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Tonight and Sunday,
occasional rain; southerly
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ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL HOYT ORDERS MATTHEWS TO DROP REPUBLICAN CHAIRMANSHIP

PORTLAND POLITICAL BOSS MUST MAKE HIS CHOICE

Refuses to State Whether He Will Resign the State Chairmanship or the Federal Office.

The Journal's Expose of His Political Partisanship Results in His Being Called Down Hard by the Department at Washington.

Assistant Attorney-General Hoyt telegraphed "Jack" Matthews, United States Marshal, this morning, calling his attention to the recent department circular in which federal employees were strictly prohibited from displaying undue political activity, and demanding his immediate resignation from the chairmanship of the Republican State Central Committee.

Mr. Matthews has not declared himself as to what action he will take in the matter. He refused to deny that he was still chairman of the committee, and in no case can he successfully controvert the assertion that he has been displaying a most reprehensible political activity.

Henry McGinn, who is an intimate friend of Boss Matthews, said to The Journal this morning that Matthews claimed to him last evening that he had resigned as chairman of the committee in last July. Matthews said this morning that he had never made any such statement. Who is telling the truth?

Last evening the Journal sent the following telegram to the Department of Justice:

To the Department of Justice, Washington—W. F. Matthews, United States Marshal for Oregon, also holding the position of Chairman Republican State Central Committee, is offensively partisan. He is interfering in the administration of the postoffice here to the disapproval of the prominent citizens. His resignation as chairman of the committee is demanded with the alternative of resignation as chairman of the committee. What will department do? OREGON DAILY JOURNAL.

THE TELEGRAM TO ROOSEVELT.

Following this The Journal wired President Roosevelt as follows:

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These dispatches were supplemented by letters addressed to Attorney-General Knox and to the President, in which clippings from the various Portland newspapers were enclosed detailing the violent attempts made by the United States Marshal to dictate the conduct of the local postoffice.

QUICK ACTION FOLLOWS.

This morning the following telegram was received from The Journal's Washington correspondent:

Assistant Attorney-General Hoyt, immediately after receipt of your telegram, called Matthews calling his attention to the imperative rule of the department against political activity and demanding his resignation from the state chairmanship.

MATTHEWS IS STRANGELY IGNORANT.

A Journal reporter took a copy of the dispatch and went forth to see what the political boss was going to do about it.

Mr. Matthews seized the telegram and read it. Then he swallowed vigorously. When speech returned the marshal endeavored to look dignified.

"I have nothing to say," said he, after the manner of Pierpont Morgan.

"Are you chairman of the state central committee?"

"I couldn't say."

"Will you resign your chairmanship or will you resign as marshal?"

"I don't know a thing about it," said Mr. Matthews.

"It was reported to The Journal this morning," pursued the reporter, in a cheerful voice, "that you made the statement last night that you had already resigned as chairman of the central committee."

"I never said any such thing," said the man of two jobs, and then he retired as gracefully as it is possible for a disgruntled politician to do.

For the past couple of months I prefer Portland to any. They have no idea of what Portland is out there. The questions asked me about this part of the country, while East, were the most ridiculous I have ever heard. One man in New York asked me: "Isn't it cold up there? You are so far up North." I answered him that we were within a few miles of the North Pole, yet we had a very temperate climate.

PERMANENT EXHIBITS NEEDED.

"I spent about 10 days in New York. While there I visited the museum in Central Park, where they have a permanent exhibit of building materials from every state in the Union, except Oregon. There seems to be no reason for this. The same condition prevails in the National Museum at Washington, which I also visited.

VIENNA, Nov. 29.—Only 500 living out of a total population of 2,500 in the terrible story of death from smallpox on the island of Furni, in the Aegean Sea. The greatest terror prevails and hundreds of dead bodies are unburied, strewn about the shores. Survivors fear to approach the dead, and the stench arising from the decaying remains is awful. An epidemic of smallpox broke out on the island and the natives sought to check it by employing vaccination. Not having the proper virus they extracted pus from the sores of the sick and inoculated the well. The result has been that nearly every patient died.

BOILERS BURST AND DOZENS DIE

Swift Ice Plant Blown to Atoms at Chicago This Morning.

Boiling Water Slowly Scalds Imprisoned Victims to Death While Cries of Agony Pierce Pall of Steam.

(Journal Special Service.)

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—With steam, scalding water, debris and jagged iron hurling in every direction, carrying death and general devastation over a large area, five boilers in Swift & Co's ice plant, No. 3, exploded simultaneously at 10:40 o'clock this morning. More than a dozen bodies of the dead have already been discovered and many others are believed to be beneath the wreck and ruin still. At least 50 have been more or less seriously injured.

Nothing is left of the huge building but a heap of tangled ruins. Splintered wood and twisted iron are buried beneath a heap of stone and broken brick.

