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Fair tonight and tomorrow; heavy frost tonight.

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BRITONS SEE END OF STRIKE

Labor Leader in House of Commons Sways Miners With Oratory.

MEN MAY ACCEPT BILL

Owners Decide to Abide by Bill if Finally Enacted and Strikers Will Take Referendum Vote With End Favored.

London, March 27.—In a final effort to end the coal miners' strike, J. B. MacDonald, leader of the conservative-laborites in the house of commons, today addressed the miners' federation here. He demanded that the miners accept the minimum wage bill, which was passed, and said if the district boards failed to incorporate in the measure the minimum wage already suggested, the miners could demand that parliament fix a fair figure.

MacDonald has been showered with congratulations from all parts of Europe.

The house of lords is expected to pass the minimum wage bill today. It will probably be approved by King George tomorrow.

In the event the miners reject MacDonald's suggestion, the government will send troops to protect the colliers if the owners decide to resume operations. They will be instructed to protect strike breakers at all hazards.

The operators insist that the miners are on the verge of collapse, while the miners insist they can continue indefinitely.

The miners are now holding a referendum ballot on the question of accepting the wage bill and it is believed a favorable vote will be the result.

All England is rejoicing at the prospects of the strike terminating by the end of the week.

The sudden turn of affairs is due to the speech of MacDonald who painted an affecting picture of the suffering in Scotland, Wales and England.

After his address the committee of miners went in conference, later announcing they would hold a general referendum ballot to see if the majority of the men favored an end of the strike. It is generally believed the miners will vote to accept the minimum wage bill and the great struggle will end.

The coal mine operators, in a conference in which every big mine in the kingdom was represented, decided to accept the terms of the mine wage bill, pending in parliament.

CHARGES WICKERSHAM IS SHIELDING TRUST

Congressman Says Taft Administration Dares Not Prosecute

Washington, March 27.—Congressman Martin, democrat, denounced as "astounding" Attorney General Wickersham's refusal to give the house information regarding the existence of a smelter trust. He introduced a resolution demanding that the house mining committee investigate the alleged combine.

Congressman Martin said: "It is an absolutely safe assertion to say a smelter trust is in existence. The department of justice is protecting it. The department does not dare prosecute this ally of the Taft administration. The smelter trust is the most corrupting and reactionary influence in Rock mountain politics. The blackest pages of American commonwealth history were written in Guggenheim check books in 1902 and 1906."

Seattle Starts Harbor Work. Seattle, March 27.—The Duwamish waterway will be condemned today as the first definite step in harbor development at Seattle, for which \$10,000,000 in bonds were voted.

TURKS DEFEAT ITALIANS, SLAYING THREE THOUSAND

London, March 27.—Thirty-five hundred slain and wounded is the estimate loss sustained by Italian forces in a severe defeat received at the hands of the Turks near Tobruk, Tripoli, according to a report received here today.

ROCK ISLAND IS RIOT RENT

Attack of Newspaper on Mayor, Arouses Citizens to Acts of Violence.

MOB MEMBERS KILLED

Attempt Made to Assassinate Mayor, Business Suspended, Dynamite Threats and Other Disorders, Call Out Regiment of Troops.

Rock Island, Ills., March 27.—Colonel Shannon, commanding the state militia as a result of a riot last night, says he has control of the situation. The riot was caused by political developments.

John Looner, an editor, attacked Mayor Harry Schriver in his paper. The mob went to the police station and demanded that the mayor answer his enemies. He did not appear so the mob stoned the station.

The police chief ordered the streets cleared but the officers were swept back by the mob.

They then fired a volley, hitting sixteen members of the mob and killing one man named Kellogg, and fatally wounding another named Swingle. Later the mob wrecked Looner's newspaper building.

As a result of the rioting, Adjutant General Dickson today ordered the entire Sixth regiment of Illinois National Guard to the scene of the trouble.

Mayor Schriver told the police that today an attempt was made to assassinate him in the city hall when a bullet, fired from the street barely missed him, passing through a window and burying itself in a wall. Militiamen were unable to locate the alleged assassin.

