

FLOODS IN FRANCE SLOWLY RECEDING

MANY PARIS BUILDINGS ARE IN DANGER.

NEED OF CHARITY IS GREAT

Red Cross Active as Are French Societies and Contributions to Relief Fund Pour in.

PARIS, Feb. 1.—The danger of some great calamity, such as has been predicted, now seems over, although the situation continues critical, particularly near the St. Lazare station, where whole streets and solid blocks of buildings threaten to sink through the crust into the waters beneath.

The effect of the removal of the water pressure has been to weaken foundations greatly and this causes the greatest anxiety. Besides, there will be thousands of acres to be cleared or repaired when the water has receded and there is also the possibility of an epidemic.

It is believed the breaking of the dam at Gennevilliers appreciably hastened the climax by releasing an immense amount of water, but the consequences below are appalling.

Gennevilliers and Colombes have 20,000 inhabitants. These sections are completely submerged, the water reaching the tops of houses in the lower section, while the flood is backing up into the center of Asnières.

Certainly 40,000 people have been driven from their homes in the valley of the Seine to hospitals and other buildings placed at the disposition of refugees.

The French Red Cross, the Societe des Dames Francaises and the Societe des Femmes de France are rendering immediate assistance to the authorities in relief work. Sixty relief stations have been established in Paris, as well as camps for the free distribution of soup, food and clothing in the outskirts of inundated towns and villages along the river.

Weston to Walk Again.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—Starting from Los Angeles today, Edward Payson Weston, the pedestrian, will begin a walk from the Pacific to the Atlantic ocean, on a 90-day schedule. Weston hopes, however, to reach New York in 85 days.

FRUIT MEN MAY COMBINE

Westerners Plan to Better Withstand East's Opposition.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 2.—Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana are to be called together through representatives of their Horticultural Union, to form a Northwest Fruit-growers' Union, the object of which will be to eliminate rivalry between sections engaged in the same line of production, and also to establish a body which can effectively fight Eastern organizations. Hood River, Medford, North Yakima, Wenatchee, Moscow, Dayton, Missoula and other sections have been asked to agree to the plan.

There is a move among fruitgrowers here looking toward the better protection of fruit. It is planned to tax each fruit tree of the 4,000,000 here half a cent for a fund for inspectors. It is planned also to import thrushes, linnets and finches and other insect-eating birds. The orchard-heater has already been adopted, and many thousands are in use in the Yakima Valley now.

Thumb Now Indians' Pen.

CHEMAWA, Ore., Feb. 2.—Orders have been issued to the agents in the care of the Indian service to require thumb-mark signatures by Indians who are not able to write. Thumb-mark signatures are now required on all checks, receipts and other official papers, which were formerly signed by a cross-mark by Indians and others.

Prick of Pin Costs Arm.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 1.—Afflicted with blood poisoning resulting from a pin prick or putting a pricked hand into blueing water while washing about three weeks ago, Mrs. W. A. Buchanan has suffered the loss of her right arm.

Negroes Planning Rule of Cuba.

HAVANA, Jan. 31.—Organization of a distinct Negro party, with the avowed purpose of obtaining control of the Cuban government, is being agitated through the republic—and the movement has become menacing from the viewpoint of the whites.

Zelaya Off for Brussels.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 1.—Jose Santos Zelaya, ex-President of Nicaragua, who has been in Mexico since the last December, will sail for Belgium, February 4.

CONGRESS MAY CLOSE EARLY

Opposition to Taft Policies May Cause New Arrangement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Little headway has been made in the two months that Congress has been in session toward the enactment of important legislation demanded by President Taft, yet on every side are predictions of an early adjournment.

Bills to create a court of commerce and amend the railroad rate laws to establish postal savings banks, to validate withdrawals of public lands wanted for conservation purposes and to legalize National charters for corporations doing interstate business, have met with determined opposition.

Inquiries such as that being made into the affairs of the Interior Department and the Forest Service naturally is having some effect upon the plans to amend land laws and enact legislation for Alaska and even to some extent on the Arizona and New Mexico statehood bill.

