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AVALANCHE VICTIMS NUMBERED IN LATEST NEWS AT EIGHTY-FOUR

Eye Witnesses Tell Tragic Tale of Awful Snowslide

Flashing Lightning Gave Wierd, Uncanny Aspect to First Work of Rescue--Scarcely Sign Left Above Snow of Two Trains.

EVERET, March 2.—According to lists completed tonight, and estimates of the Great Northern officials, the number of killed by the avalanche that overwhelmed the Spokane Express will reach eighty-four.

Eight passengers and nine trainmen are known to be dead, including A. E. Longcey, secretary to Superintendent O'Neill.

Thirty-eight passengers and twenty-nine railroad employees are missing.

Among the passengers yet unaccounted for are Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Beck and three children, of Pleasanton, Cal.

A comprehensive story of the disaster and circumstances can not yet be obtained. Several men who saw the catastrophe at Wellington arrived at Scenic today, but they were hysterical from the horror and perils of the descent of the mountain, and unable to describe the scene at the summit or the work of recovering the bodies.

While some of the missing may be found alive, the fate of the majority is death.

All the injured are cared for at Wellington by doctors and nurses sent from here. The rescue party that left tonight will not arrive at Wellington until noon. The coaches are still buried.

One woman was rescued with her two children after twelve hours under the snow and debris.

It is believed all the injured will recover. Mrs. N. A. Covington of Olympia, among the missing, was on her way to celebrate her golden wedding at Seattle. She is the mother of Rev. J. Covington, superintendent of the Washington Children's home.

Mrs. M. Starrett of Chemanius, B. C., is also among the missing, with one of her children. Two daughters were killed.

STORY BY SURVIVORS

The first news direct from the scene of the disaster came late tonight, when Dr. Cox, one of the Great Northern physicians, who went out on the first relief train, returned from Wellington, accompanied by three of the survivors, Ray Forsythe, R. M. Lavelle, fireman, and S. A. Bates.

Cox says none of the injured are in a critical condition. When the party left Wellington, sixteen were in the hospital.

Forsythe and Bates estimate that not more than twenty of the 110 persons who were carried into the canyon by the avalanche escaped injury. Eleven passenger cars, three locomotives, four electric motors, a rotary snow plow, a rotary shed and a sand house were swept away by the slide.

A member of the first relief party who returned to Everett tonight, said that when he reached the scene all the cars were completely buried. Much of the wreckage was covered with forty feet of snow and all that could be seen was one partly buried electric motor, two locomotives and the wreckage of a rotary. All that could be seen was one partly buried steel pipe sticking out of the snow where a Pullman was twisted around a stump, and a curtain lay on top.

CARS POISED IN MIDAIR

Forsythe was in a car in which were five women and seven children. Three women and two children escaped. The others undoubtedly perished.

Telling of his experience, Forsythe said it seemed as if the car was lifted bodily from the tracks and held poised in midair. Suddenly it toppled over the edge and rolled down the steep embankment.

Instantly the air was filled with the shrieks of the injured. A fearful storm was raging and a high wind blowing, accompanied by a spectacular display. The first men to extricate themselves from the wreckage set to work releasing those less fortunate. There were no lights and they carried on their work in the flare of the

lightning, which was almost incessant.

Severed Hand Found

This morning the severed hand of a woman was found. On the finger was a ring bearing initials which lead the workers to believe it belonged to Miss Katherine O'Reilly, of Spokane, who is listed among the missing.

The men returning from the scene of the disaster hold little hope of any of the missing being recovered alive. This tends to strengthen the estimate that the total death roll will reach eighty-four.

Fireman Bates was buried in the snow for six hours. Other survivors heard his shouts and dug him out before the first party of rescuers arrived.

HERB DOCTOR HELD CONFIDENCE OF MRS. SWOPE

Declared, However, that Colonel Swope Never Took His Remedies

KANSAS CITY, March 2.—After a week's delay, occasioned by squabbles between attorneys and her presence before the grand jury, Mrs. Logan Swope, the guiding hand in the investigation of the Swope mystery, today gave her deposition in Dr. Hyde's slender suit against John Paxton, executor of the Swope estate.

Mrs. Swope told of many eccentricities of Colonel Swope, and that she all seriousness expressed her confidence in Charles E. Jordan, the swartzy "yarb" man, who received \$20,000 for doctoring the Swope during eight years.

While Mrs. Swope was telling her story, the deputy sheriff of Wyandotte county, Kansas, was searching for the herb specialist with a warrant charging him with practicing medicine without a license.

Jordan was found at home ill, and the warrant was not served.

