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A PANIC CREATED BY FIRE

(Scripps News Association) San Francisco, Cal. Jan. 18.—Fire threatened the destruction of the College of Physicians this morning...

THE "TOWN TOPICS" CASE

(Scripps News Association) New York, Jan. 18.—In the case of Judge Deuel against Norman Haggood for libel, he was grilled again today in cross-examination by Attorney Osborne...

ANOTHER DAM BREAKS AWAY

(Scripps News Association) Chyenne, Wyo. Jan. 18.—The Union Pacific ice dam at Each canyon went out this morning, flooding the valley and creating great damage in the city of Evanston.

FAMINE IN JAPAN

(Scripps News Association) Tokio, Japan, Jan. 18.—A publication of the statistics show that there are nine hundred and sixty thousand famine stricken persons in the northern part of Japan.

ANOTHER RATE BILL

(Scripps News Association) Washington, Jan. 18.—Congressman Davey, of Louisiana, in the house today introduced a minority rate bill...

RAILWAY COMPANY FORMED

(Scripps News Association) Spokane, Wash., Jan. 18.—Jay P. Graves and his associates have formed the Inland Empire Railway Company with a capital of \$20,000,000...

SECOND MOROCCAN CONGRESS

(Scripps News Association) Algeciras, Spain, Jan. 18.—The second sitting of the Moroccan conference began here this afternoon. Ambassador Henry White is the American delegate to the conference.

ORDERED TO LEAVE COUNTRY

(Scripps News Association) Paris, France, Jan. 18.—Consul Maubourget, the Venezuelan consul to France, has been officially notified to leave French soil within twenty four hours...

TILLMAN'S MOTION IS DEFEATED

(Scripps News Association) Washington, Jan. 18.—Senator Tillman today introduced a resolution in the United States Senate providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate the recent expulsion of Mrs. Morris from the White House...

MINING DREDGE BREAKS AWAY

(Scripps News Association) Sacramento, Cal. Jan. 18.—A mining dredge on Upper Feather river broke away last night and is now rushing down stream, tearing out bridges and threatening all kinds of damage...

FIELD'S BODY BROUGHT HOME

(Scripps News Association) Chicago, Ill. Jan. 18.—The body of Marshall Field arrived here this morning on a special train from New York. The train stopped at Thirty First Street for the body to be taken to his home where the funeral will be held.

AMALGAMATED DIVIDED

(Scripps News Association) New York, Jan. 18.—The Amalgamated Copper Company, at a meeting this afternoon, declared a dividend of one and one half per cent. This dividend was declared by the directors placing the stock on a six per cent basis.

BIGLOW REFUSES TO ANSWER

(Scripps News Association) Washington, Jan. 18.—Foulney Bigelow appears before the Senate committee on Canals today and told the committee who he was and gave his record as an educator and author. He admitted that he was on the Isthmus only the greater part of two days.

The witness said that, while he was only on the Isthmus a short time, it was long enough to warrant all that he has written. He said he found the situation at Colon impossible and was proceeding to give his impressions when Hopkins requested the facts. Bigelow said that it was a fact that many eminent engineers refused to be connected with the canal or account of the Government influence.

When ordered to name them, he named John R. Freeman, of Boston, and he said he did not know others but understood that many were so inclined. Upon the demand that he name others, being repeated, he said that it would be embarrassing to his friends for him to do so. The committee adapted a rule to compel the witness to give the source of his information. Bigelow said "You may put me or bread and water or condemn me to Col. on, but you cannot make me divulge." The committee was in executive session for an hour to determine what to do with the witness and then took a recess.

(4 p. m.) This afternoon Bigelow again refused to answer and the committee adjourned until morning without acting in the matter. The arrest of Bigelow under contempt charges is expected to follow.

COUNCIL MEETING

The city council held a busy session last night and, after much discussion, decided that unless they were compelled to, by some member of either the Democratic or Republican parties filing their petitions, which is not probable, that they would not call a primary and the usual custom of holding city elections will follow.

J. W. Kennedy, councilman of the First ward, tendered his resignation owing to the fact that he had moved out of the ward, also with a view of letting the people choose his successor. The council accepted the resignation and upon looking up the charter found that the council is authorized to fill vacancies, so the matter was deferred until the next meeting and the opinion, as expressed was that if legal, they would let the people elect.

The fire department which has been under discussion for some time was brought to an issue last night by listening to the report of the committee from the firemen, when a resolution was passed asking that the fire department disband and reorganize which, it is understood, will be done next Friday evening. The council reserves the right to approve the membership under the re-organization.

MURPHY DENIES THE CHARGES

(Scripps News Association) Washington, Jan. 18.—The opponents to the President's statehood policy were goaded into threats today in an exciting session of the house. The committee of Territories and the Arizona delegation, headed by the brother of ex-governor Murphy, were present. Murphy declared as false the charges of a corrupt lobby favoring the bill, and said that he would try to send to prison the persons making the charges.

