

Fair tonight; Saturday partly cloudy; little change in temperature; moderate to fresh northeast winds. Temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, 65 degrees.

Aged 99, and Working. Bees Beat Pigeons. Woe to the Little Fellows. Caruso's Mother Irish.

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Today John A. Stewart will get into his automobile at Morristown and at 11 in the morning get out at his office, 45 Wall street, New York City. There he will do his work as chairman of the board of trustees of the United States Trust Company, thus celebrating his ninety-ninth birthday, beginning his one hundredth year.

That is unusual now; it would be a matter of course in another century. Man's minimum working life should be 144 years, twelve times as long as the number of years preceding the reproductive age. Those unusually careful will live to two hundred. Whoever chooses, if no vital part of his machinery is damaged beyond hope, can live on to ninety or longer, even after a bad start.

It depends on the "Not too much and not too little," especially not too much. Mr. Stewart has been with that same banking institution for more than seventy years, and banking, with panics, is an anxious business. Observe also that the automobile does to make life longer and more useful. Without it a man of ninety-nine would hardly undertake regular trips to business.

There are some races not included in usual reports. A German has proven that a honey bee can outfly a carrier pigeon for a distance of three miles. One of twelve beat the fastest of twelve pigeons by fifteen seconds. In a longer race, the pigeon, of course, would win. That race should concentrate the attention of mechanical engineers on excessively high-priced machinery. The honey bee's wings move with very high speed, compensating for their smallness.

Judge Gary cuts steel prices once more. He is conservative; says he cuts only when smaller "independent" companies cut. He hesitates to cut below cost of production to little companies.

WHY? Is there any reason for carrying along small cripples? Take over or close up their plants, and cut as deep as you can, Judge Gary. Don't be afraid of growing too big. The time has gone for worrying about "seeming to be a monopoly," or wiping out incompetents. The people want big units, knowing that only great production can give low prices.

If the public has brains, it will regulate profits. If not, it should be "profiteered" for its education. A lot of little war bride steel concerns are kept alive only by artificial respiration. They must die sometime; why not now?

The Dublin Weekly Freeman says Caruso's mother was Irish, born in Sligo, her maiden name was Jessie Donoghue. Her sister, Annie, married a sea captain named Lawrence O'Rourke. And in Scotland, Caruso had himself photographed with Joseph O'Rourke, the captain's son. The McDermotts are related to Caruso, through the Donoghues, and Mary McDermott, aged twelve, now studying in the Convent of Mercy at Strabane, is a remarkable musician.

The Irish are everywhere. The Irish blood was in Wellington that helped the English beat Napoleon. Irish names are on South American battleships. Irish bones are under the sod of every battlefield where there was good fighting. And now Caruso's mother is Irish. It is not surprising, for the Celtic, now bottled up in Ireland, once roamed everywhere, all along the Balkans and down into Greece, Spain, and Italy. St. Patrick, Patrius, was probably of Roman blood, and for Caruso's mother to be Irish is quite natural.

Joseph Medill Patterson announces that his newspaper will pay less and less attention to professional baseball. Home games are cut to half a column, other games to a few lines. It does not improve a man to sit on a board watching some one else exercise, says J. M. P.

Baseball does improve our language by arousing excitement in torpid minds and forcing the invention of new exclamations. But it is a waste of time and worse. A youth carefully remembering names and deeds of professional players is a poor goose. What counts, young man, is what YOU do, not what Babe Ruth bats or what some one else "twirls."

Erzberger, Noted German, Reported Slain

MINERS FACE MASSACRE, LEADER FEARS

DEADLINE BRISTLES WITH GUNS AND BOMBS

Dauntless Hordes Within Two Miles of Spot Staked Out by Sheriff for Battle.

By International News Service. MADISON, W. Va., Aug. 26.—The advance forces in the union miners' "army" of 5,000 men, which is marching toward the Mingo county strike zone, arrived at Danville, a little hamlet along the Coal river, two miles northeast of this place, at noon today.

The men had been marching since 3 o'clock this morning, at which time they broke camp at Racine, sixteen miles northeast of here. The marchers were tired but maintained orderly lines. They hope to reach the Boone-Logan county border by tonight.

By International News Service. CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, Aug. 26.—Two hundred Federal soldiers from the Columbus barracks arrived at Camp Sherman today to join the 19th United States infantry here, which is prepared to move at a moment's notice into Mingo county, West Virginia.

By International News Service. MADISON, W. Va., Aug. 26.—C. F. Keerey, of Charleston, president of district No. 17, United Mine Workers of America, left here this morning to head off the invasion of Logan county by 5,000 armed union miners.

Guns and Planes Ready. Just before leaving Kenney said he had been advised that the sheriff of Logan county had machine guns planted covering all roads and that airplanes were loaded with bombs. Any attempt to march through Logan county would mean a massacre of the union miners' force. Kenney made haste to reach the men before bloodshed resulted.

The marchers left Racine today for Madison and will not reach here until late this afternoon or tonight. The miners' army is 12 miles from here now.

