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GETTING SCARED

Colombia Suspicious of United States.

WHAT IS THE REASON

So Many Marines Are in Panama? ---Fears That Uncle Sam Will Seize Isthmus.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—According to a report in circulation this morning, all kinds of rumors as to the attitude of the United States towards Colombia are in the air. Colombia is very much alarmed. She wants to know why there have been so many United States marines and blue jackets landed on the Isthmus. The authorities of the Isthmus are constantly sending in queries as to the reasons for such an attitude. Does the United States intend to seize the Isthmus and get possession of the Canal without having to pay for it? This is the question that is worrying the minds of the Colombian government, as well as many of the foreign diplomats. But Secretary Moody is authority for the absolute denial of any such intentions on the part of the United States. All the object there is for so many marines, etc., is to protect American interests and keep the traffic open on the railroad across the Isthmus.

A HEAVY SUIT

Filed Today, Against the City and Suburban.

The City & Suburban Railway Company was made the defendant today in the Circuit Court in a suit for \$50,000. James S. Backenstos, the plaintiff, claims that while riding on one of plaintiff's cars on the East Side he was jostled off, and falling to the street received injuries which have rendered him permanently unable to earn his living. He says in his complaint that while the ordinances fix the rate of speed for street cars at eight miles per hour the car from which he fell was going at the rate of fully twenty miles. Furthermore the car was overcrowded and he was compelled to stand on the steps. That the conductor in passing through the crowd roughly pushed people aside and that owing to the jostling and high rate of speed the car was going he was literally thrown from the steps to the street.

LYNCH'S MONEY

Question of Veracity Between Attorney and Administrator.

Attorney Charles E. Lockwood, who was cited to appear before County Judge Webster yesterday to show cause why he should not pay over certain moneys of the Jerry Lynch estate to the administrator, Richard Lynch, did so and claimed that he had turned over \$24, retaining \$300 until the final settlement of the estate, to cover costs and commission. The administrator admits receiving \$200 of the money Lockwood alleges he turned over but says he did not receive the other \$24. Lockwood showed receipts for the two amounts, but Lynch claimed that the one for the larger amount he signed in blank and that the attorney filed in the amount, but never turned anything over to him. The case will be resumed this afternoon.

LAVA AND FLAME.

Stromboli Volcano Once More in Active Operation.

PARIS, Sept. 25.—There is considerable anxiety being expressed here over the report of volcanic activity on Stromboli Island. A dispatch to the Figaro from Rome says the volcano on Stromboli Island, off the north coast of Sicily, has been active for several days. A large, conical mass has appeared on the edge of one of the craters, and a fissure at the base of this crater is pouring out lava and jets of flame to a height of 200 yards. A dispatch from Rome dated September 9 said the Stromboli volcano was then in full operation.

DIED A PAUPER.

Once Wealthy Forty-Niner's Life Ends in Poverty.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—John D. Deas, a 49er, was buried in a pauper's lot yesterday. He returned here from California with \$300,000, which he lost a few years ago in Wall street. Since then he has sold collar buttons for a living.



NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Charles M. Schwab, president of the steel trust, who has gone to Europe for a long period of recuperation, has been improved in health already, according to advices that reach New York. He is rapidly regaining his normal condition.

FINISH WAS SENSATIONAL

Warrant Has Been Issued for the Arrest of Laura Bigger—She Withdraws Claim.

LONG BRANCH, Sept. 25.—The suit of the well-known actress, Laura Bigger, to establish her claim to the \$2,000,000 estate of the late Henry Bennett of Pittsburgh, had a sensational finish today when her counsel announced that Miss Bigger had decided to forego all claims except the 60 per cent. interest given her under Bennett's will. Counsel for the other heirs immediately arose and said that warrants were out for Miss Bigger, Samuel Stanton and Dr. Hendricks, charging conspiracy. Miss Bigger was not present, but the latter two were arrested and their bail fixed at \$5,000 each. Officers are looking for the actress. Stanton was a Hoboken justice of the peace who, in the former hearing, testified that he married Miss Bigger to Bennett. Hendricks was Miss Bigger's counsel when the actress first claimed marriage and the birth of the posthumous child.

AN EFFORT TO BRIBE MINERS

President Nichols Creates Big Sensation by Making Some Startling Statements.

