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Tonight and Sunday light rain or snow.

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whole middle, is the Craig estate tangle. Here he was made the custodian, as administrator of the estate of \$14,000, owned by the estate, and used the money. The crash came before the estate had been settled, and he is short that amount. It is presumed that had Mr. Wade still been at the head of the bank when the time for final settlement came, that the money would have been forthcoming, but he was caught in his own fall and could not make good.

Joseph Vey claims to have been asked for a note which he knew nothing of, and which has been canceled by the bank. The note was for \$7,000, and was executed by Wade, who had been in the habit of drawing notes and other papers for Vey, who is unable to read or write. The note in question was repudiated by Vey when it was called up, and was yesterday canceled by the bank. Whatever the conditions the matter will now be sifted out in the court, and an equal distribution be made to all the creditors. It is estimated that the estate will pay about 50 cents on the dollar, though this is an estimate, it being too soon to tell from what has come to light just how much is available.

### LEVY MUST HANG.

Boise City Murderer Fails to Get Relief From Supreme Court. Boise City, Jan. 23.—By a divided court the judgment of murder in the first degree against George Levy for the murder of Davis Levy on October 3, 1901, has been affirmed. The opinion of the majority of the court is by Chief Justice Sullivan, concurred in by Justice Steenslager, Justice Ashlie dissenting. The opinion finds the evidence in the case sufficient to sustain the judgment of conviction and further finds that no vital error was made by the trial court.

Chicago Wheat. Chicago, Jan. 23.—Wheat opened 90 3/4, closed 91 1/2.

## CONFIDENCE MEN ARE IN CUSTODY

WERE OPERATORS ON A LARGE SCALE.

Charge With Robbery of Baroness Radekovic in San Francisco — Had Thousands of Dollars Worth of Precious Stones in Their Possession — Sold Many in Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma. Minneapolis, Jan. 23.—James Walters was arrested this morning charged with robbing Baroness Helena Radekovic of \$2,000 worth of diamonds at the Colonial hotel in San Francisco three weeks ago. The police believe he is one of the most important thieves and confidence men in America. On his person when arrested were \$12,000 worth of diamonds. Walters confessed to having disposed of stones worth \$15,000. He was captured at the National hotel, where he registered as R. Stafford, Seattle. William Kerry, said to be an accomplice of Walters, was later arrested at the depot. Both men were preparing to leave for Chicago. Walters says that of \$15,000 worth of stones sold during the last three weeks he sold \$10,000 worth in Tacoma, Spokane and Seattle. Attention was attracted to him in Minneapolis by the deposit of several gems. Walters' home is at Los Angeles, where his parents live.

Largest Land Deal. Looking Glass Pine Tract Sells for \$200,000 to Iowa Parties. La Grande, Jan. 23.—One of the largest lumber and land sales ever made in Oregon, was that made yesterday to George Palmer, a banker organized in May, 1902, the incorporators being L. C. Stanley, of Chipewa Falls, Wis., and Robert Smith, of La Grande, with E. O. Blanchard, as manager. These men have all been closely connected with the industries in Eastern Oregon for many years, and have acquired a wide reputation throughout the west for honesty, energy and good judgment. The annual output of the plant averages 12,000,000 feet of lumber, which found a ready market extending east to Milwaukee and Chicago. This tract of timber sold, comprises over 7,000 acres of land, and is one of the finest tracts in Eastern Oregon. Mr. Palmer paid near the \$200,000 mark for these lands, purchasing them as an investment, and will not manufacture this lumber, but will hold it for increased stumpage. Improving Webb Street. George Darveau is cleaning the Hotel St. George basement and improving the street, at one and the same time. He is hauling the gravel out of the basement and putting it on the street.

## CHICAGO SKY SCRAPER FIRE

Two Thousand Occupants of Masonic Temple Marooned in the Upper Stories.

BUILDING REPRESENTED ABSOLUTELY FIRE-PROOF.

Six Floors on Fire With Fifteen Upper Floors Cut Off—Flames Were Gotten Under Control at 1 O'Clock —Only Desperate Efforts Saved Hundreds of Lives and the Building Itself—Many Injured by Inhaling Smoke—Grand Palace Again on Fire.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—At noon today fire broke out on the third floor of the Masonic Temple, and has been extinguished. Panic ensued among the 2,000 occupants of the building, who fled precipitately down the stairways and elevators. The building was supposed to be absolutely fire-proof.

