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FROZEN FOG BROKE WIRES

Electricity Current Off Last Evening Because of Unusual Difficulty.

O. A. C. RECEPTION WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

Continued Accumulation of Fog on Wires Near Weston Broke Northwestern Company's Line—Electricity Promised for Tonight—President Kerr and Other O. A. C. People Remain Extra Day in Pendleton—Attend Social Affair This Evening.

O. A. C. Reception Tonight.

Owing to the absence of electricity the O. A. C. alumni reception and dance scheduled for last evening was postponed until tonight. It will be held this evening, commencing at 9 o'clock. Should the electric current be off tonight the Eagles hall will be lighted by means of Japanese lanterns.

Owing to the breaking of the wires on the "High line" near Weston, Pendleton's electric current was off for several hours last night and the city was forced to rely upon candles, lamps, etc., for lighting purposes.

The trouble last night was due to the continued accumulation of frost on the wires between Weston and Milton. The weather in that section has been severe and by last evening the frozen fog, or frost had accumulated upon the wires until they were several inches thick. The heavy strain caused the wires to break, shutting off the current. An attempt was then made to supply Pendleton with electricity over the reserve wires but they too broke under the weight of the frozen fog and the city was left in darkness until about midnight.

In order to repair the broken wires a crew was sent out from Walla Walla by a special car. They succeeded in repairing the line within a few hours. However, some further work was done on the line during the forenoon today, thus shutting off the current for a time.

That the lights will be on as usual tonight is confidently predicted by Dr. F. W. Vincent, manager for the Northwestern company.

Reception Postponed. A regrettable feature of the lack of lights last evening was the fact that it interfered with the holding of the O. A. C. reception and dance. This event a host of local people were preparing to attend and many had arrived on the evening trains from other places in eastern Oregon to attend the affair. Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of O. A. C. was among the out of town people to arrive during the evening.

But while disappointment was keen in the O. A. C. camp last night the graduates and students accepted the situation gracefully and began to pre-

pare to hold the reception this evening. Dr. F. W. Vincent, who is president of the local alumni association, made arrangements to secure the Eagles-Woodmen hall from the Elks tonight. This evening the reception will be given just as planned for last night. Should the light fail this evening the hall will be illuminated by means of Japanese lanterns.

WILL ASCEND MT. MCKINLEY BY BALLOON ARRANGEMENT

New York, Dec. 30.—With the aid of a large balloon minus a basket and designed to assist in climbing, Colonel H. P. Shirley of Nashville, Tenn., an experienced aeronaut, is planning to scale Mount McKinley.

The balloon, 20 feet in diameter, and holding just enough gas to lift a man off his feet, is ready for shipment. Shirley says he will attach himself to the balloon by a harness and belt. This will leave him free to climb and yet give him the buoyancy of the gas filled bag.

Hit by Street Car; Dies.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—While running to catch a boat last night at the ferry building, John Rohme, third officer of the steamer Lurline, Matson Navigation company, was struck by a street car and so badly injured that he died within an hour. Rohme was a resident of Oakland and leaves a wife and two children.

FOUR PERISH IN CHICAGO COLD SNAP

POLICE REPORT SIX FIMS OF FALLEN THERMOMETER

Boy Walks Many Hours But Sinks Exhausted to Freeze—Man Dies Short Distance From Home—Another Slips on Walk and Fractures Skull.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Intense cold prevailing throughout the middle west resulted in four deaths in this city last night according to police reports today. Henry Jolly, aged 12, after tramping about the city for many hours, became exhausted and fell in the street where he froze to death. Charles A. Johnson fell to the pavement within a short distance of his own home last night. His dead body, rigid from cold, was found this morning. Jacob Kotz slipped on the icy sidewalk and fractured his skull. He died from the injury. A fourth victim, unidentified, was found frozen to death on the sidewalk. The thermometer registered six degrees below zero today. Many trains were delayed.

Indiana Suffers.

Indianapolis, Dec. 30.—The entire state of Indiana is shivering in the bitter cold weather that has prevailed the past few days. Telegraph and telephone wires have snapped and communication is seriously interrupted.

ALABAMA HAS COLDEST WEATHER IN HISTORY

Birmingham, Dec. 30.—Alabama is today experiencing the coldest weather in its history, according to the local station of the government weather bureau. The thermometer at the station registered twelve degrees below zero today. The cold wave is reported general throughout the south and suffering is intense.

GEORGE TRACEY COMMENCES BATTLE FOR HIS LIFE

The legal battle to save the life of George Tracey, charged with the brutal murder of Andy Babeal near Umatilla on the evening of Nov. 23, is about to start. Lot L. Feltham, an attorney of Weiser, Idaho, has been employed as attorney and arrived last night to take up the case. He had a consultation with the accused man at the county jail and later announced that he would take up with the justice of the peace the matter of a preliminary hearing. The arrangements for this have not yet been completed but it is probable that they will be soon and that Tracey will be given a hearing late this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

Tracey was given the opportunity of securing an attorney and being given a preliminary hearing, immediately following his arrest. Up until the present, however, he neglected to avail himself of the opportunity offered. This was due principally to the seeming reluctance of relatives to come to his rescue.

