

BAND OF INDIANS BEATEN IN FIGHT

Rebel Creeks Flee, Leaving Dead and Captives.

HOSTILES SCATTER IN HILLS

Militia, Cowboys and Deputies in Hot Pursuit.

CRAZY SNAKE IS HIDING

Bloodhounds on Trail and Capture Sure—One Killed, Eight Prisoners, as Result of Battle. Resistance Is Ended.

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 29.—(Special.) Harjo (Crazy Snake), was surrounded at midnight in the North Canadian Bottoms, near Pierce. Three hundred militiamen, cowboys and deputy sheriffs were closing in upon him and his capture at daybreak was expected.

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 29.—A detachment of Crazy Snake's band of belated Indians was surrounded by deputy sheriffs this afternoon near Crazy Snake's home, and a battle ensued. One Indian was killed, eight were captured and the rest fled with the deputies in pursuit.

There were about 15 Indians in the band, which had taken refuge in a house. Deputy Sheriff Walton had for some distance and was informed by a farmer of their location.

Advancing from four sides, the posse fired at the house. The Indians rushed out, scattered among the trees and made a valiant defense. The posse all the while advanced and soon routed the band. None of the Indians were seriously wounded, but it is known that a number of Indians were hit by the posse's bullets.

Crazy Snake's Band Broken Up.

Crazy Snake's band apparently has broken up into numerous small groups. It seemed to nightfall that each Recklin was trying to accomplish his own escape, without regard for the grand dreams of the chieftain, to realize which they were called together by the smoke of signal fires. All effort at organized resistance has been abandoned with the sinking of the sun.

The militiamen scattered in bands and invaded the hilly and wooded districts of the Creek nation and by 7 o'clock tonight they had captured eight of Crazy Snake's bravos, including Little Tiger, a sub-chief, and Wallace, who by the posse was the only fatality of the day reported to Colonel Hoffman.

Rumors of Many Fights.

There are numerous rumors of engagements here and there. It is reported that a posse of farmers near Checotah fought a large band of negro rangers and killed 20. This, with similar reports, cannot be confirmed.

Scores of cowboys and frontiersmen, all expert gun-fighters, joined the militia in the chase during the day and evening. They know the rugged country as well as do the Creeks, and have declared that, if Crazy Snake was anywhere in the district, he would be run down before morning.

Sure of Catching Snake.

The militia officers have yet to find anybody who has seen Crazy Snake since Saturday morning. Their only real knowledge that he is commanding the Indians personally is the information choked out of his son by the deputies when they hanged him by the neck until he expressed an anxiety to talk. The young man may have been misleading the deputies at that. The militiamen insist, however, that they have the best of reasons for believing that they are near to capturing Crazy Snake.

A detachment of deputies today captured Sandy Tabler, a half-breed, who has been one of Crazy Snake's aides. Sheriff Odom believes he was one of those in the Snake's house during Thursday evening's fight. Deputy Flynn took Tabler to the Okmulgee jail after passing part of the day with the militia. He said bloodhounds had been placed on the Snake's trail and the chances were favorable for his capture within 24 hours.

Many Lives Endangered.

"Those negroes and Indians are not afraid of bluecoats," said Flynn. "They know no fear as long as they stand their ground, and it was wise generalship in scattering them. I regret to say that the situation is more critical than it appears on the surface. Though the trouble has consisted principally of skirmishes, the lives of many persons are continually endangered."

Fear New Attack.

Fearing that the skirmish near Hickory Ground and the burning of Harjo's home may cause the Indians to leave their hiding places on the North Canadian River tonight and set fire to other houses, 150 men heavily armed, planned to leave Checotah at 11 o'clock tonight for Pierce. The posse was organized by Deputy Sheriff William Clark.

Relating his Experiences in the Fight.

"Our posse overtook a party of Indians near Pierce at 8:30 o'clock this

DYNAMITER SENDS CHECK FOR DAMAGE

NEVADA MINER SORRY FOR HIS CRIME.

After 20 Years Solves Mystery by Forwarding Money and Confession to Banker.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 29.—(Special.)—George W. Peltier, vice-president of the California National Bank of this city, has received a long letter and a check for \$250 from George W. Smith, of Reno, Nev., who confesses the crime of dynamiting Peltier's house at Tuscarora, Nev., in 1889, to wreak vengeance for fancied wrongs. Peltier barely escaped with his life, a heavy mattress between him and the explosion being his salvation.

