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COAL FAMINE THREATENS ENTIRE WEST

As a Result of Blizzard, Railroads are Unable to Haul Adequate Coal Supply

IS MUCH SUFFERING

Railroad Traffic is Tied Up From Pacific Coast to Great Lakes Region and Probably a Score of Lives Have Been Sacrificed to Raging Storm—Some Chicago Dealers Are Taking Advantage of Scarcity of Fuel and Have Doubled Price of Coal—Terrible Sleet Storm Struck Chicago Last Night and City in Grip of Storm.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Jan. 5—Not only this city but the entire west is threatened by the coal famine resulting from the terrific blizzard that has caused \$10,000,000 damage, tied up railroad traffic from the Pacific coast to the Great Lakes region and taken the lives of probably a score of victims. Meanwhile efforts are being made today by every railroad company to put through shipments, to help tide over the temporary crisis. If these efforts fail thousands will be thrown out of work.

The railroads are unable to promise delivery of coal from the mines and Chicago coal yards already hold only shrunken supplies that have dwindled steadily under the heavy intruder brought about by the cold of the last fortnight.

Delayed deliveries of coal from Danville, Ill., may cause the south Chicago plant of the Illinois Steel Company to be closed today. If the furnace fires die 10,000 men will be thrown out of employment and the company will lose heavily. An effort will be made to ship coke from Stockton, Ill., in time to keep the furnaces going.

Some Chicago coal dealers are already taking advantage of the situation and charge two prices for coal. It is expected that the storm will rage on its way east by noon today, colder weather following in its wake. A terrific sleet storm struck Chicago last night. Elevated lines experienced much difficulty. The dry hardness of the sleet enabled the surface lines to handle it with snow plows and these were out in force all through the night. The steam roads fared worse. The sleet was heaped on the tracks and piled onto switches, making progress slow. Trains entering Chicago from all directions are all from one to three hours late today.

MANN BILL IN HOUSE.

Calendar Wednesday, and Bill Comes up For Consideration.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 5—Under the rules this calendar Wednesday in the house and the Mann Panama bill providing for a change in the form of government for the canal zone which was before the house at the time of the holiday recess was again called up. The bill passed the house at the last congress, but failed in the senate.

TERRIFIC STORM REPORTED AT SEA

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Jan. 5—Terrible storms at sea, accompanied by remarkable displays of lightning, were reported today by incoming steamers. The Fabre Line freight steamer Provincia was held back by gales so that she was compelled to put into Bermuda for coal and water. She was brought in by Chief Officer Comberluis, Captain LaBatie having been stricken on December 20 with congestion of the lungs, brought on, it is believed by exposure in severe cold weather. The steamer Cheyenne and Kristian were also driven into Bermuda. After leaving Bermuda, the Provincia reports, lightning formed a continuous sheet of flame for several nights.

Roberta de Janon.



Roberta de Janon, the 16-year-old heiress of Philadelphia, who eloped with the 50-year-old waiter, Ferdinand Cohen. Detectives are scouring the country for them. The odd part of it is that Mrs. Cohen says she knew the girl was infatuated with her husband, but she didn't mind it at all. The young girl lived in the Bellevue Stratford with her grandfather.

Steamer Burned. (By Cable to The Times.) London, Jan. 5—The steamer Norse Prince, from New York to Capetown, has burned to the waters edge of Ascension Island. The crew of 40 took to small boats and all were saved.

SEARCH FOR THE DEJANON GIRL

New York, Jan. 5—The search for Roberta DeJanon, the seventeen-year-old \$10,000,000 Philadelphia heiress, who disappeared with Frederick Cohen, a waiter three times her age, today was extended to Boston. This is the girl's birthday. The New York police, trailing the couple here, picked up information which led to the belief that the girl and the waiter left for Boston Sunday.

At the same time word came from Philadelphia that Robert Buist, her grandfather and guardian, has disinherited her. Buist is the millionaire seedman whose favorite Roberta was. When he satisfied himself that the girl went with Cohen of her own volition, he said, according to the Philadelphia advices, "I will have nothing more to do with her. I want her father to take care of her, and I will do no more than to make her an allowance."

The Philadelphia police are working on the theory that Miss DeJanon was urged to elope with Cohen by relatives, who hoped to share with the waiter in a big ransom. The police declare that the young woman was held a prisoner in a New York hotel from Friday till the supposed departure for Boston Sunday. A man answering Cohen's description, accompanied by a pretty girl closely resembling Miss DeJanon, registered Friday at the Hotel Bayard as "C. B. Cone and wife." Their only baggage was two grips. The young woman wept almost constantly. Sunday, Manager Heath, of the hotel, became suspicious and in their temporary absence rented the room to some one else. "Cone's" remarks then led to the Boston trail.

KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE.

