

WEATHER REPORT.

Rain or snow tonight and Saturday; brisk southerly winds.



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COLD WEATHER RECORD BROKEN

Second Wave Sweeps Across Middle Western States, Causing Suffering.

LIVESTOCK LOSS HEAVY

Plight of Poor of Cities Made More Grave by Coal Men Who Boost Price of Fuel—Famine Threatened in Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 12.—With the temperature standing today at nine degrees below zero, Chicago is experiencing the coldest weather of the present winter and a further drop of the mercury is predicted for the immediate future.

The suffering of the vast army of poor people in the city is intense and the coal dealers have boosted the price one dollar per ton.

Iowa Records Broken.

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 12.—With the thermometer registering 29 degrees below zero today and much lower at other points in the state, all previous cold weather records have been broken and the suffering is intense, while stock losses will be heavy.

Severest known in Nebraska.

Lincoln, Nebr., Jan. 12.—The most severe weather and lowest temperature ever known in Nebraska is today being experienced. At this place the temperature registered at 26 degrees below zero.

Heavy Losses in Montana.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 12.—With the temperature in southeastern Montana ranging from 12 degrees below zero to 35 degrees below at Havre, stockmen in that section of the country state that enormous livestock losses will result unless the weather moderates immediately.

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JAPAN HAS 32,000 TROOPS ON U. S. SOIL

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—A declaration that thirty-two thousand trained Japanese troops have been smuggled into Hawaii, since the Japanese-Russian war ended, was made here this afternoon by Major General Carter, assistant chief of staff of the United States army.

RESPECTFULLY REFERRED TO THE DIVINE REVEREND-PROFESSOR-CANNIBAL ZAMBO

The Rev. David John Henry Allen Zambo Swackhammer, Jr., is indeed finding Pendleton a place barren of all sympathies for ex-man eaters who are striving to exist in a civilized country by describing to young America the steps in the evolution of a cannibal to a vegetarian.

ADVANCE CO. GETS CONTRACT

Portland Construction Concern Will Build New High School.

BID ACCEPTED \$74,000

Plans and Specifications Modified to Bring Cost Within Amount Available for Purpose—Enough Funds for All Work.

Pendleton's new high school building will be built by the Advance Construction company of Portland, the school board at its meeting yesterday afternoon declaring the bid of that company as lowered in conformance with the modification of the plans and specifications to be the lowest and best bid received.

Following the opening of the sixteen bids received on Wednesday evening, when it was decided that certain modifications in the plans were necessary because none of the bids were low enough to be acceptable, Architect Troutman changed the specifications enough to lower the cost of materials about \$12,000 and the contractors were allowed to reduce their bids in accordance with these changes.

The modifications made in the specifications enough to lower the cost about \$12,000, will not affect the appearance or the strength of the structure seriously. The changes include the substitution of terra cotta for stone, the substitution of oak for cement in the two upper floors and one wall and a number of other minor substitutions.

SHUSTER LEAVES PERSIA FOR HOME

Teheran, Persia, Jan. 12.—Having been removed, on the demand of the czar of Russia, as treasurer general of Persia, Morgan Shuster is accompanied by his wife, for London.

With the departure of W. Morgan Shuster from Persia, Russia has won her most important demand—his expulsion.

Although Shuster was not expelled in so many words his position was taken from him and he left the country knowing that it might be dangerous to himself to remain.

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DAN P. SMYTHE GETS \$1600 FOR INJURIES RECEIVED UNDER NORTHERN PACIFIC TRAIN

Portland, Ore., Jan. 12.—The jury in Judge Wolverton's court today awarded Dan P. Smythe, of Pendleton, the sum of \$1600 for the loss of his arm and other injuries received under the wheels of a Northern Pacific stock train during the summer of 1910.

275 RATTLESNAKES KILLED IN ONE DEN

Young Rancher Has Experience With Angry Reptiles.

Major Lee Moorhouse is now the possessor of 275 new rattlesnake skins as the result of the extermination of a whole den of the poisonous reptiles near Nye last week by James Pix, a young rancher of the Coombs canyon country, and they may be used by the local Elks as a part of their distinctive attire in the big parade at the grand convention in Portland.

Young Pix while walking over the hilly country near Nye, located a den of rattlesnakes and immediately proceeded to dig them out. Being sluggish during their winter hibernation, the rattlers did not manifest much fighting spirit and Pix soon had the ground littered with their carcasses.

An unusual feature of his experience was the discovery among the slain snakes of a number of bull snakes and blue racers, a fact that is surprising to many.

Pix's slaughter proved quite profitable for him for, besides the money he received from the sale of the skins, he secured 20 pounds of oil which sells in the open market at \$9.50 a pound. Had he taken the pains to extract the poison, he would have received a greater reward for the liquid is a very valuable commodity.

JURY BRIBER MAY TELL ALL ABOUT TAMPERING

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 12.—Despite persistent rumors that he will enter a plea of guilty to a charge of bribery in connection with the jury of the McNamara case, Bert Franklin, the detective in the employ of the McNamara defense, and his attorney today declared that he would not plead guilty when he appears in court tomorrow for trial.