Deny Pitched Battle. Published reports that Sheriff Don Chafin of Logan county and 300 deputies had engaged in battle late Thursday with the miners' army were denied by both Kenney and local authorities. A small rumor was magnified into a great fact last night, it was stated. There was no battle or trouble of any kind.

Auto Fleet Ready to Speed Defenders Against Mine Army

By International News Service. LOGAN, W. Va., Aug. 26.—With a fleet of more than a hundred automobiles held in readiness to reinforce the sheriff's army, a deputy sheriff who is now guarding the mountain passes through which an army of 5,000 union miners proposes to strike at the nonunion fields of this district, Logan has completed its plans to block the invaders.

The automobiles were requisitioned by Sheriff Don Chafin late yesterday after an aviator had circled over the mountains through which the men were reported to be passing. The planes was in the air several hours, then scurried back to Sheriff Chafin to make a report.

100 Machines Ready. Immediately upon hearing this report the sheriff called for volunteers, and within an hour more than one hundred machines and drivers had been secured. Sheriff Chafin early this morning returned from an inspection of the lines of defense in the hills, but upon his return maintained his noncommittal attitude. Scores of world war veterans, some of whom fought in artillery and machine gun units in France against the Germans, are the men Sheriff Chafin has secured to man his machine guns. Every gunner of Chafin's was "up front" in France and there will be no battle fright if these men engage the miners' army.

Children Confess to 25 Robberies Chicago Girl, 12, and Brother, 14, Arrested.



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HERRICK SAYS MA THREW GIRL RIGHT AT HIM

Congressman Intimates Police Action of Irate Parent Savors Strongly of Bunk.

Congressman Manuel Herrick is on the warpath. This morning he visited The Times with a statement alleging that Mrs. C. Melville Shorey, 2162 Florida avenue northwest, had tried to "throw her daughter" on him and that whatever letters he wrote her were for her best interests.

49 Girls Got em. The letters received from Herrick by forty-nine Washington girls claimed the contest was "for the love of one of fifteen men on earth who can look God in the face and say, 'Against my body, against my soul, there is no moral stain.'"

Tells of Police Visit. The following statement was dictated to a Times reporter by the gentleman from Oklahoma: "My visit to Inspector Grant was not for the purpose of seeking any protection, because Mrs. Shorey had been calling me rather frequently on the telephone and wanting me to come over to her place. "Knowing that I had no business over there, I refused and invited her to come over to the office if she wished to talk to me which she refused. I finally deemed it wise to request Inspector Grant to arrange a meeting in his office, to enable

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SENATOR RIDES IN AUTO-PATROL AFTER ARREST

McNary of Oregon, and Ship-Builder Rodgers "Pinched" By Traffic Officer.

The humiliating experience of taking a ride in the auto patrol of the First precinct was experienced last night by Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon, who is stopping at the Willard Hotel.

He was charged with operating an automobile past a traffic signal at Fourteenth street and New York avenue when it was set against him. With the Senator in the machine was George Francis Rodgers, forty-seven years old, who is stopping at the Harrington Hotel. Rodgers gave his occupation as a ship builder.

DEATH LIST IN DISASTER REACHES 44

Woman Dies of Shock From Blast—U. S. and Britain to Share Loss Equally.

By International News Service. Only three of the bodies recovered from the wreck of the ZR-2 have been identified, according to a cable to the Navy Department today. The identified bodies recovered are those of Flight Lieutenant R. F. Montague, R. A. F.; Lieut. M. H. Esterly, U. S. N., and Lieut. C. E. Little, U. S. N.

By International News Service. HULL, England, Aug. 26.—A 100-ton floating admiralty crane arrived here today to attempt to lift the wrecked body of the dirigible ZR-2 at low tide. The wreckage was so deeply imbedded in the mud and sand at the bottom of the Humber river that little hope was entertained that any of it could be salvaged.

The death list in the disaster was brought up to 44 late today when a woman died from the shock of the explosion. She was a resident of Hull and was watching the dirigible when it was wrecked.

Dredging was resumed at 3:30 this afternoon, following a brief respite for examination of the wreckage. Two more bodies were recovered from the wreckage.

Bodies Sunk In Mine. Police and British navy men patrolled the Humber about the scene of the ill-fated ZR-2 all night long. Work of exploring the debris was renewed this morning. A considerable amount of material was found some distance from the main body of the wreck.

Divers reported that the metal parts of the airship were almost completely covered with silt, which had been washed over it by the strong tide. The bodies that are believed to be underneath the wreckage are now buried many feet under mud and sand.

Gen. Fopham, who is a member of the air ministry's board of inquiry, was notified that the rear part of the airship had sunk deep into the sand, but apparently there were no gondolas attached to it. The front part of the ship, which is eighteen feet under water, had up to early this afternoon

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ERZBERGER IS KILLED IN BERLIN

Leader of Centerists and Signer of Armistice Meets Death at Assassins' Hand.

By International News Service. LONDON, Aug. 26.—Dr. Mathias Erzberger, a member of the German Reichstag and former minister of finance in the cabinet, has been murdered, said a press dispatch from Berlin this afternoon. Dr. Erzberger was long a leader of the Center, or clerical party.

