

WEATHER.
Main or snow tonight or Thursday, warmer in east and south portions.

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WAY DECLARED PAVED FOR CITY BUILDING BOOM
Makers Say New Schedule is Virtually on Pre-War Basis

CUTS RANGE FROM 15 TO 25 PER CENT AT YARDS
Last Obstacle in Way of Campaign for Houses Now Gone is Claim

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PEASANTS IN SIBERIA HAVE REDS BESIEGED
LONDON, Jan. 26.—Reports that the peasants in Siberia are being besieged by the reds are contained in a Helsinki dispatch to the Central News to the peasants. It is declared, and the peasants are being cut off from the supply of foodstuffs from the west.

WAGES FOR FARM LABOR HIGHEST EVER IN 1920
WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Wages for farm labor reached their highest point in the history of this country in 1920, as national averages, according to figures gathered by the department of agriculture and made public today. The average wage rate for farm labor for the month, it was shown, was \$45.89 with board, and without board, for day labor at \$13.50 with board and \$4.35 without board.

WARRANT IS FILED AGAINST FORMER RECTOR
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 26.—A warrant was filed here today against the former rector of the Free Methodist church at Mount Vernon, Ill., with a bond of \$125,000, for the mail at St. Louis, December 24 last, Kyle confessed completely in the

"Advertising Scheme of Doubtful Value"

The Ogden Chamber of Commerce recently received from Messrs. Klinger and French, advertising solicitors, an application for a recommendation or approval of a classified directory which the parties named wish to publish, soliciting advertisements from Ogden business firms.

The application was referred to the advertising committee of the Chamber. The report of the committee follows:

"To the Members of the Chamber of Commerce:

"We have made a careful analysis of the proposed classified directory submitted by Messrs. Klinger and French. It is our opinion that the proposed publication is absolutely non-essential; that there is no need for such a publication; that advertising space in said directory is of very doubtful value. We again invite all members of the Chamber of Commerce to refer all advertising solicitations of such publications, to the Chamber. Your advertising committee will make a careful analysis of every proposition offered and will report to its members its findings in each case.

(Signed) "O. J. STELWELL, Secy."

CHURCH LOSES PROPERTY BY COURT DECREE

Catholics in Mexico Fear Decision May Mean Reversion of Holidays

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 24.—The supreme court's decision in the La Puebla case, which resulted in the church property in the state of Puebla being turned over to the government, is being followed by the newspapers here to be of vast importance, inasmuch as it established a precedent for future investigations into church holdings and their possible reversion to the government.

STORY OF CASE.
The Sociedad de la Piedad (Society of Pity) was organized several years ago with headquarters in the city of Puebla and administered vast holdings in that state. In March, 1915, civil action was brought against the society in which claims were made that it was merely a mask for the real holders, the Catholic clergy in the state of Puebla, who under the federal constitution are not allowed to own or administer such property.

The state courts ruled against such property maintaining that it was "irregularly" obtained in violation of the federal and state laws and ordered that the holdings revert to the care of the federal secretary of the treasury. Several months before the battle, organizers of the United Mine Workers of America had been busy forming local unions among the miners of the Stone Mountain Coal company, the Stone Mountain Coal company, and two other citizens were killed.

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24 MEN FACING MURDER CHARGE; COURT CROWDED

Trials Follow W. Virginia Clash of Detectives and Union Miners

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Jan. 25.—Twenty-four men from Matewan, five miles away, were here today to answer to the charge of murder before Judge R. O. Bailey in the Mingo county circuit court. They were indicted last July for the part they are alleged to have taken in a battle with private detectives who had evicted former employees of the Stone Mountain Coal company from the corporation's houses in the fight seven days before the Matewan massacre.

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PIECEWORK EVIDENCE NEARING COMPLETION

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Completion of the evidence being presented by the railroad favoring restoration of piecework was expected today in the hearing on rules and working conditions before the railroad labor board. The board is asking restoration of piecework in connection with their plea for abrogation of the national agreements, which substituted an hourly wage for the piecework system.

G. E. Collins, supervisor of car repairs of the Chicago & Northwestern, took the stand this morning. He presented numerous charts tending to show decreased efficiency of car repairers following introduction of the hourly wage system.

WOMAN DECORATED FOR REBUILDING FRENCH TOWN

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Miss Belle Skinner, of Holyoke, Mass., who adopted and undertook reconstruction of Hatton-Chatel, a village in the Meuse valley of France, ruined in the war, was decorated here today with the cross of Chevalier of the Legion of Honor. The new Hatton-Chatel is nearing completion.

SLUG COUNTY TREASURER AND ESCAPE WITH \$14,000

MARION, O., Jan. 26.—Two bandits early this morning entered the office of the county treasurer in the county house here, knocked Treasurer Harry E. Fory unconscious with the butt of a revolver, and escaped in an automobile with \$14,000 in cash.

ILLINOIS WILL RESIST HIGHER PASSENGER RATE

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Suit to set aside the order of the Interstate Commerce commission allowing railroads to advance passenger fares in Illinois to 3 1/2 cents a mile, was filed in the United States district court here today.

ACCUSED NEGRO SEIZED BY MOB FROM OFFICIALS

Alleged Slayer of Arkansas Planter Taken From Deputy Sheriffs

MEMPHIS STIRRED BY FINDING BOY'S BODY

Child, With Throat Cut and Otherwise Mutilated Found in Field

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 25.—Henry Lowry, negro, accused of the killing of O. T. Craig, a planter, and Craig's daughter, Mrs. C. O. Williamson, who were shot to death at the Craig plantation home near Wilson, Ark., Christmas day last, was taken from officials aboard a northbound Illinois Central train early today by a mob of between fifteen and twenty unmasked men at Sardis, Miss., who disappeared with the negro in a woods which skirts the town.

