

Arizona: Saturday unclouded; Sunday partly cloudy; not much change in temperature.
Tucson: maximum temperature yesterday 76; minimum, 54; humidity a.m., 61; p.m., 33.

VISITORS CROWD HOTELS FOR OPENING OF RODEO

51 Men Are Believed Dead in Indiana Coal Mine Explosion

121 MINERS ARE TRAPPED AS GAS BRINGS DISASTER

Rescue Teams Rush to Scene to Aid Stricken Town at Sullivan, Ind.

MEN CAUGHT IN MINE

Crowds Rush Rope Barricade as Rescuers Work to Release Imprisoned Workers

By Associated Press

SULLIVAN, Ind., Feb. 20.—In an explosion of gas that wrought the greatest mine disaster in the history of the Indiana coal fields, fifty-one men are believed to have been killed almost instantly at 10:45 o'clock this morning in the City Coal company mine on the outskirts of this city.

There were 121 miners in the mine at the time of the explosion which occurred in the third and fourth entries north where most of the men were at work who were killed. Rescuers went to work at once and the rescue team of the United States Bureau of Mines at Vincennes, Indiana, reached the scene of the disaster by motor truck at 11:15 o'clock in the morning, one hour after the terrific explosion. They were on the bottom within 35 minutes after arrival.

O. Thomas, checkweighman, at the mine, the officials of the mine and rescue workers all were of the opinion that there is no possible chance of the men being alive.

Brono Up Injured.

Miners who were injured were brought to the surface at once. The work of bringing out the dead proceeded slowly, the bodies being brought singly. Rescue workers were handicapped by fumes of gas which flooded the mine immediately after the explosion.

Tremendous crowds thronged the scene soon after the word of the disaster spread throughout the town and surrounding communities and automobiles were parked along the roads leading to the shaft for distances of several miles.

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SHOWMEN DECIDE TO OFFER 'JURY'

Picked Body From Social World to Pass on Character of Broadway Productions

By Associated Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The joint committee opposed to political censorship was named today at a hurried meeting of managers, playwrights, actors and friends of the theater to push the "play jury system" as the best means of cleansing Broadway of unfit drama as now alleged to be represented in 12 flourishing productions.

The committee, which will meet District Attorney Banton tomorrow, is headed by John Emerson, president of the Actors Equity Association, Owen Davis, playwright, and the Rev. Charles K. Gilbert, president of the Protestant Episcopal Social service commission.

The "play jury" plan has been moribund two years despite its having received public endorsement when first presented. As now revived to hold off the ogre of state censorship, at present, the "glowering down on Broadway," the "jury" would be chosen from panels of 400 selected citizens.

An initial panel, made up today from five thousand names taken from the social register, Metropolitan Opera box holders, the stock exchange and similar organizations, will be placed before Mr. Banton tomorrow.

The "jurors," each of whom serve upon but one play, according to the plan, would make but two decisions, namely, whether a suspected play should be taken off the boards at once or could be re-written to delete offensive scenes or lines. The Actors Equity promised to supply the "teeth" to the first decision by withdrawing its players immediately. For revision the producers would be given one week, when the play would be revised again.

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ELLIOTT ZONING BILL APPROVED IN HOUSE VOTE

CABMAN TESTIFIES TO DISPOSAL OF MONIES

Claims Fund Spent For Stokes Was Not Improperly Used

By Associated Press

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Joseph Bruner, former cab driver, and a state's witness in the trial of W. E. D. Stokes, New York millionaire, on trial with others for conspiracy to defraud the character of Helen Elwood Stokes, his estranged wife, testified today that "grease money" he received referred in accounting for funds alleged to have been spent on business for Stokes did not go for any improper purpose.

Brumer also was indicted but granted a severance and who was hired by Stokes to investigate the millionaire's suspicions that his wife was at one time an inmate of a notorious Chicago club, said that the cash to which he referred as "grease money" was spent in legitimate expenses in connection with the investigation.

Brumer's testimony was interrupted by that of Marguerite Willett Hyde, a Kansas City, Kansas, negress. She said Nugent had dictated to her number of affidavits identifying pictures of "Helen Stokes" as pictures of a former famous ill-famed reporter. On cross examination John J. Healy, counsel for Daniel Nugent, a co-defendant, read to the witness statements made before an assistant state's attorney last year in which she said, according to the transcript, that she did not remember the name of "Helen Stokes" as identified in the affidavits with Helen Underwood, the name by which the alleged inmate of disreputable houses was supposed to be known.

The bill provides a method by which cities may adopt zoning ordinances after the council had been authorized to adopt such an ordinance at a special election or at a referendum in the city. Among the provisions added by amendments was the grant of the right to establish setback lines.

Supervisor Bill Revived

Another effort to change the system of electing supervisors will be made in the house of representatives tomorrow through the introduction of a bill providing for the election of the supervisors from districts by the county at large. The bill is now being prepared and is understood to have the support of many who were on opposite sides in the recent fight over the Hardy's supervisorial bill, which was killed last week.

The general plan of the new bill is understood to maintain the present districts, but instead of the candidates from each district being voted upon by the electors of the district alone they will be voted upon by the electors throughout the county.

Supporters of the bill contend that under the plan each district is guaranteed representation on the board, but that instead of the supervisors being responsible to a small group of voters they are responsible to the whole county.

Under the proposed bill, Ajo would be assured a member on the board, but he would have to be a supervisor favorable to the whole of Pluma county, one of the Pluma representatives supporting the bill contends.

