



DAMAGE BY FLOODS IS ENORMOUS

Loss From High Water on Puget Sound Is Over \$1,000,000

DEATH LIST NUMBERS SIX

Railroads Lose Most Heavily and Farmers Come Next.

CROPS IN GROUND ARE RUINED

Coal Famine Is Imminent at Seattle and Tacoma.

STEAMERS ARE TIED UP

Inundation of Dairy Farms Cuts Off Supply of Milk—Lumbermen Lose Logs and Bolts—Railroads Are Blocked.

cial river. This phenomenal change will cost Pierce county, of which Tacoma is the county seat, millions of dollars, in the present and other freshets to come. King county, of which Seattle is the metropolis, is preserved against future floods by the change in the channel.

Backed Up by the Tide.

Floods in the White, Green and Stuck River valleys are subsiding rapidly, but the Duwamish valley, whose waters empty into Puget Sound at this place, is a mighty lake, four miles wide by 12 in length, backed up and held in leash by the tide from the Sound. When that goes out late tonight, great havoc is looked for from the sudden release of the pent-up waters. A similar condition exists at the mouth of the Puyallup at Tacoma.

For two days Seattle has been cut off from any kind of communication except by steamer. Serious washouts to the north of the city have stalled the Great Northern, Canadian Pacific and Northern Pacific trains, while to the south the Northern Pacific, Burlington and Colum-



Judge Alton B. Parker, Late Democratic Candidate for the Presidency, Attorney for Sugar Trust.

bia & Puget Sound have been put out of business.

Telegraph wires have been down almost continuously and long-distance telephone service has been intermittent.

The floods found the city already short of coal and temporarily cut off from access to all sources of supply. The great water power plants of the company providing electric power and light were flooded out of use, and the street-car and lighting service of the city depends on the meager supply of coal in the local bins of the big companies.

Cause of the Floods.

A heavy rainfall Wednesday—2.45 inches in four hours—and a Chinook wind which melted fresh snows in the Cascade Mountains, coming simultaneously, were the cause of the most disastrous floods in the history of the Puget Sound region. The valleys of the White, Cedar, Duwamish, Green, Stuck, Black and Puyallup rivers, now under water, comprise 200 square miles of territory. This includes practically every acre of low land lying back of the eastern shores of the Sound, and extending from Seattle to Tacoma.

The Stone & Webster power plant at (Continued on Page 4.)

IDAHO RESERVES NEARLY DOUBLED

Forests and Water of State Conserved.

TRACTS CHOSEN WITH CARE

Agricultural Lands Included Left Open to Settlement.

OLD TIMBER CAN BE CUT

Prospectors and Miners Will Not Be Disturbed, and Grazing Will Be Permitted Under Proper Regulations.

IDAHO FOREST RESERVES	
Created Prior to November 6, 1906.	
	Acres.
Bitter Root	3,890,960
Priest River	241,160
Pocatello	49,920
Yellowstone	177,960
Sawtooth	1,947,320
Weiser	1,659,320
Henry's Lake	788,730
Payette	1,450,960
Cashia	328,160
Bear River	415,360
Total	10,628,240
Created November 6 and 7, 1906.	
	Acres.
Coeur d'Alene	2,331,280
Kootenai (add'l)	163,240
Salmon River	1,579,150
Sawtooth (add'l)	1,392,160
Raft River	235,040
Lemhi	1,248,520
Priest River (add'l)	290,000
Total	7,836,190
Grand total	18,464,430

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 16.

Prior to the recent election the forest reserve area in Idaho was over 10,000,000 acres; today it exceeds 18,000,000. For a long time the Forest Service has contemplated the extension of forest reserves in Idaho, with a view to protection, not only of the remaining public forests, but of the water supply of the state that is daily becoming more valuable as the work of irrigation expands. The four new reserves recently created and the enlargement of three others were all designed to protect the timber against indiscriminate cutting and to preserve a permanent water supply for the benefit of settlers who have or will make homes on reclaimed desert lands. These reserves were not created hastily, but after exhaustive study extending over a series of years. They embraced lands that are more valuable for forestry than other purposes, and wherever agricultural lands have been included such areas still remain subject to settlement

and entry under the terms of a law passed at the last session of Congress. It is to be further understood that the natural resources of each and all of the Idaho reserves are still open to the public, but their use and development will be safeguarded in a manner that will preserve the forest cover and protect the water supply. The mature timber in all reserves can be cut and removed under regulations, prospecting and mining will not be interfered with in the least, and stock grazing will be permitted so long as the public range is not damaged.

