

## TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE MADE HOMELESS BY FLOW OF LAVA.

### ERUPTION OF VESUVIUS DESTROYS MANY VILLAGES.

Thousands of frightened people are fleeing from Naples and neighboring towns to places of safety. Heart-rending tales told by some of the refugees who have narrowly escaped destruction--The earthquake is adding much to the horror of the situation produced by terrible volcanic eruption.

By Wire to The Sentinel. NAPLES, April 9.—The devastation wrought by the eruption of Vesuvius has been so widespread that fifty thousand people are estimated to have been made homeless. Dozens of villages have been wiped out and two hundred acres of vineyards, olive groves and farm lands, destroyed. The eruption is growing worse every day. As a consequence a state of alarm prevails throughout the country. Thousands of persons are joining the refugees who are leaving the city of the volcano.

A heavy fall of ashes and dust is living so unpleasant that many of the better classes living in the city and other towns, who fear danger from eruption, are leaving for some other places until the volcano's activity ceases and the air is cleared.

Messages reaching here tell of people escaping from the flowing lava and hardships of fleeing peasants. Earthquakes have added to the horror of the situation.

Stories told by refugees living here of persons who lost their lives during the eruption it is estimated at least fifty deaths have occurred.

A story is brought from Ottavio a number of school children, taken from the school house, lost their way. Three were picked up but the others have been buried.

Another town a church in which people had collected to pray collapsed. Thirty bodies have been recovered from the ruins. Nearly all the people reaching here bring news of a similar report of finding bodies buried in houses.

The latest news received is that Vesuvius has suddenly quieted.

## LEIGH MACHINIST SERIOUSLY INJURED.

By Wire to The Sentinel. WASHINGTON, April 9.—J. W. Price, known machinist in the Seaboard shops, was caught between the rails at Johnson street station here tonight and badly mashed. Several bones were broken. There were also serious injuries. Little hope is entertained for his recovery.

## WARMER AND COLDER TUESDAY

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The weather forecast for North Carolina is: Rain tonight, cooler in western part Tuesday, fair and cooler.

## REPLY TOMORROW.

### Anthracite Operators Will Then Give Answer To Mitchell's Proposition.

Answer Was to Have Been Given Today to Mitchell's Proposal to Arbitrate Differences But at Request of Operators Conference Was Postponed.—Operators Preparing a Counter Proposition.

By Wire to The Sentinel. NEW YORK, April 9.—Many differences have developed among the anthracite coal operators as to the exact nature and extent of the counter proposition that is to be made to President Mitchell's proposal for arbitration and after a short meeting this morning it was decided to request an adjournment of the joint conference scheduled for this afternoon, until tomorrow afternoon in order that the operators might agree upon some form of counter proposition that would be satisfactory to all operators. President Baer, of the Reading, and E. B. Thomas, of the Lehigh Valley, who is chairman of the operators' scale committee, called up Mitchell over the telephone shortly before 11 o'clock this morning and made a request for adjournment. The request was granted and Mitchell made public the news of adjournment.

The difference of opinion as to how far the counter proposition should go is not serious, but as the situation involves an arbitration of an arbitrated condition which the miners claim has undergone many changes, it is delicate and intricate and as it affects the various interests differently there arose among the operators some different views.

The independent operators, while holding to various opinions, say that any counter proposition involving arbitration that is satisfactory to the five coal roads is satisfactory to them.

## TRIAL OF G. L. SMOOT AND WIFE IS BEGUN.

GREENSBORO, April 9.—The trial of Mrs. Alice Smoot and her husband, G. L. Smoot, charged with counterfeiting, is now in progress in the federal court. The defendants are represented by Messrs. C. M. Stedman and James T. Morehead.

Prosecution has shown by Detective Taylor that on March 24 he arrested the woman in Greensboro just as she was leaving on the train. Examination of her baggage showed some packages of bright new silver half dollars and five dollar gold pieces, each piece wrapped in tissue paper. In the satchel were two bottles, one of gold and one of silver solution. The domains were Dabboli metal plated and the stamp was a fine imitation.

Several incriminating letters that were found in the satchel, which had passed between herself and husband in West Virginia, were exhibited. One of the letters from Smoot dated at Welch, W. Va., instructed the wife to keep busy and be sure and work Winston, Danville and Greensboro and Salisbury as they were good points, before she came to him in Welch, Va. Another stated that he would soon make some more "dollar marks." In the captured counterfeit, there were no counterfeit dollars.

The following witnesses testified as to having received half dollar counterfeit silver pieces from Mrs. Smoot: James Shepherd, of Winston, and Obed Daniels, of Ashe county.

The following from Winston have testified to having received or detected counterfeit five dollar gold pieces: Miss Martin, Miss Blum, B. Beard, D. D. Schouler and Fred Sheets. Stacy Dwigging, a little stuttering negro huckster, of Charlotte, produced a spurious silver dollar he said defendant Smoot had passed on him in Charlotte a year ago.

