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NEGRO WAR ON IN TEXAS

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
HOUSTON, Tex., June 22.—Last night nine negroes met death at the hands of a mob in the vicinity of Hemphill, in Sabine county. Today both races have secured arms and the tension is such tonight that a race clash is imminent. Lynchings followed the killing of two white men by negroes. Two weeks ago Hugh Dean and several other white men visited a negro church where a dance was in progress, presumably in quest of liquor, it being the custom of some negroes to sell whisky during the progress of such affairs. During the evening Dean was killed and six negroes were held for the killing. At a preliminary examination evidence was given tending to show that the plot was planned at the dance to kill Dean.

Saturday last Aaron Johnson, a prominent farmer, was assassinated while at his dining table with his wife and child, the bullet being fired through the window. For this crime Perry Pierce, a negro, was arrested and it is stated that he confessed, implicating Robert Wright, a relative of one of the negroes held for the Dean murder. Price declared he was offered \$5 to kill Johnson. Then followed the forming of a mob last night, the overpowering of the jailer and the lynching of six negroes held for Dean's murder. Five were hanged to the same tree, while another who attempted to escape was shot to death. Later, William McCoy, a negro, was shot while standing in front of the Johnson home, and this morning the bodies of two more negroes were found in a creek bottom. Wright and Price were taken to account for safe keeping.

OREGON PROMINENT.

Fulton's Chairmanship of Credentials Committee Has Good Effect.

CHICAGO, June 20.—Much comment was caused throughout the convention by Oregon's prominence through Fulton's chairmanship on the credentials committee. Judge Williams was chosen on the original list to second Taft's nomination, and though he was cut out when the decision was reached to hasten proceedings, it was pretty well understood that party leaders had begun to take notice of Oregon, which, although a Republican state, has developed symptoms of political independence. Hence the managers thought it would pay to heed that state in the future.

"Oregon has been safely Republican for years," one most prominent party leader said. "We haven't found it necessary to do much to insure its carrying. You will observe hereafter we will give careful attention to the state."
Another prominent leader said: "We haven't found it necessary to do much to insure the carrying of the state. You will observe hereafter more careful attention to the state's needs will be given. We will cultivate the people of that commonwealth."

DEPUTY POLICE OFFICER SHOOT'S TWO DISTURBERS

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
PORTLAND, Ore., June 19.—A. E. Walker, a member of the Tongues of Fire sect, holding a camp meeting on the outskirts of the city, shot Stone C. Ward and a youth named Olds tonight. It is alleged that they were members of a party of disturbers who interrupted religious services. Neither was seriously injured. Walker was arrested. Mayor Lane had appointed him a deputy police officer.

TOWN IS WIPED OUT BY GREAT FIRE

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
THREE RIVERS, Que., June 22.—Fanned by a high wind, a fire which broke out in a stable today destroyed the greater part of the lower town, containing the business section of the city. Three hundred buildings were burned. It was necessary to send to Montreal, Quebec, Sherbrooke and Grande Mere for assistance. The loss will be considerably over \$1,000,000. So far no loss of life has been reported.

OYSTER BAY WELCOMES TEDDY.

OYSTER BAY, L. I., June 19.—No formal arrangements have been made for the reception of President Roosevelt on his arrival here from Washington to spend the summer vacation, as the president has indicated that he prefers the informal greeting which has been extended him in the last few years by his admiring fellow citizens.

Members of the president's executive force have engaged rooms at a local hotel, as have the secret service men, who will serve as the president's bodyguard during the summer.

FIGHTING IN TEHRAN.

The People and Troops Clash in a Bloody Battle.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
TEHRAN, June 23.—After a bloody fight waged around the parliament buildings all day, the city is comparatively quiet tonight, although the Cosacks camped in the streets and squares. Cosacks early today surrounded the parliament buildings and demanded the surrender of several persons whose arrest the Shah demanded. The parliament refused and shots were fired at the troops, several being killed. Orders were issued to bombard the parliament buildings, this commencing about 10 o'clock.

