

UNUSUAL FLOOD.

White River Valley Converted into a Huge Lake.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 7.—A lake of water 20 miles long, from one to five miles wide, and varying in depth from three to 20 feet, covers the entire White River valley between Seattle and Kent.

The damage done by the waters in King county alone will reach at least \$100,000, and in all likelihood when all the facts are known it will reach double this sum.

Elections in Ontario.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 7.—Three by-elections are being held today for the Ontario legislature and, as the present government has a lead of but two seats over the opposition at the present time, the result of the elections is of extraordinary importance.

DEDICATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

ANDREW CARNEGIE DELIVERS BRIEF ADDRESS.

President Roosevelt Present, With Members of Cabinet and Supreme Court — Ceremonies Were Very Simple—Structure is of Marble and Design is Handsome.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—The president of the United States and his cabinet, members of congress and of the supreme court, prominent army and navy officers and other persons of distinction witnessed the simple ceremonies today that accompanied the formal dedication of the Washington public library.

Andrew Carnegie replied to McFarland's address and spoke at length upon his schemes. He said he had given 730 library buildings, chiefly within the past two years, and had on hand 800 applications for similar gifts.

He said he was in the library manufacturing business and would not be diverted to other fields. Philanthropy is not charity. People are helping themselves by taxing themselves.

The new library forms a valuable addition to the numerous magnificent public buildings which grace the national capital.

FAMOUS CROOKS ARRESTED.

Policemen of Memphis Make a Good Haul—George Woods Captured.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 7.—A Pinkerton detective and seven policemen last night arrested three famous crooks, one being George Woods, wanted for three train robberies and for whom aggregate rewards of several thousand dollars are offered.

Durban Parade.

Jan. 7.—The most stirring scene of the Durban occurred this morning. All the members of the native rulers in uniform, numbering several hundred, were in the procession.

GRAND JURY INVESTIGATES

Indictments Will Probably Be Brought Against the Persons Making Threats.

MISSISSIPPIANS AVERSE TO COLORED POSTMISTRESS

Senator McLaurin Thinks the Office Will Be Reopened This Week—Community Much Wrought Up Because Postoffice Was Closed.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 7.—A federal grand jury at Indianola, Miss., is investigating the postoffice trouble. Indictments will probably be brought against the persons making threats against the colored postmistress.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Senator McLaurin, of Mississippi, has conferred with Postmaster-General Payne on the situation at Indianola, Miss., where the postoffice has been closed as a result of antagonism to the negro postmistress.

Mr. Payne said that the office will be reopened if there is no intimidation of the postmistress.

Indianola, Miss., Jan. 7.—There can be no mistaking the fact that a large portion of this community is considerably wrought up over the action of the government in closing the postoffice here.

No serious trouble is anticipated by the more conservative people, but precautions have been taken by both the city and county officials to deputize a sufficient complement of men should the occasion demand.

SAGASTA'S DEATH.

Was Due to Bronchitis and Gastric Trouble.

Madrid, Jan. 7.—Ex-Premier Praxedes Mateo Sagasta died at 11 o'clock Monday night in his 76th year. At 6:30 he had an attack of heart failure and it was then thought he was dead; he rallied, however, and lived for four and a half hours.

Senor Sagasta's death was due to bronchitis and gastric trouble. His family was at the deathbed, and former liberal members of the cabinet were near their old leader.

The news of the ex-premier's death created a painful impression throughout Madrid. King Alfonso expressed profound regret.

King Alfonso has written a letter of sympathy to Senor Sagasta's family. During the ex-premier's illness, the queen mother and other members of the royal family frequently sent officials to inquire as to his progress.

Another Mine Explosion.

Mahoney City, Pa., Jan. 7.—There was an explosion of gas in one of the collieries at this place at noon today. Four miners were fatally burned.

CONTEST FOR STATEHOOD

Quay Leads the Fight in the Senate for the Admission of Territories.

BEVERIDGE OPPOSES THE OMNIBUS BILL

Reports of Conventions Held in Oklahoma Show That They Want the Nelson Bill—Justice of New Mexico Denies His Evidence.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Senator Quay opened the statehood contest this morning by sending to the desk the affidavit of Boschert, a justice of the peace in New Mexico, denying under oath what had purported to be his testimony before the sub-committee of the senate during the summer.

Only a few members were in their seats when the house met. A bill providing for the efficiency of the Philippine constabulary service was made special business of the house tomorrow.

The measure went over at 2 o'clock without final action. The statehood bill was then taken up. Quay accused Beveridge of masquerading.

Senator Vest's resolution placing anthracite coal on the free list, went over until tomorrow. Vest being absent.

The bill for the reorganization of the militia was taken up and a warm debate followed. Tillman characterized the measure as a surreptitious attempt to increase the regular army.

COMING HOME.

Captain Marmaduke Resigns His Commission as Commander of the Colombian Fleet.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 7.—A cable dispatch from Captain Henry Marmaduke says that he resigned his commission as commander of the Colombian fleet Monday and will return to the United States immediately.

ALLIES REPLY.

Insist on Certain Conditions Preliminary to Arbitration.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The replies of England, Germany and Italy were received relative to Venezuela. They insist on certain conditions as necessary preliminaries but in the view of the state department nothing which is liable to overthrow the negotiations.

Noted Actress Dead.

