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THE LEADING HOUSE OF ASTORIA

LAWMAKERS WERE BUSY

Many Matters of Importance Acted Upon by Both Legislative Branches.

PILOTAGE BILL PASSES

Spirited Debate Took Place When It Came Up, But It Went Through the Senate.

TWO NEW FISH MEASURES

One Consolidates All Present Fishing Laws and the Other Provides for the Protection of Sturgeon.

SALEM, Oct. 12.—The house this afternoon passed seven bills and one joint resolution. Smith's bill, requiring the sinking of a discovery shaft at least 10 feet deep in 90 days after the posting of a notice of the discovery of a mining claim, passed the house. Fordney's bill, fixing the time for the holding of the terms of court in the Eighth judicial district, passed, as did also Curtis' bill amending Hill's code so as to make the governor qualify the second Monday in January.

Whitney's bill, abolishing the state board of railway commissioners, passed. This bill is the same as that of Daly, of Lake, which has already received the signature of the executive, with the exception that it further contains the emergency clause. By its passage the state will save about \$250 in salaries.

Stanley's bill, appropriating \$15,000 for the reimbursement of subscribers to the Omaha exposition fund, similar in every respect to Hazell's senate bill, passed by a vote of 21 to 22.

The ways and means committee in the senate reported back the senate bill providing for the payment of expenses of the Oregon commission at Omaha and carrying an appropriation of \$18,000. The same was tabled.

The house concurrent resolution, providing for the inspection of the state normal schools, after being tabled, was recalled by Senator Mulkey, who offered an amendment, providing for a sub-committee of five from the committee on ways and means to visit and investigate the state normal school and colleges and report, said report having the force of a report from the full committee. The amendment was adopted and the resolution as amended was passed.

The house bill to regulate the carrying of sheep by express was called up by Senator Mitchell and passed.

The senate joint message by Fulton to congress, appealing for national legislation in behalf of the veterans of the Cayuse and other Indian wars, was read and adopted unanimously.

The house bill repealing the act creating a state board of railroad commissioners, with an emergency clause, under suspension of the rules, passed unanimously.

Curtis' bill, consolidating all fishing laws, passed the house, and went to the senate, where it was referred to the fisheries committee.

Senator Mackay's pilotage bill came up in the senate for third reading and a spirited debate took place on an amendment to refer it to the regular session. The amendment was lost by a vote of 20 to 9, one member being absent.

The house passed Curtis' sturgeon bill this evening. It prohibits the catching of sturgeon under four feet in length, and fishing with Chinese sturgeon lines; also creates a close season from March 1 to November 1.

The committee on judiciary to which was referred the Butt's bill creating the supreme court commissioners, reported adversely, and the matter was indefinitely postponed, which practically kills the bill for this session.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 12.—Now that the American Tobacco Company controls the Drummond plant, it is making ready for a big fight against all independent factories. A reduction of ten cents a pound in the leading brand manufactured by the Drummond company will be announced in a day or two.

When it became assured that the American company would buy out Drummond, a 10 per cent cut was made by Liggett & Myers. Up in a month ago the two St. Louis concerns were allied against the American Tobacco Company and jointly met every reduction that was made by the American.

Just prior to the passage of the inter-

nal revenue bill increasing the tax on tobacco, both of the St. Louis companies raised the price on their goods so as to cover the additional tax and during the pendency of the negotiations to form the Continental Tobacco Company, the fight between the independent factories and the American company was stopped. Now it is on again and it promises to be more bitter than ever.

The new conditions place the Drummond cigarettes, which have been used as a club on the American company, in opposition to the production of the Liggett & Myers Company.

WITHIN THE WALLS OF MORRO CASTLE. Samuel Ensign Returns to Rockford After Being Thirteen Years a Prisoner—A Story of Suffering.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Oct. 12.—Samuel Ensign, an engineer of the old-time Racine & Mississippi railroad, and a resident of this city for many years, was returned, old and broken in health, with a sad story of imprisonment and suffering in Cuba.

When Ensign left Rockford he went to Cuba, where he obtained a situation as an engineer in a sugar refinery. One night Ensign, with two fellow workmen, resisted an assault made upon a native woman by Spanish soldiers. The next morning, Ensign says, all were taken prisoners to Havana, where they were placed in Morro Castle. One of the men died in seven months and the other lived two years.

For thirteen years and five months, Ensign alleges, he was confined in the castle, allowed to speak to no one and only to walk through a corridor 24 feet long for recreation. At the expiration of that time he was taken out to work, with a ball and chain on his ankle, constructing a plaza. At that he worked five years. He became friendly with the priests and attendants in a neighboring monastery and one night was spirited away and placed on a man-of-war that finally landed him in Mexico. When placed in prison Ensign claims he had certificates of deposit to the amount of \$500 and \$100 in money, none of which was returned to him.