While this was in progress bombs were thrown from the parliament building and mosque, disabling one man and wounding the gunners. Eventually the parliament building was cleared, but not until many were killed and wounded. The troops also attacked political clubs and residences of the members of parliament.

The number of casualties is not known, but is very large. The parliament building is practically in ruins. A large number of leading nationalists, including priests and members of parliament, have been placed under arrest.

LONDON, June 23.—Dispatches to the Mail from Tehran say that the responsibility for filling lines with the parliament, which took advantage of the momentary weakness of the Shah's troops. A dispatch says the day ended in practically a victory for the Shah.

BERLIN, June 23.—Lokal Anzeiger's correspondent at Teheran says the disturbances ended in a victory for the Shah's party, the opposition forces being entirely dispersed.

ELLIS REPLIES.

Replies to W. J. Bryan's Attack on the Republican Platform.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
COLUMBUS, June 22.—Attorney-General Ellis, who was the chief author of the Republican national platform, replying to criticisms of W. J. Bryan, denies that the draft as published before the convention was changed, "with intention to displease or disappoint the president or secretary Taft."

Ellis says six of the seven omissions referred to by Bryan are not issues before the people at this time, and there has not been any attempt to make them such by the administration. The seventh, concerning injunctions, Ellis says, Bryan's criticism exhibits his usual recklessness of statement and his readiness to assume his own lack of information might be the prevailing condition. Ellis says that the Republican declaration was not with the intent to "deceive the laboring man" is "unworthy of the candidate for the presidency."
The charge that the plank merely declares the existing law and will give no relief in cases where there has been abuse is unworthy of any lawyer who has examined the question. He says the resolution is a frank, clear statement of the Republican party's position.

THE LIFE STRENUOUS.

President Will Make Hay Today on His Farm.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
OYSTER BAY, L. I., June 23.—President Roosevelt supervised making hay today, but tomorrow will take a hand in the work himself. Making hay is one of the yearly occupations engaged in by the president and he enjoys it thoroughly. Tomorrow afternoon the president and his family will board the Mayflower and go to New London, where they will arrive Thursday morning. Secretary Loeb announced tonight that the president will not meet Mr. Taft at New London.

PLEDGE RAILROAD FUND.

Halem and Stayton Agree to Raise \$100,000 Within Two Weeks.

SALEM, Ore., June 19.—A committee of business men of Salem and Stayton closed a contract tonight with A. Welch of Portland, by which the latter agrees to build a trolley line from Salem to Stayton within one year. The railroad will cost approximately \$200,000, and the business men of Salem and Stayton are to subscribe \$100,000 of this amount. Work will begin on the road in about two weeks if the \$100,000 has been subscribed.

COMMITTEEMAN HART.

Man Known Here Was One of Conference Committee.

E. E. Hart of Iowa, treasurer of the Crater Lake Lumber company of this city, was a member of the committee to confer with Secretary Taft in Cincinnati yesterday. Mr. Hart is well known locally.

CITY BONDS ARE SOLD

(From Sunday's Daily.)

John Nuveen & Co. of Chicago have purchased bonds issued by the City of Medford to the extent of \$365,000. These are the bonds authorized by two special elections held recently and the money is to be used for the construction of a gravity water supply for this city. The bonds were bought at par.

The bonds are for a term of thirty years and pay 5 per cent interest. The cost to the city in making the deal is about \$3000, so that the city now has available funds to the amount of about \$362,000 with which to bring water to this city from Wasson canyon. The city officials were notified of the sale yesterday by telegraph.

The news spread about the city hall rapidly yesterday when the telegram was received that the bonds had been sold. While there was no question but that the bonds would find a purchaser, still the news that was received yesterday was good news, for now it is known that there can be no hitch in the construction of the gravity water system.

The bonds were purchased at par. It was thought that possibly the bonds would be purchased at a premium, but the amount realized satisfied all who were told of the sale.

Recorder Collins has gone to work in getting out a transcript showing the legality of the deal and by what authority the issue was made. The bonds are for a period of 30 years and carry 5 per cent interest.

The bonds were authorized in two issues. The first for \$25,000 and the second for \$340,000. The second issue was made when the city council was informed by a Portland broker that there would be no difficulty in making the sale.

