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## NO COAL TRUST COMBINATION FORMED

### DECLARES SUPREME COURT TODAY.

Refused to Order Dissolution of Erie Central Railroad of New Jersey.—Decision Will Force Revolution in Hard Coal Industry.—Victory for Roads and Wall Street.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Declaring that the Central combination of Pennsylvania railroads, alleged by government to form Anthracite Coal trust, had not been established, the Supreme Court, however, today partially smashed trust by holding that sixty-five per cent. of contracts are void as abnormal, illegal, restraining interstate commerce. The decision is a partial victory for the government. Dissolves the Temple Iron Company Railroad consolidation involved in alleged trust not declared illegal. The court refused to order the dissolution of the Erie, and Central Railroad of New Jersey, other alleged combinations of anthracite carriers, sixty-five per cent. contracts, declared illegal were made by carriers with coal operators by which operators agreed to deliver the entire output to carriers at sixty-five per cent. of average price paid at tidewater or open market. The said decision will force a revolution in the hard coal industry. The lower court was directed to dissolve these contracts. The anthracite coal trust was first attacked by the government in 1907. The court intimated that the government might bring separate suits against railroads.

New York, Dec. 16.—That the Supreme Court decision in the so-called anthracite trust case was in reality a victory for the roads was the opinion of Wall street. Reading stock jumped five points following the announcement of decision.

### TURKISH-BALKAN PEACE CONFERENCE CONVENES.

Opened Today in State Room of St. James Palace.

London, Dec. 16.—The Turkish-Balkan Peace Conference opened at noon today in the state room of St. James Palace. The Greeks are present. Harmony is apparent. Sir Edward Grey, British Secretary of State for foreign affairs, welcomed the envoys, giving assurance that Great Britain would aid to facilitate negotiations if desired. By request of the delegates Grey consented to act as honorary president of the conference.

### Taught Filipinos.

Lenoir, Dec. 15.—Prof. Herndon Goforth, who until recently was a supervisor of schools in the Philippine Islands, delivered a most interesting address to the teachers, pupils and a number of visitors at the graded school Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Goforth is thoroughly conversant with educational conditions in our insular possessions and he relates these in such a way that engages the attention of all. Especially was his exhibition of pictures and the handwork produced in the manual and domestic department of the schools attractive and instructive.

The Filipinos have a uniform 10-months' school, running from the last of June till April and the system of schools is considered the best in the Far East. China and the other countries are now adopting many of the methods used. There are 9,000 native teachers engaged in the work under 250 supervisors. The two things that are stressed most are the practical training and athletics. The students on graduation command the very highest salaries from the start in any kind of mechanical work and everybody on the islands engages in the sports from the Governor General down to the humblest pupil.

### \$100,000 Fire at Bellaire.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Fire early today completely destroyed the plant of the Ohio Enamel Company, at Bellaire. The loss will amount to \$100,000. The night watchman is missing. It is supposed that defective gas connection caused the fire.

Roosevelt made a speech last Monday to some of the members of the Illinois legislature in which he urged them to keep out of the Republican party; and denounced that party to be of such a character that "no honest man can be in it." This is a very strong language than any Democrat has uttered against the Republican party, but we suppose Roosevelt must know that he is correct in his statement, because he himself had been a member of that party all his life until last summer when he was appointed in getting the nomination for President from that party.—Chatham Record.

### CHRISTMAS DRAMA AT MOUNT PLEASANT.

To Be Presented Tomorrow Night by Students of the Seminary.

The following is the programme which will be rendered tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock:

#### Part I.

Aunt Sabriny's Christmas, Gupitil Cast of Characters.

#### Part II.

The Coming of the Prince, Field—Katherine Fisher.

Jes' Fore Christmas, Field—Celeste Bost.

Old Mother Goose, Anon — Miss Mauney.

The Christmas Stocking, Alderdie — Bonnie Misenheimer.

Carol Bird (a cutting from "The Bird's Christmas Carol") Wiggin—Amy Louise Fisher.

Major Jones' Christmas Present, Thompson—Lucile Kindley.

The Christmas Dinner, (a cutting from "The Bird's Christmas Carol") Wiggin—Olive Gnan.

