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FIFTEEN THOUSAND KILLED IN LANDSLIDE

Entire Population of City Buried Beneath Mountain Slide Which Followed an Earthquake--City Is Completely Wiped Out.

(By United Press.) TASHKENT, Russian Turkistan, Oct. 26.—The population of Karatagh in Bokhara, numbering 15,000, has been killed by a mountain slide following an earthquake. The town was destroyed. Karatagh is situated 100 miles southeast of Samarkand. The slide was poised over the city for days and started suddenly. The inhabitants had no chance to escape and were buried under a mass of earth. Many buildings had already been ruined by the quake, and hundreds of people were camped in the streets when the slide occurred. The governor and his mother are the only ones known to have escaped. Communication with the stricken city is cut. It is thought that some people may be alive in the suburbs. It will be many days before all the facts are known. Rescuers are on the way to save any who may be alive. It is generally thought that the number will not fall below 15,000 dead.

FRISCO POLITICS GETTING HOT TAYLOR FAVORITE IN BETTING

(By United Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—With the city election but six days away, the campaign has reached the fever pitch. From now until next Monday morning the three mayoral candidates and their spellbinders will put in their mightiest licks to win votes. The democratic and republican candidates will win hands down. Although no heavy bets have been recorded, many bets are being made Taylor a 10 to 5 favorite against the field. A number of bets are being made on Taylor, who will poll more votes than any other republican, have also been recorded. Many students of politics are of the opinion that Taylor is false, and that there will be a decided closing up before the end of the week. It is claimed by them that Taylor's managers have figured on many union labor votes that their man will not get, and that Ryan, too, will get some of the labor votes claimed for Taylor. It is admitted that until ten days ago Taylor had a good labor following, but it is now claimed that there has been a switch in sentiment because of the administration's failure to disarm the strike breaking car men. How serious this switch has been will not be known until the ballots are counted. A landslide is predicted for the city. The district attorney against McGowan. There has been little or no figuring thus far on the complexion of the next board of supervisors, but it is believed that if Taylor pulls through he will carry with him a majority of the

ALLEGED WIDOW OF CHOIR WATCHES WILL CONTEST

Strange Case Continues With Woman Following Every Move in Remarkable Proceedings--Many Interesting Phases of Eccentric Life Developed--Names Men He Believed Would Take His Life.

Being in the court room, shabbily dressed and silent, a woman watched the shifting scenes of the contest over Melody Choir's will in Judge Albertson's department of the superior court, waiting for the man she believed to be the real owner of the property. The woman, who is believed to be the real owner of the property, is the alleged widow of the man who was believed to have taken his life. The case is remarkable for the number of interesting phases of the woman's life that have been developed. The woman, who is believed to be the real owner of the property, is the alleged widow of the man who was believed to have taken his life. The case is remarkable for the number of interesting phases of the woman's life that have been developed. The woman, who is believed to be the real owner of the property, is the alleged widow of the man who was believed to have taken his life. The case is remarkable for the number of interesting phases of the woman's life that have been developed.

13 ARE KILLED IN WRECK

LAHORE, Ind., Oct. 30.—Thirteen persons were killed and 11 seriously injured in a collision between a passenger and a freight train on the Northwestern railway today. The accident was due to a switchman's error.

DOUBLE MURDER

(By United Press.) TULSA, I. T., Oct. 30.—A sensational double murder and the suicide of the assassin occurred here late last night. W. E. Campbell, one of the wealthiest oil operators and capitalists of Indian Territory, whose former home was in Winfield, Kan., was shot and instantly killed by D. H. Stockwell, a prominent contractor of Tulsa. Stockwell, after murdering Campbell, returned to his home, and after shooting and instantly killing his 13-year-old son, blew his own head off with a shotgun, which he had used in the double murder. All were related and family trouble was the reason for the tragedy.

