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WANT SMOOT THROWN OUT

Union Labor Officials Say He Is the Avowed Enemy of Organized Labor.

MORMON CHURCH INVOLVED

Mineworkers' Officials Says Church Has Openly Declared War on Unionism in the Coal Miners' Strike in Utah.

Salt Lake, Dec. 29.—In reply to the utterances of Angus M. Cannon, a prominent official of the Mormon church, who, in the course of an address in the Tabernacle Sunday, stated that the Utah Fuel Company wanted to hire several hundred men to take the places of striking miners in the coal mines of Calton county, and advised young Mormons who had previous experience in mining to accept these places, "Con" Kellher, national organizer of the United Mineworkers of America, has issued an address to organized labor, and says:

"Union men must be aroused to the true situation and defend themselves and appeal to national labor organizations throughout America to assist in unseating Senator Reed Smoot, who is a member of the controlling board of this church, and who would be a dangerous foe to labor in congress."

Kellher has also sent a telegram to John Mitchell, president of the United Mineworkers, in which he states that the Mormon church has openly declared war on organized labor in Utah, and suggests that in self-defense union labor should do all in its power to prevent the seating of Senator Smoot, "as a rebuke for its interference in this industrial dispute."

FREIGHT RATES TO ADVANCE

Southern Pacific to Increase Eastern Tariffs on Many Articles.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—The Southern Pacific and its connections, also the Santa Fe, are to advance east-bound freight rates on January 18 next. The rate on green apples of \$1 per 100 pounds is to be advanced. The \$1.25 rate to Chicago and \$1.50 to New York on other kinds of deciduous fruits are not to be disturbed. The hay rate of 75 cents per 100 pounds to Chicago and \$1 to New York are to be increased, also the machinery rate of \$1.25, the \$1 rate on cattle horns, \$1.50 rate on nuts and the 75 cent rate on dried and pickled fish. There is also to be an advance in the rates on green and tanned hides, honey, sea shells, whalebone, wool in grease and scoured wool.

Jews Expect Trouble.

New York, Dec. 29.—The latest news from Kischinef, says a Times dispatch from Moscow, represents the Russian population as sullen and threatening and the Jews as apprehensive of further disorder.

TWENTY-FOUR CASES LEPROSY

Russians Living in Lincoln Are Down With Fearful Plague.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 29.—(Special)—Citizens today reported to Health Officer Rhode that 25 Russians living in this city have leprosy. The lepers returned from the beet fields a week ago. The informant reported that a physician had tried to rent rooms for a sanitarium in which to treat the lepers. The Russians have been doing washing in families in the city. The authorities are investigating.

Boat With Dead Passenger.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 29.—A boat containing a man has been seen passing down the river and over the Horse Shoe falls. The identity of the ill-fated man is not known.

UNLIMITED WAR CREDIT.

Japanese Government Prepares For Vigorous Military Defense.

Tokio, Dec. 29.—(Special)—The emergency ordinance promulgated last night invests the government with practically unlimited credit for the purpose of military defense. Three other ordinances were issued, relating, first, to the Seoul-Fusan railway, which is

brought closer under official control; second, to revision of the organization of the imperial military headquarters in war times; third, the creation of a war council in war times.

WAR WITH COLOMBIA EXPECTED

Artillery Ordered to Panama From Presidio and Vancouver.

Portland, Dec. 29.—(Special)—A Washington special to the Telegram says:

The war department has ordered field artillery from the Presidio and Vancouver to Panama. This is taken to indicate that war with Colombia is expected.

Further Effort at Lynching Feared.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special)—Anticipation of further efforts to lynch two negroes accused of assaulting white women has prompted the local militia to guard the jail tonight.

CUBANS EXPERIENCE NO DIFFICULTY IN GETTING THE LOAN

Financial Interests Here Are Anxious Only for Customs Security, Which Will Be Forthcoming.

New York, Dec. 29.—Secretary Desplines, of the Cuban commission appointed to obtain a loan of \$35,000,000 in behalf of the new republic, and Minister Quesada have visited several banking houses in this city, where the flotation of the loan was discussed.

Regarding the prospects for disposing of the bonds, Secretary Desplines says:

"We expect to obtain the loan before March 1. We find that American bankers object to any security that does not guarantee that the customs revenue of Cuba shall be available for the payment of interest and sinking fund charges.

"As yet the Cuban house has not passed the amendment providing for this, but the Cubans are confident that this legislation will go through early next year, and as soon as that is done the money is ours. We have been assured by many bankers that the minute this amendment is passed they will get the required \$35,000,000 for us.

