# BALTIMORE A CITY OF RUINS AN INSULT TO THE FLAG

# Business Section of the City Almost Completely Wiped Out.

# Wholesale Houses, Banks and Newspaper Offices Reduced to Ashes.

cally the entire central business dis-

To all appearances Baltimore's busi- to bottom. ness section is doomed. Many of the pletely destroyed.

What the loss will be in dollars no By this time the first of the fire aptude. In addition to the pecuniary business lost by the necessary interruption to business while the many firms whose places are destroyed are

There is little doubt that many men, formerly prosperous, will be ruined by the events of the last 24 hours. Many of them carry little or no insurance, and it is doubtful if many of to pay their losses dollar for dollar, time in which to arrange for the pay-

All day and all night throngs crowded the streets, blocking every avenue to the fire district and moving back so by the police on duty. Many of the Place Savings Bank. spectators saw their all go up in flame before their eyes, and there were men this section, the loss given representwith hopeless faces and despairing ing the building with its contents. Ac- barracks and the last battalion of Amerexpressions seen on every hand. In cording to this the heaviest losers ican soldiers marched to the Triscornia fact, the throng seemed stunned with were John E. Hurst & Co., R. M. Sutthe magnitude of the disaster and ton & Co., and the Daniel Miller

silence, and only occasionally would a were almost disheartened was apparent to the casual observer, and there is little wonder, for the crushing stroke fell with the suddenness of lightning from a cloudless sky.

automatic fire alarm bex, No. 854, in 150 firms.

#### KILLED BY YAQUI INDIANS. Savages Hold Up Stage and Mounted Troops Are in Pursuit.

Denver, Col. (Special) .- A News special from Guayamas, Mex., says: Passengers arriving from Ortiz, on the Sonora Railroad, brought the first

news of a terrible outrage committed by

Yaqui Indians. The stage which runs between Ortiz and Las Cruces was held up by savages and all on board, numbering six persons, were killed. Among them were Salvador Flores and his nephew, Francisco Flores. They were both prominent in Sonora. There were fifteen Indians, according to the recollection of Francisco Flores, who did not expire until he was picked up by a party of

When the massacre was discovered officers in charge of the garrison at tional Council of Women elected repreof mounted troops has gone in pursuit to be held in Berlin. of the Indians.

# SYNAMITE PLOT ON RAILROAD.

and Threat.

# Superint tent Receives Demand for \$10,000

Hazelton, Pa. (Special).-Details of an alleged dynamite plot along the Le-high Valley Railroad, 20 miles north White Haven, came to light. T. H. Pindell, of Wilkesbarre, superintendent of the Wyoming Division of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, last week received an anonymous letter saying that if \$10,000 was not deposited at Lake Station, on the Wilkesbarre Mountain. It was reported that a band of Years. same hour Sunday morning, that sec-

tion of the line would be blown up. Sheriff Albert Jacobs was notified, and he, with a posse, patrolled the tracks 24 hours, but no attempt was made to carry out the threat. A guard is still maintained by the railroad company between Fairview and Lake Sta-

# Philippine Commission Vacancy.

Washington (Special) .- Much of the time of the Cabinet meeting was consumed in the selection of a commissioner to fill the vacancy on the Philippine Commission caused by the resignation of that the choice has been made of a per- pert.

Fire, which started at 10.50 o'clock the basement of the wholesale dry Sunday morning, devastated practi- goods house of John E. Hurst & Co., German Street and Hopkins trict of Baltimore, and at 3 A. M. fore the alarm had reached the var-Place, sounded an alarm. Almost be Monday the flames were still raging lous engine houses the entire building with as much fury as at the beginning. was a roaring mass of flames from top States cruiser Columbia, and inform-

After burning for perhaps 10 minprincipal banking institutions, all the utes there was a loud explosion from leading trust companies, all the largest the interior of the building as the wholesale houses, all the newspaper gasoline tank used for the engine in offices, many of the principal retail the building let go. Instantly the imstores and thousands of smaller estab- mense structure collapsed and the flylishments went up in flames, and in ing, flaming debris caused the flames most cases the contents were com- to be communicated to the adjacent buildings on all four corners.

