



## TROUBLE ON AT VALDEZ ALASKA

### Great Danger of a Riot and the Destruction of Much Property.

## NO MONEY TO PAY LABORERS

### Six Hundred Laborers Are Without Means to Secure Food and Shelter and Financial Affairs in Such Shape One-half the Town Bankrupt.

SEATTLE, Oct. 19.—Cable advices received here last night from Valdez are to the effect that instead of being due to the failure of the Reynolds Bank being cleared, complications have so thickened that there is danger of a riot and the destruction of property. No money has been received at Valdez to pay off 600 employes of the Alaska Home Railroad, who are without means to secure food and shelter, and the affairs of the Reynolds Alaska Development Company became so complicated that it is said half of the town will have to pass through the hands of a receiver.

## GOLDFIELD SWELLS OUTPUT.

### Camp's Production for Week Increased in Spite of Railroad Strike.

GOLDFIELD, Oct. 19.—The output of the mines and leases of the Goldfield district for the week ending Thursday night, was 3887 tons, being an estimate. This is about 100 tons more than the output for the preceding week, and would have been much more but for the fact that the railroad strike was not settled until Monday night, so that the figures do not represent an entire week's output, except for a few properties.

The Combination mill was shut down for one day, but the amount of ore treated during the six days was larger than usual averaging 90 tons a day, which is about the full capacity of the plant. The average value of the ore was also higher, running \$90 a ton. The shipments from the Mohawk were curtailed because of the strike, the output for the week being but 500 tons, which is about half the usual production. The Mohawk Combination lease was closed for several days, and the Nevada Goldfield Reduction Works were handicapped by lack of cars in addition to being practically closed for nearly three days. This week should see a greatly increased output.

## W. SYSTEM SAVES VALUES.

### Retort of \$3,300 Made at Phoenix Mining & Milling Co. Plant.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Oct. 19.—A gold retort of \$3300 has been made at the plant of the Phoenix Mining & Milling Co., the largest of the Homestake mills, on Ironclad Hill, from a 19 days' run of ore, with an average value of \$1.16 to the ton. Approximately 2,000 tons of mineral was handled during the run. At the present time the Phoenix mill is handling some custom grade from the Lexington mine, on Gold Hill, besides that treated on its own account.

J. C. Clancy, the South African expert, who has been handling the ore at the mill for several months past, is improving on the chemical process employed in the treatment of the mineral. The necessity for roasting has more of less retarded the success of various cyaniding mills erected in this district, the bulk ore treated being refractory. Clancy believes that he has completely overcome this drawback and the quantity of ore now being treated confirms his assertion. He has a new process, an explanation of which he does not care to make at present.

## DROWNS TO OBLIGE FRIENDS.

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Oct. 19.—Edwin Dyers' willingness to oblige his friends, who wished photographs of a man in real submarine driver's armor, cost him his life. Although not a diver he borrowed a suit of armor yesterday and had himself rowed out a short distance from shore, where the camera holders could all get a good view of him. Several pictures had been taken when Dyer started to step from the boat to a barge. The weight of the 250-pound suit caused him to lose his balance and he fell into the water. He sank immediately. Although the water was but 15 feet

deep efforts to save him were fruitless. Dyers' home is in Portland, Me.

## CHANGE IN REGULATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—An important change in the regulations for acquiring homesteads on the public domain was announced today by Commissioner Ballinger, of the general land office. As an additional precaution against fraud, all persons making homestead entries on public lands, after November 1, will be required to be actual residents on the land for 14 months, before they will be allowed to commute entries to obtain title by cash payment. Heretofore the period has been eight months.

## YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL GAMES.

ITHACA, Oct. 19.—The Pennsylvania State College defeated Cornell at football by a score of 8 to 6 today. Cornell was outclassed from the start.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—The University of Pennsylvania eleven defeated Brown University today, 11 to 0. Both teams put up a vigorous game but the home team outplayed Brown in carrying the ball.

ANNAPOLIS, Oct. 19.—For the first time in the history of the two institutions Harvard met the Midshipmen at football today. The game was fiercely fought from start to finish, scoring on track plays and end runs for, though much heavier, the crimson was unable to break through the navy line for any gains. Score, Harvard 6, Navy 0.

