

SLIPPERY PAVE HARD ON HORSES

UNSHOD ANIMALS HAD TOUGH TIME TODAY, OWING TO THE FREEZE-UP OVER NIGHT, ESPECIALLY ON BITULITHIC PAVE

Saturday's brief but severe rain storm which followed the fall of large, fat, fluffy flakes of snow, left the ground covered with moisture, so that the cobblestones which visited this vicinity over night congealed said moisture, thereby leading to a slippery condition on the streets this morning, especially those highway paved with bitulithic or other suitable material.

The result was tough on nags that were in need of shoeing. One man who came saddleback from the country yesterday had to lead his palfrey about on the icy pave this morning until the horse was shod anew. If the man had been aboard the steed would undoubtedly have fallen. As it was, nearly every step he took made his various legs describe arcs, circles, etcetera. Sometimes the legs moved toward all points of the compass at once it being very embarrassing to the owner of said legs.

PEARL HARBOR IS OPENED BY FLAGSHIP CALIFORNIA

HONOLULU, Dec. 16.—The flagship California of the Pacific fleet, now in Hawaiian waters, officially opened Pearl Harbor, steaming up the waters and breaking out a great streamer of yellow ribbon stretched across the bar.

Great festivities are on, with former Queen Liliuokalani and Admiral Chauncey Thomas, commanding the fleet, as the guests of honor.

Admiral Thomas declared that it was one of the ambitions of his life to be the first commander to steam into the new harbor.

OMIT ROAD WORK IN ESIT-MATES FOR CRATER LAKE

The estimates for the Crater Lake National Park by the secretary of the interior propose an expenditure of \$15,000 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, an increase of \$12,000 over the appropriation for the present fiscal year, as heretofore noted in these columns.

The superintendent of the park, W. Frank Arant, submitted a total estimate of \$169,140, including \$153,000 for the construction of roads and bridges.

As the war department has made road surveys in the park and is working on estimates of cost, the secretary of the interior eliminated the provision for road construction from the estimate. It is planned to submit an amended estimate when the sundry civil appropriation bill is being considered by the committee on appropriations.

RIGHTS OF ALL AMERICANS CONCERNED, SAYS SULZER

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Immediate action by congress for the abrogation of the Russian treaty of 1832 has been demanded in the house by Congressman Sulzer of New York, as a result of Russia's action in refusing to honor passports of Jewish Americans.

Congressman Sulzer declares that the question is not specifically Jewish, that it is a question involving and affecting the rights of all American citizens. He says not only Jews, but Baptist missionaries and Catholic priests have had their passports refused. He advocates a new treaty with "no loop holes that will enable Russia to discriminate against any class of Americans."

NEED NOT BOIL WATER ANY LONGER AT SEATTLE

United Press Service
SEATTLE, Dec. 16.—After boiling their water for nearly two weeks, the population of Seattle will after today be able to drink city water without fear of typhoid germs.

When recent floods broke the city pipe lines, Lake Washington water was sent through the mains. As it is not free of typhoid, the authorities ordered all water boiled before use.

GOOD FIGHT MADE BY HIGH SCHOOL

MEETS PAVILION FIVE IN BASKETBALL CONTEST, SCORING 13 TO 20 OF THE BIGGER, STRONGER FORCE

A good fight was made by the high school basketball team Friday night at the pavilion in an effort to win the contest from the Pavilion team, which was made up of larger and stronger players. At that the Pavilion men had to make substitutions to relieve members of the team on whom the work was too telling for them to last through the game.

Much good work was done by Hayden of the Pavilion five, who scored 16 of the 20 points accredited to his side. Garrett, captain of the high school team, did the best work for

his side throwing three goals and one foul. Whatever the high school boys feel they lost by the game, they can console themselves that the celebration they indulged in before the game, with joyful noises, was worthy of any victory they might have achieved. The score by which they lost was 20 to 13.

The line up:
High School—Garrett and Mesner forwards, Carter, center, Sargent and Nall guards.

Pavillon, Hayden, Barnes and De Lap forwards, Krause and Barnes center, Ambrose, DeLap and Leavitt guards.

Umpire-referees—Hurn and Smith.

WHITE SLAVE SCANDAL IN WHICH MOTHER FIGURES

United Press Service
PARIS, Dec. 16.—The most hideous "white slave" scandal ever known in Paris will be aired in the courts here when several mothers now in jail are tried for bartering for money their own little girls. All of the children are yet in their teens, or just entering them. Prominent and wealthy men are accused.

Victor Flachon, Gaston Allard and others equally as influential, are named. Flachon, until relieved of his post on account of the scandal, was editor of the "Lantern," a government organ. He was the personal friend of ex-Premier Briand.

