

COLORADO MILITIA SCANDAL

GENERAL CHASE HAS CHARGES AGAINST HIM BY GOVERNOR.

Extra Employment of Colonels, Generals Drawing a Big Salary and Padded Pay Rolls to Be Investigated—Court Martial Ordered—All Kinds of Scandals.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 7.—In connection with rumors that a scandal of wide reaching character has developed in the management of the Cripple Creek campaign of the Colorado national guard, Governor James H. Peabody has given out the following statement:

"Charges and specifications against certain men and officers in the Colorado national guard have been filed with me which will be immediately inquired into. They are charges of a most serious nature and I shall order a court martial to investigate them thoroughly. The charges filed with me will be probed to the very bottom and any one found guilty of the charges made, no matter who he is, will not be permitted to escape punishment, no matter whether it is an officer of the highest rank or a private without rank.

"General Chase has not been removed, but he will remain in Denver for the present.

"The court martial I have ordered will convene in Denver as soon as it can conveniently do so, I have not determined who will be appointed on it."

The governor declined to give the name of any of those against whom charges have been made, but it is announced that Adjutant General Sherman M. Bell, Colonel Frederick Gross, paymaster general; Colonel Frank Kimball, assistant paymaster general; Major Arthur M. Williams; General Chase's adjutant, and perhaps others have been ordered to Denver at once, though whether to stand trial or to appear as witnesses it is not positively known.

Charges Are Most Serious.

Among the charges to be investigated are said to be:

Padded payrolls; the employment of superfluous generals and colonels who drew the salary of their rank, but who performed sergeant's duties; general extravagance in the purchase of supplies for the commissary department; the charge that certain officers have been securing a rakeoff from contractors; the issuance by wholesale of transportation between Cripple Creek and Denver to officers and enlisted men, their families and friends; and charging the same to the state; the charge that the book-keeping of the camp is kept in such a way as to admit of grafting; the surreptitious raising of men with a "pull" from non-commissioned officers to captains, majors and colonels; the erection of separate quarters for each colonel, thus involving the state in a heavy, but practically needless expense; the purchase of spoiled beef for the enlisted men at sky high prices; carelessness and recklessness in the handling of finances that is said to be appalling.

The above charges are said to have been filed by General Chase against subordinate officers, while charges of exceeding his authority and disregarding the direct orders of the commander in chief, Governor Peabody, are said to lie against the commanding general himself.

Politics Causes Shooting.

Barre, Vt., Oct. 6.—One man dying, another suffering from a serious but not necessarily fatal wound, and a third under arrest charged with firing the shots, is the outcome of the latest clash between the anarchists and socialists of this city. The feeling between the two parties has been intense for many months, and conflicts more or less serious have been of almost daily occurrence.

Shingle Mill Burned.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 6.—Fire has burned No. 1 mill of the Hastings Shingle Manufacturing company's plant. The fire burned for four hours. Loss, \$35,000. The mill had a capacity of 200,000 feet daily. It was fully insured.

Mrs. Jeff Davis Recovers.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis is rapidly recovering from her illness. Her physicians believe she will be able to leave for her winter home in New York this week.

In the absence of horses both a plow and a mower were used tied behind his automobile by Mr. Raser, an Ohio farmer. The machine was geared too fast to give the best results.

Prosecution of two female Eddyltes for practicing medicine without a license has been commenced by the state board of medical registration in Indiana.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

After a four days' session the Stevens county fair closed one of the most successful expositions and race meets ever held in the county. It is estimated that fully 10,000 people visited the fair during the season.

Exhibits may be shipped free to Spokane if destined for the great exposition at St. Louis.

Wheat is pouring in from all directions to Davenport and notwithstanding the fact that trainloads of the staple are being shipped out, the warehouses are overflowing and are compelled to build platforms to handle the overflow. Over a quarter of a million of bushels of wheat have been received and it is estimated that nearly one-half of the crop is still upon the farms. Little grain is being sold.

Frank Coleman, who claims America's middleweight catch-as-catch-can wrestling championship, recently defeated Tom Davis at Whatcom, winning the first fall at the end of 1 hour and 42 minutes, and the second in five minutes.

Frank Dudacek of Iowa, who bought 400 acres of the Edgar A. Torrance farm, near Diamond, last spring for \$11,000, is expected this week in Colfax with a colony of his neighbors. Mr. Dudacek's experience with Whitman county farming has been such a pleasing surprise to him that he is expected to bring a large number of farmers to join the Iowa colony which settled near Diamond last spring.

