

BEGIN BATTLE FOR EQUAL FOOTING

PACIFIC COAST SHIPPERS OPEN FIGHT TO SECURE BETTER RAILROAD RATES.

WOULD SHIP EASTWARD

Are Demanding That Western Coast Points Be Given a Chance to Meet Shippers of the East at Least at a Half-Way Point—Future of Coast Business Involved in Present Case.

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Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 9.—At 1:15 this morning the Island beach life saving station reported a steamer ashore. The crew hurried to the vessel's assistance.

ARMY WORKER DIES IN BUTTE

CAPTAIN TILLIE NOBLE OF THE SALVATION ARMY IS CLAIMED BY DEATH.

Special to The Daily Missoulian. Butte, Oct. 8.—Captain Tillie Noble, one of the best known Salvation Army members of the state died this morning following an operation for appendicitis.

She was for a considerable time in charge of the army work in Missoula and was first in command of the Salvation Army in Dillon. She has worked in Helena, Great Falls, Bozeman, Livingston and Billings in Montana, in Spokane and in various points in British Columbia, where she did corps work.

She has been for 14 years a captain in the army and has done more than any other individual for the good of the work in Butte.

Just a few days ago her friends raised a purse to give her a vacation. Monday morning before she had opportunity of taking advantage of the gift, she submitted to the operation and there is genuine sorrow in Butte at her death. Tillie Noble was 26 years of age.

She was born in Pennsylvania and had been a resident of this city for the past 23 years. Thomas Noble is her father. Her mother died about one year ago. David Noble, a member of the Butte fire department, is a brother and another brother is Howard, a third brother Ray is in Ely, Nev. There are two sisters, Mrs. Arthur Hayes, of this city and Mrs. Lizzie Lodge of Healdsburg, Cal.

THREE ARE KILLED IN A TRAIN WRECK

Butte, Oct. 8.—Three trainmen were killed in a wreck on the Red Lodge branch of the Northern Pacific last night, when an extra freight "side-swiped" a regular freight train. The dead: MARTIN, fireman. E. F. McKEEFREY, brakeman. TEETERS, engineer.

SOLO IN JAPANESE.

Ithaca, N. Y., Oct. 8.—A solo sung in Japanese by Mrs. E. Burdette Smith was a feature of the welcome which the Japanese commercial commission now touring the United States received at a banquet in their honor here tonight.

FINE DISPLAY AT APPLE SHOW

FRUIT RAISERS OF BITTER ROOT MANIFESTING INTEREST IN THE EXHIBIT.

WOULD SHIP EASTWARD

Executive Committee of Hamilton Chamber of Commerce Names Man to Select Party to Canvass the Valley and Determine Just What May Be Counted Upon.

Hamilton, Oct. 8.—Great interest is being shown in the coming apple show at Missoula by people of Hamilton and the Bitter Root valley and to be assured that the valley will have a proper display at the show the executive committee of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce met tonight and appointed a committee to direct the work of securing the exhibit.

C. F. Dorman, president of the apple show, accompanied by C. E. Dallman of the Missoula Nursery company, have made a canvass of the valley in the interests of the fair, and they report success all along the line from Missoula. They made a trip in an automobile and have interviewed the farmers and fruitgrowers on both sides of the Bitter Root river, and all have promised to be on hand with a display and seem to vie with each other in showing the best displays of red apples at the Missoula Apple show.

The Western Montana Apple show is the outcome of the action of the Montana Horticultural society, which recommended, at its meeting held early in the season the holding of an apple show in Missoula. That city being considered the most central point for the holding of a fruit display. The society is acting in conjunction with the Missoula Chamber of Commerce and the commissioners of Missoula county have subscribed liberally to the enterprise. There is no doubt but that this will be the best display of fruit ever attempted in Montana, and all of those connected with the growing of fruits should be interested.

In addition to the regular prizes offered in the premium list, other valuable prizes will be offered. The Hamilton Nursery company offers 100 one-year-old McIntosh Red or any other variety that the exhibitor may choose, for the first one box of apples of any variety placed on display. In making the exhibits for the special prizes, the pack must be well taken care of.

The Missoula Nursery company offers \$50 worth of nursery stock for the best box of McIntosh Red apples on display at the fair. The Bitter Root Valley Irrigation company will give \$50 in cash for the best display of apples from the Bitter Root valley, the winner to donate the display to the company for display purposes in the east this winter.

Offered about 25 special prizes are offered, and as given above, many of the prizes are valuable. In addition to the home nurseries, prizes are offered from nurseries and others from Oregon, Washington, Missouri and other states of the west. Several of the manufacturing concerns who are placing spraying outfits, etc., are represented in the special prize list.

