

CATTLE DYING IN SNOW STORM

STOCKMEN ON BLACKFEET RESERVATION LOSING HUNDREDS OF STEERS DAILY.

GRAVE FEARS ARE FELT

Trains Around Kalispell and Wallace Are Moved With Difficulty, Snow Blocking All Tracks—Several Rotary Snow Plows Are Thrown From the Rails—Mails Being Delayed.

Helena, Feb. 2.—(Special).—With from three to five feet of thickly crusted snow covering the grazing lands of the Blackfoot Indian reservation, and with one of the most severe cold spells in the history of that section of the state prevailing, hundreds of cattle are reported to be perishing daily, while grave fears are felt for the safety of thousands more. Fifty thousand head of range cattle are at large on the reservation and unless the present cold spell, which has lasted since December 23, with but one break of a few hours, which served only to crust the snow, is replaced by a chinook before many hours, a large per cent of them, it is feared, will starve or freeze to death.

Eighty in One Bunch.

According to A. E. McPateridge, the lands of the Blackfoot Indian reservation, 80 head of steers which had floundered in a single snow drift, were counted by him from the train which brought him to Helena from Browning yesterday.

Driven by the blizzards, thousands of cattle flocked along the right-of-way, and several times the train was brought to a standstill while the cattle, half starved and half frozen, were driven from the tracks.

Livestock companies, allowed to pasture cattle on the reservation by virtue of special permits, it is said, will suffer great losses. Of the 5,000 head of range cattle owned by the Sun River Land & Livestock company, it is feared hundreds will be lost. Officers of the Florence Cattle company, which also has approximately 5,000 head of cattle on the reserve, also fear an enormous loss. Although the Indian ranchers disposed of a great portion of their hay last fall, most of them still have enough on hand to carry them for some time. Many Indians, however, have large herds on the range, and for these few hopes are entertained.

Mails Delayed.

Kalispell, Feb. 2.—(Special).—Mails were again delayed and many people who wished to leave town were held up here all day on account of another blockade on the Great Northern, near the top of the eastern slope of the Rockies. Snow fell there all night, and strong winds blew, drifting over the tracks and gripping three passenger trains. Efforts of several rotaries were not sufficient to keep the track clear for the passage of trains. Today a rotary went off the track just after clearing away and blocked it as trains were ready to proceed. There are hopes of getting trains through tonight.

Heavy Snow Fall.

Wallace, Feb. 2.—(Special).—Continued heavy snow fall from the summit of the divide to Wallace is making hard going for snow plows, which, with difficulty, are keeping the line open. Snow caused two minor accidents today when an O. R. & N. train from Spokane halted just below the depot with its engine off the tracks, and an

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HIGGINS' BILL PASSES IN HOUSE

LOWER BRANCH OF LEGISLATURE FAVORS LAW SCHOOL AT STATE UNIVERSITY.

DRUG BILL CONCURRED IN

Macdonald's Measure, Regulating Sale of Opium, Morphine, Cocaine and Other Similar "Dope," Is Favored and Passed—Whaley Would Abolish Office of State Game Warden.

Helena, Feb. 2.—(Special).—Groundhog day has not improved the senatorial situation here. It brought more snow and a few immaterial changes in the vote, but nothing else worth mentioning. Representative Baker of Lewis and Clark started a small boom for Representative Owenhouse today, and the vote was received with applause on the floor and in the galleries. Representative Law added his vote, making two for Mr. Owenhouse. At the close of the ballot the vote stood:

Senate House Total

Carter 12 24 36

Walsh 7 21 28

Conrad 2 16 18

Scattering 8 8 15

Paired and absent, four.

Moore of Silver Bow and Moore of Valley and Woody and Murray were paired today.

Today's Meeting.

Many look forward with interest to the meeting tomorrow of the democratic state central committee, called together at the instance of Mr. Walsh and friends. No real results are anticipated, for those who oppose the Helena man have their backbones steeled for just such an emergency. The Conrad men are sticking closer than brothers nowadays. It is rumored that some fine Italian hand is at work in his behalf.

It is also reported that mighty financial organizations are in the game for keeps now.

Questionable influences are being brought to bear on certain representatives. Heretofore the interests have not been very active, preferring to stand back and let the situation drift.