It will be remembered that Jack Rowland, brother-in-law of the accused man, was in Pendleton from his home in Weiser, about ten days ago. He said at that time that he

was here to investigate the charges against his relative and that if the result of these investigations convinced him that there was a possibility of Tracey being innocent that he would do all he could to save him but that if he became convinced of the guilt of the accused man that he would do nothing. His arrival last night in company with the Idaho attorney would seem to indicate that he thinks his brother-in-law innocent of the grave crime with which he is charged.

Tracey's attorney is probably demanding the preliminary hearing in the hopes of being able to get a line on the evidence to be used against the accused man. It is probable, however, that barely enough of this will be presented to insure his being held to the grand jury. It is believed that the small amount of the evidence secured by Sheriff Taylor and his deputies which has already been given to the general public will be sufficient to hold the accused man.

As the grand jury will take up the case against him Monday there is apparently very little to be gained by Tracey or his attorney by a preliminary hearing, unless they can force the prosecution to divulge some more of the evidence against the prisoner.

ESTRADA SENDS A LOCHINVAR UP TO DATE

Demands Choosing of President by Revolutionists or by General Election.

INSURGENTS WOULD RETAIN ARMS DURING ELECTION

Considered Improbable That Madriz Will Accept Either Alternative—Revolutionists Would Not Select Him, and If Permitted to Retain Arms During Election, Would Virtually Control Vote—Madriz Anxious for Peace.

Managua, Dec. 30.—General Estrada today sent an ultimatum to President Madriz, according to a current rumor, agreeing to suspend hostilities and abandon his march against Managua upon either one of two conditions. Estrada demands that Madriz consent to the selection of a president by the revolutionists, or call a general election to choose a chief executive. Should the latter alternative be accepted, the revolutionists would retain their arms during the election.

It is not considered possible here that Madriz will accept either proposition. It is certain if the insurgents should select a president the mantle will not fall upon Madriz, and it appears to be equally certain if they retained their arms they would control the election. Madriz has appointed three commissioners to confer with the revolutionary leaders in an attempt to secure peace.

Zelaya Meets Diaz.

Mexico City, Mex., Dec. 30.—Former President Zelaya of Nicaragua, called informally upon President Diaz today. After Zelaya's departure the statement was given out that the matter of politics was not discussed nor the Nicaraguan situation touched upon during the call.

BALLINGER PREPARES TO ATTACK PINCHOT

Washington, Dec. 30.—The officials of the interior department, under the personal direction of Secretary Ballinger today are preparing evidence which the secretary will introduce at the coming congressional investigation of the so-called Ballinger-Pinchot controversy. This evidence, it is stated, not only will cover the official acts of Secretary Ballinger and his subordinates in their administration of the public land laws, but will probe thoroughly into the affairs of the forestry service.

One point of attack upon Gifford Pinchot that Ballinger will probably make will be a charge against the chief forester to the effect that he went outside the limits of the law by including within the national forestry reserve a tract of 117,000 acres of alleged grazing land which was bounded on one side by a strip of forest covering only two per cent of its area. It will be alleged that this land was not turned over or deforested and was not chiefly valuable as forest land according to the intent of the law. A joint resolution providing for congressional investigation will be introduced simultaneously in both houses of congress, probably next Wednesday.

BIG FIRE RAGES ALONG GALVESTON WATER FRONT

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 30.—Fire which has already caused damage aggregating \$225,000 is raging among the wharves of the Galveston water front. There are great quantities of cotton stored in warehouses along the wharves and if the flames are not controlled before the warehouses are reached, the loss will be enormous.

Fire Under Control.

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 30.—After destroying 3,000 bales of cotton and causing damages aggregating \$225,000, the fire that threatened to consume many of the warehouses and wharves of the Galveston water front was controlled late this afternoon. Several buildings directly in the path of the flames were blown up with dynamite by firemen.

NEW AEROPLANE RECORD ESTABLISHED IN FRANCE

Juvisy, France, Dec. 30.—Leon De La Grange today established a new aeroplane record by driving his monoplane 127 miles in two hours and thirty minutes. The previous record was held by Bleriot, who flew across the English channel.

A LOCHINVAR UP TO DATE

Los Angeles Man Secured Bride on Eve of Her Marriage With Another.

MAN WHO LOST OUT HAILS FROM SPOKANE

Cousin of James G. Blaine Travels to California to Bring Back Bride, But Gay Southerner Claims Her As His Own—Arranges for Nuptial Knot in Fifteen Minutes—Bereaved Lover Will Hide His Sorrows in South America.

