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A SALOON TO EACH 25 PERSONS

These Are Conditions on Upper St. Joe River

Persons coming down from the upper St. Joe river country where the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway is building camps along its proposed route, where about 400 men are employed, stated that there are sixteen saloons in full operation. These places are scattered along the river from the head of navigation up. According to reports there is one saloon in that country for every twenty-five men employed. It is the old story of railroad building through a wild unsettled country and calls to mind the days when the Northern Pacific was laying its tracks across the wilderness.

In Idaho the law prohibits saloons within three miles of such camps, but it is rarely enforced and may be called a dead letter. History is repeating itself and the building of the Milwaukee brings with it all the evils that follow the railway camp. One saloon for every twenty-five men ought to be sufficient to build the Milwaukee.

INCREASE JAP ARMY

Two More Divisions to Be Added

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 22.—Advice were received by steamer Tremont which arrived from the orient that the Japanese cabinet had agreed to the increase of the Japanese army by two divisions as urged by the minister of war. The minister of finance objected strongly. Funds will be found by cutting down extraordinary appropriations in other departments. The Japanese army will have a total of 19 divisions when the increase is made. With the establishment Japan will be able to put three quarters of a million men in the field. Three new forces are proposed to be raised, heavy field artillery, armed with quick firing guns and cavalry.

Japan is repressing Formosan insurgents with a heavy hand. A long

blockading line has been formed similar to Kitchener's blockading line in South Africa and the insurgent villages are being taken one by one. At the Laiho village, the Japanese spared few, and alarmed by the fate of that village, others have surrendered. The insurgents have been driven back to the mountains.

Inclining to Imperialism.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—The board of education of San Francisco has agreed to stand by the contents of the emphatic letter which its secretary, E. C. Leffingwell, sent yesterday in reply to a severe criticism from a leading American missionary in Japan. Director David Oliver, Jr., said:

"The more one studies the question, the stronger the impression becomes that our federal government is inclining toward imperialism. That is, there is evident by a certain clique or inner circle in course of formation, which set is plainly dominated by the manufacturers and producers' associations in the east, and by the trusts."

Launch Sinks.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 22.—Charles Chadle, engineer and part owner of the launch Traveler, lost his life here last evening. Three passengers were rescued, but the launch was entirely destroyed. The launch had just started from the dock when there was an explosion of gasoline. Chadle, with a scream, sprang overboard and was drowned. The passengers, Miss Tillie Noble, a school teacher, John Gibbs and Tom Gibbs, three part of a cargo of plank the launch carried into the water, then jumped into the bay and supported themselves with the planks until rescued by a boat from the City of Shelton. Chadle's mother from the wharf saw the fire and collapsed when rescuers came back without her son.

DEBATE IN CHAMBER

Paris, Dec. 22.—The galleries and benches in the chamber of deputies were crowded yesterday when the government's bill amending the church and state separation law of 1905 was called up. All the members of the cabinet were present. Some nervousness prevailed on account of the attitude of the followers of ex-Premier Combes, as a result of the incident in the chamber last night, when M. Pellets, radical socialist, demanded time to discuss the report of the committee on the new bill, which drew forth a sharp reply from Premier Clemenceau regarding "friends and pretended friends."

The opposition speakers first to address the chamber were M. O. Lazies and Ribot, who argued that the least the government could accord the clericals was the inclusion in the new law of a distinct provision that only priests having ecclesiastical authority should be allowed to conduct public worship in the churches, while ex-Premier Ribot, amid cheers from the right, severely criticized the government's "precipitate change" of position after promising to leave the churches open for public worship and to allow a year's grace for the final devotion of church property."

Minister of Public Worship Briand declared that the government had long foreseen the necessity for the present step. He said:

"Nevertheless, we are not alarmed. The country is calm and public opinion supports our policy of moderation. Bishops and even archbishops are supplicating us to expel them in order that the holy see may not suspect them of reaching an understanding with the government." This caused a loud protest from M. Denys Cochin, for which the deputy was called to order. The minister continued:

"We know that the vatican will refuse to abide by the law of 1905, but we will force it to keep within the law."

Amid prolonged applause from the left M. Briand concluded with an appeal for the support of all republicans.

FRESHIES TOO FRESH

They Frighten the Janitor and Do Other Things.

Last evening a number of the Freshmen of the Coeur d'Alene high school became so enthusiastic over the two weeks' vacation which had been granted them that they became hilarious and started a little excitement of their own. After school was dismissed they began plugging the janitor and that worthy servant of the public fled in fright and securely locked himself in one of the closets in the school building. When the dense fog and the shades of evening fell like a mantle over the city, a number of spectres stole forth from various places, bearing a huge banner with a rude design of a skull and crossbones. This banner was hoisted to the bell tower where it still waves in fiendish defiance. The colors of the freshmen class adorn the building bidding defiance to the sophomores. The school bell pealed out on the night air in a glad and joyous tone telling that it would rest with the children for two short weeks. At a late hour the spectres departed and the clans disbanded to meet again at a future date.

