

TAFT TO SENATE: 'REDEEM PLEDGES'

President Tarty Says Stop Wasting Time.

LEADERS MAKE PROGRAMME

Conference Today Will Hasten Action on Bills.

POSTAL BANK IN TANGLE

Conflicting Amendments Create Difficult Problem—Railroad Bill to Be Forced Through—Conservation Bills Incubate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—In effect President Taft said to some of the Senate leaders whom he called to the White House today: "Why don't you pass measures to redeem party pledges while the House is dealing with appropriation bills? You are moving too slowly."

It is said he exhibited extreme impatience with the degree of progress thus far made toward the enactment of Administration bills.

By way of result the Senators were able to announce tonight the following:

Senators Announce Programme.

The almost hopeless tangle in which the Root and Smoot amendments have entangled the postal savings bank bill will receive attention at a conference tomorrow in the rooms of the finance committee, of which Senator Aldrich is chairman.

Conservation Bills Seen Safe.

The several conservation bills are to be perfected by a special committee of Western Senators appointed today by Chairman Nelson from the membership of the committee on public lands, and these measures are to be reported to the Senate as rapidly as completed.

Taft Is Growing Angry.

Senators Carter, Borah and Beveridge carried from the Capitol the President's views of the delays encountered by bills contained in his programme. They reported that there could be no mistaking the President's temper.

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CHAMBERLAIN PUTS MARK AFTER NAME.

PATHEPIC SCENE IS ENACTED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

With Frame Shrunken and Face Ashen, Former Leader Takes Oath of Membership.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—For the first time since he was stricken with paralysis years ago, Joseph Chamberlain appeared in the House of Commons today and took the oath as a member of the tariff Parliament.

EXCHANGE DROPS HASKINS

Expulsion Result of Recent Coal and Iron Pool.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Henry S. Haskins, board member of the stock exchange firm of Lathrop, Haskins & Co., which failed with the recent collapse of the Columbus & Hooking Coal & Iron Pool, was declared ineligible for reinstatement on the exchange today because of his firm's connection with the basco.

DEFENSE OF LUZON BEGUN

Maneuvers of 10,000 Men to Work Out Philippine Problems.

ROSEBURG HAS GALA DAY

Douglas County Citizens From All Points Attend Booster Meeting.

FAIR GOVERNMENT BUILDING BURNED

Fire Incendiary, It Is Believed.

FLAMES EAT MASSIVE PILLARS

Thousands at Guilds Lake View Picturesque Sight.

DEPARTMENT POWERLESS

Favorable Wind Prevents Spread of Fire, Buckets Ready to Save Nearby Mill — Structure Empty, No Insurance.

The Government building, one of the ornamental edifices of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, was totally destroyed by fire last night. The fire started shortly before 7:30 o'clock and burned fiercely until after midnight, lighting up the sky in all directions.

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The Weather. YESTERDAY—Maximum temperature, 59 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees. TODAY'S—Snow, turning to rain; south-easterly winds.

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DR. BURKE GETS NO ONE QUESTION HIM

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NURSE VICTIM RECOVERING

Sheriff Returns With Depositions From Miners.

SATISFIED WITH HIS TRIP

Workmen Give Evidence That Dynamite Was Purchased by Owner of Sanitarium in Which Tragedy Was Enacted February 5.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Dr. Willard P. Burke's sanitarium, the scene of the attempt to murder Luella Smith and her ill-months-old son, February 5, is barricaded from access today as if the members of the Burke family considered themselves in a state of siege.

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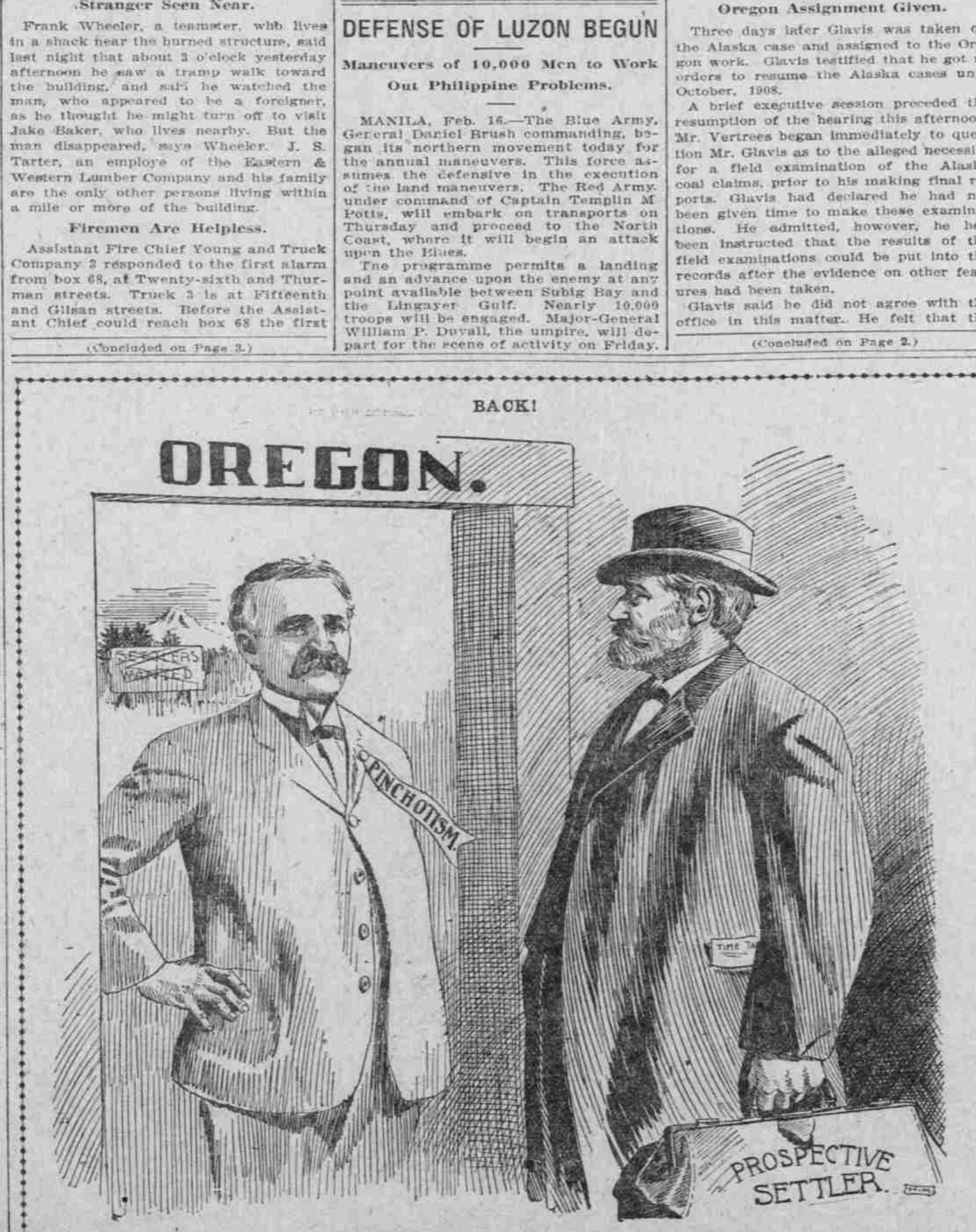


Illustration of two men, one labeled 'PROSPECTIVE SETTLER' and the other 'CRACKBORN', standing in a landscape with a sign that says 'OREGON'.