

23 OF THE VICTIMS HAVE SO FAR BEEN TAKEN FROM MINE

At 9 A. M. 11 More of Victims of Coaldale Mine Were Removed Making 23. Horrible Details of Catastrophe. List of White Men Killed.

Of Those Removed 18 Were Negroes Most From Virginia. Different Causes of the Death. Rescuing Party Work Valiantly to Reach Bodies.

By Associated Press. Bluefield, Jan. 5.—Eleven victims of the Coaldale mine disaster, were removed from the mines at three o'clock this morning. Other bodies have been located.

Coaldale is a mining town situated in Mercer county on the line of the Norfolk & Western Railway and is 15 miles west of Bluefield.

But once before in the history of the Pocahontas coal field has there been such a fearful disaster as that in the Coaldale Coal Company's shaft today. The victims of that other disaster sleep in the cemetery at Pocahontas.

Eleven More Rescued. Bluefield, W. Va., Jan. 5.—At 9 A. M. today 11 more bodies were removed from the Coaldale mine, making 23 in all, 5 whites and 18 negroes.

The rescuing party is composed of nearly all fire bosses in the field, mine inspectors and large number of friends of the entombed miners worked all night, the rescuers first getting a large supply of brattice material, and with the use of new fans the party was able to enter the mines at 2 A. M.

An hour later they succeeded in locating and rescuing bodies of 11 victims, those nearest to the entry of the cracker entry of the mine, which is a now working and is located at the extreme west end of the mine proper.

Mine Boss Williams, who at the time of the explosion was in the main entry and nearly a mile from the cracker neck portion, suffered from concussion and was almost overcome by dust and gases before he could reach the east draft mouth. The greater number of victims were working some little distance from the point where the explosion occurred and were found to have been suffocated. Those located in the cracker neck or in room 11 of this portion, were terribly mangled.

The damage to the mine is very heavy and it will require considerable time to get that portion back in working shape. The majority of negro miners were from the eastern portion of Virginia and were the oldest miners in the field. The white men killed are: J. W. Larew, W. L. Larew, James Sluss, Larasz Alardar (Hungarian) and Anthony Bruce (Pole).

GOVERNMENT IN HARNESS. Revolutionists Are At Last Quelled—Military Stifle Movement. By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—The Government victory over the revolutionists has been quite decisive, although open revolt continues in many places in the interior. The military are employed mercilessly, and gradually the movement is being stifled.

BOTTOM DROPPED OUT OF CASES Judge Boyd Ruled That Patterson Could not Testify That he Had Expended Amount for Other Than Expenses. Aycock Addressing Jury.

Special to The News. Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 5.—The bottom dropped out of several revenue cases this morning when Judge Boyd ruled that defendant Patterson, on trial in the Federal court for filling and collecting false expense account vouchers from the Government, could testify that he had expended the amount for other necessities than those specified.

The defendants excepted and declined to introduce evidence. Judge Boyd said he would charge the jury if they believed the evidence that the defendant was guilty. Governor Aycock, for the defendants, is now addressing the jury.

LOSS OF \$18,000. Nothing Heard of \$18,000 Alleged to Have Been Lost From Express Package.

By Associated Press. Columbia, S. C., Jan. 5.—Nothing can be learned here regarding the alleged loss of \$18,000 from an express package en route between Augusta, Ga., and New York. J. R. Fant, the route agent of this division believes the loss occurred outside his territory.

The package was in Columbia two hours between 3:30 and 6 o'clock in the morning, but has been traced to New York in apparent good order. However this is known as "concealed" loss, and the robbery might have occurred even before the package left Augusta. T. W. Leary, the general manager of the Southern Express Company, is here making an investigation. Within the last few years the Southern Express Company has lost two \$10,000 packages here, neither of which was ever found.

APPEAL TO PRESIDENT. "Can a Woman Be Hanged in New Jersey For Defending Her Honor?"

By Associated Press. Hackensack, N. J., Jan. 5.—An appeal to save Mrs. Antoinette Tolla of this city from being hanged January 12, is said to have been sent to President Roosevelt by Susan B. Anthony, club of Cincinnati, Ohio. In this appeal the following question was asked: "Can a woman be hanged in New Jersey for defending her honor in her own home?" The message is said to have been signed by Mrs. Sarah M. Siewers, M. D., as president of the club.