## WILL WRITE AUTO RISKS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 19.—Auditor Billheimer has licensed the Aetna Accident & Liability Co. of Hartford, Conn., to write business in Indiana. The company has named Albert Metzger as its attorney for Indiana. The company will write insurance against loss or damage to automobiles resulting from collisions.

## FROST SPREADING OVER LAND.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The first general spell of frost of the season has been moving slowly east-southeast from the Dakotas during the last few days. It has now reached the Ohio Valley, and extends thence southwestward into Arkansas.

## OIL TANKS AFIRE.

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 19.—The Standard Oil Company's plant here is burning. Tanks containing thousands of gallons of gasoline and oil, much property and even lives are threatened. The firemen are fighting desperately to save the great tanks.

## SHOT BY FOOTPAD.

SEATTLE, Oct. 19.—Charles E. Logan, a laborer, was shot and killed by a footpad near Hillman City on the outskirts of Seattle last night. Robbery is supposed to be the motive.

## SUED FOR \$45,000 DAMAGES.

LANCASTER, Pa., Oct. 19.—Moore & Reitz, of Millway, have sued the Reading Railway for \$45,000 damages. The firm's warehouses and contents were destroyed by fire that seemed to have started from an engine spark.

## MUTINY OVER PAY.

ROME, Oct. 19.—A mutiny has occurred here among the Papal gendarmes, owing to the refusal of their commander, Count Cecceplere, to increase their wages. Part of the gendarmes have deserted and others threaten to strike.

## HEAD-ON COLLISION.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—An express train on the Chicago & Northwestern collided head-on with a suburban train at Jefferson street station in this city tonight. Several are reported killed.

## FOOTBALL GAMES YESTERDAY.

At Princeton—Princeton, 40; Washington and Jefferson, 0.  
At Indianapolis—Michigan 22, Washash, 0.

## YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES.

At Los Angeles—Portland 8, San Francisco 4.  
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 0, Oakland 5.

## DECLINES PRESIDENCY.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Controller of the Currency W. B. Ridgely today declined the presidency of the Mercantile National Bank of New York.

## PROXY COMMITTEE CANNOT REPORT

### The Committee Has been at Work Almost Night and Day.

## HARRIMAN LEFT FOR NEW YORK

### At the Illinois Central Meeting Yesterday the Examinations of Proxies Was at Task That Was so Great That Adjournment Was Necessary.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—The meeting of the Illinois Central stockholders was adjourned today until Tuesday morning. The proxy committee is still unable to report, but it is believed it may be able to submit its findings to the stockholders when they next convene.

The committee has been at work almost night and day but the volume of proxies which is so large that the task is very long and with the scrutiny which is bestowed on each one in behalf of Harriman and Fish, the work makes slow progress. Early today it was "M" from "Q" it jumped to "W" and when the meeting of stockholders adjourned today it was working on "P." Cromwell, the attorney for Harriman, who has so far done the greatest amount of talking and who puts motions and announces votes without referring to any one the presiding officer included, made a motion for adjournment, which was adopted by the meeting. Harriman who has been very impatient over the delay, left for New York at 2:30 today. He declared important matters demanded his presence in New York on Monday morning, and under no circumstances would he remain longer. He said just before taking his train:

"I not only must return to New York, but I must say I never was so glad in my life to get away from Chicago as I am now."  
Cromwell will remain in Chicago in charge of Harriman's interest and it is not believed Harriman will return for the vote on Tuesday. He may come if the matter is delayed much later than that date. The general situation is practically the same. Both sides are seeking proxies with much energy.

## TAKES POISON.

### Taken Sick Thursday Evening at 10 O'clock; Dies Hour Later.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 19.—After getting a small package in the mail from Roseburg, Thursday morning, the contents of which were not seen by other members of the family, Miss Maude Davis, aged 19, of Wilbur, died at her home about 11 o'clock that night under circumstances pointing to poison.

Miss Davis appeared in her usual health all day, and was suddenly taken violently ill at 10 o'clock Thursday night. She had just come back to the house after being absent from it a few

minutes. She fell to the floor in a spasm and expired in an hour.

No reason is given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, why their daughter should wish to destroy herself, and if she did take the poison intentionally it must have been while she was momentarily absent from the house, as no vial of any kind was found about the dwelling. Dr. E. V. Hoover, in company with Coroner Hammett, will make an examination for traces of poison.

