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CONTAGION OF CONFLAGRATION SWEEPS THE ENTIRE COUNTRY

Children in New York Public School March Out Singing America.

BODY OF CLEVELAND TEACHER IDENTIFIED

Lone Fireman Prevents Panic and Saves Many Lives in St. Louis.

(Special Dispatches) NEW YORK, March 6.—Fire was discovered in the public school at 109th Street just after school opened this morning. Two thousand children were singing "America" when the alarm sounded. They continued singing as they marched out of the building. There was no sign of panic and in a few minutes the entire school was emptied into the street where the children awaited instructions. The fire was soon extinguished. Parents who rushed to the building were prevented by the police from blocking the exits.

TOTAL DEATH LIST 167.

Twenty-Three Bodies in Cleveland Remain Unidentified.

(By Associated Press.) CLEVELAND, March 6.—The body of Miss Katherine Wheeler, one of the two teachers who lost their lives in the Collinwood school fire was positively identified by the dentist. There are still 23 bodies unidentified. The missing now tallies with the number of unidentified and indicates that all the bodies have been found, and that the total death list is 167. In fully one hundred cases the funeral will be individual, each family burying its own dead. The first of these funerals was held this morning and will continue throughout the day. In some instances the services are grouped with five to ten bodies in one church. The unidentified will be buried next Monday according to present arrangements. The expense of these funerals and those in the families unable to bear the financial strain will be borne by public subscription. Thousands of dollars are being subscribed and the list is growing hourly. A bill has been introduced into the legislature appropriating \$25,000 for relief of the needy sufferers. The bill is expected to become a law today.

BILL PASSES.

COLUMBUS, March 6.—The legislature appropriated twenty-five thousand dollars for the relief of the Cleveland school fire sufferers.

AVERTS PANIC.

Coolness of Brave Fireman Saves Many Lives in St. Louis.

(By Associated Press.) ST. LOUIS, March 6.—The coolness of a lone fireman stationed at the City Poor House prevented a panic among the twelve hundred inmates last night when fire broke out in the laundry. The night watchman hastened to turn in an alarm when William Curran stopped him saying, "The engines will start a panic and somebody will get killed. I'll fight this fire myself," and he did it, twice being driven out by dense smoke. After half an hour the flames were extinguished and the inmates not disturbed.

GRANDMOTHER AND GRANDSON DIE.

Are Cremated by Fire Which Destroys Their Home.

(By Associated Press.) SAN DIEGO, March 6.—The four-year-old son of Frank Gumbo and his aged grandmother were cremated today when their home at Cojon was burned to the ground.

The Drain and Coos Bay stage line has transferred its Marshfield agency from Norton & Hansen store to H. C. Bruckenridge, agent, at the office of the Coos Bay Transportation Co., A Street Dock. For information phone 1631 or inquire of Capt. Holden, of the launch Gasco.

PROMINENT MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Former Postmaster of Detroit Seeks Relief in Death From Financial Difficulties.

(By Associated Press.) DETROIT, March 6.—Ellwood T. Hance, the first vice-president of the Union Trust Company, and former postmaster of Detroit, shot and killed himself at his home here today as a result of financial worries and poor health. It is denied that the affairs of the Trust Co. are involved.

A ONE-MAN ATTEMPT.

Police Believe Averbuch was Alone in His Frustrated Crime.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, March 6.—Assistant Chief of Police Schuetzler now believes Lazarus Averbuch was alone in his dastardly attempt to murder Chief of Police Shippy. All efforts to connect others have failed, but Averbuch's friends continue to be arrested in order to sift the crime to the bottom. Rosie, Stern and Olga Averbuch were released from custody yesterday.

POLICE POST WARNING NOTICES.

Announce That Attempt Will Be Made on King Alfonso's Life.

(By Associated Press.) BARCELONA, March 6.—Placards have been posted throughout Barcelona by the police announcing that an attempt is to be made upon the life of King Alfonso on his approaching visit to the city on March 12th.

PLANT SAILS FOR FRISCO FRIDAY P. M.

Billed to Leave the North Bend Dock at 2 O'Clock—List of Passengers for Bay City.