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—While Charles Blaine, cousin of James G. Blaine, is journeying back to his home in Spokane today, Goodwin C. Chase, who "stole" Blaine's fiancée from under his very nose, is laughing in his sleeve. He said: "Yes, I think Blaine is unfortunate and I'm really sorry for him, but you see," and he pointed to his bride, who until Sunday evening was Miss Louise Crosthwaite of Lexington, Ky., "we were much in love so we got married. That's all there is to it."

Mrs. Chase is a daughter of a wealthy southerner. Three years ago she became engaged to Blaine in Lexington. Several months ago she met Chase, and for a month before this marriage here, they were secretly engaged.

In the meanwhile her lover in Spokane became anxious to claim his bride. He arrived in Los Angeles December 23 and every preparation was made for a wedding in the Page Seminary, where the girl was studying music. They were to be married December 29. "On December 26 Mr. Blaine invited me to go to the automobile races at Ascot park," said Mr. Chase today. "Then I telephoned to Mr. Chase that my wedding with Blaine was getting uncomfortably close. He laughed and hung up the telephone. I went to the races with Mr. Blaine, while Mr. Chase hunted up the county clerk and got a marriage license. He asked me if I would marry him within fifteen minutes. Until then I did not know I was to be a bride before 7 o'clock. However, I said yes, and we were married by Rev. C. C. Pierce, who is a fraternity brother of Mr. Chase. When Blaine heard of it, he seemed very much put out. He told me he would go to South America, because he did not want to face the people of Spokane after announcing he intended to bring me back with him."

The couple will remain in Los Angeles, where Mr. Chase is assistant manager of the California builders' supply company. He came here a short time ago from his home in Nashville, Tenn.

TAFT'S NIECE WEDDED TO SEATTLE LUMBERMAN

New York, Dec. 30.—A remarkable company of guests, representing the upper social and official life of the nation, assembled today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Waters Taft for the wedding of Miss Louise Taft and George Hogg Snowden. Prominent among those present were President Taft, son and daughter, Robert and Miss Helen. Mrs. Taft was absent because of ill health. George Hogg Snowden is a wealthy lumberman of Seattle, prominent in several clubs and well known in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Snowden will live in Seattle after an extended European trip and a visit to Egypt.

REFORM MAYOR BEGINS WAR ON GAMBLERS

Lewiston, Idaho, Dec. 30.—Aroused by published charges of open gambling permitted by the police, Mayor Tweedy today announced he will call upon Judge Steele of the district court, to summon a grand jury to investigate. Tweedy was elected on the reform ticket but it is charged the police commissioner and officers openly disregard his orders. Sensational disclosures are anticipated if the jury is summoned.

Search For Man Fruitless.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 29.—A search throughout the day for John Brown, superintendent of the Bolton-Darnel mines, who entered the mine in which yesterday's explosion occurred at 4 o'clock this morning has been fruitless. The body of Angelo Asinoro, a shot firer entombed in the explosion, has not been found.

Satellit Is Unconscious.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Cardinal Satellit is unconscious today. Physicians look momentarily for the end. The prelate has been in a comatose condition for two days.

WANTS TARIFF REFORMED.

Chamberlain Advocates Revision to West Birmingham Electors.

London, Dec. 29.—Joseph Chamberlain today issued an address to the electors of West Birmingham, advocating tariff reform and reciprocity with the colonies and attacking the budget as placing a heavy burden of taxation upon the people and at the same time increasing the number of unemployed.

The address asserted that home rule for Ireland as promised by the liberals not only would injure the friends of England there whose interests were safeguarded by the present control, but the danger to all would be greater since Great Britain was now threatened by foreign nations as never before. After alleging that the liberals desire a single chamber rule, the address concluded with a criticism of the government's lack of preparation for the national defense.

FRACTURED SKULL IN GAME OF RUGBY

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 30.—Basil Sawyers, star fullback of the victorious Vancouver Rugby team, who sustained a fractured skull in the match with Berkeley for the Keith cup, for the championship of the Pacific coast yesterday, is progressing well today following an operation. It is expected he will recover.

PICKPOCKETS CAUSE FATAL THEATER PANIC

EXPLODE CANNON CRACKERS AND PLY THEIR TRADE

People in Crowded Moving Picture Show Trample Each Other Under Feet, Killing Five and Injuring Many Others—Crooks Ply Trade at Exits.

Lemberg, Austria, Dec. 30.—The police force of this city is on a man hunt today in an effort to run down the desperate pickpocket who exploded fireworks in a moving picture show last night, when five were killed and twenty-one seriously injured in the panic which followed.