The police have had the names of more than 300 children, from 9 to 17 years old, who were sold by their mothers to well paying "clients," or sold on commission by other "ladies," who divided the money with the girls' mothers.

The stories told by these children to examining magistrates deal with scenes which would have been novelties of depravity in Sodom and Gomorrah.

SEASON'S THRESH AROUND MIDLAND

TOTAL OF OVER 50,000 BUSHELS OF GRAIN TURNED OUT BY THE OUTFIT BELONGING TO L. D. WARD

Levi D. Ward, who conducted threshing operations in the Spring Lake country around Midland the past season, has compiled figures of the grain turned out by his outfit, as follows:

Wheat, 30,388 bushels; barley, 12,522 bushels; oats, 8,626 bushels; rye, 1,158 bushels. Total, 52,694 bushels.

SAYS CONQUEST BY RUSSIA IS ONLY WAY TO BAR US

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—That the Sulzer resolution abrogating the Russian treaty of 1832 would be considered an insult to Russia if enacted into a law is the substance of a message conveyed to President Taft by Secretary Knox following a conference between Knox and the Russian ambassador, Bakhmeteff.

Congressman Sulzer said: "I should like to have been in Knox's place to reply to that protest. I know what I should have said to him. There is no doubt in my mind whether Russia protests or not, that the resolution will pass the senate."

Minority Leader Mann said: "If the resolution passes the treaty will be abrogated. Russia, if she chooses, may exclude all Americans. If we say we're determined that Americans shall go in, Russia can only oppose that demand by conquering us at the end of a war."

The White House says the entire situation has been placed before the senate foreign committee.

OLD WOMAN WITH INDIAN CLUB SWATS THUG'S HEAD

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Swinging an ancient Indian war club, Mrs. M. Holder, 71 years old, knocked two robbers out at her home here at an early hour and then ran to the police station to give herself up for murder. But one of the thugs had recovered, doused the other with water and assisted him away before the officers arrived.

The men entered her house. One told her to get her money and the other went to the yard in the rear to watch. Instead of the money she returned with the concealed club, swung it on the first crook's head, ran into the yard, knocked the second to the ground, and continued on to the street on the run to the nearest police station.

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United Press Service
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Anne Sperber of New York is dead, having literally laughed herself to death at some new jokes told her by a neighbor, Mrs. Catherine Phillips.

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HIGH POWER LAMPS GIVEN TRIAL

LIGHT COMPANY PUTS IN HUNDRED TUNGSTEN INCANDESCENT TO SEE EFFECT OF IMPROVEMENT

As an experiment toward improving the city's lighting system the Klamath Falls Light and Water company has put in about 100 strong Tungsten lamps on poles along Klamath, Main, Pine and other streets in the thickly settled portion of the city. These lamps are of 80-candle power against the 74-candle power—and, in some instances 16-candle power—Edison incandescent bulbs whose places they took.

General Manager George J. Waiter said this morning that the company wished to see what effect the lights would make, and expressed the probability that if the city cared to use them instead of the smaller power lamps the expense would be only slightly greater.

"These lamps give a great deal more light in candle power, but use very little more electricity," said he, "and for that reason would not be much more expensive in operation. The improvement was not suggested to us by anyone, but is a test to see whether a different kind of lamp would not be desirable for the city. We would not care to put in an entire system of Tungstens until we have a contract arrangement with the city, as it would cost us about \$8,000 to equip the entire local lighting equipment with the new style of lamp. We have to have a switch on each pole to turn them on and off, and a man to go around each day and attend to this it would not do to let them run all the time, as it would be too much waste. If we equip the city throughly with them we will have it arranged so they can all be turned on or off with a single switch."

LITTLE LANDS IDEA SHOWN SUCCESSFUL IN ENGLAND

United Press Service
CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Advocates of the "Little Lands" idea, recently urged at the sessions of the national irrigation congress here by Gifford Pinchot and others, today issued a statement from the Agricultural Organization Society of England, showing how a similar scheme works in the British Isles.

Before the English small holdings act became law the landed gentry fought the measure, their chief argument being that agriculture could not be made to pay if carried on along a small scale. They did not think the peasants would be able to keep up the payments.

Inquiry, however, developed that fact that of 5,000 small holdings created by the act there was not a single instance of a peasant farmer failing to meet payments.

Although conditions in the United States are very different from those in England, leaders in the "Little Lands" plan will urge the success of the English experiment as an added reason why the federal government should reclaim the arid lands of the West and sell them to homesteaders in installments at actual cost.

YOUNG WOMAN SHERIFF IS AN ATTRACTIVE OFFICIAL

LAFREVIEW, Dec. 16.—A charming young woman is the present sheriff of Lake county, a state of affairs due to the absence of Sheriff Warner B. Snyder, who is looking after business matters in San Francisco, and the recent resignation of Deputy Eph Miller, who took another position.

