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THREE WHITE MEN MURDERED

First Move of The Indians at Pine Ridge.

THE MILITARY ARE OUT

Rumors of Ghost Dancing are Rife, but it is Not yet Known Whether the Uprising is General.

Associated Press.

Washington Feb. 4.—Secretary Noble received the following telegram from Inspector Bisney at Pine Ridge agency, S. D.:

It is reported by a policeman that three white men have been murdered and one mortally wounded at the beef contractors' camp on this reservation. Captain Brown is endeavoring to capture the murderers. Another despatch says five were killed.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—On receipt of dispatches from Washington, D. C., and Pine Ridge agency, this afternoon, announcing the tragedy at the latter agency, a reporter went to the headquarters of the Division of Missouri, where Captain Baldwin, of Gen. Miles' staff, said:

"I don't think there is anything in it. We have received no news of any uprising, and although some men may have been killed, that does not predict a general revolt by any means. The murders could not have been committed by 'Two Sticks,' for he is not near Pine Ridge. He is at Rosebud. I think the uprising part of the story is not as serious as reported.

A dispatch received here tonight from Chadron asserts that the killing was done by Two Sticks, and that two (.derers are still at liberty in spite of the efforts of the Indian police to apprehend them. The killing took place at Humphrey, a ranch about twenty miles from Pine Ridge agency. It is difficult to learn just what was the reason for the killing or how it occurred.

From a dispatch from Rushville it is learned that the first rumors of the killing came to Pine Ridge agency yesterday morning. Acting Agent Captain Brown immediately sent several Indian policemen to investigate matters. Upon their return today they reported finding three white men dead and another mortally wounded. The latter died in a short time. The killing was done by Two Sticks, his sons, and another Indian. Captain Brown upon receipt of this information sent out a detachment of Indian police to apprehend the murderers. It is stated at the agency that Captain Brown does not think there will be any further trouble, and that the outbreak is only due to some outside quarrel. It is also said that the chiefs deprecate the killing and profess anxiety to see the guilty ones punished, but it is difficult to say how much reliance may be placed in their professions in view of past occurrences. A report received this evening asserts that in the fight this afternoon the Indian police killed Two Sticks, his two sons, and an Indian named White Horse. This is not authenticated.

Omaha, Feb. 4.—News of the Indian difficulty was conveyed to the officials of the department of the Platte by a Bee reporter. This afternoon General McCook thought there could be no foundation for the rumors of a general outbreak. Inquiries as to the forces of the army now in the vicinity of the Pine Ridge agency elicited a statement to the effect that the officers feel well able to contend with anything that may come up. Doctor McGillicuddy, who for a long time was agent at Pine Ridge, said to a Bee reporter:

"While there is no open ghost dancing, there is quiet discussion of the topic all the time, and the fact that the promise that the Messiah would come after two springs, which would bring the time to 1893, is being carefully watched by the Indians. The government recently paid the Indians at Pine Ridge $800,000, and thi is used as an argument that the Great Father fears his red sons, else why should he seek to buy them.

The return from Camp Sheridan of Short Bull and Kicking Bear, have added a disturbing element to the situation. The most significant thing, however, is the fact that there has been communications between the various Indian tribes all during the past year, of a secret and apparently important nature. There is also a line of communication well established and constantly used between the Indian territory and British American Indians all along the line. It is understood that other bands are kept posted on the movement.

Omaha, Feb. 4.—A Bee special from Pine Ridge Agency tonight says:

First Sergeant Joe Bush of the Indian police, in charge of a detachment was sent out this morning by Agent Brown and returned this afternoon and told a story of overtaking the murderers. He was instructed by Agent Brown to bring them in whethre they resisted or not. He said the men were camped near No Water's camp and when the police came up, the murderers at once opened fire and the police returned the fire. They killed three of the party. Two Stick and one of his sons got away. It is thought that Two Sticks was seriously wounded. The Indian police were highly complimented by Captains Brown and Cisney. Captain Brown has anothe squad of men out after the missing two with instructions to bring them in.

St Paul, Minn., Feb. 4.—A Hot Springs South Dakota special to the Pioneer-Press gives a different story of the cause of the trouble leading up to the killing of the white men by the Indians, than previously told. It seems that four men, named George Hademy, John Bennett, Rodney Royce, and Ed Cochrane, herders, belonging to the St. Ingers and Humphreys outfit were found dead in their cabin yesterday. They had caught the Indians the day before killing a steer belonging to the herd being held for delivery at Pine Ridge and they threatened to report the depredators to the agent and this so exasperated the Indians that they made threats which it seems were carried into execution several hours later. It is hardly probable that any general trouble will follow and people about the agency are not alarmed.