## ADMIRAL SELFRIDGE WILL WED.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—According to a story attributed to the son of Rear-Admiral Thomas Oliver Selfridge, United States navy, retired, the admiral is to be married next Tuesday to Miss Gertrude Miles of Boston. Miss Miles is an old friend of the Selfridge family and is said to be 65 years old. The admiral is 71.

Although Admiral Selfridge has passed the allotted three score and ten, he is strong and active. His father, who was Thomas Oliver Selfridge, also, and like his son, a rear admiral in the navy, died a few years ago when he had nearly reached the century mark.

Rear Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, the elder, was retired for age in 1882, and his son, the present rear admiral, and retired for age in 1898, thus presenting the remarkable example of father and son of exactly the same rank being carried on the age retirement list.

## HARRY THAW FINISHES BRIEF.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Harry Thaw who has been working on a brief to be used by his attorney, at his second trial, turned the document over to Martin W. Littleton, his chief counsel today. Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw has recovered her health and visits her husband daily in prison. As she was leaving today she said her husband was in good health and spirits, and both she and her husband are confident of the second trial, to begin in December, will result in acquittal.

## SEARCH AN AMERICAN STEAMER.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Dispatches from Puerto Plata state that the authorities at Sanchez, San Domingo, searched the American steamer Cherokee, seized revolvers found on board, and fined the steamer \$2500. The captain refused to pay the fine and clearance papers were refused him, but he proceeded without them. The Clyde line officials here have no official advice regarding the incident. Importation of firearms are prohibited in San Domingo.

## SARAH WANTS TO DIE A HERO.

PARIS, Oct. 19.—Sarah Bernhardt, in denying a rumor that she is soon to retire from the stage, reiterated her often-expressed declaration that she will play until she dies. She said: "This may, of course, be my last season, as rumor says, for I am an old woman, and my life is in God's hands, but I shall play until my death, and the fate I hope for is the death Sir Henry Irving died."

## RIVAL TO BE NAMED EUROPA.

HAMBURG, Oct. 19.—The giant steamer that English shipbuilders are to construct for the Hamburg-American line will be named the Europa. She will be of 48,000 tons, as against the 32,500 of the Lusitania.

## ASTORIA PEOPLE ARE INSULTED

### Takes Mayor of Astoria to Finish the Mayor of Tokio.

## VERY DISGUSTED AUDIENCE

### The Performance of "The Mayor of Tokio" Last Night Interrupted by Manager of Theatre Who Claims Company Violated Contract.

The sheep, to say the least, policy of the pin-headed management of the Astoria Theatre, was amply demonstrated to a disgusted audience last night.

For sometime past, Astoria theatre-goers have been paying opera prices for mello-drama performances, and have patiently borne the imposition. Plays that have been produced in Portland, and other cities, at popular prices have been staged at Astoria's popular (?) play house at prices nearly prohibitive, and still the good-natured people have tolerated the imposition.

Last night a good show was put on, probably accidentally, and trouble arose. The company's reputation, having preceded it, drew a good house, at good prices. The performance was going along as smooth as it is possible for so large a company to perform on the stage of the Astoria, and the audience were pleased with the performance. The first act had been finished and the second act was well along, when the self-important manager appeared before the audience and immediately proceeded to create a disturbance, by announcing to the audience that the company had not fulfilled its contract with him and that he would not pay the manager of the company his share of the percentage, according to their original agreement. The idea of a claim of this sort being trumped up at the eleventh hour, especially when the show was of the highest order, proved most disgusting to the entire audience.

After a discussion lasting several minutes at the front of the stage, the managers adjourned to the box office, where, with the assistance of Mayor Wise, Manager Elvers was induced to comply with the terms of his contract, the feeling that had been worked up in the audience, by the word of the local management, no doubt having a lot of weight in bringing about the agreement decided on. No doubt the suggestion thrown out by the comedian, that if the affair was not settled satisfactory to the company, it would deal the Astoria Theatre a blow from which it would not recover for some time, and local theatre-goers would have to gratify their proclivities, with more of the "Denver Express," and "Uncle Josh Perkins" type of plays was heeded.

If the people of Astoria are willing to stand for poor shows at good prices they will certainly be accommodated at this theatre, and it is a sad commentary on the intelligence of the community that such a scene is precipitated when, as if by accident, a good company does appear.