The plant was billed to leave the North Bend dock at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Following is the list of passengers for San Francisco: John Johnson, Charles Powers, A. Klotyck, L. A. Frey, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, B. Bergstrom, R. E. Shine, John and Mrs. J. Holst and child, Mr. and Mrs. O. Fielde, C. W. Johnson, Clyde Kendel, D. W. Henderson, F. M. Stewart, H. Lockhart, C. A. Rohn, J. B. Rust, C. W. Harstman, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fournier, Mrs. A. E. Pisk, Will Spencer, John Saner, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Laughridge, J. R. McDonald, P. E. Weaver, C. Ruling, Captain Dallequist.

MARSHFIELD SCHOOL NOTES.

Debaters Return.

The participants in the Grants Pass-Marshfield debate returned on Tuesday. The debate was held in the First Baptist church. A reception was tendered the visitors after the debate. The Marshfield representatives, two girls and a boy, spoke against two boys and a girl. The reason for the adverse decision is accredited to the fact that a division of the debate was made and part of the argument necessarily omitted.

The Fire Drill. Parents of Marshfield children who read the account of the Cleveland fire Wednesday may be interested to know that the Marshfield school building may be vacated within two and a half minutes. The fire drill is conducted with an entire absence of unnecessary noise or disorder of any sort.

Two New Pupils. Two new pupils have been registered during the past week, one in the fifth.

Charcoal Work. The seventh grade has taken up charcoal work.

Pupils Finish Logarithms. The tenth grade pupils have finished logarithms in algebra and will take up geometry Monday.

Essays Submitted. Six or seven compositions have been submitted from the high school for Mr. Bell's contest.

—SHIRT WAISTS now on. Largest line in Coos Co. Lowest prices. S. LANDO, X. L. N. T. Store.

TOOK FORTUNE IN JEWELS

A New York Society Woman Steals Half a Million in Precious Stones.

TO REMAIN IN SOCIETY

Was Actuated by a Desire to Keep Son in a Private School and Maintain Social Position. (By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 6.—Charged with the theft of jewels valued at six hundred and twenty thousand from one of her wealthy friends, Mrs. Jeanette Newman, who lives in this city, was arrested today. The police say Mrs. Newman's confession says she was actuated by a desire to keep her young son in a private school and maintain her own social position. The owner of the jewelry is Mrs. Evelyn Bell. Mrs. Newman was introduced by a mutual friend last October. After several visits Mrs. Bell missed the articles of jewelry. Detectives grilled Mrs. Newman from yesterday afternoon until two o'clock this morning before gaining a single admission.

FINDS AFFINITY AT POOR FARM

In 25 Minutes Marries Man—Woman Owns Ranch.

AURORA, Mo., March 6.—Perhaps the most unique leap year marriage recorded is that of Miss Johanna Thleme of Howell county, who found her affinity at the poor farm near West Plains, and 25 minutes after she met him they were man and wife. Young William Mitchell, temporarily embarrassed financially, had sought the refuge of the county charity institution. Miss Thleme visited the farm and at 6:45 met him. At 6:53 she proposed to him. At 7:10 the Rev. D. L. Sottlemeyer performed the ceremony. Mrs. Mitchell is the owner of a fine farm.

GAS LAW IS SUSTAINED.

New York Has Power to Fix Rate for Lighting.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 6.—The Court of Appeals has sustained the constitutionality of the gas and electricity commission law, giving the Legislature authority to delegate the power of fixing rates.

HOW ABOUT MARSHFIELD?

TIMES CORRESPONDENT MAKES INQUIRY CONCERNING FIRE DRILL OF SCHOLARS.

Marshfield, Ore., March 5, 1908. Editor Times:—

The fearful occurrence in the east a few days ago, by which nearly 200 innocent children met a horrible death by fire, has aroused inquiry as to what provisions are made at the Marshfield school to avert the danger of such a disaster. Experience has shown that children are easily drilled to meet such an emergency, so that a large school house like that of Marshfield can be cleared in about three minutes without disorder or confusion, whereas without such drilling, a panic and an awful disaster is absolutely certain to occur in case of fire. Well conducted schools have fire drills at least once a month.

It is reported that no fire drill has been held in the Marshfield school during this school year. Will Professor Golden kindly state through your columns whether this is true or not; also whether the school house is so arranged as to minimize the danger in case of a panic among the children; whether the large doors swing outward or inward; and what as the other conditions bearing upon this matter. All parents of the pupils would be thankful for this information. P. C. L.

