

# RESCUE WORK MOVES SLOWLY AT MONONGAH

## NORTH BANK NAMES ITS OFFICIALS

Hill Road Will Open Extensive Offices in Portland Within Next 10 Days—President Forrest Comes Here From Spokane.

Line From Pasco to Vancouver Open January 1—Finishing Work on Bridges and Spokane Line Is Being Rushed.

President—C. M. Levey. General superintendent—F. S. Forrest. General freight and passenger agent—H. M. Adams. Assistant G. P. A.—Ralph Jenkins. Counsel—James Kerr.

Within the next 10 days headquarters of operating and commercial departments of the north bank road, known as the Portland & Seattle railroad, will be opened in Portland. Temporary offices will be in the union station of the Northern Pacific Terminal company.

Afterward the Hill railroads will secure a large group of offices in some prominent office building and the passenger and freight departments of the Northern Pacific and all departments of the Portland & Seattle will be conveniently located for close cooperation.

Forrest Comes First. The first north bank official to appear on the scene will be F. S. Forrest, who has been appointed general superintendent, relieving Marcus Talbot of Portland, general manager of the Regulator steamboat line, who has been acting superintendent of the railroad. Mr. Forrest is a division superintendent of the Great Northern and located

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## MAY SUCCEED AOKI



M. TAKAHIRA.

## MIKADO CANNOT CONTROL JAPS

Aoki Returning to Assist Government in Framing New American Treaty.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Colin-vent with Viscount Aoki's summons to Tokyo comes information indicating that Japan insists upon coming to a definite understanding on the immigration question and strongly urges an entirely new immigration treaty with the United States as the remedy.

Thomas J. O'Brien, American ambassador to Japan, has informed the state department that it should begin studying the conditions and the Japanese demands with a view to framing "some new agreement."

This indicates that Japan's efforts to check immigration are a failure; that Japan does not wish to be limited by having different phases of the present agreement thrust out in congress, and that the Tokyo government insists upon some new agreement which will be satisfactory to both nations.

Viscount Aoki's return is closely connected with the solution of these questions.

## SAD SCENES AT SHAFTS WHEREIN ARE FOUR HUNDRED DEAD MINERS

### NOT SO, SAYS BONAPARTE

Attorney-General Denies That He Had Attempted to Disqualify W. C. Bristol in Land Frauds Prosecutions in Oregon.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Dec. 7.—Attorney-General Bonaparte denies in unqualified terms that he has ever issued any statement to any one to the effect that he intended to or would appoint a special prosecutor to take charge of the Oregon land fraud trials because United States District Attorney W. C. Bristol of Portland had been connected professionally with some of the defendants now awaiting trial.

The attorney-general was shown a copy of the press dispatch which had been published throughout the country in which the attorney-general was given as the authority for the statement that Mr. Bristol would be supplanted by another man specially appointed to take charge of the Oregon cases. The reason for the action, so the alleged dispatch stated, was that Mr. Bristol had been professionally connected with certain of the land fraud defendants waiting trial.

"There is absolutely no authority for that statement," said Attorney-General Bonaparte when he had read the statement. "I never made any such statement or authorized any one to infer that I would take such action. The statement is entirely groundless."

It is supposed here that the story sprung from some source unfriendly to District Attorney Bristol and that the fact of his having at one time been connected with the legal department of the Harriman lines in Oregon during which time he had charge of much of the land title work of the company had been used as a handle upon which to base the report. It may be, according to statements made, that Mr. Bristol will take no part in the prosecution of the government's case against the Southern Pacific's land grants because of his prior work done for the railroad company. Judge Becker of Buffalo has been appointed to assume the active charge of these cases should they be brought.

### 125 BODIES RECOVERED

Brave Rescuers Driven Back by Poisonous Gases That Pour From Fairmount's Death Pits—Only Five Escape.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Monongah, Dec. 7.—This was a sad day in Monongah. The gas-filled mines at Fairmount are giving up their dead. Hundreds of grief-stricken relatives watch the rescue gangs at work and it is a pathetic scene when the widows and the orphans wander down the long lines of shrouded corpses looking for all that is earthly of those who were dear to them. Up to 10 o'clock this morning 125 bodies had been removed from the death-pits. The rescuers report that there are as many more in sight and that it will be hours before they can be reached as the foul gases of the mine shafts overcome all who attempt to work too long in their noxious fumes.

