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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS SWEEPED BY WORST FLOOD IN YEARS

Eight Inches of Rain in Thirty-two Hours Causes Terrific Losses

STREETS OF CITIES LIKE MILL RACES

Los Angeles and Many Surrounding Cities Hurt—Citrus Belt Damaged

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 19.—Five counties of southern California were flood-bound as the result of a downpour which started at midnight Tuesday and yielded from six to eight inches of rain in the thirty-two hours ending this morning. Railroad traffic is demoralized. In the cities of Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Pomona, Redlands, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ontario the streets were turned into mill races.

Storm drains were overtaxed and irrigation ditches widened into lakes. Bridges were torn out. Throughout the citrus belt washouts and belated trains are reported. In some sections the Los Angeles streets were under ten feet of water for a period. One of the telegraph companies reported that seventy-five per cent of the wires were useless.

Arizona is virtually cut off from wire communication. Retaining walls at various points in the foothill region of the orange growing section collapsed under the weight of water and sent floods swirling through the orchards, inflicting great damage. Several houses collapsed in Los Angeles. In many sections the people used boats to navigate the streets.

AVOIDS JAPS IN TESTIMONY

Commissioner Caminetti Says It is Urgent to Exclude Hindus Now

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—Japanese phase of Asiatic immigration was avoided by Commissioner General Caminetti when he testified before the House committee urging immediate legislation to restrict Hindu immigration. He said Hindu exclusion was an emergency matter.

MICHIGAN MINE PROBE.

Investigation of Christmas Disaster to Be Speeded.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
HANCOCK, Mich., Feb. 19.—Counsel for the Western Federation of Miners withdrew their request for full information of the Itabian hall disaster at Calumet, stating to the congressional committee that counsel had decided that "no good purpose could be subserved by such inquiry," provided the two sides could agree on a statement of facts to be inserted in the record. The strikers expected to conclude their evidence in the next three days.

UNDERWOOD IS NAMED.

Georgian Assistant Attorney General in Place of Denison.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—E. Marvin Underwood of Atlanta has been named by President Wilson for assistant attorney general in place of Winfred T. Denison, who went to the Philippine Commission.

BIG HARBOR PLANNED

Oakland and Other Cities and Government to Spend \$5,000,000

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 19.—Within two weeks the completed outline for the harbors of Oakland and the other East Bay cities will be sent to the Board of Rivers and Harbors engineers of the War Department at Washington, according to word received by Lieutenant Colonel Thomas H. Ross, United States Army engineer, who has been working on the plan for several years. About \$5,000,000 will be spent on the establishment of a uniform harbor system for Oakland and the other cities and the work will be finished by 1918. The project includes a 1200-foot channel dredged to a depth sufficient to accommodate the deepest ocean-going steamers. The cost of the work will be equally divided between the Federal Government and the cities interested in the project. Oakland, Richmond, Albany, Berkeley and Emeryville will be the main factors involved in the great waterfront opening.

BAND DANCE, EAGLE'S HALL, FEBRUARY 21.

BOY LOST IN SANTA BARBARA

Bank of Streams Throws Him Into Torrent—Flood Relief in Sight

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Feb. 19.—Flood conditions were improved here considerably today. The sun broke through the clouds for a short time. The body of Emmet Osterman, the boy who was drowned when he was thrown into Mission Creek by a caving bank yesterday, has not been recovered. Tracks and bridges are washed out and it will be several days before traffic is restored.

FRANK CHANCE HERO OF FLOOD

Brother of Noted Baseball Manager Saves Relatives and Two Others

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
GLENORA, Calif., Feb. 19.—Frank Chance, manager of the Yankees, saved the lives of his brother-in-law, Carl Panekke, and two other men in floods caused by the storm yesterday. Panekke and his two companions were riding in an automobile when a retaining wall gave way and loosed a flood five feet deep. The automobile was overturned and the men were swept through an orchard, near Chance's place. Chance witnessed the accident and procuring ropes floated them down to where the imperilled men were hanging to trees. All managed to grasp the ropes and were dragged to safety.

4 DEAD AND 31 HURT BY CARS

Slippery Rails Blamed for Streetcar Wreck in Indianapolis Last Night

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 19.—The thirty-one persons who were injured in a street car accident here last night, in which four men were killed, were said to be in an improved condition today. It is believed that the death list will not be increased. Slippery rails is held responsible for the accident. A heavy traction freight ran into a street car.

