

COAST TEMPERATURES

5 A. M. Today.

Noise	32
Seattle	32
Spokane	32
Portland	32
San Francisco	30
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PERJURY CHARGED TO PAVING PETITION CIRCULATORS

FOUR MEN PLACED IN PRISON; OTHER ARRESTS TO COME

Conspiracy is said to have been formed by accused to sign names of voters to lists.

EVIDENCE IS OBTAINED BY PRIVATE DETECTIVE

Additional Developments of a Startling Nature Promised in Case.

In the arrest this morning of Justin H. McCarthy at Tenth and Washington streets, Chester A. Rowland, alias Courtney A. Rowland, at 6 East Eighth street; Frank Davis, alias Elmer Brown, alias George O'Connor, alias Joseph E. O'Connell, in the municipal court room, and Charles Cleveland at 9 Grand avenue, on perjury charges, new light has been thrown on the petition of Councilman Ellis for the amendment of the ordinance which deals with street paving. It is charged that practically 80 per cent of the names are forged; that 10 per cent are fictitious, and but 10 per cent legitimate.

The men arrested and several others for whom warrants have been issued are said to be members of a gang who conspire to furnish names for petitions or enumerations, and it is said that they operated not only on the Ellis paving petition, but in the case of others. It has also been determined that these men are concerned with the signatures on Councilman Ellis' ordinance on the proposed billboard ordinance. While they deny any part in it, it is understood that they will be accused on that score and that their arrest on second charges will follow.

A private detective, employed by business interests affected, secured the information against these men and it is reported from reliable sources that, in addition to the war against these con-

LANE WITHDRAWS AS CANDIDATE IN RACE FOR MAYOR

Declines to Run for Office Which He Says He Would Not Be Able to Rule With Free Hand.

Dr. Harry Lane will not be a candidate for mayor. After being once persuaded to announce himself, he has reconsidered, and today declared that he has finally made up his mind to stay out of the race.

"If I could be mayor with power of appointment and removal, and not tied hand and foot at every move, I would go in gladly and offer such services as I could give," said Dr. Lane. "But after thinking it all over, and reviewing the four years' experience I had in the office, I do not feel like undertaking the task."

"Two years ago I experienced a feeling of relief in retiring, and many people with whom I could not agree felt relieved that they were going to have a quiet, peaceful, business administration. Now, after two years of that quiet, peaceful, business administration, if I were to be mayor again I would have to fight as I did before, and I would not have the power to go ahead and clean up the town."

Same Old Story.

"I can foresee the old story over again, and I am not willing to go into that kind of a game. What can the mayor do with his hands tied? The breweries have more power than the mayor, and are able to

MUCH MORE IMPORTANT BUSINESS



Uncle Sam—Sorry, Boys, But I Must Leave You

HEAVY FROST DOES GREAT DAMAGE TO SNAKE RIVER FRUIT

Ground Is Frozen Three Inches Deep at Wawawai; Alfalfa 8 Inches High Flat; Ice Covers Pullman Firemen.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.)

Pullman, Wash., April 13.—An unprecedented April freeze completely destroyed the fruit crop of the Snake river district last night. Some estimate the loss at \$1,000,000.

All peaches, apricots and cherries are completely killed. It is said, Plums, prunes and pears may yield a half crop. The cold was so intense at Wawawai, on Snake river, that the ground froze three inches deep. Alfalfa eight inches high was laid flat.

From Clarkston has been almost totally destroyed. The La Follette orchard at Wawawai, containing 250 acres, which has always escaped damage if any frost on the river front was uninjured, suffered the entire loss of its crop for the first time in its history.

Apples on uplands are believed not injured, not being far enough advanced to be hurt.

The cold was so severe here last night that firemen fighting a fire at 4 o'clock this morning were completely covered with ice when the fire was extinguished. One man had his fingers frozen while holding the hose. It was 18 degrees below freezing here.

PROGRESSIVES TO PUSH BILL FOR SENATORS' RECALL

Convassing Colleagues to Secure Support for Constitutional Amendment Containing Popular Measure.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 13.—When the house convened Rucker (Dem., Mo.) at once called up the joint resolution for the direct election of senators. The house then began its first real legislative work.

It was learned today that many of the progressive Democrats are canvassing their colleagues to secure support for a constitutional amendment providing for the recall of United States senators.

