

# TWENTY-EIGHTH SAENGERFEST

## A RECORD BREAKER.

The Saengerfest a Remarkable Financial and Artistic Success.

Seven thousand people witnessed the opening of the twenty-eighth Saengerfest of the North American Saengerbund at the exposition building, Pittsburgh, Monday evening. As a musical event it eclipsed all previous fests, and as a social success it has had no equal.

President Cleveland formally opened the Saengerfest at 8 o'clock by pressing an electric button in the executive mansion. This closed an electric circuit, the immediate effect of which was to illuminate in the music hall an immense American flag formed by hundreds of beautifully colored incandescent lights. Before touching the button Mr. Cleveland sent the following telegram to the chairman of the committee of arrangements of the Saengerfest.

"I send hearty congratulations to the National Saengerfest and perform my part in its inauguration with sincere wish for the complete success of this festival of song."

The message was read to the assembled throng in Exposition hall, and when the operator at the other end made the signal "O. K." the president touched the button. He promptly after the following telegram addressed to the president was dispatched:

"Exposition Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa., June 8.

"Permit me, in the name and by the authority of the executive committee of the twenty-eighth national Saengerfest of the North American Saengerbund, to thank you most heartily for your generous words and kindly offices in opening our grand festival.

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## INDIANA'S CHAMPION FASTER.

Once She Abstained From Food Three Hundred Days.

Monday Mrs. Henry Ingram, of Latrobe, Ind., entered upon the one hundred and nineteenth day of her remarkable fast. Her career has created a sensation in the medical world and has baffled the skill of the best physicians in the country.

This is the second fast which has brought Mrs. Ingram into prominence. Fifteen years ago it is said she went 90 days without taking food or nourishment of any kind, and for 62 days following the breaking of the fast took nourishment by injection of food into her stomach, her recovery following.

She continued in excellent health until early this year when she was again strangely stricken. She has not yet lost consciousness, and once in about every ten hours asks the watchers who have maintained ceaseless vigils at her bedside, to moisten her lips with a damp cloth.

From 215 pounds, which she weighed before she entered upon her fast, she wasted away until now she is but a shadow of her former self. The physicians are unable to say how long her fast will continue, but unless relief soon comes from some human agency, death will result from starvation.

## Bomb Thrower an Anarchist.

The police have ascertained that the name of the man who threw the bomb into the procession on Sunday last at Barcelona, causing the death of about a dozen people, is Chang-se. He is an agent for an anarchist club. A number of similar bombs have been discovered in the outskirts of this city and it is believed that some of the persons arrested on the charge of complicity in the outrages are connected with the Cuban filibusters.

## Dervishes Routed and Killed.

Major Burn Murdoch's cavalry occupied Suda on Monday and captured the entire Dervish camp and a great quantity of supplies. Many of the enemy were killed, and 42 Dervishes were made prisoners. Sir Herbert Kitchener has sent a detachment of infantry to hold Suda, as it is a very valuable position. The pursuit of the Dervishes has been stopped, as the entire force north of Suda, with the exception of about 200 fugitives, has been killed or captured. The wife of the Nile north of Suda is now in the hands of the Egyptians.

## Tried to Wreck a Train.

An attempt was made near Cedar Hill to wreck the Hartford steamboat train due at New Haven, Conn. at 11 a. m. A tie was placed in a frog some 25 feet. The obstruction was so placed that the train going on it would have been run over at a slight angle.

## THE BERMUDA SAILS AGAIN.

A Party of Cubans From New York Embark on the Vessel.

The steamship Bermuda left Philadelphia Friday night with another cargo of arms and ammunition for the Cuban insurgents. The presence in New York during the last fortnight of Col. Francisco Leyda Vidal has been the subject of considerable comment among the Cubans. Vidal was in command of the last party of filibusters that the Bermuda carried to Cuba. He and Jose Zandibar, a Cuban, and a French physician named Thiner, have been in New York for several days.

Vidal received a secret order from the Junta, and he and his companions left the house at once. Each man carried a mackete in a canvas sheath. They went to Jersey City, where they were joined by a dozen more Cubans. The little band left for Philadelphia, where the Bermuda has been lying ever since her return from Cuba. They went aboard and the steamer quietly dropped down the Delaware before midnight, Friday.

The expedition consists of 50 men, among whom are several physicians, who carry with them a full supply of medicines and surgical instruments. Stowed away in the hold of the Bermuda are 1,000 Mauser rifles, four Hotchkiss guns and a large number of macketes.

## FINED AND LET GO.

Four Pretoria Leaders Assessed \$125,000 Each by the Pretoria Council.

The reform leaders were released on the 11th. At a special meeting of the executive council it was decided to release Mr. John Hays Hammond, Col. Rhodes, George Farrar, and J. W. Leonard, the leaders of the Johannesburg reform committee, upon payment of £25,000 (\$125,000) each or in default 15 year's banishment.

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## MARKED PROGRESS IN BUSINESS

### OUTLOOK UNCHANGED.

Fictitious Prices and Artificial Attacks Scared None.