BOY TRAVELS FAR ALL ALONE

Fred Brooks, Aged Eleven, Makes Trip From Michigan to Coos Co. Alone

Frank Brooks, aged eleven, was among the passengers arriving on the Breakwater this morning and the little fellow had made the trip from Michigan here alone. He was en route to Bandon to join his father, his parents having become estranged and the father coming to Bandon. The latter sent \$29 back to his little son and told him to come west and join him. The boy started and made the trip alone. He is a bright little chap and his array of clothing attracted considerable attention. However, the clothing that had been handed down to him by a chap much older did not dim his cheer and brightness and he soon won a host of friends among the passengers on the Breakwater, who got up a little purse to rig him out properly. A. J. Mendel headed the purse and it was arranged that he would be fitted out with a jaunty little outfit here so that he could meet his father in style.

BAND DANCE, EAGLE'S HALL, FEBRUARY 21.

KELLEY INQUEST WILL BE HELD HERE THIS EVENING

Sheriff Gage and District Attorney Liljeqvist and Prisoners Will Probably be Present.

The inquest over John Kelley, the victim of the shooting scrape at Henryville Sunday night, will be concluded at Coroner Wilson's office this evening, beginning at 7 o'clock. The evidence at the inquest may be more complete than was first expected, in order to furnish District Attorney Liljeqvist with some missing links in the chain of circumstantial evidence which is being formed in the case. He is said to have failed to gain as much information from Jimmy Ferrati and the other Italian suspects who are in custody at Coquille yesterday afternoon as he had expected to secure and hence the probability of a detailed investigation at the inquest tonight.

Today noon, District Attorney Liljeqvist, Sheriff Gage and County Road Commissioner P. M. Hall-Lewis and the four prisoners came out to Henryville and will go over the scene of the shooting. Hall-Lewis brought his instruments along to measure the distance and prepare a little sketch showing the lay of the land, location of the houses and courses traveled by the men. The four prisoners will go over the scene again and will be closely questioned. As to what they tell will probably depend whether they will be called as witnesses tonight before the coroner's jury. It is likely that all of them will come to Marshfield on the evening train. W. T. Moffett, cashier at the Beaver Hill mine, was in Marshfield today and said that Sheriff Gage must have been mistaken in saying that eighteen or twenty Italians from Beaver Hill were in Henryville Sunday. Mr. Moffett says there were only eight.

KILLS WIFE'S MOTHER-IN-LAW

Pawnbroker at Hutchison, Kansas Falls in Faint After Murder There

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
HUTCHINSON, Kan., Feb. 19.—Abram Ostatter, a pawnbroker, shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Cohan, then shot his wife and father-in-law, inflicting probably fatal wounds. Ostatter then fell to the floor unconscious. A physician pronounced him to be suffering from apoplexy. After being revived and lodged in jail, the pawnbroker said the family had attacked him. A suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Ostatter is pending in court.

NEUTRAL ZONE FOR TORREON

Rebel Commander Agrees to Proposition to Protect Non-Combatants

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
JUAREZ, Feb. 19.—General Villa, rebel commander, agreed to a proposition for a neutral zone at Torreon, in conversation over the telephone with General Hugh L. Scott. "I am willing to do anything to protect the non-combatants," said Villa to the American general. "I would be willing to have the battle outside the city if the Federals would agree, leaving the citizens safe in their homes."

Has Englishman Captive.

EL PASO, Feb. 19.—General Villa inadvertently admitted that William S. Benton, a British subject, who disappeared in Juarez Tuesday, was still in his hands. Villa yesterday said that Benton was not under arrest and when today he said he had Benton "safe" he laughed at being detected at his previous deception. "What do you think of a man who would come over here with a six shooter and threaten me?" asked Villa afterward. "I think he ought to be shot," interposed an officer who was listening to the conversation. "Well," added Villa, "I have the six shooter here in my box." Benton is said to have used strong language before Villa on account of the destruction of his ranch property.