man can even estimate, but the sum paratus had reached the scene and will be so gigantic that it is hard for was quickly put to work, but the fire the average mind to grasp its magni- had already gone beyond control and swept with irresistible force and inloss, will be the immense amount of credulous swiftness on its devastating way. It was known that the conflagration would prove vastly destructive, but not one of those who witnessmaking arrangements for resuming ed it at this time imagined for an instant the terrible results that would

### MILLIONS IN A FEW BLOCKS.

A very careful and conservative estimate of the loss in the wholesale the insurance companies will be able business district, in which the fire originated, places it at something no reply to this demand, and an attack and those that do will probably require over \$50,000,000. This district is is expected. The fortifications are bounded by Baltimore, Liberty, Charles and Lombard streets and contained many of the largest dry goods. clothing and shoe houses in the city, besides two prominent banks-the out of danger only when forced to do National Exchange and Hopkins

The estimate is for each building in word of despair be heard. That they The Armstrong, Cator & Co.'s loss is icans have done for Cuba estimated at half a million, and the teenth and Nineteenth companies of great majority were \$100,000 or more United States Artillery from Santiago, apiece. This district contained about and these troops participated with the 125 buildings, among them some of Twenty-first and Twenty-second comthe finest business structures in town panies, who have been stationed here, At 10.50 o'clock in the morning the which were occupied by more than racks.

# IN SHORT ORDER

### The Latest Happenings Condensed for Rapid Reading.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New York decided that the provision forbidding the use of the American flag as a trade mark was un- International Fight Grows Out of Property

John D. Payne, of Woodbury, N. J who killed William Minks, the father of his sweetheart, was convicted of man- States Government has become a party slaughter, with a recommendation of to the complications growing out of the mercy.

Iroquois fire. "Mr. Bluebeard," said to

C. W. Thompson was arrested in Chi- be the most pretentious extravaganza cago on the charge of using the mails to ever sent on the road in America, was vaqueros traveling in the opposite didefraud. Women are alleged to have not an American property. The scenbeen his victims.

The executive committee of the Na- of the electrical effects were owned by sentatives to the International Congress, England. They accessed. As a conse-

Dan Baker and his brother were murdered in their home, in Nebraska, United States for temporary use a bond and Barker's brother was arrested. Six persons perished in the flames in of payment of duty, guaranteeing that

fire at Trenton, a mining village, near the property would be exported to its Mahoney City, Pa. Sixto Lopez, who has refused to take the oath of allegiance, will be deported claimants are now seeking to reach.

from Manila. The federal grand jury of Missouri has, it is said, indicted a number of agents of express companies who acted as agents for liquor sellers in Kansas

It was reported that a band of Yaqui wardrobe and effects is estimated at bebetween 10 a. m. Saturday and the Indians had massacred the passengers on a stage that runs between Ortez and Las Cruces in Mexico. The official call for the Prohibition National Convention, in Indianapolis origin a bond of \$18,000 was filed.

June 29, has been issued.

Theodor Lewald, the German commissioner to the St. Louis Exposition, pany, and it is upon them and upon the reached New York on the steamship Drury Lane Company the property loss Kaiser Wilhelm.

Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany was thrown from his horse while riding at the head of his company of guards at Potsdam, but was not in-

jured. The Hereros in German Southwest Africa murdered Assistant Director birth to a daughter, was dying. He im-Governor Tast and the promotions of Hoepner, of the Colonial Bureau, and Messrs. Wright and Ide. It was stated Herr Watermeyer, an agricultural ex-

son in the United States, but that his name is withheld until his acceptance is were burned to death and 20 severely in-By an eruption of the volcano of Me-

Santo Domingo Rebels Fire Upon Vankee Launch.

ENGINEER OF THE BOAT KILLED.

Un'ted States Minister Powell Instructs the Captain of the Cruiser to Take Drastic Measures to Avenge the Shooting and the Insult to the Flag-American Marines Protect the German Consul.

San Domingo (Special).-The insur- with extended paws lunge forward at gents deliberately fired on the Jaunch its opponent, who donned boxing gloves of the auxiliary cruiser Yankee, killing J. C. Johnston, the engineer. The bullet entered his head above the eye. United States Minister Powell has firected the captain of the Yankee to ake drastic measures to avenge Johnston's death and this insult to the

American flag.