The question of a water supply for this city has long been a pertinent one. Recently it was decided to bring the water from Wasson canyon, a distance of 20 miles from Medford. The water is said to be abundant and pure from this source, and already surveys have been in the field making the preliminary surveys for the line. The estimated cost of construction for the line is \$10,000 a mile. The sum of \$25,000 is to be paid for the water right, leaving in the neighborhood of \$135,000 to construct the reservoir and to do other necessary work.

The work upon the new distributing system for this city is progressing in splendid shape and two years hence Medford will probably have one of the finest water supplies in the Pacific Northwest.

MAIL POUCH FOUND.

Clever Thief Slips Through the Hands of Police.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 22.—A registered mail pouch which contained \$50,000 in money and \$700,000 worth of diamonds and jewelry, stolen from a mail car at Union station here on the night of June 8, was found this afternoon by the switching crew in the yard of the Rock Island railway in Kansas City, Kan. The pouch still contained a number of valuable articles of jewelry, but empty envelopes which had contained \$50,000 in currency showed that the thief made good on the smaller part of his haul.

The theft of the pouch is highly mysterious. It was consigned from Los Angeles to New York. The receipts were shown all the way from Los Angeles to Kansas City, where the pouch was lost sight of. The case is made still more notable by the fact that the thief slipped through the hands of the Kansas City police.

One June 7 detectives arrested a negro near the depot. He was taken to the station and \$10,000 worth of jewelry and several hundred dollars in money was found on him. The negro sent for an influential lawyer and offered him \$200 if he would get him free. The attorney had the charge changed from "investigation" to "vagrancy" the next day, and there being no other charge, the negro was ordered to leave town. Ten days later the federal authorities issued photographs of the negro known as Charles Stephenson and various aliases. This picture was recognized as being that of the negro who had been under arrest. Federal authorities immediately struck the negro's trail and traced him to Denver, where the search was apparently dropped. A reward of \$2000 has been offered by the government for his arrest. The postoffice officials refuse to divulge the value of the jewelry discovered, but it is believed to be almost all of the original shipment.

Marriage Licenses.

Louie D. Colver and Minnie D. Robison; W. F. Blackert and Ida Jennings; George Frederick Smith and Annabel Hendry.

WILL ABANDON ONE NORMAL.

Fate of Two Schools to Be Decided by State Board.

SALEM, Ore., June 22.—The board of regents of the Oregon State Normal schools will hold its annual meeting in this city on Tuesday of next week, and it is probable that at that time the normal school question will be practically settled.

While the board has no absolute power in the matter and the question of how many and which normal shall be maintained is one for the legislature to determine, yet it was understood when the board was created that future legislatures would be governed largely by the recommendations of the board.

Legislatures have never been in a position to act intelligently upon the normal school question. The board has had control of all the schools for a year, and had placed all of them upon a uniform working basis, both as to courses of study and business management. Statistical reports have been received from each in addition to this, Governor Chamberlain appointed a board of three visitors, City Superintendent Church of Baker City, City Superintendent Powers of Salem and City Superintendent Turner of Grants Pass, to visit the normals, make careful investigation and report.

It is understood that these three prominent educators have made a thorough report and that they have been frank and free in pointing out the defects and needs of the normals. Their report will be before the board of regents next week. That there will be an effort at the board meeting to recommend the abandonment of one and perhaps two of the normals is certain.

The normal school fight, which heretofore has been conducted in the legislature in January, will come off this year before the board in June. Because legislatures have long desired a settlement of the normal school question upon its merits, it is expected that the next legislature will gladly shift responsibility to the board by accepting its recommendations, hence each school that desires to be retained must get a favorable report from the regents. The board consists of Governor Chamberlain, Secretary Benson, Superintendent Ackerman, Colonel E. Hofer, Salem; W. B. Ayer, Portland; E. E. Bragg, La Grande; Stephen Jewell, Grants Pass, and Henry J. Maier, The Dalles.

BARNETT IS GUILTY.