Great tanks of boiling water, opened by the force of the shock, leaked down through the wreckage and slowly boiled alive many who were caught beneath the jam.

The work of rescue was carried on beneath a pall of steam that rendered it impossible for the firemen to see three inches before their faces. They had to feel their way about. Many of the rescuers were badly scalded while working to assist those imprisoned in the tomb of death.

WORK OF RESCUE.

The explosion was heard all over Chicago. Firemen hurried to the scene with all possible speed and ambulances from every hospital in the city were speedily on hand with a corps of physicians, rendering what service they could.

A vast crowd gathered and fought with the coroner of police for access into the great dome of escaping steam. Each man appeared to wish to be of some assistance to those whose screams of agony could be heard.

NO ONE LIVES.

Of 23 men known to have been in the ice house when the explosion came not one escaped. All are dead. Only four bodies taken from the ruins have been identified. All others are too frightfully mangled to be recognizable. Fifty men were hurt in adjoining buildings.

VAGRANCY CASE AFTERMATH

When Pansy Young was brought before Judge Hogue yesterday, on a charge of vagrancy, the questioning of Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald brought out the information that the girl was under age, and had been harbored about the Home Ranch concert hall, selling drinks, and was living with a man named Archie Fay. Fitzgerald had a warrant issued for the arrest of George Lane, the manager of the saloon and area for Fay. Lane was arrested last night and at this morning's session of court his case was continued to December 1. Mr. Fitzgerald made the statement that he intended to enforce the laws bearing on this issue.

BAD GAS EXPLOSION.

MARIETTA, Nov. 29.—A gas explosion in the residence of Mrs. Mary Tucker demolished the house this afternoon. Mrs. Tucker and four daughters were all injured by being pinned beneath burning timbers and were rescued with difficulty. Adjoining houses were cracked and rendered unsafe. The explosion was so violent that all windows within two blocks were shattered.

RAILROAD SOLD.

OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 29.—The California & Nevada Railway, uncompleted line, was sold today to the Santa Fe for \$9,000.

ACTING MAYOR ZIMMERMAN COMMENDS JOURNAL'S STAND

Hundreds of the People of Portland Send Congratulations to the Office of This Paper.

Councilmen, Physicians, and Citizens of All Classes Are Delighted With the Outcome of the Fight for Pure Food Products.

"The meat and milk ordinance will be taken up at the next meeting of the Common Council. The old ordinances introduced by F. W. Mulkey are the ones I refer to at this time. That some vigorous steps must be taken to correct the evils that infest Portland, relative to bad meat, particularly, and milk also, is, I think, apparent to everybody. I am not familiar with the documents introduced by Mr. Mulkey at the council meeting last June, but I shall know all about them in a few days. The Journal is in the front in this matter and that is a position that should be commended by all."

L. ZIMMERMAN, President of the Council.

Last Monday The Journal exposed the rottenness of conditions that made it possible for diseased cattle by the herd to be killed and sold in Portland for fresh, prime meat.

The Journal has made plain through a score of valuable opinions, that the milk taken from infected cows is detrimental to health, not alone of infants but of adults as well. Food Inspector Bailey, when asked the question, "Would you feed an infant of 18 months old milk that had been taken from a cow suffering from tuberculosis?" said, "No, I would not."

Professional men, business men, working men, mothers and fathers, have voiced their commendation on The Journal's course.

And so it has come about at last that there is a certainty that the city authorities will take a hand and remedy the iniquitous practice of some dealers in deceiving the public, because that public does not, and can not, know.

ACTING MAYOR ZIMMERMAN'S OPINION.

"Infected meat and impure milk constitute an evil that has no place in any community," said L. Zimmerman, president of the Common Council, today. "I understand the subject will be brought up at the meeting of the council next Wednesday afternoon. I am vigorously in favor of taking measures that will insure to Portland meat and milk unadulterated by adulterations or disease."

Mr. Zimmerman was asked if the old Mulkey ordinances would be revived. He replied: "I am not sure that the same documents will receive attention, but the matter will be investigated and this time something will be done."

Inspector Mr. Zimmerman favored.

"I believe that meat should be inspected on the hoof. Animals to be killed and their meat sold in Portland should each one be carefully examined by an expert while alive. The operation could easily be arranged, and furthermore, I believe that we can arrange matters so that it would not cost the city a cent. I believe that we could secure one or two government inspectors who would act for Portland alone. Whichever way it may adjust itself it will be toward the end of wholesome food for the City of Portland," continued Mr. Zimmerman, "the class of meat that is hung up in some of our markets, and the time has come to act."

