

WEATHER REPORT.

Fair tonight and tomorrow, continued cold.

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KEARNEY TO BE POLICE CHIEF

Rumor Has Patrolman Succeeding His Superior Following Hot Caucus.

FITZ GERALD RECORDER

Meeting of New City Fathers Behind Closed Doors, Rent With Bitter Fight Over Selection of Department Head, According to Reports.

Exit Tom Gurdane, enter John Kearney.

If reports which have leaked out regarding the caucus of the new council last night, the above statement will express tersely the result of the battle which has been made for the office of chief of police.

The caucus, which was held in the business office of Councilman John Montgomery last night, lasted until 11 o'clock and according to reports, was marked by considerable bitterness of feeling and sharp clashes between the champions of different candidates.

Four for Gurdane. The first ballot for chief of police, it is said, showed four councilmen for Gurdane, three for Kearney and one for Alex Manning, and eight ballots were cast with a change despite the efforts made by the Gurdane men to win another vote by rehearsing the record of their candidate during his six years in office.

Fitz Gerald Easy Winner. Fitz Gerald won out as recorder by a seven to one vote, according to the best information obtainable.

The turn of affairs last night was rather unexpected, inasmuch as it was generally understood that Kearney had declined to be a candidate against his present chief.

Seattle, Jan. 3.—Jisura Tanaka, a Japanese 30 years old, was shot and killed by a countryman last night while sitting at a table in a restaurant in the Oriental section.

NEW YEAR CALLS FOR ACTIVITY IN PENDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY CIRCLES

To name a member of the new city council to serve on the library board will be one of the first duties of Mayor W. F. Matlock. The vacancy on the board is due to the expiration of the term of Councilman Strain who has succeeded in the council by Charles Cole.

NEWBERRY IS U.S. DEPUTY

Succeeds Mrs. Johnston Who Transfers to Portland Court.

With the combining of the federal circuit and district courts the first of the year, in conformity with a recent act of congress, Mrs. Vida Johnston, who has been a deputy of the local federal court, has been transferred to Portland to work as a deputy under Clerk A. M. Cannon and S. A. Newberry, well known local attorney, has been given the Pendleton deputyship.

Swift Plant Damaged. Chicago, Jan. 3.—Fire swept the stockyards last night and destroyed one of Swift warehouses. It was extinguished this morning with a loss of half a million dollars.

MORE LABOR LEADERS FACING INDICTMENT

Sensational Actions To Be Started Soon, Is Report

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 3.—That the present federal grand jury will conclude the dynamite probe and sensational action will start within two days, was a statement from a high source today. It is said to be possible that more true bills against Pacific coast labor leaders will be returned.

Indicted Men in Frisco. San Francisco, Jan. 3.—Tviemoe and Johannsen returned to San Francisco today, from Los Angeles, protesting their innocence.

Indianapolis Probe Resumes. Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 3.—With District Attorney Fredericks of Los Angeles, who forced the confessions from the McNamara brothers recently, and Special Government Prosecutor Taylor, present, the federal grand jury resumed its investigations into the alleged dynamite conspiracies here today.

Ased Couple Held Up. Portland, Ore., Jan. 3.—F. J. Sheppard, proprietor of a country grocery at Shattuck station, three miles from Portland, was beaten over the head with a gun until he was senseless and Mrs. Sheppard, his wife, tied to a chair, by two robbers who held up the grocery store, kept by the elderly couple, last night. The men obtained but little cash.

Caveleri Is Divorced. Paris, Jan. 3.—Lina Caveleri, the singer, was granted a divorce today from Robert Chanler, the New York clubman. Chanler did not oppose the suit.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—In a Washington dispatch to the Cleveland Press, Gilson Gardner says: "Senator La Follette and Colonel Roosevelt are working in harmony to control the new republican convention. Between them they have engaged progressive delegates to write the platform and name the presidential candidate."

Believes Michigan Progressive. Kalamazoo, Mich., Jan. 3.—"Michigan republicans are progressive and the state is not in the standard column," said Senator La Follette here, closing his Michigan campaign today. Badgered by the reports that his campaign is really in Colonel Roosevelt's interests, La Follette is considering issuing a report definitely defining his position.

La Follette Won't Dithdraw. Chicago, Jan. 3.—Reports that Senator La Follette would retire from the presidential race in favor of Colonel Roosevelt or any one else was denied today by Walter Houser, La Follette's manager. He said: "The campaign will continue until the national convention and La Follette won't withdraw."

TAFT IN RACE UNTIL DEATH

But Is Anxious Regarding Colonel Roosevelt's Possible Candidacy

T. R. FAVORS LA FOLLETTE

Wisconsin Senator Counts Michigan in Progressive Column After Touring the State—Believes Osborn's Attack Is Helpful.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The white house today is apparently puzzled over the political situation, which revolves about the report that Colonel Roosevelt's silence indicates that he is waiting to see if the popular demand is strong enough to warrant his acceptance of the presidential nomination of the republican party.

