

## MAN SEARCHES FOR SPANISH TREASURE

PARCHMENT TELLS JUST WHERE FORTUNE IN GOLD IS BURIED.

By United News  
BERKELEY, Cal., April 14.—On June 24, 1557, we were set upon by a great horde of savage Indians, to the number of 40,000 and many of the members of our party were killed and others grievously wounded. Our strength was so reduced after the attack that it was necessary to bury the gold carried by 27 horses. This fabulous treasure is hidden at—

So reads a document found in a cave in Imperial county by Joe Mieroff, an aged prospector, who has spent his life in the great deserts of the west searching for the hidden riches of nature.

Written on parchment the directions for reaching the buried treasure are given in full. The mysterious document that has been pronounced genuine by Professor H. E. Bolton, head of the history department of the University, and a leading authority on the old Spanish explorations.

Today Mieroff left the home of his children in Oakland and set forth to follow the directions to the place where the gold "carried by 27 horses" lies buried beneath the waste land of Imperial county.

Professor Bolton and his associates have given the parchment a photographic analysis and are convinced that it was actually left in the cave where Mieroff found it, by the party of Spaniards who were attacked by the Indians nearly 400 years ago.

According to the document, one of the party died at the mine and with him was buried part of the gold and directions for finding the other half. Mieroff found the document in the grave in the cavern. He has presented part of the manuscript to relatives but the pages telling of the burial of the treasure and of the place where it is buried have never left his possession since he found it 30 years ago.

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WILD ANIMAL SHOW AND REGULAR CIRCUS IN FIGHT

By United News  
SAN FRANCISCO, April 14.—The elephants, the trained seals and the Nubian lions have gone to war with the bareback riders, the beauties of the flying trapeze and the girls of the tinselled ballet.

The whole Pacific coast is the battle ground and the prize.

Not that the lions are planning to dine upon any of their adversaries or anything like that—but there is war in progress between the wild animal show and the old time circus according to the stories told among show people and those who follow the big tops and the sawdust rings.

Victory, it is generally agreed, depends on two elements—whether the public prefers a well trained lion to a silk encased calf and whether the press agent and the advance man can move faster ahead of a Bengal tiger or a girl who can hang by her toes.

If the press agent and the advance man of the animal circus can grab the space and the choice bookings, and leave the circus lots ahead of the competitor, half the battle will be won and vice versa. The remainder will rest with the public, 'tis said.

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gle are Al G. Barnes of wild animal fame on one side and Jerry Mugivan, who has bought the Sells-Floto, the Howes-London, the "Yankee" Robinson and the Hagenbeck-Wallace shows according to the stories which are going the rounds. Barnes has been king of the territory west of the Rockies.

When the spring season arrived this year, Barnes is said to have found his leadership challenged. The Howes-London shows appeared on the scene and from the start began dogging the path of Barnes.

The first move was made when Barnes changed his schedule and jumped back from Southern California to Arizona to head off the invasion of that state by his competitor. Howes-London moved then and dashed into the San Joaquin valley with Barnes jumping too. Now they are both moving into northern California.

With the first show of battle the army press agents and advance men rushed forward and they are now said to be fighting a quiet but determined battle through the northwest, the Dakotas, Montana and Wyoming—offering big prices for choice of circus lots, securing licenses and trying to out-guess each other.

It has resolved into the biggest circus war, show people say, since the days when P. T. Barnum and the Ringling Brothers first locked horns.

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## FIVE KILLED, TWO HURT BY TORNADO

TOWN OF MELISSA LEVELED—FIRE ADDS TO WIND'S HAVOC.

By United News  
McKINNEY, Texas, April 14.—Five children were killed and two railway men were injured at Melissa, north of here, when a tornado wiped out most of the town late Wednesday.

Officials of the Texas electric railway report that two freight trains were blown from the track and that fire following in the wake of the storm did great damage.

Nurses and doctors are being hurried to the scene.

Mrs. P. F. Lotice, holding her infant daughter in her arms, was hurled from her home by the force of the storm and the child was killed. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warner Young was also picked from its cradle and killed.

Three negroes and two negro children were reported killed.

The entire business section of Melissa was demolished with the exception of one building, the Melissa National bank.

Fifty persons were severely injured, some of them fatally, it is reported.

More than 200 school children had a miraculous escape from death when they huddled in the hall of the school

building while the rest of the building was crumbling before the storm.

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STEEL PRICE REDUCTION MAY STIMULATE BUSINESS

By United News  
NEW YORK, April 14.—One of the first results of the United States Steel corporation's reduction of prices, announced Tuesday by Judge E. H. Gary, is expected to be a renewal of the building boom which began just after the war, but suddenly slumped.

"This is a mighty good thing. It should stimulate building in all lines," said George C. Wagner, vice-president of the Terry and Tench Construction firm here. He also thought the reduction in prices of manufactured steel would probably be followed by corresponding reductions in the wages of the men who make it.

Paul Starrett, president of the George A. Fuller Construction company, said many prospective builders had held up their plans for just such an announcement as that of Judge Gary, and thought it would stimulate building.

Construction men, though not predicting an actual boom, were optimistic as to the renewal of activity in the near future. In Wall street, where steel is the barometer of business, all interest centered in the steel corporation for indications of prosperity in traction, construction and other leading lines.

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