

VOTE IS CLOSE; OPPOSITION GAINS STRENGTH IN AFTERNOON

COMMISSIONISTS AHEAD AT ONE THIS AFTERNOON

Soon Thereafter the Opposition Pace Warmed up--Advocates of New Charter Voted Strong in Early Hours.

At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon the vote for both sides is about even. The antis are holding their own in third and fourth both big "commission" precincts.

The antis assert that they will carry the town; the commission advocates say they have it safe.

A total of 1278 votes have been cast and it is predicted that the total vote will reach 1500.

The result of the commission government election is in doubt; at 1 o'clock this afternoon a tabulation of the vote as well as could be ascertained showed a majority of 30 for the commission form of government.

Many of the business houses and all of the banks were closed during the morning hours and there were plenty of workers at the polls for both sides.

The first, fifth and sixth precincts are giving big majorities against the commission form; the second is an even draw, while the third and fourth are giving the big majorities for commission government.

Table with 3 columns: Prec., Total vote, For, Against. Shows vote counts for various precincts.

Majority for commission 28.

WEATHER TERRIBLY COLD; CHILDREN FREEZE IN BED

Great Suffering Among People of Asiatic Turkey is Reported by Missionaries.

Boston, March 21.—Further details concerning the great suffering among the people of Asiatic Turkey, as a result of the coldest winter in many years, have been received by relief associations.

SYMPATHY STRIKE TALK IS RENEUED

Firemen of Entire Q. & C. System May Go Out—"Firemen Getting Impatient" Says Carter.

Cincinnati, March 21.—Overtures for a settlement of the strike of the white firemen of the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific railway having been rejected by officials of the road, there is renewed talk that the firemen of the entire Queen & Crescent system may be called out on a sympathetic strike.

President Carter of the Order of Railroad Firemen is here watching the strike. He would make no statement regarding the efforts being made to bring about a settlement or whether or not a last resort of the men of the entire southern railway system would be called out.

ALL TRAINS ARE RUNNING "AND IN GOOD ORDER"

Between Chattanooga and Cincinnati, Reports C. N. O. & T. P. Railway Company.

Chattanooga, March 21.—A statement is issued by the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific railway that all trains are running between here and Cincinnati for the first time in good order since the white firemen went on strike.

NO CABINET MEETING; CANCELED BY PRESIDENT

Postponement Occasioned Some Surprise—Absence of Members is Given as the Reason.

Washington, March 21.—The regular cabinet meeting scheduled for today was cancelled by President Taft at the last moment. No statement has been made giving a reason for this action, but it was said to be due to the absence from city of several cabinet members.

"Speaker" Clark Speaks in Honor of Bryan.

Lincoln, Neb., March 21.—Champer Clark, attending the dinner in honor of William Jennings Bryan's 51st birthday, made observations about the coming session of congress.

A DEMONSTRATION MADE BY MINERS

Italians, Armed, March to the Music of Bands, to Show Disapproval of Superintendent.

Gillespie, Ills., March 21.—One thousand strong, armed with a varied assortment of firearms—old rifles, muskets, shotguns and revolvers—and marching to Italian bands of music, the foreign speaking coal miners of Benicorret, Ills., today conducted a demonstration against their English-speaking brethren of Gillespie.

Three months ago John P. Reese came here from Iowa to take the superintendency of the Superior coal mine properties, succeeding J. W. Miller, who was killed in a traction wreck October 4, when 40 persons lost their lives.

GOVERNOR WILSON AND CHAIRMAN HAVE A TILT

Governor Practically Ordered Mr. Nugent Out of His Office—Governor Was Insulted.

Trenton, N. J., March 21.—The German election bill which Governor Wilson is so earnestly advocating, was expected to come up on second reading in the house last night and late yesterday afternoon Governor Wilson sent for Democratic State Chairman James B. Nugent with a view of talking matters over.

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS MORE FOR RELIEF FUND

Christian Herald Has Now Received \$82,000 for Victims of Plague and Famine in China.

Washington, March 21.—For the relief of Chinese famine and plague sufferers the state department today received \$5000 from the Christian Herald, making a total from that source \$82,000, including four shipped to China from Seattle on the transport Buford.