AGAINST FOOTBALL

Madison, Wis., Jan. 18.—Upon recommendation of the state university regents indorsed the recent action of the university faculty in condemning the evils of inter-collegiate football, and recommending that the conference of nine universities of the middle west to meet at Chicago next Friday, declare in favor of suspending inter-collegiate football games for the next two years.

CHINESE GUESTS AT LINCOLN

(Scripps News Association) Lincoln, Neb. Jan. 18th.—The Chinese Commissioners Luan Fang and Tai Hung Chi, accompanied by sixty followers from China, are guests of this city today. They were met at the station this morning by Governor Mickey, Chancellor Andrews of the State University, mayor Brown and other officials.

NEWSPAPER DIRECTORS SENTENCED

(Scripps News Association) St. Petersburg, Jan. 18.—Two directors of a comic paper at Svoboda have been sentenced each to two years confinement in a fortress for publishing matter in derogation of the Russian government.

SIX JEWS EXECUTED

(Scripps News Association) Warsaw, Russia, Jan. 18.—Six Jews, members of the local anarchist's committee, who were tried by a court martial and condemned, were executed today. They were convicted of engaging in revolutionary propaganda, manufacturing bombs and extorting money.

VICTIMS OF MURDERER REMOVED

(Scripps News Association) Pembroke, N. H., Jan. 18.—Five of the victims of the tragedy at the Lakeman homestead yesterday, when Chas. H. Ayre murdered the entire family, were removed from the ruins this morning. Two of the bodies were recovered last night. The authorities are of the opinion that Ayre cut the throats of the victims before igniting the house.

THIRTY THOUSAND SIGN

(Scripps News Association) Washington, Jan. 18.—A resolution was introduced into the house today which was prepared by the people of Massachusetts and signed by thirty thousand providing for the restitution of the "Constitution". The Navy Affairs Committee will ascertain how much will be the cost, and what is necessary.

OFFICIALS SENT TO PRISON

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Henry Wulff, former state treasurer, and Justus Lobb, associated with Wulff in the Continental Finance company, were each sentenced yesterday to two years in jail and fined \$100 apiece. They had pleaded guilty to using the mails to defraud.

LUMBER ADVANCES

Portland, Jan. 18.—Lumber in this city has advanced \$1 per thousand for all grades. The increase is due to a remarkable demand from eastern centers. Lumber mills in this city continue to operate full time to keep up with the eastern demand but cannot do so. The price today is the highest in years.

ATTY. MOODY TO CONDUCT THE CASES

(Scripps News Association) Chicago, Ill. Jan. 18.—It is rumored that Attorney General Moody will come in person to conduct the prosecution in the beef trust cases. The Government attorneys here recognized the weakness of the case, and it is believed that some one blundered in forcing the packers to produce evidence which they expect to use in the prosecutions.

Chicago, Ill. Jan. 18.—The beef trust cases were called before Judge Humphreys this afternoon. Commissioner Garfield is present and ready to testify, while a majority of the defendants are also in court.

MINERS' CONVENTION-WORK

(Scripps News Association) Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 18.—The attention of the delegates to the miners' convention at this place was mostly taken up today by the preparation of a wage scale. It is anticipated that an attempt will be made to force a decision under the conference for the entire country. An eight hour day crusade was discussed this morning.

A DISASTROUS FIRE

(Scripps News Association) Quincy, Ill., Jan. 18.—A fire, which threatened the heart of the city today destroyed the city hall and the loss is estimated at seventy-five thousand dollars. This together with the business houses which were destroyed by the flames will make a total loss of a quarter of a million dollars.

DROWNED IN SWOLLEN RIVER

(Scripps News Association) Marysville, Cal., Jan. 18.—In the swollen waters on Honout creek, twelve miles above here, the Laporte stage was swamped early this morning. The driver, W. T. Rackerby, was lost and it is reported that one passenger was also drowned. The United States mail which was on the stage was swept away by the flood.

ROENTGEN RAY DANGEROUS

Paris, Jan. 18.—The Academy of Medicine has resolved to forbid the employment of the Roentgen ray, except by doctors, owing to the danger incurred in its application by unskilled hands, as it is alleged to have been proved that numerous deaths have been caused by it.

GIVES UP SEARCH FOR COPPER

Vershire, Vt. Jan. 18.—After expending more than \$1,600,000 during the past six years in purchasing and working the Copper Fields mines, for many years the third largest in the United States, George Westinghouse, of Pittsburg, has abandoned his search for copper in the Veshire Mountains.

A QUARTER PAGE FULL Of important Clearance sale Prices, Which Represent a smart saving and are of the Greatest Possible interest to the economically inclined buyers.

Table with clothing sale items: Men's Parts \$1.29, Boys' All Wool Und'w'r 59c, Ladies' Knee Skirts 29c, Men's Pants \$1.69, Men's \$2.50 to \$3 Sweater, Boys' Wool Fleece Und'w'r, Outing Night Shirts 49c, Men's Flannel Shirts \$1.59, Boys' Reefers and Ov'coats.

Watch the Red Price Tags in our store—they represent a saving in price of from 10 to 50 per cent besides many special values, which you can buy at from one third to one fourth the regular price. Come and see—We advertise what we sell, and sell what we advertise.



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