

DAY BY DAY THE HORRORS OF THE VOLCANO INCREASE

Morning Opened with Atmosphere Oppressive and Indicative of More Devastation. From all Quarters Comes Wail of Distress. Land Clothed in Ashes.

Many Houses Collapsed and Others Tottering. Will Take 100,000 Men to Raze Unsafe Houses. Town of Sarno Reported Destroyed.

Naples, April 11.—This morning opened with the atmosphere oppressive and yellow with ashes from Mount Vesuvius, causing a feeling of apprehension regarding what the future may hold in store for this city and vicinity.

The volcano was completely hidden in a dense mass of cinder-laden smoke, the only other signs of activity being frequent and very severe detonations and deep rumblings.

From all quarters come reports of accumulation of ashes, flight of terror-stricken inhabitants from towns and villages, collapse of buildings, insufficiency of relief measures, hunger and discouragement.

It is no longer possible to reach the points which have suffered most severely. Even the soldiers detailed to guard the ruins at Ottajano have been recalled and the town has been left to its fate.

The military forces have earned the gratitude and admiration of the people by their devotion to duty and work. The situation generally is considered less alarming than yesterday evening.

According to the Mattino 50 houses, three churches and municipal buildings at Sommo have collapsed, and cinders are six feet deep there and all inhabitants have sought safety in flight.

Houses at Ottajano are still collapsing and most buildings in the towns and villages in that neighborhood are tottering, or in ruins.

Railroad Service Interrupted. The eruption from Vesuvius increased during the night and a coating of four inches covered the ground and roofs of the buildings.

All the railroad service out of the city is interrupted. The engineers refused to take out their trains because of the darkness caused by the heavy fall of ashes.

So widespread is the catastrophe caused by the eruption that it is estimated it will require an organized body of 100,000 men and the expenditure of many millions of dollars to raze the unsafe houses, to erect temporary quarters for the refugees; to clear the roofs of the buildings that may yet be saved; and to extricate from the ruins of the fallen structures and bury the dead.

Sarno Reported Destroyed. The Mattino asserts that Sarno, in the Province of Salerno, has been destroyed. It is impossible to verify the report.

Sarno is a town of some 10,000 people situated about 10 miles east of Mount Vesuvius.

Panic Prevails. The panic here is increasing, the prisoners in the city jail mutinied owing to fright and succeeded in breaking open some doors inside the building but were subdued by the guards.

ON CHURCH UNITY. Basis for Union With Associated Reform Church of South Formulated. By Associated Press.

Pittsburg, April 11.—The committee on Unity with their denominations of the United Presbyterian church, in session here, has formulated a basis for the union with the Associate Reformed church of the South and will at once submit it to the committee on the Union of the Southern church. If approved by that committee, it will be presented at the general assembly of the United Presbyterian Church at its meeting in Richmond, Ind., next month.



GOVERNOR FRANK R. GOODING OF IDAHO, THREATENED BY THE MOLLY MAGUIRES.

Governor Gooding, who has been trying to clear up the murder of former Governor Steunenberg, has received warnings that he will meet a like fate with his predecessor. Gooding is a Republican and took office in January, 1905. He is the largest sheep owner in the state and one of the largest in the west. His numerous flocks comprising in all 75,000 head. He is now looking for black sheep in the human flock under his control.

AMENDMENT FOR CHARLOTTE FIRM

Business of E. V. Finlayson May Begin When \$1,000, of Capital is Subscribed. Governor Finds Strong Sentiment Favoring Prohibition at Graham.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., April 11.—An amendment was allowed for the charter of the E. V. Finlayson Manufacturing Company, of Charlotte, providing that the business may begin when \$1,000 of the capital is subscribed. The incorporators are Paul Chatham, E. V. Finlayson and W. A. Ebert.

Governor Glenn came in this morning from Graham, where he delivered an address in advocacy of the prohibition election last night. He says he found the sentiment overwhelmingly for prohibition. He left on the Seaboard train at 11:45 for Washington for the purpose of adjusting the differences of accounts of the War Department with the North Carolina National Guard. He will be back at the Executive Office Saturday morning.

Late last afternoon the horse of Dr. O. H. Jones broke from the driver at the public fountain in front of the city market and dashed across the street, plunging into the plate glass front of the salaroom of the National Cash Register Co., in the Carolina Trust building. The glass over twenty-five feet square, was broken in to smithereens and the horse so badly cut that it is not thought that it can recover. The little daughter of State Veterinarian Tait Butler was knocked over by the runaway horse and a wheel of the buggy passed over her but her injuries are not serious.