With the completion of the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia line, D. C. Corbin's new railway to connect with the Canadian Pacific, and the Coeur d'Alene electric road into Spokane it will be warranted in disputing with Denver the title of being the greatest railroad center of the west. Today Spokane is distributing through railroads in 13 general directions, not counting branch lines into territory reached in a general way by a main system. By the first of the year the new trolley line will have added a fourteenth general distributor.

The city of Spokane tax levy this year will be 13 mills, an increase of one mill over last year.

A daughter was born to Cromwell M. Knowlton recently at Seattle. Just as the child was born into the world Knowlton lighted a fuse to a can of black powder in a small cabin a short distance from his home and blew himself into eternity. He attempted to take a two-year-old daughter with him, but the little girl escaped with slight injuries.

The pay roll for the Spokane school teachers for the first month of the school year amounted to \$18,079.80.

All the butcher shops in Walla Walla will close at 6 o'clock hereafter.

The Lincoln county fair dates from Oct. 13 to 17, inclusive, at Davenport.

A receiver has been appointed for Greenberg Bros., dry goods dealers of Whatcom, at the instigation of San Francisco creditors. The aggregate of the claims of the San Francisco houses is \$35,000. Their estimated assets are \$50,000.

The rapid growth of Palouse towns causes a scarcity of houses.

The strike of linemen employed by the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph company has been officially called off.

By the sale of \$300,000 Spokane county refunding bonds the county commissioners save the taxpayers of the county \$45,000 in interest in the next ten years. The new bonds were sold at 4 1/2 per cent interest, at \$1200 premium and accrued interest.

A street carnival will be held in Dayton, October 13 to 17, under the auspices of the Dayton camp, No. 05, W. O. W. This is the first carnival ever held in Dayton.

Valuable records of the Catholic church, which it will be impossible to replace, were destroyed by fire which gutted the residence of Bishop Edward O'Dea at Seattle. The fire was caused by a defective flue, and had its origin adjacent to the room in which the records were kept.

The judges at the fruit fair at Walla Walla awarded C. R. Frasier the sweepstakes prize of \$50 for the best individual display, he taking six first prizes in this class out of seven exhibits made at the fairs there.

At the international congress of wireless telegraphy, which recently met in Berlin, the term "radiograms" was used for messages sent by the new method. The term has the advantage of being descriptive.

Charles F. Manderson, of Omaha, former United States senator from Nebraska, will be the leading speaker at the dedication of the Ohio monument on the Missionary Ridge battlefield October 21.

Big Money Lost.

James O'Leary, the pool seller, lost \$100,000 recently on The Fiddler, a 20 to 1 shot, in the last race at Morris park, New York.

The Germans are especial lovers of cities. In the 18 cities of above 200,000 population 36 per cent of all the Germans in the country live.

TELEGRAPH NEWS SUMMARY

CULLED FROM DISPATCHES OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

A Review of Happenings in Both Eastern and Western Hemispheres During the Past Week—National Historical, Political and Personal Events Tensely Told.

The railroads of the entire country are face to face with what promises to be the greatest car shortage in their history.

Martin Casey, aged 83, a volunteer fireman of old Chicago, is dead as the result of an accident recently.

Colonel Richard Henry Savage, soldier, lawyer and author, was run over on Sixth avenue, New York, recently, and now lies in Roosevelt hospital seriously injured.

General Frederick Funston has approved the findings of the court-martial which tried Major J. B. Goe, Nineteenth infantry, on a charge of drunkenness. Major Goe pleaded guilty to the charge and the court sentenced him to be confined to the limits of his post for eight months and to forfeit \$50 per month of his pay during that period.

Uncle Sam's postal service is on the increase. New offices are reported at Carlin, six miles north of Harrison, Kootenai county, Idaho; Stacy, in Douglas county, Oregon, and Castille, in Jefferson county, near Clearwater.

Prince Ferdinand, accompanied by his mother and children, have arrived at Sofia. Their coming at this time is regarded as tending to show that war is not expected.

David Nation, divorced husband of Mrs. Carrie Nation, who was taken ill of stomach trouble at Medicine Lodge, Kan., is dead.

Without an accident to mar the execution of the death penalty imposed by the trial court, sustained by the court to appeals, and not interfered with by Governor Odell, Willis, Frederick and Burton Van Wormer were put to death in 1-1/2 minutes at Clinton prison, New York state, for the murder of their uncle, Peter Hallenbeck, at Greendale, on Christmas eve, 1901.

The Chicago packers have signed the agreement providing for a wage increase for cattle butchers of 25 cents a day. The advance affects all butchers receiving over \$2 a day.

