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TO BATTLE WITH THE BEEF TRUST

Attorney-General Knox and Assistants Are Revising Documents for the Gourts.

A DESIRE TO CLOSE **ALL LEGAL LOOPHOLES**

The President Is Anxious That There Shall Be No Failure of Justice Through Technicalities-Attorney General Davies, of New York, Will Act with Federal Authorities-England's Supply of

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, May 5 .- Attorney General Knox has received a copy of the bill drawn by United States Attorneys Bethea and Day in Chicago against the packers' trust, and spent some time in conference with Mr. Day, who is in Washington. The attorney general will give further careful study to the bill, and expects to have it ready to be filed in Chicago the latter part of the

Mr. Knox has had a large experience in corporation questions, and Solicitor General Richards has made a close study of trusts and the decisions under the Sherman act. He is recognized as one of the best authorities on such questions, and he will also pass upon the bill before it is filed. The attorney general, from his first examination of the bill, is satisfied with it, but the president desires that there shall be no fallure, of justice through legal loopholes, and the examination will be made with great care to guard against mistakes of that character.

TO STRIKE AT MEAT TRUST.

New York Attorney General Acting with Federal Authorities.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.. Albany, May 5 -- Attorney General Davies probably within the next few days will begin a proceeding in the supreme court to determine whether the so-called meat trust is violating the provisions of the anti-trust law of the state. The attorney general returned to this city today, after a conference while in Washington with Attuted proceedings against the trust in vocated the resolutions as a Republithe federal courts under the Sherman anti-trust law. The conference resulted in a mutual understanding as to the course of action that will be pursued in the matter.

ENGLAND'S MEAT SUPPLY.

Argentine Cattle May Be Admitted on Same Basis as American.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, May 5 .- In reply to a ques tion in the house of commons today suggesting the desirability of augmenting the food supply, in view of the pres ent prospective short supply of beef, the president of the board of agriculture. R. W. Hanbury, said the government could not remove the restrictions placed on the importation of Canadian store cattle, but possibly Argentine beasts might be admitted on the same conditions as cattle from the United States. Mr. Hanbury added that he was await ing information on the subject from the Argentine government.

MOST AGAIN IN TROUBLE.

He Is Arrested for Alleged Incendiary Utterances. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press,

New York, May 5,-Johann Most William MacQueen and Solomon Miller who were arrested at a meeting of anarchists last night, were arraigned today and held in \$1,000 ball each for examination on Wednesday. Most and MacQueen were held for alleged incondiary utterances and Miller for attempting to rescue Most from the

Most, who was at liberty on bonds was to have begun today a year's sentence in the penitentiary for publishseditious article in his paper Last night's meeting was in the nature of a farewell to him.

Corporations Chartered.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Harrisburg, May 5.-Charters were issued by the state department today to the following co-Righter Coal company, Philadelphia; capital, \$300,000. Woodworth Evans comman Pittsburg; capital, \$55,000. Broadway Depart ment store, Scottdale; capital, \$20,000. New Kensington Opera House company, New Kensington; capital, \$9,000. Osceola Coal and Coke company, Philadelphia; capital, \$25,000. Penn sylvania Oil and Gas company, Newport, Perry county; capital, \$10,000, Kendall Coal and Coke company, Vanderbilt, Fayette county; cap ital, \$16,000. Ashmand Coal company, Philadel-phia; capital, \$25,000. The Pittsburg Wooden Ware company, Pittsburg; capital, \$50,000.

Steamer Damaged.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Pittsburg, May 5.-The steamer Kanawha, en route to Pittsburg on her regular weekly trip from Charleston, W. Va., struck the river lock at Davis island dam early this morning. The boat's bow was torn off and the stramer settled in the water to the lower decks. There were 110 passengers aboard, and while there was some ex-citement they were all safely landed. The boat will be raised. Captain W. E. Roe was in com-

Death of Congressman Otey.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5.-On the house convening today, the death of Representative Peter J. Otey, of Virginia, was announced. Resolutions of re-gret were adopted, a committee was appointed to attend the funeral, and the house, as a further mark of respect, adjourned

THE MINISTER TO CUBA.

