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CHELL MAKES A STATEMENT

ral Thousand Miners e Been Refused Work ce the Strike Closed."

REAL CAUSE OF THE COAL FAMINE.

s Have Always Taken Holidays Did Not Know They Were Ex- ed to Work—Men Have Daily ght Operators for Work.

roit, Jan. 3.—President John ell, of the United Mine Workers erica today issued a statement ting miners not working through olidays.

says they have always taken olidays and did not know they expected to work. He states that harge of ingratitude toward the is being made against the min- y those who would malign them, g to divert the attention of the from the real cause of the coal se.

statement closes as follows: truth is, several thousand miners been refused the privilege of ing at all since the close of the , although they have daily im- ned the companies to permit to return to the places they oc- d prior to the inauguration of trike.'

AEROPLANE EXPERIMENTS.

her Scientist Who Believes Bell's scovery Will Solve Aerial Navi- tion.

w York, Jan. 3.—William A. Ed- who is well known in connection kite-flying investigations, has essfully experimented, says a dis- from Bayonne, N. J., to the d, with an aeroplane similar to one by which Alexander Graham recently made the discovery that him to announce that the flying hine of the future would be of type. Mr. Eddy's experiment was orroboration of Professor Bell's ment that an aeroplane kite could ade that would carry the weight motor and a man, and thus solve problem of aerial navigation.

a result of his experiments, Mr. y asserts, that Professor Bell's overy will revolutionize flying ma- e invention.

LARGE FORCE LANDED.

kading Warships Took All Vene- elan Vessels From Inner Harbor sterday.

erto Cabello, Jan. 3.—The block- g warships of the allied powers all Venezuelan vessels from the r harbor here yesterday. They porarily landed a large force on wharf. There was no firing nor demonstration. Great excitement aroused by this action.

TOPSY TO BE EXECUTED.

g Elephant Stood 500 Men at y Yesterday—Owners Decide Up- Her Death.

w York, Jan. 3.—Topsy, the big phant who has killed more men any other elephant in captivity, to be executed at noon tomorrow. held 500 men at bay for five rs yesterday. Her owners tried give her away, but failed.

To Entertain the President.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—The sident's reception day before yes- rday marked the real opening of the cial season in Washington and from w until lent the ball will be kept hirling at a lively rate. Tonight the et cabinet dinner takes place, Sec- tary of State and Mrs. Hay being e hosts. The dinner is given in nor of the president and the guests ill include besides the chief execu- e and Mrs. Roosevelt, Attorney- eneral and Mrs. Knox, the Secretary the Treasury and Mrs. Shaw and her members of the cabinet circle.

King George Dying.

Berlin, Jan. 3.—This morning King eorge of Saxony is slowly sinking. he physicians say that death may stdistance the courts, thus leaving e erring Princess Louise queen.

PROMINENT EDUCATORS MEET.

Heads of State University Now in Session in the National Capital.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 2.—Of all the educational meetings and conferences held from one end of the country to the other during the present week probably none exceeds in interest and importance the meeting of the National Association of State Universities, which began its sessions at the Ebbitt House today. It is the regular annual meeting of the body and the purpose is to discuss educational matters from the viewpoint of the country at large.

The wide scope of the association's efforts is displayed in the schedule of topics aranged for discussion. Included in the list are the following: "Schools of Mines and State Universities;" "Methods of Correcting or eliminating Idle or Unprofitable University Students;" "Intercollegiate Tthletics and Official University Control;" "The Regulation of Attendance on Religious Exercises in State Universities;" "How May the Cecil Rhodes Scholarships be Made Useful in America?"

Some of the prominent participants in the conference are President Joseph Swain, of Swarthmore College; President B. P. Barrings, of the University of Virginia; President William O. Thompson, of Ohio State University; President Frank Strong, of the University of Kansas; President Webster Merrifield, of the University of North Dakota; President E. A. Birge, of the University of Wisconsin; President W. L. Prather, of the University of Texas; President Charles W. Dabney, of the Univeristy of Tennessee; President G. E. McLean, of the University of Iowa; President James A. McLean, of the University of Idaho; President W. L. Bryan, of the University of Indiana; President F. P. Venable, of the University of North Carolina, and President Cyrus Northrop, of the University of Minnesota.

IS THE TRUE ASIATIC PLAGUE

ALL DOUBT ENDED AS TO DISEASE AT MAZATLAN.

Outbreak Grows More Virulent and Panic Siezes the People—Cordons Guard Inland Towns.