Jury Out But a Short Time in Reaching a Verdict.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 22.—Walter J. Barnett, former vice-president of the Safe Deposit company and administrator of the Colton estate, was found guilty of embezzling securities of the value of \$21,700 this afternoon. The jury was out less than 15 minutes and reached a verdict on the first ballot. Mercy was recommended. Judge Conley will fix sentence June 30.

The greater part of the day was occupied by closing arguments of the prosecution and defense. Assistant District Attorney Cook spoke for the people in the morning and was followed by Attorney Cooper for Barnett. Attorney Geary made the principal argument for Barnett this afternoon and Cook closed.

Cook portrayed Barnett as a coward, who carried on his nefarious dealings behind J. Dalzell Brown and his own brother-in-law, James Treadwell. The main attempt of the attorneys for the defense was to fix the blame on Brown, who is already convicted.

Barnett received the verdict coolly, showing but little emotion.

K. OF P. GROWTH.

The Knights of Pythias Show Very Healthy Growth in State.

From nine subordinate lodges, with a total membership of 419, in 1881, to 103 lodges, with 6000 members, in 1908, has been the tremendous growth of the Knights of Pythias in Oregon since the inception of the grand lodge 27 years ago. Equal interest is the fact that the finances of the fraternal organization have increased at a corresponding ratio, the balance on hand in 1881 being \$2803, while at the opening of the present year the grand master of exchequer had \$68,392 in his possession.

These facts were presented to the 400 delegates of the order at the 27th annual convention of the grand lodge, which convened in Pythian castle, Eleventh and Alder streets, in the report of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal L. R. Stinson.—Telegram.

Fatal Shipwreck.

PARIS, June 24.—A special from Corunna, Spain, says the Spanish steamer La Rache went on the rocks in a fog near Muros. The vessel sank rapidly and a panic followed. Of 97 passengers and 52 of the crew which took to the boats, only 47 landed.

BUILT A FIRE WITH KEROSENE

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Mrs. John C. Andrews, who lives over on the Applegate, was brought to this city yesterday afternoon to receive medical attendance for a number of severe burns about the arms and face suffered while trying to light a fire with kerosene oil. She was pouring oil into the fire in the kitchen stove and as a consequence she is minus a house, clothes and other necessities of life. The house was a small frame one and stood upon a tract that she and her husband were homesteading.

Mrs. Andrews had had trouble with making the fire draw, so as to get a good fire started for the preparation of dinner. She at last grew desperate in her efforts as noon time was near, and picking up a half filled can of oil started to pour it onto the fire. The fire blazed up and her clothing caught fire. She rushed to another room and pulling a huge comforter off the bed wrapped it about her and extinguished the flames.

By this time the fire in the kitchen had caught the woodwork and before her husband could be summoned from where he was at work in the fields the house had completely burned up. Mrs. Andrews was able to save but a small part of the household goods.

She was severely burned about the face and arms and was brought to this city for medical attendance. Her husband left her at a physician's for treatment while he visited the local lumber yards to get the material for a new house. Needless to say, Mrs. Andrews will not build any more fires with oil.

KURDISH BRIGANDS ON RAIDS.

Brigands Threaten Lives of Missionaries and Aid Asked for.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
ST. PETERSBURG, June 23.—Advice received here are to the effect that Kurdish brigands are raiding villages in the neighborhood of Urmiah and that the inhabitants are alarmed. Missionaries at that place have held a meeting and applied to their various consuls for protection.

WASHINGTON, June 23.—

William F. Doty, American consul at Tabriz, has telegraphed the state department that missionaries at Urmiah are anxious to have him come there. Doty has been directed to consult with the authorities at Constantinople and if he can be of service, there is no objection to his going. The Turkish government had made repeated assurances to the American government of their intention to protect missionaries as far as in their power. Kurds, Nomads as they are, have long been a serious proposition to the Turkish government and their pillaging had frequently threatened to lead into serious international complications.

FOREST FIRES.

