners in No. 5 drift of the Delaware & Hudson company, at Oliphant, were crushed to death by a fall of roof. William Price was also caught by the fall, but escaped with slight injuries.

Appointed to Judgeship.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 30.—Governor Stuart sent to the senate the nomination of John L. Kinsey, of Philadelphia, to be a judge of the court of common pleas, No. 1, of Philadelphia, to serve until the first Monday of January, 1908, vice Craig Biddle, resigned, to become prothonotary.

Daring Burglaries at Mahanoy City.

Mahanoy City, Pa., April 30.—A series of daring burglaries were committed here. The occupants of several homes were chloroformed by the burglars and the houses robbed. Three members of a circus are under arrest.

A Telltale Nail.

Dr. John Donne, the famous English divine and poet, who lived in the reign of James I., was a veritable Sherlock Holmes in bent of mind.

He was walking in the churchyard while a grave was being dug when the sexton cast up a moldering skull. The doctor idly took it up, and, in handling it, found a headless nail driven into it. This he managed to take out and conceal in his handkerchief. It was evident to him that murder had been done. He questioned the sexton and learned that the skull was probably that of a certain man who was the proprietor of a brandy shop and was a drunkard, being found dead in bed one morning after a night in which he had drunk two quarts of brandy.

"Had he a wife?" asked the doctor.

"Yes."

"What character does she bear?"

"She bore a very good character, only the neighbors gossiped because she married the day after her husband's funeral. She still lives here."

The doctor soon called on the woman. He asked for and received the particulars of the death of her first husband. Suddenly opening his handkerchief, he showed her the telltale nail, asking in a loud voice:

"Madam, do you know this nail?"

The woman was so surprised that she confessed and was tried and executed.

Killed By Trolley While Playing.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 30.—Katherine Sprout, aged 4 years, daughter of Justice of the Peace George B. Sprout, of Swatara township, was killed by a trolley car while playing near her home, a short distance east of Harrisburg. The little girl's body was cut in twain lengthwise.

A tree in the orchard begins to droop, its leaves begin to wither. There's no apparent injury to the tree, no visible parasite preying on its life. But the tree keeps on falling. At length the farmer digs around it to loosen the soil at the roots, and in digging he comes on a great, flat stone, which had cut the tree off from proper nourishment. When the stone is taken away the tree regains its original beauty and strength. Women fail and droop sometimes. There's no apparent cause. They take care of themselves but in spite of all they droop daily. They begin to think the cause must be within them and hidden. When, in this condition, they turn to Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, the result is almost always a complete cure. "Favorite Prescription" searches out and removes the obstructions to woman's health. It not only heals the local organs but enriches the whole body.

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