VAST AREAS DESTROYED BY GREAT FOREST FIRES. More Than Eleven Billion Feet of Public Timber Burned—Sheep Grazers' Trespassing Causes Much Loss.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—The annual report of Land Commissioner Hermann estimates that over 11,000,000,000 feet of public timber has been destroyed by fire during the past 15 years. The report says forest fires form the main subject for attention at the land office, now threatening, as they do, not only the growing forests, but forest lands, the productiveness of which it retards indefinitely. The direct effect on the flow of streams and dependent agricultural possibilities the report continues, also must be considered.

Moreover, the loss has been wholly without compensation, for none of the timber has gone to develop the country, and local interests have been benefited as largely as in the case of forest cutting. The matter is clearly one demanding, from an economic standpoint, measures proportionate to the issues involved.

Sheep grazing is another difficulty in administering to some of the preserves, and special efforts have been directed toward finding particular regions of which the conditions demand the exclusion of sheep, and to determine the nature of the restrictions regulating sheep grazing in such regions. During the year 355 cases of trespass on public lands were reported, involving public timber and its products to the value of \$26,152, recoverable to the government.

CUNNINGHAM INDICTED BY THE GRAND JURY. The Pendleton Murderer Appears in Court Friendless and Penless—One Indictment Charges Murder.

PENDLETON, Oct. 12.—Cunningham, the principal in the recent shooting affair here in which Oliver Young was murdered and Mrs. J. J. Worcester wounded for life, was today indicted by the grand jury, which returned two indictments, one for the murder of Young, and the other for shooting Mrs. Worcester. The first charges murder in the second degree. He appeared in court without an attorney, and said he had no funds nor any friends able to employ one for him. Judge Lowell appointed Thomas Fitzgerald to defend. Cunningham has not yet pleaded to the indictment, but will enter a plea tomorrow.

AN EDUCATED BURGLAR. KANSAS CITY, Oct. 12.—Frank R. Mason, a graduate of West Point, pleaded guilty to burglary today and was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. He is 46 years old, and was arrested for stealing a watch from a house.

SAILORS FOR DEWEY. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—On the Gaelic, which has sailed for Hong Kong, were 40 sailors for Dewey. They were in charge of Lieutenant Commander Lombard, and are destined for the Culgoa, one of the vessels captured by Dewey from the Spaniards.

FIGHT WAS DESPERATE

Union and Negro Miners Clash at Virden, Ill., With Awful Loss of Life.

EIGHT MEN WERE KILLED

Train Bearing Imported Negroes Fired Upon by Union Men and the Fire Was Returned.

MINE OWNERS ARE TO BLAME

Imported Men Were Criminals and the Coal Companies Were Warned Not to Bring Them to the Mines.

VIRDEN, Ill., Oct. 12.—The little town of Virden is comparatively quiet tonight, after a day of riot and bloodshed brought about by the long expected clash between union miners and imported negroes.

At 12:40 this afternoon a Chicago & Alton special train, bearing 20 negro miners from the south, arrived at the stockade around the Chicago-Virden Coal Company's mines, and immediately a terrific battle began. The list at 10 o'clock tonight stands 8 dead and 15 wounded.

The dead are: EDWARD WELCH, of Springfield, FRANK BILYEAU, of Springfield, ALBERT SMITH, of Mount Olive, JOE KITTERLY, of Mount Olive, ERNEST KEUTNER, of Mount Olive, A. H. BRENNEMAN, of Girard, D. P. KILEY, a Chicago & Alton detective.

TOM PRESTON, of Chicago, it is said six men were wounded inside the stockade, but this has not been verified, and those inside the stockade refuse to communicate with outsiders.

For the past two weeks, rumors have reached Virden daily that a train having negroes from Alabama would reach the city and the Chicago & Alton depot has been surrounded day and night by vigilant miners, determinedly awaiting their arrival.

Today the Chicago & Alton limited, due to pass here at 10 o'clock, shot through on route to Chicago, an hour late, displaying flags on the rear, indicating that a special was following. Immediately the work was spread, and a dense crowd of miners lined the station platform, while another crowd collected at the entrance of the stockade, half a mile north of the station. D. B. Kiley, a Chicago & Alton detective, stood guard at the switch at the south end of the platform to see that it was not tampered with.

At 12:30 the special train passed and signal shots were fired from the south end of the train, announcing the special's arrival. Immediately shots were fired from the moving train and the outside, and the battle was on. A few moments after the train had passed the switch where Kiley was stationed, and while he was talking with two citizens, he threw up his arms and dropped dead, with a bullet through his brain. He was the first man killed. The train continued to the stockade, the miners firing into it all along the route, and the negro passengers returning the fire. The moment the train reached the stockade the miners opened a desperate fire with Winchester, revolvers and firearms of all descriptions. The negroes on the train answered with a steady fire.

Engineer Burt Tigar received a bullet in the arm and dropped from his seat. His fireman seized the throttle, pulled it open, and with a jerk the train was under speed, carrying the load of negro passengers to Springfield.