Mrs. Tolla, who is a young woman, shot an Italian who she said attempted to attack her in her own home. The Jury found her guilty of murder.

LIVELY MARKET. Weakness of Yesterday Vanished at To-day's Opening. By Associated Press. New York, Jan. 5.—Excitement and weakness in the stock market yesterday afternoon caused by Schiff's speech on currency seemed to have disappeared entirely when the stock exchange opened. The first price showed mixed gains and losses, but almost immediately the market developed a strong tone and advancing tendency. Money opened at nine, the lowest point at which it opened in several weeks.

PACKAGE MISSING CONTAINED \$18,000 It was in a Southern Express Company Pouch and Passed Through Charlotte Saturday Night on No. 34. Superintendent Sadler Out of City.

A package said to have contained \$18,000 was taken from a Southern Express Company pouch some where between Augusta and Washington. This valuable pouch passed through Charlotte Saturday night on No. 34 and was received in Washington Sunday morning. From there it went on to New York, where the loss was discovered. The following dispatch from New York was sent out by Associated Press last night: "The discovery of the theft of \$18,000 from a pouch received by the Adams Express company from the Southern Express company, at Washington, was made here last Monday. The pouch left Columbia, S. C., last Saturday. In addition to the money, it contained other articles of great value and was consigned in the care of J. C. Young, the agent, who has charge of the money department of the Adams Express company in this city. "The detectives in the employ of the company have been unable to get any clue. They expressed the belief to-night, however, that the robbery took place in Washington. The seal of the pouch, the officials of the Southern Express say, was not broken on the trip to Washington, and unless the money was taken out by a person who had the facilities for putting on a duplicate seal, the money could not have been lost until the pouch reached Washington. Mr. Young, the agent in this city, says the seal on the Adams Express pouch was intact when it was received here. For that reason the officials have ordered a most thorough investigation in Washington."

In Columbia last night, Mr. T. W. Leary, general manager of the company was approached but he had nothing to say. Mr. H. H. McCullough, his private secretary, admitted there had been a loss and that the matter was being traced on the Charlotte and Augusta division. Mr. McCullough further stated that there was nothing to indicate that the pouch had been tampered with between Augusta and Charlotte. A despatch from Washington, says: "It developed today that about \$18,000 was taken from an express pouch between Augusta, Ga., and New York. The Southern Express company received the package at Augusta. From there it went to Columbia, S. C., and there it went to New York early Sunday morning. The Adams Express company then sent it to New York and there the loss was discovered. Officials of the express company are making an investigation but nothing has been found so far to indicate who took the money."

The office of Superintendent O. M. Sadler was called up this afternoon but it was learned that Mr. Sadler was out of the city. Mr. Gillespie Sadler said that the Southern Express Co. had nothing to give out, as yet.

WITCHES GET BABY'S HEART, TO PREPARE PRESCRIBED CURE

Negro and Mulatto Murder White Baby to Obtain its Heart for Making of Poulitice, Said by Witches to Cure Barrenness. A Hellish Crime.

Bocourt and Molina are Garrotted for the Crime. Others Imprisoned in Connection With it Baby's Body Salted and Smoked. Weeks Before Found.

By Associated Press. Havana, Jan. 5.—Domingo Bocourt, an old negro, and Victor Molina, a mulatto, were garrotted at the prison here. Both men were regarded as "witches" by their associates. The crime was the hideous murder of a white baby, Zoila Diaz for the purpose of procuring the heart of a female child which "witches" prescribed as a poulitice for a certain woman as a cure for barrenness. The child's body was found smoked and salted weeks after the crime.

The executions passed off promptly. A dozen other men and women are imprisoned in connection with the crime.

580 Were Victims. Tukum, Courland, Russia, Jan. 5.—Five hundred and eighty persons were killed or wounded during the recent revolt here.

BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETS. At Annual Meeting All Cities in League Represented. By Associated Press. Savannah, Jan. 5.—The annual meeting of the South Atlantic Baseball League was held this afternoon. Representatives from all cities in the league were present. Charles W. Boyer, of Hagerstown, Maryland, will probably be re-elected president. Lewis G. Wood, of Columbia, S. C., and H. H. Morris, of Augusta, are candidates for secretary. The 1906 schedule provides for 120 games, season opening April 16th and closing September 3rd. The Savannah franchise is to be sold to syndicate headed by George Lechwald.

