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TEN CENTS A WEEK

COUNTRY AGAIN IN GRASP OF BLIZZARD

Cold Wave Extends Far Into the Sunny South.

FREEZE WILL REACH FLORIDA

Mercury Drops to 26 Degrees Below Zero at Omaha—Coldest Weather in Years and Country Will Suffer a Great Deal.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 14.—The weather bureau today issued the following forecast:

"The severest cold wave of the present season will overspread the eastern part of the United States tonight with the temperature below zero as far south as Virginia, and freezing weather to south central portions of the Florida peninsula.

Atlanta, Feb. 14.—Following immediately upon the two storms of last week, the blizzard that is blowing today will probably retard the work of repair to the telephone and telegraph systems, and should it continue for any length of time, it is probable that even more damage will be done.

The freeze following the rain Sunday evening coated telephone, trolley and telegraph poles with ice, making it impossible for the repair work to continue. The linemen found it unsafe to work on the ice-coated poles and the blowing snowstorm made it impossible to string wires.

Should the storm continue, it is altogether likely the street cars will have to stop running, in which event the deplorable condition of last week will be repeated. The third storm is also interfering with railroad traffic, and many of the wires that had been repaired Saturday and Sunday are out of order again today. All trains are running from one-half to three hours late.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 14.—A remarkably severe cold wave overspreads the entire country today, temperatures in the Mississippi and Missouri valleys ranging from 6 to 26 degrees below zero. The zero line extends into Arkansas and northern Texas and east to Ohio.

Rain or snow or both have fallen since Saturday over the entire southern half of the country. The precipitation being closely followed by freezing weather and the cold wave which has pushed far south into Texas and the central Mississippi valley. The indications are for clear and continued very cold weather over this district tonight and Tuesday, with a tendency to a snow Monday evening.

The freeze will reach Florida in 24 hours. A heavy snowstorm prevailed today at Birmingham, Knoxville, Tenn., reported 8 inches of snow, causing much delay to street car traffic, and Nashville reports a precipitation of 3 inches with very cold weather prevailing.

The cold is severest in Texas, and is causing losses to the cattlemen.

Cincinnati, Feb. 14.—The sudden drop in temperature brought the river ice to a stand, gorges forming at a number of points. The ice moved slowly all day Sunday, crushing everything before it, and the new freeze only postpones what river men believe will be the worst final break up of the river in many years.

The damage already is estimated at from \$100,000 to \$200,000 dollars. In addition to the \$100,000 loss already incurred to vessels and other property, valued at more than \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, is in serious danger of total destruction. Full crews are on board all the steamers and steam is kept up in readiness for whatever may happen. The ice is so heavy that ordinary methods are of slight avail.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 14.—Following an unusually warm day early last night, rain began to fall and heavy winds prevailed. This morning the thermometer marked 32, and it is steadily growing colder. Ice formed on the sidewalks and doorsteps. The day will go on record as one of the worst in the history of this section. A slight

fall of snow, the first since 1899, occurred at 4 a. m.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 14.—Nashville is in the grasp of another blizzard as severe as the one through which she has just passed. The mercury fell 25 degrees in one hour yesterday afternoon and this morning at 6 o'clock registered 4 degrees above. Last night at 7 o'clock snow began to fall, and the ground is covered to a depth about 3 inches.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Today was the coldest of the winter in Chicago. At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 14 degrees below, a fall of 23 degrees in 12 hours. At 8 a. m. the mercury stood at 18 degrees below, and the Observer predicted that it would not rise much higher during the day.

Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 14.—From midnight to 8 o'clock this morning 8 inches of snow had fallen in this city. The snow followed an incessant drizzling rain, which continued throughout yesterday and the early hours of last night. This is the heaviest snow that has been experienced here since 1886.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 14.—With the temperature holding around the zero mark Memphis is today experiencing the coldest weather of the winter. Three inches of snow fell during the night. Street car traffic is disarranged.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 14.—At 7 a. m. the thermometer registered 3 degrees above zero, the coldest in five years. Much suffering is reported among the poorer classes and live stock have been killed by exposure.

Temperature showing a decline of 39 deg. New Orleans, Feb. 14.—With a temperature from the maximum of yesterday, New Orleans got up today to find one of the coldest days of the year.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 14.—Three inches of snow fell here during the early morning, but traffic was only slightly interfered with. The weather is the coldest of the winter.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 14.—The mercury broke all records here today, the thermometer registered 26 degrees below zero after a piercing cold extending the past 36 hours.

GOTHAM IS COVERED WITH ICE

Business Paralyzed and Hospitals Are Filled With Injured People.

New York, Feb. 14.—Reports by the police and returns from the various hospitals show that scores of persons have been severely injured by falls in various sections of the city owing to the water covered ice and hardened snow with which the streets became filled during the storm. More than 20 persons were so severely hurt that they were removed to the hospitals, some of them with broken limbs.

Traffic was paralyzed all over the city. Hundreds of horses fell and many had to be shot because of their injuries. The officials who attend to these matters said it was the worst day for accidents that the city had known in 15 years.

