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AMUNDSEN NOW CLAIMS HE AND NOT SCOTT FOUND SOUTH POLE

Bottom of Earth Promises Controversy Equal to that Following Discovery of Top

NORWEGIAN SAYS 3 DAYS WERE SPENT AT PIVOT

London Generally Believes Norse Explorer Successful in Plan to Drift With Ice and Then Use Siberian Dogs and Skis in Reaching the Goal.

London, Eng., March 8.—Confirmation of the success of Captain Ronald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, in reaching the South Pole ahead of Captain Scott of England, was received here today by the London Express, the newspaper which first received the news of the alleged success of Scott. The announcement came in a dispatch dated at Hobart, Tasmania, a small island off the southern shore of Australia, where it is said that Captain Amundsen has just arrived on his homeward journey on the steamer Fram. He forced his crew to remain on board the ship and successfully prevented the details from leaking out. Another dispatch which was received by the London Star, stated that when Amundsen was asked at Hobart if Captain Scott had reached the pole, Amundsen refused to make a definite reply. In the dispatch to the Express and purported to have been sent by Amundsen himself, it said: "Pole reached fourteen, seventeenth December." It will be noted that the dispatch does not say who reached the pole; whether Amundsen or Scott. It is generally believed here, however, that it means that Amundsen was the successful explorer. The dispatch further states that the Norwegian would visit San Francisco before returning to Europe, going first to Buenos Ayres, Brazil, after a week's stay at Hobart. From Buenos Ayres he will sail around the Horn of South America to San Francisco and later drift through the Northwest passage to European waters. The fact that no direct news has been received from Captain Scott leads to the general belief here that Amundsen reached the pole first. It is reported that he remained there three days. If Amundsen remained at the pole three days, it is admitted that observations, he is reported to have claimed he made, could not have well been faked. With reference to the results of

the Amundsen expedition, dispatches that reached London from various points gave early reports that the Norwegian explorer had not been successful in his quest. Later, however, a Copenhagen dispatch said that the Social Democrat had published news from Christiania that a telegram from a member of the Fram expedition declared that Amundsen had reached the South Pole. Other reports seem to confirm this, and at the same time to dispose of the rumor that Captain Scott had reached the pole. None of the authorities here were inclined to credit this latter report unconfirmed. In the race for the pole, Britishers, while hoping for the success of the British representative, entertained a fear that Captain Amundsen would win the honor as his previous experience made him a formidable competitor. It was he who discovered the Northwest passage in 1903. Amundsen had with him a hardy band of Norwegians who undoubtedly were aided by skills in traversing the glacial ice and he puts his faith in Siberian dogs for the supply sledges. He had an advantage of nearly eight months over Captain Scott in the race for the pole and his base of supplies was nearly 100 miles nearer the goal. Moreover, his was not a scientific expedition, but one designed to move swiftly. The steamer Fram is the vessel with which Dr. Nansen made a journey of thousands of miles in the Arctic ocean in 1903-06, and on which Amundsen planned to drift with the Arctic ice to the North pole. Amundsen started in April, 1909, to carry out this drifting trip in search of the North pole, but changed his plans in the following year, proceeded by way of South America for the Antarctic. Early in 1911, Lieutenant Pennell of Captain Scott's expedition, sent word from Stewart Island that he had come on Amundsen's ship in the Bay of Whales, Ross Sea, where the Norwegian had made his winter quarters.

MISSOURIANS GIVE T. R. BIG MAJORITY

Kansas City, March 8.—Leading all other candidates by about a 15 to 1 vote, Colonel Roosevelt, judging from the preferential primaries Fifth Missouri congressional district is the popular choice of this section of the state for the republican nomination. The vote was as follows: Roosevelt, 5,565; Taft, 2,905; La Follette, 55; and Cummins 6. Roosevelt delegates will convene next Tuesday to select delegates to the republican national convention. Taft supporters, who say the primaries are illegal, will select their national convention delegates tomorrow. Contesting delegations are expected from every district in Missouri.

Reports Conflicting.