### A Few Escaped.

A number of girls succeeded in escaping from the 18th story by flight down stairs.

The fire spread so rapidly that within 20 minutes 10 rooms on the third third floor were a mass of flames, cutting off the elevators and stairways and filling the building with dense smoke.

The building is 21 stories in height. After the elevators stopped all the windows from the 17th story up were filled with men, women and girls. The police attempted to pacify the crowds and keep the streets open, but without avail. It is but half a block from the Iroquois.

### Telephone Reports.

Telephone reports from those marooned in the upper stories of the skyscraper says there is no danger of smoke there, although several women swooned. They were taken care of by various office forces.

From the third floor the flames extended to the fourth, fifth and sixth floors. The firemen were compelled to use 60-foot ladders to fight the flames.

### Flames Under Control.

At 1 o'clock the flames are under control. The damage will be between \$20,000 and \$30,000, largely caused by the down-falling flood of water through the lower floors.

### Suffered From Smoke.

Many tenants suffered from inhaling smoke, but none seriously. Walter Parker was badly burned and William Danby seriously cut by falling glass.

The firemen say that notwithstanding the supposed fire-proof construction the building would have been gutted had not the alarm been quickly given and responded to.

### Third Fire at Grand Palace.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Two hundred guests at the Grand Palace hotel were again thrown into a panic and compelled to flee to the icy streets, sootily sootied, by fire this morning. This is the third fire within 11 days. The police believe all have been incendiary.

### FROM THE FAR EAST.

Russia Threatening, and Making Trouble in Korea.

London, Jan. 23.—The Tokio correspondent of the Central News Bureau today wires that an official emergency gazette is being promulgated, containing special regulations for harbor, roadstead and coast navigation. The move is regarded significant as it practically puts the mercantile marine under war regulations.

### Trouble in Korea.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The state department has received a dispatch from Minister Allen at Seoul, that there is considerable disturbance throughout Korea. The Japanese in many places have been attacked, and there are indications that Russia is inciting an uprising.

The news has also reached Washington that Japan sent a major-general to Seoul, wanting a high ranking officer on the scene.

The Koreans are reported to have 2,500 men under arms.

### Bellifere Russians.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.—Official circles are bitterly lamenting the necessity of making concessions to Japan because of Russia's inadequate sea port defenses, and announce the determination to augment the fleet until able to combat even the British. Propose to expend \$50,000,000.

### Gone to Beet Meeting.

E. W. McComas went to Echo this morning to attend the mass meeting of the citizens who met there this afternoon to hear what the sugar beet men have to say on beet culture, and to listen to the propositions made by them to the farmers.

## THREE STATES ARE ENGULFED

Icy Floods Are Doing Great Damage in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana.

TOLEDO RECORDS THE WORST IN TWENTY YEARS

All Electric Power Shut Off—Business Sections Inundated — Cemeteries Scoured Out — Half Million Damage Done at Pittsburg and Water Still Rising—Much Suffering Along Ohio River—People Trapped and Great Suffering.

Toledo, Jan. 23.—The flood in the Maumee river promises to surpass that of 1885, when was the worst ever known.

All industries dependent upon electricity are tied up, including the newspapers. The first floors of all buildings along the water front are under water.

### Marietta Inundated.

Marietta, O., Jan. 23.—The business section being vacated. The flood in the Ohio river is at 29 feet, and rising six inches an hour. Reports from up river lead to the belief that the business section will be largely inundated.

### Cemetery Torn Out.

Indianapolis, Jan. 23.—The flood in Wildcat creek has broken through the cemetery, scattering skeletons along the banks.

### Damage at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Jan. 23.—At 10 this morning the water was 29 feet above normal and rising nearly three inches an hour. Forty feet is expected today.

The damage is already \$500,000 in this city and harbor. Four thousand men are idle. Traffic is suspended along the river front.

### Suffering at Wheeling.

Wheeling, Jan. 23.—Thirty-seven feet of water was recorded at 8 this morning and 40 feet is expected. There is a general exodus from the low lands. There is marked suffering as many are exposed, which will be increased if the cold wave predicted comes.

### Highest Ever Known.

Youngstown, O., Jan. 23.—The flood now exceeds any ever known. No lights or power and the water damage is heavy.