Johnston will be buried on shore. San Domingo.-The German consul here has requested United States Min-ister Powell to afford protection to Herr Worman, the German vice const that he might bring his family into the city, as the insurgents have given Mr. Worman 48 hours to leave where he is

or suffer the conseque Consequently, Mr. Powell secured a guard of 60 men from the United d the government that it was the intention of the German consul and him-self to bring Herr Worman's family on Naval Affairs over the recommendanto the city, and asked the government that its troops not fire upon this party that if fired upon the party would pro- priation Bill was completed by the comtect themselves. The guard started As soon as they passed outside the city they were covered by the guns of the Columbia. No attack was made, priation of \$95,000,000. The ships auand the Worman family and their be- thorized are one battleship, two arongings were brought back here in mored cruisers, three scout cruisers and

All the houses outside the city walls two squadron colliers. The appropria-All the houses outside the city walls have been pillaged. The insurgents tion of \$500,000 made last year for two Company from St. Petersburg, by ign property wherever they find it. pillaging, and the Columbia may be compelled to land marines to do so.

The firing around the city continues The situation is serious, the prices of provisions are very high, and the poor tion will bring the cost of the building are suffering from want of food

This city is surrounded by insurgents. They have sent to the government a demand that the city surrender within protected cruisers and one of the scout 24 hours, threatening otherwise to enter cruisers recommended by the board, and it by force. The government has made strongly guarded, and preparations are being made to resist the insurgents.

### FLAG LOWERED IN CUBA.

Havana (Special).-The last vestige ized. of the American occupation of Cuba to the personnel of the Navy. disappeared Thursday when the American flag was lowered from the Cabana Army transport Sumner,

Standing on the plain near Cabana on sale at all postoffices in the United scarcely seemed to realize the extent Company; all of which were heavily fortress, between a line of American States May 1, has been sent to the Buf it.

Stocked with dry goods, and in each
They stood around usually in dazed
of which cases the loss in building
lience and only occasionally would and contents was placed at five and contents when the five and contents was placed at five and contents which was placed at five and contents when the five and contents was placed at five and contents when the five and contents was placed at five and contents when the five and contents was placed at five and contents when the five at the five at the five at the and contents was placed at \$1,500,000 ed his appreciation of all that the Amer-

in the evacuation of the Cabana bar-

President Palma and the members of Louisiana Purchase. his cabinet, General Rodriguez, commander of the rural guards; United States Minister Squiers and the members of the legation staff took their places facing the center of the parade ground. The lines of troops consisted of the four American artillery com-panies, a company of Cuban artillery, a company of rural guards on foot and a troop of rural guards, mounted.

"BLUEBEARD" ROND CONTEST.

Lost in Iroquois Fire.

ery, costumes and the greater portion

the Drury Lane Company, of London,

England. They were leased by Klaw &

uence, when the spectacular mass of

light and color was brought to the

the property is now non-existent-that

The value of the destroyed scenery

it was annihilated in the theatre fire.

tween \$40,000 and \$60,000. As a pro-

tection to the Government for duties

alone in the event of failure to re-

British underwriters insured the prop-

pany, and it is upon them and upon the

Would Not Outlive Wife.

derson, a young married man of this

city, committed suicide under pathetic

circumstances. He was informed by a

physician that his wife, who had given

mediately picked up a revolver and say-

ing, "If she goes, I'm going, too," shot himself through the head. His wife

Philadelphia (Special).-William An-

Chicago (Special). - The United

#### tion of Southern tobacco growers in favor of the pending bills for the relief

## of growers by allowing them to stem and twist their own tobacco for commercial purposes without paying a government license. Those appearing in-cluded C. E. Baker, of Pembroke, Ky., president of the Farmers' Club of that

place; C. H. Fort, president of the Tobacco Growers' Association of Robinand Stanley of Kentucky. No action mir.ls.

# in the Departments

introduced a bill authorizing the consoli- Russian decision means war. dation of customs collection districts in the discretion of the President.