The pickpocket's plan was entirely successful, scores being robbed as they fled through the exits. It is supposed the criminals had men stationed at the doors, while the leaders stood in the back of the house with lighted fuses attached to a number of cannon crackers which had been concealed under their feet. Men, women and children trampled upon each other in a frenzy when the explosion occurred, and some cried "Fire." The exits were soon blocked by the fighting masses and in the panic the pickpockets plied their trade at will.

Resigns Because of Ill Health.

New York, Dec. 30.—Charles C. Dickinson resigned the presidency of the Carnegie Trust company yesterday because of poor health and a desire to devote himself to personal business. Joseph B. Reichman was elected to succeed him. Mr. Dickinson remains a member of the board of directors.

Duma Passes Reorganization.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 30.—The duma last night unanimously passed both readings of the bill granting \$5,000,000 for the reorganization of the assembly.

MRS. JOHNSON WILL NOT BE LED LIKE LAMB TO SLAUGHTER

Declaring that she will not accompany the Vancouver sheriff even as far as Portland, without extradition papers, Mrs. Maud Boney or Mrs. Myrtle Johnson, is still being held at the county jail. The one year old boy, whom she claims as her son, but whom the Seattle authorities allege is an incubator baby, is keeping her company.

Sheriff E. W. Sappington of Vancouver, Washington, arrived this morning on the 4 o'clock train, expecting to return on the Portland local with the woman in his custody, the case against her in the local courts having been dismissed yesterday afternoon at the instance of District Attorney Phelps. When the officer from the Washington town called at the office of Sheriff Taylor this morning, armed only with the warrant of arrest, he was promptly informed by the accused woman that if he took her he would have to shackle her and take her by main force.

After a consultation with District Attorney Phelps, Sheriff Sappington decided to secure extradition papers and to that end telephoned back to Vancouver for the officials there to take the necessary steps. Governor Benson is in Portland today and the

THIRTY DEAD DURING STRIKE

Switchmen's Walkout Has Resulted in Large Number of Accidental Fatalities.

DEATHS AMONG RANKS OF THE UNEXPERIENCED

Governor of Minnesota Makes Report Showing Big Strike Has Had Other Disastrous Results Than Tieup of Freight Traffic—Deaths Have All Occurred in Railroad Yards—Little Change in Strike Situation—Leaders Are Stubborn.

Minneapolis, Dec. 30.—Since the beginning of the switchmen's strike that has demoralized the freight traffic of the northwest for nearly a month, 30 men have lost their lives in the various railroad yards affected, according to a report made by the governor today. The fatalities for the most part are said to have been among the inexperienced switchmen, who have been working as strikebreakers. Accidental deaths have averaged almost one each day since the beginning of the strike.

There is little change in the strike situation today. Railroad officials declare that so far as they are concerned, the strike is over. The strike leaders, however, are emphatic in their declaration that they will fight to the end.

Switchmen Are Impatient. Chicago, Dec. 30.—Switchmen in the local railroad yards are becoming impatient over the long drawn out negotiations to which their demands are being submitted and threats of a general strike unless prompt action is taken by railroad officials are being expressed today.

Strike Broken in Butte.

Butte, Dec. 30.—All striking Northern Pacific switchmen today returned to work in the local yards. Their action practically breaks the strike in this locality, since Great Northern employes have already resumed their places.

TURKEY WILL HAVE NEW MINISTRY AND CABINET

Constantinople, Turkey, Dec. 30.—A dispatch from Rome today says that Hakkı Bey, the Turkish ambassador to Italy has accepted the office made vacant yesterday by the resignation of Hilmi Pasha. Hakkı Bey will leave Italy soon and will return to this country to organize a new cabinet. The entire Turkish cabinet resigned following Hilmi Pasha's resignation.

Telegraphers Will Not Strike.

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—It was announced today that the differences between the telegraphers employed on the Big Four railroad and road officials have been settled, and the proposed telegraphers strike will not be called.

Bryan Off for Jamaica.

Santiago, Cuba, Dec. 30.—William J. Bryan sailed yesterday for Jamaica.

best that can be hoped by the Washington authorities is to secure the necessary papers and have them forwarded to Pendleton tomorrow. It is quite possible that at least another day will elapse before they reach here.

In the meantime the so-called "queen of swindlers" through her attorney, Judge James A. Fee, has begun habeas corpus proceedings to secure her release. Judge Fee will also take the matter up with Governor Benson and endeavor to induce him not to honor the requisition papers from the state of Washington on the ground that the Washington authorities had the woman in this state once and allowed her to escape into Oregon.

In addition to being wanted in Vancouver, the woman is also wanted in San Francisco, where she will be placed on trial on the charge of defrauding a railroad company out of a considerable sum of money by means of a fake damage suit.

The habeas corpus proceedings will come up for a hearing before Circuit Judge Bean tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. The arguments of the attorneys will be heard at that time, but the judge may not render his decision at once.