

# ALFONSO'S TROUBLES INCREASE

## SPANISH GARRISONS ALL RE-INFORCED.

(By United Press.) MADRID, Aug. 19.—King Alfonso's troubles are increasing. Word has been received of a revolt of the Canary Islanders. Former War Minister Hartegui has been sent there to suppress it. The government today started to reinforce the garrisons throughout Spain. A conscription has been re-established and is taken to indicate Spanish reverses in Morocco. Nothing has been given out officially concerning General Marina's latest expedition against the Rif tribesmen.

# AGAINST THE DEBT LAW

(By United Press.) LONDON, Aug. 19.—The committee of the house of commons appointed to investigate the system of imprisoning men who refuse to pay their debts reported today against the law. It is claimed unscrupulous persons are using it as a means of blackmailing friends and relatives of debtors. Shopkeepers strongly support the system and will fight the law's repeal.

# WED TWICE ON THE 13TH

(By United Press.) NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—William O'Connor is doubly married. He was twice wed to the same girl, who was Miss Mona Burch of Springfield, Ill. Both ceremonies, moreover, were performed on Friday the thirteenth. "That's my lucky day," said O'Connor.

O'Connor, who lives at 142 West Eleventh street, went to the marriage license bureau with the girl to whom he had already been married once. "We were married in Jersey City," he said, "but we want to have it done over again here to make assurance doubly sure."

"The first wedding was in Jersey City. Did an official officiate? Oh, well. That doesn't matter. We just want to have it a little more formal, so we'll have it done over here where there will be a record of it."

"The combination of this date? That's good—Friday, and the thirteenth are a lucky combination for me. Don't you think so?" he added, looking at his bride.

# CHAMPION BILLIARDIST EXHIBITS

Willie Hoppe, the champion billiard player of the world, will give a ladies' day exhibition in the Plaster billiard halls tomorrow afternoon, to which ladies will be admitted free. The matches during his exhibition of his skill with the cue will be played with Chapman, who is playing all this week with Kneedhofer, the local crack player, who will play.

Speaking of his match with Kneedhofer, the great eastern billiard "shark," Hoppe stated to The Press this morning that it was all according to which of the western or coast clubs bid the highest, as to where the match will be held. He has already been given a promise of \$5,000 but is waiting for higher bids, he says.

Hoppe is here with Eddie Kane who is playing partner in vaudeville, with whom he expects to return to the Morris vaudeville circuit in New York as soon as his match with Morningstar is played.

# AUTO AND CAR IN COLLISION

A crash between an automobile driven by James Welch, a member of the P. Welch & Co. contracting firm, and a street car, at the corner of Howard and Third, last evening, knocked the car from the track, dismantled the machine and gave the driver a narrow escape from severe injury, was all caused by a pigeon.

Welch was traveling at a good rate of speed along Third avenue when a pigeon swooped down across the street very near to him, he grabbed at the bird, thereby losing temporary control of his machine, which plunged into a Liberty street car, on the W. W. P. Co's tracks, moving rapidly up Howard street.

# CHINA CALLED TO PHONE

(By United Press.) NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Add an inch to every shirt tail in China (so some disciple of Walter Ballard down south has figured it), and our southern states could export 2,500,000 more bales of cotton to the orient every year. Proprietary figures about China—but which have to do with telephonic installation—were spun out along the same lines today in the offices of the Western Electric Co., 463 West street, when O. D. Street of the Western Electric told of the contract for the installation of a modern American telephone system in Peking that has just been awarded by the Chinese empire to his company against the bids of English, German, French and other foreign manufacturers.

A commission composed of three Chinese government officials toured Europe and America about two years ago to look over telephones. The commission agreed with the Western Electric people—who manufacture the Bell Telephone Co.'s equipment—that New York has the best telephone system in existence.

# SAVED BY TIME PIECE

(By United Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19.—A special to the Oregonian from Seaside, Ore., says: A gold watch, given to Ralph Ramsdell by his father as a reward for not smoking until he attained his nineteenth year, was the means of saving the young man's life yesterday, when a rifle he was carrying accidentally discharged.

The bullet, striking the watch, in a pocket near his heart, glanced and shattered his arm. Although seriously fractured, surgeons believe they can save the lad's arm.

# COMPLAINTS TOTAL 120

The total number of complaints before the board of equalization today reached 120, of which the board has disposed of 110. Most of the claims relate to the assessments of individuals, which are disposed of as rapidly as they materialize. The Northern Pacific today filed a protest on the valuation assessed against its house track near the N. P. depot. The board will consider this claim this afternoon.

# IS MILLION DOLLAR ESTATE IN SPAIN?

(By United Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—Mrs. Josephine Nelson is in the city prison at Oakland, charged with obtaining \$8000 under false pretenses from Mrs. Lizzie Conrad of this city. Mrs. Conrad declares Mrs. Nelson told a sensational tale of a million dollar estate, of which she was the sole heir.

The Nelson woman declared the property had been in litigation for some time, and she needed temporary funds, according to Mrs. Conrad. The alleged fraud was discovered through the signature of a local judge, who, according to the complaint, repudiated the signature.