### Taft Will Appoint Successor to Reid.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The American Ambassadorship at London will not long be left vacant. Although President Taft was said tonight not to have decided at this time upon a successor to Mr. Reid, it is understood that he will fill the place in a few weeks. The President regards the diplomatic problems, in which this country and Great Britain are at present entangled, as too important to leave the United States unrepresented even for a few months at the Court of St. James.

The President is understood to be hopeful that the Senate will confirm any nomination for this ambassadorship which he sends in. It is the custom for Diplomats holding important posts to resign with a change of administration, and therefore the President believes that the Democrats would have no objection in holding an appointment, which at best would be only for a few months.

### Dr. McLarty Begins Pastorate at Tryon.

Charlotte Observer, 15th. Rev. E. K. McLarty, D. D., began his pastorate at Tryon Street Methodist Church yesterday, preaching to large congregations morning and evening. He made an excellent impression. His personality is one of unusual charm and it requires no prophet to predict for him a successful period of residence here, a term marked, too by extreme personal popularity. Dr. McLarty comes from West Market Street Church, Greensboro, and succeeds his school deskmate and college classmate, Rev. G. T. Rowe. Dr. McLarty was pastor 14 years ago of a small church here in this city known at that time as Epworth. This was at the very beginning of his ministry.

### Miss Helen Gould to Marry Finley Shepard.

Lakewood, N. J., Dec. 15.—The announcement of the engagement of Miss Helen Miller Gould of New York to Finley J. Shepard, a prominent railroad man of St. Louis, was made this afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould, here.

### Webber Will Free Becker if He's Not Scared, Declares Mrs. Becker.

New York, Dec. 14.—"If 'Bridgie' Webber is not scared into silence by the authorities I believe he will soon tell all he knows about the killing of Herman Rosenthal, and if he tells, my husband will be a free man," said Mrs. Becker, wife of the convicted lieutenant, today after she had testified before the grand jury in the case of James Smith, who is charged with having threatened him.

### Peace Conference in Session.

London, Dec. 16.—The first session of the peace conference today lasted two hours. The Serbian premier, M. Novakovich, was named as president of the conference. The formal demands of the Balkan alliance will be presented tomorrow morning.

### Dr. Grier Improving.

The head nurse at the Charlotte Sanatorium reported this morning that Dr. Grier's temperature was 103. The report also stated that he appeared bright and his physicians are very much encouraged.

Mrs. L. A. Weddington is able to be out, after being confined to her home on South Union street for a week on account of illness.

### MAN BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Surry County Farmer Meets Horrible Fate While Handling Dynamite.—Only a Foot and Hand Found.

Winston-Salem Journal. When twenty-five sticks of dynamite exploded in his arms, Charles Sprinkle was literally blown to atoms yesterday afternoon and nothing but a foot and a piece of hand were found to indicate that a man had been in the field where the explosion occurred. The fragments of the human body, it is said, were found two hundred yards from the scene.

The horrible explosion occurred in a field near Crutchfield, a small station on the Southern between this city and Elkin, yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock. Sprinkle was engaged in dynamiting stumps in a large field when the explosion occurred. He had placed the dynamite under a stump and lighted the fuse and for some reason no explosion followed.

After waiting a reasonable length of time Mr. Sprinkle returned to the stump to see why the fuse did not ignite the dynamite. He had with him, under his arm, 25 sticks of dynamite when he retraced his steps to the loaded stump. Just as he reached the stump the dynamite under the stump exploded. The shock exploded the 25 sticks of dynamite under Mr. Sprinkle's arm with the horrible results already related.

There were spectators standing some 200 yards distant and these were shocked considerably by the explosion, but none were seriously injured. When they had recovered from the shock some started in search of Mr. Sprinkle and it is said that no trace of the man could be found near the scene of the explosion. Searching farther out, it is related that some of the men found a foot and a piece of a hand.

### STONE-SUTHER.

Miss Elma Suther and Mr. K. C. Stone Married Saturday Evening.

