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## IMPROVEMENT IN WEATHER BUREAU

### Marked Changes to Be Made in Service for Benefit of Columbia District.

## INSPECTOR CONGER IN CITY

### Speaks of the Work of the Bureau and Says Lives of Fishermen Will Be Hereafter Protected.

Mr. Norman B. Conger, inspector of the United States weather bureau service, was in the city yesterday. The government weather bureau embraces three districts, the western district covering all that portion of the country west of the Rockies. The three inspectors change from one district to another a year being required to make the rounds of each. Mr. Conger has inspected the Astoria and North Head stations while here, and expresses much satisfaction with the efficient manner in which they are conducted. In conversation yesterday with a representative of The Astorian, Mr. Conger said:

"The weather bureau service, it should be understood, is a public utility, and we are anxious to do all we can to serve the people. We are open to suggestions at all times, and would regard it as a favor for citizens to recommend ideas which might be of benefit. An instance of the usefulness of the service was afforded only a day or two ago, when the ship Ladore was saved from disaster on the Washington coast. At the North Head station the officers have glasses which enable them to see for a distance of 25 or 30 miles, and in the case of the Ladore the signals of the vessel were read by the observer before they were even seen by the men on the tug. Our information to the tug doubtless prevented the loss of the ship.

"The Astoria service will shortly be improved by the addition of signal lights on the storm-warning tower. These lights will be used to give warnings at night and will consist of a red light of 128 candle-power and a white light of 64 candle-power. The red light will fortell easterly winds, while the red and white lights will indicate westerly winds. The lights are now on the way and will be installed as soon as they arrive. The bureau will also maintain a storm-warning station at Chinook for the benefit of the fishermen. This station will be in service during the fishing season, and we hope to be able to give the fishermen ample warning of the approach of storms."

Mr. Conger said he hoped the public would not be too free to censure the forecaster when he makes an error regarding the following day. "We go on the principle that it is better to prepare the public for a storm that does not materialize than to permit the approach of a storm without warning. If an occasional error is made in forecasting, it is made in good faith." He went on to explain that the north Pacific coast was the most difficult field in the whole country, on account of the trend of storms from west to east. The northwest observers have no advance reports from the west, and the storms which sweep across the Pacific come without warning. The forecasters and observers farther inland have the benefit of the warnings sent from the coast and it is not difficult for them to judge the direction of a storm. Everything considered, Mr. Conger says the coast service is remarkably efficient.

The weather bureau service in Alaska is a volunteer one at the present time, but it is hoped soon to have a complete system there. Mr. Conger spoke in the highest terms of Forecaster Beals and the observer of the northwest district, as well as the chief of the bureau, and said the service was relatively better here than almost anywhere else in the country.

**IMMENSE COST OF RURAL FREE DELIVERY**  
Annual Report of Superintendent of Service—Number of Carriers Will Be Greatly Increased.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 7.—The annual gross cost of complete rural free delivery service throughout the United States will approximate \$24,000,000 according to the annual report of August W. Machen, general superintendent of service.  
The remaining 700,000 square miles not covered by rural free delivery service will require the employment of 26,000 of 27,000 carriers in addition to

those now employed, making the entire force of carriers when extension of service is completed within the next three years, 49,000.

**IMPROVEMENT FOR SHAMROCK**  
Discovery Made That Will Greatly Enhance Chances of Challenger.

GLASGOW, Nov. 7.—The associated press understands that in the Shamrock III will be embodied some radical departures in the matter of yacht construction which have not appeared in any previous challengers. The changes are said to be accidental discoveries which convinced Designer Watson that there had been an error in the construction of all the recent challengers.

**WEALTH IN COAL AND IRON.**  
Baser Minerals Better for England Than Gold and Diamonds.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Lord Milner, British High Commissioner to South Africa, is quoted by the Standard, cables the Tribune's London correspondent, as expressing the conviction that, in their coal and iron deposits and in their agricultural developments England's new colonies will find a surer source of wealth than even in the more speculative riches of the gold reefs and the diamond fields.

**PROMINENT MEN HELD FOR ASSAULT TO KILL**  
Will Be Tried for Shooting Down Editor of San Francisco News Letter.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 7.—Thomas H. Williams, Jr., president of the California Jockey club and Truxton Beale, ex-United States Minister to Persia were today held for trial by the superior court for an alleged assault with intent to kill Frederick Marriot editor of the News. Their bonds were fixed at \$10,000 each. The shooting occurred last September.

**PROBABLY MURDERER OF MRS. GILBERT DENNIS**  
Mystery That Has Puzzled Police for Ten Months Likely to Be Cleared Up.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Richard Coe, a colored porter, was arrested today on a charge of committing an assault on Mrs. Gilbert Dennis, a well-known dressmaker in this city 10 months ago.  
Mrs. Dennis died from her injuries two weeks ago.

