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MIDDLE WEST TEMPERATURE FALLS RAPIDLY

NEBRASKA SHIVERS IN SUDDEN DROP OF TEMPERATURE THIS MORNING.

POOR AND JOBLESS ALARMED AT OUTLOOK

All Parts of Nebraska and Lake Shore in Illinois Are Hit By Sudden Tumble of Mercury—Cities Unprepared For Cold Snap and Results Are Feared By Unemployed.

Omaha, Jan. 29.—A cold wave has hit Nebraska. Some parts of the state report zero weather and rapid falling of the mercury. Poor and unemployed are suffering severely and it is apparent the snap will last several days. The conditions are much worse at noon than this morning.

Chicago Feels Storm. Chicago, Jan. 29.—The temperature is falling five degrees hourly. At noon the mercury stood at 37 above zero and is still tumbling. The city is unprepared for a cold snap and poor fear the consequences.

Amend Answer in Sparta Case. Bolden, Jan. 29.—(Special)—An amended answer was filed by Cochran & Eberhard of La Grande yesterday for Albert J. Peterson, defendant in the suit brought by Emil Diernfield of Sparta. The suit involves the possession of a homestead, both claiming the land, which was originally taken up by a man named Barton. The amended answer sets forth at length the history of the case and holds that the defendant made regular entry at the La Grande office and that the plaintiff did not avail himself of his legal rights to begin contest within 90 days.

Strike to Be Investigated. Washington, Jan. 29.—Two committees of the house of representatives leave Monday for Michigan and Colorado to probe the strikes which are in progress there. The investigation will start as soon as they arrive and it is estimated that the Colorado difficulties will require between three and four weeks and that the Michigan affair will last four or five weeks.

Summerville Man Returns. Sam Brooks returned to Summerville, his home, after a business visit to the city.

WOMEN DIE BY THE AX ROUTE

DECAPITATION OF CRIMINALS TAKES PLACE.

Both Go to Their Death Without Sign of Emotion or Fear.

Berlin, Jan. 29.—Two women were decapitated at Ratisben prison today. One was Franziska Simmer, convicted of murdering her stepmother, and the other was Joshua Rubacka, who killed her husband. Both went to their deaths without signs of fear or emotion.

County May Own And Operate Fair Association; Farmers' Union Ownership Discussed

No Final Action Taken By Stockholders But Later Meeting Is Agreed Upon

Yesterday's meeting of the stockholders for the Union Fair association, did nothing definite in the way of making provision for the liquidation of the indebtedness on the fair property, save in so far only that the meeting was adjourned until March 5th or some other date, for the purpose of passing on certain proposals that were made at this meeting.

One of these proposals dealt with the Farmers' union, which if the plan matures, will take over the fair association, and handle it. Another scheme that was proposed was, that the matter be made a county plan namely that the citizens vote whether the county should take over the whole affair and handle it the same as it would any other county business. From many expressions made since the meeting this plan has found a great deal of favor and may succeed. The plan of H. M. SeCor to sell to the stockholders lots, which the owners would turn over to the fair association for fair purposes was discussed but no action was taken.

As the matter now stands, no solution of the matter has been reached and the various plans that have been proposed can be digested until then and the best one chosen.

The meeting was harmonious and evinced a keen desire to have the fair proposition live, irrespective of the heavy obligation hanging over it. About thirty attended the meeting and the meeting in March will likely see the solution of the matter in any one of the methods indicated. If the stockholders decide to make it a county affair, or at least to let the county vote on the matter whether it will buy the property or not, either a special election will have to be called, or the matter will have to await the coming of the regular election in November. But this is not going to help matters for the present, and the boards ought to be clear for plans for the coming fair this summer. At all events much work is going to be done between this meeting and the one to be held in March and it is likely that a solution will be rendered at the March meeting.

CHILD CHOKES DRINKING MILK

SIX YEAR OLD DAUGHTER OF BAKER FAMILY DIES.

Melva Dooley, Aged Ten, Passes Away After Brief Illness.

The little six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baker, living on the North side, died last night of strangulation. The little girl was recovering from the effects of diphtheria and was reclining on her side while partaking of some milk. Though the swelling in the throat had subsided, and normal conditions were returning, she began to gasp for air, the violence of which caused the heart to give way. She was in a convalescent condition and was to all intents and purposes on the high road to recovery. The turn of affairs was so sudden that the parents of the child did not realize what had happened. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Dooley Child Dead. Melva Dooley, the little nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dooley, died last night of pneumonia. She had been ill with measles for some time and later contracted pneumonia of which she died. Her parents live on the corner of Jackson and Spruce.