Most of the dead are in shaft 8 where the poisonous after-damp is strongest. In this shaft the workers have been put to work in half-hour relays and two strong pumps are used to clear the hole of vapors. The rescuers are only fairly started here and it will be nightfall before the mass of bodies that is supposed to be behind the cave-in is reached.

The few survivors of the terrible disaster tell graphic stories of the explosion. In shaft 6 several men were near the opening. Suddenly there was a rumbling sound followed by several distinct explosions. Four or five men near the entrance knew what had happened and started for the tunnel entrance. Before they reached it a terrific explosion occurred and the men were thrown violently to the ground. Dazed they got to their feet and managed to reach the open air. Scores of miners behind them, they say, were caught in the cave-in and many bodies were buried beneath the masses of earth. Scores more were shut off from the fresh air and must have been instantly overcome by the poisonous gases which came through every vent in the rocks and all but overcame the few fortunates who escaped by their having been in close proximity to the mine entrances.

It was established today that there were 425 men in tunnels 6 and 8. There were many men in other sections of the mine which were not reached by the deadly fire-damp. Only five of the men in shafts 6 and 8 escaped death, it is reported.

### SEA CALLS HIS BLUFF

Contempt of Danger While Crossing Coos Bay in the Alliance Was the Cause of the Sweeping Away of B. F. Pyott.

Laughing at the enraged elements and defying the waves of old ocean coast B. F. Pyott his life. As has been already related, Pyott was swept from the deck of the steamer Alliance by the wave that nearly wrecked the vessel on Coos bay bar, but not until today were the details of the drowning related by one who chanced to speak to the man a few moments before he was swept over the side on the crest of a tremendous volume of water.

William Holst, assistant steward on the Alliance, spoke to Pyott not more than five minutes before he was lost. The conversation, probably, was brought up in the investigation that begins before the inspectors next Monday and will go a long way toward proving that no one but the man himself could be blamed for the accident.

"My attention was drawn to Pyott when he kicked an 11-year-old boy about the deck near the cabin door," said Mr. Holst. "and I asked him what he was doing."

"That kid was adopted by my wife, and I kick him full of holes whenever I feel like it," he answered. "Well, you don't kick him full of holes on the Alliance. I told him, 'I gave me an angry look, but paying no attention thereto, I warned him against remaining outside while crossing the bar.'"

Securus Words of Warning. "You'd better go back into your cabin," I said, "or one of those breakers might get you. You can never tell when they roll on board." At this he became indignant, laughing defiantly at the waves, declaring they were nothing to what he had ridden in a wee bit of a boat.

"Don't talk to me about waves," he went on. "I have crossed this bar when you fellows wouldn't dare to look at it."

"He remained outside and the next moment the wave came along and tore him away from his wife," who tried to hold him against the force of her own life. Pyott was a fisherman."

Mr. Holst declares Captain Olson was the coolest person on board even in the most trying moments. He says the young skipper neither ate nor slept for four days, but sipped a small cup of black coffee about every two hours. The Alliance is still at Couch street wharf waiting for its chance to get on the drydock but she will probably be lifted tomorrow. Captain Olson says repairs can be made in a day or two, and a new propeller has been made and the rudder is also ready to be shipped.

"That the experience of the Alliance was a serious one even in the minds of some of the sailors is evident from the fact that three or four have chosen to remain ashore to wait to rest up. One or two have admitted that so far as they are concerned, the longing for the deep blue sea vanished with their last experience. They say a man never realizes how small he is until left adrift on a disabled vessel in a sea that threatens to swallow craft and all any moment."

## COMMANDS TROOPS.



GENERAL F. D. FUNSTON.

## THREATENS TO MURDER GOULD

Wild-Eyed Young Man Declares He Will Have Life of Millionaire.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Dec. 7.—A wild-eyed stockily-built young man stood late Friday in front of a bachelor apartment house on West Forty-third street and, as he flourished an open clasp knife, shouted:

"I'm going to kill Howard Gould. I'll have his blood. My wife is in that house and I'm going to see her. They can't keep me away from her."

