

FAMINE THREATENS TO ADD TO HORROR IN CHINESE EMPIRE

Greater Sufferings Than Yet Endured Seem to be in Store For Nation

GEN. YUAN SHI KAI HAS REACHED PEKING

Last Prop of Throne, But Not Decided Yet as to Premiership

PEKING, Nov. 13.—Yuan Shi Kai, the last prop of the throne, has reached Peking at last. He came today accompanied by 2,000 troops and was warmly greeted by the administration.

The national assembly today discussed the immediate opening of parliament but decided it would be inadvisable. The matter was referred to a committee, which will consult with Yuan Shi Kai.

Greater Sufferings The opinion is held at the legations that there are serious complications in store for China. And greater sufferings than she has yet endured.

Imperialists Join Rebels A report reached here today that 2,000 imperialists at Hankow have joined the rebel ranks and that the remaining imperial gunboats at that port have gone over to the rebels.

Indemnity Not Paid The November Boxer indemnity has not been paid and the December indemnity likewise will be defaulted.

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REV. G. V. T. RICHESON TO BE PLACED ON TRIAL FOR HIS LIFE JAN. 15, 1912

Minister Pleaded "Not Guilty" Without Emotion and in Clear Voice

CALM, CONFIDENT

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 13.—The Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson will be placed on trial on the charge of murdering Miss Avis Linnell on January 15, 1912.

The date of January 15, proposed by District Attorney Pellitteri, was strenuously opposed by W. A. Morse, the pastor's counsel.

Mr. Morse said that John L. Lee, of Lynchburg, Va., who is to be the chief counsel for the defendant, would be unable to meet the other lawyers until the latter part of this month at the earliest.

Encouraged by a court officer, the accused minister came into court today calm and confident. His month in jail had affected him but little.

BISHOP ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS CHARGES

Rev. G. G. Harley Goes to Concord, Rev. W. E. Poovey Being His Successor—Dr. Byrd and Rev. W. A. Newell Will Remain Here.

STATESVILLE, N. C., Nov. 13.—Rev. G. G. Harley, who has been the pastor of the North Asheville Methodist church, as a result of the appointments of the bishop this afternoon, is transferred to Epworth church at Concord, and his pulpit is filled for the coming year by Rev. W. E. Poovey.

Closing Day The closing day of the twenty-second annual western North Carolina conference was featured by the reading of the appointments by Bishop Hoss just after noon.

Another report which called for a spirited discussion was that of the committee on the spiritual state of the church. The report was a most interesting one and was adopted.

Following are the members of the committees: J. E. Abernethy, J. W. Moore and L. F. Cordeil.

LAST HOPE OF BEATTIE SHATTERED WHEN COURT DENIES HIM NEW TRIAL

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ORAL OPINION

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 13.—By refusing today to grant an appeal in the case of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., convicted in Chesterfield county on September 8 for the murder of his wife, the Virginia Supreme court takes away from the condemned man his last hope of escaping execution.

Seventeen bills of exceptions were filed with the higher court by Beattie's counsel. Cases were cited in an attempt to show that in the closing address to the jury Prosecutor Wendenburg had erred in his demand that Virginia should open the graves of all murderers charged heretofore and apologize to their bones if Beattie should be permitted to go free.

Early this afternoon H. C. Beattie, Sr., went to the penitentiary and was escorted to the death chamber where he, in a faltering voice, notified his son that the appeal had been denied. The prisoner's iron nerve did not desert him. He did not seem to feel or comprehend its meaning, but endeavored manfully to comfort his old father whose grief was intense.

WILL CONFER SECOND RANK

Pisgah lodge No. 32, Knights of Pythias, will confer the second rank tonight at 8 o'clock. Members are requested to be present and visiting Pythians will be cordially welcomed.

DEMOCRATS WILL MAKE DETERMINED EFFORTS TO AMEND TRUSTS LAW

Announced That Tariff Legislation Will Not Over-shadow Session

OTHER QUESTIONS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Amending the Sherman anti-trust law at the coming session of congress is to be undertaken in earnest by democrats of the house, according to a declaration today by Representative Henry of Texas, ranking member of the committee on judiciary.

The coming session of congress is by no means to be over-shadowed by tariff legislation, said Representative Henry in speaking of the plans of the judiciary committee.

A law providing trial by jury in cases of indirect contempt of court and modification of the injunction statutes are regarded by the democratic leaders as essential to fulfillment of the party pledges as expressed in the platform of the Denver convention.

WILL TELL OF SUCCESS

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 12.—J. D. Cannon, of New York city, chairman of the National Executive committee of the "Man and Religion Forward Movement," is expected to arrive in Atlanta tomorrow and is scheduled to address the local executive and general committees tomorrow night.