NO HATCHERY IF INDIANS OBJECT

Unless the Indians on the local reservation give their consent, the state will not be able to secure permission from the government to use the proposed site for a fish hatchery near Gibbon recently selected by the fish and game commission. At the annual meeting of the Umatilla County Fish and Game association last night, the matter was brought up for discussion, the committee appointed to confer with the Indians reporting a meeting on the reservation yesterday at which no action was taken because of the small number of Indians present.

Roy T. Bishop and William Humphrey comprised the committee and they reported also that they had arranged for another meeting for next Thursday and hope to win the consent of the Indians to the use of the land in question.

This was the most important matter brought up before the association. However, the annual election of officers was held and Wesley Matlock was chosen to succeed G. I. La Dow as president. The other officers were re-elected, John Vaughan as vice president, C. K. Cranston as secretary and William Humphrey as treasurer.

OAKLAND WOMAN MURDERED BY HER FORMER HUSBAND

Oakland, Jan. 12.—Mrs. Jessie Bigelow, age fifty, was shot through the heart and instantly killed today by Joseph Rider, her former husband from whom she was divorced in St. Louis two years ago.

She married Bigelow a short time ago. It is believed Rider followed her to California and lived at Los Angeles. He came here last night. His own son and daughter were in the house and heard the shooting but he held them off with a revolver and escaped. A posse is in pursuit.

HUMAN NATURE IS NOT TRUSTWORTHY

Carnegie So Informs Probers of the Steel Trust.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—Before Andrew Carnegie resumed the stand before the committee today, Howard Bridge, author of the "Inner History of the Carnegie Steel Company," was called to the stand.

Carnegie admitted that a law must be invoked to prevent excessive prices on steel commodities. He said: "You cannot trust human nature. Anyone is justified in doing everything possible under the law. It is certain sooner or later, offenses against natural competition will force the making of a real law to govern such conditions."

He then compared President Taft's and Colonel Roosevelt's ideas on trusts. He said Taft's idea is that corporations should be dissolved and Roosevelt's that they should be recognized and carefully governed. He said he heartily agreed with Roosevelt's idea.

MANCHU'S SKIN REBELS ALIVE; MUTINEERS BURN CHILDREN

Tien Tsin, China, Jan. 12.—Skinning rebel officers and soldiers alive, as though they were slaughtered hogs, butchering hundreds of other Chinese and committing numerous indescribable atrocities against all enemies of the Manchu house, hordes of imperial troops are today reported to be carrying on another series of massacres at Lan Chow. They offer as justification of their brutalities that their victims have been guilty of treason.

Burn Children Alive.

St. Petersburg, Russia, Jan. 12.—Cremating small Manchu school children, hacking adults to pieces, looting all houses and burning large sections, the imperial soldiers who have mutined today are waging a most terrible war at Kuldja, Chinese Turkestan, according to telegraphic dispatches received here. It is reported that all foreigners fled to the consulates which are being guarded.

Children Drink Acid.

Hantley, Mont., Jan. 12.—The 3-year-old son of Mrs. T. O. Threet found a bottle of carbolic acid in a trunk while his mother was away from the house last night. He gave the baby, 1 year old, a drink and took some of it himself. Both children were dying when Mrs. Threet got home.

BAPTISTS HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

The eighth annual roll call and banquet of the First Baptist church was held last night at the Eagle-Woodman hall. Members of the local church and a few invited guests, numbering in all nearly 150 persons, participated in the sumptuous banquet that was served. After supper a delightful program was rendered.

Prominent members of the church responded to toasts, and these were interspersed with songs by the Pendleton male quartet. The following program was rendered: Toastmaster, Frank K. Welles; "Our Baptist Fellowship," Mrs. Mary C. Harvey; "Our Children," Mrs. J. Glenn Miller; "Our Fathers and Mothers," Miss Fern Edwards; "The Bridge," "Nebber Yo' Min' Ma Honey," male quartet; "Our Young People," Miss Lillian Holman; "Our Ladies," Mrs. A. F. May; "Our Gentlemen," Rev. F. C. Stannard; "Our Sines of War," R. H. Wilcox; "When the Twilight Shadows Fall," "Hie-a-way Home," Male quartet; "Our Mission," Rev. H. T. Cash; "Our Future," J. H. Morris; "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," sung by all.

Alleged Wife Murderer Hanged. San Quentin Penitentiary, Calif., Jan. 12.—Mark Wilkens was hanged here today for the murder of his wife in Alameda. He died protesting his innocence.

MAMMOTH SNOWSLIDE BELIEVED TO HAVE BURIED A STOCKMAN

Large Party of Neighbors Frantically Digging in Icy Mountain for John Narkaus

MISSING FROM HOME NEAR GIBBON THREE DAYS

Searchers Find Riderless Horse and Follow Trail to the Edge of Mass Left By Avalanche in Bobsled Canyon Near Weston Mountain.