Omaha, Feb. 4.—The story of the trouble leading to the killing of the whites, as near as can be learned, is that on Thursday, a number of cowboys belonging at the beef camp of Isaac Humphreys a government contractor, twenty-five miles north of Pine Ridge, returning from town drunk during the evening mistreated an Indian named Two Sticks, finally driving him from camp and firing revolvers at him. Two Sticks returned later at night with a number of friends and commenced a deadly fire on the cow boy camp, killing three and mortally wounding the fourth man who has since died.

From The Ladies Of The Library.

The Astoria Public Library announces itself at home in its new quarters, which the Association has leased for a term of two years. The room is in the new Page building on Genevieve street between Third and Fourth streets. It is light, warm and accessible. The personal belongings of this institution have never been brought before the eye of the general public. The bookcases were made by Liddicoat & Cribb and are very neat and an admirable piece of cabinet work. They are fitted with sliding glass doors and adjustible shelves. The books are carefully protected from dust and exposure and are of excellent finish inside and out. The Library was opened last June with four hundred and fifty books. They now own eight hundred and sixty, with many magazines which the Association are arranging to have bound. This is a fine showing for a little over a half a year's work. That the advantages of the Library have been appreciated by some at least of the readers of our city, is shown by the librarian's report for December, which states that four hundred and eighteen volumes were taken out during that month. The reading tables built by Douglas, are in the most approved fashion to best serve the use of the reader. The Astorian, Examiner, Herald, and Detroit Free Press are donated to the institution. There are also the latest and best periodicals published in the United States. If there is one institution above another, best calculated to give pleasure and benefit to everybody, it is the public library, and every citizen of Astoria should feel a personal interest in the success of this one—such an interest as should lead them to devise ways and means to assist. Let us name just a few of the ways: Pay a yearly subscription. It is only three dollars for a whole year's use of the contents of the library. This rate is just half what is charged in other cities for the same privileges, and the business can not be run without money. Leave lists of good books for the convenience of the committee who are always glad of help in that direction. Good advice is always well received. They may not always follow your advice (the directors are women, you know) but straws tell the direction of the current and yours might be just the right straw. Advertise it by asking all your neighbors if they belong. Drum it up, as it were. Encourage the directors. Do some of all these things. The story was for several years, "What, no library!" A town of eight thousand people and no library! Why don't some one start one? My! What a dead town!" A company of fifteen ladies did start one, they received no salary, nor had they any selfish motives in their work. They have been faithfully but quietly working for some time now, and the result is before the city. Let every one see for themselves what has been accomplished. The directors have long desired to make the reading room of the library free and have decided, as their present quarters are so much more commodious than the old ones, to extend the freedom of the reading room to the general public. The present rates for the use of the library are, yearly subscribers, $3, monthly subscribers 50 cents, reading room for papers and magazines, free. Books only reserved for subscribers. The directors will be glad when the city can take upon itself the expenses of running the library, and it can be made a city institution. They would be glad to work with the city to bring about this end. There will be a book reception at the libitry rooms on Thursday afternoon and evening from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9. Your card of admission will be either a book or its equivalent in money. The afternoon reception is for ladies. The evening for ladies and gentlemen. Refreshments will be served and an informal musicale will be given. It is desired that this may be a general house warming and book case filling affair, for we have house room for fifteen hundred books, and have up to date, only eight hundred and sixty, so come and see us and bring along your book. We wish as directors to extend our very hearty thanks to many of the business firms of the city for very generous favors shown us, especially during the last week, in helping us to beautify our new rooms. Thanks are due C. H. Cooper for curtains for our windows, Heilborn & Co. for fittings for same, Mr. Allen, decorative painter, who will letter the show windows as soon as the weather permits, Messrs. Griffin & Reed for pictures, Mr. Ferguson for map of Astoria, Mr. Strauss for pictures, Mrs. Stokes for screen. For kindly assistance in moving, we thank Mr. Tee and Mr. Will Sherman, Mr. McTavish and men, and Elmore, Sanborn & Co. for truck and men. If any other business men desire to send in something to beautify and add to the comfort of the room, it will be very heartily appreciated. Will The Astorian also accept the thanks of the directors for courtesies extended?

