

STORY OF DAY AT THE DRAWING

BY M. M. WINANS.

Approximately 2000 anxious persons crowded about the big drawing stand in Coeur d'Alene this morning, when little Miss Harriett Post, daughter of the well known Spokane attorney, picked up the first winning number from the massive heap of blue envelopes. Every ear was strained to hear that first name, but the fact that Uncle Sam's first gift in the Spokane reservation went to a Montana man killed the enthusiasm to a certain measure.

Just prior to the drawing of the first card, Judge Witten, who has superintended the three big drawings, stepped to the front of the stand and addressed the eager crowd on the vast improvement of the present land drawing over the

old time lottery and scramble. By a little after 11 o'clock, when the last of the 250 names had been drawn, the crowd had dwindled to a mere handful of people, perhaps waiting to just to see if they were even lucky enough to be drawn in the finals. For those above 100 there is little chance. With but 40 some odd claims in the little reservation, the best will soon be taken. What remains will be eagerly taken up by those less lucky.

Only one man—a resident of Seattle—is disqualified in the Spokane reservation drawing. In violation of the strict rules that others had complied with, he had written his name and address on the outside of the envelope. The writing was discovered before the drawing began and was thrown out.

ELOPER IS CAUGHT

William Simmons, the Chicago traveling salesman, who eloped last Friday with Verda Davidson, daughter of Samuel Davidson, 04003 Mayfair street, was arrested this afternoon at North Yakima on the order of the sheriff's office, on a complaint sworn to by the girl's father.

The girl was with Simmons when arrested. She was until recently the operator at the public telephone booth in the Pacific hotel, and while employed there met Simmons. She knew him but two days when they ran away together. Simmons' father is a well-to-do manufacturer at Chicago.

UNIQUE TRIP

Happy Harrison, a well known Butte carnival promoter, is in Spokane today on his way to Seattle. He is making the trip overland, with his donkey Cyrus, attached to a two wheeled cart. He left Butte 10 days ago and after many vicissitudes in crossing the mountains has reached Spokane.

The trip thus far has not been a pleasure jaunt by any means. In descending the great divide by means of an unfrequented trail over Lookout pass, Harrison had to nail the wheels of the cart fast, and yet, in spite of this, he was wrecked three times.

BULLETS FLY ONCE MORE

(By United Press.)

MADRID, Aug. 16.—Fighting between the Moors and the Spanish at Mellilla was resumed today. The Spanish forces, which have been constantly under Moorish fire,

BOARD TELLS WHY

In addition to the message of Mayor Pratt in support of day labor on the water plant improvements the board of public works this afternoon adopted some reasons of its own why the work should proceed on the day labor plan. This communication will go to the city council tonight along with the message from the mayor.

TO PROVIDE BOTH FOR CITY AND LABOR

The question of whether the extensions to the water plant shall be built by contract or by day labor will again be considered by the city council tonight in a special session, called by Mayor N. S. Pratt. The council at its last meeting ordered that the board of public works proceed to make the extensions, costing over \$500,000, by the contract plan.

Since the meeting last Wednesday night when the action of the council was taken, considerable pressure has been brought to bear on some of the councilmen to win them over to the side of day labor, and it is possible that the result of tonight's meeting will be to proceed with the work on the standpipes and reservoir by contract and have the other work performed by day labor.

This means that a little over one-third of the work will be performed on the contract plan and nearly two-thirds on the day labor plan. The people in the parched districts on the high levels are urging that work be begun at once, whether by contract or by the day labor plan, in order that something can be done to prevent a recurrence of the water shortage next year.

In a message to the city council, issued today by Mayor Pratt in support of the day labor plan, he says:

"I desire to call the attention of your honorable body to the probability that there will be a large number of our citizens who will be in need of work during the coming fall and winter.