Complaints of Haste.

Young (Rep., Mich.), complained that there was undue haste in endeavoring to force the passage of the resolution for the direct election of senators. A spirited debate with Rucker followed in which the Missourian warned the Republicans that unless they stopped their dilatory tactics "gag" rules would be adopted to end debate and the steam roller with the Democrats in the engineer's seat would be brought out.

He turned to Young, saying that unless delays were ended he would move to cut off debate and pass the resolution at once.

Underwood (Democrat, Alabama) got into the debate saying the Democrats were willing to grant reasonable debate.

"But I want to say that this legislation has been demanded by the people for four decades and we are going to pass it," he added.

Rucker finally agreed to a compromise by which four hours debate was

CHAMPAGNE RIOTS BREAK OUT AFRESH; MILLIONS WASTED

More Than 2,000,000 Gallons of Rare Vintage Emptied into Streets; Growers Defy Troops.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Paris, April 13.—With the coming of dawn the burning of wineries and the pillaging of villages in the department of Marne by wine growers, who are enraged at the action of the senate on the champagne labeling question, was renewed.

At Venteuil the growers have barricaded the town against troops and the wineries are being sacked and burned. Two thousand growers are reported marching against Rheims. All wires running out of the city have been cut and it is impossible to learn the exact situation there.

In an effort to check the work of vandals the government has rushed 13,000 troops to Epernay and neighboring towns. The villagers are meeting the charges of cavalry and infantry with dynamite bombs and bottles of rare vintages.

Troops have been ordered to shoot anyone caught setting fire to the wineries or looting. It was announced today that the government would send 50,000 troops to quell the disorder if necessary.

Conservative estimates today placed the amount of champagne emptied into the streets at Epernay, Damery, Mareuil, Dizy and Venteuil at 2,000,000 gallons.

Women took a prominent part in the pillaging. They were used as shields against the dragons. The soldiers refused to ride down the mobs in which women were present and in the mobs at Epernay women were placed in the front ranks.

Plan Threatens Industry.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Paris, April 13.—The wine industry of France, already hampered by riots, government regulations, floods, earthquakes and cold weather, is today threatened with another serious complication—the "claustrophobic" plant. This growth, long known in France along streams, has attacked the grape vines throughout southern France and once it entwines itself about the vine literally squeezes it to death.

FRIENDS OF TAFT START RENOMINATION BOOM; DEMOCRATS MAY HAIL WILSON AS THEIR "HOPE"

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 13.—With the South Carolina Republican executive committee announcing indorsement of President Taft for renomination, friends of the president today started in earnest to line up other states, in an effort to bring about his renomination. Leaders of other southern states have pledged their delegations to Taft, and a number of western and eastern states, including New York and Pennsylvania, have also promised their cooperation.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 13.—Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey may be hailed as the next president of the United States at the great Thomas Jefferson birthday dinner to be held in Jersey City tonight. Democratic leaders of New York and New Jersey who are admirers of Wilson believe that the time is ripe for launching a presidential boom for the former Princeton president, and they may take advantage of tonight's banquet to start the ball rolling.

THERMOMETER SHOWS 30 DEGREES WHICH BEATS LONG RECORD

The coldest temperature this late in the season was recorded at the local weather bureau office at 5 o'clock this morning, when the thermometer registered 30 degrees. On February 4 last, the thermometer showed 23 degrees, but the nearest approach to the temperature of this morning in the last 37 years was that taken April 12, 1889, exactly 12 years ago to the day, when a late season cold wave record was established with the thermometer registering 31 degrees. On two other occasions only has the thermometer ever registered as low as 31 degrees during the month of April.

The forecast for tonight says: "Fair, with a heavy frost." Friday will be warmer, and westerly winds will prevail.

OUTRAGEOUS LIE SAYS COLONEL T. R.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 13.—The "shorter and uglier" has again been unleashed by Colonel Roosevelt. Replying to a charge in Collier's Weekly that he traded his support to Senator Smoot for Mormon votes, the colonel said: "I don't know who wrote that, but whoever did knew well that he was lying. It is not merely an outrageous lie, but one so infamous, so absolutely without foundation that it is utterly impossible that those making the charge could be ignorant that they were lying."