SCRANTON, Sept. 25.—Efforts are being made to bribe the mine workers' leaders to surrender the cause, declares President Nichols, of district No. 1, in a sworn statement issued at noon today. He says he has information that Michael Grimes, who was formerly a mine foreman, is the agent of the operators. He accuses Grimes of offering the local presidents \$25,000 each if they would get ten men from each local to draft a set of resolutions declaring that their locals were willing to go to work. Two men were to get \$500 each and the other eight were to get \$100 each in addition to the \$25,000 to the principal leaders. Grimes was to pay all incidental expense money and prevent the exposure of the participants. Grimes for his work is promised a coal lease from the Erie company. President Nichols offers to furnish testimony before the court.

LANGE BOUND OVER.

Gus Lange was charged with being a burglar, caught in the act of robbing an East Side butcher shop. He pleaded not guilty. After Officer Robson had testified to finding the defendant in the place mentioned, Lange made a statement that he was in the place but had no intention of stealing anything. That he was tempted and went through the money drawer as a secondary consideration. He was remanded to the grand jury for trial, and bail fixed at \$500.

MORGAN GETS IN

Works Scheme to Become a Factor in Atlantic Coast Line.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Wall street today hears that Morgan turned over the Louisville & Nashville to the Atlantic Coast line, thus becoming a factor in the latter line, where he had no previous interest.

ROTTEN MEATS

Again Endanger People's Lives.

THE CITY'S HEALTH

Menaced by the Sale of Putrefying Carcasses—Biersdorf Is Indignant.

Another seizure of diseased hogs has been made by Health Officer Biersdorf. Yesterday a front-street commission house received a shipment of four hogs from a rancher near Vancouver, Wash., which were in such a state of putrefaction as to make even their handling a matter of danger. With commendable spirit the health officer who at once proceeded to make an examination. Of what he found Dr. Biersdorf says: "During all my experience I have never before seen animals marketed in such a condition. The carcasses were so rotten that the finger could be pushed for its full length into the flesh without the slightest exertion. They were in a horrible state. There is no question that the farmer who shipped the hogs was well aware that they were unfit for food before making his shipment the tongues and a part of the tissues of the necks had been removed in an evident effort to hide the cause of the animals' deaths."

BIERSDORF IS INDIGNANT.

"A man who will attempt to perpetrate such an outrage as the selling of such meat should be shown no quarter. No punishment is too severe for him. Had that meat been consumed by Portland people it would, in all probability have caused the serious illness and perhaps the death of those who partook of it. There is nothing, however, that I can do in this case, the seller residing outside of the state. But I am determined that if it is possible for me to get a case against any person whom I can reach in such a matter, to have an example made of him that will effectually deter others from following the same despicable course. Since the prosecution and conviction of the man Dinbat some time ago for this offense we have had very little trouble in this way. I believe that for the past few weeks there has been little if any diseased meat sold in this city and so long as I am health officer I am determined to keep up a vigilant watch for it and to secure, if possible, the severe punishment of any one caught in the act of committing the crime of foisting on the public food products which it would be a shame to feed to a homeless dog."

TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKE

Over One Thousand Persons Killed and Towns Destroyed.

SHIMLA, Sept. 25.—Reports from the Province of Sikkim, India, state that a most destructive earthquake occurred there August 22 and that the shocks continued till September 3. In the Kashgar district the town of Artush probably suffered the greatest loss of life and property, there being 967 persons killed and over 1000 injured. Almost every building in the entire section was demolished and the British colony narrowly escaped being totally annihilated. A dispatch to the Allahabad, India, Pioneer from Kashgar, says that the disturbances wrecked many villages in the northern part of the province, the total number of persons killed being 100. There were no premonitory signs, says the dispatch, but a profound rise in the temperature followed the principal shock. The temperature continued to rise during the subsequent days, which were attended by a repetition of slight quakes. The dispatch says no Europeans lost their lives.

STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

John A. Maher, a farmer living near Linton, while driving across the tracks at Twelfth and Washington streets yesterday, was struck by a car and thrown to the pavement, receiving severe external injuries. He was cared for by Dr. Littlefield at a nearby drug store. Maher is about 80 years old and is troubled with his eyesight. He did not notice the approaching car and thus brought about the accident.

