

TRACY IN HIDING

Outlaw Believed to Be Near Bothel

LARGE POSSE STILL OUT

Convict's Friends Suspected of Aiding Him.

OUTFIT FOUND IN A CABIN

Mysterious Buggy, With Man and Woman in It, Went in That Direction in Night—Escape Changes His Clothing

Tracy, the escaped Oregon convict, did not come out in the open yesterday, or, at least, no report of his appearance was received. Officers believe they have him surrounded near Bothel, and are playing a waiting game. Tracy's complete outfit was found in the cabin at Bothel where he had his first fight with the posse, which gives rise to the suspicion that his friends have come to his rescue. Some insist, however, that the Bothel officers did not search the cabin thoroughly after Tracy left it.

BOTHELL, Wash., July 5.—Tracy, the Oregon convict-murderer, is in the vicinity of Bothel, almost beyond a doubt. A tract of territory 15 miles in circumference is inclosed by a string of armed men. Unless the convict stoles through the lines last night, he can hardly make his escape without a battle. Every bridge and crossing, every place of strategic importance in a pursuit of this kind, is guarded by men lying in ambush. Others are patrolling the country. A mysterious buggy with three lights, which appeared on the county road this morning about 12:30 o'clock, and suddenly disappeared, has added zest to the situation.

Tracy Changes His Clothes. Tracy changed his clothes yesterday morning at Maple Leaf, near Pontiac, at the home of a farmer named Fisher. He then took the county road for Bothel. He was dressed in a dark blue serge coat, brown corduroy trousers, and wore a black and brown checked cap. He had a pair of high-laced loggers' shoes, and carried a gunnysack, a small buckskin pack and his 30-30 Winchester.

A man answering his description was seen by John Rogers on the county road traveling toward this place yesterday afternoon. While many other reports have come in, Sheriff Cuddehe is held here principally by the incidents given. They are considered the strongest so far made. Cuddehe says that they are facts.

ARE FRIENDS HELPING TRACY? Mysterious Buggy Seen and Convict's Outfit Found in Cabin.

BOTHELL, Wash., July 5.—The finding of Tracy's provisions in the cabin where Thursday's battle occurred gave rise to a mild controversy today. The cabin was reported searched by Bothel deputies yesterday. They stated it contained nothing whatever. Today Deputy Sheriff John McClellan, of Thurston County, and Deputy Sheriff Nelson, of King County, entered the place and found Tracy's outfit in a loft. Friends of the Bothel men declared that the outfit was left there by Tracy last night. Some alleged that the men had not searched very well. A few doubted whether they had ever entered the cabin. Sheriff Cuddehe, however, settled the matter by a personal investigation. He found a stone in the loft, which had been carried there by Sam Peterson. Peterson used it as a hammer.

McClellan's examination was exhaustive. He found Tracy's blanket spread in one corner of the loft, with some hay on a pillow. Bread, fresh veal, bacon, butter, a frying pan, a can of salmon put up in Tacoma, and a whetstone for a razor composed the outfit. Both McClellan and Nelson maintain that the outfit was there

TO WATER THE LAND

Government Will Take Up Small Projects First.

SITES TO BE SELECTED SOON

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AT SCENE OF THURSDAY'S FIGHT. Tracy Was Protected Both in Front and Rear by Stumps.

BOTHELL, July 5.—Deputy Sheriff McClellan, of King County, today made an examination of the scene of Thursday's fight. He found that the murderer was protected both in front and rear by stumps. He was unable to find Raymond's gun. Tracy stood between the deputies and Sammie Slight. The land behind his position falls sharply away. After he shot Raymond and fired twice at Slight, his tracks show that Tracy made a tremendous jump down the declivity into the brush. He ran back 50 yards to the slough, and then along the bank for about 30 feet. Stopping here, he saw William on the ridge near the cabin and shot him. He then escaped. McClellan had no difficulty in following the tracks. They showed that Tracy, when running, has a phenomenally long stride.