There are evidences of an organized effort to slip one over on the unsuspecting at the proper moment. Nobody, outside of a small circle, believes that Mr. Conrad will win, or that some of the support that he is getting is sincere, but he serves a fine purpose just at this time.

There is something in the wind, and if the democratic committee does not look out it will feel it. All sorts of diverting stories are afloat.

The senate killed Wheeler's "Sane Fourth of July bill" today by declining to concur in it. The George bank guaranty bill was referred to the senate judiciary committee.

Representative Whaley gave notice of a bill to abolish the office of state game warden. He would have the sheriffs look after the game.

Bills introduced by Representatives Higgins, Woody and Berry passed the house on third reading today. They were:

Bills Pass House.

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NO TRACE IS DISCOVERED OF MISS DOROTHY ARNOLD BUT SEARCH IS CONTINUED



Two recent photographs of Miss Dorothy Arnold. Miss Arnold disappeared from her home in New York 52 days ago, and since then no trace of her whereabouts has been found.

New York, Feb. 2.—A rumor that the body of Dorothy Arnold had been found in a Central park lagoon was posted on a newspaper bulletin board here today and telephoned to the family, but it proved as baseless as all other clues thus far discovered.

The park patrol found a woman's shoe on the edge of the largest of the park lakes. Its size was 8 1/2 but that did not quiet the rumors and a swarm of reporters and photographers was soon lining the shores. The police reported that they knew nothing

of the finding of any body and so informed Mr. Arnold, the father, who was then, on the point of joining the throng about the lake. Miss Arnold has been missing 52 days. There was the usual crop of rumors concerning the young woman today, but nothing tangible developed.

LEASING QUESTION INVOLVED IN HEARING

STATE LAND BOARD ASKED BY WHAT RIGHT IT RENTED FLATHEAD LAKE LAND.

Helena, Feb. 2.—(Special).—A special committee appointed to investigate the lease of certain lands between high and low water marks on Flathead lake, at Polson, had a spirited meeting at the capitol today. The members of the state land board were called upon to explain what right they had to lease Mrs. Lucy Thompson of Helena 1,200 feet along the water front. Some time last year the lease was made for \$50 a year for five years for sand and gravel privileges. Mrs. Thompson, or guaranty bill was referred to the senate judiciary committee.

AIRSHIP IS BUILT FOR VALLEY FLIGHT

PRESIDENT ELDRED TELLS OF PLANS FOR THE MISSOULA-HAMILTON SERVICE.

"The first aeroplane, the one that we call the runabout, will be here about April 20, maybe a little earlier. It is all ready to ship now, but I want to be here when it comes, and I have to go back to Michigan before I can come here to stay any length of time. The plane is finished and as soon as I am ready to come back to Montana it will be started so as to get here as soon as I do. You will see it flying in the Bitter Root before the 1st of May." So spoke Fred C. Eldred, president of Eldred & Co. and of the Kalamazoo Aeroplane company, which is making the airships that are to fly between Missoula and Hamilton this summer. Mr. Eldred spent yesterday in Missoula with W. F. Cobban, after a sojourn of a fortnight in the Bitter Root valley. He will leave tonight for Kalamazoo.

LABOR IN PROTEST AGAINST JUDGE WHITFORD

TEN THOUSAND PEOPLE IN DENVER MARCH PAST COLORADO STATE HOUSE.

Denver, Feb. 2.—The monster labor union parade through the streets of Denver today, in protest against contempt sentences by District Judge Greeley M. Whitford, was culminated by a demonstration of socialists at the state capitol. Led by a band playing the same airs, the socialists marched around the capitol building several times singing the Marseillaise. Their leaders shouted as they marched: "We are now marching around the capitol. Four years from now we will march inside." President John McLehlan of the State Federation of Labor, who presented the charges to the legislature against Judge Whitford, on which impeachment proceedings were asked, was grand marshal of the parade. Between eight and ten thousand members of labor unions participated in the marching. Practically all construction work in Denver was at a standstill this afternoon as a consequence. The striking coal miners of the northern Colorado coal district had the place of honor at the head of the parade. It was against 16 of their brother unionists that Judge Whitford imposed a sentence of one year each in the county jail at Denver for violating an injunction prohibiting strikers from interfering with non-unionists in the coal fields. At the conclusion of the parade, which passed the city hall and the capitol building in turn, a mass meeting was held in the Auditorium and addresses delivered by ex-Governor Charles S. Thomas, who is now a candidate for the United States senatorship; L. C. McCallie of Columbus, O., organizer for the United Mine Workers of America, and John M. O'Neill, editor of the United States Miners' Magazine. Governor Thomas spoke on the abuse of the injunction.

