



CONDITIONS IMPROVING

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WOLFF CREEK IS UNDERWATER

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BUTTE, June 6.—The railroad situation in Montana is much improved today and the rain has stopped. The Northern Pacific is sending trains east from Butte tonight although the line east of Bozeman was again tied up today by another washout. The farmers in Gallatin Valley estimate two-thirds of their crops to be destroyed. Superintendent Goodell of the Northern Pacific says he has no idea when the line will be opened. A big gang of men are at work but the task is tremendous. The track it is feared, has been washed out for miles through the Hell Gate canyon. Wolff Creek on the Great Northern is reported under water. At Craig it is reported people are using boats in the streets. Manager Smith of the east Helena smelters, says it will be two weeks before the company will be operating again.

The dam at Stanchfield Lake went out at 4 o'clock this morning and flooded scores of farms in the valley. The Great Northern system today is practically in a complete state of demoralization, so bad that not even a transfer of passengers is attempted. In addition to the washouts in the Prickley Pear canyon, the track is covered with landslides between Butte and Helena. The Butte, Anaconda and Pacific is out of commission until Monday at least, and until that line is repaired the mines of Red Metals north of Butte and the Amalgamated companies have to remain in shut-down.

The electric cars have resumed in this city, as has also the electric lights. Three lives are reported lost in the valley below Helena.

TOO LATE.

University of Washington Eight-Oar Crew Enter Too Late.

NEW YORK, June 6.—Word was sent to the University of Washington eight-oared crew that their entry for the races at Poughkeepsie on June 27 was received too late and it will be impossible to accept their entry as all the arrangements have been made.

Killing of Sheriff May Result in Race Riot

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 6.—Fear of a race riot over the killing of Sheriff Garrison by a negro desperado led Governor Haskell to order out a company of militia tonight. The body of the sheriff was brought here on a special train in the morning. Rumors that the negroes are arming themselves has been rife all

CHICAGO WINS TRACK MEET.

Stanford and Wisconsin Tie For Second Honors, Illinois Third.

MARSHALL FIELD, Chicago, June 6.—Chicago won the annual track and field meet of the inter-collegiate conference on Marshall Field this afternoon, scoring 24 points. Stanford and Wisconsin tied for second honors with 20 points each. Illinois was third with 18 points.

The meet was so close that the result were not determined until the last event of the program was finished. No records were broken, but May of Illinois tied the Western conference record in the 100-yard dash.

The sensation of the day was the desperate race in the two-mile run in which Carr, of Michigan, won from second and third contests by inches only.

GOLD AT BISBEE

BISBEE Ariz., June 5.—Bisbee has been given a sensation by the discovery of gold almost in the center of the city. George L. Miller, who came here recently from Los Angeles while excavating for a new house in Brewery Gulch, noticed the appearance of quartz being taken out. Miners on the job examined it and declared it high grade gold ore. Specimens were taken to an assay office which gives these results: Sixty two ounces of gold \$1,240; 138 ounces of silver \$77.28; total value per ton \$1,317.28.

Work on the excavation was immediately stopped and three shifts of men are at work, sinking a shaft.

5 SAILORS BURIED

Victims of Explosion on Cruiser Tennessee

INJURED AT LOS ANGELES

Laid to Rest in Harbor View Cemetery With Military Honors Two of the Injured Will Probably Die—All Frightfully Burned.

LOS ANGELES, June 6.—Six men are dead as a result of the explosion of the boiler tube on the cruiser Tennessee yesterday. E. J. Burns and J. P. Carroll, two of the most seriously injured, died today. The board of inquiry convened to investigate the accident completed its first session late today without announcing any result.

LOS ANGELES, June 6.—Five of the sailors who are victims of yesterday's fatal explosion on board the cruiser Tennessee were buried today in little harbor view Cemetery, at San Pedro with a military honors, and the six others sufferings from terrible injuries were brought to this city before noon, and are now at the Angelus Marine Hospital. All these men are suffering frightful burns and at least two of them are not expected to recover. They are F. S. Maxfield and J. P. Carroll. Both are burned and scalded from head to foot. There are three of the injured on board of the ship. Their injuries are not serious.

TORNADO IN NEBRASKA

Kills at Least Twenty People

NO COMMUNICATIONS

Covers More Territory, and is Most Destructive Storm in Recent Years

DAMAGE \$ UNESTIMATABLE

Report From Bryan Says Storm Struck Phillipsburg Destroying Greater Part of Town and Killing Several People.