Smith, Peltier and W. C. Price owned claims at Tuscarora. Smith thought Peltier and Price were encroaching on his claim and decided to dynamite their homes. He performed the act at Price's house, while George J. Smith blew up Peltier's. Neither victim was badly injured. Smith says religion brought remorse and caused his confession. The check sent is to pay for the damage done to Peltier's house. The explosion remained a mystery until Smith's letter explained it.

JURY DEBATES HIS FATE

Cradlebaugh Murder Case Given to 12 Men at Denver.

DENVER, March 29.—After a day spent in listening to the instructions of the court and to the fervid pleas of the attorneys for the state and for the defense, the jury in the case of John H. Cradlebaugh, charged with the murder of Frederick W. Walton, of Wallace, Idaho, retired to prepare their verdict shortly before 6 o'clock this evening.

At 10 o'clock tonight it had been unable to reach a verdict, and Judge Snatuck left the courthouse, announcing that he would not receive a verdict before tomorrow morning.

Only three witnesses were called during the day. They introduced testimony which showed that Walton was unarmed at the time of the shooting.

JAP BANK CLOSES DOORS

Experts Try to Untangle Books of Bay City Institution.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29.—The Kinon Bank, or Golden Gate Bank, a local Japanese financial institution, failed to open its doors today, and a large number of depositors soon congregated before the building. Y. Mawra, manager of the bank, says that the bank remained closed, as a run was feared, reports having been circulated that it was not sound and that its president, H. Shibata, had taken most of the funds to Japan. Manager Mawra admits that the bank is not prosperous, but declares that it is safe. The bank examiners have placed an expert at work on the books of the institution.

WIRELESS PICKS UP JAPS

Mikado's Refloated Cruisers Near Honolulu on Voyage Here.

HONOLULU, March 29.—The local wireless station announced today that it had established communication with the Japanese cruisers Aso and Soyo, of the training squadron dispatched by the Japanese on a practice cruise to the Pacific Coast. The squadron is due to arrive here Thursday morning.

The Aso was formerly the Russian armored cruiser Bayan, sunk by the Japanese during the recent war, and the Soyo the Russian protected cruiser Varag, which suffered a similar fate. The ships were refloated by the Japanese, and, after being overhauled, were added to the Japanese navy.

MANY WEDDINGS INVALID

All Ceremonies in Church for 50 Years Illegal.

LONDON, March 29.—The County of Buckingham has been thrown into a fever at the discovery, which was announced officially today, that all marriages celebrated at the parish church of St. James during the last 50 years are illegal. It appears that the church never was licensed to celebrate marriages. Steps will be taken to legalize the ceremonies performed.

FARMER LASSOES DEER

Captures Animal He Meets in Road as He Rides Along.

EUGENE, Or., March 29.—(Special.)—Eurdette Hadley, of Crow, Or., yesterday lassoed a two-year-old deer along the roadside near Crow. Young Hadley was riding on his horse with a lasso rope at his saddle. Suddenly he came upon the deer, which stood still in the road. He threw his rope, which settled over the animal's horns, when it started to run, but too late to make its escape.

BANKER DIES OF SMALLPOX

Succumbs to Dread Disease After but Five Days' Illness.

LOS ANGELES, March 29.—William L. Palmantier, president of the Central Bank of Oakland, and one of the foremost financiers in California, died today in the pest house in this city, of smallpox. He was taken from the Alexandria Hotel last Thursday, suffering with the disease.

REDUCE TARIFF ON FOOD FOR PEOPLE

Taft Condemns High Tax on Necessaries.

AGAINST NEW DUTY ON TEA

Would Substitute Excise Tax on Dividends.

SPEAKS OUT TO LEADERS

Irritated by Charge That Payne Bill Burdens Poor and Favors Rich. Committee May Drop Duty on Coffee.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—President Taft talked today with Senator Hale, Representative Dalsell, of Pennsylvania, and Representative Hinshaw, of Nebraska, and John Barrett, director of the Bureau of American Republics. It is said that the President is letting it be understood that he strongly favors reduction of the tariff on all of the necessities of life.

The Payne bill repeatedly has been attacked in the House debate as imposing too heavy a burden upon the poor and as favoring the richer classes. The impression created by such talk has not been gratifying to the Administration. The President has no information in support of such a charge.

The President is known to be strongly opposed to the proposed tax on tea. It is stated that this tax would yield about \$8,000,000 annually. The President believes the amount could be made up by an excise tax on the dividends of corporations or by some method of stamp taxation. He does not believe the burden of raising this additional \$8,000,000 should be placed upon the rank and file of the consumers.

The President is said also to believe that the ways and means committee of the House will not insist upon the counterbalancing duty proposed on coffee.

More Revision Downward.

