

THE GUESS IS THE GUESS

Question Chase and Admiration Lack of Evidence Connecting Him With Van Dran Case.

CHANCE IS THEORY NOW BEING WORKED OUT

Respect Denies All Knowledge of the Affair and Convinces Detectives That He Is Innocent of Any Guilty Knowledge.

How that Fremont R. Chase has been brought back to Portland from San Francisco by Detectives Day and...

Chase made the following statement this morning at the city prison to a newspaper representative:

"I am guilty neither of embossing anything from Van Dran nor of having anything to do with Van Dran's death. For 20 years I have lived in this community and this is the first time that anybody ever charged me with a crime.

"My vacation was spent in the hills near Astoria and I returned to Portland in the afternoon of August 11. Van Dran knows well that I left his saloon on my arrival and went to King's barber shop, where I cleaned up. Then I went directly back to the saloon and stayed there until the morning when Van Dran was poisoned.

"I sent Mrs. Van Dran up a mass of fish and she thanked me over the telephone and asked me out to the house for dinner. I was drinking some with a few of the boys and did not go to bed until about midnight. The next morning I usually drink ginger ale with liquor. Van Dran kept liquor at the house and in accordance with his usual custom would probably have asked me to take a drink before dinner. I should have used ginger ale and would have been all right.

"Why He Left Town. They ask why I left town when I was wanted as a witness at the trial of Joe Young for shooting Van Dran. Well, I gave my testimony under oath before District Attorney Hemeny and the same day I was granted a writ of habeas corpus in the preliminary examination. They could have used that testimony. Besides, I knew they had three other witnesses and wouldn't really need me.

"I had lost my job and wanted to get back to work as soon as possible. I wanted to see my mother and father. The case had dragged along since May 1 and I was getting tired. Of course, I have talked with Joe Young a number of times, but I never saw him. There was no reason for my not talking to him.

"I was manager of a theatrical company for two years and used the stage name of Ray Fremont during that period. Fremont is my first name and I have never used it since. It is not true that W. J. Kenny gave the steamer company the name of Chase and traveled as my brother; he gave the company his real name and the records will show it.

"The Spokane was scheduled to leave at 8 o'clock in the morning. When I learned she would not sail until 4 o'clock the next morning I went up town and spent some time at Kratz's and also visited the Washington cafe, where I told my story to the bartender. I was going to San Francisco. That is how the police learned where I had gone. If I had feared anything I should have told nobody I was going.

"Believes Death an Accident. My theory is that the woman met an accidental death. I can't see how anybody could use a diabolo enough to risk killing so good a woman in the effort to kill Van Dran. A woman living on Burnside street, near Twelfth, told me that she had frequently used a solution of cyanide of potassium in developing negatives taken with a kodak and had thrown the bottles into the back yard, where they were found and carried away by boys. I have been bottling works and have seen them cleaning bottles. The process is crude and the employes usually careless. I think the poison was in that bottle when it was filled with ginger ale at the bottling works.

"I expect no difficulty in showing myself innocent of any wrongdoing whatever, and I intend making it warm for a few persons who have been trying to concoct a theory in the case. The detectives are now making an effort to ascertain if the poison could have been placed in the bottle carelessly or accidentally. They claim to have received information that would justify them in forming such a theory. Employes of bottling works, they say, have stated that cyanide of potassium is used in the cleaning of bottles and the truth of this will be investigated.

MR. MURRAY TAKES HOLD IN NEW OFFICE

William McMurray, assistant general passenger agent of the Harriman lines in Oregon, arrived this morning from San Francisco and immediately assumed his duties. He will have an office adjoining that of L. Craig, an advertising department will be installed in new offices on the same floor. Messrs. Craig and McMurray will leave tonight for Spokane to meet the American Association of Traveling Passenger Agents and escort them to Portland.

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RIVER'S RED GHOST HAS WORLD OF SPEED

Automobile-Boat Union Surprises All With Twenty-Seven-Mile an Hour Gait.

