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Blizzards and Cyclones, Sweeping Over Middle and Southern States, Garner Toll of Human Lives

CHURCH LEADER, NEAR DEATH, IS SHORT \$100,000

ASSISTANT CASHIER OF 'FRISCO BANK IS INVOLVED

High Official of Institution Admits That Crocker National Bank Has Been Hobbed by Embezzlers of Large Sum—Survivors Will Protect the Bank and Prosecution is Not Now Expected

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—J. J. Fagan, vice president of the Crocker National bank, confirmed the reports that Charles F. Baker, assistant cashier of the bank, is short over \$100,000.

Baker is lying at the point of death in his Piedmont home. He was a pillar in the First Baptist church in Oakland.

Fagan said that the bank was protected by Baker's sureties. Prosecution is not considered likely.

It is believed that Baker lost the money in stock speculations.

NEW DISTRICT IS MAPPED OUT

PUPILS LIVING NEAR TULE LAKE ON CALIFORNIA SIDE OF THE LINE, WILL ENROLL AT RENTY LAKE SCHOOLS.

A new school district has been created by the county board of Siskiyou county, California, making a district on the strip of land between Tule and Lower Klamath lakes, just across the California line. The district will be known as Rhet Lake district, the former name of Tule Lake.

G. E. Bradnach, who is homesteading there, and who conducts a business here, is chairman of the new district. He says there are at least eighteen pupils ready to enroll.

The district will soon commence the erection of a building. As soon as this is completed a teacher will be secured, and a term of school commenced.

W. W. Lewis, who has a ranch on Lost River, is among the Friday visitors in the county seat.

Blizzard Causes Two Wrecks in Nebraska

Passenger Train Crashes Into Rear of Another Train, and Later Two Freight Trains Come Together

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 14.—A fierce blizzard is raging throughout Wyoming. The temperature is dropping rapidly.

OMAHA, Neb., March 14.—Four people were killed and eight injured when a Union Pacific passenger train

WHEN IS A LOBSTER?

Some give affidavit circulations, which always recalls the story of the retired admiral, who was returning upon a ship to his boyhood home in Nantucket.

On the steamer he met a man and told him what very big lobsters were caught in Nantucket.

"Why," he said, "some of them are three feet long."

The man doubted this, and so a bet was made between the two gentlemen, the admiral agreeing to show his friend some three-foot lobsters when they got to Nantucket.

Well, they looked all around and couldn't find a single lobster that came up to the required length, so the admiral went to some of his boyhood friends and got them to make affidavits that when they were boys there were plenty of lobsters caught that measured three feet.

The admiral's friend declined to pay the bet upon this evidence, so the dispute was referred to arbitration.

The arbitrators met, calmly considered the case, and rendered this verdict:

"We decide that the admiral loses, for, in our humble opinion, affidavits are not lobsters."

Some give their circulation as they would like it, rather than as it actually is.—Newspaperdom.

GOLD MEDALS ARE AWARDED TONIGHT

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TAKING GREAT INTEREST IN TOMORROW'S ANNUAL DECLAMATION CONTEST

More than usual interest is being taken in the annual declamation contest of the Klamath county high school, which will be held this evening in the auditorium of the school, on account of the announcement that Frank M. Upp, a local jeweller, is to award the two winners with solid gold medals.

This is the second year that Mr. Upp, who is interested in this branch of public speaking, has made the offer. Undoubtedly Upp gold medals will be the annual awards hereafter, as these awards are stimulating more interest in declamation.

This year there are five contestants, Daisy Hayden, Clifford Sevis, Donna Mack, Lillie Markwardt and William Hagelstein. All have selected splendid elocutionary numbers, and have been practicing faithfully.

In addition to the declamatory numbers, the high school orchestra will render music, and there will also be vocal numbers by the high school chorus and the girls' glee club. At the conclusion, the winners will be presented with the medals by Mr. Upp.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Willis returned to Klamath Thursday from Oakland, where they have visited for the past few weeks.

SIR THOMAS TO GIVE UP RACE

IN WARNED BY HIS CAPTAIN THAT TO CROSS THE ATLANTIC IN NINETY-FOOT BOAT WOULD IMPERIL LIVES

LONDON, March 14.—It is believed that Sir Thomas Lipton will not re-challenge for America's cup. "Captain Neill warns me," said Sir Thomas, "that to cross the Atlantic in a ninety-foot boat would imperil the lives of the seamen."

MANY KILLED IN SOUTHERN STORM

WIRE SERVICE IS DEMORALIZED AND BUT MEAGER REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE—PROPERTY LOSS HAS BEEN GREAT

NEW ORLEANS, March 14.—Wire service to the region devastated by a cyclone yesterday is demoralized, and but meager reports have been received.

The latest reports state that there were thirty-three people killed, and the property damage amounts to several hundred thousand dollars.

James Taylor is among the city residents who are visiting the county seat.