Flipping the open knife into the pocket of his coat, the man ran up the steps and pushed his way through the vestibule. He took a bunch of keys from his pocket and was about to fit one into the lock of an inner door when it opened and a man barred the way. He seized the intruder and threw him down the steps. Almost before the man had reached the sidewalk his assailant had disappeared within, closing the door.

"I'll come back here again and blow off Howard Gould's head," the man muttered as he started toward Broadway.

## CONVENTION TO BE HELD AT CHICAGO

Windy City Is Selected by Republican National Committee As Scene of Next Selection for the Presidential Chair.

Senator Culberson of Texas Will Probably Be Made Chairman of Democrats If Tom Taggart Hands in Resignation Thursday.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 7.—After a hard fight in the Republican national committee meeting here this morning, Chicago was selected as the city for the next Republican national convention. The convention is set for June 18.

Two cities besides Chicago were discussed by the committee. Kansas City and Denver were both represented and their delegates made a hard fight for them. The final vote showed Chicago, where the last convention was held, to be far in the lead, however. The vote stood Chicago 32 votes, Kansas City 17 votes and Denver 4 votes.

Later in the day at the Democratic headquarters there was a general opinion manifest that Senator Culberson of Texas will be the next chairman of the Democratic national committee. The resignation of Thomas Taggart is expected at the meeting to be held Thursday and it is believed, by the ones who watch the situation, that the Texan will win the honors very easily.

The election of Harry New of Indiana as chairman of the Republican national committee meets general approval of the politicians who have assembled in Washington.

## CHICAGO STARTS WAR ON SATAN

Five Hundred Churches Will Hold Revival Meetings Every Night.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Dec. 7.—Churches today declared war on Satan and decided on plans for the biggest commission ever undertaken against the hosts of evil in the history of the world. Every night of the month of January the ramparts of hades will be bombarded from 500 Chicago churches simultaneously. The laymen's evangelical council will direct the assault and will organize the meetings, assign the preachers, take care of the advertising and raise the necessary funds.

All the sermons in the various churches will be devoted to subjects calculated to win the hearers to religion. During the month the council will have committees at the doors of the churches to welcome all strangers.

## DUNSMUIR MAY LOSE HIS HEAD

Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia to Be Ousted for Aiding Japs.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 7.—MacKenzie King, deputy minister of labor, left Vancouver yesterday for the south en route to Ottawa to lay his report before the government. On behalf of the immigration commission he has been conducting the inquiry for several weeks past.

It is regarded as certain that Lieutenant-Governor Dunsmuir will be called upon to resign as the result of his name being attached to an agreement with the Canada Nippon company for the supply of 500 Japanese laborers to the Wellington Colliery company, of which he is president.

King-Oscar Is Dying. (United Press Leased Wire.) Stockholm, Dec. 7.—Pastor Primarius, head of the church in Sweden, has been urgently summoned to King Oscar's bedside. His majesty's death is momentarily expected.

## SPOKANE BANKS TO RECALL THEIR PAPER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Spokane, Wash., Dec. 7.—Spokane banks will soon begin to recall their clearing house checks. E. T. Coman, chairman of the clearing house committee, said:

"We will not redeem the entire \$1,000,000 of checks at once, but will start at the rate of \$100,000 per week. Later we probably will give out the coin faster. We have in the banks now more ready cash than ever before in the history of the city. The total cash on hand and cash owing us is \$5,581,593.67."

## JOAQUIN MILLER TO VISIT THE HOLY LAND

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Jose, Cal., Dec. 7.—Joaquin Miller, the "Poet of the Sierras," announces that he is about to start on a trip to Europe and Asia. During his trip he will visit places made sacred by bible history and will see Mecca, Babylon, the Holy Sepulchre, and other points of interest of the old world.

## NEGRO WANTED FOR OLD CRIME

Prisoner at Georgetown Will Be Sent to Omaha to Answer for Murder.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Dec. 7.—Joe Williams, colored, now serving a sentence of six months in the county jail for threatening to kill his wife and his mother-in-law at Georgetown last August, will be taken back to Omaha to answer to the charge of murder committed there 15 years ago.

## SEAGULLS ATTACK LINEMAN PERCHED ON TOP OF POLE

Hoquiam, Wash., Dec. 7.—An unusual adventure befell a lineman for the electric company one day this week as he was engaged in putting up carriers to string a covered cable. As he was perched in his airy isolation, he was discovered by a seagull, which seemed to consider his being so far from the ground as an intrusion by squealing, and so calling others of the tribe to his assistance. One followed another, until 100 or more of the birds had gathered, and all of them began an attack on the man, who was completely at their mercy for a time.

