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IMPROVEMENTS AT SMITH MILL

Contract for Electric Plant Practically Closed—Figure On Suction Dredge.

The C. A. Smith company will close the contract today or tomorrow with the C. C. Moore company, of San Francisco, for the machinery and equipment for the new electrical power plant which they will install here.

The plans call for two turbines, one 2000 kilowatts and one 500 kilowatts. The smaller turbine is to be ready for service in three months and the whole plant is to be completed within six months.

REPORT IS DENIED.

Italian Government Says Warship Is Not Lost.

ROME, Italy, May 3.—The Italian government denies that the battleship "Re Umberto" was driven on the rocks and sunk on the Tripolitan coast, near Zuara.

FATAL FIGHT OVER A GAME OF CARDS

ATLANTA, Ga., May 3.—Two men fought with knives here today until C. Richard Harper, said to belong to a prominent Jacksonville, Fla., family, was killed, and Kell Potts, his opponent, was dangerously wounded. The two men quarreled over a game of cards.

SATURDAY SPECIAL—10c granular sale. Many NEW THINGS in PEOPLE'S 5, 10 and 15 CENT STORE.

ANGEL FOOD and HONEY NOGAT—35c POUND at STAPFORD'S SATURDAY and SUNDAY.

ROOSEVELT TO WIN DISTRICT

Republican Primaries at Spokane and Eastern Washington Give Him Lead.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SPOKANE, Wn., May 3.—Results of the republican primaries yesterday practically assure a solid Roosevelt delegation of sixty-one delegates from Spokane county to the state convention at Aberdeen. The returns received at the present time show Roosevelt will have 304 delegates to the county convention tomorrow with 216 necessary control.

ROOSEVELT HAS CONTROL

Has More Than 100 Over Necessary Number at Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 3.—Complete returns from the precincts give Roosevelt 301 1/2 delegates, Taft 46 and La Follette 3 1/2. The county precincts where the primaries were held last Saturday selected 29 1/2 Roosevelt delegates, assuring the Roosevelt forces of 331 votes in the county convention with 216 necessary to control.

ASK RECOUNT IN BAY STATE

Politics in Massachusetts Badly Muddled As Result of Contests.

BOSTON, May 3.—The filing today of petitions for primary recounts may delay until June the issuing of certificates of election of the delegates to the Chicago and Baltimore national conventions. Petitions for recounts were filed by the Taft managers in nearly all the cities and large towns. Recounts also were asked in many congressional districts and by the Roosevelt delegates in the eight and 10 districts where press returns gave Taft the delegates by narrow margins.

TREATY CALLED OFF

Canada Objects to Amendments to Fisheries Agreement.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 3.—The Canadian government is expected to withdraw its approval of the proposed international fisheries treaty in a few days. The failure of the United States senate to ratify the proposed arrangement is the cause. The treaty was ratified by the Canadian House but not the United States senate which made certain amendments objectionable to Canada.

PROBE IS CONTINUED

English Investigation of Titanic Disaster Resumed Today.

LONDON, May 3.—Sir Rufus Isaacs, attorney general, continued with the wreck commission today to hear testimony in connection with the wreck of the Titanic. Lord Mersey, who heads the commission, granted permission to the Seamen's Union and the Imperial Mercantile Guild to be represented at the hearing. Particular attention was directed to the equipment of vessel and her speed as she entered the iceberg sea.

FREE!—Boat tickets free with every HAT bought at the VOGUE MILLINERY, NORTH BEND.

RADICAL CHANGES FOR METHODISTS

Twenty-four Bishops of Church Request That Restriction On Amusements Be Withdrawn.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 3.—"The American people are too far advanced to longer be restricted by church rules as to what their amusements shall be. The rules prohibiting dancing, card playing, gambling and going to theaters, circuses and horse races therefore should be abolished." This is the gist of a report presented today to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church by an order of the bishops.

COMPENSATION BILL ATTACKED

Senator Reed Scores Proposed Workmen's Legislation In Senate.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Senator Reed of Missouri on resuming his speech on the workmen's compensation bill in the Senate today denounced the measure as the most revolutionary legislation undertaken for twenty years. He said it would wipe out all common laws and rights as well as the statutes and acts of congress.

Reed asserted that labor organizations as such had no opportunity to pass on the merits of the pending bill and took the position that no friend of organization labor such as himself could afford to vote for it in absence of their approval. Senator Overman said the railroad men who had come to Washington to protest when the bill was before the judiciary committee failed to even enter the room. He stated that one of the men said to him that if he made a protest he would lose his insurance and be expelled by others from his order. Reed replied that this was evidence the men had been corrupted by others which he said would be saved many millions by the enactment of the proposed law.

TRY TO END MEXICAN WAR

Peace Commission Named to Treat Direct With Revolutionists There.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The appointment by the Mexican congress of a peace commission to treat directly with the revolutionists is considered by the State Department officials to be significant. It is believed to indicate that the Mexican congress is determined to act on its own initiative in endeavoring to terminate the war. No indication has reached here whether President Madero has given his approval.

Conditions at Salina Cruz are becoming serious, according to reports The British cruiser, Algerine, will reach Mazatlan on the west coast of Mexico in a week to take aboard the British refugees who desire to depart. Similar service is being performed on the east coast by the cruiser Melpomene.

CONDITION IN MEXICO

Little Prospect of Improvement in Conditions There.

HOUSTON, Tex., May 3.—U. S. Marshal Brewster has just returned from the Mexican border and is of the opinion that little peace or betterment in the conditions in Mexico will result in the near future and that other than intervention there is little to be done on the part of the United States. Americans are subjected to constant petty insults from Mexicans.

