



EARTHQUAKE KILLS 500 IN CARTAGO

Old Capital of Costa Rica in Ruins.

HALF OF HOUSES DESTROYED

People Flee in Terror While Buildings Crumble.

AID SENT FROM SAN JOSE

Carnegie's Court of Justice Among Structures Wrecked—Tombor Is Felt in Other Cities—Motor Adds to Alarm.

CARTAGO DESTROYED SIX TIMES BY EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS. At least six times has Cartago been destroyed partly or wholly by earthquake shocks...

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, May 5.—(Special.)—Cartago, the picturesque and ancient capital of Costa Rica, was destroyed by an earthquake last night.

Among the public buildings destroyed is the magnificent Court of Justice, presented by Andrew Carnegie, as a permanent memorial to the republic.

Thousands of those who abandoned their homes have filled the streets with lamentations and prayers.

Appeals for help have been forwarded to San Jose and to the capitals of other Central American republics.

Thieves and murderers who escaped from the prisons are plundering the houses, increasing the terror.

Although other parts of Costa Rica have not been damaged, the greatest excitement is said to prevail throughout the republic tonight.

Reports have been received from various cities in the five Central American republics that earthquake shocks were felt at about the same hour.

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INCUBATOR BABY DOUBLES WEIGHT

GAIN OF POUND IS INCREASE OF 100 PER CENT.

Home-Made Brooder Keeps Little One Warm and It Takes Condensed Milk by Eye-Dropper.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—The six-weeks-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. George Webb, of Canby, which is being raised in an incubator especially constructed, is gaining in strength and flesh.

The temperature of the incubator is from 85 to 90 degrees. A galvanized iron tank has been constructed and this, filled with hot water, keeps the apartment where the baby is kept at the right temperature.

It has been named Ruby Ong Webb, being named for Dr. H. E. Ong, of Portland, the attending physician at the birth.

GAME WARDEN IS FINED

Judge Holds Officer Can Carry Weapon Only When on Duty.

NAMPA, Idaho, May 5.—(Special.)—Following his arrest yesterday, J. McNichols, State Deputy Game Warden, was fined \$25 and \$8 cost today for violating the city ordinance of Nampa by carrying concealed weapons.

McNichols was arrested yesterday when on the witness stand in the preliminary hearing of Antonio Hinkley against whom, when acting as a detective for the Law and Order League, he had produced evidence on which the County Attorney had filed a complaint for violating the local option law.

The defense held that McNichols, as Game Warden, had a right to carry a weapon while on duty, but the judge ruled that he was not on duty when he was arrested.

SUSPECT IS NOW SUICIDE

Butcher, Investigated in Connection With Murder, Drinks Acid.

SEATTLE, May 5.—Reinhold R. Winkler, a butcher, aged 38, who committed the murder of the young girl in Bremerton by swallowing carbolic acid after he had stripped himself nude, was investigated by the police last month in connection with the murder of a white slave girl in this city.

The police did not believe this story, as he had suffered a fracture of the skull when he was arrested.

SLAYER SHIPPED TO CHINA

Oriental May Be Tried for Murder in Home Country.

SEATTLE, May 5.—Choy Ying, an able seaman on the steamer Kumeric, was taken in irons from the Courthouse Jail today and placed on the Kumeric for deportation to China.

MAN FEARS DEATH 9 YEARS

Dead-Track Gardener Kept Feud Secret Long, Says Son.

BRIGHTON, Colo., May 5.—That Jesse W. Love, the truck gardener who was shot and killed from ambush as he stepped from his door Monday night, had lived in the fear of death nine years was brought out by the testimony of his son, Ray Love, at the coroner's inquest here today.

MEDFORD TO SEE FLIGHTS

Portland Aviator May Give Number of Exhibitions.

MEDFORD, May 5.—(Special.)—Plans are now under way for an aviation meet to be held here in the near future.

TAFT ESTIMATE OF PINCHOT RECORDED

Ex-Forester Thinks He Alone Is Honest.

LETTER TO BALLINGER READ

Cross-Examination of Secretary Begins With Clash.