J. D. Huffman said he met Smoot in West Virginia last winter and recognized his face but not his name. Smoot said his name was Smith. He was G. L. Smoot, who had been a photographer in Wilkesboro.

Herbert S. Hadley.



Attorney General of Missouri, Who is Conducting Investigation of Standard Oil Company.

## WORK ON SOUTHBOUND RAILROAD IS COMMENCED THIS AFTERNOON.

### FORCE OF HANDS STARTS CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD.

Contract For First Section, Extending From Salem Excelsior Plant Through Centerville, a Distance of About Two Miles, is Awarded to Pruden & Bennett, of Atlanta, Ga.—Work To Be Pushed Forward as Rapidly as Possible—Exact Location Along Entire Line Left With Executive Committee and the Chief Engineer.

The Sentinel is pleased to announce that work on the Winston-Salem Southbound railroad was begun in earnest this afternoon.

At a business meeting of the directors of this company this morning the contract for the first section of the road, starting at a point near the excelsior plant, just east of the city, and running through Centerville, was awarded to Pruden & Bennett, of Atlanta, Ga., who put a force of men to work on same this afternoon.

The work of construction will be pushed with all possible speed. The exact location along the entire line

## MAY ASK MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO RESIGN.

The contest over the ownership of the Academy school building and lot in the town of Kernersville is still on and two citizens of that town report that it looks like there might be trouble and a whole lot of it before peace is restored. Some of the opponents are saying that they will spend hundreds of dollars in the courts before they will submit to the proposition for the town to take the school property from the trustees.

Some who are standing by the Academy submitting the matter to a committee for arbitration but this appears to be off for the present at least.

Those who are standing by the Academy trustees are now talking about circulating a petition asking Mayor Linville and the town commissioners to resign, since an act of the last legislature will permit them to hold over until May, 1907.

## Death at Bethania.

Mrs. F. M. Transon, aged 70 years, died early Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. H. Hauser, at Bethania, after an illness of only a few weeks with pneumonia. Mrs. Transon was a devoted member of the Moravian church at Bethania and was a most estimable lady.

The funeral service was conducted today from the Bethania church at 11 o'clock, followed by the interment in the Moravian graveyard.

George S. Norfleet will leave Wednesday for Hot Springs, Ark., to receive treatment for rheumatism.

## DEATH OF A SURVIVOR OF NAPOLEONIC WARS.

By Wire to The Sentinel. BATTERSEA, April 9.—The death of Elizabeth Blank, a single woman at the Wandsworth Union Infirmary, has removed one of the few remaining survivors of the Napoleonic wars. The woman was about 104 years old at the time of her death, and died from heart failure and other troubles, aggravated by burns which she received a short time ago while trying to extinguish a piece of burning paper. The evidence in the post mortem examination showed that Miss Blank remembered the declaration of peace after the battle of Waterloo. She was a young girl at the time and remembered well the rejoicings on the green of her village in Devonshire.

Mrs. Clarence Hodson and little daughter, who have been the guests of Mrs. Robert Norfleet for several weeks, left today for their home in Philadelphia.

W. H. Marler left today for New York to buy goods for the Marler-Dalton-Gilmer Co.

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Harrell, of Roll, Ind., passed through the city this morning enroute to Kernersville to visit relatives and friends. They are returning home from Florida, where they spent the winter. Dr. Harrell stated that he was born in or near Kernersville in 1848, but that his father, Isamor Harrell, moved to Indiana in 1855.

A. R. Bennett returned this morning from Rockingham county. He has been to see his father, who has been quite ill, but is thought now to be slowly improving.

## SEVERAL SPEECHES ON RAILROAD RATE MEASURE DURING THE WEEK.

### DEBATE ON THIS BILL WILL PROBABLY END SATURDAY

## DOWIE'S TROUBLES

Former Head of Zion City Settlement Seems Broken In Spirit Now.

Revolt Against Him Seems to Have Worried Him No Little.—His Followers Are Leaving Him And Others Are Taking His Place.—As a Result He is Much Distressed.

By Wire to The Sentinel. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 9.—Dowie is today an exemplification of the mighty fallen. The one-time leader sits wearily in his hotel room here and curses his downfall. He is not Dowie, the same Dowie who awayed thousands. Never physically imposing, Dowie today seems shriveled. His overseer says the desertion of his wife and son has shivered his soul and Dowie's body seems to have withered with it. His face in repose is subdued like that of a man beaten and his flesh is not of a ruddy hue. His shoulders droop pathetically and his eyes when women sympathize with him are appealing. It is only when talking of his wrongs that the old fierce assertiveness is seen. Then he breaks out into bitter denunciation of Volva Granger, his son and wife, who have fostered revolution against him.

In public Dowie speaks bravely and looks brave, but his words have a hollow ring and his bravery is but a cloak.

