

MINERS ARE DIGGING AWAY IN HOPE THAT COLLINS IS ALIVE

Soldiers Are In Charge of Work at Present and Private Rescue Parties Have Been Asked to Leave.

DIGGING OF SHAFT VERY SLOW WORK

Miners Working Continuously and Some Progress Has Been Made—Many Believe Collins Is Not Alive.

(By the Associated Press) Cave City, Feb. 7.—The tread of Kentucky troops beat a staccato today to the frenzied picking by miners digging away at a new shaft to Sand Cave where Floyd Collins, entombed, has lain imprisoned by a boulder for almost 200 hours.

Determined that no effort shall interfere in any way with the operations, the guardsmen last night ordered Homer Collins, brother of the victim, and John Gerald away from the cave. Gerald was leader of one of the numerous rescue parties which earlier in the week made fruitless efforts to get to Collins through the cave entrance.

Their activity, especially Gerald's criticism of the means being employed, made their presence undesirable because it slowed the work, officers explained to them.

It would be necessary therefore to forcibly eject either of them that returned to the cave. Both agreed to offer no resistance.

master of the vessel, was not recovered, by a diamond point drill for the sake of safety, was going down. Early today it had gone below the 20-foot mark. It had that much farther to go, possibly farther. Workers had been digging for forty-eight hours, day and night, and another 48 hours probably will have passed before the opening is made.

Test drilling was discontinued today after the diamond drill had reached limestone at a depth of forty feet. Dr. W. B. Funkhouser, University of Kentucky geologist, expressed the opinion that the drill had reached the cap rock of the cave.

Homer Collins during the night made a forbidden trip into the cave a few hours before he was called to military headquarters. He found the light near the squeeze still burning and by turning off all lights outside for a few moments said he determined that the entombed man's light still glowed.

A truck load of ammunition and other supplies was en route to Cave City from Frankfort today, despite denials by national guard officials that any ammunition had been ordered.

Tennessee Guardsmen to Assist. Cave City, Ky., Feb. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—A handful of Tennessee national guardsmen, members of the 164th engineers, arrived this morning to assist Kentucky national guardsmen on duty at Sand Cave.

Verdict of Not Guilty Returned in Case Growing Out of Bank Failure. (By the Associated Press) Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 7.—A verdict of not guilty was returned today in the case of Horace C. Cooper, former cashier of the defunct Commercial National Bank, on trial in connection with the failure of the bank.

Court adjourned after the verdict had been returned, until Monday morning, and W. B. Cooper, former chairman of the board of directors of the bank, Thos. E. Cooper, former president of the bank, and Clyde Lassiter, a former customer, will be tried on charges growing out of the institution's failure in December, 1922.

Would Return Property Held by Alien Property Custodian. (By the Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 7.—Return of funds and property held by the Alien Property Custodian would be ordered under a bill introduced by Chairman Borah of the Senate foreign relations committee, which expressed the hope of early enactment in view of the statement that plans have been completed for settlement of American claims.

A copy of the third folio of Shakespeare's plays brought the record price of \$8,000 at a book sale auction in London recently.

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SHARED ROOM AS SCHOOLGIRLS, SHARE, SAME HUSBAND NOW

Prisoner Pleads Guilty to Bigamy Charge, But None of Principals Display Bitterness.

New York, Feb. 7.—Six years ago Camilla Fitzgerald and Ann McCormick shared a room at Sacred Heart Academy, East Boston. Today, in Court, they discovered they had been sharing the same husband for many months. But they still are chums.

Camilla met Francis Kelly in Boston and married him on November 22, 1923. They have one child, Ann, while visiting near Boston, met a man who called himself Francis Landon. Last September "Landon" came to New York, married Ann and they went to live at her home in the Bronx. Camilla's husband also had come to New York in September and shortly afterwards stopped sending money. She came here and discovered that her husband had changed his name to Landon and was married again.

And then in Court Camilla found that his new wife was her old room mate. Each girl testified that Kelly was kind and considerate, and nobody seemed to bear anyone else ill-will.

Kelly pleaded guilty to bigamy. Magistrate Marsh held him in \$200 bail for the Grand Jury.

FAST AMOUNT OF LIVE STOCK DROWNED IN OREGON FLOOD

Numerous Sheep Herds Lost When Irrigation Dam Is Destroyed. Vale, Ore., Feb. 7.—Loss estimated at about \$250,000 was caused by a flood at Vale and surrounding country in the Malheur River Valley and along Bully Creek early today. No loss of life was reported, though there were some narrow escapes.