Automobile on water is an experience that few people have had. The automobile boat Union, recently brought from San Francisco, is opening the eyes of those who frequent the river and the front to the possibility of traveling on the water at a speed greater than that of an ordinary railroad train.

In every line the automobile boat is suggestive of speed. Sharp as a knife, long and narrow beam, the Union drives through the water on the pressure of a 45-horsepower engine at a speed that distances every other craft on the river, and launches and steamers are passed as quickly as though they were going the other way.

The action of the automobile boat is strikingly suggestive of that of a race horse. Leaving the dock she springs aloft and instantly into her gait and drives ahead with extraordinary velocity, seemingly instinct with eagerness to pass every competitor.

The boat was built for F. H. H. of San Francisco, the defendant in one of the most noted of the government's land fraud prosecutions. It was brought here by G. F. Lewis, who is with J. M. Arthur, C. O. of this city, and it is an interesting circumstance that his grandfather was a brother of Meriwether Lewis, the famous explorer, whose exploits are commemorated by the Lewis and Clark fair.

Blasted Old Fool, Was the Epitaph Applied. In Wordy Battle Councilman Belding and Officer Murphy Lose Tempers.

Patrolman J. J. Murphy and City Councilman Belding collided Saturday night. As a result both have made complaints to Chief of Police Gritzmacher, who will have Murphy haled before the police commission.

Mr. Belding took his family to the theatre and afterward went to the corner of First and Stark streets to get a box of peaches. He was sitting in a box when he was called by a policeman. He had purchased early in the evening, when the policeman happened along.

"What are you doing here?" inquired the policeman. "I was sitting in a box of peaches," was the answer. "What car?" questioned Murphy. "None of your business," snapped Councilman Belding.

Up to this point the principals agreed as to what occurred. Murphy says that he removed the peaches from the box for exhibiting anger toward an officer who was trying to do nothing more than his duty and for his trouble was rewarded by being called "a blasted old fool."

Councilman Belding admitted to Chief Gritzmacher that he called Murphy a "blasted old fool," but said that it was not on account of the policeman's expostulating with him, but because of the fact that he was seated on a box of peaches with criminal intent.

SHERIFF SMITH ABSENT WHEN CASE IS CALLED

Sheriff C. Sam Smith of Crook county and Dr. Van Geener, indicted by the federal grand jury on the charge of attempting to intimidate government witnesses in the pending trial of Congressman Williamson, were to be arraigned at 2 o'clock, but Smith was not in court. District Attorney Hemeny at first asked that a bench warrant be issued for the defendant, but finally allowed the matter to go over until tomorrow morning.

WOULD MAKE LAWYERS OF LOCAL POLICEMEN

Hereafter all patrolmen will be held personally responsible for the entire force of the city laws on their respective beats. Each officer will be expected to become familiar with the ordinances, and if any violation of the same is discovered a report must be made immediately to the chief of police.

Daley Morrison Gets a Chance. Presiding Judge Fraser this morning issued an order vacating the order forfeiting the \$150 bail of Daley Morrison. Last Tuesday the woman failed to enter a plea on a charge of larceny. This morning John Watts said he had been unable to be in court last Tuesday and asked that she be allowed to plea tomorrow. This request was granted.

Mission Workers Coming to Fair. The American Board of Foreign Missions, numbering 150 people, left St. Paul today, over the Northern Pacific railroad for Seattle, where a convention will be held. The party is ticketed to Portland, and will come to the exposition after the Seattle convention, adjourns.

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SPOKANE TAKES A WEEK AT AIR

One Day Not Enough for Interior Metropolis So Seven Are Set Aside.

CHIEF OFFICIALS ARE HERE WITH FAMILIES

Special Train Brings Large Delegation and a Thousand New Names Will Adorn Washington Register by Tomorrow.

Attendance at the Lewis and Clark exposition up to 11:30 o'clock today was 9,741. The total admissions yesterday were 12,285.