Regardless of all Jordan's troubles, Mrs. Swope believed in him. She is still "doctoring" with him, she testified today. She also said that Mrs. Hyde, who presided at the investigation of the "doctor," also had confidence in him at one time.

"Colonel Swope never took any of Jordan's herbs," Mrs. Swope said. "All the members of the family used them except him."

RUSSIANS ALARMED

May Make Military Demonstration If China Pursues Course

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2.—The Russians have submitted to the Chinese foreign board a formal proposition for the extension of the Kalgan railroad by foreign capital as an alternative of the Aigun-Chin railroad project.

China may intimate her intention to build the rest of the road, like the first section, purely with Chinese capital, and decline to abandon the Chin Chow line.

WEATHER BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—Forecast for Arizona: Generally fair Thursday and Friday.

GENERAL STRIKE WILL BEGIN FRIDAY

One Hundred Thousand Union Men Will Assist Striking Carmen

MAYOR DECLARES NO ARBITRATION

Council Called Upon to Demand Settlement from Transit People

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—That a universal strike order of union workers and sympathizers will begin at midnight Friday was proclaimed by the Central Labor Union tonight.

The strike leaders declare 100,000 will stop work at that hour if the Rapid Transit company does not in the meantime consent to arbitration of their differences with the carmen.

The meeting at which the strike order was promulgated was large and the sentiment was apparently unanimous. Telegrams were read from the Chicago and San Francisco federations of labor with 250,000 and 175,000 members, respectively, pledging moral and financial support for the cause of their Philadelphia brethren.

Resolutions were adopted condemning the attitude of the traction company, by which, it is stated, business has been disorganized and thousands of persons not directly interested in the strike thrown out of employment.

The council was called upon to insist that Mayor Heyburn immediately serve notice that the company must submit to arbitration, as the public, whom he represents, demands, and that he return the police to their regular posts of duty and stop using them to man trolley cars.

In a proclamation, addressed to the trades unions of Philadelphia and sympathizers, the grievances of the carmen against the corporation are recited in detail.

"In the ranks of organized labor," the document proceeds, "an injury to one is the concern of all, and therefore all union labor is directly affected by the attitude of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company towards its union employees."

A committee was named to wait upon the council tomorrow and present copies of the resolutions.

The union of stage hands, employed in theaters and other amusement places in this city, notified their employers today that if the rapid transit company and their employees had not reached an agreement before Saturday the stage hands would quit.

Reburn said today that he would continue to refuse to be a party to any arbitration proceedings, even if it caused him to break with the republican organization.

Although the day was unusually quiet throughout the city, demonstrations started tonight in the northeast section. A number of cars were demolished and boys set fire to a frame waiting room owned by the transit company.

A shot was fired at Captain Dunwan, a park guard, who was doing special strike duty, tonight, while riding in an automobile. The assailant escaped.

Several associations of employers, whose men are threatening to go out, held meetings today to discuss the situation. The master builders adopted resolutions commending the city administration's stand on maintaining order, and further resolved to declare a lock-out if the unionists in the building trades strike.

Director of Safety Clay announced that he had been collecting statistics as to the number of men who would not strike.

According to him the workmen generally will ignore the strike order.

WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE

STALLED TRAINS ADD TO OGDEN POPULATION

Entire Northwest Drenched With Continued Pouring and More Coming

TRAFFIC TIED UP; ROADS WASHED OUT

Many Towns Threatened; Situation Worst Known in Twenty Years

DEMOCRATS MAY NOT INVITE BRYAN

FEWER DELINQUENTS

Majority of Corporations Coming Through With Tax Reports

WHITE MAID AND JAP YOUTH FIND WAY TO WEDLOCK

GOLDFIELD, Nev., March 2.—

RIVERS UNABLE TO CARRY HEAVY RAINS

Seattle Faces Condition Unparalleled for Years

ESPEE MAY SOON BREAK BLOCKADE

LIEUTENANT MAKES SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT

SENATE APPROVES RECLAMATION BILL

ORIENTAL LIMITED GOES TUMBLING INTO CANYON

GENERAL BELL WAS SOME TALKER HIMSELF

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ten invitation to the mine owners, trainmen, newspaper men, deputies, militia or any other persons to go to Danville on June 8, 1904," asserted General Bell on the stand.

There was no evasion in the replies of the stern warrior to the questions of Mrs. Carley's attorney, who sought to prove that her husband was slain by orders of General Bell, and also tried to prove that the mine owners were partly responsible.

General Bell talked the examining lawyer off his feet and almost completed the reading of the proclamation of Sheriff Edward Bell of Teller county, showing that the miners were in a state of insurrection, and other statements the plaintiff's attorney did not want to get to the jury's ears.

