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HISTORIC NANKING SCENE TODAY OF BUTCHERY AND DESTRUCTION

Nothing Equals Struggle Between Manchus and Rebels In Modern History.

FIRE AND RAPINE ADD TO HORRORS OF WAR

Situation In Celestial Empire Rapidly Growing Worse—Nothing Daunts

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NANKING, China, Nov. 10.—Historic Nanking this evening is in the shadow of a Manchu butchery. The sun set upon a scene of fire, rapine, desolation and butchery unrivaled in modern history.

STILL QUIET IN PEKIN.

Railroad Officials Abandon Short Line From There.

PEKIN, China, Nov. 10.—This city was still quiet early today. The only important development this morning was the abandonment of the Pekin-Kalgan railway by its staff.

ANXIOUS AT TIEN TSIEN

Conditions There Appear to Grow More Serious.

LONDON, England, Nov. 10.—The situation at Tien Tsin appears to have grown more serious says a dispatch.

AMOY, China, Nov. 10.—This city is without a ruler today.

Two Places Independent. Canton and Kwang Tung Province Proclaim Freedom.

HONGKONG, China, Nov. 10.—Chang Ming Chi, viceroy of Canton, who arrived here last night on a British warship, issued a statement to the foreign consuls today, making formal proclamation of the independence of Canton and Kwang Tung province.

BIG AIRSHIP FAILS.

Poor Gas Blamed For Failure of Craft to Fly.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Nov. 10.—The poor quality of the hydrogen gas with which it was inflated was given as the reason why Tolliver's airship failed to ascend today after repeated efforts to get the 250-foot craft off the ground.

TAFT GRANTS REPRIEVE.

Execution of Washington Negress Postponed Ninety Days.

SEWANEE, Tenn., Nov. 10.—President Taft today granted a ninety-day reprieve to Mrs. Mattie E. Loma, the negress of Washington who was sentenced to die for the murder of her husband.

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WATER MEETING TO BE LIVELY

New Plan to Submit Purchase Proposition at \$160,000 Brought Forth.

The meeting of the Marshfield city council tonight to consider the waterworks situation promises to be a very lively one owing to a movement having been started by some to submit a proposition to buy the present plant for \$160,000 to the voters at a special election.

It is expected that some of the councilmen will oppose this, although favoring municipal ownership, on the ground that \$160,000 is by far too much to pay for the property, the committee having been only able to fix a value of \$138,250 on it.

The matter will come up on the report of the members of the joint water committee favoring the purchase of the present plant at the lowest possible price.

It is expected that tonight's decision will hinge between the plan to submit the proposition for the purchase of the plant at \$160,000 and the proposal of others that the council serve notice on the applicants for a franchise that no franchise will be granted and instruct City Attorney Goss to immediately institute legal proceedings to compel the company to live up to the present franchise and furnish adequate pressure, and water and also ask the Oregon State Railroad Commission, under the new law, to see that the company furnishes adequate service and pure water.

In consequence of the difference of opinion, it is expected that the session will be a lively one.

Discuss Water Rights.

Today there is considerable discussion on as to the water rights which the present company hold in Pony Inlet and for which they claim they paid \$25,000.

Councilman Albrecht expressed the belief that the Southern Oregon company which owns a large area on the west side of Pony Inlet holds the right to considerable of the water that now flows down Pony Inlet, many of the little streams having their origin in springs on the land of the Southern Oregon company, or rather on the property of the Menasha Woodware company which acquired the Southern Oregon company's holdings.

Another man today produced a prospectus issued a few years ago of the Oregon Coal and Navigation company's holdings, which were sold last summer to the Reynolds' Development company, in which it was stated that one of the features was valuable water rights, there being much water that could be piped to Marshfield and North Bend and sold. Whether this would detract any from the amount of water that is now available in the present Pony Inlet supply is a question.

It is likely that the council will, before submitting the proposition for the purchase of the present property at a stipulated price, order an investigation of the water rights the company holds to determine just what they are getting.