To have but one short day set aside for its use at the Lewis and Clark exposition was not enough distinction for Spokane. The proud city of the northwest empire demanded a week—and got it. This is the week. For six days there will be nothing heard in the Washington building but those wonderful stories of how Spokane will look a couple of years from now, and how it looks today.

A good many enthusiastic citizens of the live town passed through the turnstiles this morning and made their way to the beautiful structure which monumentalizes the enterprise of Washington. They were met by Mrs. William G. Graves, the hostess of the week, and a corps of gracious assistants, including Mrs. M. J. Gordon, Mrs. G. C. Brown, Mrs. R. C. Hopkins, Miss Mabel Welch, Miss Hellen Hall and Miss Ella Clark, all of whom are conspicuous in the social affairs of Spokane. Among those who have registered are Mayor F. L. Daggett and wife, Consulting Engineer Allan F. Gill, City Treasurer H. M. Eggleston, City Commissioner F. P. Weymouth, E. H. Van Dassel, vice-president of the chamber of commerce; Colonel L. N. Hinkle and wife, R. Oakley, Judge J. D. Hinkle and wife, S. M. Smith and R. Jusinger. This morning a special train of excursionists left Spokane and will arrive here at 8 o'clock this evening. They will be met at the depot by the advance delegation with a brass band and will be escorted to headquarters in the Portland hotel.

It is expected that before midnight tomorrow at least 1,000 names will be added to the Washington register, which is already one of the largest at the exposition. Today there is a band playing at the building and the early-comers are being royally entertained by the hostesses at an informal reception this afternoon.

Tomorrow will be Spokane day, the most important of the week's celebration, as it will include exercises intended for promotion of the bestiality, the health progress and energy of the little metropolis. The program will begin in the Washington building, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon with a selection by De Caprio's Administration band.

E. H. Van Dassel, vice-president of the Spokane chamber of commerce, will call the crowd to order as chairman of the day, and addresses of welcome will be made by President H. W. Goodie, Mayor Henry Lane and President W. B. Wheelwright of the Portland chamber of commerce. To these speeches there will be responses by Mayor F. L. Daggett and D. T. Ham, both of whom are speakers at the little town. Business matters will intersperse the addresses. Among them will be solos by Mrs. Emma Moffatt, contralto, and Professor Bernstein, pianist.

Immediately following the exercises the unique feature of the day will take place at the Spokane booth. This will be an old-fashioned melon-cutting. Members of the chamber of commerce, assisted by the women, will carve and bring watermelons and cantaloupes to all visitors.

The New York syndicate is represented here by George C. Lynch. He proposes to pay of most price for the structure which it stands. President Myers, the commission will seriously consider the proposition of the New York syndicate, which has an agent on the grounds, and which is anxious to take the city of Coney Island. There is another reason why we do not want gratuitously. We have served the state faithfully for something like three years and it is asking a little too much to keep going for another three years. We want to close up matters and make our report.

SAN FRANCISCAN PRAISES PORTLAND FAIR

L. N. Hoeffler, Prominent Attorney and State Builder, Predicts Bright Future for City.

Louis M. Hoeffler, attorney, mineowner and statebuilder, accompanied by his family, came from San Francisco to see the exposition and to see what percentage of truth there was in the stories told of Portland and the fair.

"One hundred per cent true," he stated, and yet it seemed impossible, as every man who returns to San Francisco is an enthusiastic exponent and city boomer. San Franciscans believe Portland is destined to be a great city, and some have proved their faith by buying property here, and more will follow.