Fires in Michigan Destroy Three Villages.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
DETROIT, Mich., June 20.—Fires in Northern Michigan forests, fanned to great proportions by gales of the last two days, have destroyed at least three villages, rendered hundreds homeless, swept over 1000 acres of timber lands and caused damage estimated at \$200,000. The heaviest loss is at Presque Isle and Cheboygan counties, although Lelanau, Charlevoix and Otsego also suffered. The village of Case, Presque Isle county, was destroyed today. People have been taken to Onaway on the train. Legende, Cheboygan county, was abandoned to the flames tonight. Many were taken to the Indian river. While fighting a big fire at Wolverine today a call was received from Condeau. The firemen could not leave Wolverine and several buildings were consumed.

ROOSEVELT ARRIVES AT OYSTER BAY.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
OYSTER BAY, June 20.—President Roosevelt arrived here today. He was received by the people of the place, who had assembled to greet him, and spent the first ten minutes shaking hands and thanking them for their welcome. Then, with his family, he entered his carriage and was driven to Sagamore Hill.

Chicago Cooler.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
CHICAGO, June 23.—Eleven deaths due to heat prostration or allied causes were recorded in Chicago today. The thermometer was again over 90, but late this afternoon a shift in the wind brought relief and it is believed that the torrid wave is broken in this section.

VENEZUELA TROUBLES.

American Legation Withdraws From Southern Republic.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)

CARACAS, June 23.—Members of the American legation are awaiting the arrival of the gunboat Marietta at Porto Cabello to take them to the United States. Charge d'Affaires Sleeper and Lieutenant Ruggles withdrew from the legation at Caracas Saturday. The interests of the United States were placed in the hands of the Brazilian legation as representatives of the European governments are having considerable trouble with Castro. American Consul Agent Brewer remains in charge of the archives. Castro returned here a few days ago after a long absence in the interior, and his return attracted much attention and caused all kinds of rumors. The people of Venezuela do not understand the withdrawal of the American representatives. It is probable that there will be open rupture with Holland and there are reports that a revolution against Castro is being organized in Columbia. As matters now stand, the United States, France and Columbia practically have no relations with Venezuela; Great Britain and Holland have serious questions pending, leaving Germany alone which has no dispute.

ALLEGED FRAUDULENT COAL LAND ENTRIES.

M. J. Anderson, forest supervisor of this place, left Monday evening for West Fork to serve some subpoenas on witnesses who are to appear in the coal land cases to be tried in this city the 15th of July. It is expected that these land trials will be quite interesting, as they take in prominent people and large tracts of timber. The land in question is located in the Siskiyou reserve at the bend of the Coquille river and it has been taken up as coal land. The government has been making an exhaustive investigation in the matter, cruising the timber, taking photographs, etc. J. S. Diller, who is here now investigating further and who was assisted last summer by Dr. Kay of Ames, Ia., made a geological examination of the land and reported to the government, but what the report was is not known, but it was evidently against the tracts being taken up as coal land.

The government now has a couple of practical coal miners working on the lands. They are men of experience and their report will add materially to the government's case.

The land has been cruised and it was found that each quarter section runs from 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 feet of timber, which is mostly fir, but a good deal of Port Orford cedar. The reports of the cruisers include maps and photographs and are quite complete. This work has been done under the supervision of Mr. Anderson and by the office force of this city.

The government will be represented by A. C. Shaw of the legal department of the forestry service of Washington, D. C. In fact, Mr. Shaw is at the head of the forestry legal department and was here last year and looked over the field.—Observer.

"JUD" PERNOLL AT HOME.

May Not Be Able to Play Again This Season.

"Jud" Pernoll, the young south-paw, is taking a rest from the strenuous life of professional baseball, at his home on Applegate. Pernoll has had hard luck this season. Just as he was rounding into form and had the Indian sign on the Los Angeles team for fair, he took the mumps—an old-fashioned, plebeian disease, it is true, but none the less disagreeable—and his services were lost to the Portland team during the season with the Angels at Portland. Not being able, on account of a relapse, to go South with the team, he is now recuperating at home. Every Southern Oregon fan feels a personal interest in Pernoll and there isn't one of them who doesn't wish for him the fullest measure of success. He's a ballplayer and besides, a gentleman.