GLAVIS CALLED "SNAKE"

Consultation With Hitchcock Over Appointment of Alaska Agents Brings Conflict, Committee Favoring Witness.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Secretary Ballinger concluded his direct testimony at the Ballinger Pinchot hearing this afternoon with the statement that his every official act had been with the sole idea of fulfilling his trust.

"I defy anyone to put his finger on anything I have done while in public duty and in accordance with my trust," he said.

Counsel for L. R. Glavis, one of Ballinger's chief accusers, took up the cross-examination of the witness. Within five minutes the expected clash between them had occurred and on his very first question Brandeis had to appeal to the committee to "request" Ballinger to answer it.

Ballinger admitted the now famous Associated Press interview in which he asserted that after his return to Washington, subsequent to publication of the Glavis charges, that he proposed to "kill some snakes."

Brandeis aroused anger. Brandeis scarcely was well launched into cross-examination before the committee adjourned, but in the hour and a half he questioned the secretary he succeeded in arousing the latter's anger several times.

Early in the day Ballinger contradicted two statements made by ex-Secretary Garfield. He testified also that since Pinchot's dismissal there had been a complete reversal of the forestry policy of the Government, and he said that he believed that it would keep a great many Americans from emigrating to Canada and would develop many portions of the forest reserves.

A hitherto unpublished letter of the President to Ballinger, under date of September 13, 1908, was read. In it the President expressed a desire to retain Pinchot, but said his weakness lay in his "inability to credit high and honorable motives to those who differ with him on his methods."

Two-Battleshyp Plan Wins. WASHINGTON, May 5.—The demand of the Administration for two new battleships will be granted, the Senate committee on Naval affairs having practically decided today to accept the provision of the House bill on this subject.

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The Weather. YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 62 degrees; minimum, 40 degrees. TODAY'S—Fair and warmer; northwest winds.

WOMAN MURDERER DEAD

Rio Vista Believes "Mrs. Peters" Was Kate Bender.

RIO VISTA, Cal., May 5.—That a woman who lived here for nearly 30 years under the name of Mrs. Gavin and subsequently that of Mrs. Peters, and who died recently, was really Kate Bender, of the notorious family of Kansas murderers, is a statement made by Jack Collins, a resident of this place.

Detweiler Is Arraigned. SAN FRANCISCO, May 5.—A. K. Detweiler, former vice-president of the Home Telephone Company, who surrendered himself on Tuesday, after being a fugitive for three years, was arraigned today before Judge Lawlor on 13 indictments brought against him by the Oliver Grand jury, charging him with bribing the Ruef-Schmidt Board of Supervisors.

Princess Tsai Sails for Europe. NEW YORK, May 5.—Princess Tsai Tso, uncle of the Emperor of China, with his retinue of attendants, sailed today on the steamer George Washington for Europe, bearing with him, he said, impressions "of the wonderfulness" of the United States.

Hay Rate Called Confiscation. SALEM, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—Thompson and Hardy, Eugene, have written the State Railroad Commission that some time in January, 1910, Mrs. Cordelia Ankeny was told by the agent of the Southern Pacific at Eugene that the rate on baled hay in car lots from Klamath Falls to Eugene was \$7 a ton, but that when the shipment arrived the company collected charges at the rate of \$14.20 a ton, which amounted practically to confiscation of the hay.

PHYSICIANS SLEEP BY SICK MONARCH

King Edward's Bronchitis Causes Alarm.

QUEEN NOT MET ON RETURN

Information Then Leaks Out He Has Been Ill To Days.

CONDITION AT NIGHT EASY

Busy Week With Many Functions Attended Is Followed by Collapse and Bad Weather Arguments Chronic Throat Trouble.

LONDON, May 5.—The Kingdom was thrown into consternation tonight by the unexpected announcement that King Edward was suffering from bronchitis in a form that caused some anxiety to his physicians, two of whom are sleeping in Buckingham palace to be on hand in case of need.

The first intimation of aught amiss was the failure of the King to meet the Queen, who returned from the continent tonight. The Queen hurried to the palace and soon afterward the public learned by official announcement that the King had been ill two days.

Thursday the King had a busy day. He gave audience to Field Marshal Lord Kitchener and Premier Asquith and visited the Royal Academy. Friday he gave several audiences, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Gladstone at a farewell luncheon on their departure for South Africa, and visited the theater in the evening.

