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WEATHER FORECAST

Rain with possibly part snow to night and Wednesday.

TROOPS TO THE PHILIPPINES

Two Shipments Started Today--From Columbus and Governor's Island.

FORMER IN COMMAND OF CAPTAIN TAGGART.

Experiments Will Be Made During This Trip With the So-Called "Fireless Cookers," Which Will Probably Determine Whether They Will Be Endorsed by the Government--House Committee Does What It Can to Somewhat Cripple Senator Tillman's Resolution to Inquire Into Rate Discriminations.

Columbus, O., Feb. 20.—The government is rushing troops to the Philippines. Today two companies of the Eighth infantry in command of Captain Taggart, and consisting of 145 men and five officers, left for Chicago en route to San Francisco, when they will sail on the transport Logan, March 5. During the trip the troops will experiment with the patent device for cooking aboard transport and train. If successful, the government will adopt it generally.

More Troops to Philippines.

New York, Feb. 20.—Four companies of the Eighth infantry leave for San Francisco and the Philippines via New Orleans this afternoon. Two hundred sixty men and fifteen officers comprise the detachment.

Amend Tillman Resolution.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The house committee on interstate commerce today agreed to report a substitute for the Tillman joint resolution calling upon the commission to examine into the subjects of railroad discrimination and monopolies in coal and oil. The substitute eliminates from Tillman's resolution which passed the senate, the words, "other products," and adds "oil products."

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

Quotations From the Greatest Wheat Center in the World.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Wheat closed today at \$2 1/2; corn at 42 and oats at 29 3/4.

ALI FAIRS YET AT A STANDSTILL.

No Date Yet Set for Hearing of Suits in Tribune Disagreement. After having been in the hands of a receiver for four days, the affairs of the Tribune are now apparently as far from a settlement as ever. According to the employe-directors, they have again been requested to sell by Mr. Dodd. However, they characterize the offer as a bluff and have declined it as before, preferring to await the outcome of the suit which they have pending in the circuit court. In this suit the substantial things asked for are that Dodd be compelled to make an accounting and to pay the stockholders their share of the dividends for the past year's business, and also to remove the \$4000 mortgage upon the plant.

No date has yet been set for the hearing of the cases in the circuit court, and there is a difference of opinion regarding the same. This morning John McCourt, one of the attorneys for Mr. Dodd, intimated that the case would probably not come up during Judge Ellis' term, owing to other cases on the docket. In this event the paper would remain as at present until after election. However, A. D. Stillman, attorney for the employes, says an early hearing was promised by Judge Ellis and expects the same. He will file an answer to the Dodd suit within a short time. According to Mr. Stillman, the coming election has nothing whatever to do with the case, as far as his side is concerned as the men are asking for nothing but a just accounting and that the secret mortgage be lifted.

Women Should Be Subordinate.

Rome, Feb. 20.—An attack of the Vatican states the pope is displeased at a report from America in which Archbishop Keane, of Dubuque, Iowa, is alleged to have represented the pope as favoring a continuance of women choiristers in Catholic churches. The pope is not opposed to female singers, but declines to sanction their forming a separate body for liturgical services, or in any other way asserting their individuality.

WOULD IMPLICATE ROOSEVELT.

The Court Sustains View of Packers' Attorneys.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—The court in the packers' case today admitted as evidence a letter written to the attorney general by the president concerning the investigation of the packers' business and the indictment. The packers contend this letter proves co-operation between the departments of commerce and justice in procuring evidence. The court held the president acted entirely in an official capacity, thereby binding the government.

FIVE WERE BURNED TO DEATH.

The Mother Loses Her Life Trying to Save Her Children.

Tunnel Hill, Pa., Feb. 20.—Five persons were burned to death this morning in a fire which practically wiped out the village. The dead are: Mrs. Mary Grogan, aged 63; Patrick, aged 11; Willie, aged 8; Katie, aged 10. All are Grogans. There was one unidentified body. Mrs. Grogan was aroused by the fumes and rushed out with the three youngest children and hurried back to save the other three and perished with them.

Saloon Thief Caught.

Walla Walla, Feb. 20.—Less than 26 hours after taking flight out of Walla Walla on a train bound north, H. DeCordero, night bartender in the Schwarz saloon, accused by John Kremer, proprietor of the place, with stealing \$70 out of the office safe, was locked up safely in jail at Mullan, Idaho, and telegrams sent to the sheriff's office here informing the officers of the fact. DeCordero was returned to Walla Walla by Sheriff Painter this morning and locked up in the county jail.