ONE YEAR IN MEXICO

1913. Despatches from Mexico City just a year ago, averred that February 19, 1913, was a day to be remembered in Mexican history. It saw the sudden rise of Gen. Victoriano Huerta from a long career as military commander to the head of the government. Generals who had been defending President Madero from the fire of revolutionists under Gen. Felix Diaz, gave way to intrigue, forced Madero's resignation and made him prisoner. He was later shot to death. A congress in the streets of the capital just a year ago tonight elected Huerta provisional president.

MRS STEVENSON PASSES AWAY

Widow of Famous Novelist and Writer Succumbs to Stroke of Apoplexy

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Feb. 19.—Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, widow of the famous novelist and writer, died of apoplexy at her home at Montecito yesterday. Mrs. Stevenson was stricken late yesterday and did not regain consciousness. Lloyd Osbourne, her son, has started from New York for Santa Barbara and Mrs. Isabel Strong, her daughter, has been notified at Honolulu.

MACON HONORS BACON.

Funeral of Senator Bacon of Georgia Held Here Today.

MACON, Ga., Feb. 19.—The funeral of Senator Bacon of Georgia was held here today. All business was suspended while the body was buried.

HERO'S NEPHEW PASSES AWAY

Admiral John Paul Jones' Relative Succumbs in France—Training for Sea

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
PAU, France, Feb. 19.—George Deval, the great-great-nephew of Admiral John Paul Jones, died here today at the age of 12. He was being educated for study at the Naval Academy at Annapolis. The lad was adopted by an American woman after the death of his grandmother, who was a grand-niece of Paul Jones.

MGVERNOR IS NAMED.

Wilbur Man Appointed Marshal for Eastern Washington Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—President Wilson nominated James E. McGovern of Wilbur, Wash., United States marshal for the eastern district of Washington.

TO DEPORT CASTILLO.

Bandit Leader Accused of Cumbre Tunnel Outrage Is Sent Back.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
HACHITA, N. M., Feb. 19.—Maximo Castillo, the captured Mexican bandit, and those taken with him will be placed in separate coaches and taken to El Paso today. It is rumored an attempt might be made by Castillo's friends to hold up the train.

WILSON FIGHTS HARD TO CHANGE CANAL EXEMPTION

SENATOR GORE IS EXONERATED

Jury Refuses to Allow Mrs. Bond's Claim of Assault—Mrs. Gore Overcome

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 19.—Scores of messages congratulating Senator Thomas P. Gore on his exoneration of charges of improper conduct, made by Mrs. Minnie E. Bond, in a suit for \$50,000 damages, were received by the Senator today. Mrs. Gore, who sat throughout the trial by her husband's attorney, and from time to time whispered suggestions to them, could not restrain herself yesterday and tears were in her eyes when she shook hands with the jury foreman. Mrs. Bond was apparently unmoved by the verdict or the demonstration that followed.

BIG CONGRESS ON AT EUGENE

Nearly 1000 Delegates Attend Oregon Development Meeting There Today

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
EUGENE, Or., Feb. 19.—With nearly 1000 delegates in attendance the Oregon Development Congress opened. The opening session was devoted to devising ways to have visitors to the Panama Pacific Exposition at San Francisco stop off in Oregon.

MANY ARRIVE ON BREAKWATER

Steamer in From Portland Early This Morning After a Good Trip

The Breakwater arrived in early today after a good trip from Portland. She had a miscellaneous cargo of freight and a capacity passenger list. Among those arriving on her were the following:

J. M. Wright, F. H. Page, U. S. Grant, E. D. Daran, E. S. Fox, W. V. Wheeler, Jno. Neilson, Mrs. C. W. Martin, Mrs. E. Snyder, E. S. LeMieux, T. M. Lawrence, O. Gulovson, Mrs. B. E. Smith, Miss Lela Seneych, F. M. Smith, E. Wilkins, Mrs. Wilkins, Jas. R. Allen, Mrs. J. Waltermeyer, Mrs. H. O'Connor, Jack Alvenby, A. A. Band, W. F. Hummert, C. C. Imhoff, R. G. Sumner, Mrs. B. Toxan, Geo. Abel, N. Galakis, W. R. Caldwell, R. F. Byrne, S. Meyake, T. Yamada, D. M. Watson, A. E. Davidson, Jos. Kries, D. Shambrook, Mrs. J. P. Meade, S. McKean, N. J. Dishington, Mrs. Knott, J. R. Johnson, J. W. Hildenbrand, I. R. Tower, Mrs. J. E. Stack, Helen Stack, Margaret Stack, Irene Stack, E. O. Samuels, G. W. Wheeler, Miss M. Gould, H. E. Gray, F. Brooks, G. W. Schnessler, W. F. Hunter, J. A. Byrne, M. O. Henderson, C. R. Zmke, Mrs. P. Olsen, A. McClellan, P. Strong, J. W. Hyberg, Mrs. N. Lano, A. J. Mendel, Vivian Meade, H. Filtne, J. A. Thompson, E. W. Burdine, G. H. McCloskey, H. Hislop, W. P. Yorke, L. Powers, J. M. Carl, U. Sheto, W. Sheto, Miss M. Watt, A. L. Baker, A. Justin, A. Lofquist.