New York, Jan. 7.—Etta Butler, the noted actress and mimic, died in a hospital at noon today. She is a well known California girl. She had been sick of typhoid fever.

Thomas Resigns.

New York, Jan. 7.—Chairman Thomas, for many years connected with the Erie railroad, has resigned his position and will devote his entire time to the Lehigh railroad hereafter.

Going to London.

London, Jan. 7.—It is announced today that former Chairman Tweed, of the Southern Pacific railway, is coming to London to superintend the finances of the Yerkes tube railway scheme.

GRAIN MARKETS.

Quotations Furnished by the Coo Commission Company—I. C. Major Local Manager, Room 4, Association Block.

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Minneapolis, New York, and Wheat in Chicago, showing prices for various months.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—Wheat—75 1/2 @ 76 cents per bushel.

COULD NOT GET AWAY.

Four Robbers Loot a Bank in Minnesota—Two Captured—Others Surrounded.

Eagle, Wis., Jan. 7.—Four robbers broke into the bank of Eagle this morning. Citizens were aroused by the explosion of dynamite. The robbers attempted to escape in a stolen rig. About to be overtaken, they abandoned the rig and ran for timber.

GHOUL WILL NOT TESTIFY

SAY THE STATE CAN MAKE ITS OWN CASE

Rufus Cantrell, the Indianapolis Negro Who Implicated 50 Prominent Citizens in the Grave Robberies, Says He Has Nothing Further to Say.

Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—Rufus Cantrell, the king of the ghouls, announced today that he would not testify against any of those named as connected with the crime.

The prosecution admits that without Cantrell as witness the state has no case against the 50 persons indicted, as all the names were furnished by Cantrell.

NOW AT HUNTINGTON.

Grandma Munra Will Have Charge of the O. R. & N. Hotel.

Grandma Munra, who has managed the Log Cabin eating house at Meacham, since it was built, will take charge of the O. R. & N. hotel at Huntington.

The Pacific Hotel Company has had charge of the institution until six months ago, when the O. R. & N. took it in charge.

The building has been renovated, newly painted, furnished with more thorough equipment and its reputation will rival that of the famous Log Cabin, under the management of Mrs. Munra.

Petition for Divorce.

Edith Hall today filed a petition asking the courts to dissolve the bonds of matrimony existing between herself and husband, Andrew Hall. She alleges that the habitual drunkenness of Hall has made life unbearable to her.

To Become Citizens.

Sophia Gratz, a subject of the Republic of France today filed her declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States.

Club Meeting.

The Thursday afternoon club will meet at the home of Miss Cozbi Raley corner of Court and Garden streets, Thursday of this week, at the usual hour.

ANTHRACITE COMMISSION

Large Number of Non-Union Miners and Their Families on the Witness Stand.

MERCHANTS REFUSE WOMEN NECESSITIES OF LIFE.

One Witness Testified That He Knew of a Bridge Being Burned by Union Miners — Afterward Said Small Boys Poured Oil on Bridge.

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—Another big array of witnesses for the non-union miners and families were on hand at the opening of the anthracite commission this morning.

The greater portion of the testimony was concerning the various dynamite outrages against property. One witness said that he knew of a bridge burned. On cross-examination he said that oil was poured on the bridge by small boys. He did not see it fired.

The first woman called was Mrs. Jordan, of Lost Creek, driven from town by continued fears of miners because her husband remained at work. After 10 days' residence in Philadelphia, she returned home because her children were homesick.

LIES IN STATE.

Body of the Spanish Premier is Viewed by Immense Crowds.

Madrid, Jan. 7.—Immense crowds are visiting the congress rotunda, where Premier Sagasta lies in state in the beloved atocha cathedral this afternoon, which is Spain's pantheon. An investigation of the dead premier's financial affairs show that he left under \$15,000. Condolence was tendered to the family by the pope.

SCOTCH COLONEL DISCHARGED.

Sultan of Morocco Gives Way to Moslem Prejudice.

London, Jan. 7.—A dispatch received today says Sir Harry McLean, the Scotch colonel, who commanded the sultan's Morocco body guard, is to be discharged as a sacrifice to moslem prejudice. The people consider McLean responsible for Europeanizing Morocco.

HORRIBLE DEED OF COACHMAN.

Cut Off the Head of a Child and Committed Suicide.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Alfred King, a coachman, because a nurse girl refused his love this morning cut off the head of a 4-year-old child she was caring for and then committed suicide.

Gen. Chaffee's Visit to Plattsburg.

Glens Falls, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Major-General A. R. Chaffee, commanding the department of the East, paid an official visit to Plattsburg barracks today. The purpose of the visit was to inspect the regiment now quartered at the barracks and which is under orders to proceed to the Philippines next spring.

Asphyxiated by Coal Gas.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 7.—A laborer, his wife and two children were asphyxiated by gas from a coal stove Monday night. The price of coal fuel is so high that they had been burning coal refuse.

CRACKER CREEK FACTS

North Pole mine was offered for sale three years ago for \$600,000. It has 5000 feet on the mother lode. It is now worth twenty million dollars.

The South Pole mine adjoins, has 4941 feet on the same lode, has six tunnels, amounting to 2200 feet, all in ore. We expect within less than three years' work to have a mine as valuable as North Pole is today.

South Pole stock is selling at 15 cents until about January 1st. Buy before the price raises. See Gahagan at Hartman Abstract office, Pendleton, Ore.