About three hours after the Bully Creek irrigation dam, 19 miles west of Vale, gave way, with about 10,000-acre feet of water impounded, it was estimated that nearly 300 sheep, 500 head of cattle, a number of horses and dogs were drowned. Several small dairy herds were wiped out entirely and more than 20 miles of fence was washed away.

The water came down Bully Creek until it ran into Malheur River at the Junction six miles west of Vale. Here the rush of water spread out across the valley, taking everything before it.

One band of sheep containing 1200 head was caught on the feed ground within two miles of Vale and drowned. Carcasses of cattle, horses, sheep and dogs were strewn along the State highway from here to the head of the valley.

MRS. ROWEN AND HER FOLLOWERS ARE QUIET

Prophecies of Doom Has Nothing to Say Since World Did Not Come to End. (By the Associated Press) Hollywood, Calif., Feb. 7.—If, last night, at midnight, marked the beginning of the end of the world, as predicted by Mrs. Margaret Rowen, Hollywood prophetess of doom, the event was as strictly censored in the home town of the forecaster as was any World War battle or sitting of the peace conference.

What Mrs. Rowen and her disciples saw and heard at the stroke of 12 they saw and heard in private, and if they drew any conclusions they kept them strictly to themselves.

Even the whereabouts of the seeress and most of her followers were veiled in mystery, though it was announced earlier they probably would wait in their homes individually rather than in groups.

At the crucial hour a reporter rang the door bell at the home of the prophetess where the lights were burning. Instantly the lights went out. That was the only sign that observers could report in connection with the proclaimed hour of fulfillment.

His Intended Bride Stands and Weeps For Wedding Day

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 6.—A solitary figure stood in the glow of a hilltop bonfire last night watching silently the shafts being sunk inch by inch by Floyd Collins. The light's reflection revealed, after a minute, two streams of tears on the watcher's face, but they were never brushed away.

"This silent observer was Alma Clark, 22 years of age, living eight miles from Cave City, come to mourn, and what was to have been her wedding day and for him who was to have been her husband. Alone she stood as scores of workmen exerted themselves to force a way through rock and earth into the cavern. She held her eyes on the new made shaft. She turned, finally, and in a moment was lost in the darkness.

"Her tears, her expression and her walk told plainly that her hopes are no more, that she feels the cave which Floyd Collins set out to explore will not release his grip until he dies. It has held him seven days.

"Floyd Collins and Miss Alma Clark were to have eloped today but only a few of their friends knew the secret. Others, of course, knew of the friendship, and some might have known that the wedding day was set for March 2nd. But very few knew that Floyd Collins and Miss Clark had decided definitely to advance it a bit and to steal quietly away today and return as man and wife.

"And this may be why Floyd Collins wouldn't give up his fight for life when he knew the light seemed lost. It may explain why Collins kept courage when rescuers and friends were downcast. It may reveal how Collins endured torture with a smile at times through six days in the grip of a stone in the cave and it may show the power that kept alive that spark of faith he cherished.

Payment Made By Receiver of Bank. Salisbury, Feb. 6.—Depositors of the People's National bank here, which went broke in June, 1923, are being paid 10 per cent dividend by representatives of J. Earle Fouts, receiver. The dividend checks amount to approximately \$80,000. This is the second dividend payment. One for 20 per cent. having been paid last June.

SHUX, THE WORLD DIDN'T COME TO AN END AFTER ALL!



SUN ROSE AS USUAL TODAY DESPITE MANY PROPHECIES

Those Persons Who Had Claimed End of World Was Coming Friday Night Say End Is Still Near. (By the Associated Press) Pathegoe, N. Y., Feb. 7.—The sun rose in the east today just as it has for untold ages, and shone on the rude home of Robert Reid, the apostle of doom, despite his fervid predictions that at midnight last night would come the beginning of the millennium and the salvation of the chosen few.

Reid and his flock of thirteen followers who had lived through as hectic a night as may ever be their lot, were still confident today that the promised sign of the second coming of Christ was not far off. Just yesterday he had declared the end of the world would take fully seven days.

Cross-Word Puzzle Contest at Fayetteville

(By the Associated Press) Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 7.—Interest in the cross-word puzzle contest that is to be held here Monday night between teams of the North Carolina University and Wake Forest College Alumni, is increasing rapidly. Each team is composed of five members. G. M. Walker, attorney and president of the Fayetteville alumni chapter of the University, is captain of one team, and H. C. Blackwell is leader of the Wake Forest five.

