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EXAMINER NOW CONTROLS BANK

FEELING OF CONFIDENCE FULLY RESTORED AGAIN.

Bank Examiner Arrives But Can Make No Material Statement—Taking Invoice of Assets With Directors of the Suspended Institution—May Say Something Tomorrow—Will Report to Comptroller—Other Banks Do a Record-Breaking Business.

"I am in possession of the bank and, with the directors, am invoking the assets. Farther than that I can make no statement today," said Claude Gatch, district bank examiner, who arrived in the city this morning and for the next few days will be the busiest man in the city.

With practically every member of the board of directors of the suspended Farmers & Traders National bank, Mr. Gatch spent the entire day behind the locked doors. As yet he knows nothing and can say nothing. His report will be made to the comptroller in fact, asserted that the public will in due time be given as much of the facts as it is consistent with his position to permit. The custom has always been, in similar instances, to make public the assets and liabilities of the suspended institutions, as soon as ascertained. Whether or not this will be done tomorrow or the day after is not known.

Arrived This Morning. Considerable disappointment was rife this morning when it was thought that Mr. Gatch did not arrive, but he reached here, for all that, and with the telephone quickly rounded up the directors and long before noon, the work of taking invoice was on. Until it is practical for the examiner to make some statement, the public will have to remain in ignorance of the important topic—the exact condition of the institution's finances.

Confidence is Pleasing. Well-warranted confidence is noticeable in financial circles today. Business progresses as smoothly as it ever did, and the other banks of the city have not had more deposits made in a period, than they did yesterday. This exemplifies the confidence in the money world and the money condition locally. The feeling continues to be one of hope. Every hour sees a rapid return to normal conditions on the streets, and the bank failure is no longer the absorbing topic. Depositors realize that everything possible will be done to reimburse them at the earliest possible moment.

The Matter of Receivership. In regard to the receivership, there is a possibility of considerable delay. Based on the report which Mr. Gatch will make to the comptroller, the latter will appoint a receiver. The time of this appointment may be three days or three weeks. There is nothing positive as to time in this matter.

SENATOR GEARIN

Visited Sugar Factory This Afternoon Met Many Friends.

Senator Gearin, who speaks tonight in the opera house, was met this morning at the train by Attorney John Hodgins, who escorted him to the hotel where he was met by a number of friends. Senator Gearin is no stranger in La Grande. Last year he delivered a most eloquent memorial address for the Elks' order. This afternoon he visited the court house and the sugar factory in company with Judge Crawford.

Likes Her Chewin'.

St. Louis, Oct. 13.—"I would rather die chewing tobacco than live without it," declared Mrs. Anna Siefert, aged 43, who is the only woman on record suffering with tobacco heart. She is in a precarious condition. She has smoked a clay pipe for 20 years and chewed for three years.

MINERS BOYCOTT DAILY.

Exposure of Miners Leads to General Boycott of Juneau Paper.

Seattle, Oct. 13.—A dispatch from Juneau, Alaska, says the Western Federation of Miners is boycotting the Alaska Daily Record because the paper is opposing the miners. A petition is being circulated to threaten to boycott all stores if they continue to patronize the paper.

Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Delegates from all the lodges of the Knights of the Golden Eagle throughout the country met in Washington today to begin a national convocation of the Supreme Castle of the order.

MARRIED TWICE BUT ALL TOGETHER

DASHING WOMAN WIFE OF TWO MEN SIMULTANEOUSLY

New York, Oct. 13.—Two men of this city are pondering today upon the ingenious duplicity of Mrs. Catherine Stroebel, a dashing brunette, who for many years led each to believe she is his true loving wife. The revelation came with the granting of a divorce to Philip Stroebel, evidence convincing the court that the woman was the spouse of Stroebel during the day and the wife of Jacob Valuse, a clerk, when he was through work. Stroebel is an engineer and worked nights. By a clever ruse the woman was able to fool the two men on Sundays, when both were idle.

