

TROOPS VS. MINERS

Investigation of Use of the Military in Idaho.

Robertson Makes Grave Accusations Against Merriam.

Says Striking Miners Were Denied Counsel—Military Superseded Civil Authorities.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The investigation of the mining troubles and the conduct of the United States forces in Idaho last summer continued today before the house committee on military affairs. Frederick C. Robertson resumed his narrative, begun yesterday, giving the legal proceedings he adopted in behalf of the imprisoned miners and the difficulties he claims to have encountered from the military authorities, state officials and the courts. He said he was refused permission to be present at the inquest of those killed during the outbreak and was unable to communicate with the accused miners as to their rights, although representatives of the mining company were present. He protested to the attorney general that the miners were being denied the right of counsel. Throughout these proceedings the witness said, the military authorities were in control of affairs, and United States soldiers guarded the imprisoned men, bringing them to and from the court.

The witness said General Merriam was in charge of the "bull pen." This was improvised quarters, as no prison was available, and consisted of old buildings and box cars, surrounded by a wire fence. Mr. Robertson expressed the opinion that the United States forces should have been used to preserve order and uphold the civil authorities; but, in fact, he declares, they superseded the civil authorities and in some instances, which were detailed, arrested men in no way connected with the outbreak. He said there were no warrants and none of the usual forms of law, but when a man was wanted he was stopped on the street and sent to the "bull pen." This was done by deputies, who acted under the state officials and the military authorities. The witness will proceed with his statement tomorrow.

Messrs. Morrison and Furness of the American Federation of Labor were present during the hearing today, and President Gompers is expected to attend when he arrives.

Balkan War Rumors.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Vienna correspondent of The Standard says: "Strange rumors are afloat in Vienna, and still stranger things are undoubtedly occurring. Rumors point to impending hostilities between Bulgaria and Serbia. There is no doubt that both are massing troops on the frontiers. It looks impossible, however, that a war should occur, because neither country possesses the necessary financial means, and neither Russia nor Austria would sanction such an outbreak."

In Memory of Yale's Heroes.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 21.—Announcement is made by the committee in charge that the class of 1896, Yale, will shortly erect a memorial gateway on the Yale campus to Gerard Brayton Ives of New York city, a Rough Rider, who died in New York after a long illness at Tampa, Fla., of typhoid fever, and Lieutenant Ward Cheney of Hartford. Lieutenant Cheney was a son of Colonel Cheney of South Manchester and met his death in action at Imus in the Philippines.

Governor Without Patronage.

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 21.—A bill has passed both houses taking from the governor nearly all of the appointive power heretofore vested in the office and providing that when vacancies occur in any state, district, county, beat or municipal office they shall be filled by a special election called for that purpose. The measure is a very sweeping one and deprives the executive office of a large amount of patronage.

Murder in Connecticut.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 21.—The Bridgeport police were this forenoon summoned to Southport to investigate an apparent murder. The dead body of a man 50 years old was found by the roadside in that town. The head bore two wounds which had been made with a stone. The man had evidently been killed elsewhere and his body removed to the spot where it was found. Clews are meager.

Injured by Gas Explosion.

HAZLETON, Pa., Feb. 21.—An explosion of gas occurred yesterday afternoon in No. 4 colliery at Gowen, ten miles from here, operated by the Cross Creek Coal company. George Huda and Jacob Longenberg, miners, were employed by a fall of coal caused by the explosion and have not yet been reached by the rescuing party. Edward Fisher, another miner, was badly injured.

Indiana Miners Strike.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 21.—The coal miners of Warrick county have struck, and public sentiment is with the strikers. Since last fall the Big Four and Woolley mines have been running with nonunion miners. These miners held a meeting Sunday night, and it was resolved to demand the scale price of the operators. This was refused, and the strike followed.

Boycott Declared Legal.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 21.—Judge Storer, in the circuit court, declared that labor unions had the legal right to put in force a peaceful boycott against employers of nonunion labor and had a legal right to try by peaceful and fair persuasive means to induce customers of a boycotted person or firm to quit that person or firm and patronize employers of union workers.