STUDY CROP ADAPTATION. Birds to be Used as Aid in Destroying Boll Weevil. Washington, Jan. 5.—In order to indicate the crops best adapted to certain areas of the biological survey of the department of agriculture is marking life zones, and sub-divisions, so that it will be possible for the farmer to select from the study of the methods and data to be furnished by the department of the crops best suited to his individual needs, saving many costly experiments. The survey has completed an interesting report of its work for the last year. In regard to the boll weevil the report says: "Despite efforts to stay its ravages the boll weevil still continues a pest. The biological survey is making an effort to find out what species of birds prey upon the insect, with a view of careful protection of such species."

MRS. MORRIS SENT FROM WHITE HOUSE

Insisted on Seeing President and When Refused Went Into State of Nervous Collapse. Her Shrieks Heard Throughout the Building.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 5.—Mrs. Minor Morris, who yesterday was rejected from the White House after insisting upon seeing the President, today is in a state of nervous collapse. In response to inquiries, she sent word by a near friend that although she keenly felt the humiliation to which she had been subjected, she proposed to allow the matter to drop. Further information was conveyed that her husband, Dr. Morris, will reach here tomorrow from Ohio.

A statement was made today by Assistant Secretary B. F. Barnes, of the White House, concerning the ejection of Mrs. Minor Morris. The statement says Mrs. Morris' piercing shrieks were heard throughout the building and it became necessary in the interest of order to have removed. The statement further says there is no truth whatever in the statement made by the morning papers that a negro held hold of Mrs. Morris and assisted in carrying her.

\$5 Was Forfeited. Mrs. Morris was charged in the police court today with disorderly conduct. She did not appear and the \$5 collateral which was put up for her at the house of detention was declared forfeited.

IGNORE WASHINGTON. Foremost Negro Educator Will Be Invited to Convention.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Several negro clergymen of Washington called at the White House yesterday morning to inform the President that a large convention of negroes from all parts of the country is to be held in this city on January 24 for the purpose of discussing the suffrage question. They expect that at least 300 delegates will be present.

The delegates will represent the more radical element of their race, and it is believed that Booker T. Washington, their foremost educator, will not even be invited to come to the meeting. The ministers who called at the White House, but who failed to see the President, declare that it is the purpose of the convention to demand an expression of some kind from Congress on the negro suffrage question.

AN AFFABLE ROBBER. Nice Appearing Young Man Steals While Applying For Room.

Washington, Pa. 5.—A well dressed young man went to the home of Mrs. B. R. Earp, 14 Delaware avenue, northeast, early yesterday morning, to rent a room and while being shown the various apartments in the house by Mrs. Earp, he stole a gold watch and chain valued at \$60 from a bureau in the room and Mrs. Earp's pocket-book containing about \$6, from a bureau in another room.

"He was such a nice appearing young man, I would not have suspected him," said the victim, when she reported her loss to the police later. She furnished a description of the thief, and says she will be able to identify him if he is caught.

DILWORTH GAS HOUSE DESTROYED

The Entire Plant of 4 C's Company Threatened by Blaze Which Started in Main Gas Building This Afternoon. Gas Tanks in Danger.

A message was telephoned to the fire companies and in a short while the chemical and hose wagon and hook and ladder truck were on the scene. The gas building is nearly a half mile from the nearest city hydrant and water connection could not be secured in time to save any of the building. The pressure of the Dilworth water plant was insufficient to even attempt to extinguish the flames, the pressure not being enough to throw a stream as high as the second story of the building. The firemen were compelled to stand by and see the angry flames devour the handsome new building and the magnificent gas fixtures that manufacture the entire amount of gas consumed by the city. They were perfectly helpless to turn a hand. The building and entire contents, valued approximately at \$20,000 or \$25,000 went up in the flames.

Mr. E. D. Latta, the president of the 4 C's company, was early at the scene. He stated to a News man that he could not even make an estimate as to the total amount of damage. The building and machinery was insured but nothing like the real value.

It is given out that Charlotte consumers of gas will be in the dark for an indefinite length of time as the supply of gas now on hand will not last longer than one night. It may be days and even weeks before gas may be manufactured.