Mazatlan, Mexico, Jan. 3.—There is no longer the slightest doubt that the disease now afflicting this city is genuine Asiatic plague, for microscopic investigation proves that bubonic pest bacilli are in the blood of those afflicted with the disease. The plague has grown virulent within the last 48 hours, and the alarm, which had begun in some measure to abate, has returned with increased strength. The people are fleeing from the city at the rate of 300 per day, and some 5000 have already gone.

It is a remarkable fact that more than 50 per cent of the persons afflicted are women.

The news of the recrudescence of the plague at this port has reached the interior towns of the state, and is causing a panic. Cordons of armed men have been placed around the towns to prevent the entrance of any one from this place.

Pretender Enters Fez.

Madrid, Jan. 3.—A telegram received from Fez says the pretender to the Moroccan throne has entered the capital and met with a favorable reception.

BAKER COUNTY MURDERER.

Fresh Evidence of His Depravity Coming to Light Continually.

Almost daily new evidence of a damaging character, is being brought to light against Ples Armstrong, confined in the county jail upon a charge of having murdered Miss Minnie Ensminger, at Haines, Christmas morning. The deed, one of the most bloodthirsty in the annals of Eastern Oregon crime, has attracted widespread attention over the entire coast and while the first deep grief of the community has given way to more quiet feeling that the law will take only the right course, the murderer's case and actions are being watched by many.

When arrested Armstrong was heard to murmur that he would like to have gotten several more, meaning, it is thought, that he desired the lives of other members of the Ensminger family because the head of the house had opposed his attentions to the young lady.

Despite the many favorable things heard of Armstrong, it must be admitted that he is exceptionally ignorant. He is well knit, strong and large of stature, but all this is lost when it is known that he can not read, and to sign his name is one of the hardest tasks.—Baker City Herald.

LIEU LAND FRAUDS

Land Board Can Plead Ignorance, Fraud or Carelessness in Transactions.

TRIED TO USE SAME BASE LAND THREE TIMES.

Department of Interior Has Ordered Rigid Investigation—All Land Office Records Will Be Carefully Examined.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The new commissioner of the general land office, has set about the first thing to ascertain whether the Oregon state land board is corrupt, whether it is ignorant or whether it is merely careless in the extreme. For some time Mr. Richards has, as assistant commissioner, been looking into lieu selections made by the state, and has finally concluded that one of three conditions exists among state officials in charge of state school lands.

On one day—December 29 last—he canceled six invalid lieu selections filed by the state. These erroneous selections have been coming in for some time, and are not decided until they come up for approval. Many cancellations preceded those of the 29th, and from present appearances, others are to follow in which there may be no doubt as to facts.

Tried to Use Same Base Thrice.

The persistence with which the state offered successively three invalid bases in order to make lieu selection of one tract, leads to the suspicion that the state may have already granted apparent rights to some individual to the land, when, in fact, the state had not such right, not having acquired title.

Rigid Examination.

This practice is more or less common, and to determine the facts Commissioner Richards has ordered an examination to determine whether or not any timber has been cut from the same under color of a right conferred by this attempted state selection. If timber has been removed, the party so removing it is liable to the value of the timber cut, and will be required to reimburse the government. Whether or not he can recover fro mthe state is a matter the department cannot regulate.

Ignorance or Fraud.

The blundering manner in which state selections in Oregon have been made leads to the conclusion that there is either inexcusable ignorance on the part of the public officials or there is a bold attempt at fraud, made in the hope that lax methods in Washington will permit of successful culmination.

It may be said now that the new commissioner is thoroughly versed in land law and land practices, will be able to deal with all such selections hereafter made, and will be heartily backed up by Secretary Hitchcock.

ITALY BACKS OUT.

Does Not Want to Have an Exhibit at the St. Louis Fair.

Rome, Jan. 3.—The European commissioner of the St. Louis exposition has failed to induce Italy to agree to exhibit. Ambassador Myer is trying to reopen negotiations.

Robbers Secure $5000.

Galesburg, Jan. 3.—Five men broke into the First National Bank at Abingdon, gagged the watchman, blew open the vault, got $5000 and escaped. The watchman was discovered at 6 o'clock this morning.

Head End Collision.

Erie, Pa., Jan. 3.—Two freight trains on the Nickel Plate railroad met in a head-end collision this morning. The engineer was killed and the brakeman was fatally injured.

Guards at Patrol.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 3.—Guards today are on patrol in the vicinity of the Olyphant mine cave-in, in order to give timely warning if signs of another cave-in occur.

Actress Injured.

Detroit, Jan. 3.—Virginia Harned, wife of actor Sothern, sustained an injury of the spine this morning by a fall. It will necessitate a cancellation of all engagements this season. She will be removed to New York.

MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

Steamer Captain Charged with Giving Information to the Germans.

VENEZUELAN CONSUL-GENERAL MAKES PROTEST.

Captain of Zulata Got Permission to Land Passengers in Maracaibo Harbor—Gave Signals to Gunboat Panther.

New York, Jan. 3.—Captain Terrill, of the Red Line steamer Zulata, has been suspended from duty charged with having violated the neutrality laws and with the alleged responsibility of having given a German gunboat information which led to the capture of the Venezuelan gunboat Miranda on December 20, in Maracaibo harbor.

An investigation is being made that may lead to strained relations between the United States and Venezuela. The Venezuelan consul-general has notified President Castro and has made a formal protest.

The story is that the Zulata received permission to land passengers and made arrangements to give certain signals whereby the German Panther would know if the Miranda was in port. When she sailed out the crew lowered stern lights. The Panther immediately rushed in and made the capture. Captain Terrill denies the charges.

TO DEFER RETIREMENT.

Justice Shiras Will Wait a Year so That Taft Can Remain in Charge of Philippines.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Justice Shiras of the supreme court has been persuaded to defer his retirement a year in order to allow Governor Taft, who is to be his successor, to remain a year longer in charge of the Philippines. The announcement was made today by a prominent business man of Manila, after having a conference with Secretary Root.

OSTEOPATHS ORGANIZE.

Effort Will be Made to Get Legislature to Legalize Practice.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 3.—The osteopaths of the state have formed an organization that they may the better induce the legislature to give them the legal right to practice in Oregon. The Oregon State Association of Osteopathy was formed at the Imperial hotel with this end in view. Of the 45 practitioners of this school in the state, 30 were present at the meeting, and each one promised to do all in his power to further the adopting of the California statute in regard to osteopathy by the new legislature. The association was formally organized and the following officers elected: W. A. Rogers, Portland, president; J. E. Anderson, The Dalles, vice-president; R. B. Northrup, Portland, secretary; Gertrude Gates, Portland, treasurer.

The practice of osteopathy now is legally carried on in 23 states, and its followers in Oregon have so increased that they considered the time ripe for their school to be legalized.

WANTS TO BUY A TITLE.

Morgan Offers to Settle $15,000,000 Upon His Daughter When She Marries a Nobleman.

Paris, Jan. 3.—The newspaper Cri de Paris today prints a story to the effect that J. Pierpont Morgan is trying to arrange the marriage of his daughter to a French nobleman, and has offered to make a settlement of $15,000,000 at her wedding.

St. Paul's New Coast Service.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 3.—The new passenger service between Chicago, Colorado and California, to be operated by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific roads, was inaugurated today. The service provides for three trains out of Chicago over the St. Paul daily. The first of these is a new Chicago-Omaha train, leaving Chicago at 9:35 a. m. and arriving at Omaha at 10:45 p. m. The other two trains, which are to carry the coast service, leave Chicago as heretofore, 6 p. m. and 10:30 p. m.

GRAIN MARKETS.

Quotations Furnished by the Coe Commission Company—I. C. Major Local Manager, Room 4, Association Block.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—
Chicago, Jan. 3.—

Wheat—	Opened.	Closed.
May	75⅝	75
July	72¼	72½
Corn—		
May	44	42⅝@⅞
July	42	42⅛
Oats—		
May	33⅝	33⅜
Pork—		
January	1785	1730
May	1622½	1605

Minneapolis, Jan. 3.—

Wheat—	Opened.	Closed.
May	73¾	73⅞
July	74⅛	74¼

New York, Jan. 3.—

Wheat—	Opened.	Closed.
May	—	79⅝
July	—	77¼

Bank Statement.

New York, Jan. 3.—The following has been given out for the next five days:

Reserves—On all deposits, inclusive, $3,644,650.

On all deposits other than U. S., inclusive, $3,637,100.

Loans, inclusive, $30,600.
Specie, inclusive, $1,254,400.
Legals, inclusive, $4,180,600.
Deposits, inclusive, $7,161,400.
Circulation, inclusive, $48,800.

Wheat in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Wheat—74⅞@75½ cents per bushel.

Toy Pistols Cause Death.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 3.—Ten deaths of children from lockjaw have occurred since Christmas. Toy pistols with a new kind of chemical explosive cap, is the cause.

ANOTHER GRAND TRUNK WRECK

EXPRESS COLLIDES WITH FREIGHT IN TUNNEL.

Engineer Was Killed—Two Trainmen Seriously Injured—No Passengers Hurt.