Request to Oberlin College.

OBERLIN, O., Feb. 21.—President Jarrows announces a gift of \$40,000 to Oberlin college from the estate of William Osborn of Pittsburg, who died in Florida a few weeks ago. Mr. Osborn was much interested in Oberlin college, and his will provided that the sum mentioned should be given for the endowment of the president's chair.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

Cornell has proposed a triple meet with Columbia and University of California in New York.

A bill making a single open season for woodland and mountain game has been drawn up at Trenton.

Molineux, at Sing Sing, got several letters from religious cranks.

Five hundred employees of the General Electric Railway company fought at Chicago with employees of the Western Indiana Railroad company for possession of street crossings.

Commissioner Nagle reported that 107,007 loads of snow were removed from New York city streets in 48 hours.

The American Sash and Door company, a new corporation with a capital stock of \$6,000,000, was organized in Chicago.

Tuesday, Feb. 25.

A heavy snowstorm prevailed throughout northern New York.

The battleship Wisconsin will be ready for her trial trip before July 1.

German advisers reported the loss of ten Danish vessels during the recent gales.

There were more than 2,000 dogs at Madison Square Garden ready for the big bench show.

Many shipping disasters and considerable loss of life were reported from the north coast of Spain.

Edwin Mayo of the "Paddenhead Wilson" company dropped dead in the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec.

A conference was held in Lincoln, Neb., to harmonize the two factions of the Populist national committee.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie is expected to reach Pittsburgh this week to oversee the final preparation of the answer to H. C. Frick's bill of particulars.

Monday, Feb. 10.

Nearly 11 inches of snow fell during Saturday and Sunday.

The president has signed the proclamation making public the Samoan treaty.

The Norwegian man-of-war Ellida has arrived at Norfolk navy yard from the West Indies.

A sample of gold from Porto Rico brought to the United States assay office proved .911 pure.

The Gallaudet Home for the Deaf and Dumb near Poughkeepsie, N. Y., was destroyed by fire. The inmates escaped.

A celebration in commemoration of the removal of the national capitol from Philadelphia to Washington is proposed. It will probably be held July 4.

In Berlin there were 40 deaths due to the grip during the week that ended Feb. 10. Last week there were 87, in addition to 135 deaths from complications of the disorder.

Saturday, Feb. 17.

Brazil refused Bolivia's demand to pay the expenses of fighting the rebels in Acre.

The Rio Janeiro authorities declared Argentina and Portuguese ports free of the plague.

The formal ratifications of the Samoan treaty have been exchanged between London and Berlin.

The Nero broke the record for deep sea soundings, a depth of nearly six miles being reached at one time.

The German authorities at Tsintsin fort have sent troops to Kiau-Chau to guard the railroad engineers from Chinese rioters.

The hearing of Governor Beckham's injunction suit against Governor Taylor, in Kentucky, was postponed by agreement of attorneys.

No new plague cases were reported in Honolulu, and the health officials granted permission for schools, churches and places of amusement to reopen.

The ashes of Walter S. Blanchard, founder of the Corinthian Yacht club, were scattered to the winds from the mainmast of the ship Shenandoah, in San Francisco bay.

Friday, Feb. 16.

Lord Chesterfield and Miss Enid Wilson were married in London.

Seventeen lives were reported lost in shipping disasters on the French coast.

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad has decided to raise wages of all engineers.

The Minnesota supreme court has declared that state's inheritance tax law unconstitutional.

Twelve million fresh laid eggs were received at the New York city markets Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dr. D. K. Pearsons of Chicago has decided to give away his fortune, \$1,500,000, to charitable institutions and colleges.

The comptroller of the currency levied an assessment of 100 per cent on the capital stock of the Globe National bank of Boston.

Minority stockholders in the H. C. Frick Coke company decided to bring suit for the annulment of the contract with the Carnegie Steel company.