Reserve Fought by Heyburn.

In one sense the most important reserve created is the Coeur d'Alene, which embodies what was to have been designated the Shoshone reserve, in Shoshone county. The creation of this reserve is especially interesting because it is the one that was most vigorously fought by Senator Heyburn. Its creation is doubly significant because President Roosevelt, before signing the Coeur d'Alene proclamation, went over all the facts pertaining to the Shoshone withdrawal, gave personal consideration to Senator Heyburn's objection and then decided against the Senator.

The creation of this reserve, more than anything else that has transpired, indicates that the President will give no heed to the protest of Senator Heyburn. While the President sanctioned and actually created all the other reserves in Idaho, he was less familiar with them, but in each instance he accepted the judgment of the Forest Service against the judgment of the Idaho Senator.

The President is a most enthusiastic supporter of the forest reserve policy, and he believes that when the people of Idaho give careful study to the subject and get away from local prejudices they will agree that he is right.

Mainly to Protect Flow of Streams.

In explanation of the recent creation of reserves in Idaho the Forest Service makes the following statement: "In the main the reserves in Southern Idaho were created to conserve the stream flow, chiefly of the Snake River and its tributaries, for the Minidoka and Boise-Payette irrigation projects, and for a new one to be known as the Dubois project. The Lemhi and Sawtooth addition, the Raft River and Salmon River are all for the preservation of stream flow to insure a steady supply of water for the great storage reservoirs contemplated or now in course of construction under the reclamation service.

"Not only are they to preserve a steady flow in the streams at whose headwaters they are located, but in preventing too rapid run-off in precipitous regions they will also prevent the filling of the completed reservoirs with silt brought down from the mountains in rapid flow and released as soon as it strikes the quiet water of the reservoirs.

"The Lemhi forest reserve, which insures protection to three mountain areas, lies in the east-central part of the state. One of these areas takes the form of a narrow strip of country in Lemhi county, skirting along the Montana boundary line, extending from a point three miles east of the town of Shoup to the north boundary of the Lemhi Indian reservation. The second area embraces a strip about 90 miles long, containing the Lemhi range and affecting the drainage of Big and Little Lost Rivers.

"The arid area, lying directly west of the Little Lost and Pahsimeroi (Continued on Page 5.)

MORMONS TO BE FOUGHT TO FINISH

Democrats Will Not Put Up State Ticket.

PARTY MEMBERS TO BE FREE

Bulk of Them Will Vote With the Americans.

CHURCH NOW DOMINANT

Federal Patronage in Utah Is Said to Be Used to Hold the Gentiles Subservient to the Polygamists.

SALT LAKE, Nov. 16.—(Special).

By a decision reached at a conference here today of 30 of the Democratic leaders in Utah, the fight in this state in the future will be on Mormon and non-Mormon lines. It was decided to keep up the Democratic organization, but not to put tickets in the field. The Democrats will be left free to vote for the Mormon or "Republican" party if they wish to uphold the Mormon Church in politics and business. Judging from the temper of the men present and the reports received by them from all over the state, the bulk of the Democrats will vote with the Americans. Nearly all the Gentile Republicans seceded from the Republican party some time ago, so far as the state issues are concerned.

Despite the fact that President Roosevelt is apparently in alliance with Senator Smoot and the Mormon Church is using all the power of Federal patronage to hold the Gentiles in Utah subservient to the polygamists, they organized the American party, and while a few Democrats joined, the bulk remained loyal to the old party and joined with Mormon Democrats in a fight for "a square deal" in Utah and against a union of church and state.

The result of the last campaign, when President Joseph F. Smith had a revelation from God, instructing all good "Latter-Day Saints" to vote the Republican ticket, and election frauds were committed by church officials, and members of the church were threatened with dire consequences if they voted the Democratic or American ticket, has convinced the Democrats that they cannot hope for honest politics until the church is fought and beaten so badly it will be forced to keep from interfering in the future.

A committee was appointed to collect evidence against the Mormon ecclesiastics, with a view to getting the facts before the people of the United States. A contest may be instituted on behalf of O. W.