NEW POLITICAL BILL.

Prohibits All Government Employees from Special Activity.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Representative Hull of Texas, a democrat, today introduced a bill intended to prevent government employees from participating in presidential campaigns or having official connection with any organization or movement looking to such election. The bill would impose a fine of five hundred dollars and summary dismissal.

WHEAT \$2 PER CWT. SATURDAY AT HAINES.

port presented today to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church by an order of the bishops. In recommending the radical change, the 24 active bishops stipulated the church should not be indifferent on these subjects, but that the people should be left to judge for themselves what are right or wrong amusements. Before them the only injunction is that of John Wesley forbids "the taking of such diversions as cannot be taken in the name of the Lord, Jesus," gambling is condemned and the line not drawn between the race track gambler and the stock market player.

PAPERS TIED UP BY STRIKE

Leading Dailies Have Difficulty Printing and Distributing Publications Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

CHICAGO, May 3.—The differences between the pressmen and the publishers of the principal Chicago dailies today assumed the aspect of a determined contest, although the prospects of settlement are believed by some not far distant. Limited editions of the afternoon papers were printed and carried from the newspaper offices by wagons under guard.

LEVEE GONE; EIGHT DROWN

Rush of Mississippi Flood Waters Over Louisiana Lowlands Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 3.—Eight are reported to have been drowned this afternoon when the Mississippi levee, near Morgansea, La., broke, flooding the surrounding country. Later.—It is denied that levee at Morgansea has gone out or that there was any loss of life. The situation, however, is desperate.

TO CONTINUE WORK ON LINE

INTEREST CENTERS IN TERMINAL MEETING AND COUNCIL MEETING TONIGHT.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

Interest in the local railway situation today centered in the meeting of the directors of the Terminal Railway to be held this afternoon and the meeting of the Marshfield city council tonight to consider the Southern Pacific's application for a franchise. The meeting of the Terminal Railway directors is private but it is not unlikely that a new statement will be issued by them relative to their attitude on the Southern Pacific's proposition. C. S. Winsor came down from North Bend to attend the meeting.

The council meeting tonight promises to be a rather lively one. It is understood that C. J. Mills will present the draft of his revised franchise. No marked changes, so far as could be ascertained today, have been made in the franchise. However, the discussion tonight may result in some. It is expected that City Engineer Gidley will make a special report on the effect the changes in the Broadway grade, desired by the Southern Pacific, would have on intersecting streets.

Many were of the opinion today that the Terminal Railway and Southern Pacific would get together whereby both lines would use Front street. In case they don't, it is estimated there may be a bitter legal fight over the location of tracks. Construction on the Terminal Railway is being pushed ahead. Today some men resumed work on tearing up the North Front street pavement for the track and another force is at work on South Broadway north from Elrod.

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FOOTE JURY UNABLE TO AGREE; IS DISCHARGED THIS AFTERNOON

SHOOTING AT SOUTH SLOUGH

Two Shots Fired at William Joiner and Tom Talbot Near Scene of Evans Murder.

According to reports from South Slough, a second assassination nearly occurred there the other night. Owing to the recent mysterious murder of Jacob Evans, near the scene of the second attempted shooting, the affair has caused quite a stir. The story is that William Joiner, who first discovered the Evans murder, and Tom Talbot, who was visiting at the Joiner ranch, heard a noise about the premises late in the evening. They went outside to see what the trouble was. Their appearance was quickly followed by two rifle shots, the bullets imbedding themselves in a building nearby. Who could have fired the bullets or what their motive was is a mystery. This will probably result in hastening the investigation of the Evans murder. Nothing new has developed in the affair aside from the investigation of the story of the half-breed woman whose forecast of the Evans murder recently came to light.

It is also understood that an effort is being made to locate a young man whom Evans had employed on his ranch last winter and to whom P. A. Grafton, a nephew of Jacob Evans, referred in one of his recent letters. But little is known of the youth's identity. For some time past, there have been a number of hard characters in the South Slough section and there has been much turmoil there. Once or twice the officers have considered the advisability of starting a crusade to drive them out of that country, but nothing has ever been done.

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Fail to Convict Aged Slayer of Charles Wilcox at Coquille Today.

ONLY ONE JUROR WAS FOR ACQUITTAL

Balance Unable to Unite On Degree of Guilt—Court Adjourns.

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Ore., May 3.—The jury in the case of W. R. Foote, indicted on the charge of murder in the second degree for the killing of Chas. Wilcox on the streets of Coquille a few months ago, reported disagreement a 3 o'clock this afternoon and were ordered discharged by Judge Benson. The case went to the jury at ten o'clock last night. The failure to agree was not unexpected, in fact many who had followed the trial throughout had predicted it.

According to an unofficial report, the jurors stood six for an insanity verdict, one for acquittal, two for manslaughter and three for second degree murder when the last ballot was taken. As a result of the disagreement, a new trial will be required. Just when it will be brought up again, is not known. Judge Benson gave written instructions to the jury, the gist of them being that Foote should be found guilty unless the jury considered that the defense had proved beyond a reasonable doubt that Foote was insane when he killed Wilcox.

Four forms of verdict were furnished to the jury. One was not guilty because Foote was insane, one of second degree murder and one of manslaughter. The jurors in the Foote case were: C. C. Carter, J. W. Offield, F. L. Lowe, George Cox, F. A. Golden, M. M. Young, H. B. Weigard, T. E. King, D. Meyers, J. W. Hildebrand, G. W. Kaufman and A. E. Betts.

Immediately after the report of the jury, Judge Benson adjourned court until May 13 when Judge Coke will convene it again. Judge Benson has to leave tomorrow on the Breakwater for his home at Klamath Falls.

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