TORNADO WRECKS FOURTEEN TOWNS, 25 DEAD, 114 HURT

Windstorm Devastates Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma Cities—One Village Literally Levelled to Earth.

FIERCE GALE CARRIES WOMAN HALF A MILE

Twenty Children Injured When Blow Demolishes School Building.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Kansas City, April 13.—Twenty-five dead, 114 injured and damage of more than a million dollars is computed today as the toll of a tornado which last night wrecked 14 Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma towns about 1000 people are homeless.

Following are the more serious cases in some of the largest towns devastated:

Oklahoma—Bib Heart, ten dead, 40 injured; Checotah, two dead; Meeker, four dead; Notawaka, three injured.

Kansas—Hiawatha, 33 dead; Lawrence, three dead, ten injured; Manhattan, one dead; Powhattan, six dead, one injured; Whiting, one dead, 30 injured.

Missouri—Joplin, one dead, four injured; Webb City, four injured.

The town of Whiting, Kansas, was absolutely destroyed, 60 buildings being leveled to the earth and practically every one of its inhabitants injured. Mrs. David Stone, the wife of a Whiting farmer, who was killed, was carried half a mile by the terrific wind, and every bone in her body broken.

At Eskeridge 20 school children were injured when a school house was demolished. Passengers on a Santa Fe train which was stalled near Eskeridge witnessed the destruction.

Four persons who have not been identified died while en route to the hospital at Sapulpa. The Sapulpa hospital is closed to its limit with the dead and dying and the injured are still being brought in. The oil fields in the vicinity of Big Heart sustained heavy damage.

LOWIT KILLS SELF WHILE IN CUSTODY OF DENVER POLICE

Former Portland Merchant Breaks From Officers and Leaps to Death From Window of Attorney's Office.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Denver, Colo., April 13.—With his neck broken, his skull fractured and nearly every bone in his body shattered, Gus Lowit, formerly of Portland, Or., is dead today in Denver.

While chatting with his attorneys yesterday, Lowit, who had been arrested on a charge of conspiracy to defraud, broke away from the officers and plunged to his death from the fifth story of the Ernest & Cranmer building.

Several years ago Lowit started a department store in Portland. When the Oregon Trust & Savings bank failed it was found that Lowit was indebted to that institution to the extent of over \$100,000. The money had been lent to Lowit on unsecured notes.

Lowit was arrested on a charge of conspiracy to defraud, was dismissed on technicalities and came to Denver. Later additional information concerning the Portland affair was filed here and Lowit was arrested for the second time. Again attorneys secured his release on a technicality.

Lowit was arrested here Tuesday for selling an automobile which had already been mortgaged. He had been taken



Gus Lowit, who leaped to death from fifth floor of Denver building.

"WE PUT LORIMER OVER; COST MONEY BUT WORTH WHILE"

Affidavits Filed Today Tell of Hines' Alleged Boasts of How He Raised \$100,000 for "Blonde Boss."

"PROMISED TO SUPPORT HIGH LUMBER TARIFF"

Another Affiant Swears Lumberman Said, "It Cost \$100,000 to Put Lorimer In."

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Springfield, Ill., April 13.—M. B. Lean, special investigator for the senate committee investigating the Lorimer election, this afternoon presented affidavits tending to prove the truth of the story that Edward Hines of Chicago raised \$100,000 to buy Lorimer's way into the United States senate.

The affidavits were by Frank Russell, Robert Lowe and E. B. Mosher of Marquette, Mich.

Russell's affidavit said Hines told him "We put Lorimer over. It cost a lot of money, but it was worth while. He promised to support the high tariff on lumber if elected."

Lowe's affidavit confirmed Russell's. Mosher asserted that Shelby B. Jones told him "It cost \$100,000 to put Lorimer over."

Lean said Jones denied Mosher's testimony. He said Jones told him "I am a good friend of Hines'—I don't want to be mixed up in this deal."

James Forster of Duquoin, Ill., when called to the witness stand, denied that he had told Harry Ward, Charles Ward and J. I. Hughes of Duquoin, that Hines told him "It cost \$100,000 to put Lorimer over."

