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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLD SNAP WORST KNOWN IN THAT SECTION

Thermometer Drops to 24 at San Diego, the Coldest in Its History.

TREMENDOUS DAMAGE TO THE CITRUS FRUITS CROP

of Smoke from Smudge Pots in Orchards Over-spreads Section.

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—Dense fog of smoke of smudge pots in the orange groves overspread today the citrus region of southern California in an effort to prevent tremendous damage from the cold. Ice rained everywhere. Killing frosts spread on shelves in the foot hills. The temperature at Pomona was 24 and fifteen per cent of the citrus was ruined.

San Diego experienced the coldest weather in its history, with a minimum of 24.

Los Angeles' minimum was 30 degrees.

COLD IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Weather Most Severe Known There Since 1888.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Relief from the biting cold, the sharpest since January, 1888, was promised today by the weather bureau here. From the northern and central portions of the state the forecast is warmer weather tonight. For southern California, the change would not come until tomorrow.

COLD SNAP IS FELT ON BAY

Thermometer Drops to Twenty Above Zero Here Saturday and Sunday.

COLDER WEATHER.

The government records show that January 3, last year the thermometer registered 22 and on January 3, 1910, it recorded 19 above zero. This was the coldest it has been on Coos Bay in the ten years that the government weather bureau has kept a record of the Coos Bay weather. However, about 30 years ago, old residents report that Coos River froze across and it was much colder.

Saturday night, Sunday and last night gave Coos Bay the coldest weather it has experienced in a long time.

Saturday night and last night, the thermometer fell to twenty degrees above zero, but most people thought it was much colder than that.

Although the sun came out for a short time yesterday, it did not eliminate the chill from the air, or thaw the frost from the sidewalks.

Many water pipes around town were frozen yesterday and this morning. Much of this could have been eliminated by leaving faucets running a little, but few thought that it would be cold enough to affect the pipes.

Whether fruit or shrubbery was damaged, could not be ascertained.

The cold wave was scheduled to general throughout the United States according to the government forecast in The Times last Saturday.

It is stated that the cold snap was coming Saturday morning in Alaska and the North Pacific, and was traveling south and easterly, and would embrace most of the continent, and probably bring the coldest weather in a long time to many points.

Parties in from North Inlet report that the ice was half an inch thick on the headwater and that the launch had a little difficulty in cutting through the ice.

Old Stutsman, engineer of the Marshfield Fire Department, reports that all of the hydrants, except three in the down town section, were frozen this morning. He did not have time to examine the others in the suburbs, but presumes that they were frozen. It is the first time in many years that so many hydrants were frozen.

NEILL NAMED AGAIN.

Commissioner of Labor Reappointed by President Taft.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—President Taft has renominated Charles Neill to be Commissioner of Labor.

SEATTLE GETS SOME RESPIRE

Not Quite So Cold Yesterday—Fear Snowslides Wash-outs and Floods.

Seattle, Jan. 6.—The lowest temperature in Seattle this morning was 25, compared with 22 yesterday morning. A light snow is falling, and with the rising temperature rain may result. Moderate weather, without rain, is greatly desired in Western Washington because of the enormous snow cover in the mountains, which will cause slides, washouts and floods unless it is carried away gradually.

BRIDGE PERMIT REPORT O. K'D

Senator Bourne Wires That Sec. Stimson Approves Bixby's Plans.

North Bend Joy. North Bend this morning gave vent to its joy over the granting of the permit to bridge Coos Bay by blowing its factory whistles half an hour. Other demonstrations on the street gave vent to the satisfaction of the residents.

"Secretary of War, Stimson, has approved of General Bixby's recommendations for the authorization of the bridge across Coos Bay and the parties interested will be notified at once."

This was the text of a delayed telegram from Washington by Senator Bourne to the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce. The message was dated Jan. 4, and was mailed from Roseburg here.

This is thought to be the final action on the question of bridging the Bay and it is now expected that the Southern Pacific will immediately begin plans for starting construction of the bridge. The structure will cost in the neighborhood of a million dollars, it is thought.