Powers, who was defeated at the recent election by Joseph Powell, Republican.

DEMANDED BY MEXICO.

Antonio Villareal, Revolutionist, Is Charged With an Old Murder.

EL PASO, Tex., Nov. 16.

Inspector Schumaker, of the United States Immigration Service at this port, held an important conference with two other inspectors today relative to the case of Antonio Villareal, the alleged revolutionist, who is now in jail here and whose extradition is demanded by the Mexican government on a charge of murder, alleged to have been committed in Mexico two years ago. Notwithstanding Villareal's deportation had been ordered by the Department of Commerce and Labor, upon the ground of his being an alien and inciting revolution, the inspectors decided to refer the whole matter back to the department.

WIFE OF HOLY ROLLER LEADER

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under the original instructions. The matter has aroused intense interest here and along the border.

TO TEST AMERICAN WOOD

Government Laboratory Is Recommended by Lumber Congress.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.

At a meeting here today of representatives of Lumber Manufacturers and Wood Users' Associations, resolutions were unanimously adopted advocating the establishment by the Government of a completely equipped lumber-testing laboratory. The interests represented also resolved to use their influence to obtain from Congress an appropriation of \$200,000 for that purpose. The function of the laboratory would be to standardize as to strength and durability every American wood, that manufacturers might rely on getting definite results from the use of various woods for desired purposes.

Leavenworth Dam Injured.

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 16.

A small portion of the big dam at Leavenworth was washed out by the flood, but the main portion will be saved, as the water is now falling. Some logs have gone but a large force of men is at work and most of them will be recovered. The river went eight feet higher than ever known before at that point.

RAIN BEGINS FALLING ON PUGET SOUND.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 16.

A light rain began falling throughout King county about 9 o'clock this morning and continued during the day. The local forecast is rain for tomorrow. This makes the flood situation traver than before.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 16.

A summary of the Tacoma news, as given out by E. E. Palmer, general superintendent of the Northern Pacific, at 12 o'clock tonight is as follows: "Trains will run to Seattle by Sunday night. If the company can establish a steamer service from Oregan to Castle Rock, trains to Portland will be resumed tomorrow or Sunday, passengers transferring at the two points. Trains on the main line to the East will probably be running Monday or Tuesday."

Flood Loss in Detail.

