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AGED MAN FALLS DEAD IN SPAULDING MILL FIRE DESTROYS TWO RESIDENCES IN ENGLEWOOD DISTRICT

NEW ZELANDERS FAVOR ANGLO-AMERICAN ALLIANCE

(By H. Lee Clotworthy, Staff Correspondent, United Press, with Atlantic Fleet.)

Auckland, New Zealand, Aug. 11.—Sentiment of the strongest kind here today favors the formation of an Anglo-American alliance in the Pacific for the advancement and defense of the interests of white men against those of the yellow races. The suggestion, which is on the lips of everyone, goes further, and proposes the dissolution of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, to make way for the unhampered coalition of the interests of England and America in this part of the world.

The big white ships of the American fleet and the American officers and men were received with the wildest enthusiasm by the New Zealanders, and were welcomed as brothers. Over here, where the question of the "yellow peril" is always evident, it is good to come upon men of our own kind who speak our language, and live as we do.

Everywhere is the sentiment that the white men must control the Pacific, and on all sides is confidence in his ability to do so. The Auckland Herald, in an editorial today says: "The visit of the American fleet emphasizes the fact that the United States is not going to take a secondary position in the Pacific. Even if the mother country has chosen to abandon that ocean, the daughter will not allow her to follow these footsteps."

"The United States has the Gibraltar of the Pacific at Honolulu and splendid harbors at Pago Pago and the Philippines."

"Why should one daughter be jealous of another in keeping what was part of the family patrimony?"

The sailors from the fleet are ashore today, enjoying themselves in the hundreds of entertainments provided by the entertainment committee.

The official welcoming ceremonies (Continued on page four.)

DIES AS HE STARTS TO WORK

AGED MILL HAND WELCH AND HOWE TO PLEASE "BILL" DROPS DEAD

J. D. Wood, an aged employe at the Spaulding lumber mills, dropped dead at 7:20 o'clock this morning, just as he was beginning his day's work.

Wood died instantly, without warning, and without any sign of suffering. The cause of his death was heart failure. Wood started to work, along with 27 other men, who are employed on the second floor. He was working as off-bearer from the edger, and four other men, H. A. Richmond, Louis Marchand, Marvin Barton and W. D. Zexar, were working with him on the same machine.

Just before he fell dead Wood was talking and joking with these men. According to an eye-witness, one of the workmen had on an apron belonging to Wood, who jokingly remarked that his companion had made a poor selection, as the apron was rather worn and ragged. "I have a better one than that," said Wood. "Why didn't you put this one on?" As he spoke he reached up to the nail on a post where the new apron was hanging. But before he could reach it he threw up both hands and fell backward on the floor. His companions rushed to the side of the prostrate man, and, to their amazement, found that he was dead. The coroner was immediately summoned, and the body removed to Clough's undertaking parlors.

The men on the second floor of the mill were laid off until this afternoon.

Wood was about 60 years of age, and leaves a wife and a 16-year-old daughter. He had been employed at the lumber mills for the past eight months. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral, but it will probably be held from the Wood home, at Eighteenth and Kansas streets, in Englewood. Coroner Clough stated this morning that there would be no inquest.

PREPARE TO FIGHT RATE RAISE

Washington, Aug. 10.—For the purpose of fighting the 10 per cent increase in freight rates, that became effective in the Southwest today, Senator Culbertson, Attorney-General Pollard and State Railroad Commissioner Mayfield, all of Texas, today filed a complaint with the Interstate Commerce Commission. The complaint is also signed by Railroad Commissioner Love, of Oklahoma.

The document names 63 railroads, and asks that the roads be ordered to cancel their increased rates. It asks also that shippers may be given reparation for damages sustained by the enforcement of the new rates; that any shipper effected by the proposed increase may be allowed to intervene in a joint complaint.

The proposed increase, which becomes effective today, applies to all points in Texas and the Southwest.

MIGHT BE WORK OF INCENDIARY

AGED MILL HAND WELCH AND HOWE TO PLEASE "BILL" SUFFERERS

A disastrous fire, the origin of which is as yet unknown, occurred in Englewood at 11 o'clock last night, destroying the residences of Police Officer Ray Welch and Frank Howe, near the corner of Sixteenth and D street.

The full force of the fire department responded to the call sent in by the residents of the section, and the run to the suburb was made in about ten minutes. The presence of the engine, however, was useless, as there was no water within several blocks of the burning dwellings. The crowd that had gathered was unable to offer any assistance, and were compelled to watch the two structures burn completely to the ground.

The fire started in the Welch residence, and the peculiar incident of the calamity that no one was at home when the fire started.

Mrs. Welch is in California at present, and Mr. Welch had been absent from home for two hours before

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the conflagration. Mr. Welch said this morning that he was out driving last evening, and returned about 9 o'clock. He put his horse in the barn, and went to the campmeeting, a few blocks away. About 11 o'clock he heard the alarm, and saw the blaze in the direction of his house.

It was rumored today by some of the residents in Englewood that the fire might have been of incendiary origin, as it could not be explained by any other theory, and as Welch's vigorous dog-catching crusade had made him many bitter enemies. Welch this morning would not express his opinion as to the rumors.

The home of Frank Howe is only about 12 feet distant from the Welch house. It caught fire shortly after the engine arrived, and in a few minutes was entirely destroyed. The Howe family was in bed when the fire broke out next door.