"With the large sum of money that these two projects will require, and the great number of laborers necessary to complete this work in the shortest possible time, I believe it can be so arranged as to give all who wish to work employment and thereby avoid the unpleasant conditions of last winter when an army of unemployed were thrown upon the charity of our citizens. If they all cannot be given employment all of the time all can be given employment some of the time, as, for example, if we need 500 men and there are 1,000 out of employment, 500 could work three days and the other 500 three days, or give a single man 2 days' employment and a married man 4 days and pay each man \$2.75 per day. In this manner, all who wish can be made to work, and those who will not let the police can handle as vagabonds.

WRECK INQUIRY IS NOW IN PROGRESS

The inquiry by the committee of citizens into the Spokane & Inland wreck, in which 15 were killed and nearly 100 injured, began this morning in the federal court room and has been in progress all day.

On the committee are Boyd Hamilton, mayor of Coeur d'Alene; C. E. Max and H. V. Scallon of Coeur d'Alene; Prosecutor F. C. Pugh, Corporation Counsel E. O. Connor, E. D. Sanders, R. K. Neil, David Brown, all of Spokane.

The Spokane & Inland has turned all of the evidence adduced at the coroner's inquest and since collected over to the commission.

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KING COTTON WILL ENRICH DIXIE STATES

A Bonanza Harvest Is Assured for the Growers in the South.

15 CENTS A POUND.

BY A. F. CHAMBERS (Special to The Press.)

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 16.—With a short crop—the shortest in 10 years—King Cotton is still king south of the Mason and Dixon line, and the planters, scenting prosperity in every breeze, look forward to a bonanza year.

With the west proud of its gigantic output this year of wheat and corn, the south, lacking a bumper crop, expects to share just as heavily in the prosperity of the harvest moon.

It's the price that does it. Fifteen cent cotton is in sight for this year, and 15 cent cotton spells gold.

It used to be the south only got 5 cents a pound for its cotton. These were the dark days for the southern planter, when each year's crop was mortgaged before it was planted, and when a planter counted himself lucky if he broke even after a season of bitter work and labor.

But the world was learning more and more to use cotton. And the United States had a practical monopoly on the raising of it. The demand rose, the price rose, and a new day set in for the south.

With 10 cent cotton the south paid its mortgages, canceled its debts, began to put money in the bank. Good times had come.

With 15 cent cotton the south country will be swept up to new heights of prosperity. What matter the short crop? That but helps the price climb. It's the law of supply and demand.

The south can raise 11,000,000 bales at 15 cents a pound much more profitably than 14,000,000 bales at 10 cents a pound.

The government report on July 25 showed the condition of the crop to be 71.9 per cent, as compared with the June report of 74 per cent, and the July, 1908, report of 83 per cent. The government gathers its statistics from every portion of the cotton region, and its report is usually regarded as being as near the truth as it is possible for human agencies to come.

CARRIED AN ARSENAL

His suspicions aroused by the man's appearance, Detective Alex Macdonald today arrested a stranger on Stevens street who gave the name of L. A. Glenn, age 40, occupation that of a miner.

On being searched at the police station two revolvers, two razors, two brass knuckles, 35 keys of various kinds were found. Sewed up in the man's coat and shirt was found \$300 in currency.

Glenn was held on a charge of having burglar tools in his possession, which under the new criminal code is a felony. Detective Macdonald thinks Glenn is some quiet room burglar who practices his trade in hotels and lodging houses.

FIGHT AGAINST BALLINGER CARRIED

(Continued from page 1)

Although more widely diversified in his aims than the national irrigation congress, the Trans-Mississippi congress will this year devote most of its time to a discussion of the biggest issue before the American people.

The mining people are here this year as they were last, demanding relief from the smelter trust. The



Colonel Fred W. Flemming, Kansas City, chairman congressional committee, Trans-Mississippi Congress.

VITAL RECORD

BIRTHS.

Clarence J. and Pauline M. Skillman, 1517 Eleventh avenue, August 11, a girl.

John B. and Margaret C. Neish, 225 Nora avenue, August 13, a girl.

William G. and Nellie McCluskey, 0318 1/2 Washington street, August 6, a boy.

