

ALASKA INDIANS DECIDE TO RECOVER THEIR TOTEM POLE

Formal Council of War Held to Determine Upon the Proper Course to Be Pursued.

SIX BIG WARRIORS ARE SELECTED

Whose Duty It Will Be to Visit This City and Recover Their Property—Exciting Times Now in Prospect.

The gorgeously-painted totem pole which adorns Pioneer square has become a terror to bedecked pedestrians who have looked too long upon the wine when it is red, may be missing next week. It is reported upon good authority that the Alaska Indians are coming down to recapture it!

For some time the fact has been surreptitiously mentioned about town that the grinning monument of the aborigines was "lifted" in the dead of night from its legal place of abode by members of the Men's Union, who were finally unmasked by the Post-Intelligencer. It was brought to this city and created awe and wonder by its grotesque appearance. Few admired it, but many shuddered at its satanic aspect. Finally the pole was offered to the city council with impressive speeches, and was politely accepted on behalf of the municipality. A few days ago the hideous object, arrayed in a startling costume of paint that would have amazed a Sioux Indian, was formally unveiled on Pioneer square with more speeches and befitting ceremonies. The orators stated that for all time it was to remain a historic monument in Seattle.

But, alas! They were not correctly informed. Even while the dedicatory orations were in progress the Fox tribe of Indians on Tongas Island were holding a pow-wow of a somewhat significant character. They were discussing ways and means to get their pole back. After a protracted and somewhat fierce debate, in which the head men of the tribe all spoke on one side of the question, it was unanimously determined to resort to aggressive measures and recapture the pole, even if the whole war strength of the tribe was required to effect the end sought.

William Bitoux, who is now to be found at No. 3300 Madison street, brings the alarming information. He reached this city on Saturday night on the steamer Humboldt, and is fresh from the scene of the Indian agitation. There can be no doubt as to the authenticity of the information, as Mr. Bitoux is a well-known citizen and would have no object in misrepresenting matters. He has been engaged in quartz mining in the vicinity of the village of the Fox Indians, and has, therefore, been in a position to know what was going on among them.

Eight days ago the Tongas. Two days before he departed, he says that the Indians held a formal council of war. Chief Charlie, who is well known all along the coast, was the principal orator. He spoke with much feeling on the loss of the totem pole, which he declared in emphatic terms, had been stolen by white men who had taken it to the City of Seattle. With a dramatic flourish of his arms the chief then demanded of the Indians what they proposed to do about it. One sub-chief favored sending a war party at once to secure the pole at all hazards. Another demurred, declaring that the winter weather would make the trip a very disagreeable one. It was finally decided that six of the leading men of the tribe should be despatched to Seattle to reclaim the pole and carry it away. These men may be expected to arrive in the city by steamer. They will not take money for their totem pole," declared Mr. Bitoux. "I think they see the chance which have been made by painting it, heaven knows what will happen!"

BOERS' SECOND ATTACK ON GLENCOE FAILS

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The British casualties at Elandslaagte were as follows: Col. Chisholm killed. Seriously wounded: Staff Captain Brooks, of the Imperial light horse, a major, captain and five lieutenants. Twenty-first battery, a captain, Lieut. Devonshire, a captain and three lieutenants. Manchester, a lieutenant-colonel, three captains, a lieutenant and 17 privates were killed, 51 wounded, and one is missing.

The Daily News agency has two sensational despatches from Capetown. The first says that the Boers were badly defeated in a second attack on Glencoe. The second contains Pretoria advices reporting that Kruger favors unconditional surrender, and that a meeting of the executive council has been called for tomorrow to discuss it.

LADYSMITH, Oct. 23.—The second attack on Glencoe failed. The Boer artillery, which was ineffective, was silenced. British forces made a sortie, and are now engaged with the enemy.

Details of the fighting around Glencoe are lacking, and it is not known whether a second attack was made by Joubert's column, or whether it was only a skirmish. The Boer hospital, consisting of one doctor and five attendants, was captured, and added to the British hospital in the field.

Jack Wade Creek Is Very Rich.