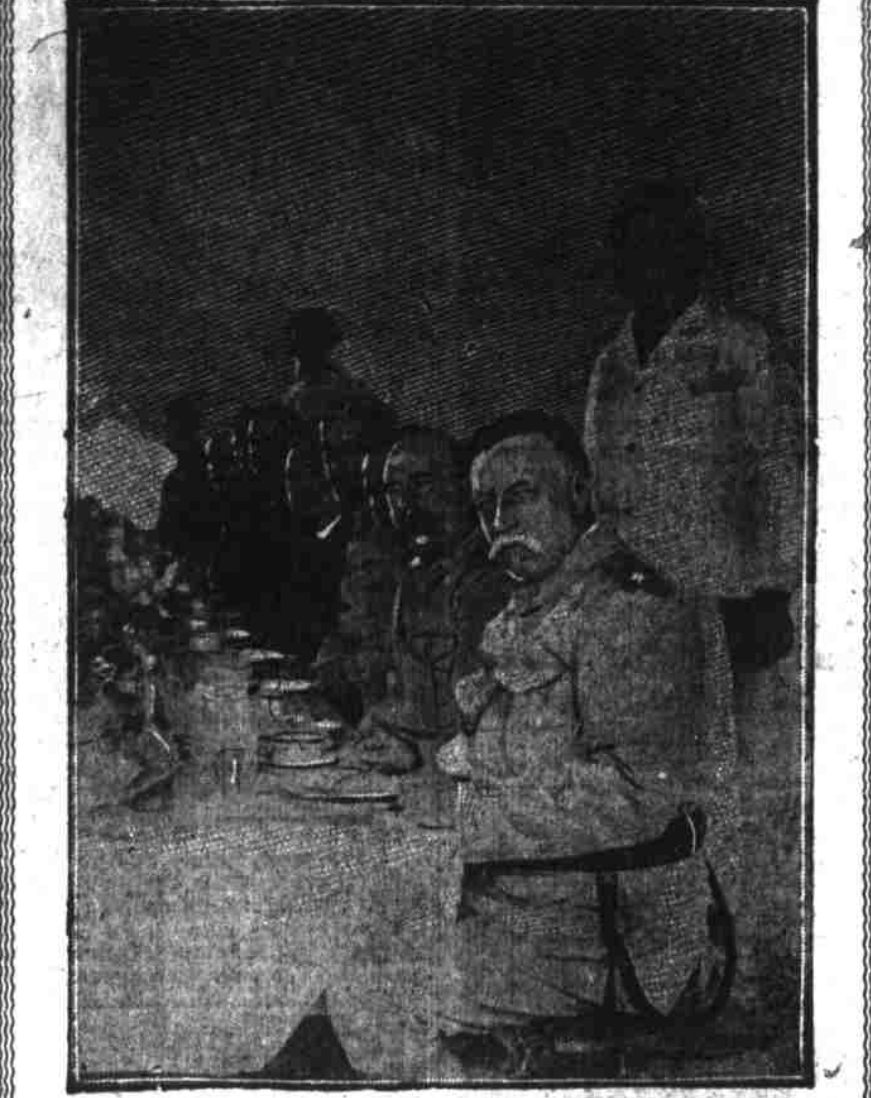
INSTRUCTORS TO MEET.

The teachers of the school department will meet at the Park school Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of receiving instructions.

MACCABEES INITIATE.

Portland Tent No. 1, Knights of the Maccabees, initiated several new candidates last evening at their hall in the Salling-Hirsch building. About 700 members of different tents were present. A sumptuous repast was served. Jack Ashton was presented with a gold chain for having brought in 63 new members.

SOLDIERS IN THE COAL REGIONS.



TAMAQUA, Pa., Sept. 25.—The presence of soldiers in the anthracite coal region has been regarded as necessary for the preservation of order. The forces are well organized and claim to be ready for all emergencies.

RUSSIA QUITTING

Czar's Troops to Evacuate Manchuria.

WILL ALLAY FEELING

Withdrawal Will Be Completed by October—Railroad Turned Over to China.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Minister Conger, of Peking, cables the State Department that the Russians have begun to evacuate Manchuria, having already turned over to China the possession of the railroad. The evacuation will be complete by October, as stipulated by the agreement. This will tend to allay the feeling between Japan and Russia, which, while not much in evidence, was still very strong in Japan. It will also cause considerable relief to the English Cabinet, which has been uneasily watching the situation for the past year.

EXCITES LONDON

Report Circulated Saying Anarchist Attempted to Kill President.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The Daily News Agency, under a New York date, sent out a report yesterday, which created a great deal of excitement here. The report said that it was supposed that an anarchistic attempt on the life of President Roosevelt was involved in the wrecking of the Golden Eagle Hotel, in Washington, Wednesday night, and the subsequent suicide of the perpetrator of the outrage. The newspapers here got out "specials," and flaming placards and boys were bawling the startling news through the streets with the result that half of the population of London went home believing that the assassination of the President of the United States had been attempted.

