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ANTI-HIGH PRICES CRUSADE SWEEPS WESTWARD

SIGN PLEDGE TO EAT NO MORE MEAT NOW

Denver and Omaha Hold Big Mass Meetings--The "Sixty-Day" Vegetarians.

(By United Press.)

DENVER, Jan. 20.—Moving westward by leaps and bounds, the crusade started in Ohio against the high food prices has reached this city. Next Sunday afternoon hundreds of Denver union laboring men will assemble and sign a pledge to forswear meat and eggs for 30 days. Leaders of the movement here confidently declared today their belief that they will be able to compel Colorado butchers to cut existing prices. They say that at Sunday's meeting they will launch a boycott that within a week will extend throughout the state.

5000 SIGN AT OMAHA.

OMAHA, Jan. 20.—More than 5000 persons at Omaha already have signed the anti-meat pledge. Leaders of the local movement to break high meat prices predict that before night an amazing proportion of the city's population will be "sixty-day vegetarians."

Reports from other Nebraska cities indicate that the crusade is finding hundreds of supporters. Mass

meetings in many towns have been called. Labor unions are assuming a prominent place in the fight.

AT PITTSBURG, TOO.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 20.—A mass meeting will be held tonight to protest against the high prices charged for meat and other food commodities. Pledges to abstain from meat will be circulated among those who attend.

MORSE BLOTTED OUT AS A MAN; HE IS ONLY A NUMBER NOW

Former Millionaire Dragging Out Dreary Existence Among 750 Other Unfortunates, Including Negroes, Italians and Chinamen.

ONCE "MASTER MIND," HAS NO RIGHT TO THINK NOW.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 20.—Yesterday a man—today a number; yesterday a millionaire—today a convict, without property rights; yesterday a free agent, controlling thousands by his strength of mind—today a nonentity whose thinking is done for him; yesterday clad in fine cloth and linen, with the whole world as the theater of his operations—today shuffling about in shapeless shoes, wearing the ill fitting garb of servitude of rough blue cloth, and his world limited to the blue skies over the prison walls.

Such is the metamorphosis worked in Charles W. Morse, when the great steel doors of the United States penitentiary at Atlanta swung behind him a couple of weeks ago. Had he been put into a grave he could have been blotted out no more effectively as concerns his social identity. He had ceased to exist as Charles W. Morse—he had become United States convict No. 2814, and as such for 15 years will drag out an existence, every minute of which is on a dead, dull level of a monotone, surrounded by 50 fellow unfortunates, among whom are included whites, negroes, Indians and Chinamen.

These will be his constant companions and one of them is to become his cellmate. And the little comfort that human society may afford No. 2814 will be reduced by the interdiction of speech, for a convict may not converse with his brethren save at certain stated intervals. Even at meals, when the desire to talk is greatest the prohibition is ironclad; he may not even use his tongue to make known his wants—he must employ signs instead.

Only Two Chances of Escape. And from this living grave convict No. 2814 thinks, or thought while he had still the right to think, there is but two chances of a resurrection—only by due process of law and the second by pardon, for he is certain that if these hopes fail him then his sentence is a sentence of death, for he cannot believe that he will survive the full term.

But dead though he may be now, the seeds he sowed as C. W. Morse of brilliant mentality are bearing fruit in the fight that is being waged to bring him back to life through the efforts of Martin Littlejohn, his counsel, in the courts, and the work of his devoted wife in creating sentiment that shall crystallize in the form of a pardon.

Atlanta jail is about four miles from the city, and is good to look at when one is on the outside. It is a

big pile of gray granite not unlike a German feudal castle. It stands in the center of a large reservation, and where the high, thick walls cease a 10 foot barrier of barbed wire, thickly interlaced, begins. Here and there are sentry boxes where guards with rifles and pistols keep watch. And no one may enter at the gates unless his business is known beforehand. It is all business there, and more curiosity seekers find short shrift.

Moyers' Grim Firmness. The same grim firmness are the distinguishing characteristics of William H. Moyer, who for 15 years will be responsible for the mental, moral and physical welfare of No. 2814. Moyer is a man who has made a name for himself as a penologist. He took the Atlanta jail when it was nothing, and last year under his administration the penalty of isolation for violation of prison rules amounted to only 2100 of one per cent of the aggregate time.