They swooped down upon him and beat him with their wings and tried to find a vulnerable place.

Some men on the walk below cheered for the birds and made fun of their comrade's trouble. And it was not until the lineman got one end of the rope free that he was able to beat the birds off and resume his occupation.

## M'CURDY BELIEVED TO BE ON DEATH BED

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Dec. 7.—Former President M'Curdy of the Mutual Life Insurance company, his son are both sick and probably neither will recover, is the statement made today by Louis A. Thibaud, son-in-law of the former.

## ROBBER GETS CERTIFICATES

Defendant Declares That His Haul Was Not Money And He Is Innocent.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 7.—Have clearing house certificates value in court as legal money? Is it a felony to rob a man of scrip? These questions will be raised in the trial of William Hoffman, a young man charged with holding up John Yates in Arcadia and taking from him \$3 in scrip.

The information was drawn up and Assistant District Attorney McComas was inadvertently told by Hoffman's counsel that the point will be pressed; that it is not robbery to steal from a man that which may have no value technically.

The result will be the first criminal court test of scrip as money ever made. A judicial finding that scrip has no important bearing, as many cases involving the substitute for legal tender are likely to be brought in the civil courts throughout the country during the present and other possible times of financial stringency.

## NIGHT RIDERS RAID VILLAGE

Enemies of Tobacco Trust Destroy Valuable Property at Hopkinsville.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Louisville, Dec. 7.—"Night Riders" raided Hopkinsville early today, destroying \$200,000 worth of property. The raiders burned the police and fire headquarters, the telephone and telegraph offices, a dozen tobacco warehouses and demolished the office of the Kentuckian, a newspaper that had been condemned by the vandals.

The night riders are sworn enemies of the tobacco trust. They raid plantations who sell to the trust and destroy their tobacco.

## LEE IS HELD FOR MURDER OF M'CARTHY

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 7.—Dr. B. V. Lee, who is in custody at the city prison, was charged by the police this morning with the murder of Thomas McCarthy, the private detective, who died Thursday night from hemorrhage of the brain, the result of a wound in the eye from the steel point of an umbrella in the hands of Dr. Lee.

Lee has steadfastly refused to discuss the quarrel between himself and McCarthy but asserts that McCarthy was armed and made threatening gestures toward his pocket before Lee jabbed him in the eye with the umbrella.

## SEATTLE RESTAURANTS ARE MINUS WAITERS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Dec. 7.—The union waiters walked out of every restaurant and hotel this morning on account of the restaurant keepers trying to enforce the seven-day per week schedule.

## PETTIBONE GOES IN DOCK MONDAY

Orchard Will Begin Tuesday Again to Re-tell His Terrible Tale.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Boise, Ida., Dec. 7.—Following the completion of the jury in the Pettibone case late yesterday afternoon the attorneys for the state began arranging for the introduction of testimony Monday afternoon. The morning session Monday will be devoted to the opening statement by James H. Hawley, chief prosecutor.

The average age of the present jury is 29 years younger than that which tried and acquitted Hayward, and the state seems especially pleased that young business men and tradesmen of Boise comprise the greater portion of the jury.

The friends of the defense are gratified that union labor is represented in the person of A. C. Book, a member of the typographical union for 30 years.

It is learned that the long conference held between opposing counsel yesterday was on the proposition of exchanging agreement J. H. Frazier, who graduated from the University of Idaho last spring, but no agreement was reached, and neither side exercised a peremptory on him. He is the youngest member of the jury. William Stahl, a pioneer prospector, is the oldest.

Harry Orchard will begin telling, for the second time, his story of wholesale assassination next Tuesday, according to present plans of the prosecution. It will require but few witnesses to establish the corpus delicti, and as soon as this is done Orchard will be called. The health of Orchard continues to be perfect, and he has gained considerable weight since the Hayward trial. He has expressed dread of the coming ordeal, and asserts that he would rather pay the penalty for his crime now than again to open the book of his life to the inspection of the world.

The state has issued subpoenas to witnesses in Canyon county, who will testify to the facts concerning the killing of ex-Governor Steuneger.

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