Appropriation Bill after an unavailing long audience with the Emperor. effort had been made to climinate the seed-distribution section. Gen. John C. Black, chairman of the

was filed with the Government in lieu United States Civil Service Commission, Secretary Shaw has sent a circular

owners within a period of six months. It is the bond that British and Chicago letter to the various government depositories notifying them that the govern-At the same time representatives of ment would probably soon call for 20 per cent. of the deposits. Klaw & Erlanger are engaged with equal industry in an effort to secure a release of the bond through proof that

the government forces in Uruguay hav- dead children have been recovered. ing been forced back upon Montevideo. the capital, by the revolutionists. United States Marshal B. F. Hackett. of Indian Territory, and a number of

deputies were removed for incompetency and other causes. It is stated that the Cuban Commission has made arrangements with a New York syndicate to take the Cuban

ioan at par. The House Committee completed the Naval Appropriation Bill, which carries an appropriation of \$95,000,000.

The Agricultural Appropriation Bill, reported to the House, carries an appropriation of \$5,711,240. A bill was introduced in the House to extend the Statute of Limitations to

five years. The Senate Committee on Manufactures took up the Pure-food Bill. The House passed the Diplomatic and

Consular Appropriation Bill. The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations considered the treaty between into effect the Platt amendment.

# SUSPICIOUS OF THE BEAR

#### Japan Fxasperated By Russia's Delay Philadelphia, Pa. (Special).-After in Reply.

#### training a Great Dane dog to fight in an almost human manner by hurling his SITUATION AGAIN BECOMES CRITICAL,

BOXING PLAY WITH A BIG DOG.

Man Who Had Taught the Animal to Fight

Him Receives Lunge.

heavy body through the air like a batter-

ing ram, Henry A. Thorne, who lived in

East Rittenhouse street, Germantown

met death as a consequence of his les-

The dog, a mixture of Dane and English buildog blood, had been taught by

Thorne to stand upon its hind legs, and

and dealt stunning blows at the beast,

beast became frenzied by a particularly

heavy blow dealt by Thorne, and hurled

itself with such tremendous force that

bian Charge.

Recommends Big Ships.

on Naval Affairs over the recommenda-

Secretary Moody. The Naval Appro-

mittee after a hearing granted Admiral

Dewey. It carries an aggregate appro-

program up to \$28,000.000.

added one armored cruiser.

Exposition Stamps.

Jefferson; 7,500,000 of the three-cent,

Southern Tobacco Growers Appeal.

The House Ways and Means Sub-

committee on Revenue heard a delega-

Tuseday while the dog and Thorne

in an effort to ward off its attacks.

sons to the beast.

A Hastily Summoned Conference of the Japanese Cabinet, the Elder Statesmen and Military and Naval Chiefs Which Is Believed to Forecast Energetic Action-The Two Russian Fleets Form a Combine.

Tokio (By Cable).-A specially summoned conference of the cabinet, elder statesmen and military and naval chiefs was held at the residence of Premier were engaged in pugilistic combat the Katsura. The meeting is believed to have been of much importance, though no details of the discussion have been several of Thorne's ribs were broken given to the public. Possibly, it foreand his lungs punctured. He died in a shadows energetic action on account of Russian procrastination.

Although the government officials LIVEWASHINGTONAFFAIRS continue reticent, it is manifest that the situation is of the gravest and that a Significant Action of Dr. Herran Colomcrisis is near at hand. The time in which the Russian reply will continue to be a factor in the situation is narrow-

Admiral Dewey's suggestions in favor of heavy fighting ships for the Navy becoming exhausted and if the expected The patience of the government is answer is delayed many days longer the issuance of an ultimatum by Japan will tion of the general board, submitted by become inevitable.

The Japanese feel that the existing conditions have entitled them to a more prompt reply, and are bound to infer that the St. Petersburg government is determined not to yield, but is utilizing the time to advance its preparations for

boats to be purchased in the discretion way of the frontier, says the Rus-Mr. Powell has received urgent appeals of the Secretary of the Navy. This sian general staff has given Viceroy to protect foreign property against this building program gives a total of 44,000 Alexieff authority to declare war and tons of heavy fighting ships, as compared with 62,000 tons last year. The heavy construction provided will cost if circumstances render it necessarry. open hostilities on his own responsibility

\$21,750,000, while the lighter construc-The dispatch adds that an imperial manifesto declaring war is expected if de Samana and Sanchez have been re-taken by the insurgents.