SOLD DAUGHTER FOR PALTRY SUM

SENSATIONAL CASE COMES TO LIGHT IN NEW JERSEY

New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 13.—The police are investigating the story of Mrs. Julia Madelin, who recently shot and killed her husband, that he father sold her to Tony Madelin for \$100. When she rebelled, her father forced her to marry Madelin, after which the parent received the money. She declared her husband kicked and beat her because the supper was not ready Saturday. She was ill and in terror, the woman says, and she seized a revolver and killed him.

They Have Record.

Tacoma, Oct. 13.—Marksmen are today discussing the remarkable shooting done by a team picked from the second infantry of the Washington National Guard, which yesterday defeated for the third successive time the team representing the Duke of Connaught's regiment, the Sixth Canadian Rifles of Vancouver, B. C. The contest was for the championship of the Pacific coast, and a \$500 loving cup. It is believed by the officers that the score may be the world's championship. They will know after the records have been searched.

LOST IN DENSE FOREST.

Experienced Cruisers Sent Out to Search for Starving Man.

Seattle, Oct. 13.—Lost in the depths of a dense forest near Arlington, E. H. Melkeljohn, a member of the firm of Melkeljohn & Brown, timber brokers, of Wisconsin, is being sought today by experienced timber cruisers. Once lost in the forest it is almost impossible for a person not familiar with it, to get out. The lost man has no food, and it is feared he will starve to death.

POWERS BEG FOR MORE SPARRING

TURKEY GIVEN THREE DAYS TO MAKE AMENITY.

Appearance in the Near East Now Is That a Monster Conference of Nations Will Be Held—Scope of the Purpose is Widening—Powers Pray for Delay in Declaration of War—Turkey Must Admit Bulgaria's Independence at Once.

London, Oct. 13.—M. Iswolsky, a Russian foreign minister and Sir Edward Gray, the British secretary of foreign affairs, are today considering what features of the European international situation will be included in the deliberation of the expected conference of powers, which will be the most important meeting of modern times.

Germany Still Silent.

It is understood that France agrees with the attitude of England and Russia, but the kaiser has not made his attitude clear. The greatest danger lies in a possibility of war between Bulgaria and Turkey or Serbia and Austria. Diplomatic instructions are sent today to various representatives in the Balkan capitals instructing urgent appeals to be made for a postponement of hostilities, until an opportunity has been had for a peaceful settlement. Iswolsky is credited with a victory in inducing England to agree to enlarge the scope of the conference.

Force Turkey to Recognize.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 13.—The Bulgarian government, directed by Szar Ferdinand, today summoned all classes of reserves, meaning that the whole army of the country will take the field immediately in support of the threat to declare war unless Turkey recognized officially the independence of Bulgaria within three days.

To Try Financiers.

New York, Oct. 13.—Unless a further delay is secured, Charles W. Morse and Alfred W. Curtis will be placed on trial in the United States circuit court tomorrow on a charge of conspiracy and misapplication of the funds of the National Bank of North America. Morse was vice-president of the bank up to the time of the financial crash last fall. Curtis was president. Judge Hough, of the United States court, set this date and also fixed the same date for the beginning of the trial of F. Augustus Heinze, who was indicted on a charge of over-certification of checks while president of the Mercantile National bank. It is understood that the trial of Morse and Curtis will be finished before the Heinze case is called.

\$148 PER PAN.

Enormous Richness in Gold Strike in Some Mining District.

Tacoma, Oct. 13.—Dispatches confirm the report that one of the richest strikes in the Nome district was made by two miners, Peterson and Hall, on the third beach line. It pays \$148 to the pan.

Wisconsin Odd Fellows.

Antigo, Wis., Oct. 13.—The grand encampment and Patriarchs Militant, the two highest branches of Odd Fellowship in Wisconsin, convened here today for the state meeting of the fraternity.

FATAL GUN ACCIDENT.

Boy Jabs Loaded Gun Into Hole and Load is Exploded.