She was a pupil of the fourth grade and was among the brightest pupils in the school. She was an attractive child and was a favorite. When three years old she came with her parents to this state from Missouri. Funeral services will be held at the home tomorrow at 10 A. M. and the burial will be in Odd Fellows cemetery.

Many Filings Made.

Business at the land office continues to be brisk. In the last few days the following have made filings for homesteads or other tracts:

Archie R. Aiken of Monument, Oregon, a homestead; Timothy J. Murphy, of Hamilton, a homestead; W. H. Cannon, Long Creek, a homestead; Murray M. Brown, Enterprise; Geo. A. Legler an isolated tract.

PLOT LEADER SENT TO EXILE

GONZALES WAS TO HAVE BEEN PRESIDENT.

Failure of Assassination Plot Leads to Exile For Leader.

Mexico City, Jan. 29.—That General Fernando Gonzales would have been president if the plot against Huerta, discovery of which led to executions and arrests a few days ago, had succeeded, is stated by newspapers here. General Rascón it is added was slated to be war minister. Rascón is going to San Salvador, meaning he is exiled.

JURY LIST DRAWN

Farmers Predominate In List Who Will Act As Jurors.

In the list of jurors who will officiate when circuit court opens next Monday, farmers predominate. They are:

List of jurors for February term, 1914:

Frank Craig, Drayman, Union E. C. Tuckey, real estate, La Grande; A. C. Rollins, barber, North Powder; G. I. Wade, farmer, Summerville; John Rundall, farmer, Union; F. H. Tatman, farmer, La Grande; Elmer Swiger, farmer, Union; Wm. Glass, farmer, La Grande; Tom Sherwood, farmer, La Grande; John T. Reeves, harness maker, Union; R. A. Marr, farmer, Union; J. M. Darr, farmer, Elgin; Wm. Hezzlewood, farmer, Elgin; G. M. Gray, farmer, Alice; Lee Smith, farmer, Island City; J. F. Dean, farmer, Cove; W. A. Ogden, farmer, Cove; Wm. Banton, farmer, La Grande; Link Wood, farmer, Elgin; Henry Lovan, farmer, Cove; Wm. West, farmer, Summerville; W. N. Park, farmer, Summerville; C. L. McKenzie, farmer, Summerville; Geo. Lee, farmer, North Powder; S. O. Gates, teamster, Union; J. W. Redhead, farmer, La Grande; F. W. West, carpenter, Union; J. B. Wilson, farmer, North Powder; Clarence Van Order, farmer, Medical Springs; W. J. Saling, farmer, Hilgard; W. R. Jasper, farmer, Island City.

REGIONAL BANK FOR NORTHWEST LOOKS HOPELES

HEARING AT SEATTLE SHOWS FUTILITY OF INSTALLING BANK AT SEATTLE.

SEATTLE ADMITS SMALL TRADE RELATIONS EXIST

Idaho, Oregon and Montana Wouldn't Supply Material In the Way of Cash to Meet Substantial Bank Demands—Proceedings Indicate One Bank At San Francisco Is Certain.

Seattle, Jan. 29.—While Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo took pains to inform his audience when the regional bank hearing opened for presentation of Seattle's claims for a bank, that no significance should be attached to any question asked by him or Secretary Houston, it is evident that the whole Pacific coast is to be included in one district with a central regional bank at San Francisco.

The proposed plan embraces Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. A regional bank for Seattle received a severe blow when President Backkus of the National Bank of Commerce admitted that little trade relation existed between Seattle and Idaho, Oregon or Montana.

Further setback was given when it developed from questions by the organization committee that even if the four states named were included in one district, the capitalization of the regional bank would only total \$43,000,000, and would therefore be able to supply but two and one-half million of the necessary reserve, called for by the six percent terms of the law.

Governor Lister and Eugene Wilson of Tacoma, were among those appearing before the committee. The hearing concludes this afternoon and the committee goes to Portland tonight.