# BILL MYER'S BOY WEDS

(By United Press.) NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—The marriage here is announced of Frank Wilson Nye, a son of the late Edgar Wilson (Bill) Nye and himself a western writer of note, and Miss Helen Mountfort of this city. They will live near this city.

Cabbage crop o. k., says Secretary Wilson. This will be pleasing news to Pittsburg stogie smokers.

# TAFT'S LIFE MIGHT BE ONE LONG PICNIC, BUT IT AIN'T

(By United Press.) BEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 19.—The box office is after President Taft again. Ever since the fourth of March the box office has terrorized the president. Now, at the vacation home where he expected to enjoy a few days of rest, the monster is on his trail once more. Every political, social, fraternal or other organization within 50 miles of the summer capital is planning to give a clam bake, picnic, outing or shin-dig of some sort with the president as the central figure. "We are deeply in debt with our Sunday school hall," said one clerical gentleman who called on Secretary Carpenter, "and we feel sure that if the president realized the situation he would willingly attend the picnic we are to give at Point of Pines. His attendance will attract a great many people." "Yes, I know," sadly replied Car-

# INDIANS HOME SEPT. 7

Two weeks from next Tuesday the Indians will return to the home grounds to do battle once more with the Tacoma Tigers. They will be here for two weeks and after an absence of another week will return here for the following week.

"Dad" Brown will return with just as game a bunch as he left with, no doubt, but with a weaker pitching staff, unless something is immediately done to brace it up. Jack Killiany showed by his pitching yesterday that he is not in condition to go against the game with the accuracy required in the remainder of the season's pennant.

The fact of the matter is that Jensen and Holm are about the only pitchers the home team now have that the fans have confidence in. A little more of the hard work like they have been put up against in the last few weeks will soon make them weak as the rest of them. Clafin pitches good ball sometimes, but from now on to the finish the Spokane team must have someone among its pitching staff who can be depended on at all times.

# FORESTRY MEN ARE JUBILANT

(By United Press.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—The acuteness of the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy is shown by the dead silence of the department of the interior and the suppressed, but jubilant, feeling of the bureau of forestry. Officials left in charge will not discuss it. Application made by a representative of the United Press to examine the records of the land office in dispute, with the land attorney, were denied today by department of the interior officials.

# "BREAKERS" ABDUCTED

PITTSBURG, Aug. 19.—A crisis in the strike of the employes of the Pressed Steel Car Co. was reached this afternoon, when hundreds of strikers surrounded the plant, attacking strike breakers in the yards of the buildings. There are reports of dissensions among strike breakers. It is estimated that 2000 strikebreakers are housed in the plant. Numbers of them have been beaten, and other abducted. Unrest is growing.

# WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A comparatively broad area of normal to moderately high pressure extends from the middle of Canada to the middle of the Rocky mountain region. Normal pressure is near the north Pacific coast. Elsewhere low pressure obtains. The Atlantic storm center has moved out on the ocean from the coast of New England. An area of low pressure seems to be approaching from northwestern Canada. Reports show a prevalence of fair weather. The only noteworthy rains within the last 24 hours fell in northern Utah and Colorado. Temperatures from the Pacific to the Rockies are moderate, but easterly of Arizona and the eastern Rocky mountain slope prevailing high. Conditions give a probability of fair weather tonight and Friday in this vicinity. Charles Stewart, Local Forecaster.

# PUGH TALKING PRISON REFORM

Sheriff Mac Pugh is at Seattle attending the national prison congress, to which he is a delegate. Mr. Pugh has been connected with the sheriff's office and the care of prisoners for nearly 20 years and is somewhat of an authority himself on the subject. He has 102 prisoners under his care at the county jail at the present time, while during the rush season in the winter the number of his wards will increase to about 120.

# GIVES UP HIS ROYAL RIGHTS TO GET OUT OF ASYLUM

(By United Press.) PARIS, Aug. 19.—Prince Hermann of Saxe-Weimar has gained his release from the sanatorium in which he was placed by his friends at the price of renouncing his rights to the grand ducal throne, with all claim to reign over the famous duchy in the heart of Germany with nearly half a million of inhabitants. This price will be paid for a short but dazzling career in Paris, London and Vienna. Stripped of his princely titles, the young man, who is only 23 years old, will be known as Count von Ostheim, and the succession passes to his younger brother, Prince Albert of

# THE MINSTREL MIDGETS



Listen, Rastus. Why am a pair ob those hose lak a man runnin' foh office?" "Lemme see. Oh, yes, becaze bofe ob dem need supporters, yah, yah, yah!" "Ef de orchestra will fall bahd againt de openin' bars, we will oblige wife: 'Mah Wife Am Back at Work Again, Ah'm Eatin' White Bread Now.'"

# ORPHANS NEED MORE THINGS FOR FINE EATING

Just a few more supplies and good things to eat, and the happy little inmates of the Orphans' Home of Spokane will be off to Liberty Lake on a real outing. Two weeks among the pine trees, the rocks and to paddle about the cool lake is about the greatest thing in their estimation they have ever heard of, and they are gathered about in the big play ground today eagerly discussing their childish programs of amusement for the two whole weeks. Still it is not all so sure. Maybe they won't get to see the lake and the squirrels and woods at all—it all depends on whether Mrs. Dey can secure enough supplies for them during that time or not. They must have more, but it wouldn't do to mar the happiness of those little fellows by telling them of their worried matron's fears right now, for maybe it will all come out right in the end.