J. J. Greer and D. H. Dickson, Arkansas deputy sheriffs who had the negro in custody, arrived here this morning and reported the loss of their prisoner who they were conveying to Arkansas from El Paso, Tex., where he was captured last week. Acting under orders of Governor McRae, the deputies were endeavoring to reach the state penitentiary at Little Rock with the man.

ANOTHER ARREST.
Mathew Houston, 18 years old, negro, who is alleged to have confessed to the killing of five-year-old Frank Dolly, whose mutilated body was found in a field near his father's farm on the outskirts of Memphis late yesterday, has been removed to Nashville for safekeeping. Meanwhile, county detectives are endeavoring to establish the accuracy of a statement credited to the negro that the slaying of the child was witnessed by a white youth who, according to Houston's alleged confession, aided in dragging the body to the field in which it was found.

A fourteen-year-old white boy was arrested early today and ordered detained pending investigation. The boy's half interest in Mr. Partridge had in the Hillman department store was retained by five direct heirs after his death in 1917. Mr. Hillman has purchased that interest for a sum in excess of \$2,000,000, his attorney announced.

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MANILA, P. I., Jan. 26.—Thirty-six Filipinos, mostly women and children, were drowned in the wrecking of the three-masted steamer Santa Rita, which was blown ashore and helplessly pounded to pieces in a furious storm at the mouth of the Agno river, province of Pangasinan, according to advices received here today.

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The craft was driven on the rocky shore and soon pounded to pieces. The scene of the wreck was about 100 miles north of here.

AMERICAN BONDING AND CASUALTY GOES BROKE

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WITNESS DECLARES MRS. PEETE PAWNED DEAD MAN'S DIAMOND

Important Witness for Prosecution Says Accused Woman Also Disposed of Murdered Mining Promoter's Keepsakes.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 26.—Disposition alleged to have been made by Mrs. Louise Peete of personal property of Jacob Charles Denton, including a diamond ring and keepsakes of his dead wife and baby, was detailed today at the woman's trial on the charge of having murdered the mining promoter by Mrs. Mannie Tilton, said by the prosecution to have been a confidant of the defendant.

The arrest of Mrs. Peete followed the finding of Denton's body in the basement of the Denton home where Mrs. Peete has been his housekeeper. The body had been sealed in a recently improvised tomb. Quicklime had been poured over the body to destroy it.

SEAMSTRESS TESTIFIED.
Mrs. Tilton said she became acquainted with Mrs. Peete through having been employed by her as a seamstress while the defendant was a tenant of the Denton residence.

"Once when I was there," testified Mrs. Tilton, "Mrs. Peete seemed worried. I asked her what was the matter. She said she had been served with papers in divorce action and wanted to go to Denver, but had no money. I offered to pawn my rings, but she said she would not permit that, as she had a ring and she would pawn that."

PAWNS RICH RING.
Mrs. Tilton said she and Mrs. Peete rode to a pawnshop in an automobile, alleged by the prosecution to have been Denton's, and while Mrs. Peete remained in the car, Mrs. Tilton pawned for \$200 a diamond ring which the state contends was the property of the dead man.

"Mrs. Peete told me secrecy was necessary," Mrs. Tilton testified. Later she added, the defendant asked her to go to the pawnbrokers again and ask for more money on the ring. The witness said she wept but failed to see the broker.

KEEPSAKES IDENTIFIED.
She also identified strips containing a number of articles including a box upon which was written in memory of Dolly and baby—keepsakes. The state announced the "Dolly" referred to was Mrs. Dollie Mae Winters Denton and "baby" to Martha Margaret Denton, his wife and child, who died shortly after the child's birth about a year ago. The box, among other things, contained a pair of baby's shoes and a book marked "Baby's Book."

"Mrs. Peete told me Mr. Denton prized these very highly," said Mrs. Tilton. "She brought them to my home and asked me to keep them for her."

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GROVER C. BERGDOLL EVADES U. S. OFFICERS

BERLIN, Jan. 26.—An attempt was recently made at Ebersbach to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft evader, and a companion named Stecher, by five men in an automobile, two of whom were American intelligence officers and one an American sergeant, according to the Ebersbacher Zeitung.

Bergdoll was being driven to the Ebersbach railway station to meet his attorney when the automobile was suddenly surrounded and its occupants ordered to surrender. The party attempted to escape and one of the Americans fired, the newspaper saying wounding a German friend of Bergdoll in the right hand. Police officers appeared and the five men fled, but the two alleged intelligence officers and another of the men were arrested later.

AMMUNITION EXPLODES IN CLEVELAND ARMY FIRE

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 26.—Ten thousand rounds of rifle ammunition stored in the basement of the Cleveland Gray's armory exploded this morning during a fire. Three firemen overcame in the suffocating smoke, rescuing just as the roof fell in. The loss is estimated at \$300,000 of which \$50,000 was in government paraphernalia.

The fire destroyed everything but the walls in the rear of the historic old structure, which has housed everything from prize fights to national conventions.

SOCIALIST LEGISLATORS MEET LABOR LEADERS

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 25.—Socialist members of the state assembly and legislature held a caucus here tonight attended by Victor L. Berger, of Milwaukee. Socialist legislation, and the party's legislative program were discussed. Those attending declined to reveal what happened at the meeting which was preceded by a conference between American Federation of Labor representatives and the Socialist legislators.

JAP DOCTOR'S SERUM FOR YELLOW FEVER IS TRIED

SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Jan. 25.—Treatment of patients suspected of having yellow fever with the serum developed by Dr. Hideyo Noguchi, the Japanese scientist, has been begun in Guatemala, it was said in a dispatch here. Physicians have inoculated 337 persons with the serum.