HIS BEST FRIEND IN SEATTLE. Convict's Words to Man He Told Where He Left Merrill's Body.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 5.—The friends Tracy says will take care of him in Seattle are headed by the man who provided the convicts with the means for escaping from the Oregon penitentiary, according to the story told by Frank Scott, of the shanghaied crew of the launch "N. & S." Scott returned to Olympia today. He says he had a long talk with Tracy as they sat on the railroad track near Ballard, after the landing from the launch. "The best friend I ever had is in Seattle," said Tracy. "That's why I came here. He helped me out of the penitentiary, and when I get with him in Seattle, I'll be all right." Tracy did not mention the man's name.

It was during this conversation that Tracy told Scott the location of Merrill's body. The information was given at Scott's solicitation. "I'm a poor devil, working for wages," said Scott. "Why not tell me, Tracy, where Merrill's body is, so I can get it and claim the reward? It can make no difference to you."

"They'll beat you out of the money, sure, but I'll tell you, anyway," was the reply, and Tracy then described the spot minutely. Scott declares his implicit faith in the story of Merrill's murder, and believes he can readily find the body. He says, however, that he is holding back

ONLY A FORERUNNER

Pittsburg Speech Beginning of Anti-Trust Campaign.

PRESIDENT'S DETERMINATION

Next Session of Congress Will Be Asked to Pass a Bill for the Control or Supervision of Combines.

TO FIND OUT WORTH OF MINES.

Geological Survey Will Make Inspection at Thunder Mountain.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Samuel F. Emmons, of the Geological Survey, now making field examinations in the West, has been directed to visit the Thunder Mountain mining region in Idaho this summer and make a careful reconnaissance of the entire field, with a view to ascertaining

General Knox held a conference with Representative Littlefield, of Maine, whose knowledge of Constitutional law is admitted, at which Mr. Littlefield was invited to prepare a bill for the regulation and control of trusts that will go before Congress with the indorsement and influence of the President back of it. The bill will be submitted at the beginning of the next session, but before this is done, the President, Attorney-General Knox and Mr. Littlefield will have frequent conferences as to the details.

IN ADDITION TO THE PROPOSED ACTION, the President is going to talk upon the trust question in a good deal on the several trips to be made by him in the Fall. He has announced to his friends that the question is a vital one, and that he proposes to push it vigorously until some action is taken by Congress.

PRESIDENT'S VACATION. Arrives at Oyster Bay to Spend Summer With His Family.

OYSTER BAY, July 5.—President Roosevelt arrived here at 6:15 this afternoon and was given a cordial welcome. When the train approached the little station of the Long Island Railroad, every whistle in the village was set going, and the old friends and associates of the President gathered on the platform to extend their greetings. When he alighted they completely surrounded him. Mrs. Roosevelt did not come to the station, but Assistant Secretary Loeb was there. After exchanging greetings with his friends and neighbors, the President entered an open surrey with his three children and started in a violent rain and thunder storm for "Sagamore Hill." Neither he nor the children seemed any the worse for their drenching.

DURING THE JOURNEY FROM PITTSBURG to Oyster Bay the President frequently spoke of how glad he was at the prospect of being with his family and of escaping to a considerable extent many of the official cares which had constantly beset him in Washington.

THE TRIP ACROSS NEW YORK TO THE Long Island Railroad Station was made in carriages under the escort of four mounted officers. The scenes and faces around the Long Island Station across the river were familiar to the President, and he frequently stopped to shake hands with some old friend.

THE QUESTION OF THE LOCATION OF THE Executive offices at Oyster Bay still remains unsettled. All the White House paraphernalia is, in the meanwhile, carefully stored in the station here. The matter will be decided probably Monday.

