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OUTBREAK GETTING SERIOUS

Ladrones Starting an Insurrection

Slavery Under the Stars and Stripes

Girls Bought and Sold in Manila

Manila, Feb. 11.—The outbreak of Ladrones in the north of Luzon is growing in magnitude and now threatens to surpass anything of this character since the original revolution. It is stated that this is probably the beginning of a new insurrection, owing to the widespread character of the disturbance.

The trouble is giving an excuse for brigands of the district to ply their trade with impunity. Several of these have been arrested, but in each case they claim to be insurgents thus hoping to escape the severe punishment meted out to bandits. Numerous commands are patrolling the districts. Two girls have been sold into slavery by the George Torres, both bringing 250 pesos. The thirteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States prohibits slavery but the flag continues to float over slavery in these islands. Girls can be bought in the provinces for insignificant sums, especially when the parents are in debt, and a number of human vultures in Manila make a business of buying and selling girls.

WEDNESDAY'S DISPATCHES SUMMARIZED

Strikes are causing serious trouble in Spain.

The entire republic of Guatemala is in a state of siege according to dispatches received this morning.

The announcement was made today that the foreign office expects the Venezuelan protocol to be signed today.

Owing to the threatened war in Central America, Admiral Glass has sailed from San Francisco for that region with his entire squadron.

It is estimated that one million dollars will be required to tide the famine-stricken Swedes over until Spring. The Governor of Kansas appeals to the people of that state in their behalf.

Senate this afternoon agreed to the report conference committee on the department of commerce labor bill. The measure now goes to the president for his signature.

BALKAN STATES RESTLESS

Trouble Brewing For The Sick Man

Constantinople, Feb. 11.—The Balkan states bordering upon Turkey are on the eve of revolt. Bulgaria is backing Macedonia and Russia is standing behind Bulgaria. All officers of the Russian reserves have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to join their regiments. The Sultan denies that he is mobilizing troops but none of the powers believe him.

PORTLAND CRIMP OUTRAGES

Will be Prosecuted to the Limit

Leader of Gang arrested at Vancouver

Vancouver, Wash., Feb. 13.—Charles Buren, the sailor missing from the British ship *Riversdale* at Portland, arrived in Vancouver last evening, accompanied by one of the White Brothers, of a Portland sailor boarding house.

Late in the evening White was arrested at the request of the Portland police. Buren was also held. The sailor seems to be in a very bad condition. His face shows evidence of a severe beating, and he is very sick. Shortly after his arrival he was taken to a barber shop and given a bath. Buren, White and another man accompanying them, are now in rooms in the Abbington building.

Portland, Feb. 13.—The crimp outrage of yesterday has roused the authorities. White, leader of the gang, was arrested for kidnaping at Vancouver, Wash., and he and Buren, the kidnapped sailor, badly beaten, were brought back to Portland.

The state, city and United States authorities are determined to break up the gangs which have made this port notorious the world over. United States Judge Bellinger and British Consul Laidlaw are determined to hold the captain of the *Riversdale* and sailors here to prosecute the case to the limit.

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COMMERCE TO BE REPRESENTED

Bill for New Department Passed

Cortelyou For New Cabinet Position

Washington, Feb. 12.—The Department of Commerce bill went signed by President Roosevelt until Attorney General Knox passes his approval early next week. The President will immediately appoint Cortelyou to the new cabinet position. William Loeb Jr., now assistant secretary will be promoted to Cortelyou's place.

The appointment of Cortelyou is a singular one inasmuch as it meets the hearty approval of both parties and comes solely as a recognition of great ability and tact.

GOOD BILL PASSED

All Executions to be at Penitentiary

Salem, Feb. 12.—The execution of all criminals hereafter will take place within the enclosure at the penitentiary. Senator Marsters bill covering the subject passed the House Wednesday evening by a practically unanimous vote. Having passed the Senate, the bill now awaits the signature of the governor. Since the measure carries no emergency clause it will not go into effect until 90 days after the approval of the bill.