OMAHA, June 6.—The tornado which passed over Southern Nebraska and portions of Kansas Friday evening, was most destructive, and covered more territory than any similar storm, that has visited the state in late years. At least 20 persons are known to be dead and five are fatally injured and score of others are less severely hurt, some dangerously. Additional reports received tonight state that several are killed at Byron and Courtland.

At Fairfield more than 40 buildings are more or less wrecked and some are demolished. Loss, \$100,000. In the vicinity of Hickley, one or more fatalities are reported. At Geneva, the storm wrought great destruction. The storm covered such a wide area and has been so destructive that it almost caused a panic among the rural inhabitants. Hundreds of farmers drove into town last night and today are seeking shelter, many of them being homeless.

SUPERIOR, Neb., June 6.—A telephone message from Bryan says that Friday's tornado struck Phillipsburg, Kansas, destroying greater part of the town and killing several people.

The town of Courtland, 15 miles east of Phillipsburg was struck, and several casualties resulted. It is indefinite whether both towns were sufferers or whether the two reports cover the same tornado. The details will hardly get through tonight, unless by messenger as all kinds of communication is cut off.

PLOT TO DEFEAT GOVERNOR.

Money Offered Statement No. 1 Legislators.

PORTLAND, June 6.—Bribery and other pressure is being brought to bear on Statement No. 1 members of the Legislature. A conspiracy has already been effected for the purpose of disorganizing the ranks of the 52 Statement No. 1 Senators and Representatives and thus defeating the wish of the people as expressed at the polls that Gorge E. Chamberlain be sent to the United States Senate.

One of the agents of the plotters, who design to trick the people by tampering with the Legislature, is a young lawyer who has been mixed up with shady transactions in the past. Other agents in the game are business men who take an active part in politics.

The information that bribery is being attempted is no idle rumor, for it is known positively that at least three House members elected from Multnomah have been approached. How many more have been "felt out" by the agents of the conspirators is not known yet, but at least three of the Representatives-elect admit that efforts have been made to tempt them.

PORTLAND SAYS GOOD-BYE.

PORTLAND, June 6.—It took Portlanders almost seven hours to bid farewell in a suitable manner to the rose carnival and fiesta, which has been in progress here for the past week. The carnival inaugurated with bedlam bells, cannon and shrieking whistles. It was concluded with a pandemonium from tin horns, squakers and a dozen other contrivances fashioned to produce everything but harmony, in the hands of the restless sea of more than a hundred thousand people that surged up and down the streets from early evening until far past the hour of midnight. The carnival has been a continuous success from start to finish. There has never been a year before when the roses were so plentiful nor attractions so numerous.

PATRIOTIC WOMEN.

NEW YORK, June 5.—The officers of the National Society of Patriotic Women of America, a new organization, visited Ellis Island yesterday to study the conditions of immigrants among whom they are to work. The society of which Mrs. J. Heron Crossman is president is to start classes among immigrant children, with paid teachers to instruct in "Practical Patriotism and to enlighten them as to their civic duties and privileges."

The society was organized on May 6, at a meeting held at the residence of Mrs. Oliver Livingston Jones and has been incorporated. Its members are drawn largely so far from patriotic societies, but this is not limited by ancestry.

DEFINITE PROGRAM

May Be Put Forth by the Republican Committee Managers

PREJUDICED IN TAFT'S FAVOR

No More Evidence Will be Put Before the Republican National Committee by the Allied Candidates in Contested Cases.

CHICAGO, June 6.—No more evidence in the contested cases will be put before the Republican National Committee, by the allied candidates according to a decision reached tonight at the conference between the managers representing the interests of Knox, Fairbanks and Hughes. The managers for Cannon did not participate. Convinced that the national committee is at present constituted, and is prejudiced in favor of Taft and that all the delegations instructed to vote for Taft will be seated by the committee managers of three candidates named, decided upon radical course. They talked the matter over and called a meeting for late tonight. They also expect to have sessions tomorrow and may put forth a definite program and when that has been done, to issue a statement to the public setting forth their reasons for refusing to continue their cases before the court of the first instance, for such is the national committee.

The conferees decided that if they presented their claims to the committee and received nothing but defeats it would give them a "black-eye" before the convention. On the other hand it was admitted that their neglect to go before the national committee may weaken their case before the superior court. Determination to take steps outlined therefore was not a hasty one and the conferees stated that they realized full well what the step means.

CHATANOOGA HOLD-UP.

CHATANOOGA, June 6.—One man shot dead and two women wounded in a hold-up which occurred tonight near the southern limits of the city.

