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ADVANCING AND UNCONTROLLED FLAMES CLAIM MORE VICTIMS

MANY HUNDREDS BELIEVED TO HAVE PERISHED

Large Area of Wealthy Country, Changed to Blackened, Charred Stretch of Desolation--Many Mines Destroyed.

Panic Stricken Foreigners Throw Women and Children Refugees From Boat into Water and Are Driven Back by One Lone Man--Michigan Situation Shows Marked Improvement After Killing Scores and Rendering Thousands Homeless--Estimate of Fatalities Impossible.

Cobalt, Ont., July 13.—More than three hundred dead, by forest fires, in the Porcupine district today, is the record for the holocaust in the Dominion of Canada. Damage to the extent of many millions is believed to have been done. Thousands of acres of timber have been devastated. Many mines are ruined and still the flames rage uncontrolled.

It is feared that many lives were lost in those sections, from which no word has yet come. More than two hundred settlers, with their wives and families, who had clearing in the fire zone, are missing and most of them are believed to be dead.

The following mines were totally ruined: The Dome, North Dome, Vipond, Foley, O'Brien, Philadelphia, United Porcupine, Standard Imperial, West Dome and El Dorado Porcupine.

Foreigners Show Cowardice. At South Porcupine, while the women and children were being hurried to safety on the steamer Golden City, a gang of fear-frenzied foreigners rushed the boats, moored at the wharf, and threw the other passengers overboard.

Joseph Gardner, a druggist, rose to the occasion and with drawn revolver backed the foreigners away, until the women and children were safe.

Thousands Homeless. Grayling, Mich., July 13.—The village of Waters, near here, is in ruins today. For some miles northeastern Michigan is a blackened stretch of desolation. Three thousand families are homeless and hundreds are missing. It is impossible to obtain an accurate estimate of the fatalities. The situation is slightly improved today and the fires are burning out.

ALLEGED PORTLAND FORGER ARRESTED IN IDAHO TOWN

Portland, July 13.—Tracey G. Avery, charged with operating in high financial circles by floating alleged forged city improvement bonds and with issuing worthless checks, was arrested today at Harrison, Idaho, by detectives from this city. Avery's operations are said to extend to several cities, including Portland, Spokane and Salt Lake.

"PURE FOOD" WILEY A GRAFTER, IS CHARGE

PRESIDENTIAL AXE WILL FALL IF TRUE

Alleged to Have Conspired With Bigelow and New York Physician to Draw Year's Salary for Eighty Days' Services.

Washington, D. C., July 13.—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief chemist of the United States department of agriculture, is angry today because of reports to the effect that he is slated for decapitation on account of irregularities in his office. The personnel committee of the agricultural department has recommended that Wiley and his assistant, W. D. Bigelow, be permitted to resign. President Taft is now considering the case.

The charges are that Wiley and Bigelow, entered into a secret arrangement with Dr. H. H. Rusby, head of the New York College of Pharmacy, whereby Rusby received a yearly salary of \$1600 for services during not more than eighty days.

The law provided that employees receiving yearly salaries must work exclusively for the government.

PORTUGUESE MONARCH STS ASSAULT CASTLE

London, July 13.—With a war fund of \$6,000,000 a call to arms to Portuguese monarchists has been issued jointly by Ex-King Manuel and Don Miguel the pretender, according to a dispatch from Badajoz today.

Attack Castle. Lisbon, July 13.—An unsuccessful attempt was made last night to cap-

SPOKANE CHAMBER COMING TO ROUND-UP

THREE HUNDRED WILL BE IN THE PARTY

Committee Arranging Excursion in Order That Members May Stay in Pendleton as Long As They Like.

Spokane, Wash., July 13.—Three hundred members of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in the assembly hall on July 11, accepted an invitation extended by J. H. Gwinn, secretary of the Round-up, to attend the Round-up at Pendleton, Ore., September 14.

The excursion committee will make arrangements to run an excursion to Pendleton, leaving Spokane the evening of September 13, enabling the excursionists to spend an entire day at the Round-up.

Arrangements will also be made to enable as many as desire to stay for a greater length of time at Pendleton. It is believed this will be one of the largest excursions of the season and that many of the members of the Spokane chamber of commerce will avail themselves of the opportunity of attending the celebration.

The above dispatch was received at this office this morning and is self explanatory. Secretary J. H. Gwinn received a letter from Secretary R. J. Maclean of the Spokane chamber of commerce this morning containing an official announcement of the acceptance of the invitation. After thanking the association for naming September 14 Spokane day, he says, "We shall endeavor to be there in numbers so that you will realize that it is Spokane Day. I advise you either to increase your police force for the day or to discharge it entirely."