Mr. Taft, it is said, intends to leave all legislative matters to Congress and does not intend to dictate to the body what it shall do. At the same time he has taken advantage of the calls by Senators and Representatives to state, in response to their requests for suggestions, his own position.

Mr. Taft, it is said, believes the system of taxation to be adopted to meet the growing deficiency in the Treasury should be calculated to cause the least friction.

It is for this reason that he strongly favors the inheritance tax.

Mr. Taft has let it be known that he approves the Payne bill in principle and that he believes more schedules in the Dingley tariff should be revised downward, if any should go forward at all.

Blow at South America.

John Barrett presented to the President

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BURGLAR CAREFUL NOT TO WAKE BABE

EVEN PUTS DOG IN CLOSET WHILE HE WORKS.

Midnight Visitor Frowls About Cradle, but Does Not Disturb Sleeping Infant.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 29.—(Special.)—Baby Beatrice Peoples, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Peoples, of 948 Harvard avenue North, was visited by a burglar last night. She was asleep. In the room was her fosterer's dog, Terry. The burglar in order not to disturb her slumbers and incidentally his work, took the dog to an attic closet and locked him in. Then the burglar worked in and out, around and about Beatrice's room, and when Beatrice's parents returned, several hours later, they learned about it. Mr. Peoples is manager of the Crane Company here. Throughout the visit of the burglar Baby Beatrice slept, while Terry barked his disapproval of things, but the walls of the closet were thick and his bark of protest could not be heard.

MILWAUKEE LINES LINKED

Golden Spike Driven Near Missoula on New Transcontinental Road.

MISSOULA, Mont., March 29.—Marking the completion of two lines of steel connecting Chicago and Seattle, the last spike in the new transcontinental railroad, the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound, was driven at 5 o'clock this evening, one and three-quarters miles east of Missoula.

There was no golden spike ceremony. Besides the crew of the track-laying outfit, there were present at the conclusion of the work only Chief Engineer Daichy and special officers of the road from the Missoula offices. The few bridges on the line remaining unfinished will be finished soon and the line turned over to the operating department and through train service established. The total length of the new road is 2426 miles.

SWIFT'S HEIR IS INSANE

Herbert L. Swift Threatened to Kill Self and Family.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Herbert L. Swift, 33 years old, son of the late Gustavus Swift, founder of the packing firm of Swift & Co., has been adjudged insane by a committee of physicians. He has been an inmate of the Kenilworth Sanitarium since March 8, by order of the County Court. This became public here today.

Louis P. Swift, a brother, testified that Mr. Swift had threatened to kill himself and members of the family. Excessive use of alcohol was given as the cause. Mr. Swift has an annuity of \$8000 from his father's estate. At the end of 14 years he will receive \$1,000,000.

SUFFRAGETTES TO INDORE

Spokane Women Take Hand in Mayorality Contest.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 29.—(Special.)—Members of the Spokane Suffragist Society will meet tomorrow night, when they will indorse a candidate for the Mayorality nomination. It is probable that they will indorse a Republican as well as a Democrat.

All of the candidates have been invited to appear before the meeting and deliver addresses. Mrs. May Arkwright Hutton, one of the leaders in the local society who was one of the suffragist lobby at Olympia last winter, is working hard for the success of Senator H. A. Hutchinson, who is a candidate for the Republican nomination.

D. M. Davidson, Inventor.

ADA, O., March 29.—Doble M. Davidson, inventor of the traction engine, was killed here Sunday by being struck by the engine of a Pennsylvania passenger train. Davidson invented the traction engine in 1877, and during that year the engine was put on the market. Recently, after a diligent search, Davidson found his original engine, purchased it, and shipped it back to his home.

SERVIAN MONARCH PREPARES TO FLY

King Peter Scapegoat of His People.

WILL SOON ABDICATE THRONE

Parliament Seeks British Prince for King.

PETER HAS OTHER PLANS

Suggests Montenegrin Prince as Successor, but King Victor Proposes Son Alexander—His People Are Humiliated.

BEograd, March 29.—Deserted by Russia and confronted with the demand of all the powers that she assent to the annexation of Austria of Bosnia and Herzegovina without any concessions to herself, Serbia has swallowed the bitter dose and now turns on King Peter and his dynasty as the scapegoats.

A strong party in Parliament is agitating for the deposition of King Peter and the election of a new King, not associated with either the Karageorgevich or the Obrenovitch dynasty. This party is discussing the selection of either the Duke of Teck or Prince Arthur of Connaught from the British royal family, hoping thereby to end the old factional feud growing out of the rivalry of the native dynasties and to win the friendship of Great Britain.