Maxwell Again Barred

Once more the efforts of George Maxwell to speak before the house of representatives brought out a test vote of the strength of the two forces in the Colorado compact fight and once more the test indicated the equality of the strength of each side.

The second attempt to have Maxwell, advocate of the Highline canal, speak was made by Representative Valdez, who had introduced the original resolution, which he moved that the Senate adjourn at 3 p.m. and that the privilege of speaking in the house chamber be granted Maxwell at that time. Speaker MacMillan ruled that the motion was virtually a suspension of the rules and would require a two-thirds vote.

Much debate followed his ruling and Representative Flock of Maricopa appealed from the decision of the chair. On the vote to sustain the speaker's ruling, 25 of the 44 present voted in the affirmative.

The question of adjourning was then put and by a vote of 22 to 22 was lost. A view from the gallery indicated a lineup virtually the same as during the previous two test votes.

The first test on the original attempt to have Maxwell appear, was 24 to 21 in favor of the anti-pact side, and the second test, on the effort to postpone the Wisconsin resolution was 24 to 21 in favor of the pro-pacters, so that with the 22 to 22 votes, there was only a three-vote difference in the three tests.

It was the twentieth witness to be called to the stand and the nineteenth sworn to testify in support of Sweet's charges.

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WHIPPING LEGAL PROBERS DECIDE

Tynan Kept Within Law Says Civil Service Board of Tynan Case

By Associated Press

CANON CITY, Colo., Feb. 20.—Whipping as a part of discipline in Colorado penal institutions is legal, the state civil service commission unanimously ruled late today in acting on a motion by attorneys of former Governor Sweet, who is pressing charges of prison mismanagement against Thomas J. Tynan, penitentiary warden.

The use of the lash is permissible, the commission declared in defining the construction of the state law giving authority to the prison warden to use "whatever force is necessary" to compel obedience and enforce discipline.

By virtue of the ruling a large portion of the former governor's charges of permitting brutality to prisoners brought against Tynan are partially eliminated from the accusations. Only the question of whether or not the so-called floggings constituted a greater punishment than the emergency demanded can be further probed.

Whipping never was recorded by English or American courts as cruel and unusual punishment," the ruling read. "The severity of the whipping does not make it cruel or unusual under the constitution."

Mrs. Elizabeth Quereau, the only woman member of the commission who only concurred in the ruling but went a step further in declaring that, in her opinion, the warden was empowered to use other measures if "he saw fit."

The ruling of the commission came after extended argument by counsel and grew out of an objection by Tynan's attorneys to his examination by prosecution counsel into his authority for promulgating rules, written or oral, allowing and ordering such disciplinary measures.

Testimony of the accused warden, who was called to the stand as a witness but one play, according to the plan, would make but two decisions, namely, whether a suspected play should be taken off the boards at once or could be re-written to delete offensive scenes or lines. The Actors Equity promised to supply the "teeth" to the first decision by withdrawing its players immediately. For revision the producers would be given one week, when the play would be revised again.

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It Is Up to You.

Tucson's first annual rodeo, opening today, already is an assured success. Nothing can prevent that. The local men who sponsored it have underwritten all of the costs, the advertising has been handled adequately and, what is most important, the kings and queens of the rodeo game from the entire United States are actually on the ground.

But there is one thing lacking—places for the thousands of visitors to sleep. The committee in charge has reached the limit of its ability in securing rooms. Every hotel has stretched its capacity to the bursting point. Every rooming house has done the same thing. And still there is danger of our guests being forced to sit up all night because there is no place to go. To help with the emergency, the Southern Pacific has rushed in several sleeping cars. Nothing has been left undone.

There is only one way out of the predicament. The citizens of Tucson must open their private homes to the visitors. We can not let this one thing mark the whole rodeo as a failure. Tucson is the logical place for a rodeo that will attract visitors from all over America and the show opening today will prove it.

This means YOU. If you want the show to be a success call the rodeo headquarters the first thing this morning and list your spare room for the next three days. The telephone number is 971. The address is Congress and Scott streets. DO IT NOW FOR TUCSON.

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Didn't Need a Rodeo Those Days



When this picture of Tucson was taken, there wasn't much need for a rodeo. Most of the scenes to be depicted in the three-day show that begins today were daily events in the normal life of the nearest ranchers and townsmen.

CONGRESS VOTES BIGGER SALARY

House Adopts Senate Plan and Bill Goes to the President

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The house, like the senate, avoided a roll call which would have put the members definitely on record. It was passed by a rising vote of 237 to 93. Unless vetoed, it will increase the salaries of Senators and representatives from \$7,500 to \$8,000 a year, effective March 4, and of the speaker, president and cabinet officers from \$2,000 to \$15,000.

An hour of parliamentary maneuvering preceded the house discussion. Instead of sending the measure to conference, as is customary, Representative Dickinson, Republican, Iowa, in charge of it, proposed that all senate amendments including the salary be accepted.

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TODAY'S PROGRAM

RODEO PARADE

Forms at El Paso, Southwestern Depot, West Congress street at 10:30 o'clock.

Opening event at Santa Catalina field will be called at 2 o'clock sharp gates open at 12:30 o'clock.

ARENA DIRECTORS

Sid Simpson, John Mullins, Ed Echols.

BUCKING HORSE JUDGES

Bob Crosby, Jack Howen, Tom Wiles

EVENT NO. 1

Calf roping contest, \$1,000.

EVENT NO. 2

Bronc Riding Contest, \$500 and \$250 silver mounted saddle