The State Board of Education during a session held last night employed Frank Thompson of Onslow county as special attorney to protect and look after the interest of the State in the vast amount of swamp lands owned by the State and set aside for educational purposes in Onslow, Jones and adjacent counties.

State Commissioner of Insurance J. H. Young paid into the State Treasury today \$9,855.83 this being the last of his collections for State insurance licenses and other receipts for his office for the fiscal year ending April 1. This makes a total of \$205,124.07 for the year, this being a gain of \$7,721.79 over the receipts from the same sources during the years before the insurance department was established in 1899.

The court was asked to pass on this question in the appeal of State vs. Lyle from Asheville last term but avoided it because not squarely presented as the direct issue. In the Parkersville case, however, the issue is settled finally in favor of police justice and recorders courts, the opinion being written by Mr. Justice Hoke.

DRY DOCK DEWEY. Broke Tow Lines and Drifted For 23 Hours—Is Again Under Control. By Associated Press.

Washington, April 11.—The dry dock Dewey broke its tow lines in the Mediterranean off Malta and drifted about in the storm for about 23 hours, but is now again in control of the vessels which are towing it.

Greene—Gaynor. By Associated Press. Savannah, Ga., April 11.—The Greene and Gaynor case, it is said, will go to the jury tomorrow morning about 10 o'clock. Judge Speer began his address to the jury. The first hour and a half of the charge was devoted to the presentation of the charges upon which the indictments were returned. A session will be held tonight.

Coming Marriage. Deputy Register of Deeds Benjamin Powell has issued a marriage license to Mr. W. L. Muse who will wed Miss L. L. Elam.

MISSED DEATH BY A NARROW MARGIN

Negro Girl Struck Early this Morning by a Highland Park Electric Car, was Playing Jumping on and Off the Track. She Will Recover.

Laura James, a negro girl who lives at No. 607 North "A" street, escaped death by a narrow margin this morning.

The girl, with a number of other negroes, were en route to the Waste factory, near the Highland Park Co.'s new mill.

An out-going Highland Park car, the first of the day, was moving down the long, straight stretch of track before you reach the end of the line. The car, No. 22, was in charge of Conductor R. S. Johnston and Motorman N. M. Jones.

Just as the car was passing in front of the Southern Power Co.'s sub-station the girl jumped on the track and then jumped back. She repeated this performance two or three times. The last time she jumped on the track, before she could jump back, the outer edge of the fender struck her and with fearful force threw her to one side.

Motorman Jones stopped his car as soon as possible and he and Conductor Johnston went back to ascertain how badly the girl was injured. They found blood coming from an ugly cut on the head. They also found that she had sustained other less serious injuries.

The girl was taken to her home, near-by and medical aid was summoned.

The negroes who were with the girl, so they say, had warned her about jumping on and off the track. She paid no heed to the repeated warning, but continued at this dangerous pastime.

It is the greatest wonder in the world that the child was not killed instantly. Those aboard the car say that she would have been had it not been for the fender striking her and knocking her from the track.

The 4 C's Company has been annoyed no little by children playing on the tracks beyond the Seaboard crossing, on Brevard street. They congregate along the embankment and in the deep cut in large numbers and it is a wonder that an accident has not occurred before this. The parents of these children, both white and black, are certainly remiss in their duty when they permit this.

The girl that was struck this morning was not seriously injured.

CAN GO'VT. COMPETE WITH PRIVATE CO'S. IN SHIP BUILDING?

According to View at Navy Department Construction of Battleship Connecticut by Government will Cost \$400,000, More than Sister Ship, the Louisiana.

Louisiana is Being Built by Private Contractors. Government May Lose in Race. Figures and Facts in Construction of Both Battleships Compared.

Washington, April 11.—The present prospects are, according to the view now obtaining at the Navy Department, that the battleship Connecticut, being constructed by the government at the New York Navy Yard, will not only cost approximately \$400,000 more than her sister ship, the Louisiana, being built by private contractors, but the government will lose the race which has been on since the building of the two big ships began.

Just how much longer it may take to complete the Connecticut than the Louisiana depends upon Congress. According to the latest figures at the Navy Department showing the progress being made, the percentage of completion reached on the Louisiana is 97.92 and the Connecticut 97.11.