**MAD MULLAH WELL EQUIPPED**  
War Against England's Determined Foe Will Be Pushed.

BERBERA, East Africa, Nov. 7.—General Manning is pushing the preparations for an advance against the mullah who is hampered by the necessity of awaiting his supplies. The mullah has advanced to within a few miles of Bohotle. He is known to have 3000 rifles, one Maxim gun, much ammunition, 15,000 spearmen and immense reserves of camels and sheep.

**WON'T BE FOUND NAPPING**  
President Castro Orders 2,000,000 Cartridges for Emergency.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—As an evidence that President Castro of Venezuela does not consider that peace has been restored he has ordered two million cartridges from Hamburg for the immediate delivery, according to a Herald dispatch from Port of Spain, Trinidad.

**FANATICS FREAK PERFORMANCE**  
Religious Crank Attired in White Claims She is Virgin Mary.

WINNIPEG, Nov. 7.—At Yorktown a young doughboy woman dressed herself in white cotton, with white canvas shoes and proclaimed herself as being the Virgin Mary. Many of the doughboys believe her story, and she may cause trouble if her advice is in the wrong direction.

**ELECTION BETS ARE PAID IN**  
Amount to \$400,000—Talk of Contesting Delayed Settlement.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The election bets amounting to nearly \$400,000 were paid today in Wall street. The democratic talk of contesting the election caused a delay in settling the wagers.

**ROBBERS RECAPTURED**  
BUTTE, Nov. 7.—A special to the Miner from Kalspell, Montana, says: James Burke and Louis Peterson, who broke jail here, have been recaptured. Burke and Peterson were arrested by Postoffice Inspector Beattie as leaders of the gang of robbers that had been burglarizing postoffices throughout the northwest.

## HARD LUCK OF THE DEMOCRAT

### Lane Said to Have Actually Received a Majority of the Votes Cast.

## ERROR RESTS WITH VOTERS

### Marked Spaces Left Blank and Ballots Were Thrown Out—Interesting Mixup in Colorado.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 7.—Advises from various parts of the state show that several thousand ballots cast at Tuesday state election were thrown out by precinct officers because voters marked with a cross spaces on the ballot left vacant because of failure of political parties to make nominations. This operates almost exclusively to the disadvantage of Lane, democratic candidate for governor, as he received the labor party vote, and it was that party which failed in many counties to nominate a full ticket.

At the present stage of the count Pardee has a majority of only about 1700 votes, and it would therefore appear that Lane actually received more votes than the successful candidate. This causes intense regret in democratic and labor party ranks, as Lane was looked upon in his run as a most remarkable performance in the state which gave McKinley 59,000 majority. Gavin McNab ruefully remarked today: "We had a majority of the votes but they have a majority of the legal ballots."

The wrongly marked ballots are rejected under a ruling of the state supreme court and there seems to be no redress.

**DEMOCRATS ARE FOXY**  
Will Refuse to Organize Colorado Senate if Contents Ensnare.

DENVER, Nov. 7.—At a caucus of the democratic members of the new legislature tonight it was decided that, if the republicans take revolutionary tactics to unseat the Teiler men in the house, the senate, which is strongly democratic, shall not meet in joint session with the house and shall deadlock the legislature so that it will be impossible to elect a successor to Senator Teiler.

Practically complete returns have been received from every county in the state and they show that the legislature will stand on joint ballot, according to the face of the returns: Democrats, 54; republicans, 46. This is a gain of one democrat from the estimates heretofore made.

Late returns from Chaffee county show the election of the democratic candidate. The indications are now that there will be contests against many of the members of the legislature outside of Arapahoe county and against all three of the congressmen shown to have been elected.

**MIXED UP IN VIRGINIA**  
Republicans Claim Democrats Are Juggling Them Out of Victory.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Nov. 7.—The result of the election in the Ninth Virginia congressional district is not known. Congressman Rhea, democrat, claims a majority of 333, while Chairman Lindsey of the republican committee insists that the democrats are changing the returns; that they are throwing out precincts without warrant, and that Stemp still has a majority of 200.

**FRAUD IS ALLEGED**  
Republican Candidate for Sheriff of Cook County Protests.

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—The Record-Herald tomorrow will say that Daniel Healy, republican candidate for sheriff at the recent elections, claims that he has been elected sheriff and that the count which showed the election of Thomas Barrett by 7000 plurality is false.

**A SINGULAR VICTORY**  
Democrats Gather to Do Honor to Rhode Island's Governor.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Nov. 7.—Democrats from all over the state met at the home of Governor-elect Garvin tonight to celebrate his election. It was pointed out that Garvin is the only democrat elected governor north of the Potomac and east of the Mississippi river.