Mr. Hoeffler is one of San Francisco's most successful attorneys—and he is a mineowner, a builder and developer. Some years ago Judge Cameron just took him over the old Portland-Sacramento stagecoach road in Trinity county, California, an aged miner sold him a prospect, and was unkind enough to tell his friends that he had bunked the enterprise. Mr. Hoeffler amazed the honest man by beginning development, and sold the "prospect" a short time ago for a very large sum. As the old overland road that went from Carville to Mr. Hoeffler's good horses, he determined to build a highway. A year ago he opened what is probably the best mountain road in California, from Delta, Shasta county, while Cameron's trip lasted about 32 miles. This cut over 20 miles from the trip to the railroad, and has opened a remarkably fine mining and agricultural county to prospectors and settlers. It also made Mr. Hoeffler the most popular man in northern California.

On his way back from New York Mr. Hoeffler will stop here, and real estate transfers will record another big sale to a leading San Franciscan.

AARON FOX BRINGS IN YOUTHFUL SUSPECTS

Aaron Fox, a merchant from Troutdale, today brought in Claude Coons, aged 19, and Harry Bennett, aged 15, accused of breaking into his store and stealing money and merchandise. They are in the county jail, and Bennett will appear before the juvenile court.

GLASSES WOULD BE OVERCROWDED

Never in Portland's History Has There Been Such an Increase in Pupils.

EVERY FOOT OF SCHOOL SPACE WILL BE NEEDED

There Will Be an Increase of More Than Fifteen Hundred Pupils This Year Over the Number Enrolled Last Term.

Active preparations are in progress for the opening of the city schools September 22. The new school buildings on the east side are nearly finished, and it is said that they will all be ready for occupancy on time, excepting the Irvington school. All the schools are being cleaned and renovated.

The largest increase of pupils in the history of the city is expected by the members of the school board and teachers. Last fall 13,886 pupils were enrolled the first month, but this term it is expected the enrollment will be increased by over 1,500.

Although facilities for accommodating the increased number of pupils have been considerably enlarged, it is expected that difficulty will be experienced in housing all until the Irvington school is finished, some time in October.

CITY MAY LOSE FAIR FORESTRY HALL

Unless Action Is Taken by First of November Coney Island Will Secure It.

If the city of Portland doesn't come forward with a proposition to purchase the Forestry building by the end of October, it will lose the most wonderful feature of the fair. So says President Jefferson Myers of the Centennial commission.

The act of the legislature provides that the building may be turned over to the city or the State Historical society if either will agree to make it a permanent structure and purchase the land upon which it stands. President Myers fears that the city will delay action upon the question until it will be too late to remove the building by March 1, when the lease of the ground expires, and which is taken by the State Historical society. The State Historical society is not wealthy and probably could not comply with the terms demanding the purchase of the ground.

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MANY PRISONERS FREED BY HANFORD'S DECISION

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 11.—By a decision of Judge Hanford of the United States district court this morning many prisoners in federal penitentiaries in the United States will be entitled to immediate release. Prior to 1902, "good time" at the penitentiaries was five days for every month served. Three years ago a congress passed an act, known as the "good time" act, which provided that it only apply to those receiving sentence after the act became a law.

Judge Hanford, in the case of Turner Johnson, who has served six years of a term of imprisonment at McNeil's Island, holds that the provision exempting persons sentenced prior to the 1902 act is unconstitutional, and if applied at all, must be to every person serving sentences in federal prisons. He orders Johnson released, although under the old law he has still a year and a half to serve.

JUDGE PAYS FINE OF YOUNG BICYCLE RIDER

Robert Postage, aged 14 years, appeared before Police Judge Cameron today charged with riding his bicycle on the sidewalk. Policeman Crute was a witness against him and he was found guilty.

In view of your age, if you will promise to do it again I will fine you only \$1," said the court. "I can't pay a fine," answered the lad, hanging his head. "Father said I must serve out my time, and if I paid a fine he would have to pay it." Judge Cameron surveyed him keenly, then he produced a dollar and handed it to Clerk Hennessy.

"You go home," he said to the lad. "I'll pay your fine, if you are whipped because I paid the fine let me know."

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FATHER OF THE GOVERNMENT RECLAMATION SERVICE PREDICTS GREAT THINGS.