Resigned Under Fire.

Indianapolis, Feb. 20.—Daniel Storms has resigned as secretary of state. His action follows a demand by the governor after the discovery of alleged irregularities in the conduct of the office of secretary of state.

MINING MAN BADLY BILKED

WALLA WALLA TINHORNS LIPTED \$1342 AT PASCO.

The Victim Can Do Little in the Way of Identification of the Crooks, Who Are Supposed to Have Left Walla Walla, Going North, After Cashing a Check on the Farmers' Savings Bank—Identification at the Bank Was Made by a Saloonkeeper Named John Smalls.

Walla Walla, Feb. 20.—A smooth card trick, rivaling the gold brick swindle that "Crooked Mouthed" Green and his confederates worked on Benjamin F. Royce, the Dixie farmer, a few years ago, was reported to the authorities this morning by John Elsie, a mining man from Montana, who alleges that he was bilked out of \$1342 in a card game at Pasco Friday night by three Walla Walla tin horns.

Elsie reported the matter to Sheriff Eubanks at Pasco yesterday and the sheriff in turn reported the affair to the Walla Walla authorities, with instructions to arrest the three men, as they were supposed to be in this city. Further than alleging that one of the men implicated in the affair was named Wright, Elsie could not give a description of the three men. Getting wind that the officers were on the lookout for them, it is said that the men got out of town last night, going north on the O. R. & N. train that connects with the Walla Walla train. Elsie arrived in Walla Walla this morning, but he was so excited over the loss of his money that he could not give a coherent account of the game worked on him, further than to say that a check on the Farmers' Savings bank, given the three men at Pasco Friday night, had been cashed Saturday afternoon.

Bank Paid Over the Money.

Although the officials of the Farmers' Savings bank were reluctant to talk of the affair this morning, it was learned that a stranger appeared at the bank Saturday afternoon and presented a check for \$1342, signed by Elsie. The teller declined to cash the check until the stranger could identify himself. The man left the bank and returned in a short time with John Smalls, proprietor of the Smalls saloon. Mr. Smalls, it is said, identified the man as being one of the men to whom the check was made payable, and the money, amounting to \$1342, was paid over and they left the bank. The bank officials said they could not give the name of the man to whom the money was paid over and were not sure that they knew the man. The money was paid on Mr. Smalls' statement that the man was all right.

FOURTEEN KILLED, EIGHT IDENTIFIED.

Waisenburg, Col., Feb. 20.—According to the Victor Fuel company, 14 miners lost their lives by the gas explosion in the Maitland mine, four miles north of here yesterday. Twelve bodies were recovered, while two are said to still be in the mine. The bodies were badly burned and disfigured, so at present only eight are identified: William Ryan, John Peters, Archie Miller, Peter Diviso, Mucale Nizul, Mucale Grem, Steven Labana and John Breden.

ARREST MADE AT HAINES OF A FEDERATION MINER

Steve Adams Accused of Complicity in the Murder of Steunenberg--Detectives Search for Jack Simpkins

Orchard's Confession Said to Implicate Both--St. John, Alias Vincent, Refuses to Be Interviewed; Labor Leaders Declare Him to Be Innocent--Union Men of Colorado, Declare the Arrest and Kidnapping of Moyer and Haywood to Be a Detail in a Plot to Destroy the Unions--Other Arrests Have Been Made and More Are Looked for Soon--Defendants Demand Immediate Trial.

Baker City, Feb. 20.—Steve Adams, alias Steve Dickson, a member of the Western Federation of Miners, was arrested at Haines yesterday, charged with complicity in the Steunenberg murder, and brought here. He still refuses to talk. Detectives are also searching for Jack Simpkins, but fail to find him. Both are implicated by Orchard's confession. Adams was taken to Boise at noon by train. He refused to talk. He has been living on a farm at Haines with his wife and child. He evidently expected arrest and said he was ready to go.

St. John Will Not Talk.

Wallace, Idaho, Feb. 20.—St. John, arrested for connection with the Steunenberg murder, refuses to be interviewed, or explain why he changed his name to Vincent. He has been here about four months. Labor leaders here declare him innocent. Officers are searching for L. J. Simpkins, but fail to locate him. St. John will be taken to Caldwell, Canyon county, this week for trial.

Trying to Wreck Unions.