A marriage that will be quite a surprise to their friends was solemnized Saturday evening, when Miss Elma Suther became the bride of Mr. K. C. Stone. The event was the culmination of a courtship that has lasted several years and was not unexpected, although the young people kept their plans so quietly the wedding came as a surprise. The ceremony took place at Central Methodist parsonage at 9 o'clock and was performed by Rev. Harold Turner, pastor of Central Church. Only a few relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Stone left Saturday night for Asheville. They will go from there to points in South Carolina and will return here Saturday to visit for a few days.

Mrs. Stone is a daughter of Mr. V. Y. Suther and is popular with a number of friends here, where she was reared. The groom is a well known young traveling man of Durham.

### An Appeal to Boys.

David Starr Jordan. "Your first duty in life is toward your afterlife. So live that your afterlife—that man you ought to be—may in his time be possible and actual."

Far away in the years he is waiting his turn. His body, his brain, his soul, are in your boyish hands. He cannot help himself.

What will you leave for him? Will it be a brain unspoiled by lust of dissipation, a mind trained to think and act, a nervous system true as a dial in its response to the truth about you? Will you, boy, let him come as a man among men in his time? Or will you throw away his inheritance before he has had the chance to touch it? Will you turn over to him a brain distorted, a mind diseased? A will untrained to action? A spinal cord grown through and through with the devil grass of that vile harvest we call vice and ostal?

Will you let him come, taking your place, gaining through your experiences, hallowed through your joys; building on them his own? Or will you fling his hope away, decreeing wanton-like that the man you might have been shall never be? This is your problem in life; the problem of more importance to you than any or all others. How will you meet it, as a man or as a fool? When you answer this, we shall know what use the world can make of you?"

### Wilson Jubilee.

Staunton, Va., Dec. 14.—President-elect Wilson's homecoming to his birthplace here on December 28, will be celebrated with bonfires throughout Virginia, according to plans now being made. Along the route of the President-elect from Alexandria, shortly after he enters the State to Staunton, fires will blaze a welcome. At Monticello, Jefferson's old home; and other prominent points the fires will burn.

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Mr. M. R. Stickleby, of the Appalachian Forest Reserve, spent yesterday here with his family.

### WHITELAW REID DIES IN LONDON.

English Government Will Offer Battleship to Convey Body to the United States.

London, Dec. 15.—Whitelaw Reid, the American Ambassador to Great Britain since 1905, died at his London residence, Dorchester House, shortly after noon today from pulmonary oedema. The end was quite peaceful. Mrs. Reid and their daughter, Mrs. John Hubert Ward, were at the bedside.

The Ambassador had been unconscious since 9 o'clock in the morning and at intervals during the previous 24 hours he had been slightly delirious as a result of the drugs administered to induce sleep.

Whitelaw Reid, diplomat, editor and publisher, was born near Xenia, Ohio, on October 27, 1837. He received his early education at Xenia and afterwards entered Miami University, from which he graduated in 1856. After having acted as superintendent of the graded schools of South Charleston, O., for a year or more, he bought and edited the "Xenia News." He joined the Republican party when it was founded and actively engaged in politics. He made political speeches for Fremont in 1856, and, in his paper, advocated the nomination of Lincoln in 1860. Later he became city editor of the "Cincinnati Gazette," but at the outbreak of the Civil War, Reid joined the staff of General Morris, in West Virginia, and later that of General Rosecrans. At the same time he acted as war correspondent for the "Gazette," writing over the signature of "Aetate." In 1863 he was appointed Librarian of the House of Representatives.

In 1868 Mr. Reid again became one of the editors of the "Cincinnati Gazette," but late in the same year he was invited by Horace Greeley to join the editorial staff of the "New York Tribune." The following year Mr. Reid became managing editor of the "New York Tribune," and when Mr. Greeley was nominated for the Presidency in 1872, Reid advanced to the position of editor-in-chief. When Horace Greeley died in the fall of that year Mr. Reid became chief proprietor as well as editor of the paper.

In 1878 President Hayes offered Mr. Reid the United States mission to Berlin, which the latter, however, declined. The offer was renewed under the administration of President Garfield, and again declined. In the same year in which Reid declined the appointment to the diplomatic service offered to him by President Hayes, he was elected by the New York State legislature a Regent of the State University, to succeed Governor Dix.