Tells What Has Been Done in Idaho Wastes

Believes Fair Will Open Adjoining States to Thousands of Thrifty Homeseekers in Coming Twelve Months.

The man who inaugurated the great irrigation work of the west which is commanding international attention in Portland, Mr. Senator Joseph M. Carey, father of the Carey law, under which Oregon and other western states have made wonderful progress in applying waste water to good land, evades publicity. He will talk about Wyoming by the hour, government reclamation work, the fair, and many other things, and he will answer a question about the Carey law, which immortalized his name, but irrigation is a topic he evades.

Senator Carey was seen at the Portland fair this morning, following his return from Puget sound. He was voluble about the fair.

"It is a great work," said he. "I am delighted with it. It enables one to gain a great amount of information, especially about the Pacific northwest, in a brief time. Its compass is noteworthy, yet does not mar its completeness, and the result is an opportunity to see at least more of the west in a few days than could be gathered otherwise in years. The exhibits of the states of the northwest and from the remarkable, and certainly give a wonderful impression of the country represented."

Speech of Carey Act. With this exordium for local work the senator was urged to say something of the Carey act, under which the chief enterprises for reclamation of desert lands are conducted in the state of Oregon, as well as in many other states. The act is a simple one. It provides that the state work can be accomplished rapidly. In my own state, Wyoming, more is being done under this law to make arid lands into prosperous farms than under all the other acts combined.

"But I expect the greatest good from the government reclamation work. For the most part, the land in our state is open and not under private ownership. This enables the government to segregate large bodies of land in proximity to the main watercourses of the state, and to undertake the construction of canals and great storage reservoirs for the benefit of the people. The state of Wyoming the government has already made a number of surveys or segregations, and is actually proceeding to construct irrigation works. Notable among these is what is known as the Fatherton dam, which will be placed in the mouth of the Sweetwater, which district is near the old emigrant trail traversed by the early settlers of Oregon and Washington.

Large Storage Reservoir. This storage basin will cover 22,000 acres of land, and will back this immense volume of water will be of solid masonry 10 feet high. The storage capacity of the reservoir will be something more than 1,500,000 acres of water, or sufficient to cover 1,000,000 acres of land 12 inches deep with water. The necessary tunnel for diversion of the water has been completed. The gates alone will cost something over \$100,000. Contracts have been let for construction of the dam, which will be hastened to completion. The total cost of this dam, it is estimated, will not exceed \$1,000,000. Below the main reservoir on the Platte river at intervals of 12 to 15 miles, diversion dams will be placed in proximity in Wyoming and the state of Nebraska.

Other large government works have been undertaken in the Bighorn valley. This enormous dam will be placed in the mouth of the Yellowstone, and has a large corps of engineers in the field for the reclamation of a large acreage on the Shoshone Indian reservation, which is to be opened up to settlement the first day of next June.

Northwest His Hobby. Here the senator drifted to his favorite theme of the northwest: "The property in the northwest generally is remarkable, business appears to be good, and it is a very happy idea of having the Lewis and Clark fair in Portland, which city appears to be the great center of the northern Pacific states. Thousands and thousands of people have been brought to Portland by the fair. These have gone by excursions to Tacoma, Seattle and other points of interest on the Pacific coast. To the most of them, a new world has been unfolded. I myself have been most impressed with the lumber and fruit lands of the northwest, and I go further into your resources I do not doubt that other industries of a much more diversified character would be found equally promising in Oregon and Washington. The largest water power most numerous in the population by the millions instead of the hundred thousands."

LARGEST STRAWBERRY PATCH IN THE STATE

The East Hood River Fruit company of Mosier, Oregon, \$50,000 capital stock, has been incorporated at Salem by L. O. Ralston, A. F. Bathen and J. M. Long. It is said Mr. Long represents a Portland capitalist who is associated equally with Mr. Ralston in the enterprise, and that they will go into commercial fruit raising on a large scale.