The contest, which is believed to be the first of its kind to be held in North Carolina, will be staged before an audience. The puzzle for the contest is being furnished by the Fayetteville Observer and Miss Louise Dixon, of the newspaper staff will be referee and judge.

Indications are that a number of spectators will be her from Raeford, Lumberton, Dunn, and surrounding towns.

Opening of the Big Drive For Funds for Catawba College

More than 250 men and women sat down at a banquet at the Yakin Hotel in Salisbury Friday night. It was the opening for the big drive for \$250,000 from Salisbury, Rowan County and adjacent counties for the new Catawba College. The full organization for Salisbury was present, the Executive Committee, the Division captains, the team leaders and workers, more than 100 strong.

The crafts of Salisbury and Spencer were well represented with a full workers organization. Almost 100 workers were present, representing every township in Rowan County outside of Salisbury.

H. A. Rouser, chairman of the Executive Committee, presided. The guest speaker was W. E. Sharpe, of Burlington. Mr. Sharpe told how Burlington had made a \$200,000 offer for a College, and failing to locate the College, later offered \$100,000 to Elon College located some six miles out of town. The greatest publicity that Burlington ever had was when they made the largest over-subscription to the Red Cross funds. The eyes of the State are upon Salisbury and Rowan County and you can put it over and put Salisbury on the map. There was determination in the workers, for when these outside of Salisbury were dismissed every worker stayed on the job for one hour or more to get the final instruction and the list for work.

C. P. Barringer, president of the State Federation of labor, told how the crafts were for the college, stating that no member of the crafts who had been approached had given less than \$50.00. Mrs. P. N. Peacock told how that Salisbury had been looking forward to the time when they would have a school, and now they were to realize what they had hoped for.

The net assets of the old Catawba College at present are \$300,000 in land and buildings in Salisbury and \$100,000 in accrued endowments from the old college and the Forward Movement of the Reformed Church.

To date the Reformed Church in North Carolina has \$136,000 subscribed toward the endowment of the College in Salisbury with a number of congregations yet to contribute more than the full \$150,000. Dr. Elmer R. Hoke, president of the College, and Rev. J. H. Keller have made a partial canvass of the Reformed Church North and have secured a substantial amount towards the \$200,000 goal originally asked.

CHINESE DELEGATES AT OPIUM MEETING LEAVE

Left Conference Because No Agreement to Suppress Opium Smoking Could Be Reached. Geneva, Feb. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—The Chinese delegation today followed the example set by the Americans yesterday, withdrew from the international opium conference.

The Chinese communication explained that the delegation was withdrawing because of the conference's failure to reach a satisfactory agreement for suppression of opium smoking in the East.

The chief Chinese delegate, S. Alfred See, did not appear for today's plenary session and sent his secretary with a letter to President Zable saying he believed no good purpose would be served by his continued presence in the conference, and he therefore felt obliged to cease participation.

M. Zable at the opening of the session read the letter he had sent Representative Steven G. Porter in which he assured the head of the American delegation that the hundreds of visitors are expected to greet his departure, but hoped to find a solution of the problems confronting the conference.

Pageant at Charlotte. Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 7.—With the arrival of Dr. George Wood Stevens, who has completed the manuscript for the pageant to be given here four days during the week of May 20 in connection with the sesqui-centennial celebration of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, plans for the pageant will go forward rapidly.

The pageant, it is announced, will depict the history and the growth of Charlotte and of Mecklenburg county from the date of the signing of historic Declaration. The cast will consist of several hundred people and the pageant will be staged in Independence Park. Hundreds of visitors are expected to be here to witness the performance.

THE COTTON MARKET

Showed Steadier Tone During Early Trading, With May Advancing to 24.44. (By the Associated Press) New York, Feb. 7.—The cotton market showed a steadier tone in today's earlier trading. Offerings were much smaller after the decline of yesterday, and prices advanced on covering by recent sellers or renewal of commission house buying, promoted by dry weather in the Southwest, prospects for continued heavy exports, and relatively steady Liverpool cables.

The opening was steady at an advance of 7 to 10 points, and active positions sold about 13 to 15 points net higher, May advancing to 24.44 and July to 24.73. Opening prices were: March 24.10; May 24.43; July 24.68; October 24.40; December 24.43.

FALLING WALLS KILL ONE AND HURT MANY

Walls Fell Following the Explosion of an Ammonia Tank at Fort Lee, New Jersey. (By the Associated Press) Fort Lee, N. J., Feb. 7.—One man was killed, two were severely injured and eighteen were slightly hurt by falling walls after the explosion of an ammonia tank today in the National Evans Film Laboratories. The explosion followed a fire.