She is Miss Trixy McVey, and is making a success of the shrievalty, as she has not had to arrest anyone since assuming the office, and chances are if any person were charged with an offense he would come in and surrender without any further parley.

Miss McVey is comparatively a new resident of the county, having come here last spring, and her rise in the political affairs of Lake county has been rapid.

SUIT AGAINST STOKES IS RESULT OF CONRAD TRIAL

United Press Service
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Robert Moore, representing Ethel Conrad, announced today that papers have been prepared in a suit against W. D. Stokes for \$250,000.

The grounds alleged are malicious prosecution and false arrest.

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Sperber's laughter grew weaker and weaker, and as it ended in a last faint chuckle the woman was found to be dead.

STRIKERS ASSERT ROADS ARE CRIPPLED BY WALKOUT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Reports received here by Secretary John Scott of the striking shopmen of the Harriman line, state that 94 engines are out of service in the Los Angeles yards, and that the Salt Lake line has laid off twenty engineers and twenty-five firemen.

Sparks, Nevada, strikers say that the reports are that 4,000 cars of merchandise are tied up between Omaha and Ogden. El Paso strikers report delays and breakdowns on the new de luxe trains bound each way. Delays in traffic are reported from several other strike centers.

END DYNAMITE PROBE MONDAY, IS PROSPECT

United Press Service
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16.—The dynamite probe is expected to end Monday, when six indictments will be returned.

Arrests are not expected until the Indianapolis probe has closed. No session is being held today.

SCHMITZ TROLLEY CASES WILL BEGIN NEXT MONTH

United Press Service
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—The trial of ex-Mayor Schmitz for bribery in connection with the trolley cases begins January 5th, by order of Judge Lawlor.

Schmitz appeared in court today, his attorney, Frank Drew, strenuously objecting to any delay.

MONEY IS ASKED IN SUIT ENTERED

OWNERS OF FLOURING MILL INSTITUTE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS WHICH AIM AT THE RECOVERY OF WHEREWITHAL

An action for the recovery of money has been entered in the circuit court and filed in the office of Circuit Clerk Charles R. De Lap by Martin Bros., against the Long Lake Lumber company and S. I. Masten.

The plaintiff company is owner of a flour mill, and the suit entered is with a view to recovering \$132.85, which the mill owners claim is due them for grain furnished to the defendants.

C. M. O'Neill is attorney for the plaintiff.

DEFEND GOV. WEST FROM NON-BOOSTING CHARGE

PORTLAND, Dec. 16.—President L. W. Hill of the Great Northern, recently criticized Governor West among others of the Western gubernatorial party touring the East, for not talking enough of their state's resources. In apparent reply to this, and as a parting message for the Oregon governor, the following message has been sent to the Commercial Club by President James H. Brady and Manager Reilly Atkinson, in charge of the governors' special:

"We cannot conclude the trip of the Western governor's special without extending to the state of Oregon our congratulations on the magnificent work done for it by Governor Oswald West. At all of the large cities we have visited the governor has made a distinct impression, which will live to be of much benefit to your state. He has talked of its opportunities and resources to thousands of people, including many of the greatest financiers of the United States. At a dinner at the Union League Club in New York city, Judge Gary, president of the steel corporation, after a ten-minute talk with Governor West, stated that he had learned more of Oregon than he had ever learned before, and had become convinced that your state will act fairly toward and protect investments made there by the East. The Western governors' special is pronounced by all to be the greatest thing ever done for the West."

ABSINTHE FRAPPES WILL BE TABOO BY UNCLE SAM

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Declaring absinthe dangerous to the health, the pure food board of the department of agriculture has decided that its importation into the United States should be prohibited after January 1st next. A long and careful investigation was made by the bureau of chemistry before the action was reached.

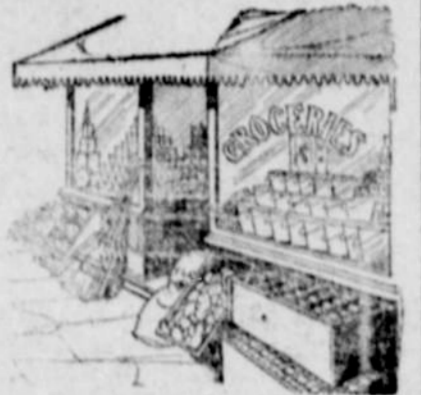
Dr. Wiley, head of the board, expressed the opinion that "absinthe is one of the worst enemies of man; and if we can keep the people of the United States from becoming slaves to this demon, we will do it."

The decision has been sent out in tentative form to importers and other interested parties, and suggestions from them will be awaited before the secretary of agriculture announces the decision which will make the order effective.

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