A tract of 275 acres of the best fruit land has been purchased, a few miles from Mosier—100 acres in fruit, of which 40 acres are strawberries. The farm will be managed by Mr. Cathem, who has for 10 years been actively interested in fruit raising at Hood River.

Warden Assesses His Deputy. (Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Seattle, Wash., Sept. 11.—Game Warden Reif today arrested C. O. Larsen, one of his own deputies on a charge of hunting grouse on Mercer island, which is a game reserve. Larsen was brought to the warden this morning and released on bail.

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Fine Program of Entertainment Has Been Prepared Including Banquet and Excursions.

In Turn halls, Fourth and Yamhill streets, fire chiefs of the Pacific coast will meet tomorrow in thirteenth annual convention. Heads of the departments from every city of importance on the coast will attend. It is expected that 180 delegates will attend.

Arrangements have been completed for their entertainment and Chief Campbell has completed an interesting program. At the convention papers will be read on the various methods of fire fighting and fire protection. There will be given the different sorts of fire apparatus, and exhibition drills by the local department will be a feature of the convention.

The first session will be held Tuesday morning. Chief H. Carlisle of Vancouver, British Columbia, president of the association, will preside. Addresses of welcome will be delivered by Mayor Lane and other officials. Tomorrow evening the visitors will be entertained at the Oyster Bay.

In the afternoon the local department will give exhibition drills and a test of the fireboat will be made. The women visitors will be entertained with a trolley ride to the coast. Thursday will be Fire Chiefs' day at the Lewis and Clark fair.

GRISCOM EXPLAINS AFFAIRS IN JAPAN JUST NOW

Missionary Could Not Show the American Flag So His Church Was Robbed.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 11.—"Violence to a few foreigners and attacks on Christian churches should not be considered as indicating a general anti-foreign or anti-Christian feeling. The former is incidental, the latter due to sporadic antagonism of the Russian church. Some native Christians in the mob offered to spare one American church if the minister could show an American flag. He could not. Newspapers during many months have accused the missionaries of being uncharitably people are disappointed with the peace terms. The sentiment in the army, navy and nobility is more conservative. Six Tokio newspapers have been suspended. Martial law will continue until the military guard is withdrawn. Meanwhile the legion guard of 12 soldiers will be maintained."

Presiding Judge Fraser, acting judge of the juvenile court, and Robert Galloway, acting prosecuting attorney, today acting as a jury in the case of John Doe, who has declared war on all saloonmen and bartenders who sell liquor to minors.

This morning Mr. Galloway filed complaints against the owners of two saloons and their bartenders, and against one bartender whose former employer had been tried for the crime of selling liquor to a minor. Galloway was freed, it being shown that the employer was perhaps to blame. The complaints filed this morning were:

The state vs. F. A. Busby, John Doe Drellittle and Bob King, the last named being a bartender. The saloon is located near East Morrison street and Grand avenue. The state vs. J. R. McCartney, John Doe Johnson and Charles Looney, the first two being the proprietors of the Dewdrop saloon, near Water and East Morrison streets. The third complaint was against John F. Stevens, a bartender in East Morrison street and Union avenue.

King and Looney will both be arrested for selling liquor to Charles Boggess, the proprietors of the saloon. King will also be arrested so that the one who sold the liquor, if such was purchased by Boggess, may be brought to justice. It is alleged that Boggess, 20 years of age, purchased two glasses of beer at August 4, 1905, and Drellittle's saloon on August 4, 1905. It is also claimed that Boggess secured liquor at the Dewdrop saloon on June 1 and 4, 1905. Boggess was recently arrested for larceny.