Other investigations, such as those relating to second-class mail matter and the Postoffice deficit, and causes of increased cost of living, tend to minimize a complete redemption of Republican campaign pledges.

Roosevelt for Speaker Is Talk.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The Theodore Roosevelt Speakership Boom, while not regarded seriously in Washington, has opened up an interesting field of speculation, and men who have no expectation of seeing the ex-President sitting in the speaker's chair are speculating on what would happen if, by any chance, he should be chosen to succeed "Uncle Joe" Cannon. The consensus of opinion seems to be that Roosevelt would out-Cannon Cannon from the very outset.

VOTE OF LIBERALS GROW

Majority of 40 Assured With Aid of Labor Party.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—The week closed with the Liberals in better heart as a result of their gradually swelling total. They emphasize the fact that, with the laborites, the Government's purely British majority will be 40. The fact that Premier Asquith and Chancellor Lloyd George are taking a brief holiday after a short conference is further reassuring to the ministerialists, who see in this an evidence of harmony in the cabinet.

It is notable also that the more moderate opinion, which a few days ago echoed the Conservative suggestions at the conference on the subject of the House of Lords, has now come into line and the extremists are declaring that it is the government's first duty to pass the budget at once and then take up the matter of the Lords.

It is hinted that the second budget, due to be presented immediately after the first is passed, will contain concessions to the Irish in the reduction of spirit taxes and to the imperialists by an increase in the navy, for which probably 25,000,000 pounds (English money) will be voted.

Low Rates for Settlers.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 1.—The Northern Pacific Railroad has announced that the first homeseekers' excursions of the present year will be run from Eastern points on the first and third Tuesdays in February. These excursions will be followed throughout the Spring months but dates beyond February have not been published.

Scores Perish in Mine Explosion.

PRIMERO, Colo., Feb. 1.—Seventy-nine bodies of the victims of yesterday afternoon's explosion in the Primero mine were found piled in a mass at the foot of the airshaft shortly after midnight. It has been shown by the timekeeper's records that there were 149 men in the mine at the time of the explosion. Few are thought to be alive. The main shaft of the mine is completely wrecked.

Ask For Pardon For C. W. Morse.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—It became known here today that the circulation of a petition asking the President to pardon Charles W. Morse, the New York banker who is serving a 15-year sentence in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., was begun Saturday.

Governor Hay Removes Gilham.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 1.—H. E. Gilham having refused to resign as member of the State Board of Control, was removed by order of Governor Hay, who announced that he had appointed Ed. Cowen, of King County, to the vacancy.

Calendar for February 1910 showing days of the week and dates.

The Leather of the Egyptians.

The ancient Egyptians were skilled in the art of tanning leather and manufactured it in various ways and for various purposes besides that of furnishing covering for the feet. Indeed, it is to those builders of the pyramids that we are indebted for the first artistic forms of footwear, and, so far as can be ascertained from history and the researches of archaeologists, the Egyptians were the first shoemakers who were worthy of that name. It is a fact, too, that tanners of today employ very much the same methods as did the ancients. About the same materials are used, and the processes are almost precisely similar to those in vogue hundreds of years ago. It is true that tanners of the present day have found a means of greatly shortening the time required to convert a hide into leather and that steam power and modern machinery have done much to expedite and improve the processes of finishing the leather; but, after all, the principals of tanning remain the same as they have been from the first.—London Globe.

Posthaste.

He kicked off his wet boots, slid his tired feet into a pair of carpet slippers, lit his pipe, sat down in the easy chair with a sigh of relief and declared that twenty thousand wild horses couldn't make him stir from the house till morning.

"Henry," remarked the lady with the knitting needles, "you posted that letter I gave you this morning, I suppose?"

"I did, my love," he answered unblushingly. "I asked you to postpone her visit for awhile," his wife went on. "You see?"

Henry did see. His wife saw too. What she saw was the tired man jump from his chair, kick off his slippers, put on his boots and skip out into the street as if rain was the very thing he liked wading through.

And when, five minutes later, Henry came back with a tale that he'd just been to see how the thermometer outside the postoffice stood she smiled.—London Star.

Just Like Eve's Apple.