Our Christmas Invitation.

We extend our best wishes and a merry Christmas to our many friends and patrons, and announce that our store will be closed all Christmas day, but each and every child, up to fifteen in Coeur d'Alene and vicinity who will appear at our store on Christmas morning at 9 a. m. will be presented with a Christmas souvenir. We want every one, not a few, but there will be no exception, and remember that the door will open promptly at nine for the distribution only. Let the little ones come and get in line.

WINN BARR CHAINAY COMPANY.

The Christmas exercises of the Baptist church will be rendered Monday evening at eight o'clock.



MRS. VON BOHLEN UND HALBACH.

Undoubtedly the wealthiest bride in the world is Mrs. Gustav von Bohlen und Halbach, who was Miss Bertha Krupp, daughter of the famous German manufacturer of guns. At her father's death she inherited property said to exceed \$100,000,000. She owns the great Krupp works at Essen, where are manufactured the artillery and arms for the army and the armor for the navy of Germany. Mrs. von Bohlen, as she will be known, is twenty years of age. She is described as a wholesome, sensible young woman. It has been stated that upon her trousseau she expended only \$250.

BRYAN GRILLS ROOT

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 22.—W. J. Bryan, commenting on Secretary of State Root's latest speech, enters his emphatic protest against the doctrine of centralization which he says Mr. Root indorses. Mr. Bryan says:

"He seems to rest his argument upon the old idea of destiny—the refuge of man who wants to do a thing which he can not defend. The destiny argument carried us into our expensive experiment in imperialism, and now destiny is called upon to blight the states and centralize all government at Washington. The constitution, while made more than a century ago, is adequate for today."

"The changes that are needed are changes of methods, not of principle. The division of the powers of government was founded upon the doctrine of self government, and the preservation of the nation depends upon careful observance of the limitations between the things that are local and the things that are national. Those who do not recognize the doctrine of local self government can make an argument for the federal government, but those who believe in the doctrine of self government recognize that the people can be trusted best with that which they are best acquainted and that the people are best acquainted with the things which are near them and immediately concern them."

If Secretary Root has in mind the Japanese question as it presents itself in California, Mr. Bryan says he will find the American people unwilling to turn the school systems over to the federal government merely to please any foreign nation, however friendly. If he has in mind the elimination of trusts, he will not find it unnecessary to deprive the state of present powers to make congressional action effective.

RESCUE HICKS TODAY

Workers Are Near Entombed Miner.

Bakersfield, Cal., Dec. 22.—"Hicks will be rescued," has been a commonplace and a tiring expression about Bakersfield. A large number of crevices have been brought to view which lead directly to Hicks. Not only is conversation possible through these cracks but it is found that small articles could be lowered by means of a string through cracks to the captive miner. A lighted candle

was dropped to Hicks and he was, by the reflection from its glare, able to survey the scenes of his earth enclosure. He reported that the sudden introduction of light did not at all affect his eyes and that indeed he would be willing to sacrifice one just to get sight of the precious rays of the sun.

The crevices disclose the fact that the company engineers have been absolutely correct in their calculations. The candle was dropped on a string 18 inches long and struck plum at the side of the ore car, proving, exactly where Assistant Engineer Hall and his assistants planned to arrive.

High hopes are extended for a release. A short perpendicular distance is yet to be gone through and this will surely not occupy the attention.

CONFER WITH LEGISLATORS

Lewiston People Looking for the Plums

Lewiston, Idaho, Dec. 22.—Conferences between the Lewiston Commercial club and the legislative delegates from Nez Perce and Idaho counties have been arranged for before the departure of the senate and house members for Boise. January 2 and 3 have been set apart by the club for the entertainment of the legislative members, when conferences will be held and matters of local concern discussed.

Among the more important matters to be taken up will be a \$60,000 appropriation for a new dormitory at the State Normal in this city, the passage of a bill for joint purchase with the state of Washington of the bridge which unites the cities of Lewiston and Clarkston, the subject of river improvement and an appropriation for the state insane asylum at Orifino.

Notables from Europe.

New York, Dec. 22.—Baron Hengelmuller, Austrian ambassador to America, arrived here today on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II. from Europe.

Among other passengers on the steamer were Mrs. Nordica, the opera singer; Ernest Thompson Seton and Mrs. Phoebe Hearst.

ASKS FOR SUBWAY IN SPOKANE

Electric Line Wants Tunnel Under Main Street

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 22.—A gigantic subway project, costing nearly a million dollars, to connect the freight and passenger terminals of the Spokane & Inland Railroad company will be submitted to the city council and a franchise asked at its next meeting.

The proposed tunnel would be nearly a mile long, would follow beneath Front avenue for nearly the entire distance, and the floor of the tunnel would be about 30 feet from the surface of the street.

The franchise asked for provides for a double track tunnel from the passenger station at Main avenue to Front avenue under Lincoln street, thence under Front to about Center street, between Bernard and Brown, thence diagonally from Front avenue, coming out into the freight grounds of the company at some point between Division and Sheridan streets, with the right to carry power lines for the operation of its electric railway system.