MAY BE MURDER IN MYSTERY

Unusual Death of Walter F. Baker Being Investigated by Grand Jury.

HE DIED VERY SUDDENLY

Taken Sick at New York Restaurant and Passes Away at Home of a Friend Who Profits by Death. (By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 6.—The mysterious death of Walter F. Baker, the wealthy Boston man last October, will be the subject of a rigid investigation. He died at the home of Frank Hurd at Bogota, N. J., having been taken sick in a restaurant in New York. He left a fortune estimated at six hundred thousand dollars, Hurd's little daughter, Natalie, being a beneficiary under the will in the sum of two hundred thousand dollars. She never came into possession of the fortune, as the will was disputed by Baker's relatives, and in the meantime Natalie was stricken with scarlet fever and died. There were many peculiar circumstances that caused a further investigation. The body was embalmed a few hours after death, and Dr. William Booze, who examined the viscera, reported that he found large quantities of arsenic in the body. Mr. and Mrs. Hurd left their Bogota home and are living in New York.

JAPANESE CRIME.

California Brown Man Kills Woman and Commits Suicide.

(By Associated Press.) SACRAMENTO, March 6.—K. Nakancia shot and killed the wife of I. Kuwahara, in the latter's apartments, early today and then committed suicide. The woman was shot while sleeping beside her husband.

WILL INVESTIGATE.

Congress to Probe Charges of Bribery by Electric Boat Co.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 6.—Without discussion the house adopted a resolution providing for the investigation of the charges of Congressman Lilley to the effect that the Electric Boat Co. of New Jersey had endeavored to corruptly influence members of the house. The committee appointed has the power to inspect the company's books and papers.

LUMBER HITS BOTTOM PRICES

Now Down to \$11 a Thousand Base For Rough Grade—Will Advance.

A recent Portland dispatch says: "Lumber which is now down to \$11 a thousand base, for rough dimension, is considered likely to advance as the building season becomes brisker. Lumber was quoted last year as high as \$15 base, but the cutting off of the eastern markets last fall by the advance on freight rates served to reduce the demand materially, and this was further weakened by the slump in prices at San Francisco and the decline in building operations resulting from the panic of October. "A good deal depends on the supply of logs as regards the quotations on lumber," a dealer said today, "and if the logs continue to become scarcer the figures will advance and the increased cost of production will have to be offset by an increase in the price of lumber."

LOOK AT THIS.

A new six-room bungalow, 50x140 feet of ground, pleasantly located, only \$1,250. See this at once. I. S. KAUFMAN & CO.

THOUGHT THEY HAD FOUND CAPT. KIDDS TREASURE

ASK FOR PARDON OF CAPT. VAN SCHAICK

American Association Masters, Mates and Pilots Ask for Freedom of Slocum.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 6.—Forty thousand signatures have been obtained to a petition circulated by the American Association of Masters and Pilots asking President Roosevelt to pardon Captain Van Schaick, the commander of the excursion steamer Gen. Slocum, which burned June 15, 1904, causing the death of more than a thousand women and children. Van Schaick is old and broken down and is serving a ten years' sentence in Sing Sing.

PORTLAND BANK CASE.

Prosecution Wins Another Legal Battle in the Trial.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, March 6.—Another legal battle was won by the prosecution in the Title Guarantee bank case today, when Judges Gantenbein, O'Day and Bronaugh overruled the demurrer to the information charging J. Thornburn Ross, T. T. Burkhart, John E. Atchison and George H. Hill with receiving deposits in the Title Guarantee and Trust Co. after they were aware it was insolvent. The opinion was unanimous. The time for the accused to plead to the charge has not yet been fixed.

WIFE ADVERTISES

STINGY HUSBAND Leaves His "Bed of Rough Boards" and "Board of Potatoes and Gingersnaps."

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Mar., 6.—The following notice was printed in a recent issue of the Courier-Journal, of Deposit, this county: "To whom it may concern: "I, Bertha Ellis Crawford, hereby state that I have left Ford W. Crawford's bed of rough hardwood boards, and also his board of dry potatoes and gingersnaps, with just cause and provocation.