A fruit supposed to bear the mark of Eve's teeth is one of the many botanical curiosities of Ceylon. The tree on which it grows is known by the significant name of "the forbidden fruit," or "Eve's apple tree." The blossom has a very pleasant scent, but the really remarkable feature of the tree, the one to which it owes its name, is the fruit. It is beautiful and hangs from the tree in a peculiar manner. Orange on the outside and deep crimson within, each fruit has the appearance of having had a piece bitten out of it. This fact, together with its poisonous quality, led the Mohammedans to represent it as the forbidden fruit of the garden of Eden and to warn men against its noxious properties. The mark upon the fruit is attributed to Eve. Why the bite of Adam did not also leave its mark is not known, but as only one piece seems to be missing its loss is ascribed to the woman.

A Common Cold.

We claim that if catching cold could be avoided some of the most dangerous and fatal diseases would never be heard of. A cold often forms a culture bed for germs of infectious diseases. Consumption, pneumonia, diphtheria and scarlet fever, four of the most dangerous and fatal diseases, are of this class. The culture bed formed by the cold favors the development of the germs of these diseases, that would not otherwise find lodgment. There is little danger, however, of any of these diseases being contracted when a good expectorant cough medicine like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is used. It cleans out these culture beds that favor the development of the germs of these diseases. That is why this remedy has proved so universally successful in preventing pneumonia. It not only cures your cold quickly, but minimizes the risk of contracting these dangerous diseases. For sale by Hamilton Drug Co.

Took All His Money.

Often all a man earns goes to doctors or for medicines, to cure a stomach, liver or kidney trouble that Dr. King's New Life Pills would quickly cure at slight cost. Best for dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, constipation, jaundice, malaria and debility, 25c at all druggists.

Dyspepsia is our national ailment. Burdock Blood Bitters is the national cure for it. It strengthens stomach membranes, promotes flow of digestive juices, purifies the blood, builds you up.

Any skin itching is a temper-tester. The more you scratch the worse it itches. Doan's Ointment cures piles, eczema and skin itching. At all drug stores.

"I have been somewhat costive, but Doan's Regulax gave just the results desired. They act mildly and regulate the bowels perfectly."—George B. Krause, 306 Walnut Ave., Altoona, Pa.

A specific for pain—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, strongest, cheapest liniment ever devised. A household remedy in America for 25 years.

TRY THIS TWO MINUTE CURE FOR COLD IN HEAD OR CHEST.

It is Curing Thousands Daily, and Saves Time and Money.

Get a bowl three quarters full of boiling water, and a towel. Pour into the water a teaspoonful of Hyomei (pronounced High o me).

Put your head over the bowl and cover both head and bowl with towel. Breathe the vapor that arises for two minutes, and presto! your head is as clear as a bell, and the tightness in the chest is gone.

Nothing like it to break up a heavy cold, cure sore throat or drive away a cough. It's a pleasant cure. You'll enjoy breathing Hyomei. You'll feel at once its soothing, healing and beneficial effects as it passes over the inflamed and irritated membrane. Try it. V. T. McCroskey sells Hyomei.

Application No. 6507-6801-6298-6779-6740-6339.

Notice of Sale of State Lands.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 5th day of February, 1910, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon, commencing at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, in front of the main entrance door to the county court house in the city of Colfax, county of Whitman, state of Washington, either by the county auditor or said county or by a member of the board of state land commissioners of the state of Washington, the following described state lands, together with the improvements situated thereon, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder therefor, to-wit:

Application No. 6507. NE 1/4 of section 36, township 15 north, range 40 east, W. M., containing 160 acres, appraised at \$16.00 per acre, or \$2560.00, subject to an easement for right-of-way for railroad purposes heretofore granted to the O. R. & N. Railway Company and to an easement for a country road heretofore granted to Whitman county, as shown by the files, map and records thereof in the office of the commissioner of public lands, over the 2 1/2 % of NE 1/4. Improvements appraised at \$4500.00.

Application No. 6801. NE 1/4 of section 16, township 19 north, range 43 east, W. M., containing 160 acres, appraised at \$40.00 per acre, or \$6400.00, subject to an easement for right-of-way for railroad purposes heretofore granted to the Spokane & Inland Railway Company and to the 2 1/2 % of NE 1/4. Improvements appraised at \$2304.00.