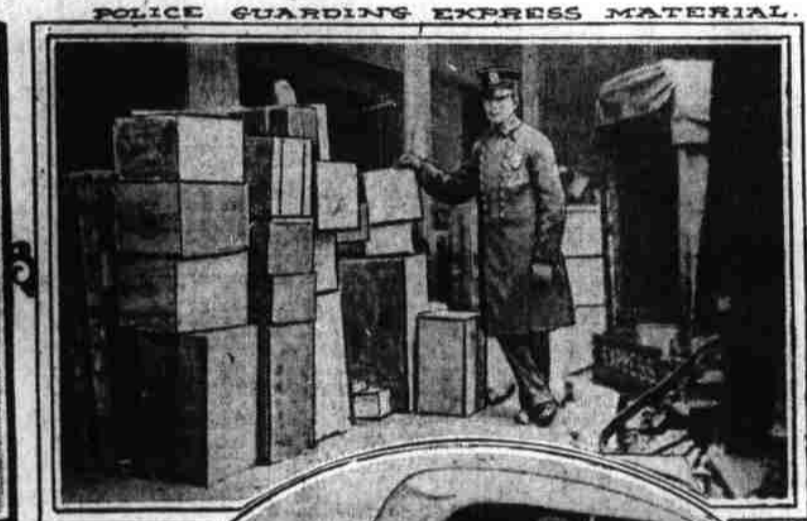
WEALTHY LAWYER FOUND DEAD

New York, March 21.—Frederick G. Gillette, a wealthy retired lawyer, was found dead from a bullet wound in the library of his apartment overlooking Central park late last night.

Fear the Strike Is Lost But 300 Men Still Fight



NEW SIGNAL POLICE BOX IN FRONT OF EXPRESS COMPANY'S BUILDING IN MADISON AVENUE.



POLICE GUARDING EXPRESS MATERIAL.



POLICEMAN AND DETECTIVE IN EXPRESS WAGON WITH DRIVER.

New York, March 21.—Despite the fear that their strike is rapidly falling apart as a result of the refusal by both Mayor Baynor and the chief officers of their own organization to aid them, three hundred striking drivers and helpers employed by the Adams Express company met yesterday afternoon in Curry's Hall, No. 229 East Forty-seventh street, and voted almost unanimously to continue their fight.

Before the meeting was ended the men passed a motion to send a committee to meetings of the executive councils of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and demand that the parent organization support the local union by calling a general strike.

Madero and Arozco Are Arranging Forces

Preparing to Make Decisive Attack in Case Negotiations Fail—Madero Has 1000 and Orozco 800 Followers, According to Announcement in Insurrecto Circles.

E-L PASO, TEXAS, March 21.—That Francisco L. Madero, with 1000 insurrectos operating south of Casas Grandes, Mexico, and General Orozco, with 800 men, are arranging their forces with the intention of making a decisive attack in case the negotiations failed, was announced in insurrecto circles today.

BALLINGER WILL SUE PINCHOT AND FRIENDS

Left Yesterday for the West for a Rest—Will Bring Libel Suit Within a Few Weeks.

Washington, March 21.—Richard A. Ballinger, ex-secretary of the interior, who left for the west yesterday, will bring a libel suit against Gifford Pinchot and others as soon as he has a rest from the duties of his office that kept him busy during the closing months of his incumbency.

V. C. KOKOVSEFF IN NAMED AS SUCCESSOR TO STOLYPIN

At an Audience With the Emperor Former Minister of Finance Accepted Russian Premiership.

St. Petersburg, March 21.—V. C. Kokovseff, who has been minister of finance, had an audience with Emperor Nicholas today, when he was formally offered and accepted the premiership in succession to P. A. Stolypin, whose resignation was announced yesterday.

tain assurance that Mr. Carnegie would receive a committee of the strikers. The Jersey City Executive Council of the Teamster's union will meet in Jersey City tonight. The local council will meet tomorrow night at No. 161 Eighth avenue and a committee of the strikers was instructed to attend each meeting and ask support. Officers of both councils declared on Saturday they would not attempt to render the strikers any assistance. Practically no efforts were made by the express companies yesterday to

deliver freight, but plans were made to operate today under police protection as many wagons as possible. It was also understood that most of the Jersey City employees of the United States Express company, who quit for the second time in the week on Saturday, would be back at work this morning. The Manhattan employees of this company are already at work, the representatives of the Wells Fargo company asserted that the men on strike from their stables are ready to return as soon as a vote can be taken.

FALSE EVIDENCE IS PLEA OFFERED BY CAMORRISTS

Will Charge That Naples Legion of Carabiniers Attempted to Discredit Police of Naples.