OLGA NETHERSOLE SECOND SOLOMON

(By United Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—Because of the wisdom she displayed in advising Judge Frank Murasky on problems confronting him in a juvenile court here, Actress Olga Nethersole today was extended an invitation to visit the juvenile detention home and talk with wayward children confined there.

For two hours yesterday Miss Nethersole sat on the bench with Judge Murasky and heard the trials and tribulations of two Chinese women, each claiming to be the mother of a 15 year old boy who was accused of gambling.

Nethersole was Solomon reincarnated. When two mothers both laid claim to Quong Yuen, and a father, three sisters and eight cousins failed to settle the dispute, Miss Nethersole whispered in Judge Murasky's ear that the elder woman was the real mother, because the other bulked too much.

The court out the case over for a week until the father of Quong Yuen sees fit to break his silence and throw necessary light upon the affair.

PITTSBURG.—Now charges in Columbia National bank conspiracy bribery cases include actions against Max G. Leslie, delinquent tax collector; E. H. Jennings, bank president; F. A. Griffin, former cashier; F. F. Nicola, contractor, and Charles Stewart, former councilman.

KANSAS CITY.—Detectives are closely watching a "suspect" in the Swope case and arrests are expected soon. Colonel Thomas H. Swope and other members of his family who died are believed to have been murdered by use of typhoid germs placed in their food.

Daily and Sunday Press, delivered, 10 cents a week.

PATRICK MAY WIN FREEDOM

VALET WANTED IN FAMOUS MURDER CASE FOUND.

SAYS HE WILL CONFESS

(By United Press.)

GALVESTON, Jan. 20.—Valet Jones, wanted in connection with the famous murder of William Morris Rice, New York capitalist, for connection with which Albert T. Patrick, famous Gotham attorney, is now serving a life sentence, is reported to have agreed to make a confession which will clear Patrick from participation in the crime.

Jones' whereabouts is said to have been discovered by a brother of Patrick, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to free the convicted man. Jones is reported to have agreed to make a confession which will clear Patrick from participation in the crime.

USED HER BRASS KNUCKLES ON 'EM

Athletic Matron Raised Havoc With 20 at Society Meeting and It Cost Her \$5.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 20.—Mrs. Mary Cepola, an athletic looking young matron of Wilmerding, is under conviction today of attacking Mrs. Stella Pokal and others comprising the Ladies' Beneficial society at Wilmerding.

There was developed in the trial much of the humorous, and Judge Ford showed a great deal of interest in the case after it had been shown that Mrs. Cepola had used brass knuckles in a fight in which she admittedly whipped the rest of the Ladies' Beneficial society consisting of more than 20 women.

The court was evidently much impressed with the defense of Mrs. Cepola, who declared that she had not resorted to the knuckles until she had been knocked down twice. The court hearing developed that Mrs. Pokal had been treasurer of the Ladies' Beneficial society for some time and there had been some bad blood politically between her and Mrs. Cepola. Mrs. Cepola had demanded an auditing of the society's books, and it was brought out at the trial that Mrs. Pokal had asserted that she would whip Mrs. Cepola on sight as a trouble maker. It appears that Mrs. Cepola, who had the fewer members of the society on her side, decided when she started to attend a meeting recently that she would slip her husband's brass knuckles into her stockings—to be used in case of trouble.

The trouble was not long in starting nor did Mrs. Pokal delay in starting for Mrs. Cepola. One of the members of the Ladies' Beneficial society said on the stand that Mrs. Pokal "sort of" butted Mrs. Cepola and knocked her over the table. Other evidence was that as Mrs. Cepola struggled to her feet she was again flogged by an unbridled dictionary, which caught her in the back of the neck.

A MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE HERE

A mysterious suicide was reported on the Langham hotel late yesterday afternoon. A man who had registered at the hotel two days before under the name of J. C. Campbell was found lying in a pool of blood in his room. From the condition of the body, it is believed that he had taken his life two or three hours previous to the time the door was opened. The man is not known here. He was well dressed. Campbell had no means of identification. The bullet entered his right temple and emerged on the other side of the head.

Henry M. Weed has sold to Walter N. Olive two lots on the north side of Sprague avenue near Sheridan street for \$10,000. The ground is 50x90.

"SO HIGH!" SAYS PINCHOT TO TEDDY

FROM A SNAPSHOT PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN IN WASHINGTON WHILE ROOSEVELT WAS STILL PRESIDENT. T. R. AND FORESTER PINCHOT WERE ENGAGED IN AN ANIMATED CONVERSATION ON TREE GROWING.