WHIPPING POST ABOLISHED.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 2.—Almost without opposition a bill to abolish the whipping post for wife beaters in Oregon was passed today by the state legislature. This law was enacted four years ago and since it became a statute wife beating cases have almost disappeared. The law is repealed because it was considered a blot on the state.

ARCHBISHOP RYAN VERY NEAR DEATH

Philadelphia, Feb. 2.—Physicians in attendance upon Archbishop Ryan said at noon today that the end might come at any moment. They issued the following bulletin: "Archbishop Ryan is slowly and gradually growing weaker. This morning he fell into a semi-comatose condition from which he may or may not emerge." Following a visit of former Governor Edwin S. Stuart, Archbishop Ryan, who was in a semi-conscious condition most of the day, rallied, and after an intimate conversation with his visitor, appeared greatly improved. His physicians hold out no hope for his recovery.

VOTES WERE BOUGHT BUT AT LOW PRICES

Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 2.—Evidence brought today before the special committee to probe election frauds in Atlantic City showed that votes had been purchased and paid for in the store of Thomas McDevitt, a republican leader. Stanley Williams, a former clerk for McDevitt, testified that an employe of the city comptroller's office had paid for 308 votes out of a registration of 600. The price paid, he said, ranged between \$1 and \$2.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL DAMAGED BY FIRE

Butte, Feb. 2.—(Special).—St. Joseph's church and parochial school building, in the south part of town, was damaged by fire late last night. The fire caught from the furnace. The people who got to the place first worked hard to put out the blaze until it got beyond them and then called the fire department. The roof of the building fell in and the interior was soaked with water. The insurance will cover the loss. Leo Sanger, son of the chief, and Joe Boos, fireman, were on the roof when it started to cave in and just had time to jump for the fire escape.

ADmits GUILT IN RUSSIAN COURT

AGED PHYSICIAN SUBJECT OF THE CZAR POISONED MORE THAN FORTY PEOPLE.

RECEIVED LARGE FEES

Doctor Was in the Wholesale Murder Business, Inoculating With Diphtheria Any Person Whose Death Was Desired By Relatives or Other Enemies.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 2.—There was an unusual occurrence at today's session of the trial for murder of Count O'Brien De Lassy and the notorious poisoner, Dr. Pantchenko, the latter being called on to plead a second time. He pleaded guilty as before. The count is accused of having employed the doctor to murder his brother-in-law, Count Vasilisa Boulurlin, the heir to estates of an estimated value of \$3,500,000, in order that the property might be inherited by Countess De Lassy. Pantchenko confessed his guilt, but set up the defense that he committed the crime while under the hypnotic influence of the count. As the trial progressed he wavered in matters of detail and his lawyers were quick to strengthen his original defense by declaring that their client was still under the influence of the count to such an extent that he was little by little retracting the vital points of his confession. Today the public prosecutor took cognizance of the situation and, after referring to the proximity of the prisoner in the dock, made a motion that the cardinal question as to his guilt or innocence be propounded again to Pantchenko. He said that the replies of the prisoner had been unsatisfactory throughout his examination.

Ciudad Juarez Forsaken Hastily

MEXICAN TOWN ACROSS FROM EL PASO, TEXAS, THREATENED BY INSURRECTOS.

REBELS ARE IN FORCE

Federal Troops Dynamite Train Carrying Insurrectionists, Killing Several. American Nurse Obtains Permission to Bring Wounded Combatants to Hospitals in El Paso.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 2.—Reports here tonight, believed to be authentic, are to the effect that the insurrectos will attack Juarez at 3 a. m. and that a messenger from Orozco to the German and American consuls was arrested by federal officers on reaching Juarez and is now held incommunicado. So far as known, the insurrectos have no artillery capable of bombarding the city and no fear is felt from this source. There are no insurrectos apparent in the immediate vicinity of Juarez, and the general opinion prevails in El Paso that the expected attack will not materialize until after daylight.