King Peter, on the other hand, while proposing to renounce the claims not only of himself, but his sons George and Alexander, desires to leave the kingdom in the hands of his ally and relative, Prince Nicholas of Montenegro, by securing the election of the latter's youngest son as King. He and his whole family are preparing to return to Switzerland, whence he was summoned to take the crown after the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga in 1903. He has been advised by the King of Italy, however, to hand over the crown to his second son, Prince Alexander, who has been proclaimed Crown Prince, since his elder brother George renounced his claim to the succession.

The hostility to King Peter and his family was brought to a head, both by the humiliating submission to the dictates of the powers and by the bad order in which Prince George's escapades have brought the royal family. The enemies of his dynasty have used all these circumstances with great skill to inflame public opinion against him.

FIVE SHOT IN RACE WAR

Hungarians Fire on American Miners in Indiana.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 29.—Five American miners are known to have been wounded, one of them perhaps fatally, in a race riot tonight at the Bogie mine, north of Jasperville. The battle started when Hungarian miners fired upon American miners who went to warn the foremen to leave.

The Hungarians are barricaded in a house and are surrounded by several hundred armed Americans. The house has been riddled with bullets, and it is believed many of the foreigners were wounded.

SEAMAN SAVES MAN'S LIFE

Felix C. A. Jennings to Be Awarded Life-Saving Medal.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—For the second time this year the name of Felix C. A. Jennings, a seaman attached to the U. S. S. Arctus, has been brought to the attention of the Navy Department for heroic action.

Jennings jumped overboard and rescued a compasser who had fallen from the tug Dart. Secretary Meyer will recommend to the Treasury Department that Jennings be awarded a life-saving medal.

BOOTH FAILURE SETTLED

New \$7,000,000 Company Will Take Over Concern.

CHICAGO, March 29.—After two days of arguments and in the face of a new grand jury inquiry started during the day, P. A. Valentine and his interests, and the banker creditors of A. Booth & Co. came to an agreement here tonight under which a new \$7,000,000 company will be built upon the ruins of the failed fish combine.

W. Vernon Booth, president of the old concern, will have no hand in the new company.

CLOSE CALL FOR SALOONS

"Dry" Election Declared Invalid on Day Before Closing Time.

ROANOKE, Va., March 29.—Judge Walter P. Staples, in the Corporation Court of Roanoke today, set aside the local-option election held here on December 3 last, in which the saloons were voted out by a majority of 88 votes. The saloons would have closed tomorrow had the election been declared valid. The election is declared null and void on the ground that the tax list as furnished by City Treasurer Davis was illegal.

JEWS VICTIMS OF RIOTING

Mohammedans Sack Jewish Quarter of Kermanshah.

TEHERAN, March 29.—The anti-Jewish riot has occurred at Kermanshah, in the province of Ardilan. The Jewish quarter has been sacked, one of the residents killed, and many injured. The riot started over the killing of a Mohammedan.

BUCKET SHOP WAR STARTED IN EAST

CHICAGOAN OPENS CAMPAIGN OF REFORM.

Plan to Put Over 1000 Bucket Shops Out of Business Takes Definite Form of Attack.

CHICAGO, March 29.—(Special.)—Frederick L. Mandel, a member of the firm of Mandel Brothers, owners of a big department store, today struck the first blow in the war against Chicago's bucket shops by ordering one of their operators to move out of the Windsor-Clifton Hotel. Together with this information came new revelations of the magnitude of the illegitimate bucket shop business in this country.

Two St. Louis concerns, who with Sid McHie, are said to form America's triumvirate in the bucket shop world, informed a representative of the Chicago Board of Trade that they paid \$450,000 a year in wire rent to the Western Union Telegraph company.

There are 1000 bucket shops in this country which derive a total of \$15,000,000 from the public.

In Illinois the operation of a bucket shop is a misdemeanor, but in other States legislators have thrown a safeguard around the bucket shop by placing the punishment in the category of felonies.

MORMONS BETTER TALKERS

Defeat Oregon University in Second Annual Debate at Salt Lake City.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 29.—The second annual debate between teams from the University of Utah and the University of Oregon was won by the former here tonight. The question was: "Resolved, That Municipal Government by Commission is Preferable to the Prevailing Form of American City Government."

Three judges, ex-Governor Wells, Superintendent D. H. Christensen of the city schools, and George P. Holman, decided the contest by a vote of two to one. The Oregon debaters were Earl Kilpatrick and Thomas Townsend. Their delivery was a feature of the contest.

Richard W. Young, Jr., and E. H. Burgess of Utah, were on the negative side of the question. Oregon won from Utah two years ago.

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