

WEATHER REPORT

Snow tonight and Friday; brisk southerly wind.

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PENDLETON WILL SOON HAVE TRACTION LINE WITH INTERURBAN CONNECTIONS

MOVEMENT A SUCCESS

Local Solicitors Raise Over \$25,000, But Still Seek More Money.

Fitz Gerald Announces Plans of Company—Fifty-Two Miles of Road to Be Built Quickly—First Line Will Reach West End Region—No Road to Athena Country—Big Banquet Coming.

With the required sum of \$25,000 now raised and with more names still being added to the subscription list, the traction movement has succeeded.

It was a jubilant committee that assembled in the council chamber at the city hall at 5 o'clock last evening.

But though the committee had secured the needed \$25,000 it was decided to continue the work of solicitation so as to permit others desiring to sign to do so.

At the meeting yesterday afternoon Dr. Smith presided and after thanking the members of the committee for the hard work done, gave the committee the substance of a talk he had previously held with Mr. FitzGerald.

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Before the committee last evening Mr. FitzGerald stated that the company's first interurban extension will be to the west end country.

As a finale to the meeting last evening, Dr. C. J. Smith suggested that on the evening of the installation of the new officers of the Commercial association a big "get together" banquet be held to celebrate the success of the traction movement.

GREEK ARMY HOLDS ATHENS AGAINST THE NAVY FORCES

Constantinople, Feb. 17.—The Greek army is still holding Athens against the hostile navy, according to

STANFORD SHAKEN BY EARTHQUAKE.

Stanford University, Calif., Feb. 17.—Stanford was shaken by an earthquake at 10:50 o'clock this morning. All classes were dismissed, fearing a repetition of the disturbances.

advice received here from the Greek capital. The army men are reported to have seized ammunition intended for the torpedo destroyers of the fleet, thus rendering the vessels practically useless.

LIBRARY ADDITION TO UNION PRINTERS HOME

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 16.—At the Union Printers Home today the library addition to that institution was formally dedicated.

WOULD INSURE BIG FIGHT AGAINST RAIN

SID HESTER WANTS \$30,000 POLICY WRITTEN

Wires London Company Singular Request—If Company Agrees, Premium Will Be Decided by Weather Forecast Day Before Fight.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 17.—Acting for Sid Hester, Clarence Coleman of the Coleman Insurance company, of this city, today cabled to London to the Lloyd's insurance company a request for a policy of \$30,000 against rain on Washington's Birthday when Hester will stage the Nelson-Wolcott fight at Point Richmond.

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SECOND SMALLPOX VICTIM ON CRUISER WASHINGTON

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 17.—The second smallpox victim was buried from the cruiser Washington in the quarantine station today.

Nagel on Corporation Control.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Chicago, Feb. 17, Secretary of Commerce and Labor Charles Nagel has arrived here to be the guest of the Industrial club of this city and will deliver an address this evening on "Federal Control of Corporations."

Has a Show at Last.

Grand Rapids, Feb. 17.—After trying in vain for several years to develop sufficient interest, Grand Rapids has finally succeeded in having an automobile show.

New Thought is a body of no-matter entirely surrounded by what's-the-use.

BLIZZARDS AND SNOW ARE GENERAL RULE

Minneapolis, Feb. 17.—The entire northwest is in the grip of a cold wave today. Minnesota and the Dakotas are blizzard swept and communication is difficult.

Southwest Also.

San Louis, Feb. 17.—The heaviest snow fall of the season is recorded today throughout the southwest.

DEEDED HOMESTEAD WHILE DRUNK IS CHARGED

Wilson Creek, Wash., Feb. 17.—If a man signs a relinquishment to his homestead while intoxicated, will the land office hold the relinquishment valid? A ruling will be made on this question when the case pending before United States Commissioner J. W. Brewer, is heard February 21.

"DUMMY" ENTYMEN WERE PAID HUNDRED APIECE

Boise, Feb. 17.—The government opened its case in the Kettenschlager-Kester-Dwyer land fraud trial today by placing on the witness stand two alleged "dummy entymen," Ivan R. Connell and Fred W. Shafer, both of Lewiston, who testified they were approached by George Kester and asked to make filings on quarter sections of land, Kester agreeing to pay them a hundred dollars each for doing so.

Rooseveltian Progress.

Nimule, Uganda, Feb. 17.—The Smithsonian African scientific expedition headed by Colonel Roosevelt arrived at Gondokoro today, where hunting, which was discontinued temporarily early in the month, will be resumed.

The Rudson-Carroll Go.

Bakersfield, Ore., Feb. 17.—"Chick" Hudson and Joe Carroll will fight here tonight for a \$1000 side bet.