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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Sheriff Mack. Pugh of Spokane county was elected president of the state association of sheriffs at its meeting at North Yakima. The next meeting will be held at Everett in July. The sheriffs agreed to ask the legislature to pass a law for a whipping post for wife beaters, to call for a general closing of all business on Sunday and longer terms and better pay for the sheriffs.

M. F. Ryan, former marshal of Hilliard, has been reappointed to that place by the Hilliard council. Ryan is a foe of burglars and bad men, and while holding the position before was shot in an encounter with a burglar, whom he landed.

Ryan has been doing work as a deputy sheriff for the last two years. Victor Schurra, a student from Spokane, is sick with scarlet fever at St. Martin's college, at Lacey, Wash. The fever became epidemic at the college, causing one death, but it is announced that it is now under control.

The reorganization committee of the chamber of commerce, which has the selection of a secretary and other matters in hand for the good of the chamber, has not yet agreed on a successor to L. G. Monroe, who is to retire from the secretariat May 1. Many changes of importance in the publicity and promotion work of the chamber, it is thought, will be recommended by the committee.

The Washington Water Power company is installing a new storage battery at its new power station at Post and Wall for the purpose of equalizing the current should any breaks in the lines occur. This battery will work automatically and control any surplus or shortage of current on any line, so as not to cause the shutting off of light.

A meeting of property owners interested in the East Sprague district between Division street and the Sprague avenue fill will meet tonight at the office of Finch & Campbell to consider ways and

means for booming that end of the city. All property owners between the Northern Pacific right of way and First avenue have been invited to participate in the movement.

E. Finney, building inspector, has asked for an assistant, backed in the request by the board of public works. He says that judging by the amount of work in sight for the present year one man will not be able to care for it.

The Consolidated Improvement company, controlled by F. Lewis Clark, will erect a \$100,000 brick and terra cotta building at the northwest corner of Third and Washington to cost \$100,000. Plans are now being drawn for the structure, which will cover the entire ground, 100 feet on Third avenue by 90 feet on Washington.

The W. B. Wagner company of the Payson block has purchased the remaining 28 acres of the D. P. Jenkins tract on the southeast hill from Brooks Adams of Boston. The ground contains 28 acres and was bought for \$50,000. It will be platted into high priced residence lots that will sell from \$1400 to \$5000, and will carry a building restriction of \$4000.

The courses in chemistry, a new department in the Y. M. C. A., have just been established. The work is divided into three courses and the instruction will enable the student to cover a great amount of work in a very short period of time. Any pupil, when he has completed the assigned work, will be able to pass the examination in chemistry in any college in the United States.

MADE GIRL INTOXICATED. The crime of playing young girls with liquor is again making its appearance here. Gertrude Daniels, a clerk 16 years of age, admits that James Pope took her to White's restaurant and the theater and bought her liquor, the girl becoming intoxicated. He then took her to her room, according to her story. Pope was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective McDonald and is now out on \$100 bonds.

SAN FRANCISCO.—At bond election here the proposition to accept the Lake Eleanor and Hetchy-Hetchy valley water system and issue bonds for \$45,000,000 carried by a vote of 9583 in excess of necessary.

MOTHER'S SACRIFICE WAS IN VAIN; WOUNDED BOY DIES

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Arthur Shibley, who was shot in High bridge park recently by an unknown assassin, died today. Despite the most heroic efforts to save the child by the transfusion of his mother's blood into his veins, the lad failed to rally.

TEN KILLED; 16 HURT IN FIVE DAYS

(By United Press.)

DENVER, Jan. 20.—In a wreck of a runaway freight train on the Moffatt road today three trainmen were killed and two injured. This makes a total of 10 men killed and 16 injured in the Rocky mountain region in the last five days. Four were killed and three injured Sunday near Leadville. Three were killed and 11 injured at Lemay, Utah, Monday.

ASSISTANT CHIEF JOYCE BREAKS ARM

Falling on an ice covered roadway down in Peaceful valley yesterday afternoon, Assistant Fire Chief Joyce broke both bones in his right arm, just above the wrist. He will be unable to resume work at his customary post for several weeks, it is believed.

Joyce had gone down into the valley to investigate an application for a barn permit. All the way down the road is covered with a dangerous layer of ice and frozen snow and it was while going down an incline that he met with the accident. The fireman was attended by Dr. John O'Shea and is now confined to his home at 8114 Adams street.

