

BATTLE WITH DESPERADOES

Officers Kill One Man After a Hard Fight

AND CAPTURE ANOTHER

The Prisoner, Though Handcuffed, Makes Good His Escape

HORSETHIEVES RESIST A DEPUTY SHERIFF AND A CONSTABLE IN EASTERN WASHINGTON WITH FATAL RESULTS TO ONE OF THE OUTLAWS—EXCITING TIMES.

DAVENPORT, Wash., April 30.—One of the most desperate battles ever fought in the Northwest between officers of the law and desperadoes, occurred Sunday at Almira, west of here. As a result Billy Gibbons, one of the desperadoes, lies dead, and his partner is at large, though handcuffed. Dr. H. J. Whitney, who has just returned from Almira, gives the following particulars:

"About two weeks ago Gibbons and Wild rounded up a band of horses to ship to Wyoming. Deputy Sheriff Nichell, of Okanogan county, followed the thieves for two weeks through the Okanogan country, locating them at Almira. Nichell and Constable Phillips, of Almira, captured Wild in a livery stable. Wild drew his gun, but the deputy sheriff covered him, and the constable grabbed the weapon. The prisoner was handcuffed and turned over to a group of about twenty men in the hotel office.

"Gibbons was seen entering a saloon. The officers found their man in a side room. Nichell drew his gun and ordered the desperado to surrender. Gibbons jumped behind a bystander and shoved him toward the officers, at the same time drawing his revolver and starting for the side door. He raised his left arm to shoot, and Nichell shot the fugitive. Gibbons' bullet went wild and he started for his saddle horse two blocks away, firing as he ran. While he was mounting he was again hit in the hip and arm, and his horse was shot through the hips. The animal, notwithstanding, carried its rider a quarter of a mile to where a bareback horse was standing, tied with a halter. The wounded horse was discarded for the fresh one. Meanwhile Nichell had secured his mount from the stable, and he soon came within gunshot of the fleeing man.

"A running fight was kept up for eleven miles when Gibbons threw down his gun and dismounted. The desperado had but two cartridges left. He was brought to Almira and died at midnight.

"While meanwhile guarded and handcuffed, was kept in the hotel office in the presence of about twenty men. Suddenly, late at night, a face appeared at the outside of the window, and Wild smiled and dashed through the door. It is supposed Wild escaped on horseback, and no trace of him has been found.

WOMAN'S CLUBS MEET

LOS ANGELES IS CROWDED BY THE DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 30.—With the arrival of many special trains from the East and North, carrying delegates to the Biennial Convention of the General Confederation of Women's Clubs, the various headquarters have become centers of bright color and lively action. The railroads estimate the number of those arriving to attend the convention at 8000.

Mrs. T. S. Denison, of New York, is prominently mentioned as the Eastern candidate for the presidency, while Mrs. Platt-Decker, of Denver, and Mrs. Robert J. Burdette, of Pasadena, are Western candidates.

PIONEER MINER DEAD

JACK VINSON PASSED AWAY IN BAKER CITY LAST NIGHT—OLD STAGE DRIVER.

BAKER CITY, Or., April 30.—Jack Vinson, aged 78 years, one of the early pioneers who came to this country over fifty years ago, died this evening. Vinson came West when gold was first discovered in California, and followed nearly all the great mining excitements of California, Nevada, Oregon and Idaho. He was an old time packer, prospector and stage driver. In the early days he drove a stage in the time when the Indians were so troublesome.

Sciatic Rheumatism Cured After Fourteen Years of Suffering.

"I have been afflicted with sciatic rheumatism for fourteen years," says Josh Edgar, of Germantown, Cal. "I was able to be around, but constantly suffered. I tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured, and I am happy to say it has not since returned." Why not use this liniment and get well? It is for sale by Dr. Stone's Drug Stores.

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WOULD NOT CONFER

THE PACKERS HAD NO DESIRE TO MEET THE ATTORNEY GENERAL—KNOX INDIFFERENT.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Alfred M. Bulloway, of this city, chairman of the Republican Club committee, which was recently appointed to investigate the alleged combination of packers, has gone to Washington for a conference with Attorney General Knox. No packers will be represented at the conference, however. When the committee assembled for its final meeting, telegrams were read from J. O. Lyman, Michael Cudahy, Nelson Morris, J. Ogden Armour and Gustavus Swift, expressing the regrets of the senders that they were unable to attend the conference with Attorney General Knox which the committee had arranged. The text of these telegrams was not made public.

