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FLOODS OVERWHELM CITIES OF OHIO

Pioneers of Alaska Launched in Juneau

Igloo No. 6, Pioneers of Alaska, was launched last night at Odd Fellows' hall, by Frank A. Aldrich, member of the lower house of the Legislature, from Nome, who is installing officer-at-large for the order. About sixty people were present, most of whom were members of the local society of the '87 Pioneers.

A temporary organization was perfected and the roll opened for charter membership. More than forty signed the temporary roll. It is worth noting that the age of those signing, from point of residence, ranges from 1864 to 1906.

Grover C. Winn was elected temporary president of the Igloo, and E. C. Russell was elected temporary secretary. Installing officer Aldrich suggested that the charter be placed at some accessible point and then every member consider himself a committee of one to bring in two more members. It was decided upon motion of Captain Martin to have the charter roll left at Emery Valentine's store.

Lang Cobb, Captain Martin and J. A. Snow were appointed a committee to make arrangements for a hall in which the Igloo can hold its meetings.

After the principal business of the evening was over the '87 Pioneers held a short session.

General W. L. Distin was the first to sign in the temporary roll call of charter members, the others followed in rapid succession. The list follows with date of coming to the Territory:

W. L. Distin 1897, Ed C. Russell 1898, J. R. Heckman 1886, W. J. Harris 1882, J. B. Barnes 1891, M. C. Stewart 1898, J. B. McPherson, 1888, E. Lang Cobb 1898, Thos. J. Stover 1898, Martin Hansen 1898, Al Osgood 1895, D. W. Walker 1885, Allen James 1899, David LeBlanc 1896, J. T. Martin 1885, Thos. Kaudson 1893, Joe McCoy 1897, Robert D. Gray 1897, J. P. Morgan 1887, J. W. Syms 1887, James Kelly 1894, Henry Alheidt 1900, George Boles 1880, Evan Overman 1887, Aaron Levy 1878, W. J. Harris 1884, Sam Kohn 1870, Frank A. Brown 1893, Geo. A. Howe 1886, J. G. Peterson 1888, H. S. Sokoloff 1864, M. C. Russell 1883, John T. Stephens 1885, Chas G. Melin 1887, H. H. Williams 1889, Oscar Ohman 1879, W. E. Northup 1877, T. E. Williams 1896, David Martin 1869, J. A. Snow 1887, James Winn 1873.

GAFFNEY EXPLAINS HIS OPPOSITION

"While I am in favor of all reasonable humanitarian legislation, I am opposed to interference by the Territorial government in Indian matters at all, and I believe that conditions existing in Alaska do not require the services of a juvenile court at this time," said Representative Thomas Gaffney, of Nome, this morning in talking of his vote upon the juvenile court bill. Explaining, further, Mr. Gaffney continued:

"Alaska is sparsely settled as yet, and the people of every community know pretty well what is going on about them. The inhabitants up here are warm-hearted, sympathetic and generous. Public sentiment is wholesome, and demands a square deal for everyone, and particularly for those that are not able, on account of tender years or other physical conditions, to care for themselves. I cannot imagine a case that could arise any place in this territory where the interests of a child cannot be trusted to the people acting from the impulse of friendship or out of the goodness of their hearts. As long as that condition obtains it is far better for the child that aid should come to its assistance in the natural, whole-hearted manner that it always does come rather than from the cold hand of a court of justice.

"In the large cities where it is impossible for the community to learn without careful investigation of the existence of perils to children or of particular instances of distressed conditions there are, and rightly so, juvenile courts that guarantee a square deal to any youth that has been denied a fair opportunity by fate, but so far as Alaska is concerned, I would rather put trust in the independent action of the generous and warm-hearted people.

"These are my reasons for voting against the juvenile court bill."

Council Nominees Out of Race

John Peterson and Charles Naghel have withdrawn from the ticket as candidates for city councilmen in Juneau. Mr. Peterson announces that business matters will require that he be out of the city for most of the time during the ensuing year, and that it will be impossible, therefore, for him to make the race.

Mr. Naghel has assigned no reason for his withdrawal though he says it is not consistent for one connected with the civil service of the federal government to participate in municipal politics.

Regular meeting this evening at 8:00 sharp. Election of officers for the coming year will be held and a good attendance is expected.