In March, 1889, President Harrison appointed Mr. Reid United States Minister to France, and this honor was accepted by the distinguished editor. After securing from the French government the repeal of the decree prohibiting the importation into France of meats from the United States, and negotiating extradition and reciprocity treaties, Mr. Reid resigned his office and returned to the United States in April, 1892. In June of the same year he was nominated for the Vice Presidency by the Republican National Convention. In 1897 Mr. Reid was named a special Ambassador to England to represent the President at the celebration of Queen Victoria's jubilee. In 1898 he was one of the commissioners who negotiated the treaty of peace with Spain. In 1902 he was special Ambassador to England, to represent the United States at the coronation of King Edward VII. In 1905 Mr. Reid was named by President Roosevelt as Ambassador to Great Britain.

Mr. Reid was the dean of New York newspaper editors, so far as term of service is concerned. No other New York journalist, living or dead, ever received public honors equally distinguished. As an editor and politician, Mr. Reid was exceedingly conservative. He was a Hamiltonian; not a Jeffersonian. When in New York Mr. Reid personally directed all matters pertaining to his paper, the thought and policy of it, as well as the details of form and make-up. Mr. Reid was a thorough scholar and the owner of an exceedingly fine library. His literary attainments entitled him to a position of honor among the editorial writers of his time. He also was the author of a number of books of a historical or political nature, characterized by forceful diction and fluency of style.

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Vice President-elect Marshall, it is expected, will make an address here in February.

Mr. M. R. Stickleby, of the Appalachian Forest Reserve, spent yesterday here with his family.

### PENSION WARRANTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

\$5,088.00 to Be Distributed in Cabarrus—Cabarrus Receives an Average Part as Its Amount.

The pension warrants for the old soldiers were received this morning by Clerk of Court Widenhouse. There are three of the second class, \$60 each; six of the third class, \$48 each. There are 83 soldiers of the fourth class and 67 widows, also of the fourth class, who will receive \$30 each. There is only one blind soldier in the county, Mr. Christian Sossamon, of No. 10 township, who receives \$10 per month, which is paid monthly. The total amount paid out for pensions in the State is about \$500,000.00, and of this amount Cabarrus county receives \$5,088.00, which is a very good average. Mr. Widenhouse requests all those who are entitled to these pensions to call at his office at the court house and get them.

### OTHER LOCAL.

Miss Ollie Covington has accepted a position as stenographer in the law office of Attorney J. Lee Crewell.

Mrs. Thomas Hawthorne will entertain several friends at dinner this afternoon at her home on Georgia Avenue.

Miss Minette Marshall won the big box of candy offered by the Peoples Drug Company for the best slogan for Galt's candy.

A local physician stated Saturday that the latest report on the city water, which was published in the Tribune Saturday, was the best report ever made on the city's water.

Mr. Bruce Caldwell, of A. & M. College, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays here. Mr. Caldwell was awarded his degree in chemistry at the institution several days ago.

A real estate deal was consummated this morning whereby Mr. Alben M. Gibson purchased the interest of his sister, Mrs. R. L. Dobie, of Norfolk, in the Gibson residence on North Union street.

Mrs. Richmond Reed was hostess to the Sorority Club Saturday afternoon at her home on North Union street. Mrs. J. F. Hurley, of Salisbury, who is visiting Mrs. S. J. Ervin, was guest of honor.

The condition of G. W. Cloninger, who was shot two weeks ago by Jack West, colored, and who is at Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium in Salisbury is reported as very much improved. West has not yet been captured.

The four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Corzine died Saturday afternoon at her home at Rocky Ridge. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. G. N. Thomas. The interment was made at Rocky Ridge cemetery.

Saturday was one of the best days in business enjoyed by the merchants here for some time. A large number of people from the county were here trading and together with the city trade the merchants had a banner day.

The board of aldermen will hold a call meeting tomorrow night to consider proposed bills that will be presented to the legislature at the session next month. The principal bill to be presented will be one requiring the property owners to pay a part of the expense of permanent street improvement. The bills have been drafted by City Attorney L. T. Hartsell.