Application No. 6298. E 1/4 of NE 1/4 section 36, township 15 north, range 40 east, W. M., containing 80 acres, appraised at \$45.00 per acre, or \$3600.00. Improvements appraised at \$192.00.

Application No. 6779. SE 1/4 of section 16, township 19 north, range 43 east, W. M., containing 160 acres, appraised at \$45.00 per acre, or \$7200.00. Improvements appraised at \$1920.00.

Application No. 6740. SE 1/4 of section 36, township 15 north, range 45 east, W. M., containing 160 acres, appraised at \$40.00 per acre, or \$6400.00. Improvements appraised at \$1920.00.

Application No. 6339. NE 1/4 of section 16, township 17 north, range 40 east, W. M., containing 160 acres, appraised at \$30.00 per acre, or \$4800.00. Improvements appraised at \$704.00.

N 1/4 of section 16, township 17 north, range 40 east, W. M., containing 160 acres, appraised at \$30.00 per acre, or \$4800.00. Improvements appraised at \$140.00.

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Said lands will be sold for not less than the appraised value above stated and upon the terms and conditions following:

Terms and conditions of sale.—Not less than one-tenth of the purchase price must be paid at the time of sale to the officer making the sale. The purchaser, if he be not the owner of the improvements, must forthwith pay to the officer making the sale the full amount of the appraised value of the improvements, as above stated. One-tenth of the purchase price must be paid annually thereafter on the first day of March of each year, with interest on all deferred payments at the rate of six per centum per annum, together with accrued interest on such balance at the same rate. Provided, that any purchaser may make full payment of principal, interest and statutory penalties at any time, and obtain title or state patent. The purchaser of land containing timber or other valuable materials is prohibited by law from cutting or removing any such timber or materials without first obtaining consent of the commissioner of public lands or the board, until the full amount of the purchase price has been paid and deed issued. All sales of state lands are made subject to the reservations of oil, gas, coal, ores, minerals and fossils of every name, kind and description, and to the additional terms and conditions prescribed in the act of the legislature approved March 20, 1907, being Sec. 3 of Chap. 256 of the laws of 1907.

The above described lands are offered for sale in pursuance of an order of the board of state land commissioners, and an order of sale duly issued and certified by the commissioner of public lands of the state of Washington, now on file in the office of the county auditor of said county.

E. W. ROSS, Commissioner of Public Lands

Summons for Publication

In the superior court of the state of Washington, in and for the county of Whitman. George Blanchett, defendant, vs. Joseph Blanchett, Napoleon Blanchett, Odina Blanchett, Mary Bershaw, Alphonsine Blanchett, Lawrence Blanchett, Emma Blanchett, Emile Blanchett, Almida Blanchett and Eugenia Greif, defendants. State of Washington, county of Whitman—ss. The state of Washington, to the said Joseph Blanchett and Mary Bershaw, defendants: You and each of you are hereby summoned and required to appear in the superior court of the state of Washington, in and for Whitman county, within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit: within sixty days after the 24th day of December, 1909, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff in said action, and serve a copy of your said answer on Hanna & Hanna, the undersigned, attorneys for plaintiff, at their office in Colfax, in the county of Whitman, state of Washington, and if you fail to appear and defend said action and answer the complaint of the plaintiff aforesaid, within the time aforesaid, judgment will be rendered against you, according to the demand of the said complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. The object of the above entitled action is to establish the defendants to be the only heirs of Philomane Pauline Blanchett, deceased, and to clear a cloud from the title to the following described property, situated in Whitman county, state of Washington, to-wit:

The west half of the northwest quarter; the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter; the west half of the northeast quarter, and the south 25 feet of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 31, in township 15 north, of range 46 E., W. M., which property the plaintiff alleges and asks the court to find to be his separate property under the provisions of the will of Philomane Pauline Blanchett, deceased, his former wife, and also upon the further ground of notorious, exclusive and adverse possession of said described property and the payment of taxes thereon for more than seven successive years in which said land said above named defendants have or claim to have an interest, and to exclude said defendants from any interest they have or claim to have therein.