The King spent the week-end at Sandringham, to combat the throat attack, and apparently was better, but the sudden change in the weather this week was trying on His Majesty and finally compelled him to keep indoors.

The King is in good spirits despite his illness, but Sir Francis Laking and Sir James Reid will remain in Buckingham Palace through the night. It is said, however, that this is merely a precautionary measure. A consultation was held late tonight, but no bulletin was issued, it being merely reported the King was resting well.

According to the latest report, the King's condition at midnight was more reassuring.

NOTED NOVELIST DECLARED INSANE

MRS. MARGARET HORTON POTTER BLACK IN RETREAT.

Secret of Condition of Author of "Uncanonized," Written at 19, Kept Several Weeks.

CHICAGO, May 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Margaret Potter Black, a society woman, better known as Margaret Horton Potter, novelist and poetess, is today in a sanitarium as an insane person.

She was declared incapable of managing her own affairs at a private hearing before Judge Williams, a country jurist, several weeks ago, but the matter was kept as closely secret as possible and did not become public until late this afternoon.

Mrs. Black is the daughter of the late E. O. Potter and wife of Attorney John D. Black, who is son of General John C. Black, member of the United States Civil Service Commission.

As Miss Margaret Potter, she wrote "Uncanonized," when a girl of 19. The novel immediately swept into tremendous popularity and was the sensation of the year. "Social Lion" also proved a success, while "Golden Ladder" achieved much public notice by being put under the ban of the commissioners of the Detroit library.

STORAGE LAW IS PUZZLER

Definition Proves Bothersome to Committee Considering Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Homer McDaniel, of Cleveland, and Albert M. Read, of this city, president and secretary respectively of the American Warehousemen's Association, appeared before the Senate committee on manufacturing today to discuss the Lodge bill for the regulation of cold storage.

Mr. McDaniel said if there was to be legislation of that character the law should define "cold storage."

His manner implied that this would be met by providing that the storage includes all structures, including in dugouts, cellars, ice houses and in mechanical plants.

"What percentage of your members come under the various heads you have named?"

The witness admitted that all of them operated many mechanical storage plants. He added, however, that the term "cold storage" was a misnomer, as warm storage frequently was demonstrated.

Senator Dolliver suggested that this might be met by providing that the regulation should apply to storage, whether cold or warm storage.

DIXIE SALMON IS BARRED

Louisiana Food Commissioner Condemns Ilwaco, Wash., Product.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 5.—(Special.)—Dr. Hamilton P. Jones, the State Pure Food Commissioner, this afternoon issued an order condemning Dixie salmon, manufactured by F. J. McGowan & Son, of Ilwaco, Wash., and forbidding its sale in the State of Louisiana.

Dr. Jones took several samples of the salmon from different points and found that the cans had been punctured, the gas allowed to escape and that the salmon was then sterilized and resealed, in contravention to the pure food laws of this state and the United States, and every grocer has been ordered to destroy the salmon in his possession or go to prison.

It is thought that there are 10,000 cases and nearly 50,000 cans of the salmon in this state.

BOOKS TO BE CHECKED UP

Treasurer May Not Be the Only Defaulter at Santa Monica.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., May 5.—As a sequel to the flight of City Treasurer Ralph Egan with \$20,000 of municipal funds, the City Council made today a request of the grand jury today for an investigation of the accounts of all persons who have held office here since the adoption of the new charter two years ago.

The Council's resolution recited that "the charges of the defaulter, charged with embezzling and misappropriation of public moneys," it was stated in explanation of this that "the charge is a general one which has been frequently made by the public."

An expert accountant is now investigating the books of the defaulter, Treasurer and those of the City Clerk.

THIEF FISH HOOKED TWICE

Thirty-Pound Salmon Caught With Spoon Fast in Mouth.

ASTORIA, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—A 30-pound salmon, caught last night near Clatsop and delivered today to S. Schmidt & Co., had a three-pronged spoon hook fast in its mouth.

The fish is supposed to have come from Monterey Bay, as this is the place where they troll for salmon.

SHEEPHERDER IS GUILTY

Second-Degree Murder Verdict Returned at Vale.