Bar Dredge Working.

The bar dredge Michie, which has done but little so far, was out on the bar ready to start operations when the Breakwater came in this morning. Capt. Macgenn was late over some reports published here to the effect that there was now 27 feet of water on the bar. He said that the man who gave them out must be clear off in his upper story. The report was sent to Major Morrow.

The ladies of the Catholic Church will hold their usual cooked food sale on Saturday, February 21, at the Summer Hardware Store.

The WOMEN'S AUXILIARY of the Presbyterian Church will serve a CHICKEN DINNER at the Swedish Lutheran Hall, at Third and Commercial, beginning at 11 o'clock on SATURDAY, February 21. .50 cents. Children 25 cents.

Congressmen Insist on President Sending Message Before Changing It

WANT IT TO EXPLAIN REVERSALS TO PEOPLE

Senator Kern, Majority Leader, in Conference With President Today

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—President Wilson pressed further for the repeal of the exemption clause of the Panama Canal act in a conference today with congressmen. He talked with Senator Kern, the majority leader, who said afterward that the Senate first would dispose of the arbitration treaties promptly and probably take up the tolls question immediately thereafter.

Although Senator Kern voted for the exemption he said today that the President had told him of various international phases of the question which were not before the Senate when the Panama Canal act was passed. House leaders announced that they desired some announcement of a message to congress by the President before reversing themselves on the toll question, so as to be able to make it plain to their constituents that international circumstances had arisen requiring the change. Representative Underwood, it is understood, while still believing in tolls exemption, will not organize any opposition to the President in the House.

NO TRACE OF SINKING SHIP

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 19.—While wireless calls sweeping over the sea from the radio towers on the middle Atlantic coast, revenue cutters and numbers of steamships found no trace today of the five-masted schooner Kineo, of Bath, Maine, last reported yesterday as taking twelve inches of water per hour and in a disabled condition. When she was sighted by the steamer City of Atlanta yesterday, it did not seem necessary for the liner to take off her crew. The Kineo was then 160 miles northeast of Diamond Shoals.

GAMBLING IS NOW ALLEGED

Tom Dernich Tells of Games in Front Street Place and Charges Are Filed.

Proof of gambling was established today when Tom Dernich, an Austrian, was arrested at a coffee house and pool room on Front street over the Palace restaurant, while engaged in a flat fight with three Greeks with whom he was playing poker.

According to his story, Dernich was enticed to the place by a Greek. After playing a game of pool, he was introduced to four or five Greeks, who suggested a game of cards. The quartette gathered round for a little game, purchasing chips from the proprietor of the house. Dernich proved his ability as a poker player by running \$1 up to \$15, and like a good gambler was about to quit, when the scout who brought him to the place made a lunge at him, punching his head and face, badly beating him. Dernich attempted to fight back and by this time he says no less than ten sons of sunny Greece climbed his anatomy. At this stage the police arrived and placed Dernich under arrest for fighting.

The gang who attacked him had disappeared. Dernich was tried in police court this morning, where he told his story. The owners of the place, Stellos Psaltes, James Peter and John Karades, were present at the hearing and said that they knew nothing of the encounter, although Karades was present. He showed some reluctance about telling who the associates in the game were. City Attorney Goes then ordered that a complaint be drawn charging them with conducting a disorderly house. This was done and the hearing was set for 2 o'clock this afternoon.

John Peter, one of the proprietors, late this afternoon entered a plea of guilty to the charge of keeping a disorderly house, and was fined \$10.