Chicago Man and Wife Struck by Train. Chicago, Jan. 5—Louis Cone and his wife of 445 Calumet avenue were killed today when their automobile, racing for the crossing at a high rate of speed was struck by an Illinois Central train at Stoney Island avenue and 71st street. Mrs. Cone was instantly killed and Mr. Cone died a short while afterwards. Whether Mr. Cone failed to see the approaching train or whether he though he had ample time to cross could not be learned. He drove the car full speed at the crossing while the whistle of the engine shrieked a warning.

THE SPECIAL MESSAGE IS NOT READY

More Changes to be Made In It and Not Known When It Will be Reday

Message Dealing With the Interstate Commerce Law and the Sherman Anti-Trust Law Received At the White House This Morning But Was Sent Back Again—Will be Sent to the Senate Tomorrow—Message Contains About 7,000 Words—More Than Half of It Deals With Changes Which the President Hopes Can be Made in the Hepburn Law and Remainder With Sherman Law.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 5—The president's message was received at the white house from the government printing office at 10 o'clock this morning. In the meantime, however, thought of some additional possible change had occurred to the president, for he summoned Attorney General Wickersham to the white house post haste for the purpose of conferring upon some feature of the document, just what is not known at this time, but there is no doubt that it is most important. It was said at 11 o'clock that it was not known when advance copies of the message would be ready for delivery to the news associations, as it was possible it might be found necessary to send it back to the government printing office for further changes.

Secretary of the Interior Ballinger visited the white house at half-past nine o'clock but it was denied that his call was in any way connected with the message. The document is to be sent to the senate tomorrow. The delay in the issuance of advanced copies of the message to press associations and newspapers is due in part to the change in the president's original decision to send the messages to congress separately and to advice which he received from friends and advisers.

The message will contain approximately 7,000 words. More than one-half of it will deal with the changes which the president hopes can be affected in the Hepburn act. The remainder will contain an outline of a law for the federal incorporation of concerns engaged in interstate commerce, and a treatise of the Sherman anti-trust law, with recommendations for its overhauling.

The length of his opinions on both subjects caused President Taft to decide to transmit separate messages. On Monday he announced that these would go forward on Thursday and Friday, respectively. The amount of work apparently still needed on the railroad message, however, brought forth the announcement yesterday morning that it could not possibly reach congress this week. The dissemination of this news caused many of the president's friends and advisers to send him expressions containing the hope that he would complete the railroad message as speedily as possible.

INSURGENTS ARE NOT FIGHTING TAFT

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 5—The insurgents in the house emphatically deny that they are fighting Taft's policies. Representative Haines, of California, one of the leading insurgents said today that President Taft will make a mistake if he attempts to "club" every member who disagrees with Speaker Cannon.

Mr. Hays added that he regards the stories sent out from Washington that the insurgents are to be deprived of all patronage as being promoted by the "Cannon crowd." He does not believe the president will allow himself to become involved into a dispute that does not relate to the administration. The question of the appointment of postmasters is one that has always created friction. He regards Postmaster General Hitchcock's statement concerning the non-appointment of "insurgent" candidates for postmasters as undiplomatic and one that will "act as a boomerang."

The insurgents are to hold a meeting a day or two and decide on a plan of action.

Charles W. Morse.



Snapshot of Charles W. Morse, as he left the Tombs prison in New York on his way to the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., where he will serve a 15-year sentence for wrecking the National Bank of North America. Two years ago Morse controlled \$100,000,000 and was personally worth fully \$40,000,000. He was indicted as a direct result of the panic of 1907. He was tried and convicted by jury and the sentence of 15 years was confirmed by the supreme court of the United States.

MARK TWAIN GOES BACK TO BERMUDA

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Jan. 5—Samuel L. Clemens, (Mark Twain), America's famous humorist, who returned to this city from Bermuda a few weeks ago, was a passenger sailing today on the Bermudian, for Bermuda. He looked ill and feeble. His sailing today was entirely unexpected, and it was stated that it was principally due to decided change in his health as the result of the sad death of his daughter, Jenn, who was the humorist's constant companion. The daughter was found dead in a bath tub half filled with water in the home of her father at Redding, Conn.

When the humorist returned to this country several weeks ago he looked excessively feeble and when questioned regarding his health stated that he believed his "life's work was about ended." He complained at that time of severe pains in the left breast, near the lung and complained of the pain when sailing today. Further than this he would not discuss his health. It was noticed by those on board who knew the humorist that he appeared thinner and had aged perceptibly.

MISS ADAMS ILL.

Will Be Operated Upon For An Old, Unhealed Wound.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Jan. 5—Miss Jane Adams, of Hillhouse, will undergo a surgical operation this morning in Augustana Hospital. She was taken to the hospital yesterday and an examination convinced the medical staff of the institution that the wounds from an operation for appendicitis, performed 10 or 12 years ago, did not heal properly and further surgical attention is necessary. Miss Adams frequently has been subject to serious discomfort and finally her condition became so serious as to demand special care.