Cholera in Manila.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
MANILA, June 23.—Cholera has broken out among the troops at Camp Gregg. Three scouts and one civilian have died from the disease and the camp has been placed under quarantine. Lieutenant Jones of the first cavalry and Lieutenant Muldoon of the scouts being stricken.

The situation at Pankising, Island of Tauson, is very serious. Ninety-three cases have been reported in the last 20 hours, 60 of which have proved fatal.

Working Shamrock Mine.

Dr. Chisholm of Gold Hill has a large force at work in his mine, the Shamrock, on Evans creek, in the Meadows district. The prospect is better of late and on the strength of some of the last ore taken out a number of claims are being staked out in that section.

TO RAISE SEEDS IN THIS COUNTY

It has developed that the parties with whom J. M. Sweeney was connected when he purchased the old Beecher place near Jacksonville are none other than the D. M. Ferry Seed company of Detroit, Mich., who are the largest seed-growing firm in the United States, and, for that matter, in the world. The company will put a large force of men at work on the place and will grow seeds there for market on the Pacific coast.

The Ferry Seed company has two large sets of main offices, one, the headquarters, in Detroit, and the other in Salt Lake City. It has several large farms throughout the country, but as far as can be learned this will be their only large farm on the Pacific coast. They are very successful in the raising of seeds of all kinds from the rarest flower to the most common of garden truck. Their farms are conducted upon the most scientific plans, as they employ self experts and chemists to determine how to obtain the best results from his soil they use.

The company will employ at least 50 men upon the farm and will probably make it a most important industry of the valley. It is also reported that they will start a nursery and supply fruit trees that are in demand in this section of the country.

The property which Mr. Sweeney purchased for the use of the company is the place known as the Beecher place, above Jacksonville. The place contains 1400 acres of well-watered, timbered and the finest of tillable land. Of the 1400 acres, 1200 is the finest kind of fruit land, as the old orchard upon the place demonstrated. The soil is deep, rich and amply subirrigated. The most of the tract lies in a well-protected basin which is not exposed to the extremes of heat or cold. For irrigating purposes there is an abundance of water. A giant pump is already upon the land and 15000 expended would construct a couple or so of dams that will store enough water to last at least six months in the year.

The persons from which Mr. Sweeney purchased the land will give possession about the first of the year, but it is reported that preliminary work will start before that time. The former owners will take off this year's crop of fruit.

TAFT'S IDEA OF OFFICE.

What the Nominee Thinks Are the Duties of Presidency.

(Associated Press Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, June 22.—In an article to be published in the current issue of Collier's Weekly, Secretary Taft sets out his conception of the duties of the office. In concluding he eulogizes Washington and Lincoln and says:

"It remained for Roosevelt to prove how the people will respond to strong true leadership when the hour has come for great reforms. Policies which he inaugurated must be continued and developed. They are right and they are the policies of the people. For that reason his successor may well disregard any charge of lack of originality if he does not make an entirely new program of his own."

"The president at this time has the work before him clearly defined. Enforcement of law, equality against high and low, powerful and weak, should be his thought. The danger to our country of laxity or favoritism in this is the greatest one we have to face."

He adds that conservation of the national resources and their development must command his attention and that he should aim to give a high tone to his administration, as President Roosevelt has done by surrounding himself with eminent men.

Elwood-Moore Nuptials.

Louis Elwood and Miss Charlotte Moore took the vows that will bind them in matrimony through life in the parlors of the Odell Wednesday evening, in the presence of a number of friends and the immediate relatives of the bride and groom. The words which united these young people were spoken by Rev. W. L. Black of the church of Seventh-Day Adventists, to which faith the contracting parties subscribe. The parlors were handsomely decorated and during the ceremony the young couple stood under an arch of flowers and evergreens. As the bridal party entered Mrs. Otis Krause played the wedding march.

The groom is the son of M. Elwood, who but lately retired from active business in this city, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Moore, proprietors of the Odell rooming-house, and both are well respected and well liked young people.

After the ceremony the guests were served with ice cream, cake and strawberry punch.