H. G. Squires Selected-General E. S. Bragg Will Be Consul General.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5 .- H. G. Squires secretary of the legation at Pekin has been selected by the president to be minister to Cuba, and Gen. E. S. Bragg, of Wisconsin has been selected as consul general at Havana,

Squiers' selection fulfills the very first requirement laid down by the president. namely, that the minister to Havana should be a man of diplomatic experionce. He is a native of Canada, but was appointed from New York. In 1894 he was appointed a second secretary of the United States embassy at Berlin, retiring in 1897. In January, 1898, he was appointed secretary of the United States legation at Pekin, remaining there constantly until a few months ago, when he returned to the United States on leave. His connection with the defense of the legation during the Boxer uprising is highly creditable. He has had military experience and by virtue of that fact was practically in charge of the legation defenses.

General Bragg, the new consul gen eral at Havana, was born in Unadilla. N. Y., in 1827. He entered the Union Leinster, Ireland. After having been army as a captain in 1861 and reached the grade of brigadier general in the regular establishment. He served for some years in congress and afterward was appointed United States minister o Mexico. His present home is at Fonddu-Lac, Wis. The salary of the consul general at Havana is \$5,000.

WORKING IN INTEREST OF THE BOERS

A Large Delegation Appears Before a Sub-Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5 .- A large delegaion appeared before a sub-committee on foreign affairs today in the interest of the Boers in South Africa, Dr. C. J. Hexamer, of the National German Alliance, speaking first. He described the heroic struggle of the Boers and urged the adoption of a resolution asking the president to communicate with Great Britain an expression of sympathy for the Boers, and expressing the hope that the unfortunate differences may be settime would not take umbrage, being torney General Knox, who has insti-| enfectled with war. He said he ad can, and if they were pigeon-holed, i would mean the loss of a million of votes of the German Alliance.

Mr. Keyser, of the Boer executive committee, said the governors of several states were strongly pro-Boer. Through Representative W. A. Smith, a representative of I. M. De Bruyn was presented on the use of New Orleans as a base for military supplies for Great Britain. Others spoke of the use of American ports as supply camps for the British army. Representative Smith also urged action by congress Representative Sulzer said nine-tenths

a resolution of sympathy. Representative Adams, of the subcommittee, closing the hearing, took exception to the introduction of politics saying no such question was involved He said it was not a matter of domes tic politics, but international law.

of the American people would approve

GENERAL CHAFFEE'S CASUALTY LIST

Official Statement of Results of the Battles of Bayan and Mindanoa.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5.-Gen. Chaffee

has cabled the war department the described in his despatches made pub lie yesterday:

First Lieutenant Thomas A. Vickers, Twenty-seventh United States infan

Privates: James J. McGrath, Company F. Twenty-seventh infantry William Lorenz, Charles Reynolds and John Langdon, Company G. Twenty seventh infantry; Alfred J. Callahan Frederick Cornell, Coporal Michae Golden and James J. Haley.

Among a large number of wounded are the following: R. S. Porter, major and surgeon wounded in thigh, serious; Capt. James T. Moore, wounded in head, serious Second Lieutenant Albert L. Jonsman lung, severe; First Lieutenant Henry S. Wagner, leg and wounded, in ab domen, serious; Sergeant Eugene I. McCarthy, wounded in thigh, serious. Lieutenant Wagner is a son of Gen Louis Wagner, of Philadelphia..

Lajoie Case Heard.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, May 5.-Argument was heard by the court of common pleas No. 5 today on a peti-tion presented by the local club of the American Base Ball league, which requested that players Lajoic, Fraser and Bernhard, who were recently enjoined from playing ball with the American league, be permitted to continue their profession under the auspices of the league, pending an appeal of the injunction suits to the Supreme appear of the request was opposed by counsel for the Philadelphia National league, which is the plaintiff in the original suit. The court took the papers in the case and reserved decision.

Pensions Granted.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5.—Pensions granted: William H. Dodd, of Scranton, \$50; Jacob Drumheller, of Ashley, \$10; George Moore, of Pittston, \$10; Milford Kingsbury, of Shickshinny, \$8.