The temper of the audience was well shown by the catcalls and impatient exclamations of an insulted gathering, and the scene bordered on a panic, when the spokesman for the company asked for an official, or representative business man of the city to endeavor to adjust the difficulty. Mayor Wise stepped into the breach and guaranteed the company that they would get their percentage, and the play proceeded. The alleged cause for the action of the manager of the theatre was, that the company had not brought with them, the full quota of scenery, and for that reason he would hold out their percentage. He offered to return, to coupon holders, one-third the admission price but was answered by yells of "go on with the show; we don't want our money back," some of the audience breaking into the refrain "Take Back Your Gold." The manager of the company stated that the scenery was on hand, but that the stage was too small to use it, and that there were but two pieces missing. The audience did not care so much for the scenery as they did for the singing and performing, and many thought that the whole thing was an attempt at hedging that was deplorable.

Too much can not be said for the play and the artists who put it on. The costumes and stage settings were bright and attractive, and the work of the comedian was of a variety that we see

too little of on the local stage. The chorus was good, and the music was bright and catchy.

## "PROGRESSIVE" STUDENTS WIN.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove Ore., Oct. 18.—After two weeks of strenuous campaigning by the "Square Deal" and the "Progressive" parties, the latter barely won yesterday in the annual election of student officers. James Richard Ward, president-elect, had only three votes more than his opponent, Harry Bembroke Humphreys.

The "Square Deal" contingent represents the Gamma Sigma Society and the Kappa girls. The Alpha Zetas and the Phi girls composed the "Progressives." The Australian ballot was used.

Ward is a junior in college and the star debater in school. Last year he was on the team that met Whitman, and captained the '06 football team. He is an Alpha and registered from Kelso. Miss Martha Holmes was chosen secretary.

## FISH WITH TAIL LIKE SAW.

TACOMA, Oct. 19.—Andrew Berry, a Gig Harbor fisherman, this morning landed a sea monster such as has never before been seen in Sound waters. Its shape is similar to that of an enormous sunfish, the body being six feet in length and five feet across. Its total weight is 700 pounds, and it required six men to remove the creature from the net. The fish has enormous eyes with two horns extending backward from the head. Its tail is blunt, resembling a saw. There are two propellers, one on either side of the tail, and two sets of fins alongside. Old mariners cannot give the thing a name. It is hideous sight. Its flesh is similar to paraffin. It is lying on the beach at Gig Harbor and is viewed by crowds.

## EXCITEMENT AMONG NEGROES.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 19.—A fanatical excitement of negroes, calling themselves slaves, "by Council of God," appears to have been the cause of a riot last night on New Orleans street in which one policeman was killed, several others wounded and a number of negroes badly injured. An isolated house, in which half a dozen negroes had barricaded themselves, and which was fired on by policemen and citizens, from all sides for nearly two hours, proves to have been the meeting place of the sect. After the negroes had been smoked into submission many firearms were found under the meeting house.

## FINES SWELL SCHOOL FUND.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 19.—J. Fruit, J. A. McLeod, and William Spiker, of Glendale, and D. W. Crosby, of Bidale, each paid a fine of \$50 in the Circuit Court yesterday for operating slot machines. This enriched the school fund \$200, making the total slot machine fines \$950 for the term, with more to follow. Harvey Martin, who was arrested for safe-cracking at Glendale, and who tried to break jail last week, was found guilty and will be sentenced Monday.

## TALE TOUCHES JURY.

TACOMA, Oct. 19.—Benjamin Avery, a man whose children sought to send him to the asylum for insanity, made a pathetic appeal to the jury, and was declared sane. It was a pitiful case. Avery is tottering with age. His son-in-law, J. T. Gear, cashier of the South Tacoma Bank, led in an effort to consign the old man to the asylum. His wife and all his children joined against him, and court officials and spectators were in tears as Avery told his story of woes.

## PLAGUE QUIESCENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—While an added death has increased the death rate to 61.4 per cent, a fraction higher than at any previous time, no additional cases of bubonic plague have been reported since October 16, and six more patients have been discharged as cured since the 14th.

## BOY EXONERATED.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 19.—A coroner's jury here today, exonerated George Smiley the boy who on Tuesday shot and killed his mother in defending her from a burglar.

## WHIRLED TO DEATH IN SHAFT.

TACOMA, Oct. 19.—Thaddeus Ward, an employe of a town mill, was caught in the shafting this afternoon and whirled about until his head was completely torn from his body. Ward was well known in Tacoma and left a large family.



John D.—The frost certainly got on that pumpkin good and heavy.