

1.11 INCHES OF RAIN FALL IN TWELVE HOURS

STORM LAST NIGHT IS GENERAL AND DAMAGING

RAILROAD COMPANY SUFFERS HEAVY LOSSES

Westbound Trains Delayed for Many Hours and Stubs Are Run Out of La Grande to Partially Alleviate the Congestion Occurring East of Here—Rainfall Has Now Outreached 1911.

Late this afternoon the O. W. officials here announced that the damage 20 miles west of Huntington is much worse than first reported. There will be no through trains until Monday at the best. At one place there are 800 feet of track under two to 12 feet of water and there must be made a permanent channel for the river before there can be any relief. Another slide of 1500 feet in length covers the track from two to four feet with gravel. Men and teams are on the scene and equipment has been rushed there to clear away the trouble.

One and eleven hundredths inches of rain fell between the hours of 9 o'clock last evening and 10 o'clock this morning, bringing the total rainfall in 1912 to this date up to a higher total than for all of 1911. In addition, the storm which swept over Union county last night was a flank of a storm that did serious damage to traffic in Eastern Oregon, in the vicinity of Durkee and on the O. S. L. with the consequence that there have been no trains from the west since yesterday morning and probabilities existing that it will be midnight or later before the congestion is cleared. Nos. 9 and 5—last night's westbound overlands—and No. 17, today are behind the washouts which have done great damage to trackage in the region of Huntington.

Open Track Tonight.

If estimates given out by the railroad officials today prove correct and there occur no more disastrous cloud bursts in the danger zone, traffic will break through the Durkee troubles between 7 and 8 o'clock tonight. Then there will be five overlands to come through La Grande tonight.

Stub Run Out of Here.

A stub No. 17 was run out of La Grande on time this morning and No. 6, the east passenger, was sent on to Baker to await there the clearance of tracks.

Storm Is Long and Hard.

Electric disturbances that zig-zagged the entire sky-canopy for hours played on the heavens last night but fortunately didn't get close to the city. A heavy rainstorm commenced about 9 o'clock and pounded down steadily until a late hour this forenoon.

Weather Observer Worstell's readings show a 1.11 inch rain fall, an unusual downpour for one night.

Slow and Not Violent.

Little damage was done in the country except as to retard combine harvesting and to soak what little hay there is down. Grain was not knocked down materially as there was no semblance of deluge, the storm having a nature of constant but not violent downpour.

Club Women Pack Stones

CIVICS FOLK BRUISE KNEES AND FINGERS IN TASK.

ONLY BEST SECURED

Anxious to Get Only Best Cobblestones—Ladies Get Them in Person

Women prominent in La Grande social and club life yesterday got down on their hands and knees to gather cobble stones for the new fountain at the high school grounds. They were members of the civic committee of the Neighborhood club and they wanted only the best cobble stones so they delegated themselves to the task, fearing to leave the job to the hands of others. They went to the river bank and there got down close to nature, lifting the stones into piles and carefully sorting and grading them before they were allowed to go to the place where they will beautify the school grounds. The stones were later hauled to the grounds by Fred Young who contributed the time and labor gratis. The women who forsook society and club life to carry to the best results their campaign by bruising of knee and fingers, more skilled on the piano ivories than in lifting rock, were Mrs. A. B. Cherry, Mrs. J. D. Stout, Mrs. John Anthony, Mrs. N. Molitor, Mrs. Fred G. Schilke and Misses Imogene Stout and Fredrika Schilke.

JURY INSPECTS CRIME SCENES

DARROW ALL BUT MOBBED BY CURIOUS ONES

Jury and Court to Scene of Alleged Briberies in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Aug. 3.—To inspect the scene of the alleged bribery of George N. Lockwood, the prospective juror in the trial of J. B. McNamara, a charge of jury bribing visited the Third and Los Angeles streets this morning. Judge Hutton convened the regular session of court on the scene. The bailiffs, court reporters and the court clerk were present. The court pointed out the places brought into the trial through the testimony of Bert H. Franklin and others and witnesses for the prosecution. The saloon at Third and Los Angeles was visited as was the one on Third and Wall streets. The jury inspected the rooming houses on Third and Main from which Detective Brown testified he watched Franklin on November 28th, the day of the alleged crime. So great was the curiosity of the crowd to see Darrow that the labor attorney was mobbed at the corner of Third and Main. The crowd surged around him and jostled the defendant in their efforts to get a view of him. With the aid of friends he managed to escape the curious and entered an automobile and returned to the courthouse.

DARROW TRIAL HALTED.

Judge Takes Time to Go Into Authorities on Testimony Wrangle.

Los Angeles, Aug. 3.—There was no session in the Darrow trial today. Judge Hutton announced that it required more time to consider authorities as to the admissibility of the daguergraph conversation between Darrow and John R. Harrington, a former employee.