WANTS DAGGER IN HEART TO PROVE HER DEATH

Unique Will of Woman, Worth \$100,000, Though Thought to Be a Pauper.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 19.—"Thrust a dagger through my heart three times to make sure that I am dead. Let my body lie 10 days, cremate it and bury the ashes in Allegheny cemetery," were the written instructions found with the body of Laura White, single, aged 65 years, a supposed pauper living alone, who was discovered early today in a room with thick locks upon the door.

The police found a bank book and a will disposing of \$100,000 to local charities in a trunk in the poorly furnished room. Canceled checks found ranged in amounts from 17 cents to a thousand dollars. Real estate held by the woman is located in Indiana, Montana and California.

The will makes special request that competent medical authorities examine the body for 10 days to ascertain to a certainty that death has occurred, leaving \$80 for this service.

The doctor stabbing her heart three times is to receive \$20. A brother of the woman is an officer in the English army.

Although the woman's home was poorly furnished, one room was entirely devoted to a 3000 volume library, embracing editions worth large sums.

POPCORN MAN FOUGHT FLAMES BUT WAGON BURNED. When a popcorn man loses his wagon, he loses his means of support. Richard Traul, the popcorn man who has a wagon at the corner of Post street and Main avenue, fought fiercely the flames which started in his little establishment last night. His efforts were without avail, however, when the gasoline which trickled from the torch which he was cleaning ignited. The fire was put out by fire extinguishers. Traul was burned about the arms.

CALLS COPS WHEN COOK DRINKS HER PUDDING WINE

Mr. Wolf Gets Excited When Vintage Disappears; Court Dismisses Queen's Name-sake.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—"I am Mr. Ernest Wolf, chemist, 349 West Eighty-fifth street. Send a man up here quick. We have a thief up here."

A moment after this telephone message reached police headquarters yesterday Detective Barbour was rushing to the scene.

"Who is the thief?" he asked breathlessly of Mr. and Mrs. Wolf.

"Mary Stuart."

Barbour recognized it instantly as a name that had carried a shadowy record even to the ancient throne of Scotland. "Where is she?"

"In the kitchen. She's the cook."

"What did she steal?"

"She drank our rare sherry that I given her to put in the plum pudding."

The queen of the kitchen was led before Magistrate Moss in the West Side court. Mr. Wolf explained with feeling that the missing wine was of a rare and costly vintage, that was measured for dinners of especial importance.

It developed that Ella Bedark, a true, faithful maid, had seen the prisoner drink a goblet of the aged stuff and replace it with water, with a royal dignity.

Magistrate Moss ordered the charge changed to disorderly conduct, then suspended judgment and freed the prisoner. The latter said there were several weeks' wages due her and that Mr. Wolf had refused to pay.

That was a matter for a civil court.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The western storm center has moved from Saskatchewan to near Lake Superior, and low pressure now covers the entire Mississippi valley. High pressure, with crest over southern Idaho, covers the country between the Pacific and the eastern slope of the Rocky mountain region; high pressure, with crest near the middle of the Atlantic coast, extends eastwardly from southern Louisiana, the Ohio valley and the Lake region.

Reports of fair weather during the last 24 hours have been received from most places; the only reports of precipitation received were from northwestern Washington, southern Montana, the Dakotas and Arkansas. Excepting western Washington and California lower temperatures prevail from the Pacific coast to near the Mississippi river, with a cold wave in northern Alberta; from the western part of the Mississippi valley to the Alleghenies higher temperatures are general; along the Atlantic coast lower temperatures prevail. In the Pacific coast states temperatures are about normal. Fair weather is expected for tonight and Friday in this vicinity.

CHAS. STEWART, Local Forecaster.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.—Interstate commerce commission refuses to allow other railroads to carry freight on the wrecked Salt Lake route at emergency rate of 30 cents a hundred, as proposed, and heavy loss to road and shippers will result.

"YOU DIRTY PUP!"—MRS. CHRISTY. ZANESVILLE, Ohio, January 20.—Witnesses and depositions supplied by Mr. Howard Chandler Christy, the artist, was not the proper person to have custody of his child, occupied the court today, in a hearing of Mrs. Christy's suit for possession of her daughter, Natalie. Christy, who was present, listened to the testimony and smiled several times at the charges.