Chairman Bulloway and the other members of the committee expressed their surprise when shown a dispatch from Washington, in which Attorney General Knox expressed the opinion that the call for the conference was unwarranted. Chairman Bulloway said:

"Our idea of inviting the packers to the conference was to secure for them their day in court and pending the determination of the action which the Government authorities purpose taking bringing about some understanding which would be for the interest of all concerned. The packers whom we asked to meet the Attorney General with us have declined to take advantage of the opportunity, and we will therefore now go ahead and co-operate with the legal authorities for the purpose of bringing them to time."

GAVE OFFICERS A RACE

A NORTH YAKIMA SNEAK THIEF CHASED OVER SAGEBRUSH HILLS FOR MILES.

NORTH YAKIMA, May 1.—A colored man by the name of Harry George, or Frank Huston, gave the sheriff and a posse, of Franklin county, a 17-mile chase yesterday, but was finally captured and is now in jail here under \$1000 bonds. George stole a watch, a pipe and a number of other things from a Chinaman in this city. He was arrested and placed in the city jail Sunday evening. A half hour later he pried the lock off and escaped. The sheriff at Pasco apprehended him Monday, and that evening he broke jail again and started across country through the sagebrush. Marshal Grant, of this place, went down and organized a posse, and found eGeorge in a sheep camp armed with a big revolver, but he readily submitted to arrest. At a hearing before Justice Taggard he was bound over.

WORK OF PROHIBITION

GOVERNOR STANLEY, OF KANSAS, TALKS OF ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS.

TOPEKA, Kas., May 1.—It is twenty-one years ago today since Prohibition was adopted in Kansas. Governor Stanley today discussed the effects of Prohibition as follows:

"Prohibition in Kansas has been marked by very beneficial results. There are thousands of young men in Kansas who never saw a saloon. There are thousands of men who would probably patronize saloons if sanctioned by law and conducted with state approval, who avoid it and will avoid it as long as the law brands it as an Ishmaelite among the legitimate enterprises of the community."

EUGENE WARE HONORED

ELECTED COMMANDER OF THE LOYAL LEGION OF THE UNITED STATES.

LEAVENWORTH, Kans., May 1.—Captain Eugene F. Ware, recently appointed United States Pension Commissioner, was tonight elected commander of the Kansas Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. His election was unanimous. It had been decided to confer on Eugene Ware this honor before he was appointed Pension Commissioner.

BEER WAR HAS ENDED

THE TWO SPOKANE BREWERIES HAVE BEEN COMBINED UNDER ONE MANAGEMENT.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 30.—The war in beer prices, which has been going on in Spokane for two years, ended today in the consolidation of the two big brewing concerns, the Spokane and Galkand-Burke. As a result, prices have been advanced from \$1 to \$2 per barrel. The Spokane company bought the Galkand-Burke property, and will increase its capital stock from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.

BIG RACING

DREW HANDSOME AMOUNTS AT THE SAN FRANCISCO MEET DURING PAST YEAR.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—The racing season of 1901-02 ended today. During the 15 days, \$455,500 was given away by the Association. The biggest winners were:

G. B. Morris, \$31,905; Burns & Waterhouse, \$29,865; Caesar Young, \$21,670; and W. B. Jennings, \$18,925. Twenty-two stables won \$500 or more during the meeting.

H. G. Sonnemann returned to Glendale last night after attending the funeral of his father-in-law, the late Jacob Amster.

EIGHT GIRLS MET DEATH

While Many Others Were Hurt During a Panic

CAUSED BY FALSE ALARM

The Cry of "Fire" in Cigar Factory Had Fatal Results

A MAD RUSH DOWN THE STAIRS BY HUNDREDS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS FOLLOWED, AND CHILDREN AND GROWN PERSONS WERE CRUSHED TO DEATH.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 30.—An unfortunate accident to a deaf and dumb boy, Isador Bacucus, was today directly responsible for the death of eight young women, fatal injuries of three others, and the serious injury of more than two score of girls employed in the cigar factory of Harburger, Homan & Company, a branch of the American Tobacco Company.