Eloping Quartet are Now in Custody of the Police

Prominent Young People of California are Discovered Living Quietly in a Fashionable Bungalow in Reno, Nevada. Will be Returned Home

RENO, March 14.—The culmination of a sensational elopement which has shocked Sacramento society to its foundations occurred here today when the four young people were arrested by Chief of Police Hillhouse. They were found living together in a bungalow on the outskirts of the city. One of the men is Maury I. Diggs, formerly state architect of California. The other is Drew Caminetti, son of Senator A. Caminetti of Amador county, and a clerk in the office of the state board of control of California. The two young women are Miss Martha Warrington, daughter of T. H. Warrington, agent of the Santa Fe railroad in Sacramento, and Lola Norris, daughter of W. E. Norris, a real estate dealer of Sacramento. Caminetti has a wife and two children, one a baby only five weeks old. Diggs has a wife and young girl, 5 years old. Under the names of Fisher and Whitman, Diggs and Caminetti had paid attentions to the two girls for some time. The parents of the girls believed the two men to be unmarried. Miss Warrington was secretary of the Omega Nu sorority, to which her chum, Lola Norris, also belonged.

TURKS DRIVE BULGARS BACK

LAST ATTACK ON ADRIANOPLE SHOWS THAT SULTAN'S FORCES ARE STILL ABLE TO FIGHT—ALLIES RESCUE TERMS

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 14.—The Bulgarians again attacked Adrianople today. They were repulsed after sustaining heavy losses.

SOPIA, March 14.—The allies formally replied to the powers today. The Balkan states insist that Tur-

CARROLL CASE SIDE TRACKED

DISTRICT ATTORNEY FILES STIPULATION WITH O'NEILL FOR THE INDEFINITE CONTINUANCE OF THE CASE

A small sensation occurred at the court house this afternoon when it became known that District Attorney John Irvin had filed a stipulation between himself and C. M. O'Neill, attorney for the defendant, to indefinitely continue the case of the state against J. D. Carroll, charged with larceny by bailment.

No action was taken today on the stipulation because of the absence of Judge Benson, who is at home ill. The Carroll case was to have been the first of the criminal cases to be tried at the present term of court. As a result of the action of the district attorney, the first case will be that of the state against Hunter Seville, charged with extortion.

Louis Stenzel of Yonka Valley was here Thursday for several hours.

William S. Fish and Frank Fish left Thursday for Dorris, where they are attending to business matters.

Abner Wood came in last night from Fort Klamath, where he has been inspecting his ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meloy, who gave a ranch near Altamont, are visiting Klamath Falls friends.

MANY ARE KILLED IN HARD FIGHT

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT DEATH LIST BEFORE NOGALES WILL REACH 100 WHILE MORE THAN 200 WERE INJURED

NOGALES, March 14.—All is quiet here this morning. It is estimated that 100 were killed in yesterday's battle and 200 wounded, many mortally. The constitutionalists hold Nogales, Sonora.

PRANTIKOS GOES TO HIS DEATH

GREEK WHO KILLED TWO SAN FRANCISCO POLICEMEN IS HANGED IN SAN QUENTIN—HE DIED QUIETLY AND EASILY

SAN QUENTIN, March 14.—Felix Prantikos, a Greek, was hanged here at 10 o'clock this morning for the murder of Policemen Carter and Finnally at the Ferry building in San Francisco November 25, 1911. Prantikos died quietly and easily.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fleet arrived in this city Thursday from their Lorain home. Mrs. Fleet will remain in the city for a time, but Mr. Fleet will return home tomorrow.

Howard Bagwell, a saw mill man of Bray, was in Klamath Falls Thursday attending to business matters. He looks for a busy lumbering season this summer.

Changes in Auto Laws Become Effective Soon

Counties Will Benefit by Surplus in Fee Fund. Amount Will be Divided in Proportion to Collections

Three important amendments were made to the motor vehicle laws of the state by the recent legislature, and they will become effective June 4. Probably the most important is the Burgess bill, which provides that the balance of the automobile fund, after the deduction of the expense of administering the automobile department, shall be apportioned among the counties of the state in proportion to what they contributed in license fees. When turned over to the county treasurers of the various counties the money is to become a part of the general road fund, and be used by the county in the building of good roads.

After the deduction of the expense of administration there was a balance in this fund last year of \$26,552.94. It will exceed that by a considerable sum this year, because the expense of administration will be lower now than last year. The automobile department is established, and because the collection will run higher. It is feared that the expense of administering the department this year will be about \$100,000 per cent, while last year it was about 25 per cent of the total amount collected from licensees.

Another important amendment is that allowing manufacturers and dealers to use demonstration automobiles. Heretofore a dealer in order to comply with the law was required to take out a license for every machine demonstrated. Under the amendment he can secure the first set of demonstration numbers for \$10, and additional sets for a fee of \$5.00. Previously it was made that these numbers must be used on private cars of dealers and cars hired out.

The third amendment relates to county checks at license stations. Automobile manufacturers and dealers are to be allowed to use county checks at license stations. The amount of license fees to be paid by the licensee is to be paid to the county.

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R. R. TRAFFIC IS AT A STANDSTILL IN MANY PLACES

PROPERTY LOSS FROM STORM HAS BEEN HEAVY

Chicago is hit by blizzard and suffering of the Poor is intense—Reports of Deaths in North and South Are Coming in—Communication by Telegraph in South has Been Cut Off

CHICAGO, March 14.—A blizzard is sweeping the city. The suffering of the poor is intense. Traffic is badly crippled.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 14.—The worst blizzard in years is tearing here. Railroad conditions are fearful.

All traffic out of here is at a standstill. Locomotives are unable to reach stalled trains.

COLUMBUS, Ga., March 14.—A cyclone today destroyed several city blocks.

Several deaths have been reported and many people have been injured. A terrific rain accompanied the big wind.

ROME, March 14.—The pope set up today. His fever is gone. He will probably resume his audience tomorrow.