As a result of a reconciliation recently brought about between Emperor Francis Joseph and the king of Belgium concerning the latter's attitude toward his daughter, Princess Stephanie, whose first marriage was with the Austrian emperor's second son, the late Archduke Rudolph, King Leopold will arrive in Vienna in the middle of this month on a visit to the emperor. The announcement causes general surprise.

Efforts have been made to put the late King Milan's illegitimate son, Milan, by madame Christich, into an Austrian military school, but the government refused the request for political reasons. The boy will therefore be sent to a German school.

The following officers were recently elected of the William Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building company: President, Henry S. Groves; vice president, Edwin S. Cramp; general manager, R. W. Davenport.

The latter was also chosen a director of the company.

The whole quarter surrounding the Place de la Liberte at Valence d'Agonais, comprising a distillery, three cafes and a number of shops, covering 2000 square yards, was destroyed by fire.

H. M. S. Flora, after a cruise extending as far north as Sitka, has returned to Comox and reports the loss of Sub-lieutenant William C. Pearce, who was drowned while the ship was in northern waters.

Alfred J. Fritz, who shot and killed Fred J. Bailey, naval storekeeper at Esquimalt, on June 27 in one of the naval storehouses at the navy yard, has been found guilty and sentenced to be hanged November 27.

W. J. Bryan has gone east and will not return until after he has completed his European trip. Mr. Bryan will be accompanied by his son William. Mr. Bryan will stop in Ohio en route east and make a number of speeches.

Maitre Labori, the lawyer and defender of Dreyfus, has accepted an invitation to attend the international law congress at the St. Louis fair and will read a paper.

W. S. Leake, manager of the San Francisco Call, has severed his connection with the paper and has been succeeded by John McNaught.

The City of London Chess club has sent a challenge to the Brooklyn Chess club for the annual cable match.

Chief Justice J. Brewster McCullom of the supreme court of Pennsylvania is dead, aged 71 years.

Julius Beckwood's sounding board factory at Dolgeville, N. Y., the principal industry of that village, has burned. Loss \$100,000.

Rev. Francis Bloodgood Hall, for 39 years pastor of the Peristrome Presbyterian church of this city, and probably the most widely known clergyman in northern New York, is dead in Plattsburg, N. Y., of bronchitis, aged 76 years.

The treasury department is about to conduct a further investigation into charges that Collector of Customs A. R. Cruzen at San Juan, P. R., had accepted presents of more or less value from certain large importers and ship agents, and an inspector will be sent to the island for that purpose.

HEAD-ON COLLISION.

One Passenger Killed and Twenty Injured.

Beoway, Nev.—A disastrous head-on collision occurred recently on the Salt Lake division of the Southern Pacific at this station. The first section of train No. 6, the Atlantic express from San Francisco, collided with the second section of No. 219, a westbound freight train.

One passenger was killed and 20 injured.

The dead—Allan Harper, aged about 34 years, Pocatello, Idaho, a member of the Order of Railway Conductors and a Knight Templar.

The concussion was so great when the trains collided that a passenger coach telescoped the smoking car for half its length. The engines locked together. Many remarkable escapes from death are told by the passengers.

BOTH SHOT TO KILL.

Jacob Lawson and Andrew Farrell Settle Old Score.

Devon, W. Va., Oct. 6.—Jacob Lawson and Andrew Farrell, both highly respected men of this community, who have been enemies for months, met this afternoon on the street here, and after passing a few words, each drew a revolver and opened fire at the same instant. Each man fired three shots, and Lawson fell dead, a bullet having penetrated his heart. Farrell was also shot, and died in half an hour. Each one of the duellists has several sons, and the feud is not at an end.

He Wore a Coat of Steel.

Wearing a coat of mail and with a cocked pistol in his hand, a Chinaman named Wing Lung killed a fellow countryman and inflicted serious if not dangerous wounds on two others recently.

The coat of mail worn by Lung consisted of several sheets of pliable steel carefully woven together, covered with a fine silken texture and fitted with shoulder straps. It weighs about six pounds and is constructed so not to materially retard the movements of the wearer. The attack was quite unexpected, as Lung suddenly appeared from an alleyway, and began shooting. The police believe the shooting was the result of a gambling quarrel.

W. S. Bissell Dead.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 7.—Wilson S. Bissell, former postmaster general, died at 10:15 o'clock Tuesday night. About noon he sank into a deep sleep and it was with difficulty that he was aroused at intervals during the afternoon for nourishment and medicine.

The end came easily and peacefully. Dr. Dewitt Sherman, the physician who has been attending him during his recent illness, and members of the family, were at his bedside.

Mr. Bissell suffered from complications thought to be akin to Bright's disease.