The dead are: Mary Geneva, aged 15 years; Helen Lollina, aged 12; Elizabeth Tartine, aged 12; Annie Rosscheider, aged 13; Louise Despepl, aged 16; Ida Green, aged 18; Annie Ford, aged 13; an unidentified woman about 25 years old, whose body is at the morgue.

The fatally injured are: Mary Mosino, injured internally, skull fractured; Josephine Ornicco, injured internally; an unidentified woman, fractured skull. The injuries of others consist mainly of bruises about the body and fractured limbs.

The building in which the disaster occurred is a five-story brick structure and occupies an entire block. Twelve hundred persons were at work at the time of the accident, ninety per cent of whom were girls whose ages range from twelve years upwards. The trouble began on the fourth floor of the structure. The elevator was at the top of the shaft and Bacucus, the father of the building, pulled the rope to bring it down. He opened the door leading to the shaft and leaned forward to see where the carriage was. As he did so, the elevator, which was descending slowly, struck him across the back of the neck, pinning his head between the elevator and floor. The stock boy released Bacucus and cried for help. The foreman rushed from the building to call an ambulance, and immediately there ensued a panic among the employees. Some of the younger girls fainted, while others, not being able to control their feelings, cried "Fire." Instantly there was a mad rush for the stairway leading into Tenth street. The girls rushed down the narrow staircase until they reached a bend in the exit between the second and third floors. In their eagerness to escape the frightened leaders fell. Others immediately following tripped over the struggling mass of humanity, and in less than a minute, hundreds of children and young women were struggling in the passage way. The shrieks and screams of the terror-stricken girls could be heard for a block or more. During the excitement a alarm of fire was turned in, but before the engines could reach the scene, several of the occupants of the building had rushed to the windows and jumped to the street, a distance of over 50 feet.

Fire in Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., April 30.—At 2:30 this afternoon fire broke out in the sub-basement on First avenue, used for storage purposes by a retail furniture firm, and twenty-six firemen were overcome by the smoke and fumes. The fire had gained considerable headway before it was discovered, and when the apparatus arrived the whole building, which is a six-story structure, occupied by the Rainier Grand Hotel above, was enveloped in dense smoke. It became necessary to dig through four feet of solid masonry from an adjoining basement to reach the seat of the flames, which were finally quenched with no damage to the property other than the stock owned by Seater & Company, valued at \$9000. The firemen were taken into the open air, and a corps of physicians managed to revive them all.

SENATOR MONEY'S CASE

IS AGAIN POSTPONED IN THE WASHINGTON POLICE COURT, TO NEXT WEEK.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—An unexpected move to nolle prossé three cases of the alleged assault, growing out of the altercation on a street car last week, in which Senator Money, of Mississippi, Conductor Shaner, of Truck Foreman Hooper, of the District Fire Department, figured, resulted today in postponing the cases in the police court until Tuesday.

Saved Her Child's Life.

"In three weeks our chubby little boy was changed by Pneumonia almost to a skeleton," writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, O. "A terrible cough set in, that, in spite of a good doctor's treatment for several weeks, grew worse every day. We then used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was soon sound and well. We are sure this grand medicine saved his life." Millions know it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung Diseases. Dr. Stone's Drug Stores guarantee satisfaction; 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

PATTERSON'S RESOLUTION

To Order Major Gardner Home from Manila

DEBATED IN THE SENATE

A Heated Discussion Caused by the Philippines Committee

THE CHARGE MADE THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE WAS SUPPRESSING FACTS—THE OFFICER WILL SOON RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—A resolution, offered in the Senate, today, by Patterson, directing the Secretary of War to order by cablegram Major Gardner, now in the Philippines, to come at once to Washington, to appear as a witness before the Philippine Committee, precipitated a warm discussion. The debate continued for about two hours, much feeling being manifested on both sides of the chamber. The charge was made by the minority that the majority of the committee was trying to suppress facts and information. This was denied by the chairman of the committee, Lodge, who said that any such action would be inconceivably stupid. All parties, he insisted, were anxious for the fullest information, but he and others contended that it would not be available to Major Gardner as he was about to come here and would be here in time to appear before the committee.

Patterson and Carmack urged that Gardner's testimony was important and that it ought to be here before action was taken on the pending bill. The resolution finally went over until tomorrow.

Tongue's Motion.

Washington, April 30.—In the House today, the appropriation for the good roads inquires was increased, on motion of Thomas H. Tongue (Rep., Or.), from \$20,000 to \$30,000.

