



APPALLING AFFLICTION

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VICTORIA, B. C., May 13.—News of one of the greatest disasters that China has ever known, a sudden tidal bore in the Yangtse Kiang Valley which involved the loss of nearly 10,000 lives at Hankow was brought by the steamer Titan, which arrived last night.

A bore 26 feet in height, flooded without warning down the river, overwhelming thousands of junks, sampans and small boats, and wrecking some larger river steamers.

Some 3000 Chinese were sleeping in sampans and small craft and mat-sheds and huts by the riverside at Hankow were enveloped by the great wave, which swept broken junks, splintered sampans and heterogeneous mass of debris, with swarms of drowned Chinese mixed with the wreckage. The scenes for many days after the disaster were horrible, the riverside being strewn with dead and debris of wrecked craft for many miles.

GOLD IN GUINNESS HOME.

LA PORTE, Ind., May 13.—Sheriff Smulzer is authority for the statement that several more globules of gold have been planned out by Louis Schultz, the miner who is sluicing the ashes on the Guinness farm. The Sheriff is certain that the discoveries are portions of gold filling from the teeth of Mrs. Guinness.

LA PORTE, May 13.—The denials by the officials that the Rev. Schell has revealed to them the substance of his conversation with Lamphere and the discovery of evidence that Mrs. Guinness was aided by an accomplice in luring her victims to the farm were the chief developments in the case today. In addition H. W. Worden, an attorney of the prisoner issued a formal statement that he had given his client strict instructions not to discuss the charges against him. "The fact is that Lamphere has never made a confession to anyone and never will. He has nothing to confess."

ROLL CALL SESSION.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—One-half of the five hours' session of the house today was spent in roll calls on the various propositions presented. When the day's work had been concluded the agricultural and appropriation bills had been sent to a conference and the following bills passed: Permitting owners of patents in cases where the government has appropriated their inventions to apply to a court of claims for relief; authorizing the entry of tea sweepings when intended to be used in the manufacture of caffeine and the omnibus bridge bill.

CONCUSSION OF BRAIN.

"Kid" Farmer Knocked Out by Jack Morgan, in a Very Serious Shape.

PEORIA, Ill., May 13.—Jack Morgan of Indianapolis knocked out the original "Kid" Farmer in the tenth round of a fight here last night. The first six rounds were slow, but the last four were furious, though Morgan clearly outclassed his man.

Farmer did not recover promptly and after half an hour's work by three physicians, he was removed to a hospital, where he lies in a semi-conscious condition. Examination showed the man to be suffering from concussion of the brain with slight chances for recovery. Morgan and his second, Charles Barthol, the promoter, and Referee Ryan were arrested pending the outcome of the injuries.

ENGLISH SOCIALISM A FAD.

CHICAGO, May 13.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Bellfontaine, O., says:

On the heel of the stir aroused in the district by his announcement that the Countess of Warwick would cross the sea from England to aid him on the stump in the fall campaign, C. E. Wharton of Kenton, socialist candidate for Congress in the 8th Ohio District, yesterday announced the receipt of a letter from the Duchess of Manchester, daughter of Eugene Zimmermann, the millionaire railroad man of Cincinnati, to the effect that she, too, would stump the district for him.

The Duchess has taken up English Socialism as a fad and became interested in the 8th District situation by the Countess of Warwick.

MORE TORNADOES

Half the Inhabitants of Gilliam Killed or Injured

ONLY TWO HOUSES STANDING

The One From Missouri Last Evening Destroyed Many Farm Houses in Fremont and Page Counties and Killed a Woman in Northboro.

LITTLE ROCK, May 13.—The Postal Telegraph Company here has received a message that about half the inhabitants of Gilliam, La., have either been killed or injured by a tornado and urging that relief be sent at once. Later advices to the Times say that all the houses in Gilliam except two are demolished. Gilliam is a town of between 75 and 100 inhabitants.

DES MOINES, May 13.—A tornado swept into the Southwestern corner of Iowa from Missouri last evening, destroying many farm houses in Fremont and Page counties and killing a woman in Northboro.

ATLANTA, May 13.—According to information received in this city the tornado struck parts of Louisiana today causing great loss life in Gilliam, Oil and Bollinger. The telegraphic communication is interrupted but reports say that the storm started north of Shreveport and swept along to Little Rock and Texarkana and is centered tonight in Texas.

SHREVEPORT, May 13.—A report received here tonight states that three were killed and two others injured during a tornado which badly damaged the town of Bollinger, La., late today.

BASEBALL SCORES.

At San Francisco—San Francisco 0, Oakland 1 (12 innings).
At Portland—Portland 3, Los Angeles 0.
At Tacoma—Tacoma 5, Butte 4.
At Seattle—Seattle 2, Spokane 9.
At Aberdeen—Aberdeen 6, Vancouver 4.