From the Lady Directors of the Astoria Public Library.

VICTIM OF A FIEND

A Resident of Scio Kills His Wife and Himself.

JEALOUSLY WAS THE CAUSE

He Waited for Her Return From a Ball With An Axe, a Shotgun and a Revolver.

Associated Press.

West Scio, Or., Feb. 4.—Otto Serfling, a farmer living near this city shot and killed his wife this morning and then killed himself by sending a bullet through his own brain. The couple had only been married about one year. The woman was Serfling's third wife. The deed is supposed to have been prompted by jealousy. The family had been to a party in the neighborhood and on their return home the husband called his wife into a room and after the exchange of some words committed the deed.

Albany, Or., Feb. 4.—The coroner left for the scene about noon. About a year ago Serfling was married to Mrs. Lydia Johnson, in Portland, Mr. Serfling being her fifth husband, and she being his third wife. They did not live happily together and Mrs. Serfling packed her trunk a few weeks ago and left for Portland, but he followed her and induced her to return. She again threatened to leave him yesterday and last night a party was held at the residence of neighboring friends named Mespelt. Serfling went early in the evening and later Mrs. Serfling and a son and daughter of Mr. Serfling followed. Three other sons were also present when Mrs. Serfling entered Serfling was playing cards. He arose, whispered something to his wife and then went home. Mrs. Serfling remained until about 2:30 this morning. When she returned home, while the lamps were being lighted in the sitting room Mrs. Serfling went into the bedroom. Serfling was waiting, sitting in a chair, and had evidently been there all night. Beside him was a shotgun and an axe and he held a revolver in his hand. Without warning, before she had taken off her vail he shot his wife three times with the revolver in the head and then shot himself. The neighbors and those attending the party were called in, and they found a daughter of Mrs. Serfling who hadb ecome frightened at the shooting and had run to the barn. Serfling left a letter dated February 4th, stating that he intended to kill himself and wife and left directions as to the disposition of his property. The letter contained very abusive language towards his wife and some of his children. Mrs. Serfling was a comely woman and both were aged about fifty years. She had been trying to induce him to transfer his money to her. He was in Albany about a month ago and had his will drawn leaving his property to his children. He remarked that he proposed to kill himself on account of the trouble with his wife.

SHALL WE ANNEX?

The Commissioners Have Interviewed Secretary Foster.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The first interview between Secretary Foster and the Hawaiian annexation commissioners was held in the diplomatic parlor of the state department this morning between 10 and 1 and lasted half an hour. The interview closed with an engagement to meet again at 3 o'clock. Commissioner Thurston was asked whether their reception by Secretary Foster had been satisfactory. He replied "Quite so." Of details, however, he could not speak. Other members of the commission united with Thurston in expressing much satisfaction over the manner of their reception.

The second interview between the Hawaiian annexation commission and the secretary of state was held at the state department at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It was even shorter than the conference this morning and quite as unproductive of results. There was some informal talk over the annexation proposition and this was concluded by an agreement that Secretary Foster should again meet the commissioners on Tuesday morning next for a more extended conference. The commissioners intimate that they feel much encouraged so far.

The Star says that the most important developments in Hawaiian matters today is the official announcement that all the governments, including Great Britain, have recognized the provisional government of Hawaii. It was heretofore supposed that the British government withheld any recognition of the new government in Hawaii, but that this is not the case is admitted today Secretary of State Foster and Secretary Tracy.

SPIRITED AWAY FROM SCHOOL.

Oregon City, Feb. 4.—Ella Dicken, a young girl about fifteen years old, has mysteriously disappeared from this place. She came in from the country last week to attend school. She disappeared from her boarding house last Monday and was supposed to have returned to her home in the country. But it was learned today that she had not been home since coming to town.

THE DAY AT SALEM.

Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—The senate today passed the bill creating the county of Lincoln. Lawton's bill for assessment and taxation was made a special order for Tuesday at 2 p. m.

The house adopted a memorial to congress for assistance to the Nicaragua canal. Matlock's World's Fair bill passed also Bingham's bill amending the election law.

The fight for a place on the state board of railroad commissioners grows hot and one of the candidates this evening finds a damage suit against him for $10,000. A commissioner is to be elected by the legislature and G. W. Colvig one of the present commissioners and candidate for reelection sues Sol Abrahams of Roseburg, for damages for something alleged to have been said by Abrahams derogatory to Colvig's character.