J. W. BELL, E. R. H. J. TURNER, Sec.

Merry Time In House Today

House Bill No. 16, Representative Kennedy's measure to eliminate the walking delegate of labor organizations, couched in such terms that the title and text are at war with each other, caused a merry time in the House this morning. The title of the bill reads "A Bill for an Act to Prevent Interference with Workmen in the Territory of Alaska." No where else does the term "workmen" appear in the bill. Section 1 of the bill says:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to exact by threat, or coercion, any money tribute, or support whatsoever, from any person; or to induce him by threats or coercion, to join any organization." The House was considering the bill as a committee of the whole. Gaffney turned his burst of oratory against the measure condemning it as a measure concocted to intimidate workmen and a direct slap at organized labor. Burns, of Fairbanks, also opposed the bill saying it could only be construed as adroit slap at organized labor. Ingersoll was opposed to the bill on the ground that it was class legislation and that any such bill that would be effective would of necessity be class legislation. As a lawyer he said that it was his opinion that the bill could not be enforced and that a court of competent jurisdiction would annul it on account of the defect in the title. It was aiming at one thing in the title while the text was broad enough to embrace many other things. The bill as now drawn was frivolous and would be null and void.

Those supporting the measure were Kennedy, Driscoll, and Collins. They claim that the measure is not designed to interfere with organized labor but at the undesirable trouble makers who never work and want to keep good men from working through intimidation and coercion and who live off the tribute exacted by organizations. The committee of the whole by a vote of 8 to 7 passed the bill on the table.

Senator Millard's legal holiday bill passed the House, which will be the second law to be sent to the Governor for approval.

The House passed Svindseth's alien fisherman bill and if the Senate concurs it will be unlawful for any but citizens of the United States except natives of the aboriginal race or descendants of those who were living in Alaska at the time of the transfer to the United States, to fish or take fish in Alaska waters.

Senate

Senate convened at 1 a. m.

Shoup's compulsory educational bill, House Bill No. 4, was reported by the committee on education, etc., with the recommendation that it do not pass. It was referred back to the committee.

Senate Bill No. 37, by Sutherland, regulating townsite boundaries, was read the first time and referred to committee on municipal corporations.

Senate Bills Nos. 7 and 8, by Millard, were read the second time; further action deferred until March 27.

Senate Bill No. 19, by Millard, which was up for third reading was put over for one day.

Senate Bill No. 25, by Bruner, providing for a code revision commission, was put on final passage and passed by a vote of 5 to 3.

Senate Joint Memorial, No. 1, by Millard, relating to filing of adverse mining claims, was placed on final passage and passed.

Adjourned to 10 a. m. March 27.

House

The House convened at 10 a. m.

House Bill No. 12, by Svindseth, to prohibit aliens from fishing was put on final passage and passed.

House Bill No. 16, by Kennedy, to prevent coercion of workmen into joining labor unions by threats, was referred to the House as a committee of the whole which after a discussion reported back that it be laid on the table by a vote of 8 to 7.

Cable Line Is Working Again

The United States military cable is in working order again. The cable-ship Burasid succeeded in repairing the break last night at 6:30 o'clock. It was discovered that the injury was much nearer Seattle than it was at first reported to be.

The accumulation of business after a two days' interruption is being cleared away at a rapid rate by the employees in the service.

Marshall Faulkner arrived on the Jefferson from Skagway.

James Hamilton Lewis Wins the Long Term

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 26.—James Hamilton Lewis, Democrat, was today elected United States Senator for the long term, and L. Y. Sherman, Republican, was elected for the short term. Lewis succeeds former Senator Shelton M. Cullom and Sherman succeeds William Lorimer. The Legislature has been in a deadlock over the election of Senators since the middle of January.

The Democrats lacked five votes of having a majority over the Republicans and Progressives combined. The compromise accepted today by the Democrats has been offered them from almost the beginning of the session, but they have insisted upon securing the election of both Senators, and have expected help right along from the Progressives.

SNOW ADDS TO OMAHA'S GREAT DISTRESS

OMAHA, March 26.—A heavy snow storm is falling, increasing the distress of the homeless in this city.

More than 3,000 buildings have been destroyed by the cyclone and the resultant fire.

Sixteen more bodies have been recovered, bringing the total of the known dead in all parts of this city up to 241.

Adrianople Captured

SOFIA, March 26.—Trustworthy advices received here say that the Bulgarian army entered Adrianople this morning. Fires have been started in various sections of the city. The people have become maddened and are fleeing.

LONDON, March 26.—Montenegro has conceded all the demands of Austria.

CENTINGE, March 26.—Fifteen thousand Turkish troops surrendered to the Servians at Shumbi River yesterday.

Spokane on Way With Passengers

SEATTLE, March 26.—The Spokane sailed for the North last night with the following passengers for Juneau and Douglas:

Juneau—R. A. Ballinger, Charles Goldstein, Mrs. Goldstein, Alvin Goldstein, Mrs. Alvin Goldstein, Joseph Slmons, G. G. Steel, Julia Rubineka, A. Elkeland, M. Elkeland, Thomas Butterick, Dan Butterick, Mrs. Butterick, Grant Lange, D. L. Malloy, John Young, Mrs. Young, Elsie Smith, Grace Burnette, Mrs. W. W. Shorthill, John Visser, Louis Mahr, and six steerage.