Thousands of persons experienced falls and many were injured, of whom the police have no record.

Russians Bombard Japanese.

Tokyo, Feb. 13, 2 p. m.—The Russians continued to bombard portions of Field Marshal Oyama's center and right on Saturday last, Feb. 11. The Russians continue the construction of defensive works on their right to the Southwest of Yentapan, where they are erecting an emplacement for a battery of 24 guns. The Japanese recently surrounded a Russian cavalry detachment near Hsienchang killing three of the enemy and wounding 11.

Andrew Carnegie Summoned.

New York, Feb. 14.—Andrew Carnegie has announced that he would go to Cleveland to testify against Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick. It is alleged that the signatures were forged. Mr. Carnegie's announcement was announced after a subpoena ordering him to appear before the federal grand jury at Cleveland on March 6, had been served upon him.

TREATIES WILL NOT NOW BE PRESENTED

Senate's Action Stops Presidents Arbitration Plans.

A STEP BACKWARD, HE SAYS

Roosevelt Recognizes the Senate's Right to Reject a Treaty and Therefore All the Trouble of Secretary Hay in Matter Has Been Futile.

Washington, Feb. 14.—President will not present the arbitration treaties as amended by the senate, to the countries with which they were negotiated.

In reply to numerous inquiries by representatives of the press made at the state department, Secretary Hay made, in substance, the following statement:

"The president regards the matter of the general arbitration treaties as concluded by the action of the senate on Friday. He recognizes the right of the senate to reject a treaty either by a direct vote in that sense or indirectly by changes which are incomparable with its spirit and purpose."

He considers that with the senate amendment the treaties not only cease to be a step forward in the cause of just arbitration, but are really a step backward, and, therefore, he is unable to present them in this altered form to the countries with which we have been in negotiation.

The arbitration treaties which were amended and ratified by the senate on Saturday were sent to the president today. Each treaty was accompanied by the resolution setting forth the action taken by the senate.

The vote of 50 to 9 in favor of the amendment to the treaty does not give the full strength on the senate on the question of insisting on its prerogatives in the matter of treaty making.

There were five pairs recorded, but in each case it was stated by the senate announcing his pair that he believed if his pair were present he would vote for the amendment. There seemed to be a lack of information as to whether general pairs covered the subject of amendment to treaties and on that a number of senators refrained from voting. Senator Allee, who was recorded as voting for the amendment was not present. His name was confused with that of Senator Alger, who was present and voted for the amendment. The pairs recorded were Dewey and McEnery, Proctor and Mallory; Clark of Arkansas, and Millard; Pettus and Crane and Simmons and Ciapp.

Record was made, however, as to the manner these senators would have voted.

WOMAN WRCKS A SALOON.

Carrie Nation Outdone by an Angry Oregon Mother.

Pendleton, Ore., Feb. 14.—Enraged because he had sold her son liquor, Mrs. Belle Bales, of Beaverton, entered the establishment of Ross & Hendrickson, and armed with a garden rake, attacked the proprietors furiously. She smashed them over the head in double-quick time, demolished wet goods by the gallon and otherwise created terror.

The place was crowded with patrons at the time of the woman's sensational incoming, but they fled when she began to swing the rake right and left. There has been much feeling against the saloon in question. Several boys have reported they were sold liquor there.

Mrs. Bales, who is the wife of a prominent merchant of the town, determined she would take the law into her own hands. A warrant was issued for her arrest. She says she will gladly go to jail for the good cause.

Wreck on Missouri Pacific.

Kansas City, Feb. 14.—Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 16, which left Kansas City last night for St. Louis, was partially derailed near Knobnoster, Mo., and several persons are reported injured. At the office of the railway in this city it was stated no one was seriously hurt.

ROBBERY CHARGED TO CLERK.

Stories of Hold-Up On Railroad Not Believed by Authorities.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 14.—The arrest Friday of Eugene Hester, postal clerk who was reported robbed on an Atlantic Coast Line train on the night of Jan. 12 last, is the development of a suspicion that has existed from the time of the supposed hold-up that he did the work. The members of the local police force and the postoffice officials have thought that there were circumstances connected with the supposed robbery that were not as clear as they might have been and there has been very little activity in the way of searching out the mysterious bandit with a black handkerchief over his face who was charged with entering the car and engaging Mr. Hester in a hand-to-hand struggle.

The specific charges are that Hester took letters containing valuable inclosures, one being a remittance of \$2,500 from the First National bank of Dothan, Ala., to the Hanover national bank, New York; another \$121.56 from Enterprise, Ala., to New Orleans. It is also charged that 19 other packages are missing.

PREACHER GUILTY OF BIGAMY.

Rev. J. D. Woodard Is Sentenced to Four Years in Penitentiary.

Commerce, Ga., Feb. 14.—Rev. J. D. Woodard, who has been on trial for the last two days in the superior court at Jefferson, charged with bigamy, has been found guilty and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary.