GAS PIPE THUG CAUGHT

He Added Another Victim Yesterday Morning

PREY A CHINESE TAILOR

Prisoner Was Only Saved From Lynching by Opportune Arrival of the Police

ACCUSED OF NEUMANN CRIME

The Circumstances Surrounding the Attacks on the Three Men Were Similar—Deeds Apparently Committed by One Man.

PORTLAND, May 13.—Jack La Rose was arrested today after he had beaten a Chinaman named John Chung over the head with a piece of gas pipe will have to stand for the murder of H. Neumann. Neumann was a second-hand man who was beaten over the head in his store at 41 North Second street yesterday. He died tonight about 7 o'clock.

The Chinaman was assaulted today at 11 o'clock, practically 24 hours after Neumann was beaten and less than 48 hours after Max Hermann, another second-hand man was clubbed over the head with a piece of a brakebeam. The circumstances surrounding the attacks on the three men were similar. The deed was apparently committed by one man in each case, a bludgeon wrapped in paper was used and the victim struck on the back of the head. The link which the police believe specially connects La Rose with the Hermann assault is the alleged discovery that La Rose pledged a watch which they are confident was taken from the Hermann store.

La Rose unhesitatingly admitted having attacked the Chinaman, but he denies any connection with the other two crimes.

The police place no credence in the theory advanced today that La Rose was in any way connected with the murder of Nathan Wolff.

The gaspipe thug added another victim to his bloody list at 11 o'clock this morning by assaulting John Chung, a Chinese merchant tailor, with a section of gaspipe in the latter's shop, No. 249 Ankeny street. He was pursued by his victim for a short distance, and then captured in a saloon. The prisoner was only saved from lynching at the hands of the infuriated mob by the opportune arrival of police. He gave his name as Jack La Rose.

It was just 24 hours after the time the bleeding and unconscious form of H. Neumann was found in his store at Second and Couch streets at 11 o'clock yesterday morning that the gaspipe thug walked into the tailor shop of John Chung, 249 Ankeny street.

Under his arm he carried a piece of gaspipe wrapped in several pages of a newspaper. Upon entering the little tailoring establishment and carefully closing the door after him, he informed John Chung that he was desirous of ordering a suit of clothes. The Chinaman told his prospective customer that he would have to know where he was employed before figuring on the suit. The thug quickly replied that he was connected with the Portland Gas Company, and Chung, satisfied with the explanation, started to show the fellow a bolt of cloth. As the tailor reached to an upper shelf to get the suiting, the assassin

grabbed the unsuspecting Celestial by the neck, pulling him backward and at the same time showering a number of terrific blows on the luckless Chinaman's head. Although dazed by the clubbing, Chung did not lose consciousness, and shrieked out in terror.

Failing to silence his victim and thereby unable to search for plunder without fear of detection, the assailant opened the shop door and ran east on Ankeny street.

GARCIA DIES FROM WOUNDS.

SEATTLE, May 13.—Jose Garcia, Mexican, who was shot by Detective William Holland a week ago, died this morning of his injuries. Garcia was wanted at Salt Lake City for the murder of Patrolman Charles S. Ford, on Dec. 14 last, and was delivered into the hands by the police by a former companion, who was promised a reward of \$500 by Sheriff Frank Emery, of Salt Lake City. Garcia noticed the sheriff with two detectives coming across a crowded thoroughfare toward him and attempted to draw his revolver. Two shots disabled both hands, which held weapons when pulled from his overcoat, and a third fatally wounded him. Five years ago Garcia was one of the principals in a sensational escape from the Colorado penitentiary at Canon City. He confessed to a score of robberies in Seattle.

ADAMS TRIAL SET.

TELLURIDE, May 13.—Judge Shackleford today granted Steve Adams application for a change of venue in the murder case of Arthur Collins. The case will be tried at Grand Junction, Mesa county. Judge Shackleford will preside. The next term of court is Mesa County begins June 26 and the Adams case will not be set for trial until that date.

CHICAGO DELEGATES

Republican State Convention Meets in Portland Today

TAFT WILL BE THE CHOICE

There Is a Difference of Opinion Whether It Is Best to Send an Instructed Delegation to Chicago or Not.

PORTLAND, May 13.—There is a difference of opinion whether it is best to send to the national republican convention at Chicago a delegation instructed to support William H. Taft for the presidential nomination is the only matter which from appearances tonight will have to be decided by the republican state convention which meets here tomorrow. The convention will be overwhelmingly in favor of Taft but withal there is a strong sentiment against sending to the national convention a delegation hampered by instructions. The selection of four delegates at large, unless something unforeseen occurs between tonight and the hour of convening will be a mere formality. There is a minority which favors a second elective term for President Roosevelt, but it is hopelessly small.

The first and second district congressional conventions which will also be held tomorrow and which will each elect two delegates to the Chicago convention, met this afternoon and organized.

