

CLEARINGS
Bank clearings today were
\$64,500.00.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER
Rain tonight.

FORTIETH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1911.

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SENATE IN TEST VOTE DEFIES PEOPLE

200 MEMBERS OF I. W. W. ENCAMPED NEAR ASHLAND; WERE THROWN OFF TRAIN

California Militia is Ordered in Readiness to Watch Them When State Line is Crossed—Special Southern Pacific Police Put Band Off Train.

Thrown off a freight train in Ashland this morning by special police in the employ of the Southern Pacific railroad, nearly 200 members of the Industrial Workers of the World are encamped just south of the city limits of Ashland awaiting a chance to proceed to Fresno, Cal., where they will join in the battle for industrial freedom in that city.

The men arrived in Ashland this morning and were warned off the train. So far they have not made a single hostile demonstration. The police are on guard against their entering the city.

A small landslide south of the city this morning gave rise to a report that the band had stopped a train and boarded it for the purpose of reaching California.

Militia in Readiness

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 17.—Two companies of the Second California infantry have been notified by Adjutant General Forbes that they may see service in connection with the refusal of the Industrial Workers of the World to leave Southern Pacific trains on which they are returning to California. Governor Johnson this afternoon notified General Forbes that he might be called upon at any time to order troops to intercept the Industrialists.

Forbes has Company A at Chico and Company B at Redding, two newly mustered companies. These men are under command of Major General W. H. White, who is in hourly communication with Forbes.

The adjutant general said he had received no intimation that unlawful acts had been committed, and said that he would wait until the sheriff of Siskiyou county and his posse had failed to suppress any disorders before the command would be given putting the troops on the move.

The progress of the Industrial Workers southward may not be checked in the Siskiyou country if the Siskiyou authorities show a disposition to let the invaders become a problem for Fresno. The militia will not take the field until an appeal shall come from the county authorities or from their officials.

General Forbes has a company of the Second regiment at Woodland, another company in formation at Willows, three companies and a troop of cavalry at Sacramento and companies C and K of the Second regiment at Fresno.

Criticism has been aroused at the capitol this afternoon by the apparent failure of the Oregon authorities to prevent the Workers' migration into California.

HOUSE VOTES BENNET DOWN

President Taft Takes Hand in Fight Personally—Resolution Provided for Annexation of Canada—Was Hugo Joke.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—The house committee on foreign affairs on President Taft's urgent request today voted down, 9 to 1, Congressman Bennett's two resolutions referring to Canadian annexation.

President Taft urged that the resolutions be killed in the hope of allaying the excitement in Canada and England caused by Champ Clark's annexation speech, and by Bennett's resolutions.

FRESNO SHERIFF IS READY FOR INVASION

FRESNO, Cal., Feb. 17.—Sixteen Industrial Workers of the World were started on the rock pile today by Sheriff McSwain. Anticipating the arrival of 200 Industrial Workers who are enroute to this city on a stolen Southern Pacific train, Sheriff McSwain this afternoon depleted the stock of hammers in local hardware stores and says he will put the invaders to work as fast as they arrive.

The Industrial Workers refuse to exert themselves at work and only occasionally swing their hammers against the rock piles.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Charges that the Associated Press in its London dispatches tried to suppress the facts of Champ Clark's annexation speech in the congress of the United States are made by the London Daily Express.

CAST HIS VOTE FROM STRETCHER

Former New York Legislator Testifies That Former Senator Offered Him Large Sum to Vote to Allow Racing—Voted From Stretcher.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Sworn testimony that former Senator Gardner had attempted to bribe him to vote against the Hughes anti-racing bill when he was a member of the legislature was given here today by Congressman Otto Foelker. The witness, when the vote on the bill was taken, was carried into the state senate on a stretcher and cast his ballot to kill racing.

RUSSIA MAY FORCE WAR

St. Petersburg Rumor Has It That March 1 Set as Limit of Negotiations—Bear Prepares for War on China.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.—It is semi-officially announced today that unless China yields to Russia's demands before March 1 an ultimatum will be sent.

Even a very enthusiastic advertisement of real estate is not often misleading—for a good real estate bargain justifies some enthusiasm in advertising.

"HUNGRY SAM" EATS 28 LBS. MEAT, 8 LOAVES OF BREAD, DRINKS 28 QTS.

One Miller of Strawberry Ridge, Near Wilkesbarre, Pa., Claims State Eating Championship.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 17.—"Hungry Sam" Miller of Strawberry Ridge, near here, the champion eater of Pennsylvania, is out today with a challenge to meet John F. McKay of Tompkinsville, L. I., who claims that he can eat more beef and bread at one sitting than any other man in the world.