On June 28, 1906, it is stated that John F. Stevens was a bartender in Joseph Penn's saloon, then located on East Morrison street and Union avenue. On that day it is alleged that Mike Shumaker, aged 17 years, a very happy idea of having the Lewis and Clark fair in Portland, which city appears to be the great center of the northern Pacific states. Thousands and thousands of people have been brought to Portland by the fair. These have gone by excursions to Tacoma, Seattle and other points of interest on the Pacific coast. To the most of them, a new world has been unfolded. I myself have been most impressed with the lumber and fruit lands of the northwest, and I go further into your resources I do not doubt that other industries of a much more diversified character would be found equally promising in Oregon and Washington. The largest water power most numerous in the population by the millions instead of the hundred thousands."

W. BELMONT EXPELLED FROM FAIR GROUNDS

W. Belmont, secretary of the Portland Wireworkers' union and lessee of a booth in the Electricity building, was expelled from the fair grounds this morning and forbidden the privilege of reentering, on a charge of profane language. The officer of the electrical department of the fair, who says he has on several occasions stolen wire and other material.

For some time the electrical superintendent, J. W. Thompson, has received complaints from Trail concessionaires and exhibitors about their lights—rather their lack of lights. On investigation it was found in each case that some person had cut out sections of wire from the booths or buildings in total darkness.

As Belmont was doing some little contract work in the exhibit buildings he fell under suspicion. This morning he was discovered cutting wire in the Electricity building and was promptly arrested. He admitted taking the material, but said he merely "borrowed" it, as he had a contract which had to be filled on short notice. There was nobody in the booth at the time.

Alice Roosevelt in Talk. (Journal Special Service.) Peking, Sept. 11.—Alice Roosevelt and party have arrived at Taku. A distinguished party of officials, diplomats and Americans have gone to escort them to Peking.

Milked Soberly Resignation. (Journal Special Service.) Tokio, Sept. 11.—The milked so is declined to accept the proffered resignation of Minister Toshihara in the belief that it will be accounted for.

COOLIES TORTURED IN GOLD MINES

Imported Chinese Laborers Subjected to Cruel Treatment in the Transvaal.

STRIPPED AND TIED TO STAKES BY PIOTALS

Hung by One Arm for Hours With Toes Just Touching Floor—Inhuman Practices Cause Serious Disorders and Riots.

(Journal Special Service.) London, Sept. 11.—Mail advices give a startling picture of the conditions under which the imported Chinese laborers are forced to work in the gold mines of the Transvaal, where 4,000 coolies are employed. They are housed in compounds where they are really prisoners. Every infraction of regulations of failure to turn out the allotted amount of work is visited with severe and degrading punishment. Among the methods of torture, one is to strip the erring coolies absolutely naked, and leave them tied by their pigstails to a stake in the compound for two or three hours, when the other coolies gather around and laugh and jeer.

Another method is to bind the left wrist with a piece of rope, which is then put through a ring in a beam about nine feet from the ground. This rope is made taut, so the unhappy coolie, with his left arm pulled up perpendicularly, has to stand on his toes in this position, as a rule, for two hours.

As a consequence of this brutal treatment serious disorders have broken out among the coolies.

PROMINENT MEN COMING TO THE EXPOSITION

Many National Celebrities Will Be Here in Remaining Six Weeks of Fair.

Although some of the most noted men of the United States have been named at the Lewis and Clark exposition, many of national prominence are yet to visit the fair in the remaining six weeks.

First of these will be Governor Joseph W. Folk of Missouri, who, with a party of 20 friends and colleagues, will arrive tomorrow night. There will be no special event in his honor until Wednesday evening, when a banquet is to be given at the New York building. President Folk, Governor Chamberlain, President Goodie and President Kern of the Missouri state commission. The same evening a banquet and reception will be tendered the governor at the American inn.

Major William Warner, the pawing electrician from Missouri, and presidential possibility for 1908, will also visit the exposition. Word has come that Chairman C. Brooks Johnston, C. S. Sherwood, T. S. Southard and W. E. Cottrell, members of the board of governors of the prospective Jamestown exposition, and Barton Myers, auditor of the company, have started for Portland and will be the guests of President Goodie. These dignitaries are to make a special study of the methods of running an exposition, especially as to exhibits and concessions.

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