DAY'S DOINGS IN CONGRESS

Senate Considers Campaign Investigation—The House Takes Up New Bills.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The senate considered an amendment to enlarge the powers of the campaign funds investigating committee.

Senator Bristow's bill for an industrial commission to control corporations with a power similar to that of the interstate commerce commission was read.

Gompers at the judiciary committee hearing on anti-injunction and contempt bills, advocated these bills and discussed for the first time publicly the conspiracy cases.

The court of impeachment renewed the trial of Archbold.

The house considered legislation on the unanimous consent calendar.

The ways and means committee began the tariff revision hearings, listening to the manufacturers' objections to a reduction on chemicals.

The money trust committee resumed its hearings.

SHORT IN ACCOUNTS.

County Clerk Allen, Father-in-law of Clifford Benson, Dead.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 6.—County Clerk Allen of Marion County, who was drowned in the Y. M. C. A. swimming pool here last week is reported to be short in his account, and this has given cause to a rumor that his death was not accidental, as was at first reported. Clifford Benson of Gardiner, Oregon, a son of the late Gov. F. W. Benson, is a son-in-law of Mr. Allen.

Have your job printing done at The Times office.

TURKEY MAKES SLIGHT CONCESSION

Sultan's Envoys Make Counter Proposition to Balkan Ultimatum—Indefinite Delay in Negotiations.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—At the peace conference today between the delegates of the Balkan States and Turkey, the Turkish envoys offered to make further concessions which were considered by the Balkan plenipotentiaries sufficient to prevent the threatened rupture in the negotiations. The peace negotiations will be resumed, but the date of the meeting was not fixed at the conclusion of today's session. The Ottoman delegates presented a long statement in which they spoke of Turkey's earnest desire to reach a settlement, but offered no important concessions. They remained adamant upon the subject of Adrianople. Delegates of the allies then adjourned to consider the latest Turkish offer and upon returning presented a counter statement, adding that as the Turks had not met their terms they must ask an adjournment without date. The delegates then subsequently emphasized the state-

ment that the negotiations had not been broken off. By "suspending the sittings," the delegates of the allied Balkan Nations claim to have left the next move to the Turks. Reshad Pasha, they say, has the alternative of presenting fresh proposals, which shall follow closely the demands of the Balkan League, and this resuming conference, or if adhering to the Turkish claim for the retention of the fortress of Adrianople and rupturing further negotiations.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—An important advance was made by the Turks in meeting the demands of the Balkan allies, according to opinion expressed by representatives of Bulgaria in regard to the new Ottoman proposals as to the future of the frontier between Bulgaria and Turkey. The Ottoman delegates are expected to present a definite project during today's sitting of the conference, suggesting that the western frontier of Turkey should follow the course of the rivers Maritza and Tundje, the Turks to maintain the fortress at Adrianople, but to abandon Kirk Killiseh.

DEMOCRATS TO REVISE TARIFF

Hearings for General Revision at Next Session of Congress Begin Today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The Democratic revision of the tariff actually got under way today when the House ways and means committee began the hearing which would be the basis of the new tariff bill at the next congress, to repeal the Payne-Aldrich law. The committee plans to go down through the list, taking a new schedule every other day, until all are covered. Most of the Democratic majority of the present ways and means committee will go into the next congress, which will convene in extra session, probably between March 15 and early April.

MERGER CASE PLAN ILLEGAL

Union Pacific Cannot Transfer Its S. P. Stock to Its Stockholders.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The U. S. supreme court held today that the plan advanced by the Union Pacific attorneys for disposing of the entire stock holdings of the Union Pacific railroad company, in the Southern Pacific company, by transfer to the stockholders of the Union Pacific company would not effectually end the Union Pacific merger so as to comply with its dissolution decree.