In the first district C. B. Johnson of Corvallis was chosen chairman and A. W. Prescott of Salem, secretary. In the second district W. E. Williamson of Portland was chosen chairman and E. H. Flagg of St. Helens, secretary.

EXECUTIVES CONFERENCE

Conservation of Natural Resources

FAMOUS MEN PRESENT

The President Finds He Cannot Devote His Entire Time to the Discussions

TO NAME PRESIDING OFFICER

A Permanent Organization by the States and the Nation is Necessary and Will Likely Result From This Conference.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—President Roosevelt welcomed the Governors and their representatives of the various states and territories at the conference on the Conservation of Natural Resources, which opened at the White House today for a three days' session. The gathering is the outcome of an invitation extended to the executives of the states and territories of the union by the President, with a view of thoroughly discussing the country, and hearing expressions of opinions as to how they may be best conserved for the benefit of the Nation and protected as a legacy to coming generations.

Two ideas are destined to mark a material progress in America's future, resulted from the first of the three days' conference at the White House today in which President Roosevelt, the governors of 44 states, cabinet officers, supreme judges, senators, representatives and experts are participating in efforts to reach conclusions on the best methods of conserving the natural resources of the United States. The first is that a permanent organization by the states and the nation is necessary and will likely result from the present conference to accomplish the end sought.

The second was suggested by Secretary Root is that there is no limitation by the constitution to any agreements which may be made between the states subject to approval of congress. The two ideas, fully developed, it is predicted, would result in the conservation of the energies and resources of the nation through uniform and unconflicting laws both national and state.

With a flourish of trumpets, the president and vice-president entered the historic east room of the White House, where had assembled the governors and 500 others who taxed the capacity of the room and the conference, the first of its kind in the history since the country began.

The marine band rendered the presidential honor as Roosevelt entered; the governors arose; clapped their hands, shouted, and five hundred others took their cue and the demonstration became tumultuous. When they subsided, the president addressed the assemblage.

The President's speech ended the morning session. The governors and delegates were photographed with the president. The picture also shows W. J. Bryan, J. J. Hill and Gustave Schwab, as specially invited participants.

The real work of the conference began at the afternoon session. Soon after convening for this session it developed that the president finds it impossible to devote his entire time to the conference meeting. He will as he did today, call each session to order and then designate a governor to pre-

side. This honor today fell to Governor Noel of Mississippi with an intimation that it would fall on Governor Johnson tomorrow. The President then suddenly, as if his political instinct had received a shock, called on Bryan to interrupt the program and address the meeting. Bryan acknowledged the enthusiasm his name aroused by lifting his hand and indicated a desire to speak on Friday. Upon this, the program was resumed and Andrew Carnegie addressed the gathering.

Dr. I. C. White of West Virginia, added his expert knowledge and prediction on the subject of coal and iron in which he predicted the complete exhaustion of the Pittsburg Coal supply in 93 years.

John Mitchell, the former president of the United Mine Workers estimated that fully 25 per cent of the coal in the mine already developed has been wasted in mining and a much greater percentage in use. Without such waste, which he believed might be overcome, the supply of coal would last 2000 years. John Hays Hammond read a paper on engineering methods in which he drew the conclusion that while there no way to revolutionize mining methods, they might be improved gradually. The climax of the afternoon was a speech of Secretary of State Root.

Root's idea in brief is that though the constitution prevents the states from making any agreement with each other without the consent of Congress, any number can be made with the consent of Congress and he believes that the powers reserved to the state sovereignty should be exercised for the common interest of the country and not confine to their own individual local interests. Secretary Cortelyou followed Secretary Root speaking on the connection which the treasury department might bear to the questions under consideration.

THE VREELAND BILL

Vote On It Will Be Taken Tomorrow

AMENDMENT LIMITED TO ONE

The Leaders Have Issued Strict Caution to Members to be Present as the Heaviest Vote of the Session is Expected.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—At 4.30 tomorrow the house will vote on the Vreeland currency bill. The best information indicates that the bill will be passed by a small majority. When the House meets tomorrow at 11:30 a resolution or order will be reported from the committee on rules substantially as follows: That the bill will be taken up for consideration; that the amendments be limited to one; that a general debate proceed until 4:30; the time being equally divided between the two sides of the House and at that hour a vote to be taken. The purpose of allowing one amendment is to give the democrats a chance to move a substitution of the Williams bill for the Vreeland bill, the idea being that some democrats after casting a complimentary vote for the Williams bill will support the Vreeland bill. Williams however, says if this is the game, he does not propose to be led into any such trap and will move the substitution of the Fowler bill. The backers of the Vreeland bill have no mind to allow this as they have work cut out for themselves without bringing into the controversy the Fowler bill which already has caused hard feeling between the Republican elements. In view of this it may be that tomorrow's order will designate definitely the Williams bill as the one amendment which will be entertained. As the leaders have issued strict caution for all members to be in their seats tomorrow noon, it is expected the heaviest vote of the session will be on the Vreeland bill.