

Rain tonight and Sunday; southerly winds.

Table with 2 columns: Location, Temperature. Includes locations like Astoria, Seaside, etc.

EMPLOYE OF CITY WATER OFFICE MISSING; SHORTAGE IN ACCOUNTS OF OVER \$500 FOR TWO MONTHS

Investigation of Methods Pursued by Water Department Already Reveals Discrepancies — Superintendent Not Under Bond—Detectives Assigned

Following the surprising revelation made by the Journal yesterday afternoon as to the careless methods of the city water department in handling millions of dollars of the public funds, it became known today that Fred R. Snodgrass, one of the trusted employees of the department for many years, has disappeared and that an examination of his accounts by a special expert has revealed the fact that there is a shortage of \$522 for the two months of November and December last year.

Business Increases Rapidly. The business of the water department has grown so rapidly that the receipts now aggregate almost a million dollars a year.

May Be Larger Grant. Mayor Rusklight and Commissioner Winn declared at the time of the Murphy dismissal that further and more sensational disclosures might be expected and it is believed that the disappearance of Snodgrass is the key to the remarks made then by the mayor and his aide.

Chief Clerk E. Kates of the water department admitted yesterday that under the present system of bookkeeping in use by the department it is possible for a dishonest employe to steal, but he expressed the opinion that in case any considerable amount were missing the fact would soon become known.

SUGAR TRUST INVESTIGATORS REPORT THAT OVER-CAPITALIZATION CAUSES HIGH PRICES

Hardwick Congressional Committee Assails Monopoly System But Refuses to Recommend Legislation to Curb Operations of Combinations; Inquirers Refused to Accept Arguments That Big Combinations Necessary; Faults Found and Possible Remedies Pointed Out.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Assailing the trust system but refusing to recommend legislation to curb similar abuses hereafter by declaring that such recommendations are solely within the jurisdiction of the standing committee, the house investigating committee headed by Congressman Thomas Hardwick of Georgia, which has been investigating the operations of the so-called sugar trust, reported today to the house its findings.

TWO BRAND NEW TWIN SCREW STEAMERS TO RUN DIRECT TO THE ORIENT FROM PORTLAND

Blycerie Has Already Been Launched at Glasgow for the Frank Waterhouse Line and Her Sister Vessel Is Well Along Toward Completion; Bank Line Steamers Will Continue to Run After Arrival of the New Craft on the Pacific Coast.

Two new twin screw steamers, which are now building at Glasgow for Andrew Weir, are to be placed on a direct line between Portland and the orient, going as far as Manila, in the service of Frank Waterhouse & Co., according to officers of the British steamer Sverre, which arrived here from the orient this morning.

"NOBODY LOVES A FAT MAN!"



PRESIDENT YUAN SHI KAI CUTS OFF QUEUE; STILL LOVES MANCHUS

New Head of the Chinese Republic Objects to the Public Rejoicing Over the Fall of the Manchus; Gave Few Millions.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Peking, Feb. 17.—Following the example set by other Republican leaders, President Yuan Shi Kai of the United Republic today has cut off his queue.

EGYPTIAN PRINCESSES FIGHTING TO CONTROL THRONE ON THE NILE

Former Austrian Princess Trying to Oust Khedive's First Wife From Her Position; England Suspects Plotting by Two Emperors.

(Special to The Journal.) Cairo, Egypt, Feb. 17.—A fierce fight for the Egyptian throne is going on behind the palace walls between the Khedive, the Khedive's first wife and consort, and the ex-Austrian princess, now known as Princess Zubeida, the Khedive's second, but favorite wife.

BLACK RE-ENTERS RING TO MAKE FIGHT UPON COLONEL, OLD ENEMY

Former New York Governor and Congressman Back in Politics, With \$1,000,000 Earned in 14 Years' Practice of the Law.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 17.—With \$1,000,000 in negotiable securities earned by 14 years' practice of the law, safely hidden away, Frank S. Black, former governor and congressman, is today back in politics.

LA FOLLETTE ASSERTED STILL ACTIVE IN RACE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Feb. 17.—The progressive movement in Wisconsin represented by Senator La Follette will carry its influence to the Republican national convention with a solid delegation.

CONGRESSMEN ROAST HOBSON FOR FLINGS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 17.—Congressmen Hay of Virginia and Fitzgerald of New York in the house today jointly "took a fall" out of Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson for his criticisms of their attitude on the army appropriation bill.

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Three Daring Robberies During Week Under Nose of Police. Net Motor Bandits Loot Exceeding \$35,000.

GEM DEALER SLUGGED; UNCUT STONES STOLEN

Latest Holdup Occurs Broadway and Thirty-fifth, the Center of City.

New York, Feb. 17.—Terrorized by the boldness of holdup-men and the apparent helplessness of the police, New York merchants and other business men today are preparing for personal protection, both of their property and their persons.

M'CUSKER, LOSING HIS CANDIDATE, STRANDED ON POLITICAL SHORE

Files a La Follette Slogan and Now That La Follette Will Probably Not Run, He Tries to Change It but Is Too Late.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Feb. 17.—Now that indications point to the withdrawal of La Follette from the presidential race, Thomas McCusker of Portland, who has filed for delegate to the Republican convention, finds himself in a dilemma.

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