Con and Rosie M. Williams, 1418 Nichols avenue, a girl.

William H. and Marie Metcalf, 22608 Sprague avenue, a boy.

William and Elvira Hartley, Sunnyside addition, a boy.

DEATHS.

William G. Rainey, age 2 months, 15 days, E617 Providence avenue, August 14, enterocolitis.

Harry Berthal, age 1 year, W2604 Nichols avenue, August 13, enterocolitis.

HE WANTS UTOPIA

From down in Texas comes one of the most unusual inquiries that has yet reached Mayor Pratt. Here it is:

"Houston, Tex., Aug. 10, 1909. Mayor, Spokane, Wash., Dear Sir—As I am looking for a location with a better climate, better soil and better water; where fertilizers are not needed to produce, where ground and water are good and plentiful; where good people live and love their homes; where morality and Christianity are the guiding force of the people—if you have such a place there or know of one I would be very thankful indeed to be advised of it. Very respectfully, W. P. Kirham."

While Spokane possesses most of these qualifications, Mayor Pratt thinks that to find all of them Mr. Kirham must seek either Utopia or Paradise.

NO RELIEF FROM STRAY DOG PEST

Councilman Cartwright and Mayor Pratt had a little friendly discussion on the stray dog nuisance today. Cartwright complained that his early morning slumbers at his home in the First ward are disturbed by the howling of dogs and that it is very annoying, especially to a man who has been out until midnight at a council meeting. He thought there ought to be a crusade against the dogs, and thinks Spokane is more infested with dogs than any city he ever saw.

Mayor Pratt sympathized with Councilman Cartwright, but seemed to think there was no relief for him. The mayor said he thought that stray dogs ought to be treated like stray chickens, which people are not allowed to let run at large.

FRISCO'S FAMOUS BELL.

(By United Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—San Francisco's first fire bell, which rang out its first alarm in 1853 and its last in 1906, has been rescued from the debris of Brenham place, where it has lain since the disaster, and will be placed in Golden Gate park as a relic of pioneer days.

The bell first rang in the city hall on Kearney street, and its deep voice called together the vigilantes during the exciting periods when California gold fever was at its height. The bell was unearthed Thursday by members of the fire department and the society of exempt firemen from a lot in Chinatown.

"BLIND PIGS" ARE LASSED

Two raids for operating "blind pigs" were made by the police yesterday. At 322 Front avenue Tony Boni, an Italian fruit vendor, and Agostino Grannunzio, age 16, the son of Boni's partner, were arrested by police officers who had observed a brick traffic headed toward a room in the rear of the fruit stand, where they found the Grannunzio boy in charge. Boni was placed in the city jail on two charges, without bail, and the boy was turned over to the juvenile authorities at the courthouse.

At a boarding house conducted by Mike Kestek, an Austrian, 221 Division street, the police found a barrel of beer and several "cold bottles" on ice, with a number of "empties" strewn under a bed. Kestek was arrested, but insisted that the liquor had been used by his boarders, without price.

THEN HE TUMBLED

Maggye—Did you throw cold water on his ardent wooing? Bereneyce—I didn't need to; the canoe upset.

THE LATEST CREATION IN WOMEN'S FOOTWEAR

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Le Claire's

Good Shoes. 829 Riverside.

CONFIRMED CRIMINAL AT AGE OF 20

A confirmed criminal at 20, and about to face a motion by the Spokane police department asking that he be sent to prison for life under the confirmed criminal act, Austin Mitchell, the son of respectable parents, is hopelessly entangled in the meshes of the law.

Mitchell was arrested August 10 for a daylight burglary of the home of S. E. Smith, 8517 McClellan street. Since his arrest he has confessed to the robbery of the till of a grocery store at Nora avenue and Division street.

Today a German named Stockel, rooming at 213 Augusta avenue, charged Mitchell with breaking open his trunk last May, while Mitchell was employed in the

house assisting a paperhanger, and alleges the theft from the trunk of \$76. Mitchell admits the crime, but says that the amount he secured was \$60 instead of \$76.