The recommendation of the general board was for one battleship, one arm-ored cruiser, three proposed in Russia's resored cruiser, three protected cruisers, four scout cruisers and two colliers. The ponse, which, it is asserted, will be Russia's last word. committee eliminated entirely the three

#### MILITARY HONORS FOR AMBASSADORS. Will Be Requested of United States When Re-Provision was made for an armorceived by President.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Beto construct in case he cannot secure cause of the precedent established by armor plate from private bidders at a meeting Governor Taft with a troop reasonable price. For the Guantanamo. Cuba, naval station an appropriation of of cavalry and according to Mr. Root Final Act in Insuring the Island's Inde-pendence. \$365,000 was made, and for that at the retiring secretary, the same honor Olongapo, P. I., \$862,000 was author- when he left Washington, it is learned An addition of 3000 men is authorized that the same courtesy will be requested of this government when the next ambassador is received in audience for the first time by the President. This An order for the first issue of the is the custom observed in other counpostage stamps, which are to be placed an ambassadors abroad always have pears that the late Lord Pauncefote, the first ambassador appointed at Wash ington, neglected to draw up with the Madden. It calls for the printing of State Department the usual protocol 90,000,000 of the one-cent stamps, bearproviding for the reception of ambasing the portrait of Robert R. Livingsadors. Such a convention is felt by 225,000,000 of the two-cent diplomats to be highly desirable. It stamps, bearing the portrait of Thomas is said that although the request for military honors for the next ambassawith Monroe's portrait; 0,500,000 of the five-cent, with McKinley's portrait, and dor who shall be presented will emanate from his own government, the re-6.500,000 of the ten-cent stamps, with a quest will have the indorsement and miniature map of the United States support of all the governments represupport of all the governments represhowing the territory acquired by the sented by ambassadors here, and it is believed by diplomats will not meet ob ection from the government of the United States

# TOKIO AT EXTREME TENSION.

## Ultimatum By Japan is Now Imminently Threatened.

Tokio (By Cable).-Events indicate that the prolonged tension has reached Marquis Ito, president of the privy

council, was summoned from the counson county. Ky.; C. P. Warfield, of try and the Emperor received him. A Clarksfield, Tenn. B. E. Cooper, of council of the elder statesmen was held Hopkinsville, Ky., and Representatives Gaines, of Tennessee, and James. Smith with the War Minister and three ad-The highest officials make no pretense

of concealment of their exasperation at the tardiness of the Russian reply. An Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, unofficial dispatch yesterday said the

The conference lasted several hours. the discretion of the President.

While it was going on Premier Katsura and Foreign Minister Komura had a

# ALL IN HOUSE PERISH.

#### Mother and Five Children Burned to Death in Coancil Bluffs. Council Bluffs, Iowa (Special) .- Mrs.

Peter Christiansen, mother of five children who perished in their burned home Wednesday night, died as a result The State Department has advices of of her burns. All of the bodies of the

Mrs. Christiansen was awakened by smoke and flames, which almost filled the house. She left the baby in bed and rushed to a room where her three daughters and a son were asleep. She found the children's room full of flames, and she could not enter. Mrs. Christiansen ran into the street and raised an alarm. Neighbors turned in a fire alarm and tried to enter the house but the small wooden house burned and the children was consumed before firemen arrived.

# Financial.

It is a long lane that has no turning Asphalt and Lake Superior sharehold ers see their stocks advance while

John W. Gates has swung around and is a bear on coffee, cotton and stocks He is not supposed to be speculating heavily in wheat or corn. London sold about 12,000 shares of

Pennsylvania. There are still conflict-ing reports about that company's need sides the baby, they leave a four-year the United States and Cuba, carrying for a large sum of money in the near

# THE KEYSTONE STATE

### Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in Short Order.

Fire which started at 2 o'clock in the afternoon destroyed the servants' dormitory and contents in the State Normal School. The second floor of the building was taken up by the musical department and contained twelve pianos, all of which were destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown. Loss, \$35,000, partially covered by insurance. Students made every effort to put out the blaze, aiding the firemen materially. Several young women who were in the music room on the third floor owe their lives to Miss Eula Stevenson, a teacher, who made her way to the floor and guided the girls to safety through the smoke. Dr. Walter P. Kountz was released

from the penitentiary on the pardon granted him for killing J. E. Walsh, he contractor of whom Kountz was calous because Mrs. Kountz lived at Walsh's house after having quarreled with her husband. An action unprece-dented in the local courts was immeiately begun against Kountz for damges on behalf of two minor children of Walsh, it being alleged that through nis death they are deprived of means to be reared. Mrs. Kountz, whom Dr. Kountz tried to kill when he shot Walsh, has begun suit for divorce. Owing to the inability of firemen to

ct water from a frozen fire plug two Bristol residences and their contents were destroyed by fire. The new houses of George P. Nibbs and William Haney aught fire from a defective flue and allough the department arrived promptthe firemen were powerless to check te flames. H. P. Case, who was conined to his bed at the Haney residence ith typhoid fever, was rescued. The ss is estimated at \$10,000.

