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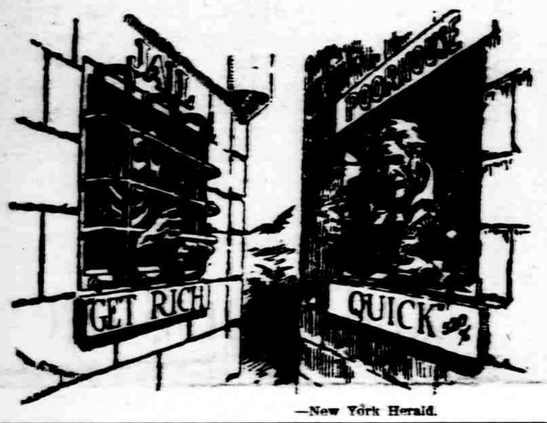

—New York Herald.

TREATIES SIGNED

CUBA GIVEN SOVEREIGNTY OVER ISLE OF PINE.

U. S. GETS COALING STATION

Palma Believes Senate Will Ratify All Outstanding Agreements Before Adjourning and Cement the Two Countries Solidly Together.

HAVANA.—The treaty covering the naval and coaling station bases and the treaty placing the Isle of Pines wholly under Cuban sovereignty were signed Thursday at noon.

The two treaties, which are the last of the six between the United States and Cuba, were subscribed in duplicate at the secretary of state's office. Minister Squires, Senor Garcia Montes, secretary of the treasury and secretary of state in Senor Zaldo's absence, signing for their respective countries.

The Isle of Pines Treaty, while turning over the island to the absolute sovereignty of Cuba, safeguards the rights and privileges of the American residents in the island as though they were on American territory. Property, judicial and educational rights are especially guaranteed. It is pointed out that the American land holders are better off in respect to taxation than they would be under United States sovereignty.

The occupation of the naval and coaling stations will be perpetual, the rental price being purely nominal and based on the cost of acquiring the stations and sites by the Cuban government, the United States advancing any money necessary for the purchase of private lands at Guantanamo and Bahia Honda.

The senate committee on foreign relations is delaying the ratification by postponing action on the treaty signed February 16, conceding the two naval stations to the United States. The reason the committee gives is that it is desirable to await the report of the joint commission of United States and Cuban engineers, which is now marking out the site for the largest station at Guantanamo.

President Palma and the leading administration senators maintain that all the treaties will be ratified before the adjournment of congress.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Moody expressed great satisfaction on hearing that the coal stations treaty had been signed. It is earnestly hoped the Cuban senate, before its adjournment, will ratify the treaty, as the navy department is anxious to proceed at once with work on the stations.

Preliminary surveys of the land already have been made at Guantanamo and Olympia has been ordered in Caribean waters to be ready to land material and begin work as soon as authorization comes from Washington. About $100,000 is immediately available for beginning the work at Guantanamo and will be used probably in the construction of a wharf and small hospital.

Payne Sees Kearns.

NEW YORK.—Postmaster General Payne arrived from Washington via the Pennsylvania railroad Thursday, accompanied by Mrs. Payne, en route for a short rest in the Catskills. He went direct to his room, leaving word that he would see no callers. He saw Senators Kearns of Utah, however, at great length. Senator Kearns is the owner of the Salt Lake paper of which Perry Heath, former first assistant postmaster general, is the editor.

Robbed by a Friend.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Karl Schulpious, a landscape gardener, was arrested here charged with robbing Karl Mueller of $7,500. The men were on the best of terms and Mueller took his friend with him to a safety deposit vault to count the money. It is alleged that by a clever trick, in which a handkerchief was used, the money, after being counted, was taken by Schulpious and the empty box returned to the vault.

Amendment Unconstitutional.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Four judges of the state circuit court held that the initiative and referendum amendment to the constitution is invalid. This opinion was given on a demurrer to the complaint of land owners against the city of Portland in a street assessment case. The court holds the amendment unconstitutional on the ground of irregularities on the part of the legislative assembly in dealing with it.

A BIG POSTAL DEFICIENCY.

Deficit for Past Year Double that of Previous Year.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Captain Castle, auditor of the treasury for the postoffice department, made the official estimate that the postal deficiency for the fiscal year just closed will be $4,617,203. The deficit for the previous fiscal year was $2,361,170. This big increase is attributed to the enforced increase in expenditure for rural free delivery service during the past year.

The receipts of the postal service for the year were $134,268,609 and the expenditures $138,885,812. The deficiency in the free delivery service is not yet definitely known beyond the estimate made weeks ago by the postmaster general that it would be $227,000 by the close of the fiscal year. The deficiency, however, may prove considerably larger than that figure.

MINE DEAD CREMATED.

Flames Baffle Willing Workers and Consume Victims' Bodies.

HANNA, Wyo.—Of the 234 men entombed by the mine explosion on Tuesday the bodies of only five have been recovered and all hope than any of the others are alive has been abandoned.

Fire and smoke are preventing exploration of the lower workings, and it is feared that many, if not all, of the bodies now in the mine will be consumed.

It was officially announced Thursday that no more bodies would be taken out for several days unless some were found in the main slope. As depth is attained a few of the handy men and drivers may be found on the main slope, and these bodies will be removed as rapidly as they are found. The majority of the dead men are in the entries below No. 15 and cannot be reached.

Lockout in Building Trades.

SALT LAKE, Utah—The Building Contractors' association, composed of practically every contractor and builder in this city, has decided to suspend all building in this city on July 6. The lockout will directly affect more than 3,000 workmen and will continue inforce until an understanding is reached between the contractors and their workmen. In a statement issued Thursday the contractors complain that men at work on various operations about the city have been called out and no explanation offered. This appears to be the principal grievance.

