

## THE FUND GROWING

Memorial to Purdue Wreck  
Victims Now Seems  
Assured.

### RAILWAY CONTRIBUTES

Company On Whose Road the Ill-Fated Special Met Disaster  
Swells the Fund.

Lafayette People and Alumni Association Will Also Contribute  
Largely,

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 18.—President M. E. Ingalls of the Big Four company, on whose road the Purdue special was wrecked on Oct. 31, announces that the company has given to the Purdue university memorial gymnasium fund \$15,000. Coupled with this announcement is the news that the Alumni association of Purdue will contribute \$10,000, Lafayette citizens will give a like amount, and friends of the university and the student body will complete a fund of \$100,000, which will perpetuate the memory of the seventeen students and football players who lost their lives in the wreck.

#### "JUST-AS-GOOD" FUEL

A Substitute for Coal Invented by an Indiana Man.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Jan. 18.—W. P. Denay, patent attorney, has arrived home from Washington, where he induced the patent office to grant a patent on biclonite, a composition fuel, invented by Charles H. Carpenter of Decatur. The patent office had previously refused a patent on the ground that previous experience had shown such inventions to be failures.

Several hundred pounds of the fuel were subjected to tests of the most vigorous character and the result convinced the officials that the fuel makes as much heat as anthracite, is as clean as vulcanized rubber, which it resembles, and is odorless, with no soot, clinkers and but little ash. It costs one-fifth the price of anthracite. The inventor says the materials are found on every farm.

#### Mighty Mean Thieves.

Hagerstown, Ind., Jan. 18.—For several weeks a country neighborhood four miles north of Hagerstown has been so thoroughly infested by petty thieves that it is said no family in a circuit of several square miles has escaped loss. The thieves take anything that they can carry, from poultry to farm implements. A small church of the United Brethren denomination stands in the vicinity. Lately the sisters of the church had purchased a new carpet and new window shades, and otherwise furnished the church nicely. The thieves broke into the church, tore up the carpet and removed the shades and got away with them without leaving any trace to follow them by.

#### Tramps Take Revenge.

Sophia, Ind., Jan. 18.—Southern Pike county is suffering from fires of unknown origin, several houses and a number of barns, with hay, corn and livestock, have burned. Tramps had become a nuisance in this part of the country, staying usually in schoolhouses at night, visiting farmers during the day for food. When the people could endure them no longer they thought to put an end to the nuisance by closing the schoolhouses and locking up the coalhouses to shut off the supply of fuel. A number of destructive fires have followed.

#### Will Pay Creditors in Full.

Laporte, Ind., Jan. 18.—Announcement is made that the property of Julius Conitz, the Wanatah banker who failed recently and at present is lying at the point of death in North Dakota, will net sufficient to pay all creditors in full, together with the costs, even if nothing is realized on the railroad bonds in which Conitz placed much of the bank's funds and which precipitated the failures.

### VISIT BEARING FRUIT

Bryan's Indiana Trip Had a Revolutionary Effect.

Indianapolis, Jan. 18.—The visit of William J. Bryan to Indianapolis is already bearing fruit, and it is fruit which will eventually be harvested to make up a brilliant Republican victory in the state. That Bryan was not wanted in Indiana is known to all the politicians, both Democrats and Republicans. A few of his immediate followers went ahead and brought him here. This was done without consulting party leaders generally, and there is a plan on foot among some of the other elements of the party to pay Bryan back in his own coin. The plan is to organize a banquet which shall be known as an anti-Bryan meeting pure and simple. To this all the leading Democrats of the city, with many from surrounding counties are to be invited. That it will be possible to drum up a large crowd is a foregone conclusion. The leaders of the movement propose to gather their forces just to show Bryan and his followers that the real sentiment of the men who make candidates and dictate platforms is not with the Nebraskan. As yet the plans have not taken definite shape. No one seems to be willing to take the responsibility of the movement on his shoulders. There are a number of men, and Mayor Holtzman is one of them, who are understood to be parties to the scheme, but they are not advertising the fact. Still, when the time comes it is said there will be such a crowd as to startle the Bryan people. The latter are indignant that Democrats should think of organizing any kind of a meeting under the name of anti-Bryan. This close calling of the factions will result in a great deal of harm to the party and the Republicans will profit.