The Union Pacific attorney claimed for the Union Pacific stockholders, the exclusive privilege of taking over the \$126,650,000 worth of Southern Pacific stock, which the supreme court found the Union Pacific railroad company owns in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. Attorney General Wickensham opposed any plan that gave the Union Pacific stock holders an exclusive privilege of buying the Southern Pacific stock in question. He was willing to approve, however, of a plan for Union Pacific stockholders to share in the distribution with the Southern Pacific stockholders, other than the Union Pacific Railroad company.

FATAL WRECK NEAR SEATTLE

Passenger and Freight in a Head-On Collision Near Thorp, Washington.

SEATTLE, Jan. 6.—In a head-on collision early this morning at Thorp, Washington, between a St. Paul train, eastbound, and a freight, Calvin O'Daniels, of Seattle, engineer on the passenger train was killed. No passengers were hurt. The wreck was due to an alleged misunderstanding of orders by the freight crew.

RAILWAYS WIN IN HIGH COURT

Express and Railroad Companies Victors by Revolutionary Decision.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Railroads and express companies won today a revolutionary decision in the United States supreme court, when it was held that contracts limiting to small sums their liability for loss of shipments were not subject to state laws, but to interstate laws. It was further held that contracts limiting liability to a small sum in return for a low rate, were not in violation of the interstate commerce laws, particularly the Carmack amendment. Scores upon scores of such contracts have been held void by state laws.

FORGES CHECK TO FREE WIFE

H. D. Colyer of Roseburg Gives Novel Excuse for Crime in Portland.

PORTLAND, Jan. 6.—So his wife might gain a divorce from him when he becomes a convict a man giving the name of H. D. Colyer of Roseburg, Ore., recently wrote a check on the Umpqua Valley Bank of Roseburg (giving the check to Charles A. Everett of the Rose City pharmacy. In a letter which he wrote to Mr. Everett yesterday he said that the check was to be the means of getting him a penitentiary sentence, which would give his wife ground for divorce. He has not since been found.

Mr. Everett received the letter on Friday, after the return of the check from the Roseburg bank, where it was said that not sufficient funds remained in Colyer's name to cover the \$25 drawing. The letter read in part: "I have heard that if a man is sent to state's prison that will give his wife excuse for a divorce. I don't believe in such things. But the poor woman is not allowed to live with me, so if she can find whoever her mother wants her to have, she may be better off. I never mistreated her, and I love her.

"Arrest and prosecute me, Mr. Everett, so I will get at least one year in the state penitentiary, so that my wife can get her divorce. As soon as I am convicted your money will be paid back."

Colyer has not appeared in Portland since the receipt of the letter. Mr. Everett told Patrolman Odale that he was perfectly willing to prosecute if the man can be found.

CARD OF APPRECIATION.

To the people of Marshfield and especially to the many kind friends who by words of sympathy and more substantial aid made our loss by fire less hard to bear, we extend our most grateful appreciation and thanks. We are now located in our new home at the corner of Second and Cedar streets and take up our work again with renewed hope and good cheer. MR. AND MRS. A. J. STEPHAN. The Nann Smith is due in early tomorrow morning from Bay Point.

SAMUEL GOMPERS SAYS UNIONS WILL STAND BEHIND OFFICERS

JACK JOHNSON CASE CALLED

Hearing on 'White Slave' Indictments Postponed Pending Decision.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Eight indictments, charging Jack Johnson, with alleged violations of the Mann white slave act, were called before Federal Judge Carpenter today. His hearing was indefinitely deferred because a decision is expected by the United States supreme court on the constitutionality of the act, within a few weeks. Johnson's attorneys attacked the constitutionality of the Mann act before the United States supreme court shortly after the indictments were returned against him by the federal grand jury in Chicago.

FRED KLAHN PASSES AWAY

Well Known Empire Man Succumbs to Paralysis After Brief Illness.

Fred Klahn, a well known Empire man, died at Mercy hospital at North Bend this morning, after a brief illness.

Mr. Klahn spent most of his time for the last forty-one years on Coos Bay. For a time he was engaged in fishing on the Columbia and also on Coos Bay. About four years ago, when his brother Wm. Klahn died, he succeeded him in the liquor business at Empire, and has since been located there.