**PREPARING FOR MIMIC WAR**  
NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The battleship

Kearsarge started south today with Rear-Admiral Higginson aboard to begin organizing the great fleet which is to go through war maneuvers in the Caribbean sea during the winter.

**COUNSEL WITHDRAWS**  
Cuban Children Held at New York Will Be Returned Home.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The counsel representing Mrs. Tingley, the theologian, of Point Loma, California, in the case of 11 Cuban children detained at this port withdrew from the investigation today. One of the lawyers says that Mrs. Tingley would have nothing more to do with the inquiry, but would hold Gerry and Savis of the society for the prevention of cruelty to children personally responsible for the children. The board of inquiry is unanimously in favor of excluding the children and they will be returned to Cuba.

**PEOPLE FLED TO THE HILLS**  
Breaking of Dam Creates Consternation, But No Deaths.

GLENWOOD, Colo., Nov. 7.—A report was received here late last night of the bursting of the Denver & Rio Grande dam at Rando, on the Eagle river. The dam was built by the railroad for the purpose of making an ice pond and a considerable amount of water was stored behind it. Dwellers in Eagle River Canon and further down the valley were notified of the breaking of the dam and fled to the hillsides. While it is not known whether everyone was warned, it is not thought that any casualties will result, as the river bed is deep.

**BURGLARS SECURE \$2000**  
Blow Open Safe to Obtain Booty—Suspect Arrested.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Nov. 7.—Burglars blew open safes in the Santa Fe Railway station and Benjamin & Company's jewelry store in this city and secured two thousand dollars in money and jewelry. A man named Ed Joyce has been arrested and some of the plunder was found in his possession.

**THE BOSTON HORROR**  
No Developments in the Murder of Miss Morton.

BOSTON, Nov. 7.—In the developments of the day in the Mason case, which has puzzled the police since Miss Clara A. Morton was killed in Waverly last Saturday, there were several striking details. No further evidence, however, was adduced which tends to incriminate Alan G. Mason, a member of a prominent family, who is under arrest on a charge of murder.

**RESIDENTS ARE PRETTY SORE**  
Congratulations Will Not Be Tendered for Rejection of Sale.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—At a meeting of the legislature here, says a dispatch to the Herald from St. Thomas, D. W. I., a crown member moved an address to the minister and diet congratulating the king and the ministry on the rejection of the sale treaty by the landings. The proposition was defeated.

**CANDIDATE FOR SENATOR**  
BOISE, Idaho, Nov. 7.—Ex-Senator Shoup issued an address to the public today announcing his candidacy for United States senatorship.

## WOULD BE THE NEXT SPEAKER

### Littlefield of Maine Makes Announcement of Candidacy From Seattle.

## THINKS HE WILL BE ELECTED

### Says Trust Legislation Will Be Important Work Before Congress and That Knox is Drafting Bill.

SEATTLE, Nov. 7.—Congressman Littlefield of Maine stated today that he was going home to begin the fight for the speakership of the next house of representatives. He believes that he will be elected. Littlefield had been speaking in California during the campaign.

Discussing the work of the coming congress, he said: "Legislation on the question of the trusts will be the most important feature of congress' work this winter. I understand that Attorney-General Knox is drafting a bill on the subject which will probably embody the administration sentiments."

**FISHERMEN TO ORGANIZE**  
New Union Will Include All Those on Coast and in Alaska.

SEATTLE, Nov. 7.—A vast army of fishermen on the Pacific coast and in Alaska are to be organized under the head of the Fishermen's Protective Union of the Pacific Coast and Alaska. The headquarters of the new organization is at San Francisco.

**HONORS FOR WHITE**  
Ambassador to Germany Recipient of Thanks on His Birthday.

BERLIN, Nov. 7.—Ambassador White opened today a letter which President Roosevelt sent him several weeks ago, marked: "To be opened on your 79th birthday."  
Roosevelt said that White had served his country as few citizens had had an opportunity to do and thanked him personally and in the name of the people for his services.

**REBELS' CAUSE LOST**  
Venezuelan Uprising Has Suddenly and Unexpectedly Collapsed.

LA VICTORIA, Venezuela, Nov. 7.—The revolutionists withdrew from their positions near this place, and San Mateo, November 1, because they were without ammunition.  
The latest report issued by the government says that Generals Matos, Mendosa and Reira and their commands are fleeing in disorder in an effort to reach the mountainous districts.

It is difficult to understand the apparent sudden and complete collapse of the revolutionary movement. But a few days ago the rebels seemed to be upon the eve of victory, while today their cause seems to be absolutely lost.

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