In the House.

Washington, April 30.—The House today passed the agricultural appropriation bill, and began the consideration of the District of Columbia bill, the last but two of the regular supply measures. By the terms of the special rule adopted before the district bill was taken up, it will be in order to attach a rider to it to make operative the existing personal tax law of the District, which has been a dead letter for 29 years.

Chairman Cannon estimated that there was \$100,000,000 of untaxed property in Washington.

The Goldfogle resolution, calling on the Secretary of State for information as to whether American citizens of the Jewish faith were excluded from Russia, was adopted.

OFFICERS ARE FREED

AMERICANS TO BE RELEASED FROM ITALIAN JAIL AND TO BE COURT-MARTIALED.

ROME, May 1.—The King has released the officers of the United States cruiser Chicago, who have been imprisoned at Venice. They will be immediately handed over to the United States Consul, from whose charge they will be transferred to the Chicago, which is ready to sail.

Rome, May 1.—Ambassador Meyer conferred this morning with Signor Prinetti, the Foreign Minister, and it was arranged that the American naval officers now imprisoned at Venice shall be released tomorrow, conditionally upon the payment of civil damages of \$2000. It is understood that King Victor Emanuel will exercise his prerogative to remit the imprisonment, so that, after a caution, they may leave tomorrow aboard the cruiser Chicago.

New York, May 1.—It is expected, says a Rome dispatch to the Tribune, that Admiral Crivenschild will soon arrive in the Mediterranean and order a court-martial of the United States naval officers imprisoned on the charge of attacking the Venice police.

The American Consul at Venice is busy arranging to settle the indemnities the officers must pay to the injured persons, in order that the latter may withdraw their cases, thus facilitating the task of the Italian Government in releasing the officers.

SHAFFER WINS OUT

IS RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE AMALGAMATED—SOCIALISTS GAIN ONE POINT.

WHEELING, W. Va., May 1.—President Shaffer, of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel & Tinworkers, was re-elected today by the convention of that organization. The other officers elected were:

Secretary, John Williams; Editor of Amalgamated Journal, Ben I. Davis; Assistant Secretary, M. F. Tighe; trustees, John E. Taylor, Elias Jenkins and John C. Hoxen.

The Socialist, who have been trying to remove the bar against the discussion of political and economic questions in the lodges, gained a partial victory.

FROM LAND OF BUCKEYE

INTERESTING LETTER BY A SALEMITE WHO IS VISITING HIS OLD OHIO HOME.

DEFIANCE, O., April 26.—Editor of Statesman: Permit me again to say to your many readers what I have seen and how things appear to me here. The weather has been dry so far since we arrived here (the 5th); much of the fall sown wheat has perished for want of rain since the frost came out of the ground, and most all has been re-sown to oats and barley. Farmers in general are busy stirring the soil for corn and potatoes, and other summer crops; the clover and timothy look good. Fruit trees are just beginning to bloom, and there is a good prospect for a big crop. There are apple trees here that have been bearing fruit for fifty or more years.

Forest trees are just beginning to show green. One noticeable change here, during the past thirty-five years, is the strong wind. It seems to us to be equal to the Northwestern prairie country. The timber is most all cleared away, and the country is very flat and level. The whole country is, and has to be ditched and tiled, to make it productive, and the farmers here tell us the country is about as good as they care to have when they compare it with other parts, and I am just liberal enough to allow them to be content with their lot. The Buckeyes are a pushing an enterprising sort of people. This I know by experience, for this is the place of my nativity. This (Adams) township, took an immense amount of labor and money, too, to bring it to its present state of moderate productivity, and is considered the best township in the county.

Nearly all the farmers here are well-to-do, and are of the friendly and liberal kind. Last Monday I got the use of a horse and buggy, so my wife and I went visiting relatives and old acquaintances, and we ate with two and three different families each day all of the week and had we eaten as much as we were asked to eat, we would never reach our home on the Pacific coast, but we believe more in being temperate in all things than in prohibition in only one thing, and then live in excess in many other things. Farmers here are feeding their stock now about the same as in midwinter. Grass is very short here yet, more than a month later than in the Willamette valley. The old pioneers of 1836 to 1840 have about all passed away, and some of their children are now very old, too. I have one aunt, my father's youngest sister, who emigrated from Germany to Defiance county and who is yet alive and enjoying good health. She is 83 years old and has lived here since 1837. Well, fearing this may be dry fodder, I will not write more at this time, but this strong, chilly wind is now bringing rain this (Saturday) evening. We are both well and are enjoying our visit very much, so far.