Living and Labor Higher.

The bureau of labor will shortly issue the results of an exhaustive study of the increased cost of living during the last few years in relation to the increase in wages. The results show that there has been a striking similarity between the advance in wages and the increased cost of living, and that neither has gone forward as much as popularly supposed. The charge that commodities have advanced 25 per cent is shown to be wide of the mark. It will be nearer 15 or 17 per cent.

Woman Accused of Big Steal.

Marie Layton Johnson, aged 29 years, wife of Albert M. Johnson, a dentist of Larchmont, N. Y., with an office in New York city, has been arrested on a warrant charging her with grand larceny of \$2000. The total amount of her defalcations, however, it is said, may amount to \$50,000. The complainants are officers of the United States Playing Card company of Cincinnati and New York.

Six Killed in Wreck.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 6.—Four railroad laborers were killed and 18 injured, two of them probably fatally, in a collision at the southern end of the Chatsworth Park tunnel on the Southern Pacific. The victims belonged to a crew of a hundred men being taken to work. Two of the men were killed outright, one died while being taken to Los Angeles in a boxcar, and the fourth expired soon after reaching the Sisters' hospital in this city, where the injured were taken.

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SAID HE WANTED TO SEE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

When Denied the Privilege He Became Violent—Was Armed With a Revolver and Long Pair Shears—Was His Second Call—Was Suspected—Denied He Wanted to Kill President.

Washington, Oct. 6.—A man who later gave the name of Peter Elliott, his residence as Milwaukee and his occupation that of a machinist, attempted to gain an entrance to the White House Monday morning.

Being told he could not see the president, he became violent and fought desperately. He was armed with a revolver and knife and used the latter on the doorkeeper, inflicting a severe wound on the elbow.

The doorkeeper finally overpowered him after inflicting a bad scalp wound. Elliott was removed to the emergency hospital and later to the police station.

An hour earlier he had demanded to see the president. When asked his business, he claimed he had been sent for, and then said the president wanted to see him for fun. As he seemed harmless, he was not detained at that time. Yesterday he attracted attention by trying to reach the president in church, but he was turned away by an usher.

It is learned that Elliott wrote a long and incoherent letter to Roosevelt last week. He enclosed his photograph and said he would call this week to see the president privately.

Secretary Loeb opened the letter and considered it sufficiently dangerous to show all the doorkeepers and special officers the photograph.

When Elliott called the second time at the White House this morning Doorkeeper Cisele recognized him and invited his inside to take a seat. Elliott sat a moment and then started down the lobby, flourishing a knife.

Cisele at once sprang after him. He would have been worsted but for Chief Usher Stone, an old but muscular man. There was a hard fight.

After being apparently subdued, Elliott was placed in a police van, when he again became violent and attacked two men. In the fight that followed the glass sides of the van were broken. Cisele thinks his own wound came of broken glass.

The president, at the time of the encounter, was in his office in the west wing of the White House. He knew nothing of the affair until it was all over.

The search of Elliott revealed a loaded revolver and a pair long-bladed shears. He denies he intended to kill the president. His language is that of a foreigner. He is a perfect type of an anarchist and talks in a rambling manner. The doctors believe he is insane. He says he came from Baltimore on Thursday and met the president at church. He says the president wants him to marry Alice Roosevelt.

He claims the royal blood of Sweden flows in his veins, and that an attempt was made on his life in Minneapolis, from which place he was compelled to flee to avoid death. He insists he is the president's personal friend, and only carried the weapons for self protection.

Gould Lines in Merger.

George J. Gould has informed some of the largest stockholders of railroads controlled by him that within a short time a plan for the consolidation of all the Gould companies into one securities holding corporation will be submitted to a vote of the stockholders. Inasmuch as the Gould family and affiliated interests own and control all of the railroads in the Gould system, there is little doubt of a prompt indorsement of the plan proposed.

Baltimore Firms Fail.

The committee which has in charge the affairs of J. W. Middendorff & Co. and John L. Williams & Sons, Baltimore, is engaged in preparing an agreement for creditors to sign granting an extension of time to the two firms to make payment.

The liabilities are variously estimated at from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000.

Prominent Lawyer Is Dead.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—Eugene Deuprey, formerly one of the city's foremost lawyers, is dead of heart disease following an attack of pneumonia. Deuprey recently served as assistant district attorney.

Yellow Fever at Laredo.

Laredo, Texas, Oct. 5.—There has been practically no change in the yellow fever situation during the past few days. The official bulletin today shows four new cases and one death.

The hungry heart is the only payment God will take for the bread of life.