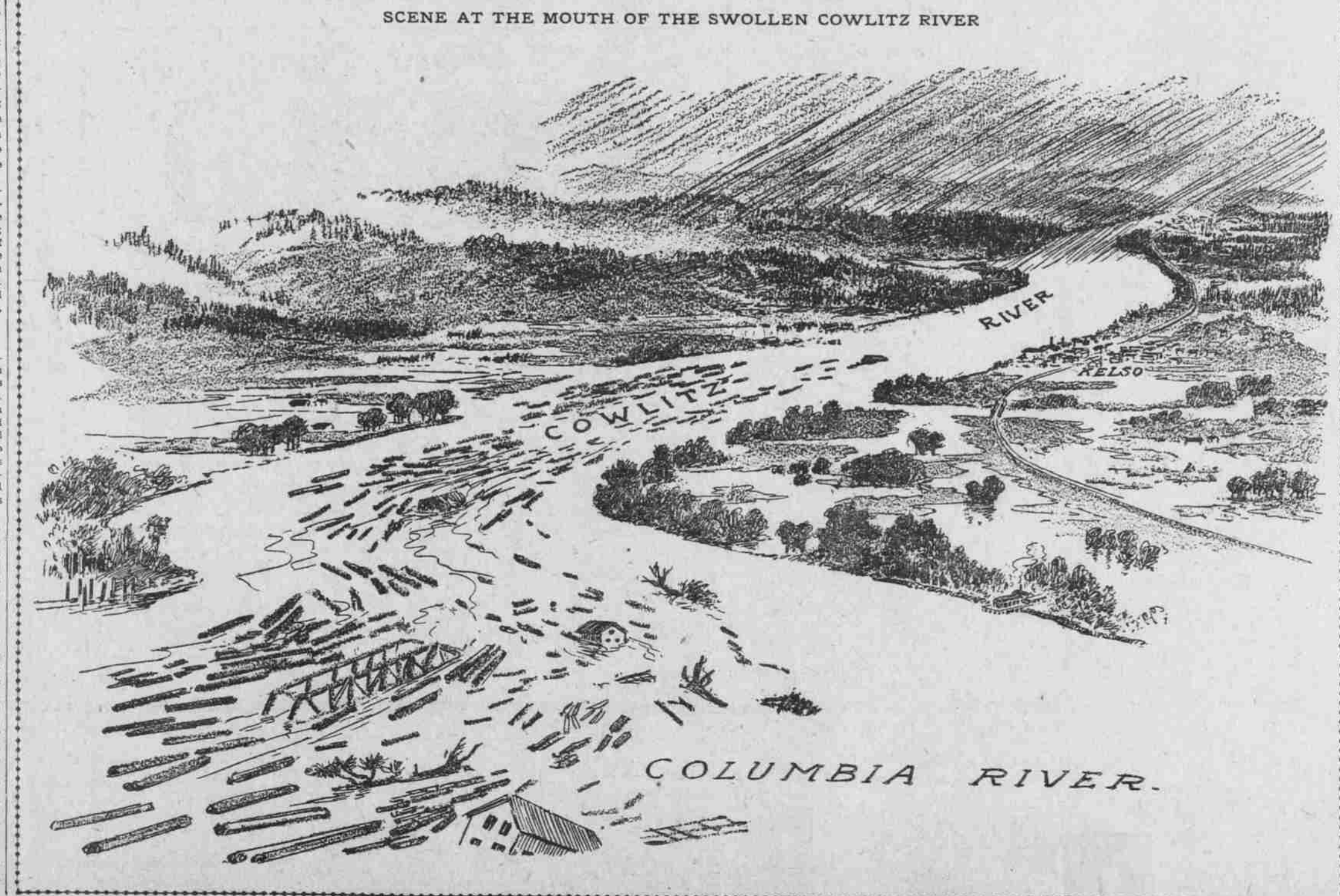
The property loss will be heavy, probably exceeding \$1,000,000. The destruction of the Northern Pacific Railway grades and trackage involves a loss of \$300,000. The Interurban electric road between Seattle and Tacoma will have to spend \$800,000 for repairs, and the individual losses of farmers and dairymen make up the remainder. The loss of livestock is not as heavy as first feared, being probably within \$50,000. The loss on crops still in ground and in cellars and barns is about \$300,000.

Hundreds of houses and barns were swept from their foundations, but comparatively few were actually broken up or carried any great distance. The damage to furnishings in homes and merchandise in stores by the water formed the heaviest item of loss.

No Suffering as Yet.

So far as reported, there has been no suffering among the refugees. The valleys are thickly settled and all who left their homes are believed to have found safety in homes of neighbors on higher ground. The White River, the largest of the major streams whose source is Mount Rainier, yesterday broke through a narrow neck of land, after its own channel leading to the valley bearing its name had been blocked with debris, and hurried itself into the Stuck River, a small offshoot of the White. The flood through King County to the Sound was immediately checked, and Pierce county received the full volume of water.

The blockade is permanent, and the parent body of water is now but a brooklet, while its offshoot is the prin-



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SEATTLE, Nov. 16.

Mrs. Maud Creffield, held in the King County Jail as an accomplice in the murder of George Mitchell, in the Union Station, July 12, died suddenly in her cell at 11:15 o'clock tonight. Although it was suspected at first that the woman committed suicide, a search of the jail by Sheriff Smith and deputies failed to discover any evidence that she had poison in the compartment she occupied.

Esther Mitchell, who shot her brother, was in the same bed with Mrs. Creffield when the latter was stricken. Esther Mitchell shed no tears when she realized that the woman who had been her accomplice in the murder of her brother, was dead. For half an hour she clung to the lifeless form and kissed the cold lips, but was not consumed with grief and answered in a clear voice all questions asked of her.

Deputy Coroner S. F. Wittale believes the woman died from heart failure.

Mrs. Creffield was found in a condition of three doctors and Judge Frater had ordered her deportation to the State of Oregon, which had been her home.

HEARST GIVES HIS FIGURES

Expenses of Campaign for Governor Are Put at \$256,370.

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 16.

R. Hearst, Independence League and Democratic candidate for Governor, today certified to the Secretary of State that he had spent \$256,370 in promoting his campaign. This was divided as follows: Independence League, \$100,000; Democratic State Committee, \$50,000; traveling expenses, \$500.

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