"Speculative reaction has not in the least changed the business outlook. The fictitious prices made for wheat and cotton meant no good except for individuals, and the change of prices more nearly in accord with actual relations of demand and supply, only confirms conditions which have been well known for months. The attack on stocks on Wednesday was so plainly artificial that its influence passed with the day and neither foreign relations nor in domestic business was there anything to justify alarm. The government report as to wheat indicated a much smaller yield than anybody really expects, but that becomes so much the rule that the report had no real influence, and the real principal effect was the serious depression caused by large sales and anticipations of the report, which is to be thoroughly known in advance to some speculators. While Atlantic exports for the week were 1,588,158 bushels, flour included, against only 809,539 last year, the comparison is obviously exceptional and significant, while the total of 8,000,000 bushels of 2,420,040 bushels against 1,356,230 last year show periods of conditions which have governed the movement during the whole year. The government estimate as to cotton was unexpectedly favorable, and has caused a decline of more than half a cent in a single week, but it is only just to say that some reaction in artificial prices would have come earlier if information more reliable than that of the government had not been persistently disseminated.

It is not the time to look for marked improvement in industries, and the best thing that can be said of them is that none have as yet been seriously disturbed by threatened labor difficulties. It seems not improbable that all such difficulties may be averted, except the iron puddling and tin plate works. While consumption is fair, it is much below the actual output of pig iron, and the markets are extremely dull because a great many orders for finished products are being kept by uncertainty regarding the maintenance of the iron and tin plate works and combinations. The billet pool has been able to make its first large sale, but with the guarantee of the price for months to come, while the middlemen are still selling billets for 10 cents, the price of the iron puddling and tin plate works is 1.3 cents, the price of the iron puddling and tin plate works is 1.3 cents, the price of the iron puddling and tin plate works is 1.3 cents.

The textile manufacturers are making no improvement in the accuracy of their production. Print cloths have declined to the lowest point ever reached, and a general stoppage to relieve the market is expected. Sales of wool in two weeks of June have totaled only 5,292,500 pounds, against 12,561,355 in the same period last year. Failures for the week have been 246 in the United States against 241 last year, and 27 in Canada against 24 last year.

THREE NEW WARSHIPS.

The conferees on the naval appropriation bill reached an agreement Monday, which will probably be acceptable to both houses. On the item about the number of battleships to be authorized there was but little trouble. A pension amendment, and three battleships were agreed to.

In order that there may be no delay in the work Secretary Herbert is directed to make the contracts for these three ships within ninety days after the bill becomes a law. Thus the unusually equitable over the plans for the ships which characterized the plans for the Kentucky and Kearsarge last year will be avoided. The bureau chiefs will be compelled to agree, and that speedily, on the plans for the three new battleships.

Senator Quay and Congressman Robinson stood firmly against the proposed act of injustice to the pensioners of armor plate workers, and finally brought the matter to a close. It was agreed to instruct Secretary Herbert to not make contracts for the new armor for the new battleships until congress meets again next winter. In the meantime he is to make a thorough investigation into the price paid for armor here and abroad, and also the cost of its manufacture, and is to report the results to congress early next December.

This delay is not of much consequence, as armor contracts are never made until some time after the contracts for the ships. It is unfortunate for the pensioners of battleship companies, however, that the question of the price to be paid for armor has been raised, as it has aroused those who favor a government armor plant. Taking advantage of this agitation, Congressman Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts, introduced a resolution in the House directing Secretary Herbert to furnish the House an estimate of the cost of establishing a suitable armor plate plant at the Charleston navy yard.

A SMALL LABOR RIOT.

Two Hundred Union Workmen Drive Molders from a Foundry.

A force of union molders marched on the foundry of Dornier & Dutton on Hamilton street, Cleveland, O., June 8, where castings were being made for the Brown Hoisting and Conveying Company, in which concern there is a lockout. The union men had determined that there should be no work done in the foundry of Dornier & Dutton for the Brown Hoisting and Conveying Company, and they threatened to execute by action. Two hundred union molders marched in a body, first attacking in a body the shops of the Dornier & Dutton Company and then rushing upon Dornier & Dutton's shop. The molders and conveyors driven out of the building. The police were finally summoned and quelled the riot.

OHIO PROHIBS SPLIT.

Some Stand by the Regular Party, Others Go to the New One.

The Prohibition State Convention met in Columbus. But 10 members of the 21 were present. They agreed to stand by the old party. There were some others in the room, but after announcing themselves in favor of the new national party withdrew. The vacancies were filled by the selection of new members.

The question of calling another State Convention to fill the vacancies by reason of resignations and desertions was up, but a decision was reached that the committee had the power to fill vacancies. Secretary of State Taylor, however, the new National Party, or seceders from the Pittsburgh convention, cannot get on the Australian ballot unless by petition.

A Mine Accident in Illinois.

The Taylorville, Ill. coal mining works were destroyed by fire Friday morning and 85 men entombed alive. After hours of imprisonment all but three were rescued alive. The fire, which was caused by an explosion of gas, spread rapidly through the mine, cutting off the men at work in the lower levels.

## WALLING'S DEFENSE.

An Effort to Throw All Blame on Scott Jackson.

Alonso M. Walling took the witness stand in his own behalf in his trial for the murder of Pearl Bryan. It was manifested from the drift of the direct examination that the purpose of the defense was to throw the whole guilt of the murder on Scott Jackson, and if possible, establish an alibi for Walling himself. Walling said in his opening cross examination that Scott Jackson first mentioned Pearl Bryan to him early in January, just after he had returned from a holiday vacation at Green Castle. "Then," said Walling, "Jackson took me in a corner of our room, told me Pearl Bryan was in trouble that he would bring her here to have an operation performed, and asked me to help him. I agreed to help him by getting a suitable room and a competent physician. Jackson, a little later, said he would bring the girl here, give her some quinine, and kill her in some hotel, leaving the impression that she had committed suicide. Still later he proposed to kill her with poison in a private room, cut her up and scatter the pieces in the city streets."

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