SHOTS FIRED INTO EL PASO BY MEXICANS

AMERICANS' HOMES RIDDLED BY THE BULLETS

SKIRMISH TAKES PLACE BETWEEN TWENTY REBELS AND PICKETS

Trouble Started When Rebels Fire Across Border Line Into United States at American Soldiers Encamped Near Foundry—Not Known if Rebels Are Injured by Several Volleys.

El Paso, Aug. 3.—More than fifty shots were exchanged across the border here last night and early this morning between the United States soldiers and Mexican rebels. Homes of four Americans in El Paso were riddled by bullets but the American troops escaped uninjured. It is not known if any rebels were injured. The exchange began when the rebels fired on American soldiers near the El Paso foundry.

Mormons Reach Arizona.

Globe, Ariz., Aug. 3.—Fleeing across the border for protection from the Mexican rebels, 129 Mormon refugees from Colonia, Dublin, in Sonora, Mexico, arrived in Bowie, Ariz., today. They will be cared for by Mormons at Thatcher, Safford and Lima, Ariz.

Checker Experts to Contest.

Cedar Point, O., Aug. 3.—Many noted experts at the ancient game of checkers are rounding up here for the second annual tournament for the American checker championship. The leading players of the country are entered and the greatest checker battle of all times is in prospect. The notable names on the entry list include those of the present American champion, Newell W. Banks of Detroit, the great Haffner of Boston, Fishbourne, the southern champion, Ketchum and Drouillard of San Francisco, DeOrlo of Chicago, Henderson of Pittsburg, Herr of Buffalo, and Alfred Jordan of Toledo, who holds the championship of England and Scotland.

THE TACOMA SAILS SOUTH.

Would Keep Close Tab on the South American Rebellion for Uncle Sam

Washington, Aug. 3.—Ordered to proceed immediately to Bluefields, Nicaragua, the United States cruiser, Tacoma, will leave today from Guantanamo in order to keep the state department informed of the developments of the Nicaraguan revolution.

Editors' Meeting Postponed.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—The meeting of the progressive editors of the country scheduled to be held here today was at the last moment postponed until Sunday.

ROSENTHAL SLAYERS WILLING SURRENDER FOR IMMUNITY

New York, Aug. 3.—Overtures for the surrender of Harrow Horowitz and Lefty Louis Rosenberg, wanted on a charge of alleged complicity in the murder of Rosenthal were made today to District Attorney Whitman through Attorney Lewis Speigel representing the accused men. Whitman was told the two alleged gangsters were willing to surrender if granted immunity from the "third degree."

MRS. GRACE IS ACQUITTED BY TRIAL JURORS

HUSBAND INDIGNANT WHEN RESULTS ARE MADE KNOWN

WITH OATH HE SAYS HIS WIFE SHOT HIM JUST THE SAME

Woman Refuses to Discuss the Matter Other Than to Say She Wishes to Forget the Trial and Her Husband—Grace Affirms He Was Shot Following Goodnight Kiss of His Wife.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 3.—Mrs. Daisy Grace, acquitted of the charge of attempting to murder her husband, Eugene H. Grace, refused to make a statement today concerning her husband's charges. She said "I want to see my boy in Philadelphia and forget the trial as well as my husband."

When told of the verdict of the jury which acquitted his wife, Eugene Grace bitterly scored the result of the trial. He said, "They might as well put dynamite under a court house. I cannot see how they could acquit her, for she was guilty as hell. She shot me between one and six o'clock while I was asleep. We didn't quarrel and just before I went to sleep, I kissed her. When I came to, I felt a pain in my side and after she left the room, I discovered I was shot. Her statement of what happened was a pack of infernal lies."

BOILER PLATE IN TRUST.

So Says District Attorney As He Asks for Injunction.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—Alleging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, United States District Attorney Wilkerson today applied to Federal Judge Landis for an injunction against the "boiler plate newspaper trust." The defendants are the Central West Publishing company, the Western Newspaper union, the American Press association and several individuals. The injunction was granted.

SNOW FALLS IN MICHIGAN

Inmates of Insane Asylum Partake in Snowball Fight Today.

Lapeer, Mich., Aug. 3.—During a storm today half an inch of snow fell and the inmates of the home for feeble minded indulged in a snowball fight.

Salem Banker Here.

Tom Williams, a banker of Salem, who, with his family, is here visiting his mother, returned from Imbler today. He has been spending the past few days with his brother, Sherwood Williams, cashier of the bank at Imbler.

Presiding Elder Here.

Rev. H. S. Shangle, presiding elder, will preach tomorrow at the M. E. church, South, both morning and evening.