Claude Nasburg, who is reputed to be getting a commission of \$5,000 on the sale of the water works, informed the council the other night that the water rights included rights secured from the Kinney-Waite tract along Pony Inlet. This tract was sold by the Flanagan estate to Kinney and Waite a number of years ago and it is understood that the water rights were then retained.

Another question that is being discussed considerably in connection with the waterworks matter is as to whether the water rights on Pony Inlet are enhancing in value. Some contend that if the company paid \$25,000 for them several years ago, they are worth more now. Others contend that they are not worth nearly as much owing to the fact that the peninsula is more densely populated and that as it will probably be only a few years until settlers encroach on the Pony Inlet water shed, the value of the water rights will be practically nothing then because of being contaminated from the refuse and sewerage from ranches and homes. The water rights do not prevent persons settling or building homes on the watershed, it is understood.

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FOR DIRECT VOTE OF REPUBLICANS

La Follette's Campaign Committee Sends Out Letter Urging Republican Leaders to Arrange For Primaries.

By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 10.—Walter L. Houser, chairman of the progressive-Republican Campaign Committee, has appealed through a circular letter, to the chairman of every Republican State Committee in the United States, urging that steps be taken to insure a republican presidential primary in each state by law, in the five states where it is provided

by the statute and in other states by the direction of the campaign committees.

"The demand for popular selection of candidates for office," says Houser, "both state and national, has become general. It is obvious that no nominee selected despite the wishes of the rank and file of the republican party can inspire the confidence or command the united and enthusiastic support which will be so necessary to republican success in 1912. Houser stated in the letter that friends of Senator LaFollette are ready to submit his name for the nomination to the direct vote of the rank and file of the party.

BOXER LEAVES VERY SUDDENLY

Jerry Murphy Departs Without Any Notice—Match Here Is Called Off.

John Herron, promoter of a twenty round bout between Jerry Murphy of San Francisco and Earl Henderson, at the Marshfield Skating Rink tomorrow night, today received word that Murphy had suddenly taken his departure on a vessel for San Francisco. Murphy gave no notice and neither did he leave any reason for his sudden act. Murphy was supposed to be training at Coquille.

In consequence, the bout has been called off for tomorrow night.

Some think that Murphy found he couldn't get in condition or got "cold feet" when he heard how fast Henderson was and just "skipped out." Some have intimated that parties interested in promoting a match between Roughhouse Burns and Paddy Ellis, to be pulled off in Coquille tomorrow night, might have had something to do with Murphy's sudden departure in order to eliminate competition.

Herron is now trying to get Tommy McFarland of San Francisco to come here for a bout with Henderson.

DEATH MAY CHEAT JUSTICE

Chicago Woman Accused of Many Poisonings Reported Fatally Stricken.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 10.—Mrs. Louise Vermilya, suspected of having poisoned Arthur Bissonette and others who lived in her home, is suffering from valvular heart trouble which may prove fatal before she can be brought to trial on the murder charge. According to B. J. Montgomery, the physician at the county jail, her condition has been aggravated owing to the quantity of arsenic she swallowed Saturday and the weakness which followed the energetic measures taken to remove the poison.

ORDERS FOR STEEL

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times) NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—Unfilled orders on the books of the United States Steel corporation October 31 were 3,694,328.

LINCOLN FARM NOW NATION'S

Birthplace of Noted President Formally Becomes National Preserve.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

HODGENVILLE, Ky., Nov. 9.—Enshrining the log cabin in which Abraham Lincoln was born, an imposing granite memorial to him was dedicated here today and accepted for the nation by President Taft. The memorial stands in the center of the farm where Lincoln's parents settled after their long journey from Virginia.

Today's exercises were, in a measure, a continuation of those begun yesterday at Frankfort, when the statue to Lincoln was unveiled in the state capitol. The ceremony, however, marked the consummation of a nation wide movement to convert Lincoln's birthplace into a national reserve.

