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Bullion Stolen From the Mint—About Electric Roads—The Fair Awards Oregon.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., Sept. 16.—One hundred thousand people settled upon the Cherokee strip today. At noon the signal was given, and the great race began. As far as the eye could reach in either direction could be seen men mounted, in wagons, and on foot, closely packed together, making a solid column 200 feet or more wide in the middle, and tapering away to a mere streak of black in the distance. Confusion reigned everywhere. So closely were the contestants packed together, the start was hazardous. Horsemen were unseated, wagons overturned and pedestrians prostrated in the mad rush. Cowboys on ponies took the lead, and had gone but a short distance when they spread out over the prairie, and dismounting, set fire to the thick prairie grass, hoping thus to turn aside those who were following. The fires spread rapidly at first, but were soon stopped by a deep gully which parallels the Cherokee line three miles south of here. The horses could not be urged through the flames and many turned back. No damage was done by the flames further than destroying the grass and impeding the races. James H. Hill, of Kingborn, N. J. was shot and instantly killed by a soldier at the southwest corner of the Chillico reservation. He started into the strip before the signal was given. The soldiers warned him to stop, but he did not heed the warning and they fired upon him. He had \$500 and it was given to the sheriff.

In the race many men were injured and some killed. Of the latter, two were murdered—one stabbed and the other shot through the head. Many dead horses are on the prairie. Four new townsites have populations estimated at 5000 each. Every desirable claim has at least one claimant and many have two or four. Contests, of course will be numerous. The soldiers shot four soomers near Stillwater, O. T., and Arkansas City, Kan. Wagons and freight trains loaded with supplies followed the settlers into the strip. Camp fires dot the prairies in all directions tonight. The drouth has dried up the streams, and those who failed to provide themselves with water are forced to endure suffering.

"SOONERS" GET THE BEST LAND.

PERRY, O. T., Sept. 16.—This town, the county seat of county "O" and the principal townsite on the Santa Fe road, fell into the hands of "sooners." Seven minutes after noon horsemen were seen riding in this direction from Flint hills over toward the east, and five minutes later 200 horsemen under the leadership of Jim Masterson, mounted on Bill Dalton's famous horse, occupied lots adjoining the land office, where the business portion of the town will doubtless be built. That they were "soomers" who had been hiding in the Flint hills is absolutely certain, for they could not ride nine miles in 12 minutes. At 12:35 the honest boomers began to come in. They too, were mounted on horses, and beat the Santa Fe excursion trains eight minutes. Early this morning the troops discovered a score of "soomers," among them Mrs. Silver, known all over the West as proprietress of dance halls in mining camps and border towns. The troops brought them to the guard-house and kept them here until late this afternoon.

DISAPPOINTED BOOMERS RETURNED.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., Sept. 18.—Disappointed boomers are returning by hundreds. There were at least ten men to every claim on the strip. As a consequence, there will be contests without numbers, and there are reports of several murders committed on account of them. Deaths by prairie fires are reported to be numerous. The strip was again visited by hot winds today. The wind here reached a velocity of 36 miles an hour. It was laden with intense heat and sand, and made life a burden. It caused a rapid spread of the prairie fires, and the reports of loss of life in the flames are expected to be numerous. Nearly every townsite in the strip has a rival. Enid, one of the county seats on the Rock Island road has a rival with the same name two miles south of it. The government refused to locate a site at the Rock Island station because an Indian allotment was taken adjoining it. Now the Rock Island refuses to stop trains at the government site, and is doing all it can to aid the rival towns. The government town of Perry is also being ignored by the Santa Fe road.

The Stolen Bullion.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The exact

facts relating to the reported loss of the gold bullion from the mint at Philadelphia are stated at the treasury department today to be that on account of the demand for coin the vault in which \$16,000,000 was stored in 1887 by Preston, during the term of Fox as superintendent and which was received for by O. C. Pobyshell without weighing, was opened September 8. The bullion was weighed by Morgan and was found to be 30 bars short. These bars were valued at \$134,000. Morgan at once reported the result to the mint bureau, and was directed to return at once to Philadelphia to reweigh the bullion. On the second weighing it was still found short. Since this bullion was stored in the vault a weighing clerk, an old employe of the mint, had the sole custody of it, and the circumstances indicated that he knew what became of the missing bars of gold. He was thereupon charged with having taken it. He admitted his guilt and then furnished information as to where over 100,000 of it was secreted. This was recovered yesterday. How much will be recovered cannot be accurately stated, but probably between \$6000 and \$7000. It is believed the treasury department will lose nothing.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—United States Commissioner Bell this afternoon issued a warrant for the arrest of Henry S. Cochran, charging him, upon the oath of Superintendent O. C. Pobyshell, with "fraudulently embezzling 30 gold bars, committed to his charge for the purpose of being coined, from the mint of the United States, said gold bars being the property of the United States."

World's Fair Awards for Oregon.

CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—Oregon has received the highest award for a comprehensive collective and commercial exhibit of native woods at the world's fair; also an award for spruce wood pulp of mechanical manufacture by the Young's River Mills of Astoria. The state also received the highest award for the best collective exhibit of fish, clams in alcohol, mounted salmon trout, mounted seal, fish in alcohol, painting of Astoria harbor, Columbia river fishing boat and equipment, model of Columbia river fishing net and wheels, photographs of the salmon industry, fresh frozen salmon by J. G. Megler & Co., Brookfield, Oregon; canned salmon, M. J. Kinney, Astoria; canned salmon, J. O. Hanthorn, Astoria; canned salmon, Samuel Elmore, Astoria, and canned salmon bellies, Cutting & Co., Astoria. The International Nickel Mining Company, of Riddles, Or. received the highest award for silicate of nickel magnesite.

