

TWO TOWNS ARE STRICKEN

AVALANCHES WRECK TOWNS OF BURKE AND MACE

Between Thirty and Sixty Killed, and Seventy Injured---Rescue Work. Going on---Disaster Came Without Warning.

BULLETIN

A telephone message received by The Press from The Wallace Times at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, stated that the total death list for the two towns would run anywhere from 30 to 60, probably nearer the latter figure.

The towns of Burke and Mace, Idaho, are scenes of death and suffering this afternoon, as the result of two landslides, one occurring last night, and the other early this morning.

The death toll at Mace will reach, and may be more, than twenty-five. At Wallace sixteen bodies have been recovered, and it is thought that many more persons have met death in the avalanche.

For weeks the snow piled up in the hills above and around Burke. Then the chinook wind breathed over hill and valley, and the snow melted and the waters undermined the banks of remaining snow and ate into the earth.

And the slides came. They came without an instant's warning, and in the dead of night and the early morning, when men's vitality was at a low ebb, and when the shock and awfulness of the catastrophe were alone enough to prostrate the women and children and make strong men tremble.

Special telegraph and telephone messages to The Press stated that the avalanche swept down upon Burke at about 5 o'clock this morning, sweeping down the hill near the Catholic church, destroying houses and buildings and shutting the light of day forever from the eyes of the sleeping occupants.

Over thirty buildings were demolished, and tons upon tons of snow were sent hurtling through the town, like a cyclone, and still like a tornado, it destroyed everything in its wicked path.

The men and women of Burke, a town of about 1000 people, responded bravely to the needs of the moment, although, of course, they were thrown into utmost panic at first. The children, aged and sick, were put in places of safety, and every able-bodied man and woman helped in the work of digging out the victims and caring for the injured.

A special train from Wallace brought doctors and a shovel brigade. Thirteen bodies were unearthed almost immediately.

SITUATION AT MACE.

The avalanche here swept down during the night, and it is estimated that nearly 20 are dead, although some think that the list may run up to as high as 40. Here is a partial list of dead:

I. H. Pasco, superintendent of the Pasco mine; Ira H. Pasco, Eddie Pasco, Inez Pasco, Mrs. George Finnell, Mrs. R. A. Leard, Richard Mayle, Mrs. Ed Kettrell and two children, a man named Thompson, section foreman of the O. R. & N., and three Italian laborers.

The disaster was attended by scenes of inconceivable horror. The work of rescue had to be carried on in the pitch dark, only relieved by the masses of snow on the ground. Husbands in some cases vainly sought for wives, and friend shouted for friend through the darkness.

Crowded into a narrow canyon of the Coeur d'Alene mountains just below Burke, is the little mining camp of Mace, isolated from the outside world, except for an ore railroad that winds its way up the mountain grade to Wallace. Burke is at the end of a spur which extends up a canyon, and in days when the old miners' federation held undisputed sway, there were enacted many exciting incidents. It was down this gorge that a stolen train carrying a thousand men and two tons of dynamite was run on the day when the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mill was blown up at Wardner.

Mace was a typical western mining camp with a line of straggling cabins perched along the base of the mountain. In recent years, however, mine officials had imported many married men, from the mining districts of Missouri, in an effort to obtain more reliable and sober help. These men built cabins far up on the mountainside and likely their families have been wiped out.

NO FREE SPEECH FIGHT TOMORROW

No new outbreak will be made by the I. W. W. in its struggle for the right to speak on the street, will be made tomorrow. Though as a preparatory measure in anticipation of renewed trouble with the revolutionary forces, city officials are declared to have added 20 specials to the police force, it seems that the special jobs are doomed to be short.

A meeting of the leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World was held at noon today in a temporary headquarters, and it was decided that another open violation of the city's ordinances would not be made until the free speech matter is again carried before the city council in an endeavor to secure a peaceable settlement of the affair. How soon this will be done is not known at the present time, but prominent men in the movement declare that it will be within the next few weeks.

TODAY'S RACING RESULTS

(By United Press Leased Wire.) EMERYVILLE, Feb. 28.—First race—Mars Abe, 6 to 5, won; Adena, 2 to 1, second; Duke of Milan, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:16 1-8.

AT JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 28.—Results: First race—Clay, 3 to 1, won; Hawlike, 2 to 1, second; John Pedergast, third. No time given.

AT TAMPA, Feb. 28.—First race—Ametus, 6 to 1, won; Belle of the Ball, 5 to 3, second; Lou Lanier, third. Time, 1:12 2-5.

FALL OF CAPITOL IS EXPECTED SOON

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 28.—Forces of the government overwhelmed by great odds are fighting with makeshift weapons, hungry and dispirited, and are desperately holding Manassa, according to today's dispatches. The revolutionary army of Chamorro is reported to be closing in on the capitol. Messages today confirm details of the battle of El Morrito, in which General Romero of the government army was killed and two hundred men captured.

"LOVE AND MATRIMONY" COLUMN RESULTS IN A HAPPY MARRIAGE

Editor Spokane Press—An "old maid" friend of mine wrote an article which you published in your love and matrimony column some weeks ago. She is now married, keeping house in a dear little three room apartment and is surely happy and contented. She was my room mate, my particular friend and the only real confidential adviser I have met in this northwest country. I feel lonely and desolate indeed without her company.

POLICE CENSORS FOR MOVING PICTURE MACHINES

Sergeants Dial and Herndon have been appointed censors of the penny parlor moving picture machines for the purpose of limiting the pictures shown in the little machines to exhibitions which are fit for the sight of the children who frequent the penny arcades. Up until recently one of the penny arcades in particular had on display a number of films which were far from the paths of virtue, and even

TOMORROW ELECTION DAY

TOWNSHIPS TO VOTE FOR 400 OFFICIALS.