MULTNOMAH CLUB WINS

The University of Oregon Nearest Competitor

NO RECORDS BROKEN

Wins Field and Track Meet of Pacific Northwest Amateur Assn. With 53 Points

LANAGAN GOES AFTER RECORD

Feature of the Meet Was Finish in the Mile Race—Devolt and Clark Were so Close That Both Carry Tape, But Devolt Wins.

PORTLAND, June 6.—The Multnomah Amateur Club won the field and track meet of the Pacific Northwest Amateur Association there today, taking 53 points. The University of Oregon was its nearest competitor with 23 points, Olympic of San Francisco third with 19 points, and Seattle fourth with 17 points. While the Multnomah's athletes accredited themselves in good shape, it is only fair to state the predominance of local club entries which had much to do the result. There were no records broken today, and only one attempt was made. This was by Lanagan of the Olympics, who went after the Northwest record in a pole vault which is held by Gilbert of Multnomah at 11 feet 7 1-2 inches.

Lanagan's best performance today 11 feet. The sensation of the afternoon was the finish in the mile run. Devolt of Multnomah and Clark of the Seattle Athletic Club were so close together that they both carried the tape with them. The judges were first inclined to declare it a dead heat, and only after a 15 minute discussion it was finally decided to award the race to Devolt. Price of the Tacoma High School made a brilliant showing in the 220-yard hurdles and it was unfortunate, that one of his competitors knocked the hurdle under his feet, and cut his ankle. The Tacoma boy, notwithstanding that he was thrown out of his stride, secured second place in the event.

BARTENDER STABBED.

Negro Fatally Injures John Reeder of Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 6.—As the result of a savage attack, apparently committed in a drunken frenzy, John Reeder, for some time past employed as day barkeeper in the Quelle saloon, is lying at St. Joseph's Hospital at the point of death, suffering from ten serious knife wounds. That attack on Reeder was made about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Jack McDonald, a negro, who has been

about town but a short time, coming here, it is said, from Red Bluff, Cal.

Just what was the inception of the trouble is a mystery. Apparently, however, Reeder had incurred the ire of McDonald by ejecting him from the place. The first seen of the affair was at the front door of the saloon. Reeder was standing in the door of the saloon, when the negro suddenly whipped out a knife and jumped upon him. Only two or three persons were in the vicinity, and before these could interfere Reeder had been terribly slashed about the face, arms and body, the most serious cuts being in the back, puncturing both lungs.

Within a few seconds the negro had been placed under arrest and turned over to the officers. As soon as possible Reeder was taken to the hospital.

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.

Portland Society Ladies Escape Death by Narrow Margin.

PORTLAND, June 6.—Miss Helen F. Spaulding, Mrs. L. W. Sitton, Miss Sitton and Mrs. Gale, four of the most prominent ladies of this city had an escape from death today nothing short of miraculous. They were returning in an automobile from Oswego six miles south of Portland and while descending a steep hill, where the road skirts a gorge of 100 or more feet deep the steering gear got out of order. The chauffeur lost control of the machine and it pitched over the brink of the gulch. The vehicle slid some distance down the hill without overturning and lodged against a tree.

TOPEKA IN DANGER

Kansas River Threatens to Flood City

SUNDAY OR MONDAY NIGHT

Weather Officials Predict That River Will go Above Flood Stage People Moving Out of Lowlands—Business People Preparing For the Flood.

TOPEKA, June 6.—The government weather officials here predict that the Kansas River will go above flood stage by Sunday night or Monday. Many people in lowlands are moving out and the business interests in the lower part of the city are preparing for flood.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Pacific Coast League. At Portland—Portland 4, Los Angeles 2. At San Francisco—Oakland 9, San Francisco 1.

Northwest League. At Spokane—Spokane 10, Seattle 9. At Seattle—Aberdeen 1, Vancouver 4.

EASTERN GAMES.

National League. At New York—New York 3, Chicago 14. At Pittsburg 5, Cincinnati 8.

Twenty-Three Buried in the Gold King Mine

SILVERTON, Colo., June 6.—Twenty-three are missing and may be dead in the Gold King mine at Gladstone, as a result of the fire which destroyed the mine buildings last night. It was discovered today that three men were missing and a party of thirty-four went into the mine to find them. The missing men

are supposed to be on the fifth level, and when the rescuing party reached the fourth level they met bad air and gas. Fourteen managed to escape but twenty were overcome. Two special trains with 300 men accompanied by doctors and nurses were sent to the mine tonight from Silverton, and late tonight a second rescue party entered the mine.