MUTINY ON THE FLECHA. The Captain and Wife and Officers Are Murdered.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Port Townsend, Wash., May 5 .- The British vice counsul, Klocker, today received a letter from Captain H. M. Myers, of the ship India, at Ayachara, he most southerly port of the American continent, stating that the crew of the Chilian bark Flecha mutinied, murdered the captain, his wife and child, the first and second officers and the steward, scuttled the vessel and escaped to the mountains. The letter, which was written March 18, does not give the names of the murdered people, but states that the crime was committed off the southern coast of Chinli,

near Patagonia. After scuttling the ship, the murderers took to small boats and reached shore at a small village on the coast of Chill. While intoxicated, one of the crew related the story of the crime.

ARCHBISHOP CORRIGAN PASSES AWAY

The Eminent Pelate Expired Last Evening-Sketch of His Life.

New York, May 5 .- Archbishop Corrigan died at 11.05 o'clock tonight. The most Rev. Michael Augustine Corrigan, D. D., was born at Newark, N. J., in 1840. His parents came from graduated from the schools of his na-

tive place, he was sent to St. Mary's college, in Emmetsburg, Md. After leaving St. Mary's in 1859, having made a brilliant record as a student, he went to Europe to take holy orders. In Rome he was one of the thirteen students who registered in the American college when it was opened. He devoted two years to the preliminary studies of the college and then be-

gan the study of theology. Although ordained a priest by Cardi-nal Patrizi in the Lateran Basilica, in 1863, he remained in the American college another year and won the degree of doctor of divinity. Dr. Corrigan then sailed for home and reported on his arrival to Bishop Bayley in Newark, who at once assigned him to the professorship of dogmatic theology and sacred scripture, as well as to the directorship of Seton hall college. Later the Rev. Father Corrigan became vice-president of the college, and when only 28 years old became president of that institution. When Bishop Bayley visited Rome, in 1870, Dr. Corrigan became the administrator and vicar general of Newark. He was consecrated bishop by Cardinal McClosky on May 4, 1873, and remained in charge of the diocese of Newark for seven years. In that time he consecrated forty-two new churches, among tied. He said that England at this them the cathedral in Newark. Besides these achievements, he established ed a home for erring women and a reformatory for boys.

Owing to his successful administration of his diocese, Dr. Corrigan was selected to be coadjutor of Cardinal Mc-Closky. On October 1, 1880, he was raised to the archepiscopal See of Petra, and made coadjutor with the right of succession. When Cardinal McClosky died, Archbishop Corrigan

succeeded to the See of New York. Father Dailey announced the death a few minutes after the archbishop passed away. He said the prelate's condition had been better during the day than at any time since the beginning of his last illness. The patient, he said, ate a real hearty meal at noon today, appeared to enjoy it and was cheerful all day.

"He enjoyed the conversation with his brothers and nephew during the evening," said Father Dailey, "but just before 11 o'clock he grew visibly weaker An injection of a stimulant was administered at 11 o'clock, but this did not help, and we were all summoned to the bedside. We arrived just in time. He was then unconscious and did not re-

over consciousness before he died. Dr. Corrigan, the archbishop's brother. stood by the dying man's side and watched for the dissolution. All those in the room were repeating the litany for the dying and were on their knees. Thus they prayed until, five minutes after eleven, Dr. Corrigan bowed his head and indicated that the archbishop had passed away.

The coadjutor bishop of the diocese of New York, Bishop Farley, is in Rome, and the highest dignitary here is Vicar following list of killed at the battles of General Joseph Mooney, who was im-Bayan, Mindanao, May 2, which was mediately sent for and reached the house about midnight. The vicar general sent out official notification of th death to the heads of all parishes in the diocese.

Father Curley said that at 10.40 o'c'ock Archbishop Corrigan said:

"I feel very weak " At 10.50 o'clock he became unconscious and did not regain consciousness after that time.

Father Curley wrote a communication to the Holy See in Rome, informing the pope of the death of Archbishop Corri-

GOVERNMENT CASH

IS DISTRIBUTED. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5.-Nearly three and one-half Washington, May 5.—Nearly three and one-half million dollars were distributed by the secretary of the treasury today among national banks in various parts of the country. Sixty-two banks were recognized as government depositories in widely different sections of the country. The Pennsylvania banks designated are as follows:

West Branch, Williamsport; First, Hollidaysburg; First, Emporium; Jefferson county, Brookville; Federal, Pittsburg.