Thomas Peiky, of San Francisco, who has been in the Yukon district since 1894, says that Jack Wade creek in the Forty-Mile district, is proving remarkable rich. He believes that it will prove a second Eldorado.

Mr. Peiky arrived here Saturday on the steamer Humboldt. Speaking to a Star reporter, at the Butler hotel, he said: "Jack Wade creek is now all staked out, and the men who were lucky enough to secure claims will make fortunes. Nuggets worth from \$2 to \$5 have been taken out of some of the claims. The gold is coarse, and there is plenty of it on bedrock. The claims are, of course, much larger than those staked in Canadian territory, and, consequently, will take longer to work. Other creeks in the district are turning out well, and I would not be surprised to see a stampede to Forty-Mile this winter."

EX-GOV. HOGG IS TRADE OF THE FOR EXPANSION BOER STATES

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 23.—Ex-Gov. J. S. Hogg, who hitherto has been one of William Jennings Bryan's staunch supporters, said today in an interview: "It is now the duty of the United States to shoot—out of the Philippines and bring the war to an end. We have already expanded. When the \$2,000,000 which the last congress voted for that purpose was paid to Spain for the Philippines the United States got all the title there was to those islands, and we have expanded in defiance to the Texas Democratic platform. "The Philippines now belong to the United States. It is for the next congress to say what we shall do with them."

Chased Into Flames.

DARBY, Pa., Oct. 23.—Pursued by her little brother, who wore a false face, 6-year-old Daisy Potts of Third street, Colwyn, ran around a bonfire in the yard and the flames caught her dress. In a moment she was enveloped in flames.

After a fierce fight, Miss Quinn and Mrs. Potts put out the fire, the latter badly burning her fingers. The child was frightfully burned. She was taken to the university hospital and died in a few hours after.

A Loud Divorce.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Oct. 21.—Mrs. Minnie Paul, of Detroit, Mich., has received a divorce here from her husband, William A. Loud, a wealthy lumberman. Loud brought the original suit, alleging extreme cruelty on the part of his wife. The divorce was refused him and granted Mrs. Loud on her cross suit, charging desertion. Mrs. Loud was awarded \$12,000 cash alimony and \$90 a month for maintaining her three children, placed in her custody.

ALL OREGON FOR EXPANSION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 14.—Gov. Gear, of Oregon, says they have no imperialists and no anti-imperialists in his state, and all the people want this government to hold the Philippines, for they are all expansionists. Gov. Gear is in Washington for a few days, and in an interview he said:

"There have never been more prosperous conditions in Oregon than now. There are no complaints of hard times and no idle men are to be found anywhere. In fact, it has been hard to procure labor to meet the demand. Good prices are being obtained for the product of the state and we are all much encouraged over the outlook for the opening of new markets in the East.

"The people of my state are overwhelmingly for expansion. We have no imperialists because there are no imperialists anywhere that I know of. Not only do the people favor the present programme of the administration, but they want to see the Philippines held by the United States as a permanent possession of the United States."

CITY NEWS.

The funeral services of Joseph Kerr were held at 9:30 o'clock this morning from Bonney & Stewart's chapel.

The funeral services of Henry Neil were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from Butertworth's chapel.

The training-ship Adams will leave Seattle for Port Orchard on October 27. She will then go to Tacoma and to Port Townsend.

The steamer Topeka sailed for Lynn canal ports on Sunday with 400 tons of freight and 21 passengers.

The steamer Rosalie, which arrived from Lynn canal Saturday afternoon, had 163 passengers and about \$40,000 in gold dust. Her cargo included 182 barrels of salt salmon, and 2,714 cases of canned salmon.

Four longshoremen were injured about the back heads and limbs yesterday afternoon on the transport Port Stevens by falling timbers.

The condemnation of property on the first avenue grade between Pike street and Denny way, was again in litigation in Judge Moore's court this morning. The jury is inspecting the property and forming an estimation of the damage caused by the regrading of the avenue, this afternoon.