Nearly all the furniture in both houses was destroyed, as were also some valuable fruit trees in the yards. The loss on each piece of property was about \$1200. A small amount of insurance was carried by both Welch and Howe.

LURES HINDOOS WITH MISREPRESENTATIONS

Sacramento, Aug. 10.—The police are today looking for John Purro, who is charged by Special Agent R. McDonald, of the British East India service, with bringing into this country hundreds of Hindoos, and taking their money, on promise of finding them employment. It is claimed that Purro has failed to live up to his contracts with the immigrants.

McDonald has been here for several weeks, making a close investigation, and is certain that the Hindoos have been mistreated.

He is trying to find work for them. He is also searching for Gulap Singh, a leprous Hindoo, who has been a fugitive for some time.

WIFE HAS TWO MANY RELATIVES

AGED MILL HAND WELCH AND HOWE TO PLEASE "BILL" CLAGGETT

"I own four suits of underwear, and I change my shirt every week," declared Bill Claggett, as he left the court house this morning. Bill was angry because his wife, who is suing him for divorce, alleged in her complaint that he was too stingy to buy himself a new shirt, and that he had worn the same one for an almost indefinite length of time.

According to Bill, all the statements in the divorce complaint, pertaining to his personal wearing apparel are wicked and malicious falsehoods. "I change my shirts as often as necessary," said the much-married man. "Sometimes I can't find them, because some of my relations are wearing them. These relations not only eat up all the grub in the house, but they wear all my clothes. For instance," Bill continued in a broken hearted voice, "I am the proud possessor of four suits of underwear, but I have been wearing these drawers I have on for the last two weeks."

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Why? Because my relations put them on and wear them before I have a chance to get them. It is awful," Bill concluded with a sob.

The pestiferous relations in question are the progeny of Bill's wife, by her former husband. These most objectionable of these, according to Claggett, is the son Robert, whom Claggett recently charged with the larceny of a beefsteak. Bill blames all the trouble on these children, who, he says, are after his money. "If they would go away and attend to their own business," Bill said, "it is my opinion that I could get along with my wife, and that divorce proceedings would not be necessary."

\$700 Alimony.

The preliminary skirmishes in the William D. Claggett divorce case began this morning before Judge Galloway, when Attorney John Carson presented five or six petitions purporting to show that Mrs. Claggett was slowly starving to death on account of Bill's parsimony, and asking for \$700 temporary alimony, in order that Mrs. Claggett's life might be preserved until the regular trial comes off in the September term of court. Carson wanted a hearing immediately on the temporary alimony proposition.

W. M. Kaiser, Claggett's attorney vigorously objected to an immediate hearing, and asked for more time in which to make answer to the affidavits. He promised that, if given a little more time, he would show that Mrs. Claggett, so far from starving to death, had a chance to live in luxury if she wanted to, and that the affidavits setting forth the reasons why Bill's wife needed \$700 immediately were ridiculous.

It was finally agreed that the matter of the temporary alimony should be argued before Judge Galloway when the court meets at Dallas next week.

AMNESTY CAUSING TROUBLE

AGED MILL HAND WELCH AND HOWE TO PLEASE "BILL" THUGS IN TURKEY ARE FREED

(United Press Leased Wire.)

AMERICAN FLAG FIRED UPON Washington, D. C., Aug. 10.— Dispatches from Tabriz today state that the American flag over the United States consulate was shot away yesterday. The dispatches are brief, but the authorities say they believe the shooting of the flag was accidental. It is known here, however, that action will be taken at once to prevent any disrespect to the Stars and Stripes. The American consul at Tabriz has been instructed to warn both the revolutionists and the Shah's troops that no firing will be tolerated in the vicinity of the American consulate. It is believed here that the fighting in Tabriz is brisk today.

Constantinople, Aug. 10.—Although the secession of Tabriz from Persia, and her declaration of allegiance to Turkey, has temporarily attracted the attention of Turkey to the newest situation in the recent political changes in this quarter of the globe, the Sultan is worried over alarming conditions in other sections of his empire.

Swarming out from jails and back from banishment, under protection of the amnesty which has accompanied the Sultan's grant of a constitution, thousands of long-imprisoned or long-exiled Turks are today spreading terror and joy throughout their country.

Although the amnesty was designed to cover political offenses alone, jailers were disposed to interpret it literally, and anyone who could pay a pittance was turned loose. The political prisoners were the flower of the country, and Turkey will benefit from their liberation, but many outlaws were liberated and are roving over the country. Orders have been issued in several districts to shoot malefactors on sight.

In Macedonia the situation is still strained. Trouble is threatened between the Young Turkish party, which wants no foreign interference in Turkish affairs, and representatives of the powers. The commander of the Austrian Gendarmerie at Uskub has refused point blank to leave the country with his men, and a clash is imminent between his forces and the Young Turks.

The Young Turks in Macedonia distrust Abdul Hamid II, and will be satisfied with nothing less than his abdication from the throne.

It is thought that a serious demonstration against the Sultan in Macedonia will result in a reaction against the Young Turks.

In an effort to pacify the Young Turks, the Sultan has sent Kentshuk to Macedonia to explain the new constitution. Everything possible will be done to allay fear in this part of the empire, as it is recognized that the support of the Young Turks is necessary for the fulfillment of the promised reforms.

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