Indiana is to entertain the national convention of the Prohibition party, and Indianapolis is the city that has been selected for the purpose. This is a matter of congratulation to the business organizations of the city as well as to the Prohibition workers who were anxious that this should be selected as the convention city. Indianapolis made a bid for the meeting to the national committee, but Kansas City was selected. The Missourians failed to make good the guarantees they offered for taking care of the convention, although they were given thirty days in which to do so, and as the matter was allowed to go by default, the executive committee met and picked out Indianapolis as the convention city. There will be 1,200 delegates to the convention and as many alternates. In addition it is expected that there will be several thousand visitors. Tomlinson hall has been engaged for the meeting and the convention will be held there. This will make the second national political convention that has met there in the last ten years, as the national gold Democratic convention of 1896 was held in this hall.

The proposed amalgamation of the rival organizations of Spanish-American war veterans is bound to be accomplished, according to Captain Wm. E. English, who is at the head of the Spanish-American war veterans' organization. Captain English and Major Megrew, who is at the head of the Spanish war veterans association, expect to have a conference this week to arrange most of the details of amalgamation. The committees named by the two organizations to map out a plan of union are empowered to act so that the recommendations that the two presiding officers will make can be carried out by the ratification of the committees. Captain English says he is very anxious that the two organizations should amalgamate, and he says he knows Major Megrew also is anxious for the change. "It will mean sacrifices for both sides," Captain English said, "but I know it will come."

#### A Kentucky Tragedy.

Nicholsville, Ky., Jan. 18.—Beattie Vincent was shot and mortally wounded Saturday night at the home of Geo. Rudder, where he called to see the daughter. Vincent's statement is that he asked who lived in the house, when he was attacked by two young men. George Hughes was yesterday arrested and confessed that his companion, Henry Waldrige, had done the shooting while drunk. He is now in jail, but Waldrige is still at large.

#### Swore Over the 'Phone.

Hammond, Ind., Jan. 18.—Because he swore at over the 'phone and threatened to whip a Chicago Telephone company operator at Indiana Harbor, David Tusk, a wealthy turfman staying for the winter at the aristocratic South Bay hotel, was arrested on four charges and heavily fined. The charges were profanity, provoke, assault and battery and surety of the peace.

#### "Hot Box" Causes Big Blaze.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 18.—The Olyphant breaker and washery of the Delaware & Hudson company at Olyphant was totally destroyed by fire Sunday. A hot journal is supposed to have started the blaze. The loss will amount to \$110,000.

#### Eight Horses Burned to Death.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 18.—The Peter Vredenburg Lumber company of this city suffered a \$50,000 loss by fire Sunday afternoon, when their large lumber yard was entirely destroyed. Eight horses were burned to death.

#### They Will Talk Business.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The annual meeting of the national board of trade will be held in this city for three days, beginning on Tuesday.

## Catarrh Invites Consumption

It weakens the delicate lung tissues, deranges the digestive organs, and breaks down the general health.

It often causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, and affects the voice.

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Radically and permanently cures catarrh of the nose, throat, stomach, bowels, and more delicate organs.

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## WANT TO CLOSE IT

Senators Hope to Temporally Dispose of Postoffice Matter Today.

### THE PANAMA QUESTION

Will Then Occupy the Attention of the Solons for the Remainder of the Week.

Majority Will Insist On Taking Up the Treaty at the Earliest Moment.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The senate began the week by again taking up the resolutions having in view an inquiry into the conduct of the postoffice department. It is the general understanding that they will be referred to the committee on postoffices after comparatively brief debate. Senator Hale, who has general charge of the resolutions, made a brief statement concerning them and was followed by Senator Gorman. It is expected that Senator Spooner will add to his previous remarks on this subject, but his statement may be postponed until later in the session.

It is the hope of the Republican senators that the postoffice matter may be temporarily disposed of before the close of today's session, and in this event discussion of the Panama canal subject will be continued Tuesday and probably during the remainder of the week. Very likely, however, before the close of the week the debate will be transferred from open senate to executive session, as it is the purpose of the Republican majority to insist on taking up the canal treaty as soon as it shall be reported from the committee on foreign relations, which has had it under consideration for the past two weeks. The Republican members of the committee hope to report the treaty early in the present week. Discussion of the treaty is expected to last a month or more.