"When a man will store his money away in a trunk and lock it up while his wife takes care of the cows and horses with summer underclothing on, rather than to take some of his coins and buy her some clothes, ask a wife, then, if she has just cause to leave her husband? He will also store his money rather than pay his bills without the force of law. "BERTHA E. CRAWFORD."

PERSONAL MENTION

JUDGE T. D. MINOT went over to Coquille Friday morning on legal business.

PETER WISER, the popular North Bend contractor, was in the city on a business visit Thursday.

L. A. FREY, North Bend's well known clothier, will leave on the Plant for a short visit in San Francisco.

MR. MORTON, of the Hood river country, who recently opened up a carpenter shop in North Bend, was a Marshfield visitor yesterday.

To Enlarge Sanitary Market—John Hall, proprietor of the Sanitary meat market, is planning some extensive improvements. Shortly he will receive an equipment of nickled meat hangers and hooks; also a handsome refrigerator display case. These will be installed when the present room, housing the shop, is enlarged by taking out the back wall and moving it eight feet.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals are invited and will be received by the directors of School District No. 53, Coos county, Oregon, until April 15, 1908, for the construction of a school house 22x36, with 14-foot ceiling, contractor to furnish all material. Work to be completed by July 1, 1908. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Hall & Hall, Marshfield, or at the clerk of said district. The board of directors of said district reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the board of directors of District No. 53, Coos County, Ore. B. F. SAVAGE, Clerk.

A Dredger Brings up Some Treasure Trove in New York Harbor.

GOLD AND DIAMONDS FOUND IN THE SAND

Beach Crowded With People Seeking Relics of Famous Pirate.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 6.—The dredger deepening the channel between Long Beach and Hempstead L. I., brought up a gold crested snuff box, a flint-lock pistol and diamond ring and brooch. This gave rise to reports that Captain Kidd's treasure was located, and the beach was soon crowded with people searching for relics. It was with difficulty that they were induced to leave the pipe which discharges the sand into the barges.

HAIRCUTS GALORE AT TACOMA

Barbers Fight, Price Is Reduced One Half, Offer Intensifies.

TACOMA, March 6.—More haircuts were sold in Tacoma during the last few weeks than ever before in the same length of time. The reason is that there is a fight on between the boss barbers, and the price of haircuts is being slashed daily. Many barber shops it was possible to have such work done in the most approved style for 15 cents. Very few barbers charged more than 20 cents. In one shop the proprietor is advertising haircuts and tonic for 20 cents and is also giving all his patrons coupons on a \$50 gold watch. In the meeting of boss barbers it was decided to reduce the price from 3 cents to 25 cents. Many declare they would make it exciting for a if the price was cut down. It was reduced and as a result the fight is on.

ATTY. GEORGE FARRIN A DEEP DYED BOOSTER

Times Reporter Uncovers Public Bureau in Law Offices of Farrin & Farrin.

A Times reporter discovered yesterday that the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce and the Coos Bay Times are not the only institutions engaged in scattering forth the fame of Coos Bay—Queen of the Sunset Sea. Daughter of Destiny, mother of the claim and other good things too numerous to mention. It was in the law offices of Farrin & Farrin that the hitherto unknown public bureau was unearthed by the keen nose of the Times ferret. It is a modest little bureau; it occupies the bottom right hand drawer in Attorney George Farrin's desk.

This, however, in no wise affects its potency as a factor in the upbuilding of Coos Bay. An inventory of the drawer shows about one thousand letters of inquiries. They are from all over the United States and beyond the postmark of foreign climes; if the answers to all those letters were compiled by some lexicographer the result would be an encyclopedia, of excellence of Coos Bay. When the Times scribe saw those letters I looked at Attorney Farrin's pate sympathetically, understanding for the first time the reason for the approaching evidences of baldness.

The last letter which Attorney Farrin received is particularly interesting especially to The Times. It was from W. H. Dickerson, Thompson Iowa, and contained six months' worth of subscription. Mr. Dickerson states in his letter that he is interested about thirty families Coos Bay, and all intend to come here during the summer months.

SHIRTS M. E. SMITH'S IDEAL from 75 cents to \$5.00. Largest and best line in Coos county. S. LAND X. L. N. T. STORE.

Just received a fine line of fish tackle. Coos Bay Cash store.