The tower of the stockade was filled with sharpshooters, armed with Winchesters, and they kept up a steady fire into the crowd of union miners.

SHOT BY THE MILITIA. VIRDEN, Ill., Oct. 12.—A detail of militia at 10:30 tonight killed ex-Lieutenant of Police Tom Preston of Chicago, at the stockade. He was standing outside the stockade as guard. The militia gave the bystanding miners a command to halt, and Preston stepped back to the gate. The militia fired and he was shot in the stomach.

MINE OWNERS TO BLAME. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 12.—In an interview with Governor Tanner this evening regarding the Virden riot, he said: "T. C. Louke, president, and Mr. Luken, superintendent, of the Virden Coal Company, today made good their threats to land a train load of imported laborers from the south, and attempted to put them to work in their mines at the point of the bayonet and the muzzle of Winchester, such laborers being drawn largely, if not entirely from the criminal class—ex-convicts, who learned their

trade while doing time in the penitentiaries of Alabama—after having been fully advised and having full knowledge that the landing of such imported laborers would precipitate a riot. I have wired them that, if they brought these imported laborers, they did so at their own peril. Instantly on learning of the trouble I directed Adjutant General Reese to order Captain Craig, of the Gatesburg battery, and one company of the 60th of Veterans' regiment, now stationed at Pana, to proceed at once by the quickest route to the scene of the trouble. General Reese accompanied Captain Craig, and I have instructed General Reese to quell the riot and maintain order, protect life and property, to disarm all persons bearing arms, and to not allow imported laborers to unload from any train within the city limits, nor to march in a body.

"These avaricious mine owners have so far forgotten their duty to security as to bring about this riot upon the fair name of our state. And I say now to such and all others that this is a thing of the past; that it shall not be tolerated in Illinois while I am governor. These men, the president and officers of this company, who participated in this riot by bringing in imported labor, are guilty of murder, and should be, and I believe will be, indicted by the grand jury."

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BRAZILIAN REPUBLIC. Oregon and Other Warships Ordered to Be Present at the Inauguration of the First President.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—The navy department has sent instructions to Captain Barker of the battleship Oregon, senior officer of the squadron under orders to proceed to Honolulu, to be at Rio, Brazil, on November 15, to participate in the celebration of the establishment of the Brazilian republic and the inauguration of the first president of that country.

This action was taken on the notification of the Brazilian legation here of the approach of the important event. The Oregon, Iowa, Iris, Celtic and Scandia will sail tomorrow, the Barnabardens having preceded the squadron. The Sterling sailed today from Hampton Roads for Montevideo.

DECIDED AGAINST TOWNE. DENVER, Oct. 12.—Judge Butler in the district court today decided that Charles A. Towne, chairman of the national silver republican committee, had no authority to remove Richard Broad from the chairmanship of the state committee for Colorado, and that the Broad faction of the party was entitled to the same name and emblem on the ballot. The Teller silver republicans, who fused on the nominations with democrats and populists, will carry the case to the supreme court. The committee of the middle of the road populists to fill vacancies on the state ticket has chosen Judge James Glynn, of Leadville, as the candidate for governor in place of Simon Guggenheim, who declined.

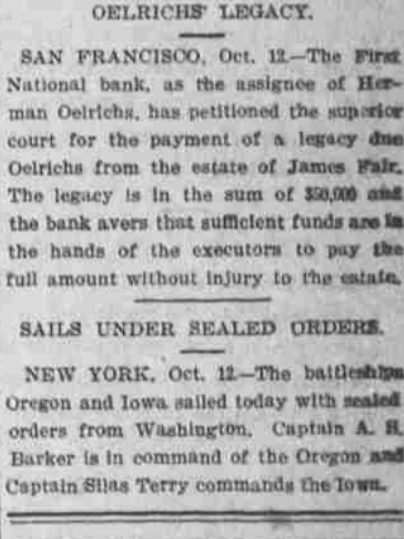
CUBAN RAILWAY EXTENSION. WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—Secretary Alger will recommend to congress that the existing railway system in Cuba be extended so as to form a line running directly from Cape Mayal at the east end of the island to Cape Antonio on the western extremity.

RESUMED JURISDICTION. MANILA, Oct. 12.—In accordance with a general order of the military governor, all the Spanish civil courts within the Philippine territory now subject to American control, have resumed the exercise of their jurisdiction subject to the supervision of the American military government, which reserves the exclusive right to exercise criminal jurisdiction.

OELRICHS' LEGACY. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—The First National bank, as the assignee of Herman Oelrichs, has petitioned the superior court for the payment of a legacy due Oelrichs from the estate of James Fair. The legacy is in the sum of \$50,000 and the bank avers that sufficient funds are in the hands of the executors to pay the full amount without injury to the estate.

SAILS UNDER SEALED ORDERS. NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The battleship Oregon and Iowa, sailed today with sealed orders from Washington. Captain A. H. Barker is in command of the Oregon and Captain Elias Terry commands the Iowa.

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