A tenement house owned by the Charlotte Trousers Co., caught on fire and a large hole was burned in the roof. The blaze was put out before much damage was done.

WITNESS IS GUARDED. Hiller is Under Close Surveillance of Police Officer.

By Associated Press. New Haven, Conn., Jan. 5.—Closely guarded by a police officer, A. Maxey Hiller, the most important witness in the case in the murder of his brother-in-law, Charles A. Edwards, of New York, is spending the day at his residence on Temple street. He may be under close surveillance for a number of days if there is any significance in the statements of Coroner Mix, made at noon that he expected to detain Mr. Hiller "much longer than 24 hours." The inquest does not appear to be anywhere near complete.

Goes to Face Czar's Wrath. London, Jan. 5.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Standard says that Prince Peter Kuropatkin, the Russian Socialist leader, who has lived in England for a long time, has written to his friend Prof. Brandes, informing him that he and his daughter are about to return to Russia, from which country he fled in 1876 after escaping from a military hospital.

He says he believes that Russia needs him and he says he is therefore determined to defy all dangers and return.

THE COURT MARTIAL PROCEEDINGS MAY LAST LONG TIME

Trial of P. B. Marzani, Charged With Hazing Roberts is Begun. Six Specifications in Charge. Roberts Alleged Sufferer in Fosters Case.

No Other Charges Against Midshipmen Filed, but Academy Authorities State Court Will be Furnished With New Ones as Fast as Needed.

By Associated Press. Annapolis, Jan. 5.—The trial of Midshipman Petterson B. Marzoni, of Pensacola, a member of the First class, on the charge of hazing Midshipman Roberts of Joliet, Ills., a member of the Fourth class, has begun.

The charge is supported by six specifications. Roberts was also alleged to be the sufferer in the incidents upon which are based all four of the specifications in the Foster's case, the trial of which was completed yesterday.

Marzoni is being defended by George H. Mann, an attorney of New York city, who was a member of the class of '95.

No charge against any other Midshipman has been filed but the academy authorities state that the court will be kept supplied with charges at the termination of each case for an indefinite period.

The specifications. The first specification alleges the hazing of Roberts by compelling him to perform "No. 16," the second and third specifications allege Marzoni hazed Fourth Classman Benjamin W. Tyre, of Atlanta by compelling him to bring the accused's breakfast on different occasions.

The last three charges are in connection with the alleged hazing of Midshipman Albert C. Bryant, of Canton Bend, Alabama, a Fourth Classman. They allege that Marzoni compelled him to bring him his breakfast, to stand on his head 20 times and to perform "No. 16" 50 times.

Trial Delayed. At the request of the defense, the trial was delayed until the opening of court tomorrow.

AGED BRIDES AND GROOMS. Eighty Mated to Sixty-seven and Seventy to Fifty-nine.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 5.—Two grooms, whose ages aggregate 150 years, and two brides, whose aggregate ages are 126 years, were married yesterday and today.

Jerome B. Kelley, of Avoyn, Wayne county, who is eighty years and Mrs. Annie Hamill, of Dunmore, who is sixty-seven years, were married today, and yesterday seventy-year-old Benjamin Smith and fifty-nine-year-old Rebecca Hancock, of New Albany, Pa., were married.

THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF BILL UP

Representative Champ Clark of Mississippi Opens Discussion. Williams to Make Short Speech. Clark Stated Position of Democrats on Bill.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 5.—The debate on the Philippine Tariff Bill was continued in the House. Clark (Missouri), opened the discussion with a general speech devoted particularly to the German tariff situation. He prefaced this with a brief reference to the bill under consideration. Stating the Democratic position on the bill, he said his party would vote for it because the Democratic substitute for absolute free trade had not been supported by the Republicans.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Representative John Sharp Williams, the minority leader in the House, has returned from Mississippi, where he was called by the serious illness of his daughter, who is much improved. In Mr. Williams' absence, Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, took his place as the floor leader for the Democrats and he is to be the chief speaker for the minority on the Philippine Tariff bill. Williams had intended to make a general tariff speech, but he said he has had no time to prepare it and will not enter into a lengthy tariff discussion at this time.