Thronged from all parts of the United States witnessed the acceptance of the memorial and farm for the nation by President Taft. Former Governor Folk, of Missouri, president of the Lincoln farm association, began the laudation of Lincoln and to this was added the tribute by Governor Wilson, Senators Borah and Major General Black, former commander of the Grand Army of the Republic.

TURKEYS ARE CHEAP, BUT CRANBERRIES ARE SCARCE

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 10.—Turkeys in abundant supply and at the old-time prices is the forecast for the Thanksgiving dinner table, according to local merchants. The supply is the greatest in a decade, it is said, and the best qualities are quoted at 17 and 18 cents, with a prospect of the prices becoming lower. The only drawback that the merchants can see now to the Thanksgiving day feast is that there is likely to be a shortage of cranberries.

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Big BAND DANCE at EAGLES hall, Saturday night, NOVEMBER 11. Music by full band.

HOME DAMAGED IN NORTH BEND

Fire Causes Considerable Damage to Porter Residence—Family Asleep.

Fire supposedly originating from sparks from the chimney burning out started what appeared to be a rather dangerous conflagration at North Bend last night which resulted in a partial destruction of the house at Porter belonging to Mrs. Jake Anderson of Marshfield and occupied by the family of M. Hendrickson.

Had it not been for the timely discovery of the fire by F. E. Glazier, it would have resulted more disastrously and might have been very dangerous to the members of the Hendrickson family who were asleep at the time.

The fire broke out about 11:30 and alarms were turned in. The basement and lower story were blazing fiercely, and it was the glare of flames that attracted Mr. Glazier. It is presumed that the sparks from the chimney were blown into the dry tinder underneath the house.

The damage is considerable despite the prompt and effective work of the fire department. The house is located near Porter.

Others maintain that instead of originating from sparks from the chimney, it was started by sparks falling through a stove-pipe hole, which was not properly covered in the absence of being connected up, permitting pent-up gas to escape.

The new North Bend siren whistle, recently installed at the mill, was tried out for the first time. Owing to the Northwest wind, it was plainly heard here and was confused by many with the Marshfield siren whistle. Even most of the members of the Marshfield fire department turned out but they did not go to North Bend.

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LONG AND SHORT HAUL ACT TO BE TRIED OUT IN COURTS

REAL TOUCH OF WINTER HERE

Snow Flakes and Sleet Produce Shivers on Coos Bay—Earliest in 36 Years.

Coos Bay is today experiencing a touch of real winter weather, cold rain, sleet and snow-flakes causing the populace to shiver and wonder why.

At intervals, the sleet storm was quite severe but it generally melted almost as fast as it struck the ground.

No damage has resulted from it particularly, although the long distance telephone lines were put out of commission this morning.

"Not in the thirty-six years of my residence on Coos Bay have I ever seen snow or sleet so early in November," remarked an old resident this morning. "Sometimes we have had cold rains in November but never snow, sleet or ice so early."

However the fact that its duration is only a question of hours instead of weeks and months as it is in other sections of the country, is a great relief to most of those who are complaining of the inclement weather.

The present storm is apparently part of the general wintry storm that has been sweeping the northern and eastern half of the country for the last ten days.

E. W. Lewis today recalled that about seventeen years ago in February, 11 inches of snow fell here. It remained on the hillsides and shaded spots for nearly two weeks and during the cold snap that accompanied it, most of the water pipes froze.

SEES WATERPOUT

Peculiar Freak of Water Manifested today on Coos Bay.

A peculiar freak of today's stormy weather was manifest by a miniature waterspout this afternoon about 1:30 along the east shore of the Bay. It was first noticed near the mouth of Willanch Inlet and traveled northward to Coos River and apparently turned up Coos River.

A number witnessed the strange sight. F. S. Dow estimated that the column of water swept before it was nearly 100 feet high at one time. Besides the column of water, a large wave resulted from the tour of the whirlwind or waterspout.

WIRES ARE DOWN

Shortly after noon today, the Western Union's wire between here and Roseburg went out of commission as a result of the storm. The long distance phone line is also out of commission and so for the time being, Coos Bay is isolated from the rest of the world.