### Railroads Abandoned.

Charon, Pa., Jan. 23.—The sharpville bridge was swept away, drowning Victor Dunham and three laborers this morning.

The water is at the highest ever known and still rising. All trains between Cleveland and Pittsburg are abandoned. The tracks are five feet under water.

Families in many parts of the city are trapped in the upper stories.

### Damage Exceeds \$500,000.

Loraine, O., Jan. 23.—The flood here is nearly at a standstill. The damage now exceeds \$500,000.

### SHIPMENT OF SHEEP.

Some to Seattle and Four Thousand to San Francisco.

Rugg Brothers will ship a couple of carloads of wethers over the W. & C. R. this evening to James Wright, at Seattle. Mr. Wright was in the city last week and made the purchase of the sheep.

While here Mr. Wright also wished to buy a lot of lambs from the Rugg Brothers' flocks, but found that the firm had just sold all of their lambs to Mr. Harrington, the San Francisco sheep buyer who was in the city last winter and bought all of the lambs the same firm had for sale. There are about 4,000 lambs in the lot sold this year, and they will be delivered the 5th of February.

### CHANGE IN TIME CARD.

Morning Train for Spokane Will Wait One Hour for West-Bound Passenger.

The local offices of the O. R. & N. received notice today that hereafter, No. 8, the morning train for Spokane, will wait one hour for No. 1, the west-bound train, instead of only 30 minutes, as has been the rule under the new time card.

This will enable passengers coming from the East to make direct connection for Spokane, if the morning west-bound train is not more than an hour late.

### Progress on Bowman Building.

The brick masons are at work on the Bowman building, and if the present weather continues the brick work will be completed in about 15 days. All of the pressed brick is on the ground and the most of the other material, so there will be no delays from this time on until the building is finished.

## GALVESTON WILL CELEBRATE.

City's Great Sea Wall is Completed at Cost of Millions.

Galveston, Texas, Jan. 23.—The city of Galveston, larger, richer and more prosperous than before its partial destruction by the great flood in 1900, is to celebrate her rejuvenation during the coming week with a monster fete that promises to attract the widest attention. The occasion of the celebration is the completion of the sea wall, erected at a cost of millions of dollars and which is expected to insure the city against any recurrence of the disaster of four years ago.

Arrangements for the celebration have been made on an elaborate scale and the affair promises to be one of the most notable of the kind ever seen in the southwest. The United States navy will be represented at the festivities by several warships, and the German cruiser Gazelle also will attend the celebration. The governor of Texas and many other persons of note have been invited to attend the ceremonies and no expense is to be spared by the citizens of the rebuilt city to make the occasion a memorable one.

## WILL LAUNCH DAKOTA SOON.

Freight Ship 630 Feet Long and 73 Feet Six Inches Wide.

New London, Conn., Jan. 23.—Two weeks from today another monster cargo carrier is to be launched from the yards of the eastern shipbuilding company here. It is a twin sister of the Minnesota, launched last spring, and will be christened Dakota.

The Dakota will steam at the rate of 14 knots an hour, and owing to her great size will be steady in any kind of weather. She has a length of 630 feet and a width of 73 feet six inches. She will be rigged as a four-masted schooner with pole shafts, and will have five continuous decks and four short decks. The ship is owned by James J. Hill, and will be used in the Great Northern railway's Pacific carrying trade.

## OFFICERS FIND AN OPIUM JOINT

YUNG GEE'S STORE ON ALTA STREET THE PLACE.

Two White Men Were Hitting the Pipe and Both Were Fined—Proprietor of the Place Held Under Bonds—Discovery Made During Investigation Under Fire Ordinance.

While making an investigation of the means taken in the Chinese quarters to prevent fire yesterday afternoon, Councilman Wells, Fire Chief White and Marshal Carney ran into an opium joint in full blast.

Mr. Wells and the fire chief had made one trip through the rats' nests of Chinatown the other day and left orders for the Chinamen to change the stations of several stoves and make extra precautions for the prevention of fire. Yesterday they, in company with the marshal, made another trip to see that their instructions had been carried out.

While in the house of Yung Gee, on Alta street, back of Tailman's drug store, the party came to one room where the door was locked and which the Chinaman refused to open. On the order of the marshal the room was broken open and two white men—Collins and John Doe—were found in the place under the influence of the drug.

