

TWO GIRLS KILLED AND MANY HURT IN FACTORY FIRE

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 17.—Two girls were killed and seven seriously injured in a fire today in the Imperial underwear factory. Two hundred girls were employed in the building, and a panic ensued when the alarm was sounded. Florence Walros was caught in the burning building and perished. Marie Buckley, with a number of others who jumped from the fire escape, broke her neck. All the injured were burned and they are suffering from broken limbs and internal injuries. The fire is supposed to have started from the upsetting of a stove in the warehouse of the Economy Furniture Company in the basement of the same building. The firemen did great work in the rescue. The property loss is \$75,000.

one of the proprietors of the Franklin house in this city, was convicted tonight of violation of the local option liquor law. He was tried in Justice Porter's court and the jury was out six hours.

Weather Prediction.
Portland, Jan. 17.—Western Oregon and Western Washington—Rain tonight and Saturday; variable winds, mostly westerly.

Chicago Wheat Market.
Chicago, Jan. 17.—May, \$1.04 3/4; July, 99 3/4; September, 95 3/4.

A movement has been started in Massachusetts to make former Governor William L. Douglas the nominee of the democratic party for vice-president.

ALBANY BLIND PIGGER FOUND GUILTY BY JURY
Albany, Jan. 16.—Louis Kroschel,

At an Eagles' banquet in Poodleton a dozen 'possums' shipped from Missouri were served.

TIGHTENING NET OF IRRATIONALITY AROUND THAW

New York, Jan. 17.—The defense in the Thaw case today continued building up an ever tightening net of irrationality around the man accused of the murder of Stanford White.

Two important witnesses at the morning session were Miss Alice Fletcher, a life time friend of the Thaw family, and Miss Catherine O'Neill, who nursed Thaw during six years of his childhood. Both declared him to have been an irrational youth, and told many incidents which led them to the conclusion.

Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw was called to the stand just before noon, but was withdrawn a moment later to make way for other witnesses.

INVESTIGATION OF GOLDFIELD TROUBLE

Washington, Jan. 17.—Application for congressional investigation of the Goldfield, Nev., mining trouble has been received by the house committee

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POPE PIUS SUFFERING FROM ATTACK OF GOUT
Rome, Jan. 17.—Owing to an attack of the gout the pope is reluctantly obliged to suspend audiences.

MASONIC TEMPLE AT BALTIMORE BURNS DOWN
Baltimore, Jan. 17.—The Masonic Temple on North Charles street was gutted by fire early today. The loss was \$250,000.

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Her health for several years. Her husband is a financier and retired from active business a year ago.

New York, Jan. 17.—Mrs. Sears' body was terribly crushed. She was temporarily insane, and prior to the beginning of her mental trouble which resulted in her suicide occupied a social position of prominence in Boston. She came to New York nine days ago to seek medical treatment. Her physician left her last night and she was then apparently in a normal condition. She left a letter to her husband the contents of which are not known. She was aged 37 years.

EDWARD PUTNAM TESTIFIES IN HALL TRIAL

FOSSIL STOCKMAN ONLY WITNESS IN LAND-GRABBING TRIAL AT PORTLAND THIS MORNING—LETTERS SHOW HALL FAMILIAR WITH OPERATIONS OF BUTTE CREEK LAND CO.

Portland, Jan. 17.—Edward Putnam, a stockman of Fossil, was the only witness at this morning's session of the trial of Hall and Steiwer. He identified masses of letters which passed between him and Hall and others to show that Hall was familiar with the operations of the Butte Creek Land Company. The prosecution will contend that these letters should have been acted upon by Hall and that he should have prosecuted the alleged land grabbers. The defense will contend that the letters of Hall and Mays show they asked Putnam to keep them informed and to take the matter up with the special agents of the land office.

In his opening address in the Hall-Mays conspiracy trial yesterday Francis J. Heney charged that:
Hall wanted re-appointment as United States district attorney and sought election of Senators Mitchell and Fulton to that end.
He forced State Senator W. W. Steiwer to vote for Fulton in February, 1906, by threatening Steiwer and others with criminal prosecution (Hall then being United States district attorney) for illegally fencing of public lands.
Fulton was a party to this deal with Steiwer and used his influence in Steiwer's behalf to cause Hall to institute civil proceedings against Steiwer instead of criminal.
Brownell wanted to succeed Hall and had pledged of support from

JAPAN BROKE AND HOPELESSLY IN DEBT

London, Jan. 16.—England is daily giving evidence of her fear for the future of Japan. Statesmen say the combined political and financial problem confronting the mikado's country has suddenly loomed up as a menacing force, and that few persons who have not seen Japan's balance sheet appreciate the imminent danger.

