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HOUSTON SUSTAINS \$10,000,000 DAMAGE FROM FIRE EARLY TODAY

Twenty-five Blocks in Residence, Warehouse and Factory Center Burned.

BLE FANS FLAMES; ENTIRE CITY ENDANGERED

Small Stream That Divides Town Enables Firemen to Stop Conflagration.

(Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 21.—Inflamed by a gale that swept in with the coldest northern winds of winter, flames swept through the eastern section of Houston early today and wiped out 25 blocks, causing loss of \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

Firemen put up a terrific fight, were unable to cope with the situation until Buffalo Bayou, a small stream that divides the eastern part of the city from the main section, was reached.

Many Lives Endangered. The road of the flames gave warning of the danger and hundreds of people, giving no heed to the cold, fled from their homes clad only in their night clothes.

ORDERS BRANDT BACK TO CALL

Accused Valet Returned to Prison Until Trial—Pardon Is Urged.

(Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Justice today sustained the writ of habeas corpus issued in the case of E. Brandt and ordered Brandt to be remanded to the Tombs prison.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 21.—Attorney General Carmody announced today that he had recommended to Governor Dix that Brandt be pardoned.

WOULD NAME MOUNTAIN FOR RAILROAD BUILDER PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 21.—In an effort to settle the old feud between Seattle and Tacoma over the great mountain called "Rainier" in Seattle and "Tacoma" in Tacoma, General Manager Hutchin of the Portland Rose Festival, has suggested that the peak be rechristened "Mount Jim Hill" in honor of the "empire builder."

FEAR STRIKE IN ENGLAND

Threatened Walkout of 800,000 Miners Will Affect Other Laborers.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Conditions throughout Great Britain, and particularly in the manufacturing districts of the North of England, are becoming rapidly worse as a result of the threatened coal strike, which, if it occurs at the end of the month, will throw 800,000 miners besides workers of other trades out of employment.

A BAD WRECK IN A TUNNEL

Freight and Passenger Collide—Impossible to Reach Burning Cars.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., Feb. 21.—A fierce fire with heavy explosions in the debris made it impossible for the wrecking crews today to reach the scene of collision of the passenger train and freight on the Boston & Maine Railroad inside the Hoosac tunnel.

EXPECT GILL TO WIN OUT

Mayor Who Was Recalled in Disgrace Year Ago Nominated Yesterday.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SEATTLE, Feb. 21.—Apparently Seattle has decided to give Hiram C. Gill, who was recalled from the office of Mayor in disgrace one year ago, another chance.

It is estimated at the registration office that 40 per cent of the 73,602 registered voters in Seattle are women and it is estimated by observers of the primary election that the proportion of women who voted about the same as that of the registration.

NOTICE. To those receiving invitations to the Modern Woodmen of America Social Dance, Feb. 24, the invitations should have read; gentlemen \$1.

INSURGENTS AND REGULARS UNITED

Republican Members of Congress Vote Solidly on Tariff for First Time Since Split in House.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—For the first time since the insurgent republicans broke away from the regulars in the fight on the petroleum duty in the Payne tariff bill in 1909 the republicans of the house today presented practically a solid front against the passage of the tariff revision bill.

TWO ARE HELD TO GRAND JURY

Head of Industrial Workers of the World Bound Over at Lawrence, Mass.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 21.—Joseph J. Eiter, leader of the Industrial Workers of the World in the local textile strike, and Arturo Giovannitti, his assistant, were held to the grand jury by Judge Mahoney in Police Court today, charged with being accessories before the fact in the murder of Anna Lohizzo.

MANY ARRIVE ON REDONDO

Steamer Has Rather Rough Trip Up the Coast—Sails Friday.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

The Redondo arrived in late from San Francisco with a capacity passenger list and a good cargo of miscellaneous freight. She had a rather rough trip up the coast, a stiff northwest wind prevailing all the time.

TAKES LARGE SUM IN BANK

Earl Stannard, Missing Pomona Bookkeeper, \$149,000 Short in Accounts.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21.—Earl Stannard, the missing bookkeeper of the American National Bank of Pomona, whose alleged defalcations were found yesterday to aggregate \$149,000 instead of \$5000 as was at first thought, is hiding in this vicinity according to information said to be in possession of the authorities of Pomona.

NOTICE TO ELKS. All members of Marshfield Lodge of Elks, No. 1160, B. P. O. E., are requested to be present at meeting tonight. Election of temporary secretary and balloting for candidates. C. F. McKnight, Exalted Ruler.

vote of 178 to 217. With the passage of the chemical revision by the house today another democratic tariff measure was added to the senate calendar. The steel bill is pending in the senate, where only a coalition of progressive republicans and democrats can pass it.