Collins is a contortist and dancer who has been traveling with a show company, but who lost his job through the dope habit, and is now tramping. He has no money and will serve five days in the city jail in default of the \$10 fine imposed on him by the city judge.

John Doe is a Pendleton man who has fallen into the habit and has become a wreck through the use of the drug. He paid his fine and left on the midnight train for some place unknown.

Yung Gee, the proprietor of the den, was held under \$50 bonds to insure his appearance in the court at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Owing to the absence of some of the witnesses the trial of the case was postponed until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

### Biggest Load of Brick.

The record for a carload shipment was broken yesterday at the Weston brickyard. The huge car carried 27,000 brick weighing 108,000 pounds, or about twice the load of an ordinary car. The shipment was consigned to Purl Bowman at Pendleton. —Weston Leader.

### Will Occupy Krebs Home.

J. M. Stone, administrator for the estate of Mrs. H. Krebs, made arrangements yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bentley to move out to the Krebs homestead and take temporary charge, so as children could be kept at home and together. —Adams Advance.

Nebraska republicans have instructed for Roosevelt for president, and for John L. Webster of that state, for vice-president.

## ALL LAY BLAME ON THE OTHERS

Conflicting Evidence in Trying to Fix Responsibility for the Iroquois Fire.

ARCHITECT MARSHALL'S PLANS HAD BEEN ACCEPTED.

Klaw & Erlanger Must Bear Part of Blame—One of the Managing Proprietors Lays All Blame on Subordinates—He in Turn is Incriminated by the Manager of the Theater—Two Policemen Arrested on Charge of Robbing a Body at the Morgue.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Architect Marshall, who drew the plans of the Iroquois before the coroner's jury today testified that the plans were approved by Klaw & Erlanger in all particulars, thus directly identifying the firm with responsibility for the result.

### Managing Proprietor Was Ignorant.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—William Powers, one of the managing proprietors of the Iroquois, was on the stand in the coroner's inquest this morning. He threw all blame on the subordinates, saying he believed until the fire that all matters of protection had been complied with. He said he was only an advisory.

Manager Davis was a witness this afternoon. He said Powers should shoulder his share of the blame, as he should have had knowledge of the condition of the house and given it strict examination as part of his personal responsibility.

### Stole From a Body.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Policemen Gibson and Haynes have been summoned before the trial board on complaint of Christopher Fletcher, of La Porte, Ind., who claims that valuable diamonds disappeared from his daughter's body after the Iroquois fire, after the body was taken to the morgue, where the officers named were in charge.

### MILTON MANUSCRIPT.

Original of "Paradise Lost" May Come to America.

London, Jan. 23.—English bibliophiles are worried just now over the possibility of some American millionaire obtaining possession of the Baker manuscript of Milton's "Paradise Lost," round which great controversy was waged recently. The manuscript, it is understood, will be put up for auction next week at the establishment of Sotheby, Wilkinson & Hodge. It was originally intended to hold the sale in March, but the date was altered at the wish of the owner.

It is said that an offer of \$25,000 has already been received from the United States, but the owner is desirous of seeing the manuscript retained in England if possible.

### BRIDGE REPAIRING.

Work in Progress on Cayuse Steel Structure.

W. A. Storie, the superintendent of the bridge and building department of the O. R. & N., had a work train in the yards this morning bound for Cayuse Canyon, where they will repair the piling to the big steel bridge and do some general repair work in that vicinity.

The train was brought from La Grande, and after loading with supplies in the yards here went east to the place of work.

### Storie of Multnomah.

Sheriff W. A. Storie, of Portland, was in the city today visiting the tournament. Mr. Storie was at Baker City to witness the hanging of Pleasant Armstrong and stopped in this city on his return home.

### Lecture to Men Only.

Rev. S. M. Martin, the Christian evangelist, will deliver a free lecture to men only, at the Christian church, tomorrow at 3 o'clock. The subject will be "Manhood and Home."

### California Natural Gas.

Ventura, Cal., Jan. 23.—Work on construction of the plant which is to supply Ventura, Oxnard and neighboring towns with natural gas, is started. This is the first time in the history of California for natural gas in commercial quantities to be developed. Over 10 miles of pipe will be laid, and in 60 days the plant will be in operation. A flow of over 40,000 cubic feet per day has been secured. The gas is unusually pure, with strong pressure.