Denver, Feb. 20.—Two members of the executive committee of the Western Federation, now in Denver, this morning made the following statement concerning the arrest of Moyer and Haywood: "At a meeting of the mine owners of all the western states a secret compact was made to throttle union labor. In Montana we have been advised a supreme effort will be made this year to overthrow the union and cut wages. Operators know that with our leader in jail our organization will be destroyed or at least crippled. Moyer and Haywood are guiltless, but charges have been preferred and they must stand trial." The dragnet thrown out in Colorado is beginning to bear fruit. Smith Edward Green, a well known miner and member of the Federation, has been arrested and hustled to Denver. Also his brother, Robert Green and Town Marshal Altman, who sympathized with the miners during the strike of 1894. Two more prominent members of the Federation at Cripple Creek will be arrested today. Arrests are also expected in other camps.

Demand Immediate Trial.

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 20.—E. F. Richardson, attorney for the Western Federation, reached Boise from Denver this morning. He was obliged to obtain permission of Governor Gooding before he was permitted to see Moyer, Haywood and Peterbone, his clients confined in the penitentiary. The matter of holding the preliminary examination was under discussion and it was decided to hold it tomorrow. The defendants demand an immediate trial and threaten habeas corpus proceedings to force the prosecution to expose the evidence, which will be avoided if possible by a grand jury returning indictments secretly. It is claimed this is necessary for fear of the public making it impossible to secure a jury in Canyon county. Four officers were present at the time of Orchard's confession and admit the story published is practically true, but refuse further details.

CANNOT BUY IN 1885 AND ALSO IN 1902

By a decision given yesterday by Federal Judge Wolverton, it is declared that parties who purchased land on the Umatilla reservation under the act of 1885, had not the right to do so again under the sale of 1902. The decision was given in the famous Hoover-Jones case which has been pending for a long time, and which has been regarded as a test case. Hoover, the contestant in the case, and the contest was brought on the ground that the entryman, Jones, having purchased 160 acres of untimbered land under the former sale, was not entitled to do so again under the sale of 1902. The land office at La Grande ruled in favor of the contestee. However, the case was carried to the commissioner of the general land office, and there the decision of the lower official was reversed. Following the decision of the department the case was then taken in to the federal court and by the decision yesterday, the department was upheld. However, the decision does not affect the right of one who purchased only untimbered land at the first sale, to purchase 40 acres of timber under the sale of 1902 if desired. In the case before the federal court Attorney L. B. Reeder appeared for Hoover, while Colonel J. H. Raley and John McCourt represented the other side.

THREW CHILDREN OVERBOARD.

The Desperate Mother Then Jumped Off the Steamer.

Fall River, Mass., Feb. 20.—A tragedy on the Fall River line steamer Plymouth was reported by its officers when the ship reached here this morning. They said a woman threw her three children overboard and then jumped herself. She left a wallet containing money and a note in her state room.

The note was addressed to John Waters, Brooklyn, N. Y., apparently written by Waters' wife, saying she was despondent and tired of living, and had thrown the children overboard and intended to immediately follow. Occupants of the adjoining room heard the children crying at midnight, and there are no signs of the missing one aboard the vessel. It is established that Mrs. Waters was on the passenger list as "Mrs. B. G. Allen." In the note to her husband she said she "could not live and could not leave the children behind." The woman was aged 36, and the children were a girl aged 8, a boy aged 5, and a baby in arms.

WILL BUILD A BRANCH.

Portland and Seattle to Construct Eight Miles on Snake River.

Wallula, Feb. 20.—The Portland & Seattle Railway company has filed a certificate with the secretary of state that the company proposes to build a branch road within the state of Washington, from a point on the main line of the railway to extend from a point at or near the junction of the Snake and Palouse rivers along the north bank of the Snake river to Texas Ferry, the branch road to be constructed in Franklin and Whitman counties and the estimated length to be eight miles. The certificate recites that the trustees met at Portland February 17, and in the absence of President C. M. Levy, L. C. Gilman, of Seattle, the vice president, presided. M. F. Martin attests the certificate as secretary. The Portland & Seattle is part of the Hill system.

MONDAY, MAY 28, WOOL SALES DAY

DATE SET FOR THE ANNUAL WOOL SALE AT PENDLETON.

Umatilla County Association Acted Independently of the State Association, and Above Date Has No Relation to the Salesdays of Shaniko and Heppner—Salesday System Acknowledged to Be a Great Success for the Promotion of Prices and General Interests.