TRAIN SERVICE STOPPED

Landslides Tie Up Railway Traffic.

Lewiston, Idaho, Dec. 22.—Train service on the Clearwater Short Line since the heavy rains has been entirely stopped, it can not be ascertained just when the regular schedule can be resumed. All the stage routes which make connection with the Short Line have also been discontinued.

The passenger train which left Stites yesterday morning is hemmed in by a rock slide at a point opposite Peck, 35 miles east of here. Passengers who were forced to spend the night on board the cars were transferred early this morning to a special train sent out from Lewiston. Service

UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS

Nye Litherland returned to the city last evening from Moscow, Idaho, where he has been attending the University, and will spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. Litherland stated to a Press representative this morning that the work on the new buildings was progressing rapidly. The Agricultural building has been completed, but will not be occupied until sometime during the coming semester, owing to the delay in the shipment of the furniture and other appliances. The Assay building has been completed and is now in use, and the Mill building, where the mining engineers study the practical end of the work is completed and the machinery will be installed after the first of the year. Work has been commenced on the Administration building which will be one of the finest public buildings in the west, erected at a cost in the neighborhood of \$500,000. At present the gymnasium is being used as a library and gymnasium combined.

Mr. Litherland also stated that there was an unusually large number of students from the eastern states in all departments. He spoke highly of the institution in general and especially of the military discipline, which is very severe and under the direction of Lieutenant Steunenberg, brother of the late ex-Governor Steunenberg. The cadets will hold their yearly encampment at Lewiston next summer.

Among other interesting stories told by Mr. Litherland was that the Regents of the University were now considering the advisability of locating a biological station in northern Idaho and strongly inclined to locate the same in Coeur d'Alene the coming summer. At present the University is without a summer biological station and in the near future the question will be decided and work commenced.

Girls Prevent Fire.

Rathdrum, Idaho, Dec. 22.—Miss Ida Stoddard was preparing to retire for the night when she overturned a lighted candle, igniting her clothing. Her cries awoke her roommate, Miss

vice on the Culelesno branch has not been interrupted. The train in from Spokane, due here at 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning, encountered a slide between Troy and Kendrick, and did not arrive until 2:30 o'clock. Passengers who were forced to spend the night aboard the cars at Peck were loud in their praise of Conductor Phillips, who did all in his power to make things comfortable. He sent a wagon to Peck for supplies and blankets. Big fires were made up, and a comfortable night was spent.

FAMINE IN CHINA

Conditions Are Becoming Alarming.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 22.—Further advices were received of famine already causing heavy loss of life in Anhui and Kiangsi provinces. The flooded area covers 40,000 square miles, which supported 15,000,000 people. Tens of thousands are living on leaves and roots. Rev. T. F. McCrea, writing to Shanghai appealing for help said:

"Unless immediate relief be given eight to ten million persons will experience a famine, and great numbers will perish. Hundreds are already dying of famine and fever. Some throw their children into the water and then commit suicide. Many are selling their children for almost nothing. Officials are forcing the famine sufferers with gunboats and soldiers to remain in the flooded districts, while failing to supply food, and they must starve. Disturbances are taking place and will become serious. The starving people feel they may as well die by the sword as by starvation. There will be no relief until crops ripen next June and the prospects are awful to contemplate."

Alice Webster, who ran to her assistance, wrapping the bed quilts around her and smothering the flames.

Miss Webster has charge of the Bell Telephone company exchange at this place and Miss Stoddard is her assistant, and they were at the time in their apartments in the Exchange building. The rare presence of mind of the two girls unquestionably prevented what might have been a very serious affair. As it was they suffered only a few slight burns and a little excitement.

South Dakota "Makes Good."

Santa Barbara, Cal., Dec. 22.—With almost ideal conditions of wind and weather prevailing in the Santa Barbara channel, the cruiser South Dakota today fully realized the expectations of builders and naval officers connected with the government's tests. The mean of her five high-speed runs over the measured mile was 22.128 knots per hour, and the highest run was at the rate of 22.758 knots.

Rope Broke at Hanging.

Houston, Mo., Dec. 22.—The execution here today of Joda Hamilton, the 20 year old farmer boy, for the murder of members of the family of Barney Parsons, a farmer, was a horrible affair. Two attempts were necessary before the hanging proved successful. The first rope broke.

Excommunicates Offices.

Tours, France, Dec. 22.—The archbishop of Tours today publicly excommunicated a commissary of police for ordering the doors of the seminary here to be broken in to overcome the opposition of the students to the carrying out of the provisions of the separation law.

Rev. O. M. Holden of the Norwegian Lutheran church of Spokane, will hold services at the Swedish Lutheran church tomorrow morning at eight o'clock. A meeting of the church trustees will be held immediately following the services.

Press Piano Contest

One vote for

Not Good Unless Voted by December 25th