"The customs revenues of Cuba are growing fast. During one month recently they netted \$274,000, or at the rate of \$3,300,000 a year. The interest on the \$35,000,000 would amount to \$1,750,000 at 5 per cent, the rate we are to pay. This is all the expense we would be under for the first six years of the loan. We are well satisfied with our visit and regard our mission as practically accomplished."

COMMODORE GLOVER WANTED IN NEW YORK

Well Known Brooklyn Society Man Said to Have Been Involved in Fraudulent Deal.

New York, Dec. 29.—Commodore Edward F. Glover, of the Knickerbocker Club and for a long time president for many years of the Crescent Athletic Club, and well known in Brooklyn society, has disappeared.

A warrant was served upon Glover December 18 in which he was charged by a client with grand larceny and obtaining money under false pretenses. Glover was paroled in custody of his counsel. When the case was called he did not appear and the assistant district attorney declared he had violated his parole. Another warrant was returned, but has not been served.

Investigation is said to have disclosed the fact that Glover, immediately after the arrest, drew \$20,000 from a bank in Richmond Hill, L. I., and leaving his wife at their country house went to his office in New York. Since then he has not been seen.

The charges upon which Glover was arrested are to the effect that he, as president of the New York Accident Security Company, accepted fees of \$1 from persons for which sums his company would adjust damages should clients meet with accident. In this case the client alleges that at first he was told that he had a good claim for injury against an electrical company for which he worked, but later was induced to sign off for \$25, and that Glover's concern then procured \$150 on the claim for the accident insurance company, which protected the electrical concern. It was said the outcome was due to an investigation set afoot by the insurance company, which already involves a large sum.

PNEUMONIA INFECTIOUS

New York Physicians Have Come to Believe That Disease Is Contagious.

APPALLING DEATH RECORD

During Past Week 272 Persons Succumbed, and Ailment is Now Prevalent Among Wealthier Class of People.

New York, Dec. 29.—Owing to the unusual number of deaths in New York from pneumonia in the last six weeks a corps of physicians has been appointed by the department of health to make investigation of the causes of the epidemic, and their report will be in the hands of Health Commissioner Lederle in a few days.

In the past week 272 fatal pneumonia cases were recorded. That is the largest number of deaths from the disease in the history of the city. The previous week 269 deaths occurred and it was then thought that conditions would improve.

When the disease first became prevalent early in November, the deaths were largely confined to the localities inhabited by working people, but within the last two weeks there have been as many deaths proportionately among the wealthier classes.

Many physicians regard this as another evidence that pneumonia is an infectious disease. It is the general belief in the health department that the epidemic is due to the recent sudden changes in the weather.

Bryan Coming Home.

London, Dec. 29.—(Special)—W. J. Bryan will sail from Liverpool for New York tomorrow.

Butte County Road Changes Hands.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—F. Armbruster, auditor of the Diamond Match Company, has just arrived here from New York, and today the deal was consummated whereby the company's railroad from Chicago to Sterling, known as the Butte county railroad, has changed hands.

Under the terms of the agreement

it has been turned over to the newly incorporated Chicago & Northern railroad, by which it will be leased to its former owners. It is expected that the road will be completed to Sterling by the middle of next April.

LaGrande Laundry Burned.

La Grande, Or., Dec. 29.—(Special)—The A. B. C. steam laundry burned last night, entailing a loss of \$7,000. The insurance was \$4,000.

OUR GOVERNMENT STEPS IN.

State Department to Investigate Intended Kischinef Massacre.

Washington, Dec. 29.—(Special)—At the instance of President Roosevelt, who has interested himself in reports from abroad of the massacres and contemplated massacres of Jews in Kischinef, the state department is making active inquiry through its diplomatic and consular officers with a view of ascertaining the exact situation as affecting the people.

SICKENING DETAILS ATTEND EXECUTION AT AUBURN PRISON

Negro Murderer Suffers Frightful Agonies During Electrocutation and Six Applications of Current Were Necessary

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 29.—(Special)—Sickening details attended the electrocution in the state prison here today of Frank White, the negro murderer. Six application of the high current were necessary to kill him.

As the switch was turned there was a flash from the back of the doomed man's neck and the odor of burning hair. After a second application a gurgling sound came from the negro's throat. The spectators fell back horrified and Dr. Stein, one of the attendants, fell in a faint.

After six applications the negro's heart ceased to beat.

Accouchment of The Czarina.

London, Dec. 29.—The Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says that the imperial family expects the accouchment of the czarina next summer.

Possible Treaty Violation.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29.—(Special)—The building of a Canadian armored cruiser for the Great Lakes has caused comment on the treaty supposed to restrict any such movement.

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