Brookville; Federal, Pittsburg. Moro Prisoners Escape.

the Federation of Womans' Club convention reg-Manils, May 5.—Eighty-four Moro prisoners, un-der guard, made an attempt to escape today. At a preconcerted signal they got between the soldiers forming the guard and a company at dinner.

The latter, realising what had happened, fired on
and pursued the Moros, killing thirty-five of them
and capturing nine. The other fugitives escaped.

Rabel Commits Suicide

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Fort Wayne, Ind., May 5.—William Rabel, the young man who shot and fatally wounded his 18-year-old wife Saturday afternoon, banged himself in his cell in fall here today. Rabel's wife died Sunday evening in the hospital

ELKIN WINS IN LUZERNE

His Gandidacy is Endorsed by Republicans in the Fifth Leg-Islative District.

LIVELY CONVENTION

Republicans of the Fifth District Hall-The Hooper Delegates Not Satisfied with the Arrangements. By a Rule of the Crawford County System No Primaries Are Held in the Second District.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Pittston, May 5.-The convention of the Republicans of the Fifth Legislalive district of Luzerne county, held in Eagle hall, this city, this afternoon for the purpose of electing a delegate to the state convention, was a lively event, one of the liveliest that has been held in the district for some years; resembling to a great extent the scrappy conventions of the Democrats. The convention was called to order at 2 o'clock by Chairman Howell Williams, of Pittston. Nominations were called for temporary officers, and Mr. Williams was named for chairman and Morgan Beynon, of Pitttston, for secretary. There being only one nominee for the tempor ary offices, a motion that they be elected as permanent officers was substituted for the one electing them tempor arily, and was adopted. It was not until ominations were called for delegates that the Hooper contingent awoke to the fact that a permanent organization had been effected. Hooper said that no permanent organization had been made and he protested, inasmuch as his delegates had a candidate for 'permanent chairman but had had no opportunity to place him before the convention, 'hairman Williams ruled him out of order, saying that an organization had been made and that the business of the onvention would go on. At this the Hooper delegates raised a howl. Fortytwo delegates had responded to the roll eall, and the only contested seat was that of the Second ward of Avoca.

Alexander Thompson named George Mitchell, of Plains, for delegate, and Henry Meister named Samuel Hooper, of Plains. Twenty-four votes wer polled for Mitchell and eighteen for Hooper, and Mitchell was declared elected. Resolutions endorsing Elkin's candidacy for the governorship and instructing the delegate to vote for him, were adopted.

In Second District. By a rule of the Crawford county sys em of electing delegates in the Second Luzerne district, when only two candidates registered for the delegateship no primaries are held. The time fo registering expired last Saturday, and and the attendance on the floor of the by an agreement between the Elkin and senate was unusually large. Mrs. Watres"promoters only two candidates registered. They are Henry Scureman interested auditor. His review of the and Reese Isaac. This course was taken in order to avoid the possibilities of a fight in the district, and an understanding has been reached that Scureman will support Elkin and Isaac will back up Watres. The backers of Hon. E. A. Coray, who claim to control the district, while positively opposed to Elkin, are said to not look with favor on the candidacy of Mr. Watres.

HOPE FOR THE QUEEN.

Wilhelmina Has a Good Night's Rest-Her Condition Remains Unchanged.

y Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, The Hague, May 5 .- The evening passed quietly at Loo palace, but Doc ors Roessingh and Pot have remained at Queen Whilemina's bedside. Baron Clifford, master of the queen's house hold said tonight;

"Her majesty's fever has not inreased, and we are quietly and hopefully awaiting the results of a good night's rest for the queen. There is no cause for immediate disquietude." At 10 o'clok tonight her majesty was eported to be sleeping quietly, and at that hour her condition was practically unchanged.

WILL SAIL FOR EUROPE.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, May 5 .- Cardinal Martinelli, the retiring apostolic delegate, will sail from New York for Rome on Saturday. Dr. Marchetti, the auditor of the papal legation, is next in author ity, and will act until Martinelli's successor caches this country.

Washington, May 5.—The members of the Uni-

ted States embassy to the coronation of King Edward VII will sail on the steamer St. Paul from New York on June 4.

