

PLEGGED TO AID COLUMBIA RIVER

Roosevelt and Taft Won to Its Support.

WILL URGE APPROPRIATION

Realize Necessity as Soon as It Is Explained.

CONTINUE WORK ON JETTY

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When he fully understood the situation, the President asked many questions about it. He informed Judge Carey that, if the Portland commercial bodies would present to him a full statement showing the emergency that exists and point out the reasons why it is essential that an appropriation should be made this Winter, he would submit that statement to Chairman Burton, of the river and harbor committee, and co-operate as far as was in his power to secure the appropriation which Portland interests are seeking. The President also promised to obtain from the Army Engineer officers and consult from them a statement of the necessity for an immediate appropriation.

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Greatly encouraged by the assurances given by the President, the Senator and Judge Carey then called on Secretary Taft, who was a schoolboy friend of Judge Carey. The Secretary said that if he made an exception of the mouth of the Columbia, and recommended an appropriation for that one project, he would have delegations from many other states clamoring at his doors for similar endorsements of various bills this session, and for that reason he had recommended no appropriations other than those authorized in the last river and harbor bill. Mr. Taft was not entirely familiar with conditions at the mouth of the Columbia, but, when the emergency was explained to him, he admitted that it would be good policy to keep work under way, and apparently was in hearty sympathy with Portland's commercial interests. When Judge Carey presented the resolutions of the Board of Trade, pointing out the need for an immediate appropriation, the Secretary promised to submit them to the Chief of Engineers, and to call for a report as to the necessity for making an appropriation this Winter for continuing work on the jetty.

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General Mackenzie has stated repeatedly that no project in the entire United States is in such urgent need of money at this time as the mouth of the Columbia. It has been his idea from the first that the Government cannot afford to let work stop on the jetty and he welcomes the opportunity to submit a recommendation which will be of aid to that project. General Mackenzie is out of the city, but he has stated his views so many times recently that there is no doubt that he

will make a strong showing to Mr. Taft. It is, of course, a fact, that Congress must decide whether an appropriation shall be made. It is not strictly within the province of either the President or Secretary of War to recommend such an appropriation in a year when there is to be no river and harbor bill, but the President and Secretary are now both thoroughly satisfied of the worthiness of this project, and, being satisfied, believe they would fall far short of their duty if they did not aid in procuring an appropriation.

Mr. Fulton was very much encouraged by the attitude of the President and Secretary of War, and says their friendship and aid will do much to secure the much-needed appropriation, but, even with this support, it will require unceasing effort on his part and the part of other Senators and Representatives interested to procure the cash.

New Northwest Postmasters.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 20.—Postmasters appointed: Oregon—Alsea, Thomas R. Chandler, vice M. L. Seltz, resigned; Heister, Joseph H. Starn, vice Alfred R. Lyle, dead; Point Terra, Joseph F. Clark, vice Sarah K. Allison, resigned; Richmond, Mrs. Adelaide McCarthy, vice Thomas Elrod, resigned.

Jerome Attacks Bench

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WRECKS STREW SHORES OF LAKES

Nineteen Vessels Are Smashed by Wind.

MEN FREEZING IN RIGGING

First Blizzard of the Season Causes Awful Havoc.

SNOW BLOCKS RAILROADS

Twenty-Seven Men Given Up on Steamer at Duluth—Immense Damage Done to Docks and Buildings.

FREEZING TO DEATH ON WRECK.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 20.—A Southwestern special from Superior, Wis., says: Lifesavers have been unable to get the crew off the wrecked steamer Mataafa. The boat has broken in two, but the decks are still out of the water. It is thought that 27 men have frozen to death, as there is no sign of life on board.

DULUTH, Nov. 20.—At 11:30 P. M. a reliable person from the scene of the Mataafa wreck says the crews of the lifesavers have abandoned their efforts to rescue the men on the wreck until morning.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—Reports received up to midnight last night show that 19 vessels were wrecked in the storm which swept over the Great Lakes Monday night and yesterday. One life is known to have been lost and six or eight others have perished as a result of the storm. Six vessels are reported missing. The following is a list of the vessels wrecked and missing:

- Crescent City, steel steamer, wrecked near Duluth.
- Mataafa, steel steamer, driven ashore at Duluth.
- R. W. England, steel steamer, wrecked near Duluth.
- Rosemount, Canadian steamer, ashore near Fort William, Ont.
- Isaac L. Elwood, steel steamer, disabled in Duluth harbor.
- J. H. Nuthall, steamer, ashore and burned near Cheboygan, Mich.
- City of Holland, passenger steamer, stranded at Rogers City, Mich.
- D. C. Whitney, steamer, ashore near Port Huron, Mich.
- J. M. Spaulding, schooner, ashore near Port Huron, Mich.
- Mary Mitchell, schooner, stranded near Cheboygan, Mich.
- Harvey Bissell, schooner, broken up at Alpena.
- F. A. Gregor, schooner, dismantled on Lake Michigan, towed to Sheboygan, Wis.
- Olive Mowatt, ashore in Lake Ontario.
- Jim Sorfitts, steamer, dismantled on Lake Huron.
- Vineland, schooner, waterlogged at Alpena.
- Unknown vessel reported ashore at Presque Isle, Lake Huron.
- Charles M. Warner, steamer, ashore at Nine-Mile Point, Cheboygan, Mich.
- Steamer Mariposa, ashore at Split Rock.
- Scow George Herbert, sunk off Two Islands, Lake Superior.
- Reported missing: Angeline, steel steamer, Lake Superior.
- Panther, steamer, Lake Erie.
- James Mowatt, schooner, Lake Huron.
- Mohagan, steamer, Lake Huron.
- Alcona, steamer, and barges, Green Bay.

STORM WHIPS GREAT LAKES

Several Vessels Wrecked, Docks Destroyed, Island Submerged.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 20.—Lake Superior from Duluth to the Soo, the upper peninsula of Michigan, the upper ends of Lakes Huron and Michigan and the northern counties of lower Michigan, have been swept last night and today by a terrific wind and snow storm, and a number of shipping accidents have been reported. The blizzard raged with a velocity of 50 to 60 miles an hour and all the harbors from Port Huron and from Sault Ste. Marie north on Lake Superior are filled with vessels which have run to shelter.

Tonight it was reported from Sault Ste. Marie that the wind had fallen to 12 miles an hour and although the barometer is falling the weather situation is regarded as greatly improved. Tremendous seas are running on Lake Superior off Marquette harbor, and more than a dozen vessels are riding out the gale inside the breakwater there.

DEEP SNOW IN NORTHWEST

Blizzard Stops Traffic in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Dakotas.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 20.—A blizzard of exceptional fury has been sweeping over the entire Northwest for the past 24 hours, and still prevails. Out in the prairie towns of North and South Dakota, in the hills of the Red River Valley and throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin the storm is one of the heaviest in many years.

Artillerymen Were to Join.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 20.—It is stated that an inquiry into the recent mutiny of sailors at Cronstadt has revealed the fact that it was the intention of the artillerymen of the fortress to mutiny with the sailors. The latter, however, it is said, mutinied prematurely and the artillery refused to join them when they found that excesses were being committed.

SEDITION IS RIFE IN RUSSIAN ARMY

May Refuse to Shoot at Mutineers.

DAY OF GRACE HAS EXPIRED

Attack on Rebels at Sevastopol Due Today.

COSSACKS ALONE LOYAL

Spirit of Rebellion Has Spread Through Army From End to End of Empire—Mutinous Soldiers Under Arrest.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The last day of grace accorded the mutineers at Sevastopol expired at midnight with no signs of surrender on the part of the men. The hills towering above the harbor of the Russian stronghold in the Black Sea may recound this morning, as they did in the days of the Crimean war, with the roar of masonry and cannon, should the government attempt to carry out its announced intention of crushing the revolt with the mailed fist.

Would Not Shoot Comrades.

Whether General Nephew, the commandant of the fortress, who was released by the mutineers today and who relieved General Baron Gakomeleskie, will dare to accept the challenge of the mutineers and stake the discipline and loyalty, not only of the troops at his disposal, but of the whole army, on the issue of a score of garrisons in Russia who are in a state of discontent, and any order to the troops to fire upon their comrades in the sister branch of the service might possibly precipitate a general and widespread mutiny. On the other hand, it would be difficult to starve out the sailors by a regular siege, as provisions and water can be obtained by them, and as they are under the guns of not unfriendly warships.

Garads Arrested for Sedition.

Even the members of the guard regiments, treated well and superlatively paid, are joining in the revolutionary movement. Two hundred and fifty men of the guard regiments, who were said to have been leaders in spreading the revolutionary propaganda, were arrested at their barracks tonight. It is understood that the soldiers of the equipages from which the crews of the imperial yachts are drawn will be withdrawn to St. Petersburg on account of disaffection among them.

Witte's Candid Replies.