Chief of Police Sullivan and Captain of Detectives Burns are investigating the career of Mitchell today, and from the crimes above set forth and his prior record they will ask the prosecuting attorney's office to proceed against him under the habitual criminal act, which provides a life sentence for three separate convictions of felonies.

On October 9, 1906, Mitchell, then 17, was found guilty of burglary but permitted to go on a parole sentence. The following April he was again arrested for

CAN'T FIND BANKER HATS

(By United Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—After searching four days for W. C. Hays, late manager of the United State Savings Commercial bank, Chief of Police Cook today declared him a fugitive from justice. He is wanted on a warrant charging him with overdrawing his account in a bank, which is a felony under a new law.

St. Joe Week Day Trips

Delightful outings by train and steamer to famous Shoshone St. Joe river. Leave Spokane terminal on week days at 6:40 a. m. for St. Joe and 9 a. m. for St. Maries, returning arrive 3:10 p. m. Refreshments on board. Phone 5325.

The Model Suit Co.
803 Riverside Ave. and 11 Post St.

All This Seasons Garments Now Going at 25c on the \$ at the

Great Closing Out Sale

WE ARE RETIRING FROM BUSINESS AND MUST POSITIVELY CLOSE OUT OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF HIGH-GRADE GOODS BEFORE SEPT. 1. Remember THIS IS A STRAIGHT, LEGITIMATE SALE. OUR STORE BUSINESS SEPT. 1. YOU WILL PROFIT GREATLY BY THIS SALE, AS GOODS ARE SELLING AT 50 PER CENT BELOW MANUFACTURER'S COST.

Great Waist Values

Fine lingerie waists, made from fine, sheer materials, many with full embroidery front, others trimmed with fine lace and embroidery and insertion, and more are trimmed with embroidery and fancy beading.

Regular price \$1.50, at this sale..... 89¢
Regular price \$2.00, at this sale..... 79¢
Regular price \$2.50, at this sale..... 98¢



Read This at \$2.35

About 100 waists in this lot. All new models in pretty nets, tucked and trimmed with ruffles and buttons; others with colored embroidered figures and many with fine tucks and mercerized embroidery. In this lot are many lingerie with Puritan collar of fine embroidery trimmed with lace. \$5.75 and \$6.50 qualities, at this sale..... \$2.35

Another Wonder at \$3.25

One lot of ladies' messaline silk waists, embroidered with fancy braid; many with lace yoke, others with tucks. Good range of sizes and colors. The regular price of these waists were \$12.50, at this sale... \$3.25

Trimmed Hats, \$2.65

One lot of trimmed hats, this season's models. Black and medium color straws, trimmed with wings, flowers, ribbons and ornaments. Some great values up to \$12.50, at this sale at..... \$2.65

More Great Offerings

Linen jumper dresses, the \$6.50 kind; sale price..... \$2.95	Linen dresses, embroidered; worth \$16.50; sale price..... \$5.95
Linen suits, regular price \$15.50; sale price..... \$4.75	Ladies' wool suits; regular price \$24.50; sale price..... \$6.95
Gingham petticoats, fancy stripe; \$1.50 kind; sale price..... 62¢	Ladies' wool suits; values to \$47.50; sale price..... \$14.75
Chambray petticoats, embroidery ruffle, \$2.00 kind; sale price..... 85¢	Ladies' opera cloaks, worth \$17.50; sale price..... \$7.50
Linen suits, regular price \$24.50; sale price..... \$6.95	Opera cloaks, cloth or silk; \$47.50 kind; sale price..... \$17.50
Ladies' waists, all linen; \$4.50 kind; sale price..... \$1.25	Ladies' cravenette coats, \$17.50 kind; sale price..... \$7.50

DON'T MISS THIS ONE

Linen Suits, 2-piece style; long coat models; strictly tailored; comes in white and colors; values up to \$22.50; can you believe this for..... \$4.95

The Sale Starts at 9 a. m.