Prize Fighters Arrested.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Reading, May 5.—Tommy Feltz, of Savannah, and Danny Dougherty, of Philadelphia, were to have fought here tonight for the bantam championship of America. This afternoon, County De-tective Fegley appeared before Judge Endlich and secured a bench warrant for the arrest of Dougherty and Feltz and the fight promoters, who were taken before Judge Endlich. Judge End-lich held them in bail to keep the peace and the fight did not take place. The arrests were made at the instance of the Law and Order society.

Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, New York, May 5.—Arrived: Steamer Lahn, Genea and Naples. Cleared: Kronprinz Wilhelm, Riemen via Plyanouth and Cherbourg. Bremen via Plyanouth and Cherbourg. Bremen—Sailed: Friedetich der Grosse, New York via Southampton. Sagres—Passed: Hohenzollern, New York for Gibraltar. Naples and Genea. Havre—Arrived: La Gascogne, New York. Lizard—Passed: Potsdam, New York for Botterdam.

TREASURER HARRIS TAKES THE OATH. He Succeeds Col. Barnett, Who Wil

Practice Law in Pittsburg. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Harrisburg, May 5 .- Representative Frank G. Harris, of Clearfield, who was elected state treasurer last November, took the oath of office at noon today and immediately thereafter entered upon the duties. Mr. Harris succeeds Colonel James A. Barnett, of Washington, who will take up the practice of

law at Pittsburg.
The retiring state treasurer turned over to his successor all the securities, which were found to be correct, and showed a balance of \$11,434,367.93 in the HELD AT PITTSTON snowed a balance of \$11,434,367.93 in the general fund. Mr. Harris said he would make no change at present in the clerical force of the department.

Hold Interesting Sessions in Eagle BALTIMORE FAVORS THE **FULLER SYNDICATE**

City Council Votes to Accept the 88,751,370.45 Bid for Western Maryland Obligations.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Baltimore, May 5.-The second branch of the city council by a vote of 7 to 2 tonight passed the ordinance providing for the sale to the Fuller syndicate of the city's holdings in the Western Maryland railroad. amendment was concurred in by the first branch which provides that the purchasers shall not be entitled to the sum of \$281,344.50 in the sinking funds and held in trust for the railroad company. The mayor has signified his intention of signing the ordinance tomorrow

The bid of the Fuller syndicate was \$8,751,370.45, which sum covers the ob-

ligations of the Western Maryland to the city of Baltimore. The ordinance makes it incumbent upon the Fuller syndicate to provide tidewater terminals in this city for the Western Maryland, to extend the road to the coal fields of Western Maryland, West Virginia or Pennsylvania, the work of construction to begin within two years after consummation of the sale, and to be completed within eight years, provided, however that the mayor and city council may in their discretion, extend the time, and that the syndicate shall within the same period of time make a connecrailroad and the West Virginia Central and Pittsburg railway.

MR. LODGE SPEAKS ON THE PHILIPPINES

ministration and the Army Was Made Yesterday.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, March 5 .- In vindica tion of the administration's policy in the Philippines, Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts, addressed the senate today. Long before he began to speak, the galleries were thronged with people Coles, the president's sister, was an situation on the islands and of the utterances of the minority in criticism of the condition there was notably in teresting, forceful and effective spoke with deep earnestness and at times became eloquent.

Mr. Lodge warmly resented the im putations cast on the president the secretary of war and the army for the alleged crueities and atrocities said to have been practiced in the Philippines He said every effort had been employed by the officials in authority to prevent such cruelties as had been referred to, and measures had been taken punish those guilty of them. Such which had been cited, but the men of almost beyond human endurance. He recited scores of instances of cruelties and tortures practiced by the Filipino insurgents on American prisoners. Mer had had their ears cut off; had been disemboweled; had been driven ino streams and, while drowning, shot to death; had been tied to trees and stoned to death by women and children and buried alive. Others had been shot and boloed treacherously while succoring the wounded. In the face of these horrible atrocities, some of the American troops had been guilty of administering the water cure but the instances of this kind were isolated and no part of the general policy in the Philippines. He warmly defended Gen. Chaffee for his conduct of military affairs in the islands and paid a brilliant tribute to his heroism and patriotism. As he concluded, his defense of the American army and the American administration drew cordial

applause from the galleries. In a brief reply, Mr. Rawlins, of Utah, declared that the charges which had been made were not against Gen. Chaffee or the American army, against the senator from Massa chusetts (Mr. Lodge) and others who were responsible for the present Philip-

pine policy. Both the sundry civil appropriation and the bill for the purchase of the Rosebud Indian reservation, were pass-

Anti-Color Women Win.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Los Angeles, Cal., May 5 .- After two hours' dis cussion of the question of admission of colore-women into the Women's Federation, the anticolor men won the day, when a motion was made in the convention here today to accept what is known as the compromise amendment, agreed upon in New York several weeks ago.