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY

(By United Press.) NAPLES, Oct. 30.—Earthquakes were felt at Monte Leone, San Procopio, Sinopole and Santa Eufemia at 6 o'clock Monday night, according to advices received here today.

BEHAVES HE HAS MURDERER

Deputy Sheriff Matt Starwitch of Ravensdale telephoned to the sheriff's office this afternoon that he was bringing to Seattle the man whom he believed did the shooting in Tony Simich's saloon in which Steve Nilitch was killed and John Galor and Joseph Miller wounded. The man, who was arrested at Barnston, gave his name to Starwitch as Mimich Lazar.

AFTER THE RAILROADS

(By United Press.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—A searching investigation of railroad overcapitalization will be made by the house committee on Interstate and foreign commerce, according to the prediction of Congressman Mann, of Chicago. Mann talked with the president today concerning the work of the committee. Mann said pressure was being brought to bear to prevent agitation on the ground that it would mean a continuance of the money panic. Mann, however, thinks an agitation would have an opposite effect. He said: "If we cannot get legislation on the subject we will at least have an investigation."

LOSES \$1,500 ON STREET

While walking on the street yesterday Mrs. Annie White, who is staying at the Detroit hotel, lost \$1,500 in cash from her purse. She lost fourteen \$100 bills and two \$50 bills, all in Canadian money. She explained to the police that she had been found guilty of petty larceny, having stolen a suit case.

SAILORS MUTINY

(By United Press.) TOKIO, Oct. 30.—(Bulletin)—A mutiny broke out among the sailors at the naval station at Vladivostok this morning. The mutineers seized the guns and fired 80 shots at the electric power house. Soldiers were rushed from the barracks and after a short but bloody fight, the rebels were overcome. A large number were killed and injured on both sides.

MURDEROUS TRIO EXTRADITED

(By United Press.) DENVER, Colo., Oct. 30.—Gov. Buchtel has honored requisitions by the governor of Utah for Mrs. Mary Armstrong, George Harper and John Harper, charged with the murder of Ezra Penney and son, George, near Salt Lake about eight years ago. Penney and son drove from home in a camping outfit. Some days later the outfit was found in possession of the trio. They were arrested, but released without trial, as a search for the bodies proved fruitless. Last week a body of prospectors came upon the two skeletons a few miles out of Salt Lake.

FIGHTER TIRED OF LIVING

(By United Press.) LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 30.—Despondent because of his inability to attain fame in the prize ring, "Kid" Bery, a young pugilist whose home is in Utica, N. Y., and who has appeared in several bouts in San Francisco recently, shot himself through the stomach and is dying.

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DIES AT THE WAYSIDE

Arrested on a charge of drunkenness, it was discovered at the Wayside Emergency hospital, where he died shortly afterward, in spite of the fact that medical assistance was given him. Coroner Carroll will perform an autopsy to discover the cause of death.

WILL LAY OFF HUNDREDS

(By United Press.) CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—Sweeping reductions in all the forces in the packing houses and stock yards will be made at once. The normal force of 40,000 may be reduced 25 per cent unless conditions change. Five hundred hands were discharged last night, and 500 more will go tonight. The packers say that the present financial condition is responsible, the sale of meat and other foodstuffs having fallen off.

FIERCE RACE RIOT RAGING

HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 30.—Reports from Indian Augustine county, in Southern Texas, following a second appeal for troops, declare a race riot is in progress, in which five negroes are known to be dead and many others wounded. The white population is driving the blacks from the county, and residents of Sabine county, on the eastern border line, are warning the negroes not to stop in that county under penalty of death.

