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HENS GATHER FOR CONCLAVE

Great Umatilla-Morrow Poultry Show Will Open Tomorrow.

BIRDS HAVE BEEN ARRIVING ALL DAY

First Annual Show Promises to Be One of Largest Ever Held in Northwest—Birds of High Quality Will Be on Exhibition—Cockerel to Be Given Away Each Evening—Cat and Dog Show Special Feature.

ALL ENTRIES CLOSE TOMORROW MORNING

All entries for the poultry show close tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and every bird is supposed to be in the coops by that time. Local exhibitors are urged to bring in their entries sometime this afternoon or tonight for the opening of the show will be delayed an hour or two if many wait until tomorrow morning.

With hundreds of high class chickens arriving in wagons, buggies, automobiles and on trains from every direction, Pendleton is today the chicken town of Oregon. The eyes of breeders of fine poultry in a half dozen states are centered on this city. There have been shows in the northwest where more birds were shown, but it is doubtful if there has ever been a poultry show held in the northwest where there were a greater number of high grade birds than will be on exhibition in the big show room in the Smith Crawford building tomorrow.

Among the birds which will attract the greatest amount of attention will be the pens of Golden Wyandottes owned by Dickinson & Leavy of Walla Walla. These birds won highest honors at the big show in Seattle last fall and in the Walla Walla show last week. The prize winning pens of Columbian Plymouth Rocks, never seen in the northwest before this season, and the Sussex chicks, hatched from the eggs which were brought over from Ireland by hand, will also be an exhibition.

Many Rocks and Orpingtons. So far the race for popularity in the number of entries is between the Barred Rocks and the Buff Orpingtons. With the arrival tomorrow morning of the B. F. Williams flock of Buff Plymouth Rocks, that breed will become a strong rival for high honors in point of numbers. With this flock and the pen from the Windle Brothers' yards of Portland, the exhibit of Buff Rocks will be fully equal to any ever seen in the northwest.

According to present indications the number of entries in the local show will not be far below the Walla Walla show of last week, while in many classes the standard of the birds on exhibit will be higher. All the best known varieties will be well represented and several varieties will be represented which have never been seen in an eastern Oregon show before.

One of the features of the show will be the giving away each evening of a standard bred cockerel. This plan was suggested by B. F. Williams of Milton, who is donating two thoroughbred buff rocks for this purpose. Another cockerel will be donated by President D. C. Gardane of Hoppner, who will arrive on the evening train with a big string of birds from Morrow county breeders. Still another will be donated by Lester Boyd, the well known local breeder of Black Minorcas.

The cooping of the birds has been in progress since early this morning and will be continued until late at night. The work will be continued again early tomorrow morning and it is hoped that every bird will be in place by 10 o'clock when the doors are opened to the general public for the first time. The scoring of the fowls by Judge Elmer Dixon of Oregon City will then be started and will be rushed as much as possible.

BALLINGER WITHDRAWS UMATILLA COUNTY LANDS

Washington, Jan. 24.—Secretary Ballinger today withdrew from entry ground containing possible water power sites. This included 17,332 acres of public lands in Idaho, 2649 acres along the Walla Walla river in Oregon and 2415 acres in Utah.

The cat and dog department of the show will be all and more than was anticipated. Every degree of cat and dog life will be represented and as the number of entries in the cat department exceeds the number of cages prepared for them, it is probable that different cats will be exhibited on different days. Though the number of dog entries is greater than was anticipated, it is believed that it will be possible to accommodate all of these.

The cat coops are completed, having been made by C. K. Cranston, who, together with Mrs. Cranston, is entitled to the credit for the success of this department. The benches for the dogs are being erected today under the direction of Attorney C. J. Ferguson, who is the superintendent of this department. He has succeeded in arousing such a great amount of interest in this department that a kennel club will be formed before the close of the week and arrangements made for holding a regular bench show next year.

Splendid Orchestra Rehearsal. The big poultry show orchestra held a splendid rehearsal last night in the show room. Every member was present and the work of the individuals and the organization as a whole was all that Director Carruth had hoped for. A final rehearsal will be had tonight and the 27st program will be published in tomorrow evening's paper.

HENEY IS WINDING UP HIS EVIDENCE

READS LETTERS TO JURY OVER STRENUOUS PROTEST

Introduces Letters by Which He Argues That Hermann Was Aware of California Frauds—Worthington Enters Vigorous Protest.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 24.—Prosecutor Henevy is on the last leg of the government's case against Binger Hermann. This morning's session was devoted to reading letters by Henevy written by J. A. Zaboroskie of Tucson, Ariz., the attorney who wrote the commission in 1902 telling of the action of the Hyde-Benson ring in securing school lands in California, through the creation of forest reserves. The letters of Zaboroskie, Hermann's replies, and the report of Special Agent Kohn, who saw Zaboroskie and Snyder, were all read before the jury over the strenuous objections of Col. Worthington.

SEND OPPRESSORS TO JAIL

Baltimore Minister Blames Trusts for High Prices Existing

Baltimore, Jan. 23.—Discussing the high price of meat, Rev. Francis H. Scott of the Calhoun Street Christian church in a sermon today, said: "To jall with the oppressors of the poor. There is no civilized country on the globe that is so enslaved and that has its vitality sapped to such a degree as has the United States by the trusts."

Rev. Dr. Henry W. Wharton of Brantlin Baptist church, referring to the meat boycott, said: "If such a great movement does not alarm the trusts and wake up congress, then something else will happen. It is the first muttering of the distant thunder. God save us from the storm."

EVEN MONEY AND TAKE YOUR CHOICE

Los Angeles, Jan. 24.—"Even money and take your choice." That is how fight fans, stung by the early betting loss, look upon the chances of Frank Platts against George Menzies, despite Menzies' recent splendid showing against Wolgast. The lightweights are fast getting into trim for Friday night's battle.

ASSASSINS ENTER TOKYO TO SLAY STATESMEN

Tokyo, Jan. 24.—Double police activity was ordered today following the receipt of the news that five Korean assassins had arrived in Tokyo to carry out the purpose of murdering Prince Yamagata, Premier Katsura, Foreign Minister Komura, Resident General Stone, and General Basegawa.

MEAT ORDERS FALLING OFF IN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Jan. 24.—Comprehensive inquiry among restaurant men of this city today established as a fact a great falling off of the sale of meats in cafes and restaurants during the last four days. Some places have stated that "meat orders" are decreasing fifty per cent.

Seattle Considering Question

Seattle, Jan. 23.—The local labor unions which held meetings today took no action on the question of joining the meat boycott, but passed the question up to the central labor council which meets Wednesday night. Leaders of the federated women's clubs announced tonight that the meeting of the federation tomorrow afternoon.

PARIS SWEEP BY FLOODS

Waters Inundate City and Damage Assumes Proportions of National Disaster.

MANY CITIZENS FORCED TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES

Water Reaches Great Depth in Seine, and Much Property Damage is Reported—Many People are Homeless—Sewer Engine Breaks Down Increasing Danger—Inhabitants are Fleeing for Their Lives—Suburbs are in Distress.

Paris, Jan. 24.—Floods last night exceeded all records and are fast assuming the proportions of a national disaster. In the north, east and west, hundreds are homeless and ruined. Although it is impossible to estimate the damage, it will be great. The rise in the waters continued all day.

At Paris, the Seine had reached 1.46 meters at noon yesterday. The normal height of the river at this season is 3.48. The torrent almost touched the arches of the beautiful bridges, threatening their destruction. The Pont des Arts and the Pont de L'Alma are in momentary danger. One of the most populous arrondissements, burst last night, and those districts are without water. It is feared that the city will be in a like condition soon as the flood is invading the pumping station. The compressed air factory, which supplies elevators in Paris, also has been forced to shut down.

Sewer Engine Breaks Down. One of the great engines that pump the sewerage in the eastern section of Paris broke down on account of the flood. As a result sewers threaten to overflow the streets. Electric light and street railway services is out of commission in some sections.

Officials of the prefecture are finding great difficulty in securing shelter for the homeless. Many persons have vacated their quarters. On the boulevard at St. Germain a house is tottering and threatening to fall on the chamber of deputies.

There is a big hole outside of the foreign office. The main gas pipe in the adjoining street has broken, giving rise to much apprehension. The twelve-story railway station next door is partly inundated, while cells of the Palais D'Orsay hotel and the Louvre are flooded.

One of the few casualties reported today was the sweeping away of a man who was trying to drag some floating logs from the river.

Paris Suburbs in Distress. The situation in the outskirts of Paris is even worse than in the city proper. At Alfortville, the farm burst, overwhelming 200 houses, the people being forced to fly, leaving their belongings behind.

There are signs of improvement in the situation in the Loire, the Rhone, the Marne, the Yonne, the upper reaches of the Seine and Aube. On the other hand, the Saone and Doubs valleys is one huge lake, about 20 miles broad. Of six villages the roofs alone are showing above the water. The whole Champagne region is in a critical position. Vetry-le-Francois in the department of Marne, stands isolated in the midst of a lake a mile or two wide. All the country between Arriensy and Larcourst is under water. At the latter place several houses collapsed. Several villages outside of Marne are submerged. The damage is enormous.

Meat Boycott Not Discussed

Denver, Jan. 23.—The meat boycott was not discussed by the Denver Trades and Labor assembly today. No organized movement to abstain from eating meat has been launched in Denver, although restaurant keepers say individuals are demanding vegetable menus.

BEEF BARONS' BATTLE BEGINS

Big "Meat Trust" Called to Account for Alleged Combining in Restraint of Trade.

FORMIDABLE LEGAL ARRAY OPPOSES PROSECUTOR SIMS

Big Packing House Magnates Called Before Grand Jury Today—Sims Has Much Data With Which to Prove Them Responsible for High Price of Meat—Barons Have Rallied Their Legal Henchmen to Their Defense.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—With eyes of the aroused people upon them, the great barons of the "meat trust" were placed on the defensive today by the opening of the second government attack on the alleged monopoly. Evidence, believed to warrant a criminal procedure, is ready to present to the federal grand jury this afternoon. The marshal this morning is serving subpoenas on thirty witnesses to appear before the inquisitors. Government Prosecutor Sims will begin the arraignment of the packers, and his assistant, James Wilkerson, will conduct the grand jury room examination. The National Packing company is selected as the chief object of the attack and a great number of the witnesses are officials and employees of that corporation. Sims is armed with data which government agents have secured against the men suspected of being responsible for high prices of meat through illegal combinations in restraint of trade.

It is intimated that Sims will not attempt to secure indictments of the individual packers but will probably attempt to indict them collectively. It is also said that Sims will submit evidence upon which he anticipates the indictment of the National Packing company as a corporation, and directors of other meat companies believed to be allied with the National. That the packers will refuse to testify before the grand jury is inferred from their refusal to talk on the subject, and counseling the packers to silence.

Formidable Legal Array.

Every attorney reputed to be connected with the "trusts" is here and the packers will present a formidable array of legal force in the forthcoming struggle. In order to meet this Sims has engaged R. W. Medaris, special federal counsel, to assist him. Hope for relief from the high prices of meat through the action against the packers is somewhat mitigated by the statements of J. Ogden Armour, who although refusing to discuss the grand jury investigation commented freely on the high meat problems.

"You can eliminate the big packers from the situation but high prices will remain," said Armour. "Prices are high because the laws of nature cannot be changed. Increase the production and prices will fall." Armour declared the present state of the market does not suit the packers as they preferred the lower prices for the reason they could sell more meat.

WHITE WIFE OF JAP WILL NOT COMPLAIN

Seattle, Jan. 24.—Gladys Emery Aoki, daughter of Archdeacon Emery of Costa Mesa, Calif., when seen today in her rooms at the Ukina hotel, a Japanese apartment house, would not affirm or deny the San Francisco report to the effect that she had written her father stating that she wanted to leave her husband and asking her father to take her back home.

Neighbors, however, insist there is trouble at the Aoki home. According to gossip at the Ukina hotel Aoki has been in the habit recently of leaving his wife and baby for four and five days at a time. It is claimed that since Christmas Aoki has been sending money from his wife and disappearing and returning when the money is gone. When asked about

the truth of the story the woman said: "That concerns my private family affairs and I do not care to talk."

DAM BREAKS SENDING TWO MEN TO DEATH

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 24.—By the breaking of an old dam on the Capilane river, two men, George Hamilton and George Simpson, employees of the city waterworks were swept to death in the swirling waters of the stream. The men had gone to a log house at the dam to get tools and had just entered when the dam broke and sent a wall of water against the structure. The house was swept away like a cork, sending the men to their death. The bodies have not been recovered.

CONSERVATIVES' GAIN IN ELECTION IS STOPPED

London, Jan. 24.—Today reports from the constituencies where there is baiting indicate the startling gains of the conservatives during the last week have stopped. It seems probable that the liberals and laborites will retain a majority. Chancellor Lloyd-George, author of the revolutionary budget, was re-elected, but his majority was diminished to 146 votes.

"PITCHFORK BEN" MAY LOSE GRANDCHILDREN

DAUGHTER-IN-LAW SUES FOR THEIR POSSESSION

Wife of Senator's Son Wants Her Children Now in Care of Grandparents—Mileges Her Husband Deeded Them to His Father.

Columbia, Jan. 24.—Mrs. Lucy Tillman, wife of Benjamin R. Tillman, son of Senator Tillman, today started a suit of habeas corpus against her husband's father and mother for the recovery of her two children, who, under the South Carolina law, were deeded to the senator by his son. Mrs. Tillman alleges that her husband repeatedly insulted and treated her brutally and cruelly. She charges he squandered her estate and practically kidnapped her children, while she was ill, deeded them to his father on the ground of her alleged "unfitness and inability to raise children as they should be raised."

Washington, Jan. 24.—With his two grand children sitting on his knee "Pitchfork" Ben Tillman today discussed the suit entered by his daughter-in-law at Columbia, saying: "Here are two of the brightest girls in the world, and I'm going to see that they are properly guarded and cared for."

Held for Hold-Up.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 24.—Suspected of complicity in the hold up of the Missouri Pacific express near Eureka Saturday two men were arrested here today. The trains crew made a partial identification.

Harvard Wants Joss.

Toledo, Jan. 24.—Addie Joss, of Cleveland, the crack American league pitcher, was today offered the position as coach of the Harvard baseball team.

STANFIELD DAMAGE WILL BE EXTENSIVE

Echo, Ore.—The washout at Stanfield Wednesday upon investigation proves to be the melting of snow in Stage gulch, which is directly above the town of Stanfield. The waste waters rushed over the government ditch and onto the town and through to the river.

The government in building the ditch at that point made preparations for such an emergency and heavy concrete walls protected the ditch from damage. The property loss at Stanfield is heavy but cannot be estimated at present. All the town has been under water several inches, but the streets are clearing off.

TO ASK FOR PARDON OF TWO MURDERERS

Trenton, N. J.—It is reported that at the next meeting of the board of pardons another effort will be made to secure the release on parole of William A. Death and Walter McAlister, who were committed from Paterson in 1901 for complicity in the murder of Jennie Bosschleter.

Death and McAlister, together with George Kerr and Andrew J. Campbell, were found guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of Miss Bosschleter on October 18, 1900, by the administration of chloral and subsequent assault. The crime was one of the most revolting ever committed in New Jersey. McAlister, Death and Campbell were each sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment at hard labor, and Kerr to 15 years' imprisonment at hard labor.

A professorship of aerostatics has been founded in Göttingen university, and schools for training aeronauts are to be established in several German cities.

MURDERER IS BEFORE COURT

Clard Arnold Alias George Tracey Faces Trial For Killing Andy Rabeal.

PRISONER SITS ALONE DESERTED BY HIS KIN

Defense Disappointed at District Attorney's Statement of Case—Given no Clue to Line of Argument—Several Special Venues May be Exhausted—Sheriff Has Woven Web Around Accused—Is Pitiable Figure as he Faces His Judges.

If either Clard W. Arnold alias George Tracey or his attorneys expected or hoped to get a line on the evidence which the State of Oregon would produce to prove that the former was guilty of the murder of A. Rabeal, from the district attorney's statement of the case to the jury they were sadly disappointed. For never in the history of the present court was there a murder case stated to the jury in so few words as Mr. Phelps stated the case this morning. Both Arnold and his attorneys eagerly listened to the statement of the district attorney and both evidenced their keen disappointment when Mr. Phelps, after stating briefly the facts of the murder, concluded with the statement, "and the State of Oregon will be able to prove to you that this defendant committed the crime."

Not an intimation did he give of the testimony by which the state would prove it. And the defendant and his attorneys, unless they are able mind readers, are as much in the dark on that point as the public is, for Sheriff Taylor has spent many days and nights in working up this case, securing the evidence, piecing together shreds here and patches there until he has woven about the defendant a net so minutely fine and yet so strong that in the opinion of the prosecution into the mercy of the jurors and their disinclination to inflict the death penalty upon circumstantial evidence will save the defendant from the gallows.

Prisoner Is Nervous.

Arnold is no longer proud and defiant, no longer careless and composed. Twitching his lips, restlessly intertwining his fingers, his restless eyes shifting quickly from one point of the court room to the other, he sits beside his counsel listening intently to the examination of the jurors who are to pass upon his guilt or innocence.

Present indications are that several venues of additional jurors will be called before 12 men are selected to try the case. At this morning's session the first four men up for examination were excused for cause, the fifth was passed and the sixth excused for cause, and out of the panel of 12 only six were passed for cause.

No idea of what the defense is going to be can be gained from the examination of the jurors except that of the guilt of the defendant. The main point with the jurors is the inflicting of the death penalty. Of the seven already excused for cause six of them were not in favor of the death penalty while the seventh, Joseph Wurzer, of Weston, had some opinions of his own as to what the evidence in cases of this kind should be and he was not willing to submit to the usual rules of evidence, therefore the court excused him.

The first 12 men in the box were: George Carnes, G. P. Higginbottom, Charles Stanton, Joseph Wurzer, M. O. LaTuc, C. M. Price, L. D. Eaton, Ed. Byrd, J. Solvers, Thomas DeFrees, J. H. Christopher and Lloyd Henderson. Upon the examination of George Carnes, G. P. Higginbottom, Charles Stanton, Joseph Wurzer, C. M. Price and Lloyd Henderson were excused for cause. With the exception of Wurzer the six were not in favor of inflicting the death penalty. The box was then filled again and the first man to sit, Louis Rinsie

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ROBBERS THE BRAVE EMPLOYE TO TRACK

Vicksburg, Jan. 24.—Heroical by refusing to reveal the combination of the safe to the station to the robbers, George Burdette, a car taffer, was tied to the track and left to his fate this morning. Burdette was rescued from the path of an approaching train by an aged negro who barely escaped death himself Burdette was alone in the station when the two robbers entered.

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY BUYS PACIFIC EXPRESS CO.

O. P. Steele, local agent for the Pacific express company, has received notice to the effect that on April 1 the present company will transfer its property to the American Express company. Accordingly agents are requested to get their affairs in shape for the transfer. Notice of the proposed change in ownership is from Superintendent J. W. Rogers of Salt Lake. The circulars are addressed to the company's agents at Portland, The Dalles, Pendleton, Walla Walla, Spokane, Baker City, Boise, Anaconda, Butte, Ogden and Salt Lake. Scarcely the announcement of the purchase of the Pacific Express company by the American is a surprise to railroad men. It was a common opinion that the Pacific would be taken over by the Wells-Fargo company.