Broker John B. Oltman, who as an expert operator took the first Atlantic cable message received in New York city, died after falling down stairs at the New York Athletic club.

Thursday, Feb. 15.

Eight persons were injured, one fatally, in Chicago fires.

THE COLIMA VOLCANO.

Fierce Eruption on Pacific Coast of Mexico.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Interesting details regarding the sudden and fierce eruption of the Colima volcano on the Pacific coast of Mexico, recently reported by telegraph from Guadalajara, Mexico, have been received by W. J. Arkell of this city, who is largely interested in copper properties in the state of Colima. The account received by Mr. Arkell describes an immense river of lava as running over the side of the volcano, which threatened to overwhelm three Indian villages near its base. These Indians fled to the Santa Ana mine in the center of Colima's copper region and sought safety from the lava by hiding in its recesses. They left their women and children to shift for themselves. A company of Mexican troops which had been promptly dispatched to the scene from Guadalajara were compelled to drive the Indians from the mine and send them back to their homes to protect their families. Much woodland property was destroyed, but the natives are poor and shiftless, and their losses, while very serious to them in many instances, aggregate only a small amount.

The government of Mexico from whom Mr. Arkell, Mr. Netherton Hall of Chicago and Mr. Paul W. Horback of Omaha obtained a concession of 250,000 acres in the Colima valley generously offered to cancel the concession if the mines were injured by the volcano's eruption, but the offer was declined. One of the most serious results of the volcanic disturbance is the entire cessation of work on a tramway now being built to connect the copper mines with the port of Manzanillo. The contractors were unable to restrain the terrified Indians employed in the construction of the road, and many of them have gone to Michoacan and Jalisco and others have fled to the more distant southern states of the republic.

The telegram from Mr. Arkell's superintendent further adds that one of the reasons for the terrible fright of the Mexican natives is because for many years a superstition has prevailed that the close of this century would be marked by devastating floods and earthquakes. It is almost impossible to dispel the belief in the minds of the people that the eruption of Colima is not the beginning of the end of all things. Unless the volcano speedily ceases its fireworks there won't be an Indian within 100 miles of the properties.

Ship's Crew in Peril.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—The tugboat L. Luckenbach steamed into the Delaware breakwater with four sailors, the crew of the barge General McClellan, on board, almost frozen to death. The barge was caught in the gale of last Saturday night and sank in 12 fathoms of water about eight miles southwest of Five Fathom bank. The barge was trying to make the breakwater. She was not able to withstand the gale long and went to the bottom with about ten feet of her foremast sticking out of water. Upon this the men climbed, and, with the water dashing over them, clung there until late on Sunday afternoon, when the Luckenbach came along and took them off.

Department Stores Win.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 21.—The supreme court, in an opinion by Judge Robinson, all the judges concurring, declared the department store law passed by the last legislature unconstitutional and void for the reason that it is clearly class legislation and because the act is incomplete and is not a law and does not constitute a rule of conduct, and for the further reason that the act imposes an occupation tax as a license to do business. The law applied to St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph and the stores in those cities employing a specified number of clerks. This feature is objected to in the opinion as class legislation.

Progress of the Census.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The director of the census is determined to comply literally with the law which requires the main reports of the twelfth census to be published "not later than July 1, 1907, or two years from the time the enumerators will have completed their work. Such a feat was never before undertaken or required. To facilitate doing this certain branches of the work which can be prosecuted by means now available are being undertaken in advance of the general enumeration.

Hurt in Boston Subway.

BOSTON, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Patrick Monahan, aged 40, was fatally hurt in the subway last night, and death ensued at the hospital. She was at the Park street station of the subway, waiting for a car to take her to her home in Watertown, but the surging crowd pushed her off the platform directly in front of an electric car. The woman, when finally released from her dangerous position, was found to have suffered a fracture of the leg and also severe internal injuries.