St. Catherine, Ont., Jan. 3.—The express easttound flyer on the Grand Trunk this morning collided with a freight in the Merriton tunnel. The engineer was killed and two trainmen were seriously injured. The passengers were all uninjured.

TWO ROBBERS ARRESTED.

Believed to Be Men Who Blew Vault at Abington.

Quincy, Ill., Jan. 3.—Two men believed to be the Abington bank robbers were arrested here at noon. They attempted to draw revolvers, but were overpowered. Eighteen hundred dollars was found on their persons. The other robbers are unapprehended.

SAME OLD STORY.

Bank President Commits Suicide After Using $80,000 of the Funds.

Silverton, Colo., Jan. 3.—James Robins, president of the Silverton bank, was found dead this morning, with a bullet in his brain, having committed suicide. He is believed to have used $80,000 of the bank's funds in developing a mine to help out a friend. Failure to realize from the venture caused the act.

Benefit for Marie Dressler.

New York, Jan. 2.—The benefit to be given to arie Dressler at the Victoria theater tomorrow promises to be one of the biggest affairs of the kind ever given in New York. The popular actress has been ill with typhoid for many weeks and is only now convalescing. Oscar Hammerstein has given the free use of the theater and many prominent players have volunteered their services, among the number Fay Templeton, Edna Wallace Hopper, Peter F. Dailey John T. Kelly, Marshall P. Wilder, Thomas Seabrooke, Marie Cahill and Blanche Ring.

College Fencers Meet.

New York, Jan. 3.—The newly formed intercollegiate fencing association is holding its first meeting here today for the purpose of fixing the dates for the championship and other tournaments to be held this spring under the auspices of the association. The institutions represented are Columbia, West Point, Annapolis, Harvard, Yale, Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania. It appears probable that March 21 and the New York Athletic Club will be decided upon as the date and place for holding the annual intercollegiate championship.

AN ULTIMATUM TO COLOMBIA

State Department Gives That Country Ten Days to Close Panama Negotiations.

OTHERWISE ALL NEGOTIATIONS WILL COME TO END.

The Nicaragua Route Will be Chosen Instead—Columbia Demands $600,000 More Rental Per Year Than is Thought Fair.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—It is reported here in official circles that the state department is preparing to issue an ultimatum to Colombia requesting a reply in 10 days, otherwise all negotiations for the Panama route will come to end and the Nicaraguan route will be chosen.

Colombia, after all the minor details had already been agreed upon demanded a half million more rental per annum than the United States believed fair. In addition to this Herren has never been given full authority necessary to conduct final negotiations.

A Conference With Herren.

Secretary Hay held a long conference with Senor Herren this morning. Afterwards it was announced that all minor details were agreed on. The rental demanded by Colombia is $650,000 annually.

A concession, giving the United States ownership of the railway at the end of 60 years, is included. Colombia claims that the revenue derived from the railway is $200,000 annually and that the lighthouse fees, harborage and docking fees at Colon and Panama amount to $450,000. All this will be pocketed by the United States in case she gets the ownership of the railway and canal. Secretary Hay, when the matter was placed in this light, admitted the justice of the claim and steps will be taken immediately to verify the figures.

QUAY IS ANGRY.

Will Force an Extra Session of Congress.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Senator Quay says that unless the omnibus statehood bill is passed an extra cession of congress will be forced upon the country.

LIST OF JURORS.

Names Drawn by Sheriff for January Term.

Following are the names of the men drawn by the sheriff and county clerk to serve on the jury during the January term of court:

J. R. Brown, Juniper; Joe Basler, Pendleton; Louis Hagen, Union; Thomas Campbell, Pendleton; Clint Hodgen, Valley; William Anderson, Milton; J. M. Hicks, Weston; D. N. Vansciver, Juniper; D. J. Phelps, Milton; Robert Walker, Vansycle; Moses Taylor, Weston; F. M. Hendley, Pendleton; James Terry, Ukiah; Charles Smith, Vinson; M. McCracken, Pilot Rock; William Mills, Juniper; W. J. Chastain, Valley; D. E. Cargill, Pendleton; John M. Bannister, Weston; J. B. Switzler, Umatilla; E. P. Marshall, Pendleton; Frank King, Juniper; John McPhail, Adams; J. C. Pritchett, Milton; F. J. Jackson, Athena; L. L. Rogers, Adams; Herbert Boylen, Pilot Rock; S. F. Hyatt, Mountain; D. E. Jones, Willow Springs; James Means, Umatilla; Thomas L. Diggins, Milton.

Court convenes on the 19th instant. The docket is not very lengthy.

Wheat in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—Wheat—$1.35½ per cental.