Events of the past few days have shown the world how threatening the situation really is. One thing seems certain, and that is that there will be no war talk on the part of Japan—that is, for a long time to come. Even by the most careful figuring and the best management the British states-

CASE FINED \$400 AND GIVEN 60 DAYS IN JAIL

HEAVY PENALTY FOR COTTAGE GROVE BOOZE-SELLER WHO PLEADED GUILTY TO FOUR CHARGES AGAINST HIM—ANOTHER ARREST AT COTTAGE GROVE

C. C. Case, who pleaded guilty in the justice court to the charge of running a blind pig in Cottage Grove, was sentenced early this afternoon by Judge Bryson to sixty days in jail and to pay a fine of \$400, which is \$100 on each charge against him. Case says that he will not pay his fine, but will rather serve his time in jail at two dollars a day.

The penalty is a heavy one, and unless part of the fine is paid Case will lie in jail the best part of a year, 260 days altogether. The man seems to take his sentence philosophically. He pleaded guilty probably on the supposition that he would get a lighter sentence.

SUFFRAGISTS OF LONDON JAILED FOR DISORDER

London, Jan. 17.—The arrival of the ministers at Downing street today to attend the first meeting of the cabinet before the assembling of parliament was made the occasion of a public demonstration by the woman suffragists. There was a large force of police on hand, but some of the women managed to get inside of the residence of Premier Campbell-Bannerman and five arrests were made before order was restored. The suffragists refused to give securities for their good behavior, and were sent to prison for three weeks.

NEW LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS AT WALTERVILLE

WALTERVILLE LODGE NO. 203 INSTITUTED LAST NIGHT—34 MEMBERS

A new lodge of Odd Fellows was instituted at WALTERVILLE last night with 34 charter members and several more in sight. The officers elected are as follows: C. C. Campbell, noble grand; O. M. Stacy, vice grand; L. Millen, secretary; Josephus Farnham, treasurer; Tom Carnoy, R. S. N. G.; Charles Jennings, L. S. N. G.; Guy Lane, warden; L. R. Millen, conductor; O. F. Stacey, R. S. S.; J. Holmes, L. S. S.; Peter Ascher, L. G.; Pleasant Hartwig, O. G.; Zara A. Potter, R. S. V. G.; C. L. Inman, L. S. V. G. The chaplain will be chosen among the new recruits.

The name and number of the new organization is WALTERVILLE LODGE NO. 203. W. M. Green, of Spencer Butte lodge No. 9, was the installing officer, and besides him N. B. Sandish, F. A. Rankin and M. O. Fuller attended from the Eugene lodge. About 30 went up from Springfield, several from Crow and one from Colfax.



BRIGADIER GENERAL JAMES ALLEN.
Head of United States army signal corps who was a figure at the recent aeronautics congress and who is in charge of army experiments in air navigation.

Mitchell and Fulton. Hall forced Brownell to retire and so to notify Mitchell and Fulton, by threatening Brownell with prosecution for acknowledging forged land papers, for which Brownell was later indicted through Heney.
Hall threatened Hermann, Williamson and Mitchell with land-fraud indictment if they did not secure his reappointment.
Hall had agreement with Steiwer, Zachary and Hendricks by which he allowed them to maintain their illegal tenets, this being the alleged conspiracy.

CASE AGAINST WALKER IS DISMISSED

San Francisco, Jan. 17.—Upon motion of Assistant District Attorney Cook, Superior Judge Dunn today dismissed the charge of embezzlement against David F. Walker, president of the wrecked California Safe Deposit & Trust Company, in connection with the disappearance from the bank of the Colton estate securities, valued at \$295,000.

Chief of Police Farrington ran three hobos out of town this morning after having accommodated them with excellent quarters in jail last night. The chief states that the tramp traffic is much lighter than several weeks ago, the cold winter driving the box car travelers south.

The two governors, E. P. Noyes of Mississippi, and J. Franklin Fort of New Jersey, will take office next week.

January Specials

This is an economizing opportunity of the season. We are determined to make business. We name prices on dependable Dry Goods that are irresistible. It's a price cutting and great stock reducing event of the year. The profit is yours, give us the cost of our goods, we ask no more.

Embroidery Special

5000 yards new dainty embroideries worth from 12½c to 20c a yard, **Friday and Saturday** entire lot on sale **8c** at the yard



LADIES' PERCALE WRAPPER SPECIAL

Entire line of Percale Wrappers worth \$1.25 to \$1.75 on sale at each **80c**

GENTS' HAT SPECIAL

\$3.00 Hats in brown or black, all sizes on sale at each **50c**

FUR SPECIAL

The lowest price of the season on **Furs**
\$2.00 neck pieces each **\$1.20**



Ladies' Long Coat Special

Ladies' \$7.00, \$8.00 and \$10 full length coats on sale at each **\$5**

Hampton Bros.

Where Cash Beats Credit

Children's \$3.00 Red & Gray Coats **\$2.00**

\$1.50 Silk Special **88c**