THIS THING IS GETTING MONOTONOUS

Salem, Feb. 13.—There were no changes in today's ballot, which resulted in the following:

Fulton	33
Geer	16
Wood	16
Williams	17
Scattering	3
Absent	8

An Odd Custom. Babies in Japan are counted two years old the first New Year's day after their birth.

HELD UP THE TRAIN

Five Men Do The Job And Get Away

Conflicting Reports As To The Boodle

Five Thousand Dollars Reward

Butte, Mont., Feb. 12.—The Northern Pacific train was held up eight miles from here shortly after midnight. Two men, with lighted lanterns gave the danger signal. The train stopped, and the engineer and fireman were held up and compelled to uncouple the mail and express cars and run two miles. The robbers exploded dynamite. No details have been received from the scene of the explosion. A posse has gone in pursuit of the robbers.

The express car is currently believed to have contained a great amount of treasure, but the officials are reticent. The train was the Burlington express running over the Northern Pacific track. A posse from Deer Lodge with blood hounds have gone to the scene.

The Northern Pacific offers \$5,000 for the arrest and conviction of the entire gang or \$1,000 for each one.

The railway men say there were five in the gang.

There are conflicting reports as to the amount of money in the express car. The Messenger says the robbers could not get to exceed \$500; other sources considered authoritative, say at least \$5,000.

When the hold-up came the messenger threw one package behind a rack. The train men showed fight and the mail clerk was wounded. Division Superintendent Boyle was on the train and ran forward but was afraid to shoot for fear of hitting his own men in the darkness.

POPULAR EATING HOUSE DISABLED TEMPORARILY

Fire Department Conquers the Flames Before They do Great Damage

A fire in the Broiler last evening caused damage of probably considerably over \$100, and placed that popular eating house out of commission for the present. The fire started back of the range and was discovered by Frank Farrin, night cook, who endeavored to put it out with a bucket of water but soon saw it was useless and raised the alarm.

About 9:40 the fire alarm called out the fire department. The Hook & Ladder Company and the two hose companies were on the scene in a few minutes, but there was some delay in getting water onto the fire. The Hook & Ladder Company got into difficulties

with the telephone wires, which delayed them in getting their extension ladder to the roof. The fire was extinguished without difficulty.

The building, which belongs to Mrs. Hutchison, was somewhat damaged, and the dishes and kitchen fixtures of the Broiler badly smashed up, the range being somewhat demoralized in moving it out to get at the wall.

Geo. N. Farrin, proprietor of the restaurant, had gone home for the night and was not called. The loss to his business, outside of the first damage will be considerable.

It is fortunate that the fire got no more start as the nest of the old building is a bad firetrap.

GERMAN DEMANDS RECEIVED

Acceded to in Interest Of Peace

Blockade to be Raised By Allies.

Washington, Feb. 13.—According to instructions received from the German foreign office Minister Sternberg this morning formally demanded of Minister Bowen the payment from Venezuela of \$340,000, in 5 equal monthly instalments, the two first to become due two weeks after signing of the protocol.

Although Bowen considers the demand extortionate he will accede to it in the interests of peace. Germany agreeing with other allies to lift the blockade immediately upon signing of the protocol.

MAKES HEAVY TAXES

Present Legislature Breaks Record

Two and a half Millions Called for

Salem, Feb. 13.—Heavy taxation will be the result of the many appropriations of this legislature. The total expenditure of this session and the fixed expenses will probably exceed \$2,500,000.

Two years ago the amount for the same was \$1,795,000.91. The Ways and Means committee report next Monday will show total expenses of \$1,311,500.84, and this does not include special appropriations, such as the Lewis and Clark fair, portage railway, etc.

The total now in sight, including fixed expenses is \$2,300,167.84. Other appropriations are pending and some will be granted.

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