It was stated at the department today that after spending the allowance made for the present month the department will have but \$10,000 to spend on the Connecticut for May, unless Congress in the meantime passes an appropriation bill and authorizes an increase in limit of the cost asked for by the department and for which provision is made in the bill.

Another factor in retarding the work on the Connecticut has been the curtailment in the working force at New York Navy Yard made necessary by lack of funds. The force there was cut down from 3,000 to 2,000.

It is estimated at the department that the Louisiana will be ready for delivery to the government in from four to six weeks.

COAL OPERATORS PROPOSITION. General Scale Committee Went into Executive Session to Consider Proposition.

New York, April 11.—The general scale committee of the Anthracite mine workers went into executive session to consider the counter proposition made by the coal operators for the settlement of the differences existing between the idle wage workers and their employers.

Edward Flynn, president of the Alabama district of the miners Union and W. R. Fairly representing that state on the International Executive Board of the miners organization, are in the city to confer with Mr. Mitchell on the situation in Alabama where the strike has been for a long time.

ARE RY'S INTERESTED? Interstate Commerce Commission Continues Investigation.

Philadelphia, April 11.—The Interstate Commerce Commission continued the investigation ordered by Congress to determine how far and in what manner the railroads are interested in the coal and oil which they transport as common carriers.

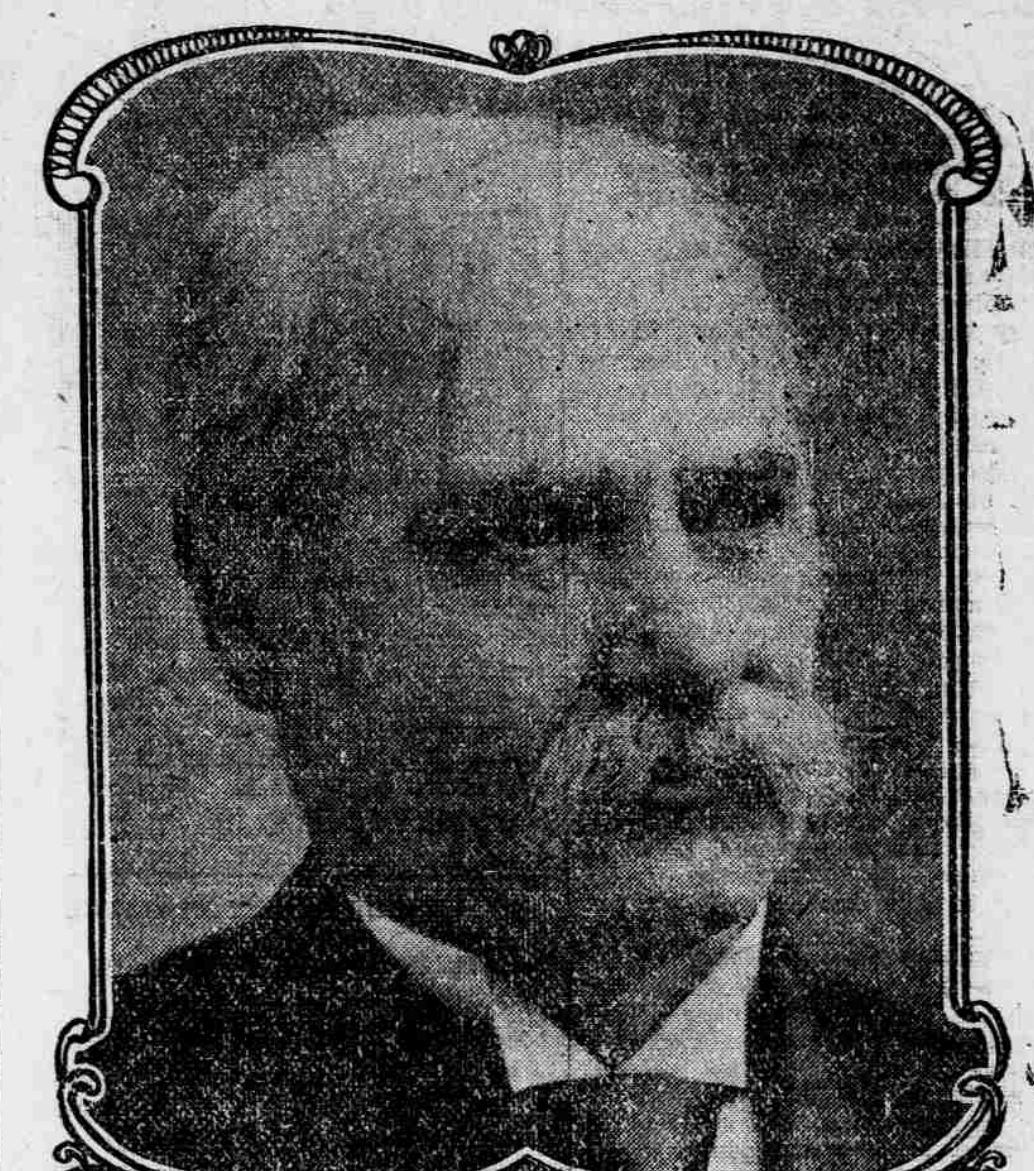
Fourth Class Postmasters. By Associated Press.