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Osborn's Attack Helpful. Grand Rapids, Jan. 3.—Leaving today for Kalamazoo, Senator La Follette began the last day of his Michigan tour.

Progressives accuse Osborn of deliberately stealing La Follette's crowd when it was learned that La Follette, owing to a train mixup, could not appear. Standpatters regard Osborn's speech as a trap, deliberately laid by the progressives, to arouse sympathy for their candidate, by causing an attack when he could not defend himself.

ECHO MEN CHARGED WITH SHEEP THEFT

Echo, Ore., Jan. 3.—Charged with having stolen four sheep belonging to Francis Statts of this place, Harold Smith, age twenty-three years and O. F. Hotel, age twenty-six years, laborers who have been here for a short time, were this morning arraigned before Justice of the Peace Louis Scholl and bound over to await the action of the grand jury.

Their bonds were fixed at \$500 each, which they have not as yet given and they will likely be removed to the county jail at Pendleton tonight or tomorrow. It is possible that relatives of the men residing here will furnish bail for them.

GOVT. MAY OWN STEAMER LINES

Bill Introduced Providing for Vessels to Ply Between Coasts.

WOULD ENDR. R. CONTROL

Minority Report Favoring Arbitration Treaties is Permitted to go on File in Senate—Congressional Session Promises to Last Many Months.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Government ownership of steam ship lines, plying between the Pacific and Atlantic coasts and Central and South America, through the Panama canal, is contemplated in a bill introduced by Senator Bristow, of Kansas, today.

Minority Report on Arbitration. Washington, Jan. 3.—Senator Rayner was given permission today by the senate in executive session, to file his minority report, as a member of the committee on foreign relations, in favor of the ratification of the British-French-American arbitration treaties, unamended.

Long Session Predicted. Washington, Jan. 3.—That congress will still be in session when the presidential campaign begins and until after the national convention is over, was the prediction of both party leaders in the house today when congress resumed after the holiday recess.

Democratic Leader Underwood said: "We have many things to do. It will be a long siege, but we are going to stay until things are done."

CITY HAS LARGE BALANCE ON HAND

With a cash balance on hand of \$49,621.28, the municipality of Pendleton emerged from the year of 1911, a year in which a great many public improvements had been made at a considerable cost.

The chief sources of revenue of the city for the past year have been the taxes, fines and licenses. The largest amount was secured from taxes, the property owners having paid in \$41,186.73.

Of the sum expended, more than half was for improvements, the betterment fund showing a total of \$63,390.36. The general expenses of the city amounted to \$33,620.63 while the balance of the expenditures, \$14,483.02 is charged up to the operating account.

Reyes' Son Arrested.

Mexico City, Jan. 3.—Charged with implication in the Reyes revolutionary plan, Rodolfo Reyes, son of General Bernardo Reyes, was arrested yesterday afternoon and placed in Santiago military prison, where his father is confined, Young Reyes prior to his arrest placed himself voluntarily at the disposal of the authorities.

BIG LINER CARRIES ONLY THREE WOMEN on the Finland Have 35 Stewards to Wait on Them.

New York.—With thirty-five stewards to wait upon them and a band of sixteen pieces to entertain them at luncheon and dinner, Miss Mary R. Ebone, Miss Margaret Randolph and Mrs. William Auerbach, the only cabin passengers on board the Finland, of the Red Star line, arrived in this city.

LAUNDRY STRIKE SPREADS

25,000 Workers Are Out and 60,000 Will Be Tomorrow.

New York, Jan. 3.—With 25,000 laundry workers out, and another 10,000 ready to strike tonight, New York is facing one of the most serious laundry famines in her history.

It will be hard to put on unskilled laborers, as the claims for torn clothes would make the expenses too high. Margaret Hinchay, speaking for the strikers, said the conditions are wretched; that the child labor laws are persistently violated; that the low wages of four or five dollars weekly, forced the girls into lives of immorality; that the rooms are unsanitary and tuberculosis is common among the workers.

DID REV. MILNES FEAR LOSS OF SCALP?

Keeps Gun Close By at Indian Feast; Forgets To Eat

Rev. J. M. Cornelson, Presbyterian missionary at the Tutulla mission, is responsible for a good story on his brother minister, Rev. Frank J. Milnes, pastor of the local Presbyterian church. The Indians who are under the spiritual guidance of the missionary, had planned a gigantic New Year's feast and had invited all of their friends, both red and white, to join with them in partaking of the viands.

Rev. Milnes was among those invited and, never having attended such an occasion, he promptly responded. Now it seems that the local minister has a Krag-Jorgenson rifle of which he is very proud and with which he has become quite a marksman.