J. B. LEHMAN.

THEIR DEMAND GRANTED

STRIKE BY BUILDING TRADES IN PITTSBURG IS OF SHORT DURATION.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 1.—Nine organized building trades in the Pittsburgh district started a conflict this morning, for higher wages. Many of the employers agreed to the demand, indicating that there was every indication that the struggle will be of short duration. Of the 12,000 men ordered out this morning, probably not more than 6000 will be idle tomorrow.

WOMEN IN CONVENTION

A BRILLIANT ASSEMBLY OF THE CLUB WORKERS OF THE UNITED STATES.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 1.—The formal opening of the Club Women's Convention this afternoon was markedly brilliant. Hundreds of delegates and visitors packed the Stimson Auditorium to the roof, and the interior was embellished with 60,000 calla lilies, and representative American women sat on the platform while the usual happy greetings were exchanged by hostesses and their guests.

RUSH OF HOMESEEEKERS

ONE NORTHERN PACIFIC TRAIN IS DIVIDED INTO THREE CROWDED SECTIONS.

MISSOULA, Mont., May 1.—The west-bound passenger train on the Northern Pacific was run in three sections through Missoula today, to accommodate the rush of homeseekers on route to the West. The majority of these homeseekers are from the Central States, and are bound for points in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

A HERO OF LUCKNOW

GENERAL SIR WM. ELPHINSTON, V. C., HAS PASSED AWAY—MONTPELAIN THE NOVELIST.

LONDON, May 1.—General Sir Wm. Elphinston, V. C., who gained the sobriquet of "Hell Fire Jack" at Lucknow, is dead. He was born in 1822.

LIEUTENANT BARRY DEAD.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Lieutenant James Joseph Barry, United States Navy (retired), is dead at his home in Brooklyn, from Bright's disease, after a two weeks' illness. He was born in Baltimore, and was appointed to the Navy as Assistant Engineer, in 1862, serving throughout the Civil War. He was retired on January 2, 1891, as Passed Assistant Engineer.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

With the Boers Before a Committee in Congress

WILL BE HEARD MONDAY

A Texas Member Asked to Have Some Action Taken

A FAVORABLE REPORT ON THE MEASURE TO ESTABLISH THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICE IN CUBA—TONGUE'S ASSAY OFFICE HELD UP.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—The Boer question came up before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs today, when Representative Burleson, of Texas, asked as to the disposition of various resolutions of sympathy referred to the committee. Representative Adams, (Pennsylvania) chairman of the sub-committee having the resolutions in charge, said that next Monday had been designated for the hearing of those interested, at which time several men prominently identified with the pro-Boer movement will be present. The resolutions include those of sympathy, and also those referring to the supply camps alleged to be maintained in this country.

In the House.

Washington, May 1.—The House gave most of the day to the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which was not completed. Shattuck (Ohio) spoke on the industrial conditions, and Gaines (Tennessee) in criticism of conditions in the Philippines.

Diplomatic Bill.

Washington, May 1.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs today ordered a favorable report on the bill establishing a United States Diplomatic and Consular Service of Cuba, with a United States Minister at Havana, a Secretary of the Legation, at \$2000; Second Secretary, \$500; Consul-General at Havana, \$5000; Consul at Cienfuegos and Santiago, \$3000 each.

Washington, May 1.—The House Committee on Coinage today considered the Tongue bill for the establishment of an assay office at Portland. Tongue appeared and stated that a majority of the members of the committee had assented to a favorable report, and on that basis Chairman Southard announced that it would be reported to the House. Later, however, Southard made the following statement:

"Since the committee met this morning Representative Moody has come to me and requested that action on the Portland bill should be postponed and no report made until he could be heard. In view of the fact that the polling of the committee was done by Mr. Tongue and the reporting of the bill on the basis of that poll is somewhat irregular, I thought it best to let the bill remain in the committee until Mr. Moody can be heard."

Mr. Moody himself said: "There was no quorum of the committee present today, consequently no report could be authorized."

Miss Alma Welby, who spent the past year in Halstead, Kansas, visiting her grandparents, returned to Salem last night.



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