French Lecturer Coming Here.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 21.—M. de Rignier, who is to lecture before the Cercle Francais at Harvard this coming spring, sailed from Havre last Saturday and is expected to arrive in America this week. He will deliver eight lectures in Cambridge on "Modern French Poetry." During his stay in this country he will lecture before nearly every college of prominence.

Burglars Steal Postage Stamps.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 21.—Three men blew open the postoffice safe at Whitehouse, Lucas county, early this morning, securing \$200 worth of stamps and several checks. The explosion aroused citizens, but the robbers held them at bay with revolvers until they made their escape in a buggy.

Burglars Took It All.

MEAD, Neb., Feb. 21.—Lee Johnson sold his hardware store Monday and received cash in payment amounting to a little over \$7,000. Burglars the same night got the entire amount from his trousers pocket. Bloodhounds have been put on the trail.

Danced to His Death.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 21.—John Pondo, aged 57 years, dropped dead while dancing at the wedding reception of his friend John Navakowski at the latter's residence, 1520 Lancaster street.

Woman Suffrage Defeated.

BOSTON, Feb. 21.—The house yesterday had its annual debate on woman suffrage, resulting in the defeat of the proposition by 124 to 32, a larger majority than for many years.

NIGHTKEYS FOR CHRISTMAS.

Why a Brooklyn Man and Wife Received Them from Their Next-Door Neighbors.

A Brooklyn man and wife have had two peculiar experiences which have caused them to be talked about in their neighborhood. A few months ago they went out for the evening and forgot to take a nightkey. The servant was out the same night. When the man and his wife returned and failed to get a response to their ring, the husband smashed one of the windows and crawled in. In this way he opened the door and admitted his wife, says the New York Sun.

One experience of this character is sufficient to make an impression, but it left no warning on the mind of this man. Not long after the incident he and his wife again went out and forgot a night key. Falling to get in on their return the man sent his wife to a neighbor's while he went over to a hotel nearby to borrow a jimmy, as he had decided to get in with that and save the expense of a window glass. Armed with the implement he returned, and after considerable effort he forced the door, walked upstairs and found his neighbors and his wife enjoying themselves. He had forced the doors of his neighbors' house, adjoining his own and architecturally a counterpart of it. Then his wife made the discovery that she had the key of her house.

Among the Christmas offerings received by the man and wife was a bunch of night keys.

ODD CALENDARS.

There is One Used in Russia That is Twelve Days Ahead of Every-thing Else.

The most out-of-date almanac is that possessed by Russia, while the palm for the "largest circulation" goes to that issued from Peking. Incredible though it may sound, it is nevertheless a fact that the land of the Great White Bear still cherishes a calendar which is 12 days ahead of everybody else, says the Cincinnati Enquirer.

It is true that our own calendar was 11 days out until 1751. Then our English forefathers put it straight by dropping these spare days out of the reckoning, much to the dismay of the uneducated. The public state of mind at that time may best be realized from the fact that it held riotous mass meetings, to protest against the "robbery," with bands and banners, from the latter of which blazed forth its grievance: "Give us our 11 days!" Indeed, it was not until several heads had been broken by the swords of the military that those which still remained intact cooled sufficiently to appreciate the fact that the change was inevitable, and not merely the outcome of a government dodge to fleece the workman out of 11 days' pay.

The Scots and Haverians.

In a paper on "Recent Ethnographical Work in Scotland," read before the British association, Mr. Gray described his observations on the color of the hair and eyes of the schoolchildren of East Aberdeenshire. The pigmentation of the Scotch children was shown in a table and compared with the continental districts, whence, according to tradition and history, the lowland Scots derived a large element of their population—viz.: Schleswig-Holstein, Lueneberg, and Mecklenburg-Schwerin, the reputed original seats of the Angles and Saxons. The tables showed that the three north German districts were more blonde than East Aberdeenshire. Germany got more brunette and less blonde from north to south and we must go as far as upper Bavaria to get a district approximating in pigmentation to East Aberdeenshire.

To Be Prepared for War is the surest way for this nation to maintain peace.