DIPLOMAT CHANGES

Thompson, of Nebraska, Appointed Minister to Brazil.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The State Department this morning made the following official announcement of diplomatic appointment: Charles Maguire, of Pennsylvania, now the Russian Ambassador, to be Ambassador to Germany; William Storer, Minister to Spain, to become Minister to Austria, Hungary; Arthur S. Hardt, Minister to Switzerland, to become Minister to Spain; Charles H. Bryan, minister to Brazil, to become Minister to Switzerland; and David E. Thompson, of Nebraska, to become Minister to Brazil, the order becoming effective in November.

GAMBLING AT THE RACES.

Police Stand Idly By and See the Plain Law Violated.

The present administration of Portland was elected to office on a reform platform. Through its official head, Mayor Williams, a crusade on vice has been inaugurated. The Mayor has instructed the police department to stop gambling. The laws for dealing with the issue are adequate and could be made effective if properly enforced.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Of State Federation of Labor to Meet Monday.

A meeting of the executive council of the State Federation of Labor will be held Monday morning in the hall of the organization on Second and Washington streets, for the purpose of taking up the work of the State Federation as indicated by resolutions, concerning legislative matters, which were adopted at the convention last May. Other questions of interest to the labor movement will also be given attention. The executive board of the State Federation of Labor is composed of the following officials: President, G. Y. Harry, Portland; first vice president, J. F. Welsh, Astoria; second vice president, George Hornby, Portland; third vice president, J. F. Johnson, Baker City; fourth vice president, W. E. Miller, Salem; fifth vice president, Fred Langever, Pendleton; secretary, William H. Barry, Portland.

REPAIRS NEEDED

Forts at Walla and Vancouver Deteriorating.

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A BIG DEAL

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—It was announced on good authority today that the capital stock of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul had been increased to \$5,000,000. The increase in capital is for the purpose of purchasing Senator Clark's rights in the Salt Lake road. The St. Paul lines, with the Gould's and the Clark road, give them an outlet to the Pacific coast.

BENEFIT TONIGHT

Grand Athletic Exhibition.

FUND IS GROWING

Committee Met This Morning and Reported Everything Satisfactory.

Tonight's athletic benefit performance will be held at the Multnomah Club house instead of at the Exposition building, as was originally intended. The object of the change is to save the work of moving the various fixtures necessary to the show. The club is also better arranged for an entertainment of the kind. The benefit is for the relief of the fire sufferers. A great many tickets have been sold and everything tends to show that the affair will be a success. The program will be a clean scientific exhibition of athletic sports and exercises. The best talent of the Multnomah Club, the Y. M. C. A., the Turn Verein and good outsiders will participate in the exhibition.

There will be sparring, wrestling, tumbling, juggling, trapeze, horizontal bar, vaulting, club swinging, swimming and high diving, and all sorts of work for the development of the human form. Robert Fitzsimmons wrote a letter in the early part of the week, stating that he would gladly give his services, in his benefit, if he could possibly get here in time. He has sent word that it would not be probable that he could get here. Tracey and Demsey will box six rounds. There will be a number of other contests with the gloves by men who have made reputations in the ring. Ladies are especially invited to be present. The show will be a clean and interesting exhibition of the kind that never fails to amuse and entertain a crowd.

FUND IS GROWING.

The funds for the relief of the fire sufferers is growing. So far \$227.96 have been contributed and turned over into the hands of the committee. Of this sum \$207.95 has been spent, leaving a balance of \$20.01. This does not include the money that was sent into the fire districts direct.

The executive committee met this morning and was very much pleased with the financial condition of the fund. A petition was read from D. S. Lake and 25 other free-holders around La Camas and Washougal, requesting 6000 pounds of timothy seed, 1000 pounds of white clover and 1000 pounds of orchard grass. Before granting the request the committee will investigate the exact condition of the petitioner.

A request was received from a Mr. Peterson, who ran a sawmill five miles from La Camas, stating that he had lost his mill by fire, but that some of the machinery was still in good condition. He stated that he could get to work again with \$400. In payment for this help Peterson will give \$500 worth of lumber. He will also furnish the residents in the vicinity with lumber and will wait for payment for one or two years.

This proposition was looked on with favor by the committee, but action was deferred, because Peterson will be here the early part of next week, and the matter will be taken up with him personally.

REPORT FROM AGENT BROWN.

A report was read from Agent Valentine Brown, who investigated conditions in the La Camas districts. Mr. Brown enclosed the names of 26 sufferers, also full particulars about them. He recommended that lumber, grass seed, wire fencing, provisions and clothing be sent to some in lieu of money.

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WHEAT MARKET.

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