It will be remembered that Rev. Woodard came to this place about 15 months ago from Gastonia, N. C., where, after spending about three months here, married a Miss Patton, of near this place. Shortly after his marriage it developed that his former wife was still living and from which arose the charge of bigamy.

Rev. Woodard's plea was in the nature of the state prosecuting the wrong man for the crime and he fought with vicious efforts to maintain this pretense. However, the state showed by the wife and father-in-law, as well as others, that Rev. Woodard was the man and that his identity was absolutely certain.

Other remarkable evidence which came out in the trial was that he had formally lived with two other women, pretending to be their husband.

BRIDE OBJECTED TO MAGISTRATE

Minister Failed to Show Up and Wedding Was Called Off.

Butte, Mont., Feb. 14.—Frank Franzen presented himself at the office of District Court Clerk Davies and attempted to secure the return of \$2 he had expended uselessly in the purchase of a marriage license. The disappointed man said there had been no wedding after all, although the indications in that direction seemed very bright to him when he secured the license.

It was stated that all arrangements were complete for the marriage of Franzen to Miss Bridget C. Walsh. A number of friends of both the parties were invited to attend the wedding. It was expected by the bride that Rev. Father Callahan, the pastor of Sacred Heart church, would officiate, but he did not put in an appearance. The bridegroom said he could call up a justice of the peace or some other clergyman to come posthaste to tie the knot, but the bride-elect would not agree and called off the wedding.

GAS ENDS HER MISERY.

New Jersey Mother Kills Self and Her Two Children.

Bloomfield, N. J., Feb. 14.—Because her two children aged, respectively 18 months and 3 years, were afflicted with asthma from which she herself has suffered since childhood, Mrs. Elsie Loux, of this place, after putting the little ones to bed turned on the gas and lay down beside them to die.

When the room was entered by the neighbors, Mr. Loux having gone away on a visit last night, the two children were found dead and the mother dying. She left a letter to her husband imploring his forgiveness and saying that she had determined that it was better that she and the children should die than suffer any longer.

MOBILE SUFFERS FROM LARGE FIRE

Over \$300,000 Worth of Property Is Destroyed.

ONE LIFE IS REPORTED AS LOST

The Battle House, the Largest Hotel in that City, Consumed by Flames.

Many of the Guests Had Narrow Escapes from Building.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 14.—Losses estimated at \$250,000 have been caused by a fire which tonight left the famous Battle house a ruin and swept on to buildings adjoining. The blaze was discovered shortly before 11 o'clock Sunday night, and at 1:30 this morning the firemen were still fighting the flames which apparently were still beyond control.

The fire broke out in some unoccupied rooms over the kitchen of the Battle house, which, although an old hostelry, was one of the largest in the south.

The flames spread so rapidly that a number of guests lost all their belongings, and not a few of those on the fifth floor were compelled to take to the fire escapes in their night clothing.

Two elevator boys, Joseph Parks and Bernard Constantine, stuck to their posts until all the guests had reached safety, although the elevators caught fire and the young men were burned about the face and hands.

It is reported that one man was killed and several hurt. In an hour after the fire started all the electric lights in the business portion of the city went out, due partly to the turning to the turning off of the power to save the firemen from danger, and partly to one of the main feed wires being broken.

The fire was under control at daylight. The Battle house is a total loss, as is also the following:

Commercial hotel, adjoining on Royal street, loss \$30,000; Graham Printing company, \$30,000; Rosenfield Tailoring company, \$10,000; Gulf City Pressing Club, \$1,500; J. C. Hentch, tailor, \$5,000; John W. Scheible, insurance \$2,000; W. M. Provost, Wood & Co., \$500.

Many offices on St. Francis street opposite the Battle hotel were flooded. Chief Price and Fireman Frank Mahan were slightly injuring during the progress of the fire.

The Battle house loss is totally estimated at \$200,000, with insurance of \$150,000.

Other losses will foot up \$100,000, partially insured.

The origin of the fire has not been placed.

TANNER ADMITS PERJURY.

Senator Mitchell's Law Partner Says He Is Guilty.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 14.—Judge A. H. Tanner, Senator Mitchell's law partner, confessed in Judge Bellinger's court to perjury in his evidence given before the federal grand jury in connection with the land frauds, when testimony was being taken with a view to connecting Senator Mitchell with the conspiracy to defraud the government.

Tanner, in his confession, said there was a business agreement between Mitchell and Tanner—that Mitchell should have the proceeds of the practice of the law firm in the federal courts, and that Tanner should have the proceeds resulting from practice before any of the governmental departments which would involve Senator Mitchell's oath that he would not take part in any law proceedings in which the government is interested.

Hanged in Rainstorm.

Water Valley, Miss., Feb. 14.—Edward Gammons, a young white man, has been hanged here for the murder of Lake Kinsey, a well known farmer and his daughter, Miss Fannie Kinsey, in April, 1904. Kinsey objected to Gammons' attentions to his daughter, and the double tragedy resulted. Gammons was hanged in a blinding rainstorm in the presence of a large crowd of spectators.