Government Sues for $2,000,000.

BUTTE, Mont.—The United States government has instituted suit in the federal court against the Anaconda Copper company, the Bitter Root Development company and the Marcus Daly estate, William Scallon and others for $2,000,000, being the value of timber alleged to have been unlawfully cut from the public domain in western Montana. F. A. Maynard, special United States attorney, was sent from Washington to bring this suit and prosecute similar cases.

United States Minister Leaves.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—It is learned at the state department that United States Minister Jackson has left Belgrade on his return to Athens, via Constantinople. His course will be in line witht that adopted by the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, Germany, France and the other countries which have up to date refused to recognize the new Servian government.

Hoppers Slay Many Cattle.

BUTTE, Mont.—Prof. Cooley of the State Agricultural college at Bozeman has returned from an investigation of the grasshopper-ridden district about Forsythe. He says that the insects have devoured everything in a strip seventy miles long and fifty miles wide and that as a consequence of their raids range conditions are the worst he ever saw. The plains are dotted with cattle that have starved to death.

Regard War as Probable.

LONDON.—A dispatch from Vienna to the Morning Leader says the situation in the vilayet of Adrianople is grave. There are many indications that Bulgaria and Turkey regard an outbreak of war as a probable contingency. It is reliably stated that the Turkish authorities are organizing a regular persecution of the Bulgarian inhabitants, their villages being razed to the ground and many notable Bulgarians imprisoned.

NO HOPE OF LIFE

ALL MEN IN THE MINE ARE DOUBTLESS DEAD.

HOWEVER RESCUERS TOIL ON

The Mine Penetrated and Many Dead Discovered—Twenty Bodies Found Mingled with Debris that the Unfortunates Tried to Pass.

HANNA, Wyo.—Special to the Omaha Bee: Work for the men, suspense for the women, certainty made more certain and men's worst fears realized. This summarizes the day's proceedings. All through the daylight hours the weary rescue parties toiled on, hoping to reach possible survivors of Tuesday's mine disaster, while newmade widows and orphans walked the streets or gathered in mute agony about the various entrances to the pit.

Members of the rescuing parties tell of pitiful scenes about the seventeenth level, as deep as it has been possible to penetrate. Some of the survivors were driven insane and fought like fiends against the rescuers. Dazed, listless survivors were found sitting on cars or lying on the floor, careless of whether they lived or died. At the seventh level a pile of twenty bodies was found strewn over a pile of debris, which the men had tried to surmount before overcome by the deadly fumes. Some were seared and blackened by flames, but all had died crawling toward fresh air. The eleven rescuers who penetrated thus far were too weak to bring out a body.

For hours the scene at the entrance of the mine was heart moving. With clothes and hair awry, mothers, wives, sweethearts and children huddled together, weeping and wringing their their hands. Many sat on shattered timbers blown from the mine's mouth, insensible to their surrounding. The most frantic pushed to the edge of the gap and tried to force a way into the slope.

Among the dead is Alfred Hapgood, who turned the first shovel of dirt in starting the slope.

The fire bosses, who had reported all safe before working time Tuesday, met death while making a second inspection.

Many gathered in small crowds on the hill overlooking the mouth of the ill-fated mine. Many believed the victims would be brought through the rear shaft, and congregated therefore on the brow of a hill overlooking that opening and waited anxiously through the entire day, but their vigil was not rewarded, for no bodies were removed from the mines during the day.

The women and older children are apparently stupefied and do not realize the awful calamity that has befallen them. Many firmly believe that their dear husbands, sons and brothers are still alive and will reach the surface in safety, but these grief-stricken people have not yet learned the truth, and will not fully realize the awful situation until they are confronted by the blackened, partially burned and, in many cases mangled bodies of their husbands, sons, relatives and friends.

Cuban Veterans Clamorous.

HAVANA—The radical wing of the revolutionary veterans at Havana have petitioned congress for the immediate appointment of a congressional committee to pass upon the validity of the soldiers' claims. They ask that 25 per cent thereof be paid out of the government's present surplus. Some of the most radical veterans denounce the government because these payments have been delayed.

Fleets Hover Over China.

TIEN TSIN—The local newspapers comment on the significance of the gathering of the American, British and Japanese fleets in the northern part of the gulf of Pe Chi Li. It is asserted that no less than fifty-seven Russian warships of one sort and another are assembled at Port Arthur. The Japanese reserve officers who were on leave in North China are said to have been called home.

Russia Prepared for Trouble.

LONDON—It is believed that the fast cruisers of the Russian volunteer fleet, which are lying idle at Sebastopol and Odessa, are being held in the Black sea for military exigencies, says the Odessa correspondent of the Times. He adds that it is reported that an intimation was given June 20 to the commanders of these vessels that there is a possibility of their being requisitioned to fly the naval flag.

Russian Crops Looks Well.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The damp, warm weather of the last month has favorably influenced crops throughout European Russia except in Novogord, Pskov and parts of Vilne, Vitebsk, Guodno and of the Baltic provinces. The crops promise well in the southwest and central regions. The Volga offers every prospect, except in a few districts of the extreme northeast. Winter and summer wheat, oats and barley promise better than rye.

Once Wealthy, but Dies a Pauper.

STAMFORD, Conn.—David E. Vanderheyden, 73 years of age, who claimed to have been a personal friend of Roscoe Conkling, died at the town farm. A number of years ago Vanderheyden was a prominent citizen of Utica, N. Y., and was considered quite wealthy. He came here four years ago and his fortune was disposed of so rapidly that he has been living on the town farm for some time.

TEN THOUSAND KILLED.

Awful Slaughter in Somaliland by the Abyssian Forces.

LONDON—The war office Tuesday received