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REBEL LEADERS ARE TORTURED

Manchus Inaugurate Another Period of Horrors Against Enemies.

WANT YUAN ASSASSINATED

Imperial Generals Advise Emperor to Quit Throne, Acknowledging Further Resistance is Foolhardy—Royals to Desert.

Peking, Jan. 27.—Selecting twenty-one prominent republican leaders at Mukden today, the imperialists subjected the prisoners to the most hideous tortures before a gathering of the populace and finally slaughtered them and cremated their bodies.

The revolutionists have sworn retaliation and it is feared that another series of horrors, equaling those recently enacted at Nanking, will take place. Liang Pi, a Manchu statesman who bitterly opposed the abdication of the emperor, was today assassinated when a bomb exploded under his carriage.

Reports from the north, report that the imperial garrisons are preparing to join the rebels, because the Manchu government has not paid them their salaries.

Manchu Generals Ask Abdication.

Tien Tsin, Jan. 27.—Declaring that it is folly to further continue the struggle against the revolutionists, leading imperial generals today met here and sent a joint petition to the Manchu emperor, advising him to abdicate.

Manchus Want Yuan's Head.

Shanghai, Jan. 27.—Made furious through learning that Premier Yuan has agreed to permit Dr. Sun to act as president of the Chinese republic until peace could be restored, the Manchus princes have offered a reward of \$5,000 for the assassination of the premier.

MERCHANTS TO LEARN WHO ARE 'DEAD BEATS'

"Dead beats" will be practically impossible in Pendleton hereafter as a result of a new step which the Business Men's Association of Pendleton has taken to protect its members. At a meeting held yesterday afternoon, the proposal of the Merchants' Mercantile company of Portland to publish a credit guide for this district was unanimously endorsed and Secretary L. M. Hines of the company and his assistant, P. H. Wear, are today signing up the merchants of the city.

By this system this county will be put in direct touch with credit conditions all over the United States and whenever anyone moves here from any part of the country, the merchants here will at once be posted through this company as to how the party paid his bills where he formerly lived.

These credit guides are made up in districts covering nearly every state in the union. They are made from the combined experience of all the merchants in each of the districts and every merchant rates his own customers according to how they have paid him. Before a customer is rated he will be given notice by letter that he will be rated and is given a chance to pay up his old accounts and thus secure a good rating.

Each merchant and professional man is furnished with a copy of the guide so that he may refer to it and look up the rating of any customer before giving credit.

UPPER UMATILLA RIVER WATER USERS HAVE NO CAUSE FOR FEAR OF STATE BOARD

That waterusers of the Umatilla river and its tributaries need not fear injustice from the state water board is the substance of a letter just received by the Commercial club. The letter is in the nature of a reply to the Lowell resolution that was adopted by the Commercial club at the time the west extension controversy was on in January.

The letter is as follows: Salem, Ore., Jan. 24, 1912. Mr. W. E. Brock, Vice President of the Commercial Association, Pendleton, Ore. My Dear Sir:

I beg to inform you that at the meeting of the board of control of the state of Oregon commenced and held on the 22nd of this month, resolutions by the Commercial association of Pendleton, Oregon, concerning the irrigation of certain lands by

TAFT AGAIN ENTERS OHIO

Will Attack Progressivism in His Home State.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27.—Progressivism as advocated by Senator La Follette, will be attacked by President Taft on a brief speech making tour of Ohio, starting Monday. The president left today for New York where tonight he will attend a banquet of the Societies of Ohio and West Virginia. He will start for Cleveland Sunday night, where Monday he will launch his attacks at the McKinley banquet.

From Cleveland the president goes to Columbus where Tuesday he visits the constitutional convention. He will dedicate the new government building there and attend numerous receptions and speak at another McKinley banquet.

Wednesday morning he will address an assemblage of republican editors and at night speak at Akron. He is expected to return to Washington Thursday.

WALLA WALLA FIRE BURNED ALL NIGHT

Damage to Property Is Estimated About \$100,000

Body of Assistant Fire Chief Recovered After Search of Several Hours in Ruins.

Walla Walla, Wash., Jan. 27.—After a battle that lasted all yesterday afternoon, last night and well into this morning, the fire that destroyed the Jones block here, in which Assistant Fire Chief Robert Wolf lost his life, was extinguished today with a loss that is estimated at \$150,000. The entire populace is today mourning the death of Wolf.