Douglas—Miss May Graham, L. C. Larsen and fifteen steerage.

Pope Ordered to Discontinue Audiences

ROME, March 26.—Physicians have ordered the Pope to discontinue audiences. He has been greatly depressed on account of the death of Vicar General Resplighi.

ORPHEUM CHANGES SPECIAL SHOW DATES

Out of deference to the great benefit ball for the All-Alaska Sweepstakes which is to be given Friday night, the Orpheum management has changed the dates for presenting the great classic photoplay, Homer's Odyssey, to Thursday and Saturday nights only.

CARROLL HELD FOR GRAND JURY

C. K. Carroll, who was arrested at Juneau last Friday and taken to Skagway by United States Marshal H. J. Faulkner to answer a charge of passing worthless checks, was bound over to await the action of the next grand jury by United States Commissioner Martin Conway, at Skagway yesterday. Marshal Faulkner returned to Juneau on the Jefferson with the prisoner. In default of bail, Carroll has been consigned to the Juneau jail.

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Storms Develop Into National Calamity

DAYTON, O., Mar. 26, 2:45 p. m.—The dead in this city may possibly reach 10,000.

WOLF CREEK, Mar., 26, 2:45 p. m.—The Western Union operator at Dayton telephoned here: "Explosion in middle of Dayton. The town is on fire. People are burning. No way to reach them."

COLUMBUS, Mar. 26—At a quarter to three today Gov. Cox received a message saying the entire business section of Dayton is on fire. The people are jumping from roof to roof. Hundreds are perishing.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26—1:45 p. m. Secretary of War Garrison has ordered that 50,000 tents and a million rations be rushed from Philadelphia to Ohio.

CLEVELAND, March 26, 1:40 p. m.—Devastation extends for eighty miles up and down the Miami valley. The homeless in the State of Ohio may reach 500,000.

WASHINGTON, March 26, 1:40 p. m.—President Woodrow Wilson has issued an appeal to the nation to come to the aid of the suffering in Indiana and Ohio. He says the conditions in those States "have reached the proportions of a national calamity."

COLUMBUS, O., March 26, 1:35 p. m.—Private Secretary Burba wiring to Gov. Cox from Springfield says: "The deaths in Dayton may reach 2,000. River there is four miles wide. It is awful."

COLUMBUS, O., March 26.—The entire Ohio National Guard has been called out by Gov. Cox. The governor characterizes the situation as "the worst calamity that has ever befallen the State. To meet the necessities of the occasion it would call out the tent supply of the world. A quarter million are homeless."

XENIA, O., March 26.—Refugees arriving from Dayton this morning say that between 500 and 1,000 have met death in the flood at Dayton. There have been several fires there. Miamisburg has been completely washed away.

COLUMBUS, O., March 26.—John Bell, fire chief at Dayton, telephoned Gov. Cox this morning that 500 had drowned.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 26.—Two hundred thousand are homeless in this State.

CHICAGO, March 26.—Figures revised at noon today place the dead in Ohio and Indiana at 1,800.

CONNELLSVILLE, Ind., March 26.—Forty persons were drowned in the flood at Brookville.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 26.—This morning the Associated Press estimated that 200 are dead and property to the value of 20,000,000 has been destroyed as a result of the floods in this State.

PERU, Ind., March 26.—The mayor has ordered 200 coffins to meet the emergency here.

CINCINNATI, March 26.—Floods in Ohio and Indiana have caused the death of an indeterminate number of persons and have done unknown millions of dollars worth of damage to property. The Ohio river and all its principal tributaries and all the long rivers flowing northward into the Great Lakes have swollen beyond control of their banks. Levees have been broken everywhere and numerous cities are flooded. The delapidated condition of telegraph and telephone wires makes anything approaching an estimate of the havoc to life and property that has been wrought out of the question.

So far as known Dayton, Ohio, has suffered more severely than any other town. The early reports from there, coming in a round about way in fragmentary and incoherent manner, placed the dead in that city alone at 1,500. While this estimate has not been denied it is discounted by the Associated Press and the Western Union Telegraph Company. It is known that the death list will be very large. Mayor B. V. Lease was among the first to perish. The city is covered by 15 feet of water. Looters are doing their dastardly work, and have gone so far as to shoot people when necessary to continue their operations.

Columbus, Akron, Lima Middleton and Springfield, all in Ohio, are under water.

Two hundred houses are submerged at Middleton. Twenty persons were drowned at Delaware, Ohio. Ten miles of railway trains are stalled at Lima by the washouts.

Indianapolis Suffers. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 26.—Fifteen hundred families have been driven from their homes in this city by the floods that cover a large portion of the city. The damage to property here has been large.

225 Are Killed CHICAGO, March 26.—The known dead in Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, and Michigan as the result of the storms of the last few days number 225, in addition to those reported from Omaha, which is the severest sufferer west of Ohio.