Long In Politics. The report of Dr. Erzberger's violent death had not been officially confirmed up to 3 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. Erzberger was long a conspicuous figure in German national politics. He introduced the famous peace resolution in the German Reichstag in July, 1917, which split the body into two camps. He was a member of the German commission which signed the armistice on Nov. 11, 1918.

Much Hated Man. No man in modern times has "fomented" in the sentiments of his compatriots as Dr. Mathias Erzberger, for a quarter of a century the "czar" of the German centerist (Catholic) party and former finance minister. From the height of popular idolatry he plunged into a position where he was easily the most hated man in Germany.

Once before a would-be assassin's revolver was fired at him; he was wounded and hovered between life and death for some time, after which he turned up again in the Reichstag, rotund and smiling, provoking tumultuous cheers and cries of "Erzberger, luck."

Erzberger was head of the German armistice commission; while the negotiations in 1918 were pending, he embodied the last hopes of a crumbling empire; once he had signed the armistice, almost universal contempt was showered upon him, and he had never since the man upon whom all the hatred and all the vilification of the kaiserist conservatives have been concentrated.

Born in humble station, the son of a middle class family, Erzberger became a country school teacher and did not dream of entering politics until admirers of his suave personality and nimble wits "put him over" in a provincial election.

Former German Cabinet Member Reported Murdered



UNEMPLOYMENT STRESSED AT TARIFF BILL HEARING

Unemployment in the big industrial centers was again stressed today by witnesses before the Senate Finance Committee when it resumed consideration of the Fordney tariff bill. John J. Howard, of Philadelphia, representative of the Lavine Furnace Company, said his company usually has 700 to 1,000 men on its pay rolls, but now employs only 300.

LABOR BOARD TO HEAR P. R. R. ELECTIONS APPEAL

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—The United States Railroad Labor Board will grant a hearing next week to the Pennsylvania railroad on its petition asking repeal of the board's order directing it to hold an election of employees representatives in which the shopcrafts' union shall be recognized as an organization.

DAUGHERTY HOLDS MANY RECESS APPOINTMENTS VOID

President Harding may find it difficult to make appointments for anxious job-seekers during the Congressional recess, it was learned today. The Attorney General has rendered an opinion that many of the so-called recess appointments are not legal, it was learned at the Department of Justice.

FORMER MEXICAN CHIEFS LEADING NEW REVOLT

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 26.—A revolutionary uprising led by Pablo Villanueva and General Aquileo Juarez was reported from the state of Chiapas today. They are trying to extend their operations in the state of Tabasco. Villanueva was formerly governor of Chiapas.

28-YEAR DOMINO GAME IS STILL IN PROGRESS

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—A domino game has been in progress for the last quarter of a century in Riverhead, L. I. It became known here today. The exact date of its inception is not known, but it was started by four men some time in 1892.

SINN FEIN TO SEEK 20 MILLION FOR WAR IN U. S.

Arrangements Completed to Float Loan for Republican Army Here.

By International News Service. LONDON, Aug. 26.—Premier Lloyd George's rejoinder to the Sinn Fein note rejecting the English peace offer was dispatched this afternoon. The communication was received on behalf of the Sinn Fein by Art O'Brien, head of the Irish Self-Determination League and the so-called "Sinn Fein ambassador in London."

The reply was drafted by a cabinet committee this afternoon following a conference between Premier Lloyd George and Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland.

WHOLE NATION IS SOLID

"No Irish leader has ever equaled De Valera," said MacKewen in his nominating speech. "He met the English as a document and beat them. He is now meeting them as a statesman and will beat them there. It has done more for Irish freedom than all the previous leaders."

De Valera, in accepting his election, paid high compliments to his fellow cabinet members—Michael Collins, Arthur Griffith, Richard Mulcahy and J. Burgess. "The British government held that there would be no split in the Sinn Fein cabinet, said De Valera. "There are no moderates and no extremists. The last time I was arrested the British found in my pocket a document signed by all the members of the cabinet denying statements published in the United States that there had been a split. I hope the time will come when I can speak out freely, but the present is not the time."

BRITISH CABINET WEIGHS EMPHATIC REPLY OF DE VALERA

By International News Service. LONDON, Aug. 26.—While De Valera's rejection of Premier Lloyd George's peace proposals, the Irish republicans are willing to continue negotiations through a peace commission, it was revealed today when the text of Eamon De Valera's reply was published. "Dail Eireann, by unanimous vote, has rejected the proposals of your

EVERYBODY KNOWS Speaker Champ Clark Died of a Broken Heart BECAUSE HE WAS CHEATED OUT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION AT THE BALTIMORE CONVENTION How His Interests Were Undermined; How His Adherents Were Enticed Into Abandoning Him, and How the Deep-Plotted Strategy to Defeat Him Was Successfully Worked Out IS TOLD IN The Next Chapter of William F. McCombs' Autobiography, Entitled "How I Made Woodrow Wilson President" IN The Washington Times Sunday Morning