Aside from this particular trouble she is in excellent health, and though the operation is of unusual character no serious results are expected.

Cold In New York.

New York, Jan. 5—New York passed through the coldest period of the winter when the mercury fell to five degrees above zero at one o'clock this morning. Then the temperature began to rise rapidly as an indication that the predicted blizzard is fast approaching the city. The suffering in the poorer quarters was intense. One man dropped dead and another fell unconscious.

INVESTIGATE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

Senator Jones, of Washington Introduces Resolution to Investigate Conditions

BE OPEN TO PUBLIC

Investigation Will Clear up Matter and Will Settle Pinchot-Ballinger Controversy—In His Speech, Senator Jones Says That Publications of the Country Have Faded Too Much to Say and That Secretary of the Interior is a Man Whose Life Has Been one of Highest Rectitude and Against Whom no Charge Have Been Brought.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 5—Senator Jones of Washington, introduced a resolution providing for the investigation of the department of the interior and of the forestry service by a committee consisting of six members of the senate, appointed by its presiding officer, and six members of the house of representatives, to be designated by the speaker.

The committee is empowered to make a thorough and complete investigation of the administration and the conduct of the interior department and the forestry service; to hold sessions during the recess of congress or during its sessions and to subpoena witnesses and require the production of all papers and information necessary. The resolution provides that all hearings shall be open to the public, that the committee shall report to congress all its findings and conclusions, and that all persons refusing to answer questions in its hearings shall be guilty of contempt of court.

Senator Jones addressed the senate on the purpose of the resolutions. His remarks were chiefly a laudation of defense of the secretary of the interior. He said in part: "The press and magazines of the country for several months have been filled with charges against the secretary of the interior and his conduct of his office. These charges range from petty insinuations and innuendoes to direct charges of malfeasance and misconduct in office which, if true, show that he has most unworthily discharged his trust. A moment's thought should cause an honest and fair-minded man to hesitate to accept such charges against a man whose life heretofore has been one of the highest rectitude and against whom no dishonorable charge has ever been made in either private or public life.

This resolution has been drawn directing the committee to investigate along certain and specific lines and authorly given it to make any further investigation it may deem desirable. The intention is to secure the broadest and most thorough investigation. If the resolution can be made broader and more rigid, and a more thorough investigation secured it should be done and will be welcomed by the secretary. He wants no whitewash; he wants no partial investigation; he wants it rigid, thorough, complete, and conducted without fear or favor. It is believed that this resolution will accomplish this purpose. It is not introduced in an unfriendly spirit to any one but simply in the interest of honesty, decency and good government."

THE COPPER KING AGAIN IN COURT

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Jan. 5—F. Augustus Heinz, the former copper king, arraigned before Federal Judge Hough on two new indictments charging violation of the national banking laws and impeding justice by removing books of the United Copper company from the court's jurisdiction was released to-day under his old bail of \$50,000, and will appear for trial January 13. His brother, Arthur P. Heinz, Carlos Wardell, Calvin O. Geer and his lawyer, Sanford Robinson, were also arraigned on a blanket indictment for impeding justice, and all were admitted to bail.

PERSONNEL OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 5—There is much speculation here to-day over the personnel of the joint committee that is to be appointed to investigate the Ballinger-Pinchot row. It is generally conceded that Senator Nelson of Minnesota chairman of the committee on public lands of the senate will head the investigating committee, and that Root of New York and Sutherland of Utah, will be members. The fourth senator is likely to be Flint of California, or some other western man. Paynter, of Kentucky, Clarke, of Arkansas, or Hughes, of Colorado, will probably be the democratic members from the senate.

The house members practically decided upon are Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, McCall, of Massachusetts; Stevens, of Minnesota, Marton, of South Dakota—Republicans; and Howard, of Georgia, Sherley, of Kentucky, or Moon, of Tennessee—Democrats. This list is not definitely decided upon and one or two changes may be made, but the names given are under consideration.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

Waiting on Estrada to Get to Managua.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 5—Awaiting action on the part of General Estrada, in advancing on Managua and forcing a battle with the Madriz faction, the state department is making no move in the Nicaraguan situation. Estrada's army has reached Los Chillos and may have left there, according to private advices received here. It is said that one part of the advancing army will be near Greytown in about two days, and that fighting will probably take place a day or two later. The state department is willing to give Estrada sufficient time in which to take positive action against Madriz, but does not intend to wait for such action an unreasonable length of time.

Rare Operation Performed.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Worcester, Mass., Jan. 5—An operation considered one of the rarest was performed on Thor Gustafson, of Millbury. Gustafson's back was broken Friday by a 300 pound press falling on him. The operation involved the removal of a small section of the vertebrae so it would not press upon the spinal cord, and occupied nearly two hours.