VALE, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—The jury in the case of Charles Wear returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree, as charged by the indictment. Wear is a shepherd, and in a fight over grazing ground near Jordan Valley on Sunday, April 3, killed Domingo Aldecoa, a Basque shepherd.

Circuit Judge Davis will sentence Wear tomorrow morning.

Indian Land Bills In.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Bills authorizing the allotment and sale of surplus and unallotted lands in the Warm Spring and Umatilla Indian reservations and appropriating \$115,000 to carry the proposed laws into effect have been introduced.

THEATER TRUST IS OUT OF NORTHWEST

Independence Declared by Home Managers.

POWER OF K. & E. IS GONE

Erlanger Admits Inability to Improve Shows.

NEW COMBINATION FORMS

Northwest Circuit Free to Play Any Shows, Including Those of Once All-Powerful Syndicate, but Pays No Fees.

Klaw & Erlanger no longer control the theatrical situation in America, according to the announcement made by Calvin Hellig, on his return from New York last night.

In future the renowned K. & E. will practically be reduced to producing their own plays, except with regard to the theaters in New York City. In other theaters all over the country their shows will play with and follow those produced by the Shuberts and other managers.

Allied with a number of other managers, controlling in all 400 theaters, Mr. Hellig approached Mr. Erlanger and demanded better shows and more of them than were promised for the year 1911 for Portland and the Northwest territory. Mr. Erlanger said it was not possible for him to grant this request, as Klaw & Erlanger had been deserted by Leibler & Co., Brady, Dan V. Arthur, George Tyler and other large producers.

Mr. Hellig then made the proposition that K. & E. recognize the theaters in the Northwest syndicate as having the right to make independent bookings, implying that, if this were not done, the K. & E. productions would be barred out of this territory.

As a result of the "gentlemen's agreement," there are booked for Portland next year the best Shubert productions, the leading Klaw & Erlanger plays and those to be produced by other managers.

A separate booking office will be opened in New York by Mr. Hellig and his associates. This office will book for the following theaters: One hundred and fifty in the Northwest, controlled by Calvin Hellig and John Cort; 40 theaters in the Walker circuit, of which 20 theaters in the Marshall circuit; 150 theaters in the Jacob Reiss circuit, embracing Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Klaw & Erlanger wish to be on the best of terms with the new booking office, and in order that the best K. & E. shows may be put on the boards of their respective theaters, in addition to the other productions they will book, the various managers do not desire to come to war with the former great booking office.

But there will, in the future, be no booking fees charged. In the past K. & E. have charged from 4 to 10 per cent of the gross receipts as a booking fee. It is hoped and believed by the producers and managers that the benefit may be given to the public.

White Klaw & Erlanger, withdrawing their productions from the Western theaters, the other theaters, headed by the Northwest Theatrical Association, of which Mr. Hellig is president and Mr. Cort, manager, have taken the opportunity to assert their independence. It is said that there is no longer any chance of these theaters being classed by Klaw & Erlanger as independents and accordingly refused any attractions.

While the purely local Portland and Seattle situation offers some complications in view of the fact stated by W. M. Russell, of Russell & Drew, that his firm holds a contract with the Shuberts, representing the independent attractions, to play their shows exclusively in Portland and Seattle, and the assurance by Mr. Hellig that the new Hellig Theater will positively house both the leading Klaw & Erlanger shows, those produced by the independent producers and those sent out by the Shuberts, there is no question that the matter will now be settled shortly.

Mr. Russell last night said the only possible way for the matter to be settled was for him to be bought out. "The Shuberts own only a half interest in our houses and I am getting old enough to retire."

Central Wage Dispute Settled.

NEW YORK, May 5.—E. E. Clark and P. H. Morrissey, the arbitrators in the New York Central wage dispute, today awarded the Baltimore & Ohio rates on the New York Central lines east of Buffalo, including the Boston & Albany, with the exception of through passenger runs for conductors between New York and Albany. These will get a lower rate of pay.

Peary Gives Sled to Society.

LONDON, May 5.—Commander Peary today presented the Royal Geographical Society with one of the sleds that he took to the North Pole. He had named the sled "Beaumont," after Admiral Sir Lewis A. Beaumont, who was a member of the British Arctic expedition of 1875-76.