Forster is manager of the Muddy Valley Mining company, one of the big coal mining corporations of the state. Herman Watson, a lumberman, testified that Hines had told him in the United League club in Chicago on the day that Lorimer was elected that "he had put Lorimer over." He added, however, that nothing had been said about any \$100,000 fund in connection with the election.

MILLIONAIRES SAID TO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO BIG SLUSH FUND

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Springfield, Ill., April 13.—Investigation into an alleged corruption in the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate was resumed here today by a state senate committee.

The investigation has led so far straight to the millionaires at the head of the big corporations, which have whipsawed and pulled the wires that have led every previous investigation of the Lorimer scandal into blind trails.

The committee was surprised when Edward Hines, millionaire president of the Hines Lumber company, testified and named the president as being indirectly responsible for Lorimer's election. They were amazed when Herman H. Kohlsaat, the Chicago publisher, testified and intimated that he had the key to the mystery. They were astounded a week ago when Clarence S. Funk, manager of the International Harvester company, told the first connected story of the alleged \$100,000

TEN DEAD AT BIG HEART

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Big Heart, Okla., April 13.—Six of the ten dead in yesterday's tornado were identified today. They are: JOHN KERN, E. HAMMOND, WILLIAM MORROW, T. S. HANN, MRS. WILLIAM KERN.

The tornado was accompanied by a driving rain and swept everything in its path. Houses were blown from their foundations and the occupants whirled through the air. The town was demoralized and telegraph communication cut off. Big Heart has a population of 400. The loss is put at \$50,000.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR RESIGNS; ILL HEALTH

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Berlin, April 13.—The resignation of Count J. H. von Bernstorff, German ambassador to the United States, was announced here today. His health is given as the cause.

Count von Stumm, at present attached to the foreign office, it is believed, will be chosen to succeed him.

THIEF ONCE DAZZLED SOCIETY IN TACOMA

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Atlanta, Ga., April 13.—Postoffice inspectors who captured Eddie Fay for the theft of \$32,000 worth of stamps from Richmond, for which crime he is now serving a term in the federal penitentiary here, are today convinced that he is R. Cummings, who at one time dazzled Tacoma society.

The government agents have learned that Cummings had \$50,000 in banks on the Pacific coast, and they propose to make the Cummings account pay for \$17,000 worth of stamps which were never recovered, as well as a \$5000 fine imposed on Fay.

SHE SMILED TOO MUCH; MOTHER KILLED HER

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Boston, April 13.—Arrested in court here today on the charge of having murdered her own daughter, Mrs. Clark Russell, who had confessed the crime, gave her explanation to the court.

"Well, I killed her," she said. "I thought it would be best for her. I did it because I thought she would be better off. I have been sick lately and have worried much. Some one said Marjorie smiled too much, and that hurt my feelings. She could not help smiling and being happy. But I thought it best to kill her so she would not be unhappy."

PREACHERS! DO YOUR AUDITORS 'SNORE?' THROW BOOK AT 'EM

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, April 13.—A storm of argument met the first Christian church of Los Angeles today over the methods adopted by Dr. R. H. Crossfield, president of Transylvania university of Lexington, Ky., to awaken sleeping members of his congregation.

Dr. Crossfield is delivering a series of lectures at the church, and last night two of his listeners fell asleep.

When one's snoring threatened to disrupt the gathering Dr. Crossfield fired a song book from the pulpit into the sleeper's pew. A second book, heaved in the direction of the other sleeper, failed to awaken him. As the snoring was less pronounced from this pew he was permitted to sleep on.

IGNORANCE OF SLANG GETS HIM IN JAIL; SAID "OH, YOU KID," NOT "OOPS, MY DEAR"

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 13.—"Oh, you kid," to the discard. On Broadway now it's "Oops, my dear."

Whether it was because he was so far behind the times as not to know that "Oh, you kid" is no longer "the thing" in masher circles, or that the object of his admiration did not like his general style, Alano Durillo, who is a coated, pretty, Alice Griffin, is today doing a little turn on Blackwell's island. And William Griffin, the girl's brother, is nursing a badly slashed face.

Griffin interfered to protect his sister. When Durillo sprang the old time "kid" thing, and the Italian wielded a razor, after a crowd had trampled Durillo nearly flat, Griffin was rushed to a hospital and the status of "oops, my dear" was established as the latest slang when, Alano Durillo, today gave Durillo his turn on the island.