May 28 has been set as the date for the wool salesday for Pendleton, and from indications at present a large percentage of the growers of the county will hold their clips for that occasion. The date was agreed upon by the Umatilla county sheepmen at their convention held here recently. In this the local men have acted independently of the state association, for in the past it has been the custom for the state secretary to arrange dates for all three of the eastern Oregon markets—Pendleton, Shaniko and Heppner. But while the Pendleton salesday has been already set, it is understood that the others will be arranged so as not to conflict. According to the sheepmen their experience with the salesday system has proven conclusively that it is a good thing for them. They declare that in the past the men who have held their wool for the salesday have received from one to several cents per pounds more for having done so. Consequently, it is probable that the majority will wait for the sale this spring. From all indications now the prices this year will be even stronger than last year, though it is difficult to tell what may develop before shearing is over. Unlike last season there are now few buyers in the field for the purpose of contracting. However, this is attributed to the fact that the growers, anticipating good prices, are unwilling to contract except at a high figure.

OFF TO THE PENITENTIARY.

Davis Has a Year in Which to Take an Appeal.

C. P. Davis and Moses Taylor were taken to Salem on the delayed train last night by Sheriff Taylor and Deputy Joe Blakley. They will arrive in the capital city this evening, as the train this morning did not reach Portland in time to connect with the morning East Side train for Salem. In the case of Davis it is not yet known fully whether or not an appeal will be taken to the supreme court. From appearances such a step seems doubtful. However, an appeal may be taken any time within a year. The petition asking for the pardon of Moses Taylor has not yet been presented to the governor, and is now in the hands of District Attorney Phelps.

CAMPBELL WANTS TO INVESTIGATE

Kansas Would Determine Oil Trust's Influence in Making Freight Rates.

HEARING OF COMPLAINTS IN KANSAS CITY, MARCH 12.

Sensational Charges of Brutality in the Methods Used in the Treatment and Disciplining of the Insane in the Government Asylum in the District of Columbia, Are Being Looked Into--Senator Patterson Gains a Point in the Suit to Compel Him to Pay \$1000 for Alleged Contempt of the Supreme Court of Colorado.

Washington, Feb. 20.—A joint resolution directing the interstate commerce commission to investigate and determine the relation of the oil trust to railroads and determine the degree of control of roads and also the degree of control of the oil trust in making freight rates, was introduced in the house by Campbell, republican, of Kansas. The commission today ordered investigation of rates and practices of the railroads in the transportation of oil from Kansas and the Indian Territory to interstate destinations, the hearing to be held in Kansas City March 12.

Will Investigate Asylum.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Investigation is being made into the sensational charges against the management of the government hospital for insane here. All sorts of brutalities are alleged in the treatment and discipline of the insane.

Writ of Error Allowed.

The president today nominated John Edwards, of Ohio, as assistant secretary of state, and a long list of midshipmen to be ensigns. The supreme court today granted a writ of error in bringing the case for review of Senator Patterson, who was fined \$1000 for contempt in publishing an article alleged to be derogatory to the supreme court of Colorado.

LOOKING OVER COAL FIELD.

Deposit on Grand Ronde River Attracts Capital.

John D. Lamb, Samuel Loney and H. B. Kershaw returned to Walla Walla this morning after spending a week in the vicinity of Antione, on the Grande Ronde river, inspecting some newly discovered coal mines that are being opened up by the John P. Vollmer company of Lewiston, says the Walla Walla Statesman.

"The Vollmer company has apparently struck a big coal deposit in that section," Mr. Lamb said this morning. "The company has tunneled into the mine, being opened up about 200 feet, and struck an immense ledge of coal. A vein 40 feet in width has already been encountered and it may be much wider than that, as the crew is still excavating at the end of the tunnel. The coal seems to be of excellent quality and resembles the Roslyn product." "Antione is about 30 miles from the O. & N. extension of the Elgin branch. Coal cropsings can be seen for miles around. The Vollmer company is now financing a new company to handle the property and develop it."

HUGGINS WAS DISCHARGED.

No Evidence of Selling Liquor to Indians Was Found.

James Huggins was arrested last night by Marshal Stevens on the charge of having sold liquor to Indians. This morning his case was set for trial for 1:30. However, at that time the case was dismissed at the instance of City Attorney Carter, who held that the evidence was not sufficient to convict.

Rockefeller Hiding Out.

London, Feb. 20.—Reports from various continental points say John D. Rockefeller has been seen accompanied by detectives in Italy. A Swiss passport declares he is in Switzerland, having been seen by American visitors. Other reports state he is preparing to go to Brazil. The prediction is made that if Rockefeller wishes to evade a witness' summons from Missouri that it will be necessary for him to remain abroad until Folk and Hadley are out of office.