The exhibits will not be confined to fruits alone, but good prizes are offered for grains and vegetables as well.

WOULD REMOVE DUTY.

Indianapolis, Oct. 8.—The National Grain Dealers' association, in convention in this city, today declared for rescinding the duty on wheat from Canada, and placed itself on record as opposing the federal inspection of grain. The government crop reports were assailed as inadequate.

WILL CONCLUDE HEARING.

Reno, Nev., Oct. 8.—On October 23 the interstate commerce commission will conclude the hearing in the application of Reno merchants for terminal freight rates. The entire commission will be in attendance.

SUCH A FEAST!



SEVENTEEN KILLED IN RAILWAY ACCIDENT

TEN OTHERS ARE SEVERELY INJURED IN COLLISION BETWEEN TWO TRAINS.

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 8.—Seventeen persons were killed, 10 of them Mexican laborers, and 10 severely injured in a collision between a Santa Fe construction train and the regular freight on the Atchison branch of the Santa Fe shortly after the noon hour today. The wreck occurred near the city limits as the work train which was loaded with laborers, most of them Mexicans, was backing into Topeka for dinner. The injured are all Mexicans and are at the Santa Fe hospital.

The work train was backing down from north of Meriden with 50 Mexicans riding on the flat cars. As the train was rounding a curve the north-bound freight crashed into it. Engineer Edward Ash and fireman Joseph Corey, who were in charge of the engine on the freight train, jumped as soon as the brakes could be set. The Mexicans were not aware of the danger until the engine and trainmen jumped.

The engine on the freight slid over the four flat cars comprising the work train and 15 Mexicans besides several Americans who were in charge of the gang were pinned down and it was several hours before they were extricated. It is supposed the wreck was caused by disregard of orders by the crew of the work train.

WILL SELL RAILROAD AT AUCTION

RECEIVER OF ALASKA CENTRAL LINE WILL DISPOSE OF THE CONCERN.

Valdez, Alaska, Oct. 8.—O. G. Labbers of Spokane, receiver of the Alaska Central railroad, arrived today from Seward and tomorrow will offer the railroad for sale at public auction under a foreclosure decree of the United States court in a suit brought by holders of \$4,000,000 of bonds. The Sovereign Bank of Canada, now defunct, financed the road and in the clearing up of the bank's assets J. Pierpont Morgan came into possession of \$1,000,000 of the railroad bonds. A representative of Mr. Morgan, it is understood, will bid in the Alaska Central which will be completed and operated. Six million dollars has been expended on the line which begins at Seward, on Resurrection bay, and extends to Turnagain Arm, 72 miles. There are extensive coal fields along the route.

CAPTAIN WEBBER DEAD.

New York, Oct. 8.—Captain John Joshua Nathaniel Webber, who served as an executive officer on the Monitor during her battle with the Merrimac in 1864, is dead in a Staten Island seamen's resort at the age of 80. He was the last of the officers of the famous vessel.

FIVE HUNDRED MEN ASKED FOR BY I. W. W.

Special to The Daily Missoulian. Spokane, Oct. 8.—A telegram from Missoula representatives of the I. W. W. received here at the local headquarters of the organization asks that 500 workers be sent to the Montana city to help carry on the campaign of the organization in that place. The message declares that, notwithstanding the action of the Missoula officers in arresting speakers for trying to conduct meetings on the public streets, that the jails are full and the police are "powerless." The telegram also asks that a special speaker be sent to conduct a big meeting Sunday night in some convenient hall. It is understood here that the Missoula delegation was limited and that the requested number of men and a speaker would be on hand for the meeting Sunday night.

MAKES HIS FLIGHT AGAINST WIND

UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS, GLENN H. CURTISS SAILS OVER AERO COURSE.

St. Louis, Oct. 8.—Under adverse conditions Glenn H. Curtiss by a flight in his biplane late this afternoon in Forest park received the applause and cheers of many thousands of persons who had waited for George Francis Ozment and Hugh A. Harbinson of St. Louis attempted to make their machines fly, but failed.

Curtiss, facing a 15-mile wind, rose in his machine 20 feet from the ground and flew the length of the aero field. He covered a quarter of a mile and was aloft 45 seconds.

The flight, which was his second of the day, was made so as not to disappoint the multitude that surrounded the aero club. Curtiss said he wanted people to see him fly, but he would not be able to make any evolutions. Tonight he announced he would make a flight early tomorrow morning and would remain in the air a long time.