The 48 townships of Spokane county will elect township officers tomorrow. Over 400 men will be elected for the township officers, running from the three supervisors with a jurisdiction over their district similar to that of the county commissioners over the county, to the township constable.

The result of the elections will be filed with the county auditor as soon as the votes are counted, so that the public will know the result of the wet-dry elections which are scheduled for many of the townships. Where no vote is taken on the liquor question, the townships are either dry or will be so after the election, the failure to vote on this question spelling the banishment of "booze" from the townships.

BURGLARS LIKED CIGARS.

Burglars entered the cigar store at 819 Main avenue last night and stole 25 cigars and 25 cents in change. Entrance was gained by breaking a window in the rear of the store. The broken window was discovered by Patrolman Edwards, after the burglary had taken place. The officer notified the owner of the store and investigation proved the amount of plunder to be small.

SHE LIKES HER MAP BUT WON'T PAY THE CONGRESSMAN FOR IT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Some people around the country apparently have peculiar ideas of the perquisites enjoyed by members of congress. Each representative in the house has the privilege of sending out to his constituents, in addition to a lot of other things, thirty fine wall maps of the United States. They are in great demand.

HIGHER COST OF SCIENCE OF HEALING

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Christian Science healers have a price uplift. Healers here have voted to put up the cost of treatment from \$1 to \$3. This is the New York rate. In Boston the price is \$2.50, and in Philadelphia it is \$2.50. Hitherto the general charge was \$1 a treatment.

To a Rich Wallflower

Oh, you gentle, pretty flower, 'Gainst the wall hour after hour, If you'll pay these bills of mine, I will be your valentine.

TRAMP SAVES A LITTLE GIRL FROM DEATH; GIVEN MILLION-DOLLAR RANCH

(By United Press Leased Wire) GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 28.—For saving the seven year old daughter of Samuel W. Jennings from being killed by a train, Frank Strome, is today owner of half of Jennings' ranch and 15,000 cattle on it. His fortune is estimated at a million dollars. A week ago Strome was a tramp. He snatched the little girl from the rails, where she stood, too frightened to move. He disappeared, but through witnesses Jennings located him later.

WIRES DOWN; DISPATCHES FEW TODAY

Press wires were down east and west this morning, and until late this afternoon no regular dispatches could be received. Floods have occurred in every direction, and trains are tied up in the Cascades and to the east of here on the Great Northern, although the Northern Pacific is sending most of its trains through on delayed schedules.

MUD SCOWS WOULD BE IN DEMAND

Residents of the lower sections of Union Park today feel considerably like the youngster who is just scrambling up the muddy river bank after breaking through the ice on a chilly spring day. The flood here is subsiding, leaving sidewalks undermined and mud-covered, street corners swirling, bubbling eddies in the midst of muddy streams of water, just too broad to leap without making a spatter, and the dampness of the

PUGH EXPECTS RENEWAL OF FIGHT

"I fully expect the I. W. W.'s to renew their street speaking fight within a few days," declared Prosecuting Attorney Fred C. Pugh this morning. "They will probably postpone the opening of hostilities for a few days, pending the result of the Heslewood habeas corpus proceedings, but I anticipate a renewal of the fight as soon as the decision of the Coeur d'Alene court is announced."

The extradition papers for Fred W. Heslewood, I. W. W. treasurer, failed to arrive at the prosecutor's office this morning, the washouts between this city and Boise, Idaho, delaying the mails. However, Prosecutor Pugh and Deputy Prosecutor Kizer will go to Coeur d'Alene tomorrow to appear at the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Heslewood, following which the authorities expect to bring the I. W. W. leader to this city to stand trial for criminal conspiracy.

VALUES JUMP FROM \$2000 TO \$40,000

Judging from the evidence introduced in the easement case of Jennie E. Lane against the city of Spokane, counsel for the municipality are experiencing much difficulty in proving that the city has had possession of the Spokane street property for 10 years and is entitled to an easement. Several years ago the plaintiff offered the land to the city for \$2000, but it is estimated that the land is worth from \$30,000 to \$40,000 at the present time.

INDIAN RUNS AMUCK, KILLS SIX MEN

(By United Press Leased Wire) GLOBE, Ariz., Feb. 28.—Sheriff and deputies are today pursuing Tom Hanson, Apache Indian who ran amuck in an Indian camp at Tonto basin and slashed a dozen redmen and stampeded the stock. Six Indians probably will die. He became possessed of a murderous mania while seated with his family of relatives at their evening meal. Drawing a knife, Hanson ran from tepes to tepes, assaulting every buck who appeared.

JUMPED TO DEATH

Albert Brewer, an employe of Porter Bros. & Welch Co., met his death last night while trying to step from a construction train to the ground near Greenwood cemetery about 7 o'clock. It is thought that Brewer could not see far enough ahead, through the darkness, to notice an embankment and he jumped to his doom, being rolled between the car and the bank until fatal injuries had been sustained. Brewer was removed to the Kearney sanitarium but passed away soon after ward.

QUICK WORK OF CASE.

Officers Bush and Macdonald made quick work of a larceny case reported to the police last night. Fred Scaler, proprietor of the Scaler candy factory, reported that his overcoat and a stick pin had been stolen. A few hours later the stolen articles were recovered by the officers and incidentally Frank Williams, aged 19, was arrested on a charge of larceny.

EXPENSIVE TO MARRY.

"Twixt Tweedle Dum and Tweedle Dee The difference is plain, 'tis true; When cost of living soars way up The cost of loving does so too.

HOW HE RAISED IT. "That man raises wheat and barley as high as your shoulders." "A scientific farmer, is he?" "No. A strong man."