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FEARFUL DISASTER ON RAILROAD NEAR WINSTON

Ten Workmen Buried By Cave-In

While Working on Trestle Over Salem Creek Bank Caves-in, Burying Men Alive—Seven Bodies Recovered. Rescuers Endeavoring to Reach Other Victims—All Supposed to Be Lost—Two Were Americans.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 16.—Ten or 12 men, Italians and negroes, were entombed by an embankment caving in on the southside of Salem Creek, on the Southbound Railroad at 9 o'clock this morning, and at noon five had been taken out dead.

The work of rescuing the others is being rushed. None of them are supposed to be alive. All of the men were operatives, employed by H. J. Collier & Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, and Spartanburg, S.C., concrete contractors.

When the cave-in occurred the operatives were cutting out the embankment to install a concrete abutment for an immense steel trestle being constructed across Salem Creek for the Southbound railroad.

The names of the dead could not be learned at this hour.

SEVEN BODIES ARE RECOVERED AT 2 O'CLOCK.
Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 16.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon seven bodies have been recovered by the rescuers. Six of the number were dead when found. Three others had not been reached at that hour. It is estimated that four thousand cubic feet of dirt fell on the men. Four of the victims of the morning's disaster were Germans, two were Americans and the others were Poles.

Western Union Passes Into New Hands--A Billion Dollar Concern

New York, Nov. 16.—The control of the Western Union Telegraph Company passed today to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and a long step was taken toward the merging of the telephone and telegraph companies into a corporation with a capitalization of nearly \$1,000,000,000.

Farmer Legislator of New Jersey Died In County Home

Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 16.—Aged, blind and bowed under a weight of an irreparable mistake, Charles A. Gomer, former member of the New Jersey legislature, died last night in Rowan county home and was buried this morning at 10 o'clock in Chestnut Hill cemetery, at Salisbury, N. C., after a most remarkable career. Funeral services were held this morning in a little private chapel room of Summerset undertaking establishment at Salisbury, conducted by Rev. Dr. Clark, of the Presbyterian church.

Dannenberg Case Taken Up by State Supreme Court

Raleigh, Nov. 16.—The North Carolina Supreme Court today heard an elaborate argument on and took under consideration the noted appeal of the State vs. J. Dannenberg from Charlotte, the determination of which is awaited with intense interest alike by North Carolina prohibitionists and anti-prohibitionists as settling the right of municipalities in North Carolina to control the near beer problem with a high license tax.



"Don't Say They Are Dead For Certain" Pleaded Many Women

Mine Officials Think The 300 Entombed Men Have Perished

Haggard and Care-Worn Wives of Miners Gather Around Opening of Shaft and Plead Pettily for Some Hope.

Another Descent of Rescuers to Be Made Soon—Men Thought to Have Suffocated or Been Buried by Falling Walls.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 16.—Dawn today brought increased anxiety to the families of 300 miners still entombed in St. Paul Coal Mine, as a result of Saturday's disaster. Although excitement prevails as the result of the disaster, there is no necessity for calling the militia to preserve order. Cherry's gloom this morning was increased by a deluge of rain. The main shaft of the mine probably will not be opened. The temperature was taken at the top shaft in the burning mine and registered 108 degrees Fahrenheit. This was a wet surface indicating the fire below was intense. Today is semi-monthly payday at the mines. Clerks will keep check on those appearing and it is believed the number of entombed can be definitely established. Nineteen thousand dollars is due the miners. The average semi-monthly wage drawn by miners is \$30 to \$40. Many of the 1,000 men in the 2,000 are single. The number of foreigners in population equals citizens.

Railroad Magnate Talks Of Cost of Living

Washington, D. C., Nov. 16.—James J. Hill, railroad magnate, left the White House after a call upon President Taft today, declaring that the costly and extravagant manner of living of today was the greatest problem that faces the American people. Economy on the part of the government and individuals as well, he said, was the only method he could suggest for remedying matters.

Empress of China Buried.
Peking, Nov. 16.—The body of the late Dowager Empress of China, recently removed from the Forbidden City, was buried in the Eastern Tombs.

Sheriff Shipp Will Ask Re-election

Re-organization Of Cotton Mill

At a recent meeting of the Mount Island Cotton mills stockholders the company was re-organized with the following officers: Mr. C. E. Hutchinson, the Lowe and the Southern Power Company. Mr. Hutchinson will be the General Manager and Mr. R. P. Craig, of Mount Holly will be the general superintendent. Mr. A. B. Cobb will be the superintendent.

Village was Burned

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 16.—The village of West Zollarsville, was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss is \$50,000. Scores of sleeping persons narrowly escaped.

Harry Becomes Very Peevish

New York, Nov. 16.—Harry K. Thaw, who was brought here today from Matewan Asylum for the criminal insane, to testify in the civil proceedings, before Justice Dowling, growing out of Dr. Hamilton's suit against Thaw's mother for fees, created a scene near the court house this afternoon when he protested against being taken to a restaurant for lunch instead of a fashionable dining place in the Wall street district.

A. C. L. Officers Re-elected

Richmond, Va., Nov. 16.—The stockholders of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad met here today and re-elected the old directors, who re-elected all officers.

Labor Men Busy

Toronto, Nov. 16.—The American Federation of Labor went on record today as favoring organization of employees of the shipbuilding industry along the Atlantic coast.

The Central Hotel Has Been Sold to Mr. A. N. Perkins

At 10 minutes after three o'clock this afternoon the final arrangements were made for the transfer of the management of the Central Hotel, of this city, from Mr. S. A. Pogram, who has had it in charge for some time, to Mr. A. N. Perkins, of Greensboro.

Labor Leaders Will Likely Ask for Writ of Habeas Corpus

Washington, Nov. 16.—Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, labor leaders, under sentence for alleged contempt of court, were compelled to return to Washington from Toronto, where they were attending the American Federation of Labor convention, next Monday to appear before the District Court of Appeals, which recently affirmed Justice Wright's decision, imposing jail terms.

By this means the alleged violation of court of immunity from prosecution is claimed and guaranteed by the first amendment to the constitution providing free speech and a free press. This gives the United States Supreme court the opportunity to determine what the framers of that amendment intended.