A New Member.



WITH CHATTERING TEETH DELEGATES HEARD ANNUAL REPORTS OF A. F. OF L.

Alluring Promises of Flowers and Sunshine Were Not Carried Out at Atlanta. Speakers Offering Apologies—Opening Day Given Over to Hearing Reports—President Gompers Reviews Labor Conditions.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 13.—Labor hosts, gathered here today for the thirty-first annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, met with a chilly reception. The coldest weather in years made it impossible to heat the big convention hall to the point of comfort and with chattering teeth the local speakers prefaced their addresses of welcome to the visiting delegates with an apology for failing to make good on their alluring promises of flowers and sunshine, last year at St. Louis.

President Gompers read his annual report at the afternoon session which was given over almost entirely to the reception of the reports of the executive officers.

Gompers Report

He predicted great changes in American methods of government, particularly with regard to political parties. He gave to the referendum, initiative and the recall the unqualified endorsement of organized labor and declared that a real, representative democracy never had been known in the United States because of the general absence of those provisions.

President Gompers report, which covers sixty closely printed pages and would make more than thirty columns in a newspaper, says it leaves many subjects untouched or inadequately presented.

With its membership now more than 1,700,000, the greatest in its history and its financial condition excellent, the organization often called the greatest altruistic institution of the times, enters the thirty-first year of its work.

Southbound N. Y. A. & N. O. Limited Train Derailed Near Greensboro

GREENSBORO, N. C., Nov. 13.—Engineer A. W. Kinney, the last of four brothers to be claimed in railway wrecks, was killed and several trainmen and passengers were slightly injured near here today, when the south bound New York, Atlanta and New Orleans limited on the Southern railway was derailed.

The accident occurred while the train was running about 65 miles an hour and was caused by a spreading rail. Fortunately the cars turned toward an embankment. Had they turned to the other side they would have toppled into a ravine and the loss of life undoubtedly would have been great.

Among the most seriously injured are Ed. Towns, fireman of Spencer, N. C.; A. M. Shaw, Charlotte; R. F. Arrington, negro porter; D. Line, Baltimore, and Henry Mowyer, Greensboro. These with the passengers were brought here on a special train.



WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Forecast: North Carolina, fair and warmer Tuesday; Wednesday unsettled; moderate northeast and east winds.

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Uniform laws for protection of life and health in factory buildings. A department of labor in the federal government.

Employment, liability and workman's compensation acts throughout the states.

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"Despite all opposition of the most relentless kind the American labor movement grows and thrives; its beneficent influence for the common uplift of labor and of all our people extends to all fields of useful activity and is becoming more generally recognized. The power which labor holds within its grasp is understood.

COMMISSION DECIDES IN FAVOR OF THE POSTAL CO

Says Western Union Telegraph Company Must Not Discriminate

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—The public service commission of New York state decided today a fight which has been going on before that commission between the Postal Telegraph company and the Western Union for a year and a half.

The decision decided that the Western Union has been practicing discrimination against the Postal and has ordered that it be stopped. It appears that where the Postal company has messages destined to points not reached by the Postal lines, the Postal company has carried it as far as it could and then turned it over to the Western Union for final transmission.

The decision says: "Clearly a public service corporation must extend precisely the same facilities to a competitor as it does to the entire world. It can make no distinction between those offering business. It must charge them alike and serve them alike."

This decision may have an important bearing on the demand of the independent telephone companies that the Bell companies shall furnish the former with the same facilities which are furnished to the public. It means a large saving of money to the Postal company.

CARL MORRIS WON

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—The bout between Carl Morris, the Oklahoma heavy weight, and Jack Jeyar, of Denver, was stopped by Referee White in the ninth round tonight. Morris easily outpointed the Denver heavy-weight throughout.

The McNamara case, however, is taken up at some length and fully reviewed. President Gompers expressed his faith in the innocence of the men now on trial at Los Angeles for alleged dynamiting outrages and denounces in unmeasured terms their removal from Indiana to California. His report included many other questions of interest to the laboring man.

Most significant of all the day's utterances was that of Mr. Gompers. In responding to the addresses of welcome of Governor Hoke Smith, Mayor Courtland S. Winn and others, when he declared that he, Secretary Morrison and Vice-President John Mitchell were ready to go to jail in defense of labor's rights in the event that the contempt sentences of Justice Wright, of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, was sustained.

"Justice Wright either intended to crush the federation or break our spirit," said Mr. Gompers. "He has done neither. The federation will continue to grow and aid in the uplift of humanity."