NEWS FROM THE DEWEY. Potomac Brings News From The Dewey — Is 100 Miles Off Bermuda. By Associated Press. Hamilton, Bermuda, Jan. 5.—The United States tug boat Potomac, one of the convoys of the floating drydock Dewey arrived for coal and provisions. The Potomac reports having left the Dewey about 100 miles off Bermuda. The Dewey will pass here tomorrow.

MAXTON NEWS NOTES.

Erezy Items About People in Thriving Town. Special to The News. Maxton, N. C., Jan. 5.—Messrs. Frank McLean and J. A. Shaw, Jr., left Tuesday night for Chapel Hill, N. C. McLean is an instructor at the University and Mr. Shaw expects to study law.

Miss Pearl Morrison, of McCall, S. C., who has been visiting the Misses McNair, returned to her home last night. Miss Margaret Barnes and her guest, Miss Walker, who have been spending the holidays here, returned to Greensboro last night.

The following young ladies have returned to school, after spending the holidays here with their people: Miss Sallie L. McKinnon, to Mary Baldwin Seminary, in Virginia; Misses C. B. McNair, Emma B. McRae and her guest, Miss Clay, to the Southern Presbyterian College, at Red Springs.

Messrs. A. J. McKinnon, W. R. McKay and Col. E. P. McRae came in this morning from Raleigh, where they have been attending the farmers' convention. Mrs. A. D. McLean and young son, who have been visiting relatives here, left for their home at Washington this morning.

Dr. L. R. Kirkpatrick left last night for Camden, S. C., where he is one of the attendants at the marriage of his friend, Rev. P. C. DuBose. Mr. D. S. Currie left yesterday for Charlotte to resume his studies in the North Carolina Medical College there.

Important Business Change. There are to be some important changes in the management of the well known shoe firm of Berryhill & Bryan. It is rumored that Mr. Berryhill will dispose of some, if not all, of his interest in the firm and that a stock company will be formed.

It is understood that Mr. Berryhill will move to his farm and devote his entire attention to farming and dairying.

CAR BUSINESS FOR YEAR. Railway Age Gives Statistics of Business Done in Year. By Associated Press. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 5.—The Railway Age prints the statistics of car and locomotive business showing in the 12 months just closed that the railways of the country ordered 24,213 freight cars, 6,265 locomotives and 3,289 passenger cars.

INJUNCTION ASKED FOR, BY TOM DIXON

Thos. Dixon Applied to Judge Purnell for Injunction Restraining Coranie Runkle Theatrical Co. From Presenting Southern Play Resembling Clansman.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., January 5.—The Counsel for Thomas Dixon, Jr., pro-secuted from Judge Purnell in the Federal Court here today an injunction against the Coranie Runkle Theatrical Company enjoining them from again presenting on the stage the revision of "The Clansman," which they played in Raleigh a week ago. The Runkles claim that their play was written by a man Britton, who was with the company and has no connection with Dixon's "Clansman." The injunction is returnable in ten days for the hearing.

Governor Glenn says that from his study of the report of the State Board of Charities which has stirred up the charges of improper association of white and colored convicts of county camps he finds that there are fifteen or sixteen counties requiring investigation, which he will immediately make—Alamance, Buncombe, Cabarrus, Columbus, Davidson, Durham, Forsythe, Guilford, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Randolph, Rowan, Swain, Union and Wayne.

The Wake County Board of Education today, passed an order that at all times separate quarters must be maintained for white and colored convicts, and white prisoners must be worked on the roads so as to intermingle as little as possible with negro convicts.

The Wake County Board of Education find that the public school fund for the county this year will be \$47,740, or \$2.50 for each of the 19,056 children in the county of school age.

Sheriff Page, of Wake county, settles State taxes for 1905, paying into the State Treasury \$42,539.

Chairman J. W. Bailey, of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, announces that he will issue an address to the people of the State very soon urging redoubled vigor in their work for temperance in view of the fact that this year the party primaries are to be held and members of the General Assembly chosen. The past year he says six temperance elections have been won and two lost. Most significant is the fact that Elizabeth City and Goldsboro vote again for prohibition after two years' trial. One of the two lost was Asheville, where a dispensary was defeated and saloons relicensed.