The committee on appropriations will take up some of the annual supply bills during the present week. As soon as these measures are on the calendar their consideration will be pressed. The present indications are that the urgent deficiency bill will be the first to receive attention and after that has been disposed of, the executive, legislative and judicial appropriation bill will be taken up.

#### HOUSE GETS BUSY

Will Attempt to Dispose of an Appropriation Bill a Week.

Washington, Jan. 18.—An appropriation bill a week will be the record attempted by the house until the supply measures are out of the way. The urgent deficiency measure will come from committee about the middle of the week and will be disposed of without delay. The army bill also will be ready for action by the house before the end of the week.

The house is engaged today considering matters relating to the district of Colombia. Friday has been set apart for the passage of private pension bills. It is not unlikely that the Hepburn pure food bill will be called up Tuesday. This measure which was passed by the house during the last congress was reported from committee Saturday last and may be the subject of discussion Tuesday or Wednesday.

Bills on the calendar and subject to be called up when opportunity arises include the following: To provide a delegate to congress from Porto Rico; to provide transportation from Porto Rico for the public school teachers of that island to attend the summer schools of the United States; to construct a revenue cutter for use in Albermarle and Pamlico sounds; to reimburse a cable company for damages sustained during the war with Spain; to create a public park of the petrified forests of Arizona, and a bill to codify the criminal laws of the United States.

#### By the President's Express Wish.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 18.—Private instructions have just been given to the leader of the Republican party in Texas that no federal officeholders are to be permitted to go as delegates to the national Republican convention. The two presiding officers will make can be carried out by the ratification of the committees. Captain English says he is very anxious that the two organizations should amalgamate, and he says he knows Major Megrew also is anxious for the change. "It will mean sacrifices for both sides," Captain English said, "but I know it will come."

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**Bryan's Welcome Home.**  
Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 18.—Five hundred tickets have been issued for the "dollar dinner" to be given tonight in honor of William J. Bryan.

### ANTI-SMOOT MEETING

Philadelphia Women Press the Matter With Vigor.

Philadelphia, Jan. 18.—At a mass meeting held under the auspices of the leading women's clubs of this city at Horticultural hall Sunday, resolutions were adopted denouncing polygamy and Mormonism, and petitioning the



MRS. REED SMOOT.

United States senate to investigate the charges made against Senator Reed Smoot. If the charges are found to be true the resolutions ask that he be expelled from that body. A half score of representatives of the Mormon church were present listening to the bitter denunciations of Mormonism. At the conclusion of the meeting they handed around literature.

#### SUBTERRANEAN PLUNGE

Party of Excursionists Have Thrilling Experience in Mammoth Cave.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 18.—Eighteen delegates to the convention of the National League of Commission Merchants were thrown into the icy water of Echo river, which winds a tortuous course through Mammoth cave and were saved only by the coolness of the guide, John Nelson, and the heroic work of Charles A. Muehlbronner of Pittsburg, Pa. The roof of the cave over Echo river is arched and the space in the center, owing to an unaccountable rise in the river, was only two and a half feet above the water. In order to secure the passage of the boat the men and women were forced to stoop over. At one place the boat swerved to one side, raking the heads of the persons in the boat next to the bank. These leaned farther forward to escape striking their heads. This lowered one end of the boat, and the water began to flow in rapidly. The guide saw the danger and called to Mr. Muehlbronner to jump and take the chain. This he did, landing on a steep bank, which offered only a slight foothold. Lying down on his face, he held to the chain and pulled the boat toward the bank.

The boat sank in eight feet of water, but further back where there was no landing the water is eighteen feet deep. By the light of a single lantern the party escaped by climbing over Mr. Muehlbronner's prostrate form and after waiting several hours for a boat, were brought in safety to daylight.

#### Life Had Lost Its Charm.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 18.—Col. John H. Bacon, aged 75, mayor of Colorado Springs, in 1880, and prominent as business man in the early days here, committed suicide by shooting because of illness. He left a note saying that he had suffered so much pain from rheumatism and insomnia that it more than offset the pleasures of this world.

#### Death of Hobson's Mother.

Boulder, Colo., Jan. 18.—The mother of Richard P. Hobson died at the home of Shirley Davis Sunday after a long illness. Her son was with her when she died and left with the remains to-day for Greensboro, Ala., where they will be interred.

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