Sprague, Wash., Oct. 13.—Glen Kays, aged 11, son of J. R. Kays, manager of the Supply company's lumber yard, was instantly killed today while hunting. With a companion he drove a ground hog in a hole near Lake Colville. The Kay boy began poking the butt end of the gun into the aperture of the hole. The bullet penetrated the heart.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS

GRAND JURY TO FINISH ITS LABORS TOMORROW.

Notorious Morrison Case is Drawing to a Close—Will Undoubtedly Go to the Jury This Afternoon—Grand Jury Expects to Ask to Be Excused by Tomorrow Evening—Sheriff Expected Back With Greek Rioters.

The eighth day of the notorious Morrison case gives every evidence of going to the jury this afternoon or this evening. At 1 o'clock the attorneys presented their demands for the court in giving the charge to the jury and this will be followed by the arguments.

Nicke Denitis has commenced a suit against the O. R. & N. company to obtain \$227.75, the amount alleged to be due for labor.

A guard arrived this morning from the state asylum to convey John Scott, the Austrian, who was adjudged insane a few days ago. They will leave on the evening train for Salem.

The grand jury is working like beavers to get through with the expectation of asking to be excused tomorrow afternoon. This all depends upon the amount of new work that may come before it between now and tomorrow noon.

Sheriff Childers phoned to the office this forenoon that he and Officer H. McLaughlin had succeeded in breaking three of the five alleged rioters. They are expected to capture the other two, however, in time to return on the evening train from Elgin.

AVIATORS FALL INTO NORTH SEA

MOST REMARKABLE EXPERIENCE IN BALLOON HISTORY

Berlin, Oct. 13.—Probably the most remarkable experience in the history of ballooning was reported today by N. H. Arnold, a pilot, and H. G. Hewatt, his assistant, of the balloon St. Louis, one of the three American entrants in the international race for the Bennett cup, when they landed after falling in the North sea at midnight. Enveloped in the folds of the great gas bag, which was being lashed by the waves, they were sighted by a searchlight of a steamer. They would have been drowned if they had remained on the floating canvas 15 minutes longer.

Elkins Engagement is Off.

Rome, Oct. 13.—The engagement of Duke d'Abuzzi to Katherine Elkins, is undoubtedly broken, according to an announcement which comes from inner court circles, and bears a semi-official stamp. The break is said to be the result of the constant discussion of the match in Europe and America, both in the newspapers and general gossip. Not long ago it was announced "his dukelets" would come to America with warships, to marry Miss Elkins.

Will Not Force Expulsion Law.

Portland, Oct. 13.—The Pacific Northwest Amateur association has decided not to consider the case of Louis Orsle, the boxer, who was expelled from the Spokane Athletic club for fighting a professional some time ago. He must now wait two years. In the meantime he cannot fight professionals before being taken into the club as an amateur again.

WANT DEMOCRAT "CANNED."

California Democrats Think the State Chairman is Lethargic.

San Francisco, Oct. 13.—Democrats here are expecting an answer hourly from Bryan to a telegram sent by Will Ashe, a son of Omar Couty, asking Bryan to discharge Judge John E. Baker of Modoc, chairman of the state central committee, because he is inattentive to his duties.

Railway Signal Meeting.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The Railway Signal association convened here today in annual session. Delegates from many cities are here and several addresses will be made by railway signal authorities.

LIBERAL WITH SPECIAL BIDS

FEDERATED CLUBS INVITE MANY TO LA GRANDE

Every salon in office an elect, all ministers, representatives of all orders, heads of the largest firms, newspaper representatives and several other organizations of Union and Wallowa counties, will be asked by special invitation from the recording secretary and president of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs, to attend the convention to be held in this city November 10-12, inclusive. The invitations are being sent out by the invitation committee of the local general committee in charge of the affair. The wording is a warm welcome and invitations to attend the convention on the days stipulated, and is signed by Mrs. H. D. Hayes, the recording secretary, and the state president, Mrs. Sarah Evans of Portland.

SOCIALISTS CHARGE OVERDONE.