THE WEATHER IN PORTLAND.

Portland, Or., Feb. 4.—The weather all over the northwest has moderated during the past twenty-four hours, but the snow is still falling at intervals. The Union Pacific rotary plow came through tonight and left again eastbound, followed by the limited fast mail. Four trains held at Bonneville are expected hereat 2 a. m. The most of the electric lines resumed business today inside the city. Suburban lines, however, are still blocked.

GRAY HAS DECLINED.

New York, Feb. 4.—A Herald's Washington dispatch says: "Senator Gray of Delaware, has declined the offer of the secretaryship of state which was tendered him by Cleveland through Don M. Dickinson, on Thursday, preferring to remain in the senate. He had already declined the offer of attorney general It is said that Dickinson and Judge Gresham both declined the premiership..

CHARGED WITH KIDNAPING.

Portland, Or., Feb. 4.—David M. West, a deputy United States marshall from Seattle, was arraigned in the circuit court today on a charge of kidnaping Fue Gam, a Chinese woman, the wife of Lee Wing, of this city. West plead not guilty and his hearing was set for Friday. West was released on twenty-five hundred dollars bonds.

MRS. WHITNEY DEAD.

New York, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Wm. C. Whitney, wife of ex Secretary of the Navy Whitney, died at 1:25 this Sunday morning.

NOT HEARD FROM YET.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 4.—At 1 a. m. this Sunday morning, the steamship City of Peking had not put in an appearance.

OUR DAILY MARINE COLUMN

The steamer Alliance which left up for Portland at 7 o'clock this morning, was unable to penetrate the ice and returned to her moorings here at 1 o'clock. The Wilmington, which left later, has not returned, and was probably successful as she has an iron hull.

The missing Peking is an iron four-masted steamer. Her engines are compressed, and there are four cylinders of 31, 38, and 54 inches. Her horse power is given at 1000, but it is said that she can easily work away beyond that with safety. Her machinery was repaired and renewed in port just before she left here for Yokohama on the present trip out. It is thought that a weak bolt or something of the kind may have been overlooked, and if so this may have something to do with her delay.

Among the anxious people making inquiries in San Francisco, are many Chinese, who have friends and relatives aboard. Others are white people specially interested in different ways in the passengers and crew. The Peking has a valuable cargo of silks and teas aboard, and merchants, both Chinese and Americans, are interested in her.

A flurry was caused on the floor of the San Francisco Exchange when a cablegram was made public property announcing that 10 per cent would be paid for reinsurance on the overdue vessel. Nobody wanted any of it on account of the figures, but a great deal of curiosity was displayed as to the source of the offer. It came from two of the big English companies, who have respectively 10,000 pounds and 15,000 pounds worth of risks on the valuable freight. If they raise their offer today or tomorrow the speculators will jump at it.

The tactics of the Sailors' Union in starting a boarding house in San Francisco and taking in all sailors that can be found willing to join them has had the effect of making non-union sailors a scarce commodity. Three vessels had non-union crews put on board and considerable difficulty was experienced by the shipping masters in getting the men.

Yesterday these vessels, the bark Helen W. Almy, bound for the Gilbert Islands, the barkentine Quickstep, for Port Blakeley, and the bark C. B. Bryant, for Honolulu sailed on their respective voyages. This afternoon the shipowners will hold another meeting to perfect a permanent organization for mutual protection in the shipping of coasting sailors. It was reported Friday that one of the steam cocks on the British steam collier Bawnmore had been tampered with, which was the cause of the steamer returning to San Francisco after sailing for Nanaimo. The officers of the Bawnmore are witnesses at Nanaimo in the cases of several union sailors who attacked and took the non-union crew out of the steamer on her last trip north, and it is claimed that an effort is being made to detain them in California.

The little steamer La Camas, says the Pacific Journal, will soon be taken off the route between Ilwaco and Astoria, to have a new engine and boiler put in. The machinery has arrived in Portland from the East, and will be down as soon as possible. The Astoria Iron Works will do the work, and in the meantime arrangements have been made to have the steamer Dispatch continue on the route until the La Camas is in condition to run.

The steamer Dispatch, Captain Dillon, broke her mooring lines yesterday morning at Ilwaco, at 1 a. m., during the gale and drifted broadside on the beach. Efforts were made at noon, high tide to haul her off but were unsuccessful. Another trial will be made at next high tide.