

WALLA DID THE TASK RIGHT

President Welcomed in a way that will not be forgotten by Him nor the City

WITNESSES STAY AWAY. Failure of Prosecution in Great Swindling Case.

Chicago, May 26.—The police court this morning dismissed all those charged with being inmates of a gambling house who were arrested in the raid on the Sullivan Grain Company. Sullivan will answer to the charge of bucket shopping Thursday. Detective Woodridge, who made the raid, did not appear. The judge in making the dismissal scored the absent officers.

UP THE WALLACE BRANCH. President Takes a Short Trip Into Idaho.

Harrison, Idaho, May 26.—The president was given an impromptu reception at 1 a. m. by the citizens of Starbuck, where the train stopped for water. The reception was in the nature of a chivari, the president not responding.

Portrait of Murdered Girl.

Baker City, May 26.—A beautiful portrait of Miss Minnie Ensminger, painted by Mrs. Edward C. Bowen, is on view in the window in this city of the Alexander Clothing Company. The likeness is an excellent one, and will be hung in the Rock Creek school where Miss Ensminger used to teach before the tragedy of which she was a victim. The picture has been accepted by the school and is attracting a considerable amount of attention.

APARTMENT HOUSE FIRE BRAVE POLICEMAN KILLED ATTEMPTING RESCUE.

Two Others Seriously Injured While Many of the Tenants Are Rescued With Difficulty. New York, May 26.—A four-story apartment house in Fulton street was destroyed by fire early this morning. One policeman was fatally hurt and two seriously burned, while 15 inmates, including many children, were rescued with difficulty. The fire started in a Wells-Fargo Express office on the ground floor. The policeman broke down the doors and started a rescue, but were shut off by the flames. They made several brave rescues before the firemen came and when help arrived were in the third story with a woman and three children.

MONTANA AT ST. LOUIS FAIR.

Helena, Mont., May 26.—The Montana legislature convened in extra session today, in response to the call of Governor Toole, for the purpose of making appropriations for the Montana exhibits at the Louisiana Purchase and Lewis and Clark exposition to be held at St. Louis and Portland in 1904 and 1905. It is expected that President Roosevelt, who will be in Helena tomorrow, will address the members of the legislature in joint session.

MURDER IN PORTLAND

Brutal and Drunken Ruffian Kills His Father-in-Law for Revenge.

ANGRY BECAUSE HIS WIFE WAS DIVORCED FROM HIM. Assassin Captured This Morning Asleep With His Wife in a Barn Ten Miles From Portland—Murderer Armed to the Teeth.

Portland, May 26.—Enraged because his wife had obtained a divorce from and refused longer to associate with him, M. V. Leasia yesterday killed F. H. Drews, the woman's father, at his home near Peninsula, on the east side, and then compelled Mrs. Leasia to join him in flight, after leaving their two infant children at the home of a neighbor, on a pretext. This morning a shot was heard in the woods at about the locality where the couple are supposed to be, and it is probable that Mrs. Leasia, too, has fallen a victim of her former husband's cruel vengeance. Posses of officers are scouring the neighborhood, and it probably is only a question of a short time until Leasia will be killed or captured.

Cowardly and Brutal Deed.

Leasia took a peculiarly savage revenge upon the woman and her father, whom he held responsible for the divorce proceedings. Sunday morning he stole upon his wife's father, F. H. Drews, and shot him to death in a most cowardly fashion. The assassin's aim was deadly, and his deed was coolly premeditated. One bullet was sent through the head of the victim from behind, and the second one between the shoulders, the pistol being held so closely when the latter shot was fired as to scorch the clothing.

Leasia Not Crazy.

Leasia lives in a scow near a brother on the North Portland water front. Since the separation from his wife he has been driving a team for the Banfield-Veasey Fuel Company. A week ago he received his wages in full and quit work. A member of the police force who worked with Leasia and knows him well, says that he is not crazy, but has been planning revenge upon Drews, his father-in-law, who, he says, was responsible for his wife's leaving him. The Leasias formerly lived at the Dalles and removed to Portland about two months ago. Leasia married Pauline Drews in Colfax in February, 1901. He worked in a butcher shop in Colfax and has been employed in a livery stable in Portland.

Been Threatening Murder.

Leasia told all his Slabtown acquaintances that he was going to kill the old man Drews. The murderer also spread some hard tales concerning Drews. Leasia is addicted to the use of liquor, but it is stated by those who know him that he has not been drinking more than usual during the past few days.