Early today he remained in the air a minute and a half and sailed three-quarters of a mile against a wind whose velocity was five miles an hour.

DISGUISED HOLDUP TAKES WOMAN'S MONEY

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 8.—A thug arrayed in woman's skirts attacked Mrs. Emily Mederos last night as she was on her way to her home at 1600 Third Street, in company with her two children and two women companions. Mrs. Mederos was beaten on the head and probably fatally injured by her assailant, who wielded an iron bar. The woman was knocked insensible and as she lay on the sidewalk and while her companions and children screamed for assistance the thug coolly took from her \$50. He then fled, vanishing over a high board fence.

PRESIDENT ARRIVES AT GLACIER POINT

EXECUTIVE ARISES AT DAWN, SEES THE BIG TREES, THEN CONTINUES JOURNEY.

Glacier Point, Cal., Oct. 8.—President Taft arrived here this evening after nightfall. The drive from Wawona, where he spent the forenoon visiting the Mariposa big tree groves, was over 25 miles of mountain road and Mr. Taft was ready for bed immediately after dinner. The president arose before dawn today and started for the sequoia trees in a dense fog, which quickly cleared. The president was deeply impressed with the immense trees, especially in the upper groves. He was photographed at the base of the grizzly giant, the biggest and oldest tree in the world; and he was snapped also in the stage as it passed through the trunk of Wawona, one of the largest of the forest monarchs.

The president was continually on foot in the grove and stood for minutes at a time in contemplation of the fluted columns. The "Old Guard" of four trees in a row, the "Faithful Couple" and others of the old trees were pointed out. The stage ride from Wawona to Glacier carried the president to a maximum elevation of 7,700 feet. Tonight, guarded by cavalrymen, he is sleeping at an elevation of 7,900 feet, in a little hotel here.

With the setting of the sun the weather became cold and a cheerful fire was a most welcome greeting to the presidential party.

ALCOHOL NOT NEEDED AS MEDICINE

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON ALCOHOLISM DECREES USE OF THE SPIRIT.

Washington, Oct. 8.—That alcohol in any form is but seldom of distinct value in the treatment of disease appeared to be the consensus of opinion of the 12th International Congress on Alcoholism, held in London in July last, according to a report of its proceedings made public by the public health and marine hospital service today. The report was prepared by Dr. Reid Hunt, chief of the division of pharmacology of the marine hospital service.

Some evidence, Dr. Hunt declares, was brought forward to show that alcohol even in moderate amounts has unfavorable effect on the offspring and has the tendency to lower the resistance of infection. Especial emphasis, Dr. Hunt declares, was laid upon the extraordinary growth of total abstinence in the British army and navy, it having been shown that 40 per cent of the army in India are total abstainers. Figures were presented illustrating how marked has been the decrease of the use of alcohol in hospitals in various countries.

RACE QUESTION IS RAISED AGAIN

CALIFORNIA NEGROES WOULD HAVE REPRESENTATIVES AT TAFT BANQUET.

PROBLEM IS PERPLEXING

Afro-American League Makes Demand That Two Members of Colored Race Be Given Seats at Table With President—Executive Will Be Consulted.

Pasadena, Cal., Oct. 8.—Whether there shall be representatives of the negro race at the Taft banquet here October 12, is the question that the president or some member of his party for him, will be called upon to decide tomorrow. The committee representing the Afro-American league which yields some influence in this section, called today upon the 25 citizens who have charge of the arrangements for entertaining the president and demanded that two negroes be given places at the banquet.

E. T. Fox, chairman of the general arrangements committee, admitted tonight that the demand for negro representation at the banquet had been made and referred to the executive committee, which will first ascertain what Mr. Taft thinks about it.

This was not the only trouble the committee confronted today. It was learned that two banquet tickets had been issued to a man who proclaimed that he had received a message from Almighty God to sit with Taft and teach him how to run the government. The man was George Sandigan, a well-known resident, who is said to be a victim of recurrent insanity. The two tickets sold to Sandiman were revoked.

WILL LEND AID.

Washington, Oct. 8.—Indian Commissioner Valentine asserted today that his bureau would lend all possible administrative support in the prosecution of several officials of Marshalltown, Ia., indicted yesterday for conspiring to interfere with a special officer of the Indian office while the latter was investigating alleged sales of liquor to Indians from the Tama reservation.

MEYER ARRAIGNED.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—M. H. Meyer, head of the Frisco-Santa Fe Land & Development company, indicted in St. Louis on a charge of using the mails to defraud in connection with a 10,000-acre land deal in Texas, in which approximately \$500,000 was involved, was arraigned here today before United States Commissioner Foote. It is charged that he disposed of land at \$20 an acre that was practically worthless.