Dated December 28, 1909. HANNA & HANNA, Attorneys for Plaintiff. Postoffice address, Colfax, Whitman county, Washington.

Notice of Settlement of Final Account, and Decree of Distribution

In the superior court of the state of Washington, in and for the county of Whitman. In the matter of the estate of Robert H. Vermilye deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Harvey J. Wilcox, the administrator of the estate of Robert H. Vermilye, deceased, has rendered and presented for settlement and filed in the above entitled court his final account of his duties as administrator of said estate, and his petition for the distribution of the residue of said estate, on settlement of said final account, and that on the 14th day of February, 1910, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the court room of the Whitman county court house, in the city of Colfax, Whitman county, state of Washington, has been duly appointed by order of the above entitled court for the settlement of said final account and for the distribution of the residue of said estate, after the settlement of said final account, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file exceptions and objections in writing to said final account, and for the distribution of the residue of said estate, and contest the same. Dated this 12th day of January, 1910.

Geo. H. Newmann, Clerk of Whitman county, Washington, and ex-officio clerk of the above entitled court. By CLAUDE SWAGLE, Deputy.

Estray Sale.

Notice is hereby given that Thos. Flaberty, on the 1st day of August, 1909, took up and now keeps at his place, 9 miles south of Sprague, Washington, the following estrays:

One red cow, swallow fork in left ear, right ear cropped, brachy. One red calf, 6 months old. One red cow, branded C on right hip, two slits in right ear, dehorned, brachy.

One spotted cow, hooked horns, brachy. One red calf, 6 months old, brachy. Said estrays will be sold to the highest bidder for cash at the place kept, as above specified, on Saturday, the 5th day of February, 1910, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, unless the owner thereof, or his legal representative, shall appear prior to that time, and make out his title and pay all charges against said estrays.

Date of first publication of this notice January 21, 1910.

WM. M. DUNCAN, Auditor of Whitman County, By Mary J. Oliver, Deputy.

First Savings & Trust Bank of Whitman County Colfax, Washington. Capital, \$50,000 Assets, \$435,000 Surplus, \$15,000. Savings Deposits \$217,157 00 Deposits subject to check 115,275 00 Total January 1, 1910 \$332,432 00 SECURITY First Mortgage Loans \$205,303 00 Warrants 48,533 00 Cash 111,689 00 \$365,525 00. Interest Paid on Savings Accounts to Date \$37,330.78. See us for FARM LOANS, Home Money, no commission, no delay with approved title, and liberal terms given as to payments. Write for application blank.

...A Strong Bank... The protection offered by any bank to its depositors is its Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits, and the manner in which the affairs of the institution are conducted and the funds invested. The Colfax National Bank has a surplus and undivided profits of more than \$270,000. It is under rigid government supervision, and its directors are men of ripe experience, sound judgment and undoubted integrity. They are directors who direct, meeting often to discuss the affairs of the bank and the building up of its business. Following is a statement of its condition made in response to a call of the comptroller on November 16, 1909: RESOURCES Loans and discounts and overdrafts \$1,400,677 73 United States bonds 200,000 00 County and school warrants 12,343 29 Furniture and fixtures 4,700 00 Real estate None Due from banks \$163,546 99 Due from United States treasurer 10,000 00 Cash in vaults 102,941 90 276,488 89 \$1,894,209 91 LIABILITIES Capital stock \$ 200,000 00 Surplus and profits 71,120 23 National bank notes 200,000 00 Deposits 1,423,089 68 \$1,894,209 91

Colfax National Bank Opening Third Unit of U. S. Government Lands, Umatilla Project at Hermiston, Oregon, February 10, 1910. For the above occasion the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. and Southern Pacific Company—Lines in Oregon, will make an open rate of

One and One-Third Fare for the round trip from all points in their lines to Hermiston. Tickets on sale February 7th and 8th, with final return limit February 20, 1910. Free booklet, issued by the Government, containing full information as to cost, how to file, water rights, etc., may be obtained from any O. R. & N. or S. P. Agent, or by writing to Wm. McMurray, General Passenger Agent, Portland.

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