Several witnesses testified regarding the artist's alleged propensity for excessive drinking. Judge Smith, who is hearing the case, blocked attempts of Christy's counsel to introduce evidence purporting to show relations existing between Mrs. Christy and her chauffeur.

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SHARKS TRY NEW GRAFT NOW

CHARGE WOMAN \$15 FOR WORTHLESS WATCH.

STRANGERS ARE DUPED

Now that they have been separated from their graft, which they took from working people who borrowed money from them, there are indications that the loan sharks of Spokane are busy practicing a new variety of robbery.

Miss Jessie Medford, a working woman, told a pitiful story to the police this morning of how she was beaten out of \$15 of her hard-earned cash in the purchase of a watch from one of the downtown loan sharks last night.

A stranger in the city, she thought the shop was a legitimate jewelry store. She informed the clerk that she knew absolutely nothing about watches. He then guaranteed that the watch to which she had taken a fancy was worth \$30, but agreed to let her have it at \$15. She bought the watch upon his recommendation and upon the advice of another person who was in the store at the time. The watch which she showed to the police this morning was all but worthless. She now believes that the second person was a "booster."

A number of similar cases have been reported to the police, but it has been a hard matter to bring action against the sharks, because in most cases the persons who have been fleeced have something about jewelry and bought the worthless articles at their own initiative.

The people who live in Spokane know better than to have any dealings with these sharks; but strangers in the city do not. Some provisions must be made to protect the practice. If the people who have been fleeced with report their losses, these unfair methods can be stopped.

SUCCESSION OF MISFORTUNES

A succession of misfortunes seems to be following the Dunwoody family of Blue Slide, Wash. Three brothers of the family have been patients at the hospital here in the last few months.

Some time ago one of the boys was brought to the city and suffered for a few weeks with a severe attack of typhoid fever. He recovered and returned to his home, when his brother Harrison, while hunting woodrats, was accidentally shot by his father. Harrison was brought to the hospital early in December, and after hovering between life and death for several weeks recovered and was sent home, when the third calamity came. Last Saturday Herbert Dunwoody suffered a severe attack of appendicitis and was brought to this city, where he underwent an operation. He will recover.

John W. Graham, D. L. Prescott, A. W. Woolley, William Dodd, Don Ramsey and D. D. McKay are the men who are to sit as a jury in the George Darby case, which is to be tried in Judge Mann's court tomorrow. Darby is being prosecuted for violating the saloon screen law. It is alleged that the sign on the window of the Darby saloon hides the view of the interior.

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TAFT'S POPULARITY IS SADLY ON THE WANE IN WEST, BUT HE STILL COULD BEAT BRYAN. SUCH IS THE NET RESULT OF A POLL TAKEN BY A PRO-TAFT PAPER OF BOSTON, MASS.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 20.—The Boston Evening Transcript, the most powerful paper in New England, and with decided leaning toward President Taft, has just published the result of a poll it took of 18 states, in which, it says, the real balance of power is held.

The men quizzed were all bankers and prominent business men, therefore, naturally men who lean

toward conservatism as represented in many of its phases by the present administration.

The states selected were those through which Taft made his autumn tour, and the queries were addressed to them before the crisis in Taft discharging Roosevelt's distinguished friend. They were asked about the effects of the Taft our,

the Ballinger case, the Winona speech, and incidentally, the importance of Bryan today.

Surprising as it may seem from the character of the men queried, few thought Taft had strengthened himself with the people. Indeed, most saw a waning of his popularity and a longing for the days of Roosevelt. However, it was also the opinion that as between Taft

and Bryan, the victory would be with Taft.

Here is a summary of the letters received:

Illinois. A Chicago banker wrote that the tour was colorless and the attitude on the tariff disappointing.

Another wrote the people's sympathies were with Pinchot as against Ballinger.

The president of a country bank wrote that the people considered Taft a trimmer.

All united in saying, however, that Taft would easily carry the state against Bryan.

Indiana. Here all the opinions were gathered from Bloomington, the site of the state university. One leading citizen, said to be of national reputation,

is quoted as saying that he had grave fears Taft would be dominated by the interests. The tariff was condemned by Indiana politicians and people alike.

President Stone of Purdue and President Parsons of State Normal, lifelong republicans, look with distrust upon the avowed policies of the party. Professor Harding says Taft will have to stop carrying water on both

shoulders, and either line up with the insurgents, who are the only hope of the party, or with the reactionaries.

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