General Bell said he talked with the sheriff of Teller county before he gave orders for the mobilizing of deputies and troops, and to nobody but the sheriff.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—Statements made by members of the committee in charge of arrangements for the big Jefferson's birthday banquet to be given in this city in April indicate that William J. Bryan is likely to be overlooked when the invitations are sent out. It is hoped to secure Governor Marshall of Indiana, Governor Harmon of Ohio and Mayor Gaynor of New York as the chief speakers.

From fragmentary advices which come to Royal H. Cabell, commissioner of internal revenue, from the eastern and middle parts of the United States, he believes the percentage of delinquents in making returns under the law imposing a tax of 1 per cent on the net incomes of corporations will not be more than 10 per cent.

No definite information, however, from the United States as a whole, will be available until the monthly reports of collectors of internal revenue have reached the treasury department.

The officials believe the total revenue tax will possibly exceed the estimate made by Secretary MacVeagh—\$25,000,000—during the year.

After a minister and justice of the peace had refused to perform the ceremony, H. Y. Inuyto, a Japanese, and Vivian Blackwell, both of Los Angeles, were married today by Judge Stevens in the district court.

When the couple made application for a license the officials refused to grant one until an opinion was had from the district attorney. He found no law in Nevada prohibiting the marriage of an American to a Japanese.

SEATTLE, March 2.—Eighteen feet of snow on the west slope of the Cascades and eight feet on the east slope is being changed into water by a warm wind from the sea, and the rivers lack capacity to carry away the deluge, with the result that the Washington valleys are overflowed, railroads compelled to

suspend business and bridges washed away by the most widespread flood in twenty years.

With railroad communication to Portland cut off by washouts, Seattle today had only one direct railroad outlet east, the Northern Pacific main line. That outlet, however, may be closed at any time by the turbulent Green river, which is already threatening to wash away the track.

Thus far the financial loss by the flood has been small and the discomfort of evicted dwellers along the gorge and streams less than during former overflows, because the rainfall has been light.

There is no storm in sight, and a continuance of the present mild, cloudy weather, with occasional showers and high temperature in the mountains is predicted. A change to freezing in the Cascades would soon end the flood. The water will continue to rise tonight and tomorrow.

U. P. OFFICIALS PEEVISH OMAHA, March 2.—Union Pacific officials declared today that an injustice had been done their road in dispatches sent from Ogden giving the impression that only the Denver & Rio Grande railroad is running trains into that place regularly. Traffic on the Union Pacific has not been impeded during the present season of floods and avalanches, they say.

BIG PROPERTY LOSS AT COLFAX, WASH. COLFAX, Wash., March 2.—A flood which swept down the Palouse river on Monday afternoon created a condition in this city unequalled in its history. The property loss in the city and immediate vicinity is estimated at \$200,000. So far as known no lives were lost, but a number of persons are missing.

All night Monday and until noon Tuesday the waters continued to rise until there was four feet in the principal streets and business center of the city. So strong was the current of the waters that a number of houses were swept away and people on the lower floors were forced to seek shelter on the upper floors of their houses until help arrived.

DENVER IN CENTER OF RAGING STORM DENVER, March 2.—One of the heaviest snowstorms of the season raged today along the South Park division of the Colorado & Southern railway. There had been more or less snow for ten days in the mountain region, although the weather has been pleasant in Denver.

A snow storm also prevailed along the Moffat road today. On account of the tiemp prevailing on the Southern Pacific railroad, most of the big colonist travel to the coast from the east is now being diverted to the southwest over the only transcontinental line now in operation to the coast.

CENTRALIA INUNDATED CENTRALIA, Wash., March 2.—All the business section of this city is inundated by about three feet of water, caused by the overflow of China creek. The floods are the worst experienced in this vicinity in twenty years. A landslide east of Centralia has blocked trains from both directions. All the country between here and Chehalis is covered with a sheet of water.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—Information received by the local offices of the Southern Pacific late today indicate that the tie-up of overland trains in Nevada will not be as protracted as the earlier reports presaged.

Vice President and General Manager E. E. Calvin of the Southern Pacific, on his way home from New York, was on one of the trains tied up at Elko, Nev., and assumed personal direction of the forces which are clearing the way.

Word from Calvin received this afternoon led to abandonment of the plan to route the overland trains over the Shasta line, via Portland, Ore.

Assistant General Manager W. R. Scott maintains that Nevada might be cleared in such a short time that re-routing is unnecessary.

SAN ANTONIO, March 2.—Lieutenant R. D. Fobis, U. S. A., made two successful flights in a Wright aeroplane at Fort Sam Houston today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—After a brief general discussion the senate today passed the bill authorizing the issuance of \$20,000,000 in certificates of indebtedness for the completion of irrigation projects already under way.