Viterbo, Italy, March 21.—The Camorristi on trial for murdering two of their number will make the defense that they are the victims of false evidence, manufactured by the legion of carabinieri of Naples who, while accomplishing the apprehension of the defendants, sought to discredit the Naples police and make the latter appear hand in glove with a criminal organization.

DIRECTORS OF MO. PACIFIC IN SESSION IN NEW YORK

Selecting Executive Committee—George J. Gould Stated for Chairman of Board.

New York, March 21.—The Missouri Pacific railway directors chiefly interested themselves today in the selection of an executive committee which will devote itself in the next five years to raising the necessary millions to rehabilitate the road.

GOULD ELECTED PRESIDENT OF TEXAS PACIFIC

New York, March 21.—George J. Gould was today re-elected president of the Texas Pacific railway and his son, Kingsley Gould, chosen as vice-president.

SENIOR LIMANTOUR WARNS THE PEOPLE

He Tells Mexicans That Every Day Revolution Continues Endangers Country.

URGES THEM TO RALLY TO THE SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT DIAZ

Mexican Minister of Finance Warmly Greeted Upon His Arrival in Mexico City.

Mexico City, March 21.—With a warning to all Mexicans that with every day the rebellion continues the danger of international complications increases, a plea to them to rally to the support of General Diaz, and a declaration that the government cannot enter into peace negotiations with individuals under arms, Finance Minister Jose Yves Limantour has entered upon the task of pacification, which the world at last has set for him, and upon the outcome of which the whole world is interested.

The special car in which he traveled from New York reached the National station here at 10 o'clock to the minute yesterday. Hundreds of persons, among them were many officials and a sprinkling of women, were on hand to greet the traveler.

President Diaz's greeting was conveyed through one of his official family, the meeting between the two most talked of men in the republic having been deferred until later.

Mr. Limantour and the members of his family went at once by automobile to the Limantour home in Mexico, a nearby suburb where later the minister received the representatives of the press. Mr. Limantour declared that the statement that he was the bearer of conditions to form establishment of peace, placed in his hands by the Maestros in New York was an absurdity.

"With had grace could I be the bearer of such a paper when publicly I have declared that the government could never enter into negotiations with individuals in arms. A government should do that which a reasonable public opinion but it should not and cannot on plan of extinguishing itself accede to the armed pressure of a group of misguided sons of the country.

"They must lay down their arms if they wish to bring about the reforms that may be necessary."

Of the insurrection itself, Mr. Limantour had nothing to add, he said, to what he has previously said, that it constitutes treason.

"It is a crime of 'lesa patria' it constitutes treason. "It is a crime of 'lesa patria' that those Mexicans who are fighting in the ranks of the insurrectos are committing, because every day the danger of international complications increases. I hope earnestly that those misguided citizens who have taken up this movement will soon open their eyes to the light of reason and not remain longer deaf to the persuasive voice of patriotism."

In reply to a suggestion that great results were expected to follow his return to Mexico, he said:

"It is a heavy burden that public opinion would place upon my shoulders and no one man can carry it without the co-operation of all good Mexicans. I furthermore cannot understand why such an effort is demanded of me, when the direction of the policy of our government is in the hands of no less a man who has formed the country, who has developed it and has given it a high place among the nations.

"There was published this morning," it was suggested, "a dispatch from New York in which Gustavo A. Madero declared that you had returned to Mexico to take charge temporarily of the presidency of the republic."

"Another absurdity," and Mr. Limantour, "Alas, in times past when some of my friends have besought me to become a candidate for the vice-presidency, I declared my firm resolution not to accept any post in the militant politics of my country being disposed to lend my services to the administrative branch as I might be considered useful by the majority of my fellow countrymen. Not having been willing then to accept a militant political post, much less would I think of such a thing at the present time, when it is the duty of all good Mexicans to rally about General Diaz to avert the dangers that menace our common country."

SAYS HIS WIFE TRIED TO BURN HIM

Salisbury, N. C., March 21.—Charging that his wife tied him fast to a bed while asleep and then set fire to the bed clothes, Sam Young, a tenant of a farm five miles from Salisbury, came to town yesterday in search of officers. He declared that he and his wife had retired in good humor, that he was awakened by the smell of smoke that he found his limbs tied to the bed and that he was unable to free himself until the fire burned the rope just in time to save his life. He bore several burns on his face when he reached this city. The affair is a mystery and the officers are making investigation.