London, Eng., March 8.—Amundsen positively denies telling a correspondent of the London Express or (Continued on Page 5)

APPROVAL OF WEST UMATILLA EXTENSION BY FISHER IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED

(Special Correspondence.) Hermiston, Ore., March 8.—Official information to the effect the secretary of the interior has formally approved the report of the board of engineers appointed to investigate the West Umatilla Extension has been received here by Project Engineer H. D. Newell. That he has received such a message was stated by Mr. Newell this afternoon. The message he received is in the nature of a confirmation of the newspaper report heretofore published regarding the report and the action taken upon it by the secretary of the interior and the president. However, the message was received by Mr. Newell was brief and that official declined to draw any inferences from it save to say that the West Extension has been approved by the secretary conditional upon the signing up of land under the proposed project.

However, among those informed regarding reclamation affairs it is said that the approval by the secretary makes the extension assured, provided the necessary number of land owners sign up with the government. They point out that the secretary of the interior would scarcely announce his formal approval of the extension unless it first had the approval of the president also. The director of the reclamation service has already approved the project. The engineering board reported in favor of a project that will reclaim a total of 30,000 acres of land, the first unit being reclaimed through use of waters on the lower river diverted by means of a diversion dam at Three Mill falls and the remainder of the project being watered through use of a reservoir to be constructed below Stanfield. The whole project will cost \$3,000,000.

6 KILLED IN R. R. WRECK

Broken Rail Plunges Wabash Train Into Ditch. West Lebanon, Ind., March 8.—A check of passengers here today shows that six passengers were killed and fifty-one injured, five of whom are dying, as a result of the derailment last night of the west bound Continental Limited on the Wabash line. The dead are: Mrs. U. Good of St. Louis; Mrs. R. Grant, of Adrian, Mich.; Henry Green, a cook, and three unidentified men. The train was running fifty miles an hour when it struck a broken rail and plunged into Redwood creek.

DIXON AIDS ANANIAS CLUB

Roosevelt Manager Denies Sending Telegram Published. Washington, March 8.—Mad clear through, Senator Dixon, Roosevelt's campaign manager, today denounced as a forgery a telegram published here, purporting to be from Dixon to Roosevelt reading: "The senate has ratified your contention in regard to treaties. Our democratic friends have come to your rescue. Joseph Dixon." He said: "There is no excuse for this forgery. I only sent Roosevelt a brief note appraising him of the passage of the arbitration treaties."

AGREE TO SETTLE LAWRENCE STRIKE

Poorest Paid Workers Get Increase; Congress to Act. Lawrence, March 8.—A settlement of the Lawrence strike is in sight. This afternoon it was learned that the mill owners and operators, in a get together meeting, practically settled on a compromise agreement, by which both factions will make concessions. The plan gives the poorest paid workers substantial increases while the advance to skilled workers is slight. The "speed up" system will be abolished. It is understood that the district attorney will urge the release of Ettore and Giovanni, the strike leaders who are charged with the murder of a girl who was killed by a policeman, on bail. The strikers say they would not settle until Ettore is released. Congress Will Act. Washington, March 8.—Taking the stand that the Lawrence textile workers proved conclusively to the house rules committee, that the strikers and their children had been abused by the Lawrence police and mill owners, Congressman Wilson, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the house labor committee, today predicted that congressional action will be ordered.

Taft AGAIN PLEADS FOR BIG BUSINESS

President Uses "Full Dinner Pail" Argument In New Form. Abroad Taft's Special, Canton, O., March 8.—En route to Toledo, where he will speak tonight, President Taft addressed 1000 people at Alliance, Ohio, and said that agitating and creating a lack of confidence is not good and the people want quiet and confidence and then stability will come. He said: "Assuming that everyone is obeying the law, it is prosperity and business that we should look to. Agitation and creating lack of confidence among those having capital invested is not for the people's good. Therefore what we want is that quiet confidence that makes everyone look after his own business and put as much money into it as he can. The jobs will be many; wages will rise. We will all have money with which to buy shoes for our children and those liking comfort can enjoy it." "It is wise that we should not cultivate hostility between classes and between persons in similar situations and we should have confidence in each other because we all are in the same boat."

FIRST BATCH WATER CERTIFICATES REC'D

Thirty-two water users on Mud creek in the northern part of the county are the first in the county to secure certificates of their water rights from the state board of control. County Clerk Frank Sailing today received these certificates defining the amount of acre feet to which each tract of land along Mud creek is entitled and, as soon as they have been recorded on the county books, they will be sent to the water users. It will be remembered that in conformity with a recent law, all water users of Umatilla county were required to submit to the board of control the amount of water which they had been accustomed to use in the past so that the amount expressed in positive and definite terms could be assigned to the different lands. Certificates will probably not be received by water users along the tributaries of the Umatilla for some time owing to the delay caused by the institution of adjudication suits by the government.

CONCORD STAGECOACH HERE FOR ROUND-UP

After a trip clear across the continent, the old Concord stage-coach presented to the Round-up by Edward Arlington of the 101 Ranch arrived in Pendleton last night via the O.-W. R. & N. and tomorrow morning it will be paraded through Main street. Because of the fact that it is but one of the very few of this type of early carriers in existence, it is an object of great curiosity and interest. To F. W. Robinson, general freight agent of the O.-W. R. & N., the Round-up is largely indebted for the new acquisition. He located it in Lake View, New Jersey, and it was through him that Arlington tendered it to the local association. Originally it traversed the plains and mountains of Oklahoma and, could it but speak, could unfold a history of stirring excitement and adventures undoubted. As is the case with most old stage coaches, the distinction is claimed for it that General Grant once rode in it. Though the coach itself is a project of the Round-up, it was not secured without expense for the freight charges on it amounted to more than \$200.

REBEL ARMY SWEEPS FEDERALS ASIDE IN MARCH ON VERA CRUZ

Citizens of Capital and Seaport Cities Flock to Aid Government in Repelling Attacks

AMERICANS MOBILIZE FOR THEIR OWN DEFENSE

While Sentiment Against Yankees Grows More Bitter, United States Authorities Allow Arms and Ammunition to Be Sent Across Border.

Mexico City, March 8.—Victorious after a terrific battle which lasted three days near Acatlan with fifteen hundred federal troops, a force of two thousand rebels today is marching on Vera Cruz, the principal seaport of the Mexican nation. The losses on both sides in the battle, exceeded more than three hundred men. News of the battle was received by government officials here today. At Vera Cruz the federal forces and private citizens are hurriedly massing their combined strength to repel the impending attack by the rebels, in an effort to prevent the fall of the city. General Orozco's forces are also approaching nearer Mexico City and a decisive clash is expected to take place between the federal-citizen army and the rebel forces, early next week. Henry Wilson, United States ambassador to Mexico, and five hundred other American citizens, held a conference here today and after admitting the seriousness of their situation, a committee of nine Americans was appointed to perfect plans for the defense of all Americans in the capital city, should the threatened attack be made. Sentiment against Americans is continually growing and has reached an alarming state. It is being shown by both Mexicans and Vasquitas and Ambassador Wilson hopes to be ready to successfully meet any outbreak against foreigners. President Madero today took active charge of the work of recruiting men to engage in the defense of the city in co-operation with the government troops. Orders have been sent by President Madero to all federal commanders in Northern Mexico to exert every possible effort in an attempt to check

the advance of the rebels under General Orozco. President Madero plans to have a force of thirty thousand men in the field to protect Mexico City against General Orozco's attack, while the combined forces of Orozco's army will number twelve thousand men, thus giving President Madero an advantage in numbers, but with many untrained men, while Orozco's army is made up of veterans. Federal Concentrating. El Paso, Texas, March 8.—In the effort that is being made to prevent a rebel attack on the City of Mexico, all commanders of federal forces in Northern Mexico are trying to effect a concentration of their armies at Torreon for the purpose of giving battle and trying to rout the rapidly growing army of General Orozco, who is marching on the capital. Their move was started immediately upon receipt of orders from President Madero, who is evidently thoroughly alarmed by the rebel advance. More than three thousand federal troops have already reached Torreon and two thousand more, comprising the armies of General Villa and General Blanquet, are now on their way to that city. A terrific clash is expected to take place between the two forces early next week and it is being watched with much interest here. American authorities here are permitting arms and ammunitions of war to be taken across the border and more than 50,000 rounds of ammunition consigned to various rebel commanders have already passed across the line.

MURDERER OF GIRL BELIEVED ARRESTED

Tacoma, March 8.—In the person of J. C. Brown, a printer, aged 50 years, who formerly worked in La Grande, Ore., who was arrested here and charged with attempted assault on several little girls, the police believe they have the murderer of little Barbara Holtzman in Portland. The police are communicating with Portland in an effort to identify Brown.

LA FOLLETTE PAPERS READY TO FILE

Portland, Ore., March 8.—Petitions to place the name of Senator La Follette on the Oregon presidential primary ballot will be filed tomorrow. Only a few more names to complete the requisite 1909, are needed. Taft and Roosevelt petitions have already been filed. Roosevelt's had 1528 names and the Taft petition 3499. Petitions to place the names of Governor Harmon, Governor Wilson and Champ Clark on the democratic ballot are now circulating.

BASEBALL FANS MEET TONIGHT TO PLAN FOR LOCAL TEAM IN BLUE MOUNTAIN LEAGUE

Pendleton baseball fans are summoned to assemble in the Commercial rooms tonight at 7 o'clock for the purpose of choosing a delegate to a meeting in Walla Walla tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at which steps for reviving the Blue Mountain league will be taken. Carl Cooley, secretary of the league last year, received a telegram last night from August Bade, the Walla Walla baseball manager, announcing the meeting, and Secretary Dickson of the local club immediately issued a call for a local meeting tonight. As projected, the league this year will be formed with clubs in Pendleton, Walla Walla, Weston-Athens and Dayton, and because of the large number of men under contract with the Northwest league, many of whom will be released, it is believed that each club can put a team in the field capable of giving the fans something classy in the baseball line. Already the local club is being besieged with applications for "outlaw" and semi-professionals for berths here and some of these men are well known in the baseball world. In discussing the meeting tomorrow, the Walla Walla Union this morning says: In all probability Dayton will be substituted for Milton-Freewater this year, the former town having been an applicant last year but too late to

get into the league. Dayton is a live little ball town and has good grounds. It should draw as well as any of the others. Athens and Weston will unite in financing one team and have the money back of them. Pendleton is always ready to do the right thing and August Bade and other local managers, are confident that they can deliver an article of baseball that will be a credit to the city and furnish desired entertainment. Good Games in Past. Some of the games played in this league last year rivaled any seen on the coast. There were some stars playing here at times and this year will be even better for the local team for Joe Cohn will leave many a good player here after his team is picked. There should be men enough from his squad to furnish two or three good men for each town and with the best of local talent thrown in, a club can be organized in each town that will put up real baseball. A few pitchers can be easily obtained by each club. Cohn has some good men that he wants in a year or two but desires them to gain more experience and therefore will ask them to play here. Jones will probably be one of these. He is one of the most promising young catchers in the business. With a nucleus thus formed, Walla Walla would be in a good position to start in the Northwest league next year.

Death Claims Aged Woman

Death this morning claimed Mrs. C. L. McCoy, an aged widowed lady who has been a resident of Pendleton for a good many years. Three years ago she fell and broke her hip bone and has never recovered from the injury. This coupled with a general breakdown incident to senility caused the extinguishing of the life spark. Death occurred shortly before noon today at her home 636 Maple street, the deceased lady being 67 years of age when she answered the last call. Besides a son and a number of nieces and nephews over the state, she leaves a brother, G. W. Thomerson of Walla Walla. He is in the city today and has made arrangement for the shipment of the body to Walla Walla tomorrow morning and will have it interred there.

ALLEGED DYNAMITERS TO BE ARRAIGNED TUESDAY

Indianapolis, March 8.—Forty-six men, who were indicted by the Indianapolis federal grand jury on charges of complicity in the alleged nation-wide dynamite conspiracy—among whom are many prominent labor men—will be arraigned in the United States district court here next Tuesday. The defendants who are also involved in the California court's proceedings, won't be arraigned here. The indicted men will hold a conference Monday to complete plans for their defense.

ARBITRATION TREATIES WILL BE PIGEONHOLED

Washington, March 8.—The British French arbitration treaties, which were yesterday ratified by the senate after being stripped of the clause that invaded the constitutional treaty, making powers of the senate, was taken to the state department today where they probably will be pigeonholed. It is known that President Taft wished them passed unamended.

LA FOLLETTE WILL NOT MAKE PERSONAL ATTACK

Washington, March 8.—Senator La Follette, answering a report that he had planned a direct attack on Colonel Roosevelt, today said he has planned to discuss the records of all candidates but will not make a personal attack. He said the public should know their records, but the personal life of candidates is their own.

Rawhide District Changed

The county boundary board yesterday changed the boundaries of school district No. 11 at Rawhide south of Weston so that it now includes territory heretofore not in any district