Chicago's Hungry Children Do Not Total Socialists' Charges.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—Charitable organizations today declare an investigation of the charges made by the socialists that 15,000 children go hungry in Chicago every day, shows that the charge is exaggerated, and that drink in every case is at the bottom. Most parents of the hungry children are paid well.

NO DECISION TODAY.

Standard Oil Fine Decision Expected, But Not Forthcoming.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—It was announced today that on account of the great pressure of court business, the decision in the United States court of appeals regarding the government's petition for a rehearing in the \$29,000,000 fine against the Standard Oil company, will not be handed down today, but probably in the latter part of the week.

STOCKHOLDERS FOOLED.

Supposed Dividends Used to Purchase M. K. T. Railroad.

New York, Oct. 13.—That James J. Hill has finally secured control of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad, is believed on Wall street. Stock held abroad, is here, pending final negotiations. The cash paid is said to have been a part of that which was expected would be distributed to stockholders of the Northern Pacific.

Hurt by Explosion.

Olympia, Wash., Oct. 13.—Mrs. E. C. Gehlert was seriously injured this morning by the explosion of a huge gas oven in the delicatessen department of the Rolster-Barnes company store, local grocers. She was blown several feet and was burned and bruised.

Infant Buried.

The funeral of the infant child born to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Newlin yesterday, was held this afternoon.

CUBS CAPTURED FOURTH CONTEST

BROWN OFFICIATES FOR WINNING AGGREGATION.

Several Thousand Fans Form Line a Half Mile Long at Detroit Ball Grounds—Summer Throws for Detroit, But His Team Mates Are Unable to Score—Cubs Score in Third Inning and Once More Later on—Is Fourth Game, With Three for Cubs.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 13.—Chicago won today, 3 to 0.

Detroit, Oct. 13.—A noisy reception was given the Tigers today when they returned to play a game here this afternoon after another victory from the Cubs yesterday, when the latter seemed to have a clinch. Mullin, the pitcher for Detroit, is a big hero in the eyes of Detroit fans. Cobb's stick work has also boosted him several notches. The weather today is perfect. By 11 o'clock the line was half a mile long at the box office.

Odds on the Cubs fell from 5 to 1 that they win today, to 3 to 5. It was a 2 to 1 bet that the Cubs will win the series.

The batteries are: For Chicago—Brown and Kling. Detroit—Summer and Schmidt. Neither team made a run in the first or second inning. Chicago's half of the third inning: Sheekard and Evans out; Schulte walked, stole second; Chance walked, and Schulte singled to left field, scoring Schulte; Hanftman singled to left, scoring Chance; Tinker out. Two runs, Detroit, 0. There were no runs in the fourth inning.

By ringing the home plate once more during the game, Chicago won the fourth game of the world's championship series this afternoon.

TAFT SPECIAL IN A SLIGHT WRECK

SPECIAL CAR LEAVES THE TRACK--T. FT'S LIFE CHARMED

Sterling, O., Oct. 13.—The Taft special arrived here at 10:15 this morning and met with a slight accident while running at reduced speed near the city. The car Constitution, containing Taft, Governor Harris, Senator Dick of Ohio, Senator Smith of Michigan and others, left the track. The occupants were severely jolted.

Spreading rails are supposed to be the cause of the accident.

No one was injured. The workmen replaced the car on the track as quickly as possible. A large iron bar was found beside the track, which was recently repaired, where the accident occurred. Senator Dick said Taft is now sure of election as the escape of the party from injury shows Taft has a charmed life.

Large Timber Deal.

Ukiah, Cal., Oct. 13.—The largest transfer of timber land recorded in northern California for years was closed today when the O'Connell Lumber company sold its interest in the northern part of Mendocino county to J. E. Wheeler for \$135,000.

MANY PATIENTS AT ASYLUM.

Guard Here After Another Representative of Union County.

Fifteen hundred and sixty-one patients are now in the state asylum at Salem according to Guard Parker, who arrived this morning to take charge of the Austrian who recently went insane. Of this number Union county has contributed nine during the past year.