Salvatore Joy, a projector, was killed. The explosion practically destroyed the two story plant which occupied nearly an entire city block. The loss is estimated at nearly a million dollars. Eighty employees were on duty. Some of the injured were firemen.

THREE DEAD BODIES ARE FOUND ON MAIL BOAT

Body of Captain of Boat Not Found.—Believe Vessel Foundered During Gale. Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—Three bodies, caked in ice, and partly covered with snow, were found aboard the gasoline mail boat, George Jr., on Admiralty Island, southwest of here today. The boat was reported missing January 25th.

The body of Captain Nick Bystrom, master of the vessel, was not recovered. Three boats were continuing a search for it. The George Jr. was last seen leaving Taku Harbor for Juneau. It was believed that the vessel foundered during a gale in Haku Harbor.

With Our Advertisers

The big jewelry sale at the W. C. Correll Jewelry Co. started off this morning with a great rush. Many were waiting when the doors opened at 9:30 o'clock. All kinds of bulbs at the Gibson Drug Store.

New arrivals of shoe styles you will like at Parker's Shoe Store. Arrivals will be higher this spring. Place your order now with the Concord Furniture Co.

Quick and efficient service is always given by W. J. Hethcox, the electrician. "Powder River," the great war picture, will be shown at the Pastime next Wednesday and Thursday. Prices, adults 50 cents, children 25 cents.

Monday is the last day of the big 88 Cent Sale at Eford's. See notice of the graduation from the American School of Practicoedics of J. Sam Query, of Kannapolis. This consists in a knowledge of the most advanced methods in shoe fitting.

Senator Dial to Open Office in Washington

Washington, Feb. 6.—Senator Dial, of South Carolina, will open a law office here after he goes out March 4. "I am expecting to keep the law office open at Laurens, as heretofore, and I will also open one here to practice before the courts and before the departments, and will spend by time between the two," said he today.

WORK OF LEGISLATURE

Several Bills Presented and Then Seldom Adjourning for Over Week-End. Raleigh, Feb. 7.—(By the Associated Press).—Both branches of the State assembly held snappy sessions today, then adjourned until 8 o'clock tonight.

The Senate with sixteen present, sat for seven minutes, during which time it received one new bill. The House hurried along in rapid fire action for nearly 45 minutes, during which sixteen new bills found their way to the hopper and 22 measures, all local, passed their final readings.

The House received from the Senate the bill designed to regulate commercial motor traffic and will take it up for final action Monday. Also there was introduced in the House by Representative H. O. Everett for the committee on courts and judicial districts, a bill designed to create seven new judicial districts, and a corresponding number of judgeships. This bill was briefly written. It contained three sections. If it passes there will have to be another bill, an enabling act, to redistrict the state.

The question of the constitutionality of passing bills to increase the pay of jurors in counties came up again this morning. When a bill designed to increase the pay of Rowan jurors was read for its final vote, Representative Wakefield who on yesterday had a similar bill re-referred, again lodged an objection, but this objection was overruled by a vote that carried the measure safely over its final reading.

The Greensboro delegation, Messrs. Wright, King and Guilford, introduced a bill authorizing Greensboro to acquire land for a memorial park.

HOUSE BAD CHECK BILL PASSED BY THE SENATE

Makes It a Misdemeanor to Give a Check Without Funds. Raleigh, Feb. 6.—Taking up more time today in debate than on any previous day, the Senate discussed the Spencer statewide fish and fisheries bill, the Robertson municipal street widening bill, the Johnson bill as to the reopening of judicial sales, the Squires bill to limit the description in notices of mortgaging publication, the Carroll banking bill, the house abduction bill and the Harris bill to place in the hands of county commissioners and city commissioners the right to remit taxes to private hospitals doing a general charity work, all coming in for their share of debate.

"Every bill which came up for vote today and which was not clear in its title was challenged and in most cases resulted in the reading of the bill or explanation of its intent. The Senate worked hard despite the unaccomplishments and held a continuous session of nearly three hours. Several of the contested bills were re-referred to committees for redrafting, consideration and amendments.

The joint worthless check bill, which originated in the house, was passed on third reading. This bill is backed by the State Merchants Association. The statute would not apply to post-dated checks or drafts but would make it a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or imprisonment, to give a check without funds in the bank to cover same at the time given.