The North Carolina Corporation Commission returned this morning from Goldsboro, where they went to hear the petition of citizens for a union passenger station to be provided there by the Southern, the Atlantic Coast Line and the Atlantic and North Carolina Roads. They report that the whole matter was postponed for ninety days, when, it is understood, that the railroad companies will submit a proposition as to the location of a union station. The difficulty is over the location, the roads being willing to provide the union station if the question of location can be settled.

150 MEN KILLED OR WOUNDED IN FIGHT JANUARY THE 3RD

The Commander of Morales' Forces, Demetrio Rodriguez, Lost his Life in the Battle. Over 150 Were Killed or Wounded.

Morales' Forces Leave on Gunboat Independencia for Monte Christi. General Jimenez to Compete for Presidency of Santo Domingo.

Special to The News. Cape Hayti, Jan. 5.—One hundred and fifty men were killed or wounded in the fighting January third when Demetrio Rodriguez, the Morales commander, lost his life.

The remainder of Morales' followers embarked on the gunboat Independencia, off Puerto Plata, after which the vessel sailed for Monte Christi. It is understood that General Jimenez, the former president of Santo Domingo will, with the assistance of Morales, compete for the Presidency.

A large part of the population of Northern Santo Domingo are said to favor Jimenez.

Revolution Ended. Washington, Jan. 5.—Cable advices received at the State Department from San Domingo announce that the revolution is practically ended; troops dispersing to their homes and the country is becoming quiet.

Morales to Be Impached. A proclamation has been issued announcing the decision of Congress to impeach the fugitive president, General Morales.

BONAPARTE'S TRIP. To Leave for Charleston, S. C., Sail on Dolphin—Reception to Be Tendered. By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 5.—Plans have been completed for Secretary Bonaparte's trip to Charleston, S. C. He will leave Baltimore on the Dolphin Sunday afternoon, and transfer to the United States ship Charleston at some convenient point in the Chesapeake Bay. It is expected that he will arrive at Charleston, S. C., about noon Jan. 9. On that evening a reception will be tendered to the Secretary and officers of the cruiser, and on the 10th the ceremonies of presentation will take place and there will be a banquet in the evening. The Secretary will leave Charleston probably on the morning of January 11th, returning to Washington by rail.

PERISHED IN FLAMES. Mechanic Near Glendale, Md., Burned to Death in His Home. Upper Marlboro, Md., Jan. 5.—Thomas Wickham, a mechanic, about fifty years of age, was burned to death during a fire which destroyed a small house on the farm of Thomas McGruder, near Glendale, this county, Saturday evening last, about 7:30 o'clock. All that was left of the victim's body was the trunk and a part of the head.

Benjamin Cross, a justice of the peace at Southbrook, summoned a jury of inquest, with T. Howard Duckett, as foreman. The testimony of a young colored boy was to the effect that he had taken Wickham in a vehicle to the building some time before the fire broke out. He said Wickham was intoxicated at the time and took a quart of whiskey in the house with him. The theory is that Wickham must have upset a lamp, which ignited his clothing and set fire to the house. A lamp was found near the spot where Wickham's body was found. He leaves three brothers.

J. S. Baehre & Co's Cotton Letter. New York, Jan. 5.—Liverpool advices today were decidedly conflicting. One local cotton judge of speculative market conditions stated that Mr. Schiff's speech was creating a bearish sentiment and the feeling of distrust was growing regarding the ability of the South to continue holding. Another opinion from one in touch with the spinners does not expect any decline because the trade demand is good enough to sustain prices at the present level.

We think that the demand for the actual will show a decided improvement when the future market gets a little higher, judging from the advices received from shippers in the South and also brokers selling in the mills.

TWO SUITS AGAINST STANDARD OIL CO.

William Rockefeller, Nephew to John D., was Witness in Two Suits Brought by State of Missouri Against Standard Oil Co. and Other Companies.

By Associated Press. New York, Jan. 5.—William G. Rockefeller, nephew to John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, was one of the witnesses who attended the hearing before Frederick W. Sanborn, the special commissioner appointed by Gov. Folk, of Missouri, to take evidence in the two suits brought by Missouri against the Standard Oil Company and companies alleged to be allied with it.

It is alleged by the prosecution that these corporations are federated for the purpose of preventing competition and of controlling prices in the violation of the Missouri anti Trust laws.