FIREWORKS ARE USED TO STOP A MEETING

Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, Oct. 8.—This city, where David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, will deliver two important budget speeches tomorrow, was invaded by the suffragettes tonight. The chancellor was escorted from the station by a strong force of police. The suffragettes attempted this evening to hold a meeting in Drill hall, but students and the noisy element of the city, armed with bells, whistles and trumpets, raised such a din that the speakers could not be heard. The meeting finally was broken up when fireworks were thrown on the stage.

GIVES STATEMENT.

Havana, Oct. 8.—The secretary of finance today gave out a statement of the condition of the Cuban treasury. The secretary says its condition has improved considerably since the close of the period after American intervention. Then the treasury had a balance of \$2,685,228 against obligations of \$8,494,956. The balance September 30 showed \$1,935,392, against obligations of \$5,117,951.

TOWED INTO HARBOR.

Port Arthur, Tex., Oct. 8.—Water-logged and dismasted, with five remaining of her original crew of seven, the Kate Foote from Mobile to Cuban ports was towed into this harbor today. The vessel was stripped and whirled hundreds of miles out of her course by the hurricane of September 25.

TABLET UNVEILED.

London, Oct. 8.—A tablet marking the supposed site of Shakespeare's Globe theater was unveiled this afternoon.

WRIGHT GIVES AVIATION LESSON

AEROPLANIST DEDICATES GOVERNMENT'S TRACT OF LAND AT COLLEGE PARK.

IS TEACHING OFFICERS

Lieutenants of the Army Are Being Instructed in the Art of Handling a Flying Machine—First One Owned by the Government Makes Five Successful Flights Around the Course.

College Park, Md., Oct. 8.—For the first time in the history of America, an aeroplane owned by the United States government soared in the air today. Guided by Wilbur Wright, it flew five times in the dedication to aviation of the government's tract of land here.

With almost ideal conditions for spectators and a breeze blowing scarcely at the rate of a mile an hour, Mr. Wright began the flights to teach the officers of the signal corps how to handle the machine. Off the starting rail at 2:35, he circled the field for three minutes, 25 feet above the ground. Again at 4:09 Mr. Wright was off for another flight. This time he was in the air five minutes. At 4:51 o'clock he soared away to return after about five minutes. Each time he had kept to the reservation grounds. Then Lieutenant Latham took his place in the extra seat.

At 5:15 the two rose probably 150 feet. They went a mile and a half toward Washington in hardly more than as many minutes. In about five minutes after they had left they landed within 20 feet of the starting rail. In another short flight Mr. Wright took Lieutenant Humphries with him. Flights probably will be made tomorrow and on days following until the officers are familiar with the new art.

MAKES HIS REPLY TO DEWEY

LANDIS SAYS HE ONLY CALLED ATTENTION TO TOP-HEAVINESS OF NAVY.

Delphi, Ind., Oct. 8.—Former Congressman Landis at his home here today replied to Admiral Dewey's criticisms of his speech at Cincinnati in which he referred to the alleged inadequacy of the navy because of the lack of American merchant marine. Said Mr. Landis:

"What I hoped to bring to the attention of the country in my address was the top-heaviness of our navy as now constituted—its all fighting ships. The lessons taught in the Spanish-American war and the recent cruises around the world emphasize our weakness in the class of vessels which other nations in the event of war drag from their merchant marine. I refer to transports, hospital ships, scout ships, colliers and the like.

"Admiral Dewey says we could buy these in the event of war. Has he forgotten the abuse and defamation heaped on McKinley while he was trying to make the fighting ships we had effective and make provision for landing troops on the enemy's soil? Has he forgotten the \$50,000,000 voted by congress to avert the hysteria of the country to be expended by the president without legislative restraint? "Had our quarrel been with an aggressive and prepared enemy, cognizant of our weakness, Admiral Dewey's place in history might be different. A navy without an adequate merchant marine to support it is like an army without supply trains."

PLAN OF ELECTION WILL NOT BE CHANGED

Los Angeles, Oct. 8.—The general plan of the Woman's Home Missionary society of electing the national officers will not be changed. After a discussion lasting more than two hours, the delegates today voted to retain the old plan with such modifications as the society may see fit to make.

"SHORTY" LANE ARRESTED.

Thad, better known as "Shorty," Lane was arrested late last night and taken to the county jail. It is claimed that he, while intoxicated, entered the kitchen of the Vienna cafe and struck a dishwasher in the face. It is also alleged that he threatened the life of Mike Cosgrove, one of the proprietors of the cafe.