LAND AND SEA BATTLE ON GRIDIRON

There is more money wagered on the annual football bout between the Army and the Navy cadets than upon any other game in America. Today the betting was early in favor of the young men from the upper Hudson River, but after the two teams were on the field and the husky strength of the sea dogs had become apparent, odds changed slightly, and there were not so many calls of defiance from the military side of the field.

ARMY AND NAVY CADETS MEET IN ANNUAL GAME TODAY.

Close followers of the sport and who have watched the records of the two teams since the beginning of the present season, expressed the opinion that the Army would win. Their defensive work was considered superior and it was believed by football experts that they moved faster behind the line. The interference of the sailors, in the short practice before the teams lined up awaiting the call of the whistle, however, moved swiftly and showed hard and compact formation. It looked an ugly thing to butt against and there were expressions of doubt on the faces of Army advocates.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29.—Final score: West Point, 22; Annapolis, 8.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29.—The first half of the West Point-Annapolis football game ended with a score of 10 to 0 in favor of the soldiers. West Point used the old-fashioned tandem and the Empire Express plays. Time and again they hammered right through the line of the sailors and could not be stopped, although the naval cadets put up a very game fight. The soldiers depended upon their excessive weight and made that weight tell.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29.—From top rank generals, in their gold lace and brass, and admirals in full uniform, down to the cadet privates of both army and navy, the fighting force of the United States has forgotten its rank and is shouting and cheering, gesticulating in frenzy and alternately sinking into despondency, at Franklin field this afternoon. Football is the cause. It is the game of the year—West Point against Annapolis.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29.—Prominent military attaches leave standing orders for the results to be called at their expense, and Admiral Robley D. Evans, on the Chinese Station, has arranged for returns to be brought to him on a swift

end rushes was the declared policy of the followers of Neptune.

INTENSE FEELING.

A party of drunken soldiers at the south gate became mixed up with sailors from a revenue cutter and distracted the attention of a portion of the audience just as the ball soared down the field. The disturbers were arrested, but several less intoxicated than the rest watched the game under police protection.

HELD TO GRAND JURY.

Louis Robinson, charged with secreting assets, after having filed a petition in bankruptcy, was bound over to the grand jury this morning by Commissioner McKee. Robinson was released on a \$1,500 bond.

HARRY THOMAS was bound over to the grand jury this morning on a bond of \$1,000. He is charged with the larceny of a diamond from S. P. Hanwalt, on an "S" street car. Thomas tried to prove an alibi, through a woman called Bell, who testified that on the night that the robbery was committed, he had been at her house from 8 in the evening until after midnight. Hanwalt and a number of others were positive that he was on the car the evening in question.

CHARGED WITH CRIME.

Frederick Kettler was arrested last evening by Constable Adkins, charged with attempting a serious crime. The complaining witness is Mrs. Ottila Buschke, an aged woman residing at 469 Mississippi avenue. Kettler, who is a married man, was released on \$500 bail.

W. H. POPE BACK FROM TRIP EAST

He Relates Occurrences While There.

An Oregon Permanent Exhibit Is Needed in New York and Washington.

W. H. Pope, ex-county auditor of Multnomah County, is back from an extended trip to the East, where he visited his old home at New Bedford, after an absence of 40 years. In an interview with a Journal representative this morning, he said:

"Of all the cities I visited in the East

HE WOULD BUY NATIONAL DEBT

New York Banker to Aid Venezuela.

May Do It But Will Operate Entirely at His Own Risk, U. S. Will Not Help.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Isaac Seligman, a New York banker, is in this city with the purpose of interviewing the president and state department on a scheme of financing the Venezuelan debt.

SECRET ENVOYS.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—It is believed in Europe that secret delegations have been sent to both England and Germany for the purpose of negotiating in favor of Venezuela. It is understood that delegates are endowed with power either to settle the claims in full or to make offers which, it is believed, will be listened to by both Britain and the Kaiser. Venezuela will not enter into any arrangement unless her course in the matter is completely to the satisfaction of the United States.

REED JURY TRIAL.

W. H. Reed, is being tried by a jury in Justice Reid's court this afternoon. He is charged with violating an order of the court in visiting the premises of Mrs. Jennie Lawton, against whom he had made threats to kill.

OOM PAUL BEGS TO DIE ON VELDT

Former President of Transvaal Asks English to Let Him Come Home at Last.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Three men sailed from England today on a strange mission and one which will mean much if it is successful. All are outcasts returning to their native land. Former Acting President Schalkberger, of the Transvaal, returns to the country in which he was once the supreme and ruling power, to beg a favor from Colonial Secretary Chamberlain. It is said that Oom Paul Kruger, once president of the South African Republic, will be permitted to come back and die on the veldt. With Schalkberger go Wessels and Wolmarans, the Boer delegates who solicited funds in the United States. Both these men have been warned never to return to Cape Town, but they go in the hope that the authorities will relent and permit them to remain.