GALVESTON HAS SEVERE STORM

(By United Press.) GALVESTON, Tex., Oct. 30.—A wind and rain storm of unusual severity struck this city early today. A number of residences in the west were blown to the ground and two or three persons are reported injured. The downpour was heavy for an hour and low areas are flooded. All the telegraph wires, with the exception of one, are on the ground. Occurring as it did in the early morning hours, with a terrific storm in progress, operators sent word to the outlying districts that a repetition of the disastrous storm of several years ago was in progress. At first alarming reports were brought into the news centers

REACH ARGUMENTS IN RATE CASE

The argument for the lumbermen against the proposed increase of rates on lumber shipments by the railroads was presented in the federal court before Judge Hanford and Wolverson this morning. The chief argument was made by Attorney J. M. Teal of Portland, in which he charged that the proposed increase is the result of a knowing conspiracy between the railroads in defiance of the courts. Question of Jurisdiction. It was stated by counsel that the question of jurisdiction which has been brought up by the railroads is in reality a question of whether or not the shipper is at the mercy of the railroads while awaiting the decision of the courts. It was intimated that the purpose of the railroads in questioning the jurisdiction of the court in the present case is an attempt to carry the rate controversy into different courts situated in distant parts of the country, and in this way to win the fight by tiring out the protesting shippers. Right of Shipper. Counsel stated that, if a railroad can enforce a rate made by state officers, it is difficult to see why a shipper cannot secure an injunction against a rate made by a railroad, and if it is held that the law does not provide for such an injunction, a sentiment will be aroused through the whole country which will necessitate the immediate amendment of the railroad rate law to provide for such emergencies. Proceedings Yesterday. The motion of the railroads yesterday to dismiss the proceedings on the ground that the court has no jurisdiction, and that service was defective, was overruled by Judge Hanford. The question of jurisdiction may come up for further consideration later. An affidavit was filed yesterday by J. H. Blooded, manager of the Larsen Lumber company of Bellingham, in which it is charged that the Great Northern is today hauling lumber from British Columbia points east cheaper than from Seattle to North Dakota. It is charged in this affidavit that, while under the new schedule rates from coast American points are raised from 46 to 56 per cent, the Canadian rate remains unchanged, even though transported via the American line to bond, and back into Canada again.

THOUSANDS OF RATS ENDANGER THE CITY

BANK CLEARINGS. Seattle. Clearings today \$1,713,592.56. Balances 203,025.48. Tacoma. Clearings today \$720,166. Balances 60,906. Portland. Clearings today \$848,571. Balances 144,012.

Western and Railroad Avenues Furnish Veritable Hives for Plague Spreading Rodents--Practice of Dumping Refuse Onto Tidelands Below Continued for Years by Commission Houses.

A task compared with which the work of making the Oriental section sanitary is insignificant confronts the city authorities in the work of remedying conditions along the waterfront. Beneath the docks and the board surface of Railroad and Western avenues, together with the intervening territory is a veritable hive of rats. Thousands of them live in this retreat, safe from molestation unless they venture into streets or basements. They feed on refuse from the docks, the commission houses and the stables which for years has been dumped through openings into the vacant space which underlies all the tide flat section of the waterfront. The matter is to be made a subject of immediate investigation by plague inspectors and the city ordinances enforced to put the district in sanitary condition. A conference between the board of health, the board of public works, the mayor and members of the city council began at 2 o'clock this afternoon, being called to discuss methods of co-operation between the different departments of the city government to enforce the sanitary ordinances and prevent the spread of plague. Active co-operation of all departments is necessary to make the work of the health authorities effective.

Mrs. Osborne Improved.

Mrs. George Osborne, the fourth member of the Osborne family to become ill with the plague, was reported as much improved this morning, the improvement being credited to the infusion of the Yersin serum injected into her body yesterday. George Osborne, her husband, is reported ill but his illness is attributed to the serum, of which he was given a dose as a preventative. Although the local supply of Yersin serum is exhausted, Health Officer Parry expects a shipment of three dozen packages tomorrow from San Francisco. This is expected to last until the arrival of serum supposed to be on the way from Washington, D. C.

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SHUT-OFF NOTICE. Water will be shut off tomorrow from 8 o'clock in the morning until 1 in the afternoon on Twelfth av. S. from Lane to Dakota sts., which includes all of the Beacon Hill district.

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