Elgin Left In Darkness

ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT RAZED BY FIRE.

FIGHTERS CHECK FIRE

Adjoining Building Less Than Twenty Feet Away Is Saved From Loss

Elgin, Aug. 3.—(Special)—Elgin will be in darkness for the next week or 10 days while workmen repair the damages caused by a fire thought to have been of spontaneous origin, last night when the Spencer Electric Light company plant was destroyed. Splendid relief by the fire department prevented a spread of the blaze to the Spencer planer, less than twenty feet away from the burning plant. The fire started when the watchman had left the place for a few moments. The origin is said to be due to an explosion of sawdust in the bin which adjoins the plant. The planer itself is but a few feet away, yet was saved through the diligence of the fire fighters.

The loss is partially covered by insurance. Strenuous effort to rehabilitate the plant within the next week or 10 days will be put forth.

Hamilton vs. Jones.

In the civil case of F. J. Hamilton, plaintiff, vs. H. G. Jones, defendant, Justice A. C. Williams found in favor of the plaintiff. The case was over a homestead location fee.

PROBERS WANT HANFORD FREED

RECOMMEND TO TAFT THAT THE JURIST RESIGN.

Three Probers at Seattle Want Resignation Adopted.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Strongly urging that Judge Hanford be permitted to resign and that impeachment proceedings be dropped, Congressman Graham of the investigation committee today backed up the stand of his conferees, Congressmen McCoy and Higgins, when the three reported the result of the probe at Seattle.

Following Graham's declaration the house judiciary committee voted formally to advise President Taft that it doesn't object to the acceptance of Hanford's resignation. Unless Taft refuses to recognize the recommendation this action closes the matter so far as the house is concerned.

One of the recommendations by the sub-committee is that the jurist cannot retire on pay. It is also improbable that he will be enabled to hold public office hereafter on account of age. The committee estimates that the cost of impeachment proceedings will be \$70,000 and declares it doesn't deem this expense warranted. The house judiciary committee formally adopted the report of the sub-committee and it will be submitted to the house next Monday by Chairman Clayton.

House Acts on Wool Bill.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The house today adopted a report of the conference committee on the wool tariff bill. The vote stood 160 to 62. 24 progressive republicans voting with the democrats in support of the measure. Before the vote was taken Representative Harney of New York declared that Taft would veto the measure.

Representative Underwood of Alabama, father of the bill, insisted that "the people had a right to expect that the president would sign the bill."

THIRD PARTY OF ILLINOIS LAUNCHED

DENEEN OPPOSED TO DROPPING STATE TICKET

PRINCIPAL QUESTION IS THE DENEEN ISSUE

State Convention of Illinois Bull Moose Party Called to Order and Party Is Now Formally Launched—Wilson Denies Rumors of Discontent in Leadership and Says He Will Not Stamp Country.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—With Prof. Chas. E. Merriam acting as the temporary chairman the Bull Moose party was formally launched in Illinois today with the opening of the state convention. The main question was the advisability of placing a third party in the field to oppose Governor Deneen, who was renominated on the regular republican ticket.

Although Deneen partially favored the candidacy of Roosevelt he refused to leave the republican party and many of the state Roosevelt leaders are opposing Deneen. Chief of them is Medill McCormack who opened the fight to put a third party ticket in the field. He favors the nomination of State Senator Frank H. Funk of Bloomington. Governor Hiram Johnson of California who is here for the national convention, is expected to address the convention some time today.

Ready for Third Party Show.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—All was hustle and bustle about the progressive headquarters at the Congress hotel today. This afternoon announcement was made of the completion of all arrangements for the convention that will assemble Monday to nominate Theodore Roosevelt for president and select his running mate on the ticket. Living in town to attend the gathering party ticket. Many visitors are coming. As yet, however, there appears to be no great rush for tickets to the coliseum, which are selling at \$10 to \$20 each. The attendance of press representatives promises to be fully as large as at the republican and democratic national conventions.

DISCORD IS DENIED.

Woodrow Wilson Goes to New York but First Denies Trouble Rumors.

Sea Girt, Aug. 3.—Before leaving for New York today where he will confer with W. F. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee, regarding campaign plans, Wilson denied the reports of friction among the campaign managers. He will return to Sea Girt Sunday night.

Wilson will not stump the country according to his announcement today. He said: "I am definitely determined not to stump the country generally during the coming campaign. I anticipate making a few speeches at the points where the campaign committee desires and I assume that the speaking campaign will begin about Sept. 1st."

When asked if he will make such speeches as the committee are best he smiled and replied "I agree with them."

When asked if he would make any speeches on the coast he replied: "That would almost necessarily involve a stumping tour which I positively refused to make. I can't say about the states where I will speak as that will be decided only as the campaign develops."