TAFT DENOUNCED BY SEN. LA FOLLETTE

Washington, July 13.—In a speech bristling with invective and satire, Senator La Follette today on the floor of the senate, bitterly denounced Canadian reciprocity and President Taft. He flatly accused Taft of not having kept his promise of having added betrayal and of having sacrificed his progressive policies to Altruism and reactionaries.

Senator La Follette said that reciprocity would not benefit the people, but would reduce duties for the big interests.

"It is nothing it pretends to be and professes to be nothing that it is," he said. He described the measure as the greatest legislative wrong inflicted on the people in the last half century.

"It is an interesting study in political psychology to observe Taft's devotion to Roosevelt Policies," said the senator.

"The people elected Taft in the belief that he would hold fast to all Roosevelt had gained and not revoke his orders and reverse his action," he said.

Concluding, he said what Roosevelt and the progressives contend for is: Justice, eternal, everlasting justice for every human being and are against organized selfishness and power. It is the fight of the plain people against the confederated privileged."

Structure St. George Castle by a band of mysterious invaders. The government today has inaugurated a strict press censorship and the garrison at the castle has been increased. The attack is believed to have been made by Monarchists who disappeared when the Republican soldiers fired on them. Excitement here is high and an outbreak is momentarily expected.

PEARCE CHOSEN FOR N. E. A. PRESIDENCY.

San Francisco, July 13.—Carroll G. Pearce of Milwaukee, will be the next president of the National Educational association. In nominating the committee this morning, Pearce received twenty-seven votes and A. E. Winship of Boston, an "old guard" candidate, received twenty. Durand W. Springer, the present treasurer, received twenty-four votes to twenty-three for Katherine Devereaux Blake, an "insurgent."

FIFTY POSTOFFICES ADD SAVINGS BANKS

Washington, July 13.—Fifty postoffices in various sections of the United States added savings banks to their facilities today, under the order of Postmaster General Hitchcock. This brings the total of postal banks in operation to 650. From now on banks already designated will be opened almost continuously and by July 24 the total number, ready for deposits will reach 1000.

Of the thousand banks in operation or soon to be opened, Pennsylvania has the largest number, fifty-eight. Postmaster General Hitchcock has found that communities with large foreign populations are most appreciative of the facilities of the postal banks, and a majority of the fifty-eight Pennsylvania banks are in the mining districts, where immigrants predominate.

LAFFERTY BILL DOOMED TO REST

Confirming a previous announcement to the effect that Lafferty's judicial bill, which has for its purpose the transferring of the headquarters of the eastern Oregon judicial district from Pendleton to Baker, will not come up for action at the present special session of congress is a letter received this morning by Secretary J. E. Keefe of the Commercial association from Senator George E. Chamberlain.

"I find that in view of the representations made to him," he writes, "the representative from your district has decided to make a number of changes in the bill and to reintroduce it in the house where the matter will be referred to the committee on the judiciary. You may rest assured that no action whatever will be taken, even by that branch of congress during the present special session; and should it be passed at any time by the house and be referred to the senate, I will give the measure my earnest attention in connection with your communication."

"FRENZIED FINANCE" LAWSON MEETS A REAL BEAR

Portland, July 13.—A story reached here from Prineville today of an encounter that Thomas W. Lawson, the Wall street "bear," had with a real bear while spending his vacation at the home of Thomas Sharp.

Several days ago Lawson went fishing. When he failed to return, Sharp went out to reconnoiter. He found the Boston millionaire on a tree limb over a creek and a big black bear on guard below.

Lawson had fed the bear all his trout, but brain stuck to the job. Sharp chased the bear away and Lawson was rescued.

PRICE OF ICE CAUSES RIOTS IN NEW YORK

New York, July 13.—Through an increase of nearly three hundred per cent in the price of ice during the hot spell, ice riots are raging today among the poor. Hundreds of men and women stormed the office of the Posterscott company and demanded ice. The manager was forced to distribute tickets, good for ice at the company's pier.

Methods Unjust.

Washington, July 13.—The methods employed in extraditing John J. McNamara from Indianapolis in connection with the destruction of the Los Angeles Times building were arraigned by Attorney Leo M. Rappaport of Indianapolis, who addressed the senate "third degree" committee in support of legislation which would prevent such methods.

Portland Chosen.

Pittsburg, July 13.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the National Reform association here, Portland, Ore., was selected as the place for holding the second world Christian Citizenship conference beginning June 29 1913, and continuing for one week.

Commercial Luncheon Tomorrow.

The board of managers of the local Commercial association will hold their weekly luncheon in the Quella annex tomorrow.

COUNCIL TO INVESTIGATE

First Skirmish Won in Fight to Place Overhead Wires Underground.