COLONEL GOETHALS IS NAMED FIRST GOVERNOR OF PANAMA

Washington, Jan. 29.—Goethals has accepted the governorship of the canal zone. He sent his acceptance to the war department by wire this morning but the message has not been made public. Secretary Garrison made it clear that the acceptance was unconditional, and for an intermediate term, which sets at rest all of the rumors that Goethals would be governor of the canal zone for one year and would then accept the police commissionership of New York.

The president has sent the nomination to the senate and it is thought it will be speedily confirmed by that body. The appointment is made to take effect April 1.

Goethals will be given almost absolute power in the creation of offices and appointment to them. This is the first time in the history of the United States that an army engineer has been put in so responsible position with almost absolute control. This comes as a reward on the one

Needy Get Ample Aid

MERCHANTS DELIVERY CLEARING HOUSE.

Movement Is Effective

Appeal For Clothing For Needy Meets With Ready Response.

The appeal to the city and country people for clothing and other necessities of life with which to alleviate suffering among the needy of the city, has met with a hearty response and J. D. Lynch's of the central delivery office is beginning to assume the aspect of a clearing house. Already many articles of clothing have been brought to this place by The Merchants delivery—and one must say a good word for the boys who drive—and the women of the aid societies will send many articles of real value. Coats too small for the owners, but in all respects good and of the latest cut, petticoats of all makes and descriptions, from silk to near and no silk, some furs that are a bit out of date but none the less warm—if that is what they are worn for—shoes and slippers that even a newspaper editor would not scorn, shirts and collars, socks, aprons, mother hubbards, house gowns, party dresses that seem to have taken a come down by association with calico and gingham and muslin pieces of wearing apparel, and a thousand and one things, all good and clean that will help to tide over some family that has had misfortune come unbidden, in spite of the best efforts of father or mother to stave it off.

The committee is requesting farmers who have an abundance of potatoes or apples or other vegetables, to bring them to Mr. Polack's store for distribution among the needy. Last year thousands of bushels of potatoes were dumped into the river and if such is likely to be the case this year, it would be more humane to dispose of them in the manner indicated. They will thus do some good and the donor will have won a new friend, who may some day be a source of much comfort and pride. The committee has been working unselfishly, and should be given as much assistance as possible, not only praise, but spuds and other provisions.

HOUSE DRAFTS STRINGENT LAW FOR MILITANTS

DEPORTATION OF ALL CONNECTED WITH IMMIGRATION OF MILITANTS SOUGHT.

STORM OF PROTESTS ARE EXPECTED FROM LEADERS

Amendment Making It Possible to Deport All Connected With Immigration of Militant Suffragettes Drafted In House Committee and Will Be Introduced At Once.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Militants who hope to come to America from suffragette hotbeds in the future may have to meet a new law. A drastic amendment to the Burnett-Dillingham immigration bill has been adopted by the immigration committee and it will be introduced in the house.

It provides for the deportation of any one, alien or citizen, assisting in the bringing of persons who are militant suffragettes, to this country. People who have destroyed property or attempted to destroy it under a militant banner in foreign lands, will not be admitted under this law. It is expected that storms of protests will be hurled at the house by local and New York militant leaders.

UNITED MINERS ARE STORMY

Detectives Said to Have Been Imported to Stir Up Strife.

Indianapolis, Jan. 29.—So violent and persistent were the disorders in the convention of the United Mineworkers that, according to rumors, detectives secured admission to the hall and through their activity are trying to disrupt the organization. It is said there are thirty present from a Pittsburg agency, that had orders to seize every opportunity to start a commotion. Whether true or not, the fact remains that uproars are continually breaking out in every corner of the hall.

It is said the organization is under one of the heaviest strains since its organization and that anything might cause a serious rupture. It is hard to distinguish detectives or decoys from the rest, as all of them came with credentials.

PLANING MILL IDLE

Extensive Repairs Cause Temporary Suspension of Perry Mill.

Perry, Jan. 29.—(Special)—The planing mill and box factory have been closed down for a week. The reason for this close-down is that a new foundation is being laid under the planing mill engine, also the box factory is going through a course of repairs and rearrangements. The machinery, conveyors and saws are being entirely re-arranged so as to make it more convenient for the workmen in bringing in the lumber, cutting it up and loading it on cars. This new arrangement will be a great improvement over the old.

The planing mill and factory will resume operations in a few days.

Prolonged Visit Ends.

Mrs. W. H. Durham of Enterprise, passed through the city en route to her home, after a prolonged visit with her brothers, the Butlers of Pine Isle.