Washington, April 11.—Fourth class postmasters appointed are for Alabama, at Kenney, Gilbert L. Nelson, for Georgia, at Helena, John W. English; for North Carolina, at Hilderbran, Oliver McE. Yoder; at Osgood, Hattie Deaton; for South Carolina, at Bath, Henry B. Senterfeit.

JUMPED 135 FEET INTO RIVER BELOW

Nathan Isaacs of New York Jumped from Middle of Center Span of Williamsburg Bridge Into East River this Morning. Was Rescued.

By Associated Press. New York, April 11.—Nathan Isaacs of this city jumped from the middle of the center span of the new Williamsburg bridge into East river, 135 feet below and was quickly taken out of the water by a crew of a ferry boat. His clothing was torn to ribbons, his shoes were torn from his feet and he was terribly bruised by the impact of his body upon the water.



SENATOR ALDRICH, LEADING OPPONENT OF RATE BILL.

Nelson W. Aldrich, though representing the smallest state in the Union, was for years the Republican leader in the United States senate. Recently he withdrew from the formal leadership, but still is influential in legislation. He it was that moved to have Senator Tillman report the rate bill. Aldrich was speaker of the Rhode Island house and congressman before being elected to the senate in 1880. He is sixty-four years of age.

VACCINATION WILL BE FORCED ON THESE

Certain Residents of the Pineville Neighborhood Refuse to Bare Their Arms. Several Cases of Smallpox Near the South Carolina Line Reported.

Squire S. H. Hilton today issued a number of warrants for parties living in the neighborhood of Mr. Baxter Bailes home, in Pineville township. The charge against these parties is that they have refused to submit to the vaccination law, which is a legislative enactment. County Physician C. S. McLaughlin in company with Constable S. C. Ross left this morning for the Pineville section and will see to it that the parties named in the warrants comply with the vaccination law.

Several days ago there developed at the home of Mr. Baxter Bailes, a case of smallpox. Mrs. Bailes, who has a young babe, contracted the disease. Dr. McLaughlin made an examination but was not sure that her trouble was smallpox. Later, the disease developed in such a way that left no doubt as to the character of it. The home was quarantined and those living nearby were ordered to be vaccinated. Nearly all declined to obey the physician's orders so the law was resorted to in order that the disease may not spread.

Dr. McLaughlin stated to a News reporter this morning that he had made a thorough examination of Mrs. Bailes and he was convinced, beyond a doubt that her trouble is a genuine case of smallpox. The county authorities will use every effort to stamp out the disease which, it is thought will not be difficult since the cold weather is about over. It was learned this afternoon that a case of smallpox had made its appearance at the home of Squire Willard O. Bailes, which is just across the South Carolina line.

BRIDE IS ONLY 14.

Mr. Simpson and Miss Benbow Married by Squire McEwen. At the home of Squire J. M. McEwen in Morning Star township last Saturday, Mr. A. C. Simpson and Miss Lydia Benton, were united in marriage Squire McEwen performing the ceremony.

DEAD MISER'S GOLD FOUND.

Old Boot Containing \$300 Supposed to Have Been Hidden For a Century. By Associated Press. Elkton, April 11.—Hidden in an old boot, which was revealed by the displacement of a strangely marked stone in his house, William Bram, of Rowlandville, Cecil county, discovered \$300 in gold, besides a number of Spanish silver coins.