Clayton News: Mr. T. M. White left Sunday for Mebane, N. C., where he has accepted a position with the White Furniture Co., of that place.

Mr. White came to Clayton from Concord several years ago, and during his stay here held a prominent position with the Clayton Cotton Mills, and has also been connected with the Clayton Building and Loan Association and to him is due much credit for the standing this institution has reached. Mr. White is a thoroughly capable and energetic young man and we congratulate Mebane on securing him as a citizen. He has many friends here who regret to see him leave our town.

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### RECKLESS AUTOMOBILE DRIVER SURRENDERS.

Mystery as to Owner of Car That Killed Greenville Lad Cleared Up By Arrest of Farmer and His Son.

Greenville, S. C., Dec. 15.—After a long and sleepless night of reflection on the fact that the life of an innocent child had been ground out beneath the wheels of his speeding automobile, and that he had not paused to lend succor to the dying boy, or speak a word of regret to the heartbroken parents, D. B. Jenkins, a well-to-do farmer of the lower section of the county, and his 16-year-old son, Clyde, came to the city this morning and surrendered to the sheriff, as the parties guilty of the death of little Irvin Wright, who was fatally injured on Augusta street Saturday afternoon by their automobile.

The two drove to town this morning and went to the home of the dead child. Upon finding that the family had gone to bury the child, Jenkins and his son started back toward the city, when they were met by the sheriff and the chief of police and taken into custody.

The police entered a charge of reckless driving and exceeding the speed limit against Clyde Jenkins and released him on bail in the sum of \$50. The county authorities will not take any action against the parties until after the coroner's inquest, which will be held Monday afternoon.

### PRESIDENT-ELECT WILSON ARRIVES IN NEW YORK.

Will Leave for Trenton at Once.—Will Attend Southern Society Dinner in New York Tomorrow Night.

New York, Dec. 16.—The steamship Benandium arrived Saturday early today with President-elect Wilson and family on board. The police arrangements at the pier were elaborate and the family went at once to the Waldorf. Wilson leaves for Trenton this afternoon, returning here tomorrow night to attend the Southern Society dinner. He refused to discuss public matters.

### Ptomaine Poison From Eating Cold Storage Products.

Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 16.—About six hundred persons have had symptoms of ptomaine poisoning in Indiana within the past few weeks, according to county medical authorities. All the cases were mild. It is thought to be due to eating cold storage products.

### Will Not Fill Appointment.

Washington, Dec. 16.—President Taft announced today that he would not fill the post of ambassador to Great Britain left open by the death of ambassador Reid.

## TRAIN HURLED DOWN AN EMBANKMENT

### WAS STRUCK BY A LARGE BOULDER.

One Engineer Hurt.—Passengers on Train Asleep.—Knew Nothing of Accident.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 16.—Both engines, baggage, mail and express cars of the Baltimore & Ohio east-bound passenger train rolled over an embankment when the train struck a boulder coming down a seven-foot mile grade west of here. One engineer was slightly hurt. The passengers on the train were asleep and knew nothing of the accident until told.

### SUCCESSOR TO DR. WILEY IS NAMED TODAY.

Appointee Supports Policies of Predecessor.

Washington, Dec. 16.—President Taft today named Dr. Carl Alsborg to succeed Dr. Harvey W. Wiley as Chief of Chemistry in the bureau of the Department of Agriculture, Chief administrator of the pure food law. Alsborg is now employed in the bureau of plant industry in agricultural department as chemical biologist. He was born in Germany, appointed first from Massachusetts. It is understood that Alsborg supports policies and decisions of his predecessor.

### Body of Late Ambassador to be Conveyed Home on English Man-o-War.

London, Dec. 16.—The British House of Commons today sanctioned a plan proposed by Premier Asquith, of England, man-o-war to convey to New York the body of the late Ambassador Whitelaw Reid, United States Ambassador to the court of St. James. The Premier paid highest tribute to ambassador Reid. His son, Ogden Reid, is at sea on the Kronprinzessin Cecilie in wireless communication with the Dorchester House, is making his father's funeral arrangements. The funeral services will be held in Westminster Abbey.

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