The body of the assistant chief was not found until 8 o'clock last night when Chief Metz led a squad of seven firemen into the still burning building and recovered the body in the basement in three feet of water. He had died from suffocation and his body was not burned. Wolf was the oldest member of the Walla Walla fire department. He was forty-five years of age.

Many firemen were overcome during the fight on the flames and were rescued from death with much difficulty and display of heroism on the part of their comrades.

The property damage is distributed as follows: William Jones, \$40,000; A. M. Jensen Company, \$75,000; John Kelly, \$15,000; Gose & Gose, \$8000; Moose Lodge, \$3000; Leonard & Lathrop, Mosgrove & Alheit, \$1000; Dean-McLean, \$2000; Caswell Cigar store, \$500. Total, \$146,700.

FRISCO GRAFT CASE MAY END ON A TECHNICALITY

San Francisco, Jan. 27.—Superior Judge Lawlor was cited to appear before the court of appeals before January 29 to show cause why the graft charges against former Mayor Schmitz should not be dismissed. The defense says Schmitz was not brought to trial within the sixty day period, after he had expressed a readiness to be tried.

The citation is in the form of an alternative writ of prohibition. Counsel for the defense made a motion to dismiss the case on January 5, on the grounds urged in petition and were refused both by Judge Lawyer, before whom the case was being tried.

Affidavits were also filed by the defense charging Judge Lawlor with bias, prejudice and general unfitness to sit. The hearing will take place on these next week.

Kaiser Is 53 Today.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—Kaiser Wilhelm is being showered with congratulations today from all nations. This is his fifty-third birthday.

GRAFT BARED IN ASYLUM

California Official Lived In Style on Funds Embezzled From State.

ABUSED WOMEN INMATES

Forced One Hundred Mindless Females to Sleep on Stoves While He Lollied in Luxury Paid for With Stolen Money.

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 27.—Graft, corruption, inhumanity and incompetence, almost unparalleled in California's history were revealed today in the report of John Neelan, of the state board of control, to Governor Johnson, on the investigation of the state insane asylum at Napa.

That insane women slept on the floors and more than one hundred unfortunate male inmates were huddled in a stinking room under disgusting sanitary conditions, while Dr. Elmer Stone, its medical superintendent, reveled in a palace on money stolen from the state are some of the allegations.

Dr. Stone will resign February 1. The report says he admits the embezzlement of \$11,000. He has offered to refund \$3,000 which has been refused. Dr. Stone has been superintendent ten years. Other officers are also accused of incompetence.

Whether Dr. Stone will be criminally prosecuted, has not been stated. The reports say it is impossible to know just what sums he has embezzled, as his books are badly muddled.

An inspection in conjunction with the investigation disclosed evidence of gross extravagance, in relation to the care or maintenance of patients, but in the upkeep of the officials and employees, many women patients were required to sleep on the floor, because of lack of accommodations. The comfort of the executive office and Dr. Stone was ministered to in every way. He occupied a mansion on the hospital grounds with a large retinue of servants.

LOCAL HIGH LOSES WALLA WALLA GAME

Having suffered their first defeat of the year, the Pendleton high school basketball players returned this morning from Walla Walla where last night they played the crack team of Pearson's Academy. The final score stood 17 to 12 and indicates something of the closeness which marked the contest. According to spectators, it was one of the fastest games ever played in Walla Walla and not until the final whistle blew was victory an established portion.

The Walla Walla aggregation had a couple of guards who were unusually good and the local forwards were hard put to secure the ball. Drumheller rode free throughout the game and the active Pendleton lad was unable to shake his heavy opponent loose. Dement, besides holding Strain to a couple of baskets, slid forward to drop the ball in the loop three times and in addition converted three fouls into points.

For Walla Walla the points were made as follows: Hoffman, f. 4; Baker, f. 2; Dement, g. 9; Drumheller, g. 2; Jones, c. 9. For Pendleton, Fee, f. 0; Strain, f. 4; Houser, c. 2; Hampton, g. 2; Jordan, g. 4.

A return game will be played here within a short time.

CATHOLICS WILL CELEBRATE SELECTION OF CHRISTIANITY

Rome, Jan. 27.—A world wide celebration, lasting one year and commemorating the 1600th anniversary of the time when Emperor Constantine made Christianity the official religion of the world, will be held by the Roman Catholic church throughout the world. This was announced from the vatican today. Unusually impressive ceremonies will be held.

Seattle Woman Loses Jewels.