Now, according to Rev. Cornelson, the novelty of sitting among 200 or more native Americans quite delighted the minister from the east, so much so in fact that he forgot to eat, and while all others were busily engaged in devouring the good things spread before them, he was looking from left to right in his enjoyment of the unique experience.

His actions, it seems, were misinterpreted by one of the braves whose business it was to see that every one was supplied with enough to eat. Seeing the minister with his rifle beside him and glancing, as he thought, uneasily about him, he made a sign to Rev. Cornelson and asked him to interpret the following message to the stranger, "Tell the visitor to help himself and not to be afraid of us."

The feast itself, according to the well known missionary, was one of the best ever prepared by the local reds. A great abundance of fresh salmon, a barbecued steer and \$50 worth of cakes and dainties from the city furnished a New Year's dinner to more than 200 people.

It is nonsense to say that Roosevelt cannot prevent his candidacy for the presidency. He could prevent it by 10 positive, explicit words.

UPPER CREEK FARMERS FILE

Birch and McKay Folk to Use Flood Waters if Government Relinquishes.

WILL GREATLY AID CROPS

State Engineer Permits Action With Payment of Filing Fees Only—Five Thousand Acres Are Involved in Latest Move.

Upon the advice of their attorneys and following the consent of the state engineer to make their filings without the customary fees, many of the land owners along Birch and McKay creeks have forwarded filings upon the flood waters of those streams subject to the relinquishment of the government filings.

It is estimated that filings will be made upon at least enough water to irrigate 5000 acres, attorney Frederick Stelwer himself having forwarded filings for 2485 acres lying in a strip of bench land along Birch creek this side of Pilot Rock and extending for a distance of five or six miles. The land owners who have made the filings are Frank Sherman, George Male, J. A. Guderain, G. W. Bush, Amos Owing, Carl Hemphill, J. M. Hemphill, Mrs. Carrie Sparks, John Sparks, George W. Runyan, Jessie V. Muir, John Bain.

All of this land is at present under cultivation and the owners believe that with one irrigation in the spring, they can produce three crops of alfalfa on it.

In March, 1909, the government filed upon all of the flood waters of the streams and, inasmuch as there is no summer flow, this action practically prevented irrigation by the farmers along the courses. The government has never used the water and it is believed may abandon its rights to it.

By special permission from Engineer Lewis, these farmers are enabled to enter their filings by paying only the filing fees and without going to the expense of making surveys and sending in maps. If, however, the water should become available for them, they will be required to complete their filings for fulfilling all of the specifications of the law.

PREMIER YUAN PREVENTS PEACE BEING DECLARED

Shanghai, Jan. 3.—A renewal of the war was pressed here today by the refusal of Wu Ting Fang, for the rebels, to negotiate further with Premier Yuan, unless Yuan comes to Shanghai. It is believed that Yuan wont come.

Backed by the funds of the dowager empress and Manchu princess' private fortunes, it is believed he will fight to the finish and begin soon. Wu charges Yuan with bad faith, in making no attempt to comply with the peace terms, which Tang Shao Yi, the premier's representative had partially agreed on.

Richeson Unnerved.

Boston, Jan. 3.—Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson collapsed in his cell late today when two of his counsel, William A. Morse and John M. Lee, broached the subject of his recent self-mutilation. According to Morse the subject had no sooner been opened than the former Cambridge pastor paled and seemed to lose all strength, sinking back upon his bed, from which he did not rise during the conference.

BURGLAR OUTFRONS PURSUER IN NIGHTIE FOLLOWING LATTER'S PLUNGE IN ICE WATER

A certain burglar about the city will hereafter give the home of Claud Penland a wide berth following a narrow escape he had Monday night from capture at the hands of the well known rooming house man. The story is a good one but might have never reached the light had not Penland enjoyed the joke on himself in connection with the escapade.

Mrs. Penland is at present visiting in Spokane and her husband has, in consequence, been at his place of business until a late hour every night since his departure. Monday night he went home late and climbed into bed for a restful slumber. Scarcely, however, had he closed his eyes and settled himself into the feathers before he heard a suspicious noise in the basement of his house, which is situated on the south hill.

convinced him that a burglar was in his fruit cellar and, stealthily climbing out of bed, the householder secured his revolver and laid plans for a capture. He knew there was but one door through which the unwelcome visitor could emerge from the cellar and he softly tiptoed into the kitchen off of which the door opened. Stealthily and with painful caution he crept nearer the door, consuming considerable time in the operation, for the boards were thin and he did not want to let the intruder know of his approach. Finally, but a few feet remained between him and the door, and, throwing all caution to the winds, he made one wild bound, intending to throw wide the door, present the revolver and demand the surrender of the marauder.

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