

OLD SOLDIERS HAVE OPINIONS

They Put in Print What They Think of Critics of War Policy.

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Encampment Closes and Next Session Will Be Held at Anderson.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 15.—"Whereas, Certain citizens of the United States are now criticizing the conduct of our comrades-in-arms who are defending the American flag and American institutions in the Philippine islands: and,

"Whereas, Such conduct brings fresh to our memory like criticisms made by the copperheads of 1860 and 1865; and,

"Whereas, The veterans of the war for the union abhor and despise all citizens of the United States who refuse to support our government during war and cannot see wherein the copperheads of 1898 and 1902 are less venomous than their ancestors; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the survivors of the war for the union heartily approve the conduct of the United States in the war with Spain and the insurrection in the Philippine islands, and that we hold in scorn and contempt all citizens of the United States who see fit to brand our soldiers and their conduct as cruel and inhuman."

Such was the resolution adopted Wednesday after a full and fair discussion and the opinions of veterans of all parties had been given.

The afternoon session was largely taken up with an election of officers. Several hard-fought contests marked the election, the principal contests being over the selection of the department chaplain and the senior vice-commander. The officers chosen were as follows:

Commander—Benjamin Starr, Richmond.

Senior Vice-Commander—Isaiah B. McDonald, Columbia City.

Junior Vice-Commander—Daniel H. McAbee, Indianapolis.

Medical Director—Warren R. King, of Greenfield.

Chaplain—The Rev. Isaiah P. Watts, Winchester.

Council of Administration—William Warren, William B. Harris, George L. Gegner, Henry C. McMakin and John C. Gordon.

CABLE MAY QUIT.

Illinois Democrat Snubbed on the Congressional Committee.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Ben Cable is having his troubles with the democratic congressional committee before it is organized, and he is now deserted by Lewis Nixon, who has resigned as the Tammany boss. The committee started out with big hopes and bigger plans for the campaign. They elected Congressman Griggs of Georgia chairman because they could not get the populist wing of the party for him or any one more acceptable to the more progressive democrats.

The wild and woolly democrats agreed to the creation of an executive campaign committee, with Ben Cable of Illinois as chairman and Lewis Nixon chairman of the finance committee. Cable and Nixon agreed to accept these responsible positions and take charge of the campaign. Nixon's resignation from the leadership of Tammany makes him less desirable now than he appeared to be when elected. The Bryan democrats do not care to tie up too closely with Tammany, but neither do they desire to offend Tammany by making conspicuous in the campaign the ex-boss of Tammany, who has kicked himself out to maintain his self-respect. It is probable that Mr. Nixon will decline to serve on the congressional committee, and that his declination will be accepted.

Mr. Cable is not to have his own way in managing the campaign. When he accepted the position as chairman of the cam-

paign committee he understood that he was to be in control and name from outside the congressional committee a majority of the campaign committee. That order has been changed. The congressional committee today decided that the executive campaign committee should have fourteen members, eight of whom were to be members of the congressional committee, and six, including Chairman Cable, from the outside.

This leaves Mr. Cable in the minority in his own campaign committee, and subject to the commands of the Bryan democrats. Mr. Cable is not enamored of his prospects for harmony, and is said to be considering the advisability of again surrendering political work for the benefit of his health.

MINERS HAVE STRUCK

Long Struggle in the Anthracite Region Commenced.

HAZELTON, Pa., May 16.—By a vote of 461 to 349 the United Mine Workers, in convention yesterday, decided to call out the 145,000 men employed in the anthracite region.

The step taken by the miners, after practically considering the matter for two months, has wiped out the uncertainty of the situation, and it is freely predicted that the most serious labor struggle in the history of the country, if not the world, is about to begin. That is the view taken by nearly every miner. While the leaders are cautious and will not forecast their actions, it is not unlikely that the miners' fight will be carried into the bituminous coal regions and into other fields of industry.