Electricity to the Front.

Haverhill, Mass., Sept. 16.—A vast scheme is nearing completion whereby the entire electric-road system of New England will be placed under the control of one syndicate. The scheme is not only to consolidate the various roads, but to build a trunk line that will connect the various cities of Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The start has been made, and Nelson Spafford, a surveyor, now has a force at work laying out lines from Nassau to this city, a distance of 40 miles. This road will be built in the spring and will be extended to Manchester and Concord. Another line is to be built from the Amesbury line through to Hampton and Portsmouth by the Maine branches, thence to Portland. This line will connect with the Lawrence, Howell & Haverhill line, the Amesbury and Merrimac, and the Newburyport & Amesbury. These roads are controlled by various companies, the Shaw, the North Shore Traction, the Western, and a Connecticut syndicate.

Want Collections Delayed.

PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 15.—A Convention of 500 wheat raisers, representing Eastern Oregon and the Walla Walla district of Eastern Washington, met at Athena, Umatilla county, September 10, to consult upon the interests of the wheat-raisers of the Inland Empire in the present money stringency and resolved, by a unanimous vote, that to compel wheat-growers to sell their crops at the present prices would result in universal ruin to them; that if they could hold their wheat until December 15, the price would appreciate above the cost of production and the crop would sell for enough to pay off the debts due country merchants and banks and leave a slight margin for the farmers to live on during the coming year. A committee of three consisting of Nathan Pierce, David Ashpaugh and W. A. Sample.

New Governor General of Canada.

QUEBEC, Sept. 17.—Lord Aberdeen, the new governor-general of Canada, landed here today. The vice-regal party landed at 9 o'clock and were met by the dominion and provincial minister, Mayor Fremont and others. They were attended by the Queen's Own Hussars to the citadel, where they will reside while here. There was no formal reception. The swearing-in of the earl as governor-general will take place at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning in the council chamber.

SLOW, OH SO SLOW

Silver Still Under Discussion—Preparing for War.

NATIONAL CAPITOL ANNIVERSARY.

The Rain Extinguishes the Forest Fires—Lumber Mill Burned—Want Time to Sell Wheat.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The situation in the senate on the repeal bill reached a crucial stage this morning. Voorhees, leader of the repeal forces, after a sensational denunciation of the New York bankers and a defiance to the press that has been criticizing his actions and questioning his motives, demanded that the minority of the senators name the date for the final vote. Dubois of Idaho met the demand by a positive declaration that the anti-repeal men would oppose the passage of the repeal bill by availing themselves of every advantage afforded them under the rules and usages of the senate. Voorhees retaliated by giving notice that he would tomorrow move for longer and more nearly continuous sessions, so the situation in the senate appears to resolve itself into a mere question of endurance.

AN OILY SILVERITE.

Dubois of Idaho said many senators were yet to be heard. Continuing he said:

"My own opinion is that the senator in charge of this measure would better proceed in an orderly manner and in the customary way. He will reach a result sooner by that course. The opponents of repeal are ready to join issue with the friends, whether it be for longer sessions, continuous sessions or cloture. The passage of the repeal bill would sound the death knell of silver as a money metal. No jugglery with words could obscure the issue. The senators would talk sweetly about international agreement forcing England to bimetalism, but when the pending bill had passed the doom of silver would be sealed and the senators all know it. You shall not commit the deed if we can prevent it by any honorable means known to the usage of the senate. Our duty is plain to us. We believe we are the last hope and bulwark of the people in this last struggle."

Corner Stone Anniversary.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Today the centennial anniversary of the laying of the corner-stone of the capitol was celebrated with ceremony and pomp befitting the occasion. It was 100 years ago today that George Washington, "Worshipful Master of Lodge 22, of Virginia," with Masonic rites, laid the corner-stone of the building, which by slow stages for 95 years thereafter grew into one of the most magnificent structures in the world. Washington on that occasion wore a sash and apron, woven by Lafayette's wife. The city was then a mere village, but, escorted by a small band of patriotic citizens and a troop of soldiery, the father of his country proceeded from the White House along Pennsylvania avenue to the east front of the capitol over the same route taken today by President Cleveland. The procession today was led by Chief Marshal Ordway and staff, with a squadron of cavalry, acting as an escort to the president, followed by the orator of the day, William Wirt Henry, a descendant of Patrick Henry, the governors of various states, Chairman Laurence Gardner and the invited guests in carriages; a troop of the District National Guard bringing up the rear, as a further escort. As a consequence of some trouble between the Catholic organizations and Masonic lodges over the part to be taken in the centennial celebration today by Cardinal Gibbons, both parties to the dispute withdrew entirely from participation. The absence of the Masonic lodges from the parade this afternoon was particularly noticeable, inasmuch as the laying of the corner-stone 100 years ago was solemnized under their auspices.

Republicans Returning Democratic Tactics.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The quorum of democratic members, upon which the leaders counted today, failed to put in its appearance, and for three hours, by skillful maneuvering, the republicans were able to deadlock the house. The failure to secure a quorum so chagrined the house leaders that they threw up the sponge, adjourned and went into caucus. In caucus general unanimity of sentiment for immediate action was expressed. Resolutions, unanimously adopted, declared it was the duty of democratic member of congress to attend the sessions and vote, in order that public business may be considered and disposed of, and that when the house meets tomorrow it remain in session continuously until a quorum is obtained.

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