BROTHER HENRY IS DIAZ'S FRIEND

President Taft Lines Up With Supporters of Mexico's Ruler—Scores Muckraking American Magazines for Interference.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Henry W. Taft, brother of the president, is today lined up with the supporters of President Diaz of Mexico. Speaking last night at a dinner given by the Mexican society to Joaquin Casasus, President Diaz' special ambassador to the United States, Taft said:

"I hope your country has not been disturbed over the publication of 'barbarous Mexico' stories in American muck-raking magazines. I trust that it has not done your country much harm or disturbed Mexican credit. I believe this society can do useful service in countering such statements, which I personally know are inaccurate."

Judge Alton B. Parker, who also addressed the society, eulogized President Diaz.

"It is a great pity," he said, "that a few misguided in all the millions of Mexico should attempt to undo the great work Diaz has wrought."

"The official relations," responded Senator Casasus, "between my country and the United States have never been more friendly than at present."

LIBERALS FAVOR TRADE TREATY

Liberals of Victoria, B. C., Endorse Passage of Proposed Reciprocity With United States—Mass Meeting Held to Boost Passage.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 17.—That the liberals of Victoria in public meeting assembled endorsed the proposed tariff agreement between Canada and the United States was the resolution submitted to the gathering at the Broad street hall under the auspices of the local Liberal association. It was carried unanimously.

JOHNSON TALKS HARD TO STAY OUT OF JAIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—Jack Johnson has a new role. At the pinnacle of the pugilistic class, the big black has taken to the law. All today the black fighter wrangled with a venire of 50 business men, choosing a jury to try a charge of automobile scorching against him. He finally passed 12 men who will say whether he will "make little out of big ones," as was threatened by a local police judge when Johnson last forgot the speed law.

WANT BRIBERY CHARGE PROBE IN LEGISLATURE

Senate Requested to Investigate Charge That Money Has Been Used to Influence Legislation—Wants It Open for All to Hear.

ONE AND ONE-HALF MILLION APPROPRIATED TODAY

Strenuous Session is Expected in House This Afternoon—Galleries Packed With Visitors.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17.—Grove Fraser, head of the labor legislative committee, today requested the senate to investigate the charge that money has been used by the corporations to influence legislation. In a letter to President Selling, Fraser asks that witnesses be cited to appear before that body and testify in regard to the sensational rumor here that \$17,000 was taken from Portland to bribe members of the upper house. Mr. Fraser also requests that the investigation be an open one and that the public be allowed to hear the testimony.

The house of representatives appropriated nearly one and a half million dollars this morning in less than an hour. Of this amount the state insane asylum gets \$734,000, the agricultural college at Corvallis a total of \$570,000, and the state school and other state institutions large sums which bring the grand total up to \$1,566,000.

Dr. McLaughlin's old home at Oregon City will be preserved by the state as one of its historic assets. The Dimmick bill providing for the care of the old pioneer's cottage, and which carries an appropriation of \$1250 for that purpose, passed the house today.

That the senate will concur with the house in repealing the initiative act closing Rogue river to net fishing was shown by a test vote taken in the upper house. The Pierce bill wiping out the people's law was up for consideration, and the preliminary vote indicates that the bill will pass this afternoon by a large majority. A strenuous session is looked for in the house this afternoon. Some of the most important bills which have been held back by committees for weeks will come up for passage, and the galleries are packed with the friends and foes of the various measures. Among the bills which are made special order for today are the Dimmick eight-hour law, the Malarky and Fouts public utility measures and numerous others. The Malarky bill and the eight-hour law have overshadowed all other measures in public interest and the liveliest time yet is scheduled for this afternoon.

ASKED TO MAKE A RIGID SEARCH

Hungarians, Residents of Upper Manhattan, Demand That Mayor Gaynor Investigate Black Hand Murder.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Mayor Gaynor today was asked by the Bronx Hungarian club to investigate the death of Hugo Kardos, an alleged Black Hand victim. Kardos was requested by Peter Lilly to translate into English a letter to John D. Rockefeller demanding \$50,000. He summoned the police and Lilly was arrested. He was mysteriously killed a few days later.

WHAT MEDFORD NEEDS.

Over six hundred replies were received by the Mail Tribune this week in reply to the query propounded by the Sunday editor a week ago as to "what Medford needs." Many different things were set forth, the replies being most interesting. Many of the answers will be published in next Sunday's issue of this paper. The answers will be classified, and while their number prevents publishing each in detail, enough will be presented to show the consensus of opinion.

COFFINS LINE ROADWAYS FOR MILE ABOUT HARBIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Consul General Wilder today reported to the National Red Cross society that 250 Chinese daily are dying in Harbin. The ground, he says, is frozen hard, and as burials are impossible, coffins have been lined the roadways for a mile around the city. More than 400 corpses have been cremated despite the violent opposition of the people.

Consul Wilder reports practically every village in the province of Shan Tung is plague-stricken and more than a dozen of the physicians have succumbed. All over Manchuria, he says, the plague is increasing.

PUT OFF DATE TO MARCH 7

In Order to Allow Ample Time in Which to Prepare for Special Bond Election, City Fathers Postpone Date From March 2 to March 7.