Football Game Arranged. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, May 5,-Arrangements were com pleted today for the annual football game be-tween the West Point and Annapolis academics

ANXIETY OVER THE MINDANAO SITUATION

FELT 'EM COMING ON.

Traveling Man Wanted to Be Arrested, and Was Accommodated. A rather well-dressed man, who said ie was a commercial traveler and who gave his name as George I. Robinson and his residence as Pittsburg, came up to Patrolman John Thomas, on West

Lackawanna avenue, last night, "Lock me up," he said. "For God's sake, lock me up. I've been on a drunk for three weeks and I feel the tremens coming on. Ugh! Look at that big thing there! No, I only thought I saw it. Lock me up, and see that I'm sent up for at least ten days in the morning or I'll have 'em bad. They're coming on, I tell you."

Patrolman Thomas led him to the Center street police station, and as the cell door clanged behind him, he said: "That's the best turn you ever paid man, if you only knew it. Don't forget to see that I get sent up in the morn

QUESTION WILL NOT BE REFERRED BACK

Conference to Be Held Here Tomor row Has Full Power to Handle the Mine Situation

Opinion has been generally prevalent here that, at all events, the pending question of strike or no strike of the miners would not be settled by the conference of the district officials and President Mitchell, to take place here tomorrow. It was believed that before final action was taken on this important question a convention of represen tatives of the local unions would be consulted. In an interview with a Trl bune reporter yesterday, a prominent official of the mine workers said:

"The Shamokin convention delegated to the national president and the district officers the duty of passing upon the question of how to enforce the demands of the Shamokin convention. Those officials are not disposed to shirk tion between the Western Maryland this responsibility. To my mind, there is not the least likelihood of a general convention of the miners. The question of whether or not a strike is expedient and opportune will be passed upon finally at the conference to be held here Wednesday."

As yet there has been no crystalliza tion of sentiment among the rank and file of the miners of this community as the new leaders have created the im-An Eloquent Defense of the Ad- to what would be the best method of pression that they do, meeting the present emergency. The

niners, as a rule, are hoping that some thing will eventuate to prevent a strike It is palpable to those who keep close to the conditions attendant upon the threatened conflict that the present is not the most opportune time conceivable for the miners to engage in a strike, which will necessarily be a fight to a finish. To these it is also known that President Mitchell, realizing this, will endeavor to avoid the threatened conflict. He will arrive in the city this afternoon and go to the St. Charles. where quarters have been engaged for

Nearly all of the other men who will participate in the conference will arrive today.

Hope at Hazleton.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Hazleton, May 5 .- W. A. Dettrey, one of the miners from this district who attended the New York conference with the operators, said tonight that powerful influences are still at work trying to secure concessions and avert the threatened strike. Several members of the executive board from this district will advocate the postponement of the things, however, were incidents of strike until September, one of the bus-every war and could not be prevented lest months in the coal trade. They absolutely. He had no defense to believe that the operators are inviting make of many of the cases of torture a fight at this time, when there is no strong demand for coal. District the American army had been provoked President Duffy returned from New York tonight, but had nothing to say, Shamokin, May 5 .- A number of the foreign miners, who last week threatened to go on strike today unless the operators in New York granted concessions, went to work this morning and will continue at labor until the Scranton convention decides the policy of the union. Local members of the Ninth district executive committee, who will leave for Scranton tomorrow, refuse to discuss the probable outcome of the conference.

EARLY MORNING FIRE.

A two-story frame dwelling at the corner of Beech street and Lavelle court, owned and occupied by Anthony Barrett, was entirely destroyed by a fire which broke out this morning at 2.15 o'clock. Several of the occupants had narrow escapes from suffocation. The fire companies responded to an alarm from Box 48.