Leasia and Wife Both Taken.

Portland, May 26.—Murderer Leasia was captured in a barn 10 miles from here, at 5 o'clock this morning. His wife was a captive with him and both were asleep. Leasia Claims Self-Defense. Portland, May 26.—Leasia has been found to have a flesh wound over his heart, and he claims that his father-in-law shot him first, making it necessary to kill him in self-defense. Mrs. Leasia, however, claims she shot her husband in defense of her father.

Russian Ambassador Sails.

New York, May 26.—The Russian ambassador and his daughter, Countess Marguerite Cassini, sail today for Europe on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. They go first to Paris, where they maintain an apartment all year round, and later will proceed to Russia to spend the remainder of the summer.

MIDDLE STATES DEVASTATION

More Ruin Wrought by Tornadoes In Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska.

SMALL TWISTERS IN A WIDE GENERAL STORM. Severe Flood at Oklahoma City—Two Female Inmates School for Feeble Minded at Des Moines Killed—Immense Destruction to Property.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 26.—Great damage was done by an electrical storm which swept over the city last night. Many buildings were unroofed and new buildings wrecked. There were no casualties. Great Destruction in Nebraska. Omaha, May 26.—Reports from various portions of the state, especially the eastern section, show that all day yesterday small twisters, accompanied by heavy rains, marked phenomenal atmospheric conditions in Nebraska.

Hanna Isn't Talking.

Cleveland, O., May 26.—Up to noon Senator Hanna refused to make any comment on President Roosevelt's Walla Walla talk about Ohio's indorsement. Mr. Hanna is holding a conference this afternoon with General Dick. COAL MINE EXPLOSION. Four Killed and Five Others Fatally Burned. Pittsburg, May 26.—Four were killed and a number slightly injured, and several missing as a result of an explosion of gas in the Chartiers coal mine near Bridgeville, at 12:30 this afternoon. The dead are all young men. Eighty men were at work when the accident occurred. The mine is on fire and it is feared many of those missing will be burned to death or smothered.

Complicated in Chicago

FREIGHT HANDLERS' STRIKE IS FAR FROM SETTLED. Railroad Companies and Laborers Both Obdurate—Merchants Are Laying in Immense Stocks. Chicago, May 26.—The flat refusal of the railroads to even consider the compromise demands of the freight handlers for a 25 per cent increase in wages threatens a repetition of last year's tie-up, when several million dollars loss was sustained by delayed freight. Anticipating a paralysis of traffic, the merchants are sending out rush orders for goods and making every effort to augment present stocks three fold. The cold storage warehouses are filling every available foot.

Bremerton is Foul.

Criticisms of Secretary of War Are Bearing Fruit. Bremerton, Wash., May 26.—The navy yard is practically closed until social conditions are bettered. A majority of the town council favors the sailors and refuses to carry out the wishes of the citizens and department. The mayor said today the citizens are in the humor to tar and feather the councilmen if they persisted in refusing to pass a prohibitory ordinance. ALLEGE GERMAN HOSTILITY. Catholics Allege Animosity on the Part of the German Clergy. Rome, May 26.—It is announced at the vatican that Mgr. O'Connell, rector of Washington University, will shortly be in Rome to ask the assistance of the church against the hostility to his work shown by the German element in America, including the German clergy.

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OFF FOR AMERICA.

Reliance Leads in Last Trial Race on Long Island Sound.

Glasgow, May 26.—Sir Henry Lipton entertained the city council of Gourrock at luncheon today and bade them farewell before crossing the Atlantic. He hinted broadly this will be the last attempt, but expressed great hope that the cup will be lifted. Last Trial Race on the Sound. Glen Cove, May 26.—On the 15-mile course today in the trial of the yachts, the wind held a strong 10 knots. The starting gun was fired at 12:15. The Reliance crossed the line three seconds later and the Columbia eight, and the Constitution 28. Shortly afterwards the Constitution passed the Columbia, working well up to windward and also the other two yachts, and at 12:20 had gained considerable on the Reliance, which held the lead. The Reliance rounded the first mark, which is six and a half miles out, at 12:43, the Constitution second, and the Columbia a minute and three-quarters later. The Reliance's crew was slow in breaking out the balloon and the Constitution crept up still closer. The Reliance finished at 1:43:40, the Constitution, 1:46:3, the Columbia a long ways behind.

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