In consequence of the wire trouble The Times today was able to receive only a small part of its regular Associated Press report.

It was reported that at points between here and Roseburg there is a foot or eighteen inches of snow in the mountains.

Advises from Portland last evening were that five inches of snow had fallen there.

ON MATRIMONIAL SEA.

Captain Robert Jones Embarks on New Sort of Cruise.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 10.—Captain Robert Jones has resigned as master of the gasoline schooner Anvil, plying between Portland and Oregon coast ports, and will try his luck instead on the matrimonial sea. He severed his connection with the ocean craft Saturday, coming ashore and steering a course for the courthouse, where he looked up County Clerk Fields before whom he took an examination for a license—not a master's and pilot's license, but representing papers which the skipper prizes more highly. He got the document by answering the questions satisfactorily about the location of the various beacons, buoys, aids and obstructions on the new sea which lay before him. Already he had chosen his lifemate—his first officer—who was Miss Gertrude Carew, a resident of Portland. They were married in this city Monday evening. Captain Jones and his bride will leave for Newport, where they will live.

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Pacific Coast Rate Case Injunction Opens Important Question Now.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF INTERSTATE COMMERCE

Commission Maintains Its Reduction For Rocky Mountain Cities Conservative.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 10.—A thorough judicial inquiry into the constitutionality of the long and short haul provision of the present Interstate Commerce Act will be the result, it is expected today, of the issuance yesterday by the Commerce Court of the temporary injunction in the Pacific Coast freight rate cases. The orders of the court received by the Interstate Commerce Commission brought expressions of surprise. In the judgment of the committee, the reductions of transcontinental freight rates as made by its orders were not only entirely reasonable, but conservative.

Full recognition, it was pointed out was given to the effect of ocean competition on the Pacific coast with transcontinental rail rates, but it was maintained by the commission that inter Rocky Mountain cities, like Spokane, Reno, Salt Lake City, Phoenix, were entitled to more favorable rates on west bound traffic originating in the east.

The question of the constitutionality of the fourth section of the interstate act, the long and short haul provision, it is realized by all interested, will have to be fought out in court. In their arguments before the commerce court in support of the temporary injunction, attorneys for transcontinental lines dwelt particularly on that phase of the case.

MEMORY LAPSE DUE TO EYES

Puzzling Case at Eugene Said to Be Result of Straining Vision in Dim Light.

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 10.—Dr. Lieberg, mother of Bernard Marvin, the unfortunate young civil engineer, who has recently passed through the experience of a most marvelous lapse of memory concerning his past life and who now imagines he is a lumber jack, has returned from Hillsboro where she inquired into the probable causes of her son's remarkable mental change and finds nothing in the least to his discredit. True, he left that place without paying his board bill, but that was his only unpaid bill and under the circumstances of his departure this could easily be excused.

She found that Bernard had been working on maps and almost every day he spent 12 or 14 hours over the drafting board working into the night with no better light than a small kerosene lamp, and following that day's work he would study 1 o'clock at night. He had conducted himself in an irreproachable manner and his habits were of the best so she has concluded that his trouble must have occurred from eye strain and severe mental labor.

Mr. Marvin still imagines he is George Lewis, a lumber jack, but talks intelligently and rationally on every other subject than his past personal history. He was a fine musician and played both the violin and piano with more than ordinary skill. Now he asserts that he never had a violin in his hands and never struck a note on a piano, that he is an ordinary laboring man and knows nothing of the finer forms of culture, although he talks with the language of a scholar, and still resents the advances of his mother in her attempts to convince him of his true relation to her.

EUGENE RAILWAY NEWS.

Southern Pacific and Western Pacific Get Busy There.

J. L. Buell, right-of-way agent of the Southern Pacific company is out along the line of the Coos Bay road closing up small ends in his work. The Willamette Falls Railway company has commenced condemnation proceedings through the property of Peter Ohlin, who is now residing in his native land, Norway, and will not return for some time.

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