The Eddystone Foundry and Maine Works, formerly the Gruson Iron Works, at Eddystone, was sold by Geo. E. Darlington, referee in bankruptcy. he sale was attended by a number of hiladelphia iron and steel manufacurers, and the purchasers were Thomas rosser & Sons, of New York. property was sold in three lots. The buildings, lands, tool and equipments brought \$155,000. The scrap iron brought \$12 a gross ton. The third lot, nsisting of pig iron, brought \$17.50

The Board of Pardons has recomnended the granting of the commu ation allowed under the law of 1901 to risoners in the penitentiary to George Sciple, convicted in Philadelphia, in the Federal Court, in December, 1899 nd sentenced by Judge McPherson to ve years in Cherry Hill. It has been eld that the Pennsylvania law does not apply to Federal prisoners in Pena-ylvania prisons. Governor Penny-tacker has indorsed the action of the oard and the case will now go to the ederal Court, where it will be set

Attorney General Carson and State Treasurer Harris had a lively bout in he Judges' salary dispute. Mr. Harris hade a request that the Attorney General agree to a case stated for the pur pose of securing a judicial interpretation of the new salary act. Mr. Carson declined an declares that the Treasurer will be mandamused if he refuses to

n Jenner and Quemahoning Townhips, Somerset county, to stamp out threatened epidemic of hydrophobia. n answer to an appeal sent to the Pennsylvania Live Stock Sanitary Board, Dr. Leonard Pearson, State Veterinarian, has been sent there, and has declared a strict quarantine against

all dogs in the two townships. The Schuylkill county controller started to contest the right of the treasurer and register to retain commissions on collateral inheritance tax. mercantile and liquor license funds due to the State. About \$2500 a year is involved. This will be a test case for several other counties.

Ever since the unsuccessful attempt of two Norristown prisoners to escape from the county jail two weeks since by assaulting the keepers, the inspectors have been making the discipline of the prison more rigid. All prisoners in the institution now are denied a supply of pepper for individual use. This action was taken because two prisoners had armed themselves with pepper from their weekly allowance to blind their

Rev. J. D. Detrich, for twenty-six years pastor of the North Wales Reformed Church, one of the most prosperous farmers in the county, has decided not to resign his pastorate to accept a government position at a salary of \$2000 a year and expenses.

State Highway Commissioner Hunter has completed a statement showing the road mileage, including turnpikes, of each county in the State and the apportionment of the road construction fund for each county during the present year. Of the \$500,000 appropriated for this year, \$50,000 is for maintenance and \$450,000 for road construction There are 99,224 miles of road, and the apportionment to the counties is a trifle over \$4 a mile, which exhausts the \$450,000.

James E. Roderick, chief of the Bureau of Mines, reported to Governor Pennypacker the result of his investigation of the explosion at the Harwick Mine, but it was not made public. Chief Roderick has directed Inspector Cunningham to make a blue print of the mine for the guidance of the Coroner, and has requested that the inquest shall not begin until all bodies have been removed from the mine. The Governor is desirous of having all the light possible thrown on the cause of the explosion in order to recommend legislation that will in the future prevent such accidents. Mr. Roderick instructed the general manager of the Harwick Mine to see that the men in charge of the mine during the cleaning up and repair-

ing are holders of first-class certificates A broken flange on a Philadelphia & Reading freight car caused it to leave the track two miles south of Rupert The train proceeded to Rupert before the accident was discovered, leaving ir its wake a badly damaged track. Nearly every rail on the one side of the track for the entire two miles was torn loose over 1500 bolts being required to repair

the damage. Mrs. Michael Leed, of Rothsville celebrated her 77th birthday by holding a family reunion. Her eleven children were present, as were most of her seventy-seven grandchildren and thirty three great-grandchildren.