Certain that somewhere in its icy depths is hidden the body of John Narkaus, a prominent young stockman of the county, a large force of men is today attacking with shovels a great mass of snow in the bottom of Bobsled canyon, a few miles above Gibbon. The young man has been missing since Monday and a searching party yesterday tracked his horse up the canyon to the pile of snow, and it is the belief of all that he was caught in a snow slide and perished, a victim of the recent storm.

Narkaus, who conducts a ranch near Weston mountain and back of Wenaha Springs, started out Monday morning to search for a cow and a calf which had been caught in the snow. He did not return that day nor the next, nor the next and yet no uneasiness was felt over his absence for his family was confident that he had made his way to the farm of some relatives.

Search Party Organized. Yesterday morning, however, when he did not return and no word had been received from him, members of his family became alarmed and a searching party was organized. Then it was that P. H. McPhee, manager of Wenaha Springs and several of his employes remembered having seen Narkaus' horse on two different days standing as if tied at the mouth of Bobsled canyon, which is just across the river from the Furnish summer home above Gibbon. At the time, the sight occasioned no comment, but now it was significant and the searching party made its way to the point where the horse still stood.

There they saw that the animal was not tied but was held fast by the bridle reins being entangled in some brush. The horse's tracks had not been obliterated by any fresh snow and were easily followed up the canyon. Suddenly they stopped right on the edge of a huge mass of snow which had slid down the mountain side. The men made their way to the other side of the obstruction but no tracks were visible and, although members of the party made their way under difficulty to the mouth of the

TREASURER-ELECT HAD POOR MEMORY

(Special Correspondence.) Hermiston, Ore., Jan. 12.—J. M. Scarborough, local merchant who was elected treasurer of Hermiston, but failed to qualify in time, states that he entirely forgot the provision which required him to file a bond within a specified time following his election. He intended to qualify for the office but cannot do so now as the city council has declared the place vacant and will proceed to elect a man for the position. At the recent election Scarborough defeated Ash Pierce for the treasurership.

GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS WILL HEAR WEST EXTENSION ARGUMENTS LAST OF MONTH

In coroboration of a special news story from Portland, published in this paper Tuesday, comes the following announcement from Project Engineer Newell of Hermiston: Hermiston, Ore., Jan. 11, 1912. Editor East Oregonian:

I have been advised that a Board of Engineers will be convened the latter part of the month, probably at Hermiston, to consider the proposed West Extension of the Umatilla project. The Board will be glad to meet persons or delegations interested in the proposed extension and to hear an expression of their views. If invited to do so, the Board may be able to hold hearings at convenient locations. Definite information as to dates cannot be given at present, but those interested are requested to communi-

cation, no further trace of man or beast did they find.

Man Caught in Snowslide. Reluctantly they were forced to believe that the body of the man they sought was lying under the deep snow. Observations showed them that the trail along which Narkaus had ridden was some distance up the hillside and all agreed that the unfortunate man had been caught in one of the frequent snow slides and carried below into the bottom of the canyon. In some manner, they believe, the horse escaped the fate of the rider and managed to make its way out of the canyon.

No Hope of Life. The party went back for shovels and returned last evening to the task of digging into the white mass. No hope is felt that the man is still living whether he is buried beneath the snow mass or whether he escaped that fate. If under the slide, he has been dead several days and if he escaped the slide, he undoubtedly perished from exposure in the mountains.

Deputy Game Warden E. F. Averill happened to be in the region of Wenaha Springs yesterday and joined the searching party. Thoroughly exhausted, he left the remainder of the men when they went for shovels and returned to the city last evening with the news of the probable tragedy.

No telephone communication could be had with settlers in the vicinity of Gibbon today and it is not known whether or not the body has been recovered.

Narkaus was about 27 years of age and unmarried. However, he has several brothers and sisters and a host of friends who will be shocked to hear of the news regarding his disappearance.

Halifax Has Fire.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 12.—Several business buildings, including the Halifax Herald and the Munnie Dry Goods company, were destroyed this morning with a loss of half million dollars.

ITALIANS SINK SEVEN TURKISH GUNBOATS

Rome, Italy, Jan. 12.—Seven Turkish gunboats, which were loaded with contraband goods for the Turkish troops in the province of Iteban, Arabia, were sunk in a battle with Italian battleships and torpedo boat destroyers off Konfunda, according to dispatches received here today. The Turkish squadron was sighted after a hunt of one week by the Italian ships and were sent to the bottom after a fierce fight of one hour. A large number of Turks saved their lives by taking to the life boats, while a large number lost their lives. No Italians were reported killed.

cate with the project engineer at Hermiston, Oregon.

Very respectfully, HERBERT D. NEWELL, Project Engineer.

Want The Facts. That the investigating board will desire definite statements of facts rather than demonstrations of sentiment was declared by Supervising Engineer Hopson to a delegation of Pendletonians who called upon him the early part of this week.

Written statements are preferable yet oral statements will not be barred. It is not the intention of the board to hold any mass meetings but rather to have a number of minor sessions so as to allow all parties a full opportunity to present their views with full freedom. In Portland it is generally believed in well informed circles that the report of the board will decide the fate of the West Extension.