That is the opinion of the wisest statesmen. It is equally true that to be prepared for spring is the best way to avoid the peculiar dangers of the season. This is a lesson multitudes are learning, and at this time, when the blood is sure to be loaded with impurities and to be weak and sluggish, the millions begin to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood, expels all disease germs, creates a good appetite, gives strength and energy and puts the whole system in a healthy condition, preventing pneumonia, fevers, and other dangerous diseases which are liable to attack a weakened system.

Chappie—"Those two girls are simply luscious, bah jove!"

Chollie—"Yes; they're a pair of peaches."

A farmer who was out in Oregon, writing to the publishers of Horse Book, advertised in this issue, says: "I have read a number of books on the horse; some of them were large and of high price, but Biggie Horse Book did me more real good than any of them." The price is 50 cents, free by mail; address the publishers, Wilmer Atkinson Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

The musical conductor is a world-beater.

Although time and tide wait for no man he beats time every evening.

Pill-dosed—with nauseous, big purgers, prejudice people against pills generally. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are revolutionizing the pill demand—they're so pleasant and easy to take. The doses are small and so is the price—10 cents for forty doses. Biliousness, sick headache, constipation dispelled. Work like a charm.

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WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DESSERT? This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! No baking! Simply add a little boiling water and set to cool. Flavors—Lemon, orange, Raspberry and strawberry. Get a package at your grocers o-day. 1c.

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Just a Hint.

"What is the longest day you ever knew?" he asked, when conversation lagged.

"This one," she replied, without even making an effort to conceal her yawn.—N. Y. World.

That Unlucky Number.

"I sat down to dinner with 13 yes terday."

"Don't you consider that unlucky?"

"It was in this case. I had to pay for the whole business."—Philadelphia Press.

Australia's Gold.

Australia's gold production in the last half century has amounted to considerably more than £400,000,000.

IF YOU HAVE PAIN IN YOUR BACK,

Let us give you a piece of advice: Pain in the back is an almost infallible sign of Kidney disease; a surer sign is the condition of your urine, if you have a pain in the back then look to the condition of your urine. It is easily done. Take a glass tumbler and fill it with urine, after it has stood 24 hours; if it has a sediment, if it is milky or cloudy, if it is pale or discolored, stringy orropy, your Kidneys and Bladder are in a dangerous condition and need immediate attention, or the consequences may prove fatal.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the one medicine that really cures all diseases of the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder and Blood, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia and Chronic Constipation and corrects the bad effects of whisky and beer on the system. It is wonderful how it makes that pain in the back disappear, how it relieves the desire to urinate often, especially at night, and drives away that scalding pain in passing water and in a remarkably short time makes you well and strong. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is sold at all drug stores for \$1.00 a bottle, or six bottles for \$5.00.

If you would like to try this wonderful medicine you can do so absolutely free. Send your full name and address to the DR. DAVID KENNEDY CORPORATION, 100 Broadway, N. Y., when a free trial bottle, together with a pamphlet of valuable medical advice, will be sent you by mail postpaid, providing you mention the "Columbian" when you write. The publishers of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this liberal offer.

If an honest man is the noblest work of God, where does the self-made man come in?

TRY GRAIN-O! TRY GRAIN-O!—Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made of pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 1/2 the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers. 2 1/2 ct.

It's funny that the biggest items of expense in married life are the little ones.

IS CATARRH YOUR LIFE'S CLOUD?—Daily nose and throat specialists in England practice highly recommend Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, as safe, sure, permanent, painless and harmless, in all cases of cold in the head, tonsillitis, hoarseness and catarrh. It gives relief in ten minutes and banishes the disease like magic. 7 Sold by C. A. Klein.

It's a point in the typewriter's favor when she knows where to place a period.

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"Folled!" exclaimed the choice Havana, as the cigarmaker wrapped it in silver leaf.

There is a class of people who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1/2 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15c. and 25c. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

"This poem is full of fire," remarked the editor, as he lighted his cigar with the bard's manuscript.

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