BURGLAR ROBS AN EX-POLICE CHIEF

A burglar entered the residence of Andrew Jackson, ex-chief of police of Yesler way, near Thirtieth avenue last night at 7:30 o'clock while the family was away, and, after searching the entire house, carried off a Colts revolver, a number of gold nuggets and a gold watch. Entrance was gained through the kitchen door. When the family returned last evening about 10 o'clock, they found the rooms in a state of disorder. Bureau drawers were scattered about the floor, and the contents strewn all over. They soon discovered that the back door had been broken open. The police were notified, and several detectives are at work on the case.

DEATH OF MRS. M. DIXON

Mrs. Margaret Dixon, age 71 years, died today at her residence, 128 Roy street, of heart disease. Mrs. McDougall was an aunt of Mrs. W. C. Gibson, and well known in Seattle.

WANTS HER HUSBAND

A woman by the name of Mrs. Hammer has asked the police to locate her husband. She failed to leave his Christian name. Mrs. Hammer is stopping at the New Western hotel.

CAR JUMPS THE TRACK

Another Accident Occurs on the Grant St. Line.

One of the cars on the Grant street line jumped the track near the southern end yesterday and turned over on its side. There were several persons on the car at the time, but it is said that no one was hurt.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 23.—President McKinley today appointed ex-Gov. W. P. Lord, of Oregon, minister to the Argentine Republic.

CONFERENCE DAY OF THE W. C. T. U.

Meetings Held In Various Churches of the City—Summary of Sunday's Services.

The various Protestant pulpits throughout the city were filled by delegates to the National W. C. T. U. convention yesterday. The consequence was an unusually large attendance of worshippers.

The Sunday-school temperance rally opened at Plymouth church at 1:30 p. m. The program was interesting. The participants were all enthusiastic, and the church was well filled with children from all parts of Seattle.

At the Y. M. C. A., Mrs. Mabel L. Conklin, general secretary of the White Cross society of the United States, spoke for social purity. Willis Brown spoke on "The Young People's Temperance Federation of America" at the First M. E. church, at 2 p. m. Mrs. Helen Barker, national secretary of the W. C. T. U., addressed a large assemblage at the First Presbyterian church last evening. Mrs. Mary Hunt spoke on "Scientific Temperance" at Plymouth Congregational church in the evening.

This was conference morning with the National W. C. T. U. There was no packed auditorium, but the parlors of the different large churches throughout the city were filled with groups of women.

The evangelistic conference was in session at 9:30 in the auditorium of the First Presbyterian church. Mrs. M. J. Henry, who has been for many years the head of this work, conducted the meeting. Mrs. Henry has of past years been compelled, on account of ill-health, to withdraw from hard work. Her presence is still felt, however, and her stories of past successes gave much encouragement to the many earnest workers present.

In room C off the auditorium, a quiet group of ladies were discussing the best features of the W. C. T. U. work—the school savings banks. Mrs. S. L. Oberholzer, the world's superintendent of this work answered many questions and offered valuable advice as suggestions to the workers. Mrs. Oberholzer, in speaking of the work, said to a Star reporter: "I visited the Minor school this morning with Mrs. M. C. Ewing, who is the local superintendent of this department. We spoke to all the children and found them very willing and enthusiastic, while the teachers took much interest in the work. Our system consists of the taking of the children's savings every Wednesday morning, by the teachers, who deposit them to each individual's credit in local savings banks. The work will soon be undertaken in this city. It has scored great success in Tacoma for the past year and a-half, and in Sumner and Vancouver."

Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, of St. Paul, leads the W. C. T. U. work among the Sunday-schools. She is known throughout the United States as an indefatigable worker and a "born leader." In speaking of her department and its work, Mrs. Irvine said: "I have been at the head of this work for the past five years. The purpose of this department is to teach God's prohibitory law as read in the Bible and as it is revealed in our bodies. Our method of work is through quarterly Bible temperance lessons. The department aims at the extensive circulation of temperance literature among children and families. Our national Sunday-school pledge card, consisting of red, white and blue cards signed by children in Sabbath-schools throughout the nation is now miles long. I find that this work is making excellent progress on the coast and in the state of Washington."

At the United Presbyterian church conference were held by the members of the state department of work among colored people, and the department of peace and international arbitration.