The insurgents opposed the measure on the ground that the revision was upward instead of downward. "This bill has no support from the independent voters of the House, because it is a rank case of upward revision," said Representative Murdock of Kansas.

HOUSE PROBE BEGINS SOON

Investigation of Sensational Removal of Adjutant General Ainsworth.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—An investigation of the charge that led to the sensational removal of Adjutant General Ainsworth was authorized today by the House committee on military affairs in reporting the Watkins resolution requiring the Secretary of War to submit to Congress all the documents bearing on the alleged insubordination.

SPOKANE NOW SEEKS REFUND

Shippers Ask for \$2,000,000 Reparation for Exorbitant Freight Rates.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—As a sequel to the Interstate Commerce Commission's decision in the famous "Spokane rate case" that freight charges to and from Spokane are unreasonable and exorbitant, shippers of that city today made a demand on the various Northwestern and transcontinental lines for \$2,000,000 reparation.

The complaint against the railroads filed with the Commission and covers alleged excessive freight charges exacted during 1910 and 1911.

ROOSEVELT TALKS IN OHIO

Expresses His Views on Some Questions Pending in State Convention.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 21.—Politicians all over Ohio came to Columbus today to hear Theodore Roosevelt express his views on matters pending in the convention which have been the subject of political debate throughout the state.

Smoking hot REAL CHICKEN tamales at Staffords.

AMERICANS IN MEXICO ASK PROTECTION OF UNITED STATES

DID NOT KNOW IT WAS LOADED

St. Louis Woman Who Shot Her Husband to Death Is Acquitted.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Clara Murray was acquitted today of the charge of murdering her husband. She shot him with a cat rifle last October after, according to her testimony, he had kicked her.

YUAN SHI KAI'S PLANS

New President of China Wants to Advance Chinese.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—A cablegram has been received from Yuan Shi Kai, the president of the Chinese republic, in which he notifies the Chinese of the world of his election.

BUILD VESSEL AT NORTH BEND

Capt. Reynolds Awards Contract for Gasoline Schooner to Kruse & Banks.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—It is the largest single case of reparation ever brought before the Commission. In its determination of the "Spokane rate case" the Commission made a material reduction in freight rates to and from Spokane. The refund asked is the difference between the old rates and those fixed by the Commission as reasonable.

OUTLINE PLAN OF COAST LINE

Southern Pacific's Move Towards Extension from Tillamook to Coos Bay.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

The Portland Telegram publishes the following additional particulars about the proposed Coast line of the Southern Pacific, news of which was printed in The Times a few days ago.

This line would give the Harriman interests a continuous belt line with Portland, Eugene, Tillamook and Coos Bay points as the important terminals. The ground covered by Hoey and Fontaine is a richly productive one, which has not had the proper industrial or agricultural development simply because the territory lacked suitable transportation facilities.

AMERICANS IN Claim That Robber Bands Are Looting and Destroying Their Property.

ANARCHY WIDESPREAD SOUTH OF RIO GRANDE

Rebels Apparently Only Need One Leader to Start Big Revolution.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Advice from Mexico to the State Department today indicate wide spread anarchy south of the Rio Grande. Several cities and towns are reported to be in the hands of the rebels. Protests by Americans against robberies are multiplying and robber bands are operating without apparent interruption throughout the republic.

ARAGO MAKES PORT SUNDAY

Vessel From Coos Bay Reaches San Diego Badly Shattered by Storm.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

The barkentine Arago of the Simpson fleet, concerning which much apprehension was felt, reached San Diego Sunday in a badly disabled condition. She was a couple of weeks overdue. A San Diego dispatch gives the following particulars of her hazardous voyage:

Thirty-three days out from Coos Bay, its pumps manned and its decks water-washed, the barkentine Arago, Captain Verzon, made port late Sunday afternoon, after one of the hardest voyages recently reported on the southern coast.

Sea Overtakes Vessel. The compass and binnacle box were torn away with the first waves. Though the ship was running with the wind, the storm was the faster and for hours the sea broke over the vessel, carrying away the lifeboat and a portion of the cargo.

DISSIPATED ROBINS DRUNK UPON BERRIES LYERLY, Ga., Feb. 21.—Robbins in this vicinity have acquired habits of insobriety. The bird "licker" that intoxicates them is believed to be obtained from Chinaberries, which grow in profusion near here.

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