A delegation representing the News-Paper Union called on Count Witte yesterday to demand that the writer, M. Serracheffsky, who was expelled from Warsaw by Governor-General Skalon, be allowed to return. The Premier said he would telegraph to the Governor-General suggesting the exercise of all leniency possible in the case of M. Serracheffsky, but he was unwilling to issue a direct order.

Deep Snow in Northwest.

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WALLOW IN SEA WITHOUT RUDDER

Roanoke Passengers in Extreme Peril.

BITTER WIND BLOWING HARD

Struck Bar While Attempting to Reach Eureka.

STEERING-GEAR TORN AWAY

Steamer Rigs Up Jury Rudder and Attempts to Proceed to San Francisco, but Makeshift Is Shattered by Waves.

THE ROANOKE. The Roanoke is a vessel of 1700 tons. She is commanded by Captain Robert J. Dunham. Arthur Raynes is first mate. She is worth about \$250,000. The vessel left Portland Friday night, November 24, but on account of fog in the river and a rough bar did not leave until Sunday morning. There are 49 passengers aboard.

EUREKA, CAL. Nov. 20.—(Special.)—

Somewhere off the coast of Humboldt County, in Northern California, the steamship Roanoke is being tossed on the waves tonight by a gale of Arctic chill, while the fate of her three score passengers hangs in the balance. The big steamship is again at the mercy of the sea and the jury rudder which was rigged up yesterday has been shattered, according to reports from incoming craft just before midnight. She must fight unaided through the night for her life. If she withstands the heavy seas until morning, safety is practically assured. The Roanoke reached the bar at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and started in. When well over the bar a wave struck her stern, carrying away the rudder and the rudder post. The tide was at an ebb and the vessel was carried to sea.

As soon as she struck the Roanoke

flew the danger signal and the tug Ranger and the lifesaving station responded. It was dark before they reached the disabled vessel, so they stood by all night. It was so rough this morning that it was impossible to transfer the passengers to a tug and bring them to this port. The Roanoke was not damaged further than the loss of the rudder, so it was decided to rig a jury rudder and proceed to San Francisco under her own steam. Fortunately for the Roanoke, when she was struck the tide was ebbing, otherwise she would now have been to pieces on shore and many of the passengers, if not all, would have been lost. The Ranger and lifesavers returned this morning. It was thought when they left the Roanoke that she could safely make the trip to San Francisco. The lifesaving crews to the south have been warned and aid will be sent to the Roanoke if she is not reported tomorrow.

NEW VAUDEVILLE TRUST

Will Control All Houses in West and on Pacific.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 20.—A large vaudeville

theater syndicate has been formed, with the Orpheum circuit as the controlling interest, the other factors being Congressman Timothy Sullivan, of New York and Princeton; O'Brien and John F. Ryan, of Chicago.

The new trust will, it is announced,

control all vaudeville in the West, Pacific Coast and Middle Western States.

BOTH FEAR TO JOIN BATTLE

Waiting Game at Sevastopol—General Mutiny in Manchuria.

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Advices from Sevastopol represent the situation there as still in great doubt. Neither the rebel soldiers and sailors nor the government forces know their own strength, so that neither side dares take action against the other. Admiral Choukinn favors persuasion rather than force in conquering the rebels, while Commander Stakomelsky advocates starting them out. Admiral Choukinn, however, fears that, if threatened by famine, the rebellious forces would abandon their peaceful attitude and engage in murder and the destruction of property.

General Linievitch's messages from

Harbin are alarming. Insurrection is spreading in the Manchurian army because of the ill-health of the forces and the privation which they experience, together with the uncertainty and chaos which prevail. Officers are acting as leaders in the rebellious movement. Lacking adequate quarters for his own men, General Linievitch is compelled by the return of prisoners by the Japanese and by the care of large numbers of disaffected soldiers who have been taken into custody. There are many disbanded men also, whom it is impossible to control.

The government asserts that lack of

transportation prevents the return of soldiers to their homes, but it really fears that, if brought back to Russia, these men would join the revolutionary movement. It is generally believed in St. Petersburg that the outbreaks in Harbin, Vladivostok, Grodno, Sevastopol and Kronstadt are only rehearsals by the revolutionists, who are preparing to take the field with the support of organized forces drawn from all trades and occupations, including policemen and house servants, who have been formed into units. The agitators now have turned their attention mainly to the army and the peasantry. Workmen in many quarters are destroying factories, while the mutineers are burning historic castles, libraries and churches. All the factories and schools are being closed in the face of the spreading disorder. Revolutionary leaders deny all knowledge of the attack made on Second Secretary Bliss, of the American Embassy. They accuse the police of having investigated the affair by way of justifying the severe measures which they are said to be planning.

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