BURNED BY SLAG. Distressing Accident at the Pennsylvania Steel Works.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, May 6 .- Word was received here a an early hour this morning that one man i dead, three probably fatally injured and five oth ers badly burned, the result of the boiling over of slag in one of the open hearth mills of the Pennsylvania Steel works at Steelton, The injured are being brought to the Harris-burg hospital for treatment. Names of the unmen not obtainable at this time.

Mr. Quay Secures Quarters. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, May 5.—Senator Quay has leased the residence of Dr. Cherrick Westbrook, in this city, for headquarters for himself and Senator Penrose during the Republican state convention, on June 1. The two senators will come here about ten days before the convention and stay until after candidates have been nominated for governor and the other state offices to be filled in November.

The Victory of General Davis Has Not Relieved the Strain Upon Administration.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT DID NOT WANT WAR

Republicans in Senate Realize Necessity of Replying to Democratic Attacks on Army-Their Silence Misunderstood-No Sentiment in Congress in Favor of "Scuttling." Attacks on Soldiers Sent to Hong Kong to Encourage the Filipino Junta.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, May 5 .- General Davis' report has not relieved the anxiety of the administration over the situation in Mindanao. It was only because of stern necessity that the expedition was sanc-tioned. The president did not want war with the Moros, but after that people had murdered American soldiers engaged in friendly exploration in the island, and the dattos had refused to surrender the murderers, it was necessary to punish them in order to maintain American authority.

The fight has caused Republicans in the senate to realize fully the necessity for taking up the defense of the army in a way to convince the insurgents in the Philippines that there is no wavering in congress. The attacks on United States soldiers by Senators Rawlins, Patterson, Carmack, Dubois and Teller have been cabled to Hong Kong and used by the junta to encourage the Fillpino rebels. The fact that the Republicans have not replied to those attacks has created an impression in the Philippines that congress is not in harmony with the administration and the army, From now on the Republicans will take up the fight. It will be made plain that the president is behind the army, that congress is behind the president, and that the insurrection in the Philippines

is to be put down. In congress there is no sentiment in favor of a policy of "scuttle." - The Democrats do not entertain it, though

Vouchers May Be Destroyed to Provide for Deficiencies. Select Councilmen Vaughan and D. B. Evans, comprising a majority of the special committee appointed to draft an

MAY CANCEL WARRANTS.

ordinance appropriating money for the payment of upwards of \$1,300 worth of deficiency bills on file in the city controller's office, met yesterday afternoon and decided to request all heads of departments to send in all outstanding deficiency bills on or before next Monday afternoon. It has been practically decided to

recommend that all warrants dated prior to April 1, 1900, which remain uncalled for in the city clerk's office, be cancelled and that balances remaining in certain accounts against which these remain a charge be used for the payment of all deficiency bills not other-

wise provided for. Controller Costello is at present engaged in compiling a list of unclaimed warrants. It is believed that there are upwards of several thousand dollars of these city vouchers dated prior to April 1, 1900, which have never been called for. A very large number of them are for small amounts and are charged against the ward appropriations. The most of these were drawn on time-sheets approved by the councilmen of the several wards when those gentlemen regulated the expenditure of money for street repairs. It is hinted that many of these warrants were drawn for men who never did a tap of work on the streets and whose names were put on the time-sheet for various purposes. It is further suggested that the councilmen who did this friendly act may have forgotten to tell their constituents about it, or that the latter may have been afraid to draw the money.

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Terrible Death of Otto Borth in the Dickson Mine.

Otto Borth a miner employed in the Dickson mine, North Scranton, was blown to pieces yesterday morning. Borth was a miner and had prepared a blast. It exploded before he could get away from the face of the chamber and he was litterly blown to atoms.

His remains were gathered together and taken to his home in Dunmore and prepared for burial. He was a man of about 38 years of age and is survived by a wife and the following children: Walter, Selina, Lily, Helen and Minnie. Funeral announcement will be made later.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local data for May 5, 1909: Lowest temperature 54 degrees Relative Humidity: 8 a. m. 77 per cent.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, May 5.—Forecast for Tues-day and Wednesday: Eastern Pennsyl-vania—Generally fair Tuesday and Wed-