Dowie may run against another financial snag when he reaches St. Louis, Deacon Paxton, to whom he wired for Pullman car and six tickets, is without sufficient funds to comply with the demand and Dowie's chances for a private car are slight. Deacon Whitte, who was asked to meet Dowie at St. Louis and bring five hundred, is undecided what to do. He is still in Zion City and is said to have been able to raise the five hundred.

## JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER SEEMS TO BE UNWELL

By Wire to The Sentinel. NEW YORK, April 9.—John D. Rockefeller emerged from his seclusion at Lakewood for the first time since December 16 this morning and came to the city. His whole appearance tended to confirm rumors of ill health. On arriving at Jersey City Rockefeller was assisted into an automobile and driven to the home of his son to see the recently arrived grandson.

## New Advertisements.

- J. M. Woodruff & Co.—Glad rags and hats just the thing for Easter.
- Shaffner's Drug Store.—Easter novelties, fine assortment. Nunnally's candy in pretty packages for Easter.
- The Meyers-Westbrook Co.—Some special offerings in American Lady corset and ready-to-wear garments. "Second floor."
- "Smokers' Den"—In the "Cuban" you get practically double value for your cigar money.
- Brown-Rogers Co.—Money in your pocket if you buy here.
- Rosenbacher & Bro.—Only five more shopping days before Easter. Specials in every department.
- Thompson's Drug Store.—Easter egg dyes in all the different colors.
- O'Hanlon's Drug Store.—O'Hanlon's prescription service.
- The Bee Hive.—Specials for this week at the busy Bee Hive.
- Simpson Drug Co.—For clean and wholesome drinks learn the way to Simpson's.
- W. M. Hendren spent the day in Greensboro looking after some cases before the federal court.
- The passenger and freight trains, which were operated via Winston-Salem Friday and Saturday on account of the bad wreck which occurred Friday morning at Second Creek steel bridge, two miles from Barber Junction, are again crossing a temporary structure over the creek.
- Mr. and Mrs. Clement Manly went to Baltimore today.

## Senator Bailey, of Texas, Will Speak Tomorrow in Reply to Speeches of Senators Knox and Spooner Relative to Certain Features of The Measure Which Will Be Voted on In a Few Days—This Week's Debate Promises to Be Notable in Many Respects.

By Wire to The Sentinel. WASHINGTON, April 9.—The opinion is generally conceded that the great debate now in progress in the United States senate on the railroad rate question has seldom if ever been equalled in brilliancy and ability in any parliamentary body of the world. This being so it is interesting to note that speeches for the present week will probably mark the culmination of debate and make the next six days most noteworthy in the history of recent congresses.

Tomorrow is especially looked forward to as a great day. Senator Bailey, Democratic leader, conceded to be one of the best constitutional lawyers in public life and one of the most able orators, will speak. More than usual interest is manifested in this event because he has announced his purpose to reply specifically to the arguments advanced by Senators Knox and Spooner, who are recognized as leading lawyers on the Republican side in their opposition to Bailey's proposition that the courts may be prohibited from issuing temporary injunctions suspending orders of the interstate commerce commission.

## BILLIARD TOURNAMENT IN NEW YORK TONIGHT

By Wire to The Sentinel. NEW YORK, April 9.—The great international billiard tournament for the championship of the world in the 18-inch balk line game, with two shots in bank, will open this evening in the concert hall of Madison Square Garden. Only six contestants are entered for the great event. Jacob Schaefer, Louis Cure, George Slosson, Ora Morningsstar, George Sutton and Albert C. Cutler. Willie Hoppe, who recently won the championship of the world by defeating Vigneaux and Slosson, was expected to play, but at the last moment flatly refused to take part. He had some trouble with the Brunswick-Balke-Collider Company, which is managing the tournament, over an old account and pending a settlement of this refused to play. He issued a statement explaining his position and intends to challenge the victor.

The contest will begin this evening and there will be in all nine matches and twelve evening games. According to the conditions of the tournament every contestant will be required to play every other contestant entered in the tournament and each game shall consist of 500 points up, to be played under the established rules governing the 18-inch balk line game, two shots in. All ties must be played off. The Brunswick-Balke-Collider Company has donated \$5,000 as prize money, and this, as well as the entrance fees, will be divided among the contestants as follows: First, forty per cent; second, twenty-five per cent; third, fifteen per cent; fourth, twelve per cent; fifth, eight per cent.

There is no pronounced favorite for the big tournament and the bets are 3 to 1 on any one of the players, the better having his choice. Schaefer, Slosson and Cure are considered the strongest players among the contestants, but the other three have shown themselves in such good form in the practice games before the tournament that the result of the contest is not easily foreshadowed. The dropping out of Hoppe has diminished the general interest in the tournament to a great extent, but judging from the advance sale the attendance promises to be unusually good during the entire tournament.

—Marriage licenses have been issued as follows: Stonewall Jackson to Nannie Fulp; W. W. Bolling to Mattie L. Henderson; J. R. Rumley to Sallie A. Carmichael, of Walkertown.