He was unmarried. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Wilson's Chapel. The North Bend Order of Owls will have charge of the funeral.

Mrs. R. J. Brooks of Bay City is reported quite ill at her home there.

Mrs. A. G. Griffiths, an aged resident of Plat B, is reported quite ill.

E. H. Squire of Ferndale, who has been quite sick, is reported improving.

Mrs. Wm. Robinson of Coaledo is all at the Blanco Hotel.

Ferdinand Klahn was born in Neustadt, Holstein, Germany, in 1850. He came to Coos Bay and located at Empire in 1871.

His death today marks the death of four brothers within four years.

COTTON CORNER CASE TO TRIAL

Jas. A. Patten and Associates Must Face Music for Board of Trade Deal.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Upholding certain disputed counts against James A. Patten and others charged with violation of the Sherman anti-trust law in running a so-called cotton corner, the United States supreme court today sent the case against the men to trial in the lower courts.

Patten, Eugene G. Scales, Frank B. Hay, Payne and Wm. P. Brown were indicted on a charge of conspiracy on January 1, 1910, to "corner" cotton by extensive buying on the New York Cotton Exchange, as a result of which the prices would be enhanced and ultimately bring arbitrary and excessive prices. The conspiracy was described as calculated to yield ten million dollars profits.

Says Organized Labor Will Not Repudiate Men Convicted at Indianapolis.

SCORES ORGANIZATIONS OF THE MANUFACTURERS

Says That Every Union Man Feels Result of Indianapolis Cases Keenly.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking today before the Senate sub-committee on judiciary in favor of the Clayton anti-injunction and contempt bills, gave answers to the criticisms aimed at the organization which he heads because of the trial and conviction for dynamiting of officers of the Structural Ironworkers' Union. The statement included an assault upon the employers and manufacturers' association, particularly on the United States Steel Corporation and the National Erectors' Association. Gompers declared that organized labor would not repudiate the Structural Ironworkers' Union "and leave them helpless and at the mercy of organized capital and insatiable, unscrupulous greed for profits." Gompers declared "none feel the terrific consequences of the Indianapolis trial more keenly than the men of organized labor. There have been added heartaches and sorrows to our already heavy burdens. The men accused and sentenced cannot suffer the penalties alone. Upon them and all working men fall the suffering and penalties."

BIG BUSINESS CURB PLANNED

Industrial Commission to Regulate Interstate Concerns; Like R. R. Commission.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Senator Bristow of Kansas presented to the Senate today a proposal for an industrial commission of seven members to take over the work of the bureau of corporations and exercise control over all persons, firms or corporations doing interstate business with gross receipts of more than five millions per year. In explaining the bill to the Senate, he said it proposed to create a body similar to the interstate commerce commission to have the same power over industrial concerns that the latter exercises over the transportation companies.

YOUNG COUPLE WEDDED SUNDAY

Otis Wilson of Marshfield and Miss Juliette Buffard of Portland Wed Here.

Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Otis Wilson, jeweler at the Red Cross, and Miss Juliette Buffard of Portland were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Birch, Rev. H. I. Rutledge, officiating.

The bride's birth place is Paris, France, but for some time she has been teacher of foreign languages in one of the Portland high schools. It was in that city that the young couple made their first acquaintance, about two years ago. The bride has traveled extensively and is highly accomplished in music and foreign languages. Mr. Wilson, formerly of Michigan, has been identified with the Red Cross Drug Company for over a year and a half.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will make their home in an apartment at Tenth and Elrod, which Mr. Wilson had prepared for them.

After the ceremony, Mrs. Birch, assisted by Miss Edie Church, served a delightful three course luncheon to the wedding party. The house was prettily decorated for the occasion.

Those present were: Rev. H. I. Rutledge, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Birch, Miss Edie Church and Clax Church.

Cold weather—Buy a Perfection Oil Stove at the Pioneer Hardware Co.