Seattle, Jan. 27.—Diamonds and other jewelry value at \$1000 were stolen this morning from the home of Mrs. Charles Whittlesey. The burglar left a ladder against the window. This is the third big jewel robbery reported in the last three weeks in Seattle.

To Issue Souvenir Gold Coin.

San Francisco, Jan. 27.—Pacific souvenir gold dollars will be issued during the 1915 fair, according to telegraphic advices received today from President Moore, in Washington, to the secretary of the exposition.

'GRABBER' IS BEHIND BARS

Chris Morgan Charged With Attacking Three Parties of Young Ladies.

KEEPS OFFICERS BUSY

Carries On Annoyance on Wholesale Plan, Approaching Parties of Fair Ones—Given Preliminary Hearing Today.

After jumping out upon three different parties of ladies last evening between the hours of 6 and 10:30, Chris Morgan, a "Jack the Grabber," was finally captured by Officer Sheer and will be given a preliminary hearing this afternoon before Justice of the Peace Parkes Joe H. Parkes on a charge of assault. So frequent were the complaints of the police station coming into the police station last evening that the whole force began a search for the man but it was not until after his third attempt that he was finally captured. The man was first noticed shortly before 6 o'clock by a party of four young ladies walking along North Main street en route home from an afternoon party. They observed the man following them and muttering over and over the number "101." They turned into the postoffice and on coming out, the man stepped up close to one of the girls and blew a mouthful of smoke into her face.

Follows Girls Home. At the Hotel Pendleton corner, one of the young ladies turned up Water street and the man followed close behind until she turned into her home.

Complaint was made to the police officers about 8 o'clock and a good description of the man was furnished. While the officers were listening to the details of the affair, Morgan was continuing his operations. At 8:20 two Irish girls, who are employed in homes of well known families of the city were crossing the Main street bridge when they noticed a man lurking near the south approach. When they arrived near him he suddenly threw both arms about one with the exclamation, "Oh, you blonde," but released his hold and ran when the girls screamed.

Frightens Four More. About 10:30 he made his third attack which resulted in his capture. Four well known ladies were coming up West Alta street on their return from a party, and when they neared the corner of Garden and Alta where the Chinese quarter is located, a man suddenly jumped from the shadows of the building and confronted them with arms outstretched. The ladies dodged to one side but the man followed with arms still outspread and then it was that the ladies screamed.

Chinaman Follows Culprit. The screams reached the ears of several persons, among them Ung Goy, well known Chinese merchant, and he emerged from his noodle house in time to see the man dodge around the corner of Main street. He followed until he had located him and then summoned Officer Sheer, who made the arrest.

The police have today interviewed every one of the ladies of the three parties separately and have secured the same description of the culprit in each one, which description tallies exactly with that of the man in jail.

Man Known Here.

Morgan has been around the city for several years and recently has been in the employ of George Mosker. Whether or not he has been the "Grabber" stunt on several previous occasions is not known, but the police declare they will see that he does not molest any ladies again for some time if it is possible for them to convict him of the charge against him.

L. LACOURSE FOUND DEAD NEAR ATHENA

Louis Lacourse, a mixed blood, aged 28 years, was found dead in a field near Athena yesterday morning and the circumstances surrounding the case are such as to indicate death was due to exposure.

Lacourse had been in Athena the day before and it is known he was drinking. Apparently he started home and on the way sat down near the road. His body was found in a stubble field near the road by William McBride of Athena. An investigation was made by B. B. Richards, justice of the peace. It is understood the inquest resulted in a decision that death resulted from exposure.

True and pure democracy is the party's need, says an orator. But how many will agree on what that is?

FRANCE PREPARES, WAR

Military Active and Troops Ordered to March on Tunis.

Paris, France, Jan. 27.—There is today feverish activity in French naval and military circles, which it is believed is an indication that the threatened rupture between France and Italy is becoming more grave, as a result of the seizure of French vessels by Italian warships.

If France strikes at the Italian government, her first attack is expected to be made on Tunis, as the French war office has ordered her troops in Algeria to proceed to that section.

Another Ship Captured.

Tunis, Jan. 27.—Another French craft, the small passenger steamer Taxignano, carrying passengers from Tunis to Sfax Zar and Biban, was seized by Italian torpedo boats today and later released.