Mine workers for eighteen months have been looking forward to the strike that is now upon them. They have saved their money and are considered to be in better shape today for a fight than they were in the great strike of 1900. That struggle ended in the men getting a 10 per cent advance for a six weeks' suspension.

The operators are on record as being unalterably opposed to granting the men any concessions and they have personally informed the mine workers' leaders of that fact. The workmen fear that the present fight may mean the destruction of their organization because they believe that the mine owners are bent more on wrecking their union than they are in opposing the demands for higher wages and shorter work days.

Kept a Brother's Secret.

ELKHART, May 17.—Grover Strine, eleven years old, son of Joseph Strine, disappeared on Thursday morning, and the police are now searching the river for his body. Young Strine went swimming in the river that morning. With him were three brothers, one eight, one six and another three years old. Grover did not want his parents to know he had been in the river, and cautioned his brothers not to reveal the secret. The three little fellows were true to the trust. They saw their oldest brother sink beneath the waters with a cry, and knew of the worry his absence caused the parents, but they did not reveal the secret until yesterday.

Child Stung to Death.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., May 16.—The fourteen-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. George Mallory who resides at Fenns, four miles southeast of this city, was fatally stung by bees on Sunday. It was playing near a number of hives, and one of these was disturbed. In a second a swarm of bees emerged, alighting on the child, stinging it about the head and face to such an extent that it died, on Wednesday, from the injuries.

Old Gas Well Rejuvenated. MUNCIE, May 17.—An old gas well belonging to the city has been cleaned out and drilled deeper, with the result that the flow of gas has been much increased. The roaring of the well can be heard for a mile. It is located five miles north of Muncie, on the Shafer farm. This territory was considered by the gas companies as of little value.

DEATH OF MISS DOWIE

Daughter of Zion's General Overseer Succumbs to Fearful Burns.

PRAYERS DID NOT AVAIL

While Dressing in Her Room Her Hair Catches Fire Setting Garments Ablaze.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Miss Esther Dowie, daughter of John Alexander Dowie, the famous faith healer of Chicago is dead. She was accidentally burned by the explosion of an alcohol lamp that she was using in dressing her hair. Her clothes caught fire and so severely burned her that there was no hope from any human standpoint for her recovery from the beginning, as more than three-fourths of her body was burned, and where more than half of the body is burned it is fatal under all circumstances from any human standpoint.

She passed away in agony last evening after thirteen hours of suffering. While she breathed her last, tossing and moaning in her agony, her father and mother and several "elders" stood by her bedside praying; and the white-bearded overseer looked upon the features of his child in death, while his wife, Overseer Jane Dowie, stood weeping beside him.

According to Attorney S. W. Packard, Miss Dowie took all the blame for the accident on herself and said it was the result of disobedience on her part to her father's orders. He had forbidden her the use of an alcohol lamp, which caused her burns but she made use of it notwithstanding. This remarkable expression of parental loyalty was brought out at an inquest held shortly before noon. Also brought was the fact that Dowie, to save his child, consented to call in a physician.

Today a solemn funeral procession took its way to Zion City, near Waukegan. A special train bearing the body of Dowie's daughter, accompanied by crowds of the overseer's followers left the Northwestern railway station at 1 o'clock bound for Zion. Meantime Dowie has been pacing the floor, according to his followers, and with tears streaming down his cheeks mutters, "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth. The Lord's will be done."

Miss Dowie received her injuries at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning. She was in her room dressing and preparing to attend a family party later in the day, where several guests were to be entertained. Dressed in a night robe, she had lighted an alcohol lamp, according to the report of the coroner, to heat an iron to curl her hair. The lamp was too full of spirits and suddenly flamed up and caught Miss Dowie's hair.

In a moment it was afire and the blaze communicated itself to her flowing robe. The young woman was 23 years old.

Dr. Speicher, who is a regularly licensed physician, and Dr. A. W. Campbell of 134 Madison street both attended her and said that it was impossible from any human standpoint that she could recover. She probably inhaled some of the fire into her lungs, as she vomited blood and her lungs pained her and her eyebrows were burned.