The Anti-Gossip Law There Is Securing Convictions. (By the Associated Press) Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 7.—With the announced purpose of curbing the malicious wagging of tongues, the Kentucky anti-gossip law is being invoked and is securing convictions.

Frowning upon the repeating or scattering of false rumors or reports of a slanderous or harmful nature, it places a \$10 to \$100 fine or 10 to 50 days' imprisonment, or both, as punishment. The gossip is deemed guilty unless he is able to show to the satisfaction of a judge or jury that he carefully investigated the source and foundation of the harmful remarks, and proved that they had reasonable grounds.

To make available proper defense, the gossip must furnish for the public court record "the name or names of the person or persons furnishing information upon which the rumor or report was based."

The law laid idle in the bound acts of the last general assembly until recently at Owensboro a woman with the situation state that the largest attendance in the history of her order is expected.

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NOTED AUTHOR PROMISES TO KILL BOOTLEGGERS

James Oliver Curwood's Ire Aroused When Boys Buy Moonshine. Owensboro, Mich., Feb. 6.—James Oliver Curwood, well-known author, today gave notice to bootleggers that if any of them furnished his 12-year-old son with liquor they will be killed, and he will do the killing.

Curwood's announcement followed his complaint to city officials that bootleggers are selling liquor to boys and girls of Owensboro. He declared that he had proof that several young people had been intoxicated of late and one youth ruined by drinking moonshine.

WHAT SMITTY'S CAT SAYS

Fair tonight, warmer in north and extreme west portions; Sunday fair, probably showers in the extreme west portion.

WHIPPING OF THREE MAY LEAD NOW TO SUITS IN COURT

Rumored That One Man of West Jefferson Who Was Flogged by Masked Men Will Take Case to Court.

KLANSMEN CHARGED WITH FLOGGINGS

Sheriff of County Says He and Other Officers Are Capable of Preserving Law and Order Without Klan.

(By the Associated Press) Jefferson, N. C., Feb. 7.—With legal action threatened against alleged members of the Knights of the Ku Klux by at least one victim of masked and robed floggings, and reports of an anti-Klan organization being secretly formed, tension persisted at West Jefferson today, although there had been no raids such as characterized several night last week for three or four days. Several liquor raids, and at least three floggings occurred in and around West Jefferson, all performed by men in masks and robes, and alleged to claim membership in the Klan.

Reports that many persons were arming and that further activities by the masked bands might be followed by bloodshed persisted.

Sheriff J. W. Hampton in a statement declared that there was no need for the Ku Klux Klan in Ashe county, and that the law enforcement agencies had not broken down. He asserted that he and his men were doing all possible to enforce the law, and that they stood ready to serve any warrants issued for any offense whatsoever. He pleaded for the support of the citizens of the county "as citizens."

The three men who were flogged, it is said, committed no crimes, the floggings merely making general charges of misconduct. They were: Al Barker, Bud Combs, and a man named Turmire, Barker, it is said, plans legal action against some men as yet unnamed.

As many as 200 masked and robed men have participated in one raid, according to word from West Jefferson. This many one night stopped a small coupe by shooting at it, and puncturing the gasoline tank. Nothing illegal was found in the car, but it is alleged the file gallons of whiskey was found in the bushes nearby. W. S. Graybeard, of Hemlock, who was in the car, was taken before the United States commissioner and held as a witness. Warrants were sworn out against Henry Harrison and Guy Riddle, but neither has been apprehended. On this night Mayor Allen, of West Jefferson, and Alderman W. C. Johnson and Constable W. V. Woodie were called out by the masked men, and accompanied them on the raid.

MAN HANGED HIMSELF IN FEAR WORLD WOULD END. Another Man Wanted for Forgery Surrendered, Believing End Was at Hand. (By the Associated Press) New York, Feb. 7.—Fear of the end of the world was given as the cause of two entries on the police blotters today.

Walter Michkowsky, of Brooklyn, hanged himself with a leather strap. To the suicide record in the police blotter added "afraid of the end of the world."

Benjamin Lomoncelli, wanted in Jessup, Pa., for forgery, gave himself up. He said that the world was about to end and he thought he would be safer in jail.

P. O. S. of A. to Meet in Salisbury. (By the Associated Press) Salisbury, N. C., Feb. 7.—Plans for the meeting of the national meeting of the Patriotic Order, Sons of America, which is to be held here in September, were discussed here recently at a meeting of the State and National officers of the Society, and James H. Moore, with the situation state that the largest attendance in the history of her order is expected.

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