BOWLES WILL BE CONSULTED. WASHINGTON, July 5.—Save for informal talks with naval officials, Secretary Moody has taken no active steps toward coming to a decision as to what navy-yard shall build the battle-ship author-

PACKING-HOUSE FIRE

Half-Million-Dollar Blaze in Chicago Stockyards.

SWIFT & CO.'S PLANT BURNED

Great Building, Containing the Largest Single Offices in the United States, is a Mass of Ruins.

CHICAGO, July 5.—By a fire which broke out in their plant at the stockyards tonight, Swift & Co. suffered a loss which is estimated by the officials of the company at \$500,000. The fire was confined to one building standing at the intersection of Packers avenue and Broadway. This structure was four stories high, built of brick, and was 300 feet square. The first floor was occupied by the wholesale meat market of the company, the second and third by the general offices of the company. The latter are said to have been the largest single offices in the United States, more than 800 employes working in a single room.

THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE IS NOT KNOWN, but it was discovered near the engine-room. It spread so rapidly through the building that it was found impossible to save anything in the structure. The first arrivals of the Fire Department were unable to check the fire and repeated calls were sent in for assistance, but all the engines were not able to prevent the entire destruction of the building. Within an hour after the fire was discovered, the building was ruined, although the fire continued to blaze for a long time.

THE BURNED BUILDING ADJACENT PORTIONS of the plants of Armour & Co. and Libby, McNeill & Libby, and for a time the Fire Department had a desperate fight to keep these buildings from the flames. The wind was blowing strong from the southwest, and at times the flames were being driven into the buildings, but the firemen managed to confine the fire to the building in which it had broken out.

ALL THE BOOKS AND OFFICE RECORDS of Swift & Co. were in the burned building, but they are thought to be safe, as they were in fire-proof vaults. W. J. McGonigle, superintendent of the plant, said tonight that the loss will aggregate fully \$500,000. There were, he said, 325 barrels in the building, and great quantities of green hides and tallow. The general supplies of the company were stored in the most market and in the cellars, and everything in and about the building was destroyed. Superintendent McGonigle telephoned to Mr. Swift, who was at his country home near Lake Geneva, that the loss would be total. The insurance carried by the company will cover all losses.

OKLAHOMA VILLAGE BURNED. ANADARKO, Okla., July 5.—The entire town of Getcho, near place on the Rock Island system in Kiowa County, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, about \$25,000; insurance light.

FATE OF ANDREE. First Report That Eskimos Murdered Him is Apparently Confirmed.

CHICAGO, July 5.—A special to the Record-Herald from Winnipeg says: Rev. Dr. Ferlie, a Church of England clergyman, arrived from York, Pa., from Northwest British Territory, today and brings authentic information of the fate of Explorer Andree and his companions. Two years ago, 13 miles north of York, a party of Eskimos, under the leadership of "Old Huskie," saw the Andree balloon alight on a plain of snow in that vicinity, which is about two miles north of Fort Churchill. Three men emerged from the balloon and some of "Old Huskie's" people approached them out of curiosity. As they did so, one of Andree's companions fired off a gun. This is a signal to uninvited natives for battle. It was regarded as a challenge, and almost instantly the natives fell upon the three explorers and massacred them.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY has recently offered a reward for the recovery of any portion of the outfit belonging to Andree, and though natives have gone on the search for it, they have never returned, feeling, as Rev. Dr. Ferlie says, that they will in some way be punished, for they now understand it was not an attack upon them, but an accident, by which the gun was discharged that precipitated the massacre.

FRENCH RENTES CONVERSION. PARIS, July 5.—The Minister of Finance, M. Rouvier, expects to introduce a bill in the Chamber of Deputies, July 8, providing for the conversion of the 3 1/2 per cent rentes into 3 per cent. It is understood that the government undertakes in the bill not to convert either the new or the old 3 per cent for a period not yet determined upon, but believed to be between eight and 12 years. The proposed conversion will effect an annual saving of 25,000,000 francs (\$7,000,000).

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