El Paso, Feb. 2.—Ciudad Juarez, across the river from here, is practically depopulated tonight, the residents having fled to this city in fear of an attack from insurrectos, which is expected before daylight tomorrow. The Mexican postoffice and two branch banks in Juarez were closed up tonight, after all the money and records had been brought here for safety. Federal soldiers, acting under orders, took desperate measures today to check the approach of the insurrectos, who tonight were reported within 20 miles of Juarez. The Fourteenth cavalry was sent out to dynamite the tracks of the Mexican Central railway, over which line a train was traveling northward toward Juarez, loaded with rebels. The train bearing the insurrectos ran over a mine of dynamite, which exploded, shattering one of the coaches, but it is not known just how many persons were killed. The coal passer on the engine was blown to pieces, but the engineer, suspecting danger, leaped from the engine and was only slightly hurt. The engine passed over the charge of explosives and was not badly damaged. A battle between the Fourteenth cavalry and the insurrectos raged for several hours. Thirty-two federal cavalrymen are believed to have been killed, the estimate being based upon the number of riderless cavalry horses which strayed into Juarez today. Six insurgents were killed. Many were wounded on both sides.

Residents Aroused. Residents of this city and the few who are left in Juarez were aroused tonight by a heavy detonation, and immediately the attack on Juarez was being proclaimed by them. Investigation developed the fact that the Henry Seggerman powder house, two and a half miles south of Juarez, containing quantities of powder and dynamite, was shot off by Mexican of-

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HOUSE MEMBERSHIP TO REMAIN AS NOW

Washington, Feb. 2.—A house membership of 391, as at present, was the congressional reapportionment plan agreed upon by the republican caucus of the house tonight. The proposition, made by Mr. Campbell of Kansas, was first defeated, 56 to 91, but later reconsidered and adopted, 70 to 35. About 15 republican members of the house attended tonight to decide upon the party policy as to congressional reapportionment on the basis of the latest census. The first bill considered was that reported by Mr. Crumpacker of Indiana, chairman of the house committee on census, fixing the house membership after March 3, 1913, at 433, on a ratio of population to representatives of 211,877, as against 194,182, as at present. This includes Arizona and New Mexico, and any new states after the date fixed will be additional to the 433, which is the lowest number that would prevent any state from losing a representative.

of a plan to offset the negro disfranchisement in the south, urged by Messrs. Bennett and Olcott of New York and opposed by Mr. Gaines of West Virginia and others, occurred during the six-hour session of the caucus. Several propositions were pending, including the Campbell proposition, leaving the house as it stands today. A proposition by Mr. Elvins of Missouri, favoring 402 members; a proposition by Mr. Stafford of Wisconsin, for 397 members, representing views said to be held by Speaker Cannon and other house leaders and the Crumpacker idea of 423 members, urged at the outset by its author. The Campbell plan was first taken up and finally put through, the details of carrying out the scheme being left to the census committee, which will prepare the way for action at this session of congress. The caucus developed into rather a stormy one when the Bennett anti-disfranchisement plan was proposed. The proposition directed the preparation of a bill to carry out section 2 of the 14th amendment to the federal constitution, so as to cut down the representation of any state exactly to the extent that the negroes were disfranchised by such a state. This proposition was defeated, after considerable speechmaking, 75 to 48, the same number of representatives voting against it as voted against the consideration of reapportionment at this session, when the vote was 89 to 49.

SEVERAL ARRESTS ARE TO BE MADE

New York, Feb. 2.—Warrants for the arrest of officials of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, of the Dupont De Nemours Powder company and others involved, will be issued in Jersey City tomorrow, in connection with yesterday's explosion that caused the death of more than 30 persons, according to a statement issued tonight after a conference between the Jersey City police and the corporation attorney. The warrants, it was said, will charge manslaughter, criminal negligence and violation of the city ordinance. Agents of the Dupont De Nemours Powder company, the prosecutor of Hudson county, New Jersey, and inspectors of the bureau of explosives of the ordinance bureau of the war department, started separate investigations today into the explosion of dynamite yesterday at the Communipaw piers of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. No arrests had been made tonight, no cause for the explosion had been fixed, and no additional bodies were found. The list of dead and missing stands at about 35, and the property damage is about \$1,000,000.