POULTRY EXHIBIT CLOSING TONIGHT

Cock Fight to Be Feature of Closing of Show

D. C. Gurdane, of Heppner, Re-elected President of Umatilla-Morrow Counties Association.

Closing the third annual exhibition of the Umatilla-Morrow County Poultry association, three bloodless but scrappy bouts between game cocks will be pulled off in the Armory tonight. To prevent charges of brutality and police interference, the spurs of the fighting birds will be muffled and no damage will be done to the participants. In many shows it is customary to judge the entries of game chickens by testing their gameness in actual battle and, while the bouts tonight will not serve in that capacity it will be interesting to note how well the birds live up to the fibbons they have won.

Officers are Elected.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the association last night D. C. Gurdane of Heppner was chosen to serve a third term as president and the following other officers were elected. D. C. Brown, Pendleton, first vice president, Dr. J. R. Crompt, Stanfield, second vice president, Earl Williams, Milton, third vice president, L. W. Briggs, Heppner, fourth vice president, J. L. Parker, Stanfield, secretary, Lester Bold, Pendleton, treasurer.

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WILD HORSE ROAD MAY BE MACADAMIZED

Ten miles more of macadam road will be constructed in this county this year, following action at a meeting of the county court yesterday. The members of the court ordered the purchase of a new rock crusher and, upon its arrival, will decide upon the new stretch of road to be improved. It is understood that at present the Wild Horse road, which is one of the worst in the county, is regarded most favorably as the one to be macadamized.

Since the Athena-Weston highway was improved by the putting in of a permanent road-bed, there is a great deal of sentiment for the continuation of this kind of work and the county court is attempting to accomplish so much every year.

PARDONED INDIAN MURDERER OF SQUAW RETURNS AFTER 12 YEARS IMPRISONMENT

Toy Toy, who with Columbia George murdered Anna Edna a squaw whom they believed to be a witch responsible for misfortunes that had visited them, is back in Pendleton today for the first time in twelve years. Following his pardon Thursday by President Taft, he left the federal prison on McNell's Island and came straight to Pendleton, arriving here last night.

Toy Toy, when he left had long hair and he came back with his hair closely cropped; when he left he was big and stout and now he would not be considered a large man; these with the changes which hard work and age bring made a great difference in his appearance and his relatives hardly recognized him. The freed murderer declares he is glad to get back to his native people after slaving for twelve years in prison. He has seen his mother. Saw-kust, who is very ill with consumption, and today he will go out to

'MARSE' HENRY SCARING SELF

Thinks He Is Terrible Foe Because He Is Never Taken Seriously.

IS MORE THAN ANGRY

Offers Correspondence of Private Nature to Avenge Refusal of Governor Wilson to Katow to Self and Harvey—Wilson Silent.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27.—Mad clear through, Colonel Henry Watterston, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, who is here, has reiterated his charge that adherents of Governor Wilson had asked him to raise money for Wilson's campaign, which, he says, he did. This is the charge that is denied by Governor Wilson. When seen today Colonel Watterston displayed signs of great anger. He said:

"I want to say now that I never entered a public controversy, but that I emerged from it with flying colors. "When I make a statement of importance as momentous as this one, you can just bet that I have proof to substantiate. "I will not say a word yet, regarding the ones who contributed to the fund."

Colonel Watterston offered letters he had written to and received from Senator Tillman, as proof of the of his statement. He also said he had other proof, which he would submit to a court of honor, if Governor Wilson were agreeable. Senator Tillman has refused to discuss the matter.

"Incident Closed"—Wilson.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 27.—Governor Woodrow Wilson who is here today, intimated that the Wilson-Harvey-Watterston controversy, was a closed incident, so far as he, Wilson, is concerned.

BOARD WILL MEET WITH SETTLERS HERE

The following letter will be of interest to parties who desire to offer information to the reclamation service board of inquiry which is to be here shortly:

Hermiston, Ore., Jan. 26, 1912. Mr. J. N. Burgess, President Umatilla County Water Users' Association, Pendleton, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 25th suggesting that the board of engineers convened to consider the west extension of the Umatilla project should hold a hearing at Pilot Rock, Oregon. According to my best information, the board will convene at Hermiston, January 28th. It is the plan at present to have a hearing at Pendleton, January 30th. The board will probably take the motor car from Hermiston to Pendleton, where it should arrive at 10:45 a. m. I believe the representatives of water users on Birch and McKay creeks should arrange to meet the board at Pendleton, which seems to be the most convenient location for all interested parties on the upper river. As soon as I have more definite information, I will communicate with you further.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) HERBERT D. NEWELL, Project Engineer.

We know of a man who would make a dandy dictator.