QUESTION GIVEN TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Strain Succeeds in Having Authority Given Committee of Which He is Chairman--City Attorney Excused from Serving.

The proposition as to whether or not the Pacific Power & Light company and the Pacific Telephone company shall be required to place their wires underground on the business streets is now in the hands of the ordinance committee of the city council and that committee will make a thorough investigation of the matter with a view to drafting an ordinance calling for the improvement. This action was taken by the council last evening following the presentation of a petition by the ladies of the Civic club asking that the wires on the main streets be grounded.

Strain Leads Move.

The motion to refer the matter to the ordinance committee of which he himself is chairman, was made by Councilman Strain and was seconded by Councilman Dyer. In introducing his motion, Mr. Strain stated that he had no desire to force the matter upon the council but simply wished to have it considered. "The city has shown a great deal of zeal for public improvement recently," he said, "and, inasmuch as we are now going to spend \$40,000 or \$50,000 for paving, I think it is the proper time to consider the proposition of grounding power wires. Therefore, in order to get the matter before the council, I make a motion that the city attorney and the ordinance committee look into the matter, and if they deem it advisable, to draft an ordinance for submission to the council."

City Attorney Excused.

City Attorney Roy Bailey was asked to be relieved of the duty of assisting in the investigation for the reason that the firm to which he belongs has acted as legal counsel for the Pacific Power & Light company at various times. He was accordingly excused.

Montgomery is Opposed.

Before the motion was put, Councilman Montgomery stated that he was not in sympathy with the move for the reason that he deemed it inconsistent to ask the power company to spend more money on its equipment at the same time it is being asked to reduce its rates. "There is no doubt that the East Oregonian has the popular side of the question," he said, "but the company has rights and I think they should be considered thoroughly so that no mistake be made."

Councilman Strain replied that, as chairman of the ordinance committee, he would see that everyone has a fair opportunity of presenting facts bearing on the matter. The fact that Strain is chairman of the ordinance committee will be glad to receive the ac-

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SUICIDES AFTER WOUNDING ENEMY

Walla Walla, Wash., July 13.—A tragedy, that followed a dispute three weeks ago, when the two men fought a fist fight, was enacted in this city shortly after midnight this morning when William Meinecke committed suicide in the police station after having fired a shot into the head of Daniel Marquis and inflicting a wound that is expected to result fatally. Both men are cab drivers.

The shooting of Marquis occurred on one of the business streets, his assailant having called him down from his seat on the cab box. The suicide occurred about one hour later, in the presence of a couple of policemen and a newspaper reporter, who had rushed to the police station to learn the particulars of the first shooting.

Meinecke had made his way to the station, presumably to surrender. He was seated in the station, awaiting the action of the authorities, when the newspaper reporter appeared and asked about the affair. The slayer pointed his revolver at the reporter and said that he had shot his man with that weapon. Then, before he could be stopped, he placed the muzzle of the gun at his head and fired. The revolver was a cheap .32 caliber weapon.

Smith May Decline Toga.

Atlanta, Ga., July 13.—That Governor Hoke Smith, who was elected United States senator yesterday, may decline, because of the turmoil his withdrawal from the governorship might create, is said to be a possibility today.

JOHN GATES, FINANCIER, IS REPORTED DEAD

New York, July 13.—Private Wall Street advices, from Paris, say that John W. Gates died there today. Business associates of the financier have received no confirmation of the report. Gates has been in Paris several weeks, under the care of specialists and his condition has been grave for many days past.

Packey Signs for Bont.

San Francisco, July 13.—Promoter Clarke today received the signature of Packey McFarland to articles calling for a fight here next September with Matt Wells, the British champion. Clarke's representative is now in the east endeavoring to sign up Wells.

EDWARD IS INVESTED PRINCE OF WALES

HUNDRED THOUSAND SUBJECTS GREET HIM

King and Queen Take Back Seat While Their Seventeen-Year-Old Son Sits in Limelight and Acknowledges Loyalty.

Carnarvon, Wales, July 13.—With ceremonies of quaint and medieval magnificence, Edward, the seventeen-year-old heir apparent to the British crown, was today invested as Prince of Wales. Historic Carnarvon Castle was the scene of the ancient rites of the investiture of the handsome young prince, who was given a tremendous ovation by the 100,000 Welshmen assembled to greet their nominal ruler. King George and Queen Mary played a minor part in the pomp and pageantry of today and the royal pair were given a back seat while their son occupied the center of the stage and monopolized the limelight.