The soldiers' and sailors' conference met in the auditorium of the First Presbyterian church. Mrs. Thacher, who heads this work, visited the local seaman's home yesterday and succeeded in getting our pledges. She said: "We are striving to abolish the sale of liquor in cantines, and its free distribution during the war. We are making good progress at this work." Mrs. Thacher visits the U. S. training-ship Adams today or tomorrow.

The purity conference was held in the auditorium of Plymouth church this morning. A good gathering of women and men was present. The program was most interesting. A large number of those present participated in the discussion of temperance lessons. Tonight is the state benefit night. The program, which begins at 7:30, will be prepared by the presidents of the states having made a net gain of over 500 in membership during the year. Aside from these special features the following program will be given:

- Presentation of banners.....
- Miss Anna A. Gordon, national vice-president-at-large, Illinois.
- Vittorio trio—"Madre del Bomono".....
- Miss McKinnney, Miss Miller, Miss Wittier.
- Tenor solo—Selected.....
- Mr. Barnard.
- Vittorio trio—"Dear Us, Gracious".....
-Lord"
- State songs.....
- Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Louisiana (Willard), Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri.

The auditorium of the First Presbyterian church was well filled this afternoon, in spite of the uncertain weather. In addition to the decorations that have beautified the church during the past few days, large clusters of lilies, gladiolas and dahlias on the front of the stage made the room bright with color, and the air fragrant with their perfume.

At 2 o'clock Mrs. Stevens called the convention to order. The report of the executive committee, as read along with the minutes, stated, among other things, that the committee did not see their way clear to adopt the suggestions made by Mrs. Catt, of the Woman's suffragists in her address to them. "While wishing harmony between the organizations, the committee does not believe in sacrificing principle to that end," ran the report. Telegrams of greeting were received from different states.

Mrs. Fry then announced the fact that Mrs. Ernestine Camp, of this city, sent in her life membership. Mrs. Rostell, of Kansas, was then received as a member. The motion was then made and carried, "That all annual members received at this meeting be recorded in the minutes as 'Memorial Life Members.'"

The life membership first announced was that of Mrs. Gordon, mother of Anna Gordon. Directly following it came the announcement of the life membership of the little daughter of Mrs. Conkling. An earnest request has been made for life memberships from Seattle.

The main features of this afternoon's program are the reports of superintendents and the report of the committee on resolutions, of which Mrs. Leute Stevenson, of Massachusetts, is chairman, and Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, of Minnesota, secretary.

The public school teachers of the city gathered at Plymouth church at 2:30 p. m. and listened to an address by Mrs. Urnsh on "How to Promote Purity in the Public Schools." A line of active work in this direction was suggested by the speaker.

A large number of the ladies of the convention went out this morning to visit the training-ship Adams, which is lying in the harbor.

Up to yesterday the convention had decidedly "cold water" weather. The clouds lifted, however, Sunday morning, and the prospects are favorable for some of Puget sound's balmy autumn weather.

Indiana sent the largest delegation.

Seattle has proven her ability to entertain a national convention. The ladies are all proud in their praises of the city.

Lunch is served in the basement of the Plymouth Congregational church during the convention. The proceeds to be used for the benefit of the Florence Crittenton home.

The Women's Temperance Publishing association, under Mrs. Hannah J. Bailey, have headquarters in the basement of the First Presbyterian church, where it is distributing literature to all interested in the work.

England Buys Mules.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 23.—Twenty-five carloads of mules for the Transvaal, purchased in the market for the British government within the past ten days, were started for New Orleans today. Another train load will follow for the same point within a few days. An estimate on 500 tons of hay for use in the South African campaign was made today.

On to New Diggings.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Oct. 21.—A big wagon train, transporting mining machinery to the Florence basin, is now crossing the mountains on a trip of 125 miles. The machinery weighs 25 tons and is carried on 30 wagons, drawn by 120 horses. A mining company from Bucyrus, O., with D. Q. Mallory at its head, has secured 11,000 acres of placer ground in the basin and, with the opening of spring, will begin operations.

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