DESTITUTION AT ST. VINCENT

Loss of Life in Islands Will Never Be Actually Known.

LONDON, May 15.—Sir Robert Llewellyn, governor of the Windward islands, has furnished the latest and most complete report that has reached this city in relation to the conditions at St. Vincent. The scene is one of awful desolation he says, and the loss of life will never be accurately known. The volcano is still belching out streams of burning lava, while the air for miles is obscured by smoke and ashes. A terrific cannonade can be heard a hundred miles away. The reports are followed by columns of smoke, rising miles in

the air. Immense balls of colored fire also issue from the crater.

Lightning is playing fiercely in the upper sky, and the whole northern part of the island is one mass of traveling flame. It is impossible to reach the burning district by land or sea, and there are no means of estimating the destruction wrought to life and property.

Kingston, the capital of St. Vincent, is still safe, though showers of ashes and pebbles are continually falling down.

"I arrived here yesterday and found the state of affairs much worse than had been stated. The administrators' reports show that the country on the east coast between Robin Rock and Georgetown was apparently struck and devastated in a manner similar to that which destroyed St. Pierre and I fear that practically all living things in that radius were killed.

"Probably 4,600 persons lost their lives. The exact number will never be known. Managers and owners of the estates, with their families, and several of the better class of people, have been killed. A thousand bodies have been found and buried."

INDIANA GETS HER SHARE

Senate Committee Does the Handsome Thing for the State.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The senate committee on public buildings has done the handsome thing by Indiana by retaining all of the appropriations for Indiana public buildings in the omnibus public buildings bill just as the bill passed the house and in addition adding an appropriation of \$75,000 for Anderson. This gives Indiana eight buildings, as follows: Hammond, \$125,000; Logansport, \$75,000; Muncie, \$75,000; Vincennes, \$75,000; Crawfordsville, \$50,000; Richmond, \$75,000; Elkhart, \$75,000; Anderson, \$75,000.

It is unusual to give two public buildings to one district at the same session of congress as in the case of Anderson and Muncie.

There is practically no doubt that all of these appropriations will be allowed by the senate. The committee having taken favorable action, Senator Fairbanks felt free to attend the soldiers' monument dedication and left for Indianapolis this afternoon.

Dr. Hillis Breaks Down.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The Rev. N. D. Hillis, pastor of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, surprised the members of his congregation Sunday by saying he was on the verge of nervous prostration and that he would sail for Europe on Wednesday next.

His regular vacation was to begin the latter part of June. Dr. Hillis said his nervous system was unstrung, and a trip to Europe he was sure was the only thing that would save him from collapse. He had worked very hard, and, besides death in his own family, there had been countless demands each day upon his time and sympathy. He could not preach another Sunday.

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commencing May 1st. All information for rates, connection etc. Call on W. E. Smith, agent.

\$50.00 Round Trip to California

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For information apply to your nearest ticket agent, or address, A. H. Waggener, 22 Fifth avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Notice.

The 1. I. & R. R. will run their Sixteenth Annual excursion to Niagara Falls the latter part of July or early in August. Exact date will be given later. The rate and conditions will be practically the same as former excursions and we would like to have our friends and former patrons make arrangements to join us. W. L. Ross, General Agent.

The dealer who offers a substitute for "Favorite Prescription" does so to gain the little more profit on the sale of less expensive medicaments. His profit is your loss; therefore, except no substitute.

"My wife," he writes, "is twenty years ago," writes Lewis A. Miller, ex-Chief of Police, 33 Prospect Street, Weisport, Pa. "We have tried the skill of twelve different doctors, and the time she was ill, until I wrote to you and you told us what to do. She has taken eight bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. She can do her daily work now and can walk around again and is quite smart."

"We have received such benefit that we wish every sufficient to derive the same amount of good. A wife a complaint need to be a constant companion to the doctor, and we will never remain your friends. May God bless you and your Institute."

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