Had it not been for the irrepressible bark of Mary Jane, City Recorder Robert W. Telfer's prize brindle bull pup, the city council might have succeeded in getting through a special meeting yesterday a la "star" chamber session, but as it was that secret was let out and Mayor Cannon's reading of the resolution postponing the special election from March 7 was accompanied by the music of many staccato yelps.

FOUR SOLONS PROBE COURT

California Accedes to Demand of Supreme Court Judges for Investigation Following Slurs—Committee of Four to Complete the Task.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 17.—Four members of the assembly and three of the senate will comprise the legislative committee to investigate the state supreme court in accord with a report prepared this afternoon by the joint rules committees of both houses, to be filed with the legislature.

GUGGENHEIMS ASK DIAZ TO PROTECT PROPERTY

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Feb. 17.—The situation at Veillardena having become threatening, the Guggenheims this afternoon appealed to the Diaz government for the protection of their property there.

Senators Exchange "Roasts."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Taking a fling at Senator Carter of Montana in passing, Senator Rayner of Maryland this afternoon voiced his disapproval of Senator Sutherland's amendment to the resolution for the direct election of senators. He said Sutherland's amendment would have the effect of alienating the democrats and ridiculed that part of Senator Carter's speech which declared that the Sutherland amendment would prevent the disfranchisement of negroes.

MADERO TAKES FIELD IN PERSON

Rebel Leader Said to Have 600 Insurgents Under Him and is Preparing to March Immediately on City of Chihuahua.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 17.—Francisco I. Madero, Mexican rebel leader, has taken the field, and today, personally commanding 600 insurgents, is at Guadalupe, preparing to march into Chihuahua, according to a courier who arrived here today.

It was reported that his forces include 42 Americans under an ex-sergeant of Philippine scouts, with two machine guns. Generals Orozco and Blanco and Casasas are said to have effected a junction of their commands at Ascension last night and started for Chihuahua, 1000 strong, prepared to join Madero.

General Navarro, the federal commander who raised the rebel siege of Juarez, is reported to have dispatched 600 men and a machine gun to Guadalupe this morning with orders to re-take the city. According to the courier, Madero planned to leave Guadalupe early today for Chihuahua.

General Joseph Duncan is today in command of the American border forces.

Officials of the Mexican National railroad today declared they could not predict when that road would resume traffic, as insurgents were reported to be massing along the line between Samalayuca and Chihuahua. Unless the road resumes in the near future the El Paso smelter will be compelled to close down for lack of Mexican ores.

RED CROSS TO HELP IN SOUTH

American National Red Cross Telegraphs \$1000 to Relief of Sufferers—Relief Fund Placed With General Bliss for Use All Injured

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Responding to appeals by Mexicans who were wounded in the fighting near the American frontier, the National Red Cross society today telegraphed \$1000 to Major General Tasker H. Bliss, commanding the United States forces at Calexico, Cal., which will be used for their relief.

MAJORITY REPORT ON FISH BILL ADOPTED

Means That Senate Will Follow House Lead and Overthrow People's Law Closing Rogue River to Commercial Fishing for Salmon.

Majority Report Adopted by vote of 22 to 8—People's Law Will Be Thrown Down by Legislature—Hot Fight Made.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17.—The majority report in the senate on the Pierce bill was adopted after a hot debate by a vote of 22 to 8. The bill will pass this afternoon.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17.—The senate committee on fisheries this morning returned a majority report signed by Senators Lester, Sinnott and Chase, in favor of the Pierce fish bill. Senators von der Hellen and Dimmick returned a minority report against the bill.

Senator von der Hellen moved a substitution of the minority report. A debate lasting an hour followed, the senate finally adopting a majority report.

The bill will come up for passage this afternoon or tonight.

Chaso, Carson, Lester, Norton and Nottingham spoke in favor of the majority report, Von der Hellen for the minority.

Senator Bean wanted to amend to cut out drug seines during the fall season.

FLOODS RAGE IN ILLINOIS

Town of Freeport Menaced by High Water—High Mark Not Yet Reached Though Damage is Already Great.

FREEPORT, Ill., Feb. 17.—With the crest not yet in sight, hundreds of families have been driven from their homes by the flood waters of the Peconotica river, now higher than it has been for 50 years. The city's light and water plants are submerged. The damage already done is estimated at \$100,000.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS TO HONOR ROOSEVELT

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 17.—Spanish war veterans of central and northern California, according to the announcement made today, will give Theodore Roosevelt a rousing reception here about March 22. A banquet and reception are being planned though the exact date has not yet been arranged.

Canadian West Boom.

MONTREAL, Que., Feb. 17.—Indication of the tremendous development expected in the Canadian west this year and next is given in a statement published here today in the Gazette. It states that the Canadian Pacific alone is negotiating for 100,000 tons of steel rails to be used on its new western branches.