It is believed that the treasure belonged to an old miser named Horner, who lived in the house about a century ago. The house has been in possession of the Bram family for some years, and in moving the stove on Saturday, one of the stones in the chimney fell to the floor. The strange marks in the stone led to an investigation, and the boot and money were found. It is now thought that there is more money hidden in the log dwelling, and a search is being made by the Bram family.

Pythians "At Home"

Rathbone Lodge No 37, Knights of Pythians, will give an "at Home" Thursday night to the members of the lodge and friends of the other lodges in the city. Light refreshments will be served in the dining hall. The evening will be purely a social one.

First Trip Sunday. The first trip of the Sunday train over the Statesville road will be made Sunday, leaving Charlotte at 7:10 o'clock in the morning and returning the same evening about 9:40 o'clock.

AN APPROPRIATION FOR A MONUMENT AT MOORES CREEK

Historic Battle Ground Gets \$5,000 for Improvement of Monument. Aliens May not Gather Sponges. Gen. Smith's Record Defended.

Senator Tirrell on the Watch Trust. Williams Says it was an Important Speech. American Watches are Sold Cheaper Abroad than at Home.

Washington, April 11.—The following bills passed the Senate: Prohibiting aliens from gathering sponges in American waters.

Appropriating \$5000 for the improvement of the monument at Moore's Creek battlefield, N. C.

Authorizing the maintenance of a toll bridge across the Tugaloo river between the States of South Carolina and Georgia.

The Senate also passed the bill prohibiting the use of diving apparatus in the taking of sponges.

P. O. Appropriation Bill. The House resumed the consideration of the Postoffice Appropriation bill.

Tirrell on the Watch Trust. The watch trust had further illumination in the House through the speech of Tirrell of Massachusetts, who in answering the address of Rainey of Illinois, read a letter from the president of the Waltham Watch Company, in which it was emphatically stated that there was no watch trust.

Tirrell told how the manufacturers were compelled to send a surplus output abroad. He admitted that the Waltham Company in order to compete with the Swiss watch manufacturers, to compete with cheap labor in Europe and to establish his trade was compelled to sell abroad cheaper than at home.

Williams, minority leader, said Tirrell's speech was one of the most important speeches made during the present session, because it had fearlessly confessed that the surplus products of the factories were sold abroad at prices less than sold here. Another defense of the special appropriation for the railway mail pay was made by Meyer of Louisiana, who said if the subsidy was out of the bill it would do vast harm to the business interests of New Orleans and the South in the way of lessening the needed mail facilities.

Relative Prices of Steel. E. H. Mary, of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, addressed the House committee on the Merchant Marine and fisheries, relative to the foreign and domestic prices of steel.

He entered emphatic denial that there was any great difference between the home and foreign prices. At the present it was practically the same. Besides, he said, the United States Steel Corporation was selling very little steel for shipbuilding abroad.

Gen. Smith's Record. The military record of General Jacob H. Smith, in the Philippines was the subject of a speech by Bannon, of Ohio, who defended the action of General Smith, stating that General Wood's achievements in the Philippines were a complete vindication of the case of General Smith. Speaking of the engagement at Mount Dajo, Bannon said: "General Wood admitted that a number of women and children had been killed adding: 'Smith killed neither women or children. Wood did. Wood was warmly praised and commended by the President. His commendation is General Smith's vindication.'"

MR. J. D. McCALL REPORTS. Another Tillman Man Has Been Found by the Charlotte Lawyer. Hon. J. D. McCall, who has espoused the cause of Senator Benjamin R. Tillman for President in 1908, is still engaged in making plans for the campaign in this section and is ready to give a hearty handshake to any new followers of the Pitchfork Senator who may become convinced like Mr. McCall that Tillman is the man for the Presidency if a Southerner is to be put up in the next election.

Today a reporter asked Mr. McCall for a brief statement of how he was getting along in the work of securing Tillman pledges. The able lawyer replied, with great satisfaction, that he had added one more name to the list and hoped to have others in a short time.

The boys hereabouts are a conservative lot, so Mr. McCall realizes, but he feels confident and is much encouraged over the addition of one more name to the list. This makes about two who have joined the new movement, and as there is strength in union, the Charlotte lawyer is encouraged.

The best thing about it all, according to Mr. McCall, is that some people have been disposed to take the matter too seriously and Mr. McCall is still one of the most deep-dyed, unflinching and unchangeable Democrats in all the Southland and it will be a cold day in August, yea, a whole month of cold days, he declares, ere he will lower the colors a hair's breadth.