What can you do for them? Food and plenty of it is the greatest necessity. If this can be secured, the little excursionists will start for Liberty lake next week.

# WANT A PRISON ROCK CRUSHER AT SPOKANE

An effort is being made to get the legislature to amend the law relative to the location of prison rock crushers so that one of the crushers can come to Spokane county. It was generally supposed that Spokane county would get one of the crushers and the commissioners had gone so far as to take an option on a site, but the state highway commission sent it to Walla Walla. The other three crushers

# SHUNS WAR HORRORS

NEVADA, Mo., Aug. 19.—When the state militia came to Camp Hadley and pulled off a sham bat-



tle or two, they must have given an elegant imitation of Gettysburg. At least, it had a peculiar effect upon Sandy Dabenhoff, a farmer whose acres are close to the camp. Just how troubled his emotions were when he heard volley after volley of blank cartridges is not known, except that he survived the noise. But when a bunch of foragers from the Third Infantry invaded his watermelon patch, Sandy decided that the line of battle was sweeping right over his homestead. Rather than be taken prisoner and getting court martialed as a possible spy, Sandy disappeared. He hid out until the encampment was over, his family being in ignorance of his exact whereabouts.

# HENEY GOT THERE BY 124

(By United Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—The final count of votes of this city's first direct primary shows that Francis J. Heney won the democratic nomination over Charles M. Mike Foley is in jail charged with snatching a purse containing \$45, belonging to George Rogers of Lundbrook, Alberta, at the Great Northern depot today. Rogers, in pulling his handkerchief from his pocket, dropped the purse on the platform. Two traveling men saw Foley pick it up and hasten away with it. He went through the depot and when captured on Front avenue did not have the purse. After being sweated following his denial of the theft, he admitted giving the purse to another man.

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# WILL INVESTIGATE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

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Donovan's request for data from the assessor's office comes from Olympia, where he was called, along with the officers of the grand jury, to give testimony in the Shively graft cases. The request on the assessor reads:

"Assessor Galbraith, Spokane.—Dear Sir: Before leaving Spokane I was requested by the grand jury to ask that you furnish evidence to the grand jury, upon its convening on September 1, relative to the assessment which you made on the property of various individuals and corporations.

"I did not have an opportunity of taking this matter up with you in detail, because of other work which I was called to fulfill, but desire at this time to ask you to prepare copies of the schedules furnished by the following corporations and individuals:

"Great Northern Railway Co., Northern Pacific Railway Co., Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co., North Coast Railway Co., Washington Water Power Co., Tull and Gibbs Co., Spokane-Review, Chronicle Publishing Co., N. W. Durham, W. H. Cowles, Henry Risling, Eilers Piano House, Simons Piano Co., Chant Music Co., Old National bank, Union Trust Co., Exchange National bank, Traders' National bank, Fidelity National bank, Spokane & eastern Trust Co., Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Co., Western Union Telegraph Co., Postal Telegraph Co.

"The grand jury is anxious that you will furnish in detail your original assessment, and other changes that you have made, by reason of the presentation of evidence for a reduction for the past three years.

"I trust that the request is not embarrassing to you, and that upon my return from the trial of J. H. Shively, before the senate at Olympia, you will have these matters in detail. Thanking you in anticipation of your favor, and assuring you that I do not ask this except upon the request of the grand jury, I remain, Yours very truly, W. C. Donovan, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Spokane County."

The grand jury had been given reason to believe that certain corporations and interests were not paying their just proportion of taxation and figures from the tax records were secured while the grand jury was in session. It was resolved to wait until the assessor's office made its report to the

board of equalization, when the correct figures as finally approved by the assessor could be had. The assessment sheets have now passed out of the assessor's hands and the figures reported by him must stand.

Investigation today shows that the Spokesman-Review is taxed for 1909 at \$52,180 and the Chronicle at \$7,315. Last year the Chronicle paid taxes only on a valuation of \$2915. The Spokesman-Review was taxed in 1908 at \$47,920.

The ground on which the Spokesman-Review building stands is taxed at \$56,250 and the building at \$55,105, making a total for building and grounds of \$111,355.

The total assessment for the Spokesman-Review and the building occupied by it, the whole of which is owned by William H. Cowles, is \$163,535. Those well informed say that when the Great Northern railway was negotiating for the Spokesman-Review a while back the price on the newspaper and building was close to \$1,500,000. The record shows that taxes are paid on about one tenth this valuation.

William H. Cowles, owner of the Spokesman-Review and many times a millionaire, gives \$6860 as the

# SECOND TRIAL OF CALLEJA

(By United Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—The second trial of Patrick Calleja, president of the United railroad, charged with bribery, was continued until Monday, because of the serious illness of Attorney Stanley Moore, one of the leading attorneys for the defense.

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