All the contested delegates to the convention were seated on recommendation of the credentials committee. The delegation representing the International Association of Car Workers made a futile effort to prevent the seating of the delegates of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen, a rival organization. An attempt to

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ANOTHER AUTHOR GIVES UP WOULD-BE LIFEMATE

Booth Tarkington Did Not Enter Resistance to Suit Brought by Wife

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 13.—A decree of absolute divorce today was granted in the superior court of this county to Mrs. Louisa Fletcher Tarkington, wife of Booth Tarkington, the novelist and playwright. Mrs. Tarkington had not asked for alimony.

In its decree the court said the matter of compensation to Mrs. Tarkington had been satisfactorily arranged in a private agreement. Mrs. Tarkington in her complaint alleged that the defendant treated her with cruelty and that they had lived apart for the last several months. Mr. Tarkington did not enter resistance to the suit. Mrs. Tarkington later made public this signed statement:

"In justice to both of us, I will say that I fully acquit Mr. Tarkington of any intentional unkindness to me. The differences between us are of temperament and habit and after nine years of effort it is apparent to both of us that we cannot reconcile our views of life. The fact that we have not been able to come to the same viewpoint does not mean that either of us approves of divorce for any light reason."

Mrs. Tarkington is the daughter of the late Stoughton J. Fletcher, a wealthy banker and capitalist of this city. She is a writer of verse and has contributed to the magazines.

RACES FOR COLUMBIA

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 13.—Beginning November 30, a thirty day's racing meet will be held in Columbia. A string of horses which assembled in Washington from various tracks now in operation and will be brought south.

COMBINATION FOR 'BEARING' COTTON PRICES CHARGED

Attorney Gen. Wickersham Frankly Says he Doesn't Know What Bear Pool is

S. C. REPRESENTATIVE BRINGS UP QUESTION

Atkin Claims That Holding Down Price is as Illegal as Keeping it up

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Responding to a request by Representative Atkin, of South Carolina, that the federal government undertake the prosecution of "bears," who, it is alleged, are engaged in depressing the price of cotton to the financial detriment of the southern producer, Attorney-General Wickersham frankly admits that he does not understand the workings of a "bear pool" or how much a combination could operate in restraint of commerce.

In correspondence made public today it is stated by the attorney-general that he has no tangible evidence of the existence of any such pool and requests Mr. Atkin to furnish him with any detailed information he may have indicating a combination formed for the purpose of depressing the price of the south's great staple. The government's future course in connection with all cotton, Mr. Wickersham intimates, will be governed largely by the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the pending case against alleged "bills" charged with cornering cotton to increase its price. "If the court shall decide the essential question involved," he says, "and not let the case go off on a technical matter of pleading, we may have some light which will be of aid in the enforcement of the law against other combinations of a like character."

Atkin's Question Mr. Atkin declares that if the government had the legal right to proceed against a combination of speculators whose purpose was to force up the price of cotton, it has the same legal right to prosecute a combination seeking to depress the price of the same commodity.

"It is certain," he adds, "that 'bear' pressure on Wall street has forced a decline of three cents per pound in the present market, thereby robbing the south of approximately \$100,000,000 and giving it to foreign spinners. This decline has been brought about by the bear element overselling the market, publishing false or misleading statements and combining to keep buyers out of the market."

The attorney-general agrees with Mr. Atkin in his general proposition that it is cornering a product which is dealt in interstate commerce, for the purpose of increasing its price is illegal, similar cornering for the purpose of depressing the price is likewise illegal.

The formation and operation of a "bull" corner to increase the price of a commodity, he adds, is clear, but he does not understand by what process a "bear pool" is organized and conducted.

JOSEPH PULLITLER LEAVES LARGE SUMS FOR VARIOUS PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS

One Million Goes to Columbia for School of Journalism, More Later

REMEMBERS FAMILY

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—The terms of the will of Joseph Pullitler, which will be filed for probate tomorrow, were made public tonight. Its conspicuous features are the ratification of the gift of \$1,000,000 to Columbia university for the establishment of a school of journalism and also the ratification of an additional \$1,000,000 for the same purpose, subject to certain conditions which if not complied with by Columbia before the amount is paid over, will result in the sum going to Harvard university, one-half of it for a school of journalism and one-half for many unusual prizes and scholarships as set forth in the will.

The document also sets forth a large number of interesting bequests not previously known. Among these is \$250,000 for a scholarship fund at Columbia university; \$500,000 to the Metropolitan museum of art; \$500,000 to the Philharmonic society of New York; \$100,000 to Mr. Pullitler's faithful valet, James Dunningham; \$100,000 to be distributed by the executors among his personal secretaries, readers and companions and certain editorial writers employed on the World; \$50,000 for the erection of a fountain in Central park; \$25,000 for the erection of a statue of Thomas Jefferson in New York city and similar bequests.