Returning from Ireland in the royal yacht, the Prince of Wales, accompanied by his parents, boarded a special train at Holyhead this morning. At Griffith's Crossing, a village two and a half miles north of Carnarvon, the royal party left the train and made the remainder of the journey to the castle by road, the royal carriages and escort awaiting the arrival at Griffith's Crossing.

In the center of the great inner courtyard of the castle where the investiture took place, fifteen thousand leading men and women of England and Wales were seated.

The bishop of Bangor officiated at the ceremony, at the conclusion of which the prince appeared at the celebrated "Queen Eleanor's" gateway and joined his subjects in singing the Welsh national anthem.

ROUND-UP HATS AND BANDS NOW IN STYLE

"Get out your cowboy hats, your Round-up hatbands and belts and make manifest your Round-up spirit!"

This is the proclamation which Advertising Manager Lee D. Drake makes to Pendleton people today, and tomorrow, just two months prior to the opening of the second annual show of the Northwestern Frontier Exhibition association, is the date set for the commencement of this ostentatious display.

Acting upon this request to the public, the different merchants furnishing stores of the city will dress their windows tonight with Round-up sartorial paraphernalia so that those good boosters who have not already provided themselves with the necessary adornments may have temptation thrust in their way.

Therefore, Pendleton may be expected to blossom forth tomorrow in full Round-up regalia and he, she or it who appears without a wide brimmed sombrero, hatband, belt or other insignia of the wild west show, will be looked upon as lacking in proper pride and spirit.

REVENUE OFFICERS CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY

Chicago, July 13.—A special United States grand jury today indicted three United States revenue officers and twenty-one other employees of two of the largest oleomargarine factories in the country, on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government.

COMPANY L TO CAMP AT ASTORIA IN AUGUST

Captain Kern is enthusiastic over the coming encampment and is anxious to see a large company go down from Pendleton. He is anxious to have a new captain selected for company L but says that he will take the company to the encampment if necessary for him to do so.

Information received here last eve-

MODERN B. A. INVADES CITY

Commercial Association Will Capture Visiting Delegates and Entertain Them.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS BEING SUBMITTED

Automobile Trip Over Part of County Will be Made, Followed by Banquet and Musical Program--Membership is Large.

With approximately one hundred delegates in attendance, the triennial convention of the Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington district of the Modern Brotherhood of America was convened in the Eagle-Woodman hall at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The meeting is being presided over by J. M. Gore, the district chief, whose efforts brought the convention to this city.

The business session is in progress at press time, the principal matter coming before the convention being the presentation of the reports of the officers and the election of three delegates to the national convention which is to be held in Denver.

Auto Trip is Arranged.

The business of the association will be over by 5 o'clock at which hour the delegates will be taken in hand by the reception committee of the Commercial association. Automobiles have been secured from various citizens and these will be used to take the visiting men and women over this section of the county so that they may see some of the best wheat fields in the United States.

Banquet and Program Tonight.

The program for this evening will start with the lodge ceremonies when several members will be obligated. Following this, a musical and literary program will be rendered in the hall to which the public is invited. Besides the talent among the delegates, some of the best local entertainers, among them Secretary Jack Keefe, have been impressed for the occasion. The convention will end with a big banquet to which also an invitation to the public is extended.

Commercial Club Hosts.

During the stay of the delegates in the city, the Commercial association, through its reception committee, has acted as host and has done its utmost to make their visit here a pleasant one. They were met at the depot last evening by the committee and escorted to their hotels. After dinner they were taken to the rooms of the association, where they were entertained until a late hour. They were urged to make the rooms their headquarters and, during the day, many of them have availed themselves of the invitation.

Lodge is Strong One.

The Modern Brotherhood of America, although a comparatively youthful organization by reason of its rapid growth has reached such strength that it is now ranked as fourth among the lodges of its kind. It was formed just 14 years ago and now claims a membership of 200,000. Its purpose is insurance and during its existence it has paid out over \$6,000,000 to its beneficiaries. Its reserve fund amounts to \$1,000,000 invested in governmental and municipal bonds and loans of the best security.

The local branch of the lodge is only eleven months old but boasts a membership of 126 and has already paid out \$4000 to beneficiaries, for which sum only \$27 had been paid in by the members.

FAMILY OF FIVE DIE WHEN HOME BURNS

Grand Junction, Colo., July 13.—J. O. Williams and wife and three children were burned to death yesterday. Mrs. Williams poured a quantity of gasoline in the cracks of the floor, to kill bugs. The fluid became ignited burning the house. The occupants were unable to escape.

Unique Marriage Record.

Salem, Ore., July 13.—When Rev. P. S. Knight last night performed a marriage ceremony uniting Hugh Gibson and Miss Nina Mack he established a unique record. In 1888 he married Miss Mack's parents and in 1894 he married her grand parents.

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