With a two weeks stay probable, the Sixth Illinois regiment will arrive here tonight. Further rioting is feared tonight.

Wires supplying electric lights to the business section were cut today and all business has been suspended.

Threats are being made about the streets to dynamite the city hall if the troops are brought here. Martial law may be declared.

MEXICAN FEDERALS IN FULL RETREAT

El Paso, March 27.—The federal forces, commanded by General Villa, Aubert and Urbana, are retreating today after four days of fighting on the outskirts of Jiminez.

The battle raged all day yesterday round San Pedro ranch. The federals had ten machine guns and three cannons and the rebels had four machine guns and one cannon.

The federals admit two hundred were lost in killed or wounded. The rebels claim fewer than one hundred lost.

The rebels won through General Orozco, who rushed aid to General Campa at a critical time. Both sides are exhausted and are resting and burying their dead.

COMMITTEE TO PROBE INDIAN DEPARTMENT

A report from Washington is to the effect that the entire Indian bureau is to be investigated by the house committee on expenditures in the interior department of which Representative Graham of Illinois is the chairman. The announcement is made that the committee has decided to make a general investigation of all reservations and their administration, that the hearings will be by the full committee and that work will be started next week.

A month or more ago the committee on expenditures in the interior department secured authority from the house to make an investigation of many complaints that had been made regarding the work of the Indian bureau. The power given at that time practically made a grand jury of the committee and gave it authority to go wherever it desired to go at such times as it saw fit in making an investigation. The report indicates that the committee has decided to make a general inquiry into the affairs of all the reservations.

Postpone Constantine Celebration. Rome, March 27.—Official announcement has been made of the postponement till next year of the exposition and celebration in honor of the Year of Constantine, the 1300th anniversary of Constantine's victory over Paganism. The postponement will enable the committee to prepare celebration plans on a larger scale.

RUMOR OF INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT OF WEST EXTENSION WITHOUT FOUNDATION

(Special Correspondence.) Hermiston, Ore., March 27.—That a local rumor to the effect the government has ordered preparatory work on the West Extension indefinitely postponed is incorrect is stated by Project Engineer H. D. Newell, in charge of the government work here. According to Mr. Newell instructions have been received to the effect that further work be withheld until the property owners under the extension have signed up with the government. This is an order that might be reasonably expected and apparently has no particular significance. Mr. Newell says he has no instructions that indicate any change in the attitude of the government regarding the west extension. The report to the effect work has been indefinitely postponed arose from the fact some engineers were recently laid off.

RECEPTION TO STATE OFFICIALS MARKS END OF NOTABLE DAY IN PENDLETON'S HISTORY

Ceremonies Attending Hospital Cornerstone Laying Are Creditable to Commercial Club

That the Eastern Oregon branch hospital will be the best institution of its kind in the United States, when completed from a standpoint of safety, sanitation, modern conveniences and facilities and attractiveness was the keynote of every address made by a state official at the laying of the cornerstone yesterday afternoon. Governor Oswald West, Secretary Ben W. Olcott, Treasurer T. B. Kay, Superintendent R. E. L. Steiner and Architect W. C. Knighton, one and all, declared the local buildings will incorporate all of the latest features of improved architecture and will afford the best home for unfortunates to be found throughout the length and breadth of the country.

The state officials yesterday also expressed the intentions of the state toward the institution in the future. Though the present plans provide for only two wards, they declared that it would only be a matter of a few years before four more wards will be added, making the institution as large as the one at Salem and far better, and making it represent in buildings alone a valuation of \$1,000,000.

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LOCAL VETS OF WAR DENOUNCE I. W. W.

Denouncing the agitation of the I. W. W. in Portland as a menace to the rights, liberties and loyalty of the American people, Malabon Camp No. 6, United Spanish War Veterans of this city, Monday night at their banquet in commemoration of the Battle of Malabon, 14 years ago, endorsed the action of Scout Young Camp No. 2 of Portland and the following letter was dispatched to that camp:

Pendleton, Ore., March 26, 1912. Jay H. Upton, Department Adjutant, United Spanish War Veterans, Portland, Oregon. Dear Sir and Comrade:

Malabon Camp, No. 6, United Spanish War Veterans of Pendleton, Oregon, upon motion at the annual banquet March 25, unanimously and emphatically endorsed the action of Scout Young Camp No. 2 of Portland, Oregon, in the stand taken in regards to the I. W. W. agitation, that menaces the rights, liberties and loyalty of the American people and especially their disrespect to the flag, the army, the veterans and the institutions affiliated therewith.

A. O. CARDEN, Camp Commander. VAN V. BOWMAN, National Aide-de-Camp.

YOUNG CIGARETTE FLEETS TO VOTE ON ABOLISHMENT

Los Angeles, March 27.—Following the assertion that ninety per cent of the school boys here are smokers, the school authorities announced today an anti-cigarette election. The following questions will be on the ballot: "Do you favor abolishing cigarettes?" "Do you use cigarettes?" "Are you expressing your own or your parents' opinion?" Boys and girls both will vote.

GOVERNOR WEST SAYS PENDLETON SHOULD HAVE MUNICIPAL POWER AND LIGHT PLANT

That Pendleton is working along the right line in striving to secure a municipal electric plant is the belief of Governor West as expressed here yesterday. Incidentally, it is an opinion that is of much weight in view of the governor's experience in dealing with public service corporations. While in the city to lay the branch hospital cornerstone the state's chief executive learned of the move now on to secure a municipal power plant and of the investigation that has been made by Engineer John T. Whistler. The governor is personally acquainted with Mr. Whistler and expressed the greatest confidence in his judgment. Also in the ability of the people of Pendleton to manage a municipal plant properly. "I believe in municipal ownership when cities are fitted for it," said the governor in expressing his sentiments

FRAUD IN N. Y. DELEGATES TO PRESIDENT TAFT, IS CHARGE

GOVERNOR DEMANDS ANOTHER PRIMARY

Many Districts Have No Ballots and Contest Is Farcial

New York, March 27.—Former President Roosevelt was snowed under by President Taft in the New York primaries yesterday. President Taft secured eighty-three delegates and Colonel Roosevelt seven. There is a general denunciation of the primaries, which are declared farcial. The Taft forces fear the primaries will be held again. Governor Dix is today considering a demand on the legislature to enact remedial laws. Up to the last minute yesterday, Roosevelt men fought to have changes ordered on the ballots and as a result the printer was unable to supply ballots in time. In some districts there were no ballots at all, while in others sample ballots were used. The general sentiment is for another primary. B. E. Odell "came back" in the Newburgh district, badly defeating Hamilton Fish, Jr., a personal friend of Colonel Roosevelt. The general vote was five to one in favor of President Taft. President Taft won wherever his supporters made a fight. Colonel Roosevelt's nephew, Douglas Robinson, was overwhelmed in the Oneida district.

WANT PENDLETON IN NEW BALL LEAGUE

Representing the Boise Commercial club which is fathering a move for a tri-state baseball league to be composed of Boise, Baker, La Grande, Pendleton, Walla Walla and North Yakima, N. W. Sweet of Boise is now in the city. He arrived yesterday and since that time has been meeting with local baseball enthusiasts and business men to lay the proposition before them. The Boise plan for a tri-state league in class D has already been put up to Baker and La Grande people and has been accepted by them, says Mr. Sweet. The plan is to divide gate receipts, each team taking 45 per cent while the remaining ten per cent goes into a general sinking fund. Receipts of the holiday games will be pooled and the traveling expenses will be equalized. The three large cities, Boise, Walla Walla and North Yakima, are to have six games each week and the three smaller cities three games each. An admission of 50 cents is to be charged for admission, no extra charging be made for the grand stand.

The teams entering into the league are asked to raise \$2500 each for expenses at the opening. A forfeit of \$500 is required from each team and each team will be limited to \$1200 per month salary expenses.

Whether or not the local fans will take up with the tri-state league plan remains to be seen. It is suggested by Sweet that the Commercial club take charge of the affair and he was under the impression this morning a meeting would be held this evening to consider the plan. However, no call for a meeting has yet been made. According to Jack Keefe, secretary, the local fans in the main are supporting the move to continue the Blue Mountain league.

MRS. C. B. WADE WILL WORK FOR SUFFRAGE

Mrs. C. B. Wade, formerly a resident of this city and who was prominent in women's clubs and social circles during a long residence here, has come up from Los Angeles to Portland to assist in the equal suffrage campaign in Oregon this fall. The secretary of the Portland Woman's Club Campaign Committee of Portland states that Mrs. Wade will be sent over the state wherever needed to interest the women in the coming campaign.

Chinese Pirates Wound Americans.

Peking, March 27.—Dispatches received here today by the American legation say that Philip Hoffman of Ohio, and A. N. Sheldon of California were seriously wounded by pirates while exploring the gorges along the Yantze river, March 23, but are recovering rapidly. Two parties of missionaries, including four Americans, are leaving Mansu. The road to Peking is hazardous and much anxiety is felt.

TEDDY DENOUNCES METHOD RESORTED TO

Declares Tammany Never Attempted Such Flagrant Tactics

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 27.—Colonel Roosevelt today charged that the New York primaries were a wholesale fraud and farcial. He said the result is not indicative of the feeling of the rank and file of New York. He said he would take up the matter in detail in his Chicago speech tonight. Colonel Roosevelt said: "The vote was not the real vote of the republican party. Outside of New York city the primary was a farce. Inside the city it was a greater farce. As it is, one-fourth of the delegates chosen are straight Roosevelt men. Of the remainder, the majority, those elected in New York City have no more claim to sit in the state convention than if they were sent there by Tammany Hall. They were elected by worse methods than Tammany ever employed. At Chicago tonight I shall show why the men chosen in the New York primary do not represent the party and why no action of theirs ought to be taken as representative of the republican party or binding it." Medial McCormick, a Roosevelt supporter, roasted the Taft men for what he called political grand larceny in New York. He intimated that a contesting delegation will be sent to the New York state republican convention. Speaking in Fort Wayne today, Colonel Roosevelt said: "If the Indiana people decide against me in a contest similar to that in New York, all right. If they are for me, I will object if bosses take them away. If they are for me and the bosses make the contests go against me, I shall have a great deal to say."

Continuing, Colonel Roosevelt said: "In New York, by foul means, the bosses turned a majority for me into a majority for my opponent. The same propitius is in Indiana. We won a clean majority of delegates in Indiana but they threw out 200 men, giving the opposition my majority."

ONLY 11 MORE DAYS LEFT TO REGISTER

Several Hundred Voters Are Yet Missing From Books

With only eleven more days in which to register, the registration books at the court house still lack several hundred names of containing as many as they did at the last primary and Clerk W. G. Sutherland is urging the delinquents to appear before April 9, on which date he will close the books. Up until this afternoon a little less than 3400 voters had been registered, whereas two years ago 3721 had been entered upon the books at the primary election. At the general election, 4163 were registered so it is apparent that there are many entitled to vote who have not yet appeared to qualify.

ALLEGED GIRL CONFESSES TO COMMITTING MURDER

Los Angeles, March 27.—The hearing of Viola Varver of Tacoma, charged with the murder of Edwin Edge, was continued to April 8 today on request of the prosecution. It is alleged the girl has made a complete confession to District Attorney Fredricks.

Pupils to Raise Spuds.

Los Angeles, March 27.—Trying to break the potato famine in southern California, the children of a score of city schools organized Potato clubs today. Back yards and school gardens will be used and each child will receive the result of his own labor.

NEW MEXICO HAS 2 STANDPAT SENATORS

Santa Fe, N. M., March 27.—(Bulletin)—Thomas B. Catron of Santa Fe, and Albert B. Fall of Three Rivers, were elected United States senators from New Mexico today by the state legislature. Both are standpat-ers.