SHEEPMEN'S WINTER EXPENSES ARE HEAVY, BUT THEIR LOSSES WILL BE ONLY NORMAL

Though Umatilla county woolgrowers have been compelled to pay out more than \$100,000 more than usual for feed for their flocks because of the extraordinary winter, the most of them are congratulating themselves that they are in a country where they can pay out this much money and save their sheep.

They are also grateful for the fact that price prospects for both wool and mutton were never brighter, while the heavy fall of snow makes good range conditions for both spring and summer a certainty.

RAILROAD IS COMPLETED; WINCHESTER IS HAPPY

Lewiston, Idaho, Feb. 17.—The little town of Winchester held a celebration Saturday, the occasion being the completion of the railroad from Craig Junction on the Camas Prairie Road to the new town.

WICKESHAM MAY GO AFTER TELEPHONE COMPANY

New York, Feb. 17.—It is expected here today that a request will be made that Attorney General Wickesham start proceedings against the American Telephone & Telegraph company on the grounds of conspiracy in restraint of trade.

SENSATION PROMISED IN DYNAMITE CASE

SAN FRANCISCO WOMEN BEFORE THE GRAND JURY

District Attorney Besides Seeking Indictment for Attempted Murder, Will Prove That Burke Sanitarium Was Disorderly House.

Santa Rosa, Feb. 17.—One ramification in the investigation of the dynamiting of Miss Lulla Smith and baby, was revealed this afternoon when District Attorney Lea stated that at least ten San Francisco women will be questioned by the grand jury tomorrow.

Texas Booze Statistics.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 17.—Statistics recently compiled and ready for distribution today show that San Antonio leads all Texas cities in the number of thirst parlors and saloons.

To Welcome Sebree.

Fayette, Mo., Feb. 17.—Great preparations are being completed to give Rear Admiral Sebree a rousing welcome when he reaches home early next week.

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ROW BREWS IN NAVAL CIRCLES

Effort to Remove Admiral Phelps From Mare Island Will Stir Up Conflict.

PHELPS HAS INFLUENTIAL FRIENDS ON HIS SIDE

Secretary of Navy Meyer Reported to be Displaced With Navy Yard Admiral at Latters Attitude Toward Newberry Plan of Administration—Congressional Supporters of Phelps May Balk Removal—General Unrest in Naval Circles.

Vallejo, Cal., Feb. 17.—A hint that efforts may be made to remove Rear Admiral Thomas Phelps, as commander of the Mare Island navy yard is believed here today to foreshadow a sensational conflict in naval affairs which will reach to the highest seats in Washington.

Friends of Admiral Phelps today pointed out that he is a "Native son of California" and stands high in favor with the entire California delegation in congress.

General dissatisfaction and unrest in naval circles has grown out of the conflict which resulted from the action of Secretary Newberry in placing the construction department in a position superior to the engineering department, and making the naval constructor general manager of the navy yards.

Sebree to Retire

San Francisco, Feb. 17.—Rear Admiral Uriel Sebree, U. S. N., arrived here today from Asiatic waters en route to his home in Fayette, Howard county, Mo., where he will spend some time resting after fifty-seven years of unbroken absence.

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With Mighty Roar, Trojan Powder Works of San Leandro, Calif., Explodes.

FEARED MANY EMPLOYEES ARE BLOWN TO ATOMS

Detonation of Shook Surrounding Country for Miles—After Explosion Plant is Consumed by Fire—Over Hundred Men and Women Employed in Building—Seven Injured Men Removed—Still Burning.

San Leandro, Feb. 17.—With four men missing and fourteen known to be seriously injured, and a score slightly wounded, as the result of a terrific explosion of the Trojan Powder works at Roberts Landing, hundreds of volunteers are working desperately this afternoon to prevent the fire from spreading to other magazines which are near by and in imminent danger.

Explosion Was Terrific.

The force of the explosion was so great that hundreds of persons who were in the vicinity were stunned and it was several minutes before anyone was able to discover the extent of the damage.

A large force of men and women were working in the plant at the time of the accident and the confusion that followed was so great that it is impossible for officials to form an accurate estimate of the number of those injured.

San Leandro, Cal., Feb. 17.—

With a roar that startled the people of this city and vicinity and a detonation that shook the surrounding country, the Trojan Powder Works of this city blew up today and was afterward totally destroyed by fire, and is now menacing the surrounding buildings.

The plant was at Roberts Landing

some distance from the heart of San Leandro. Seven badly injured men were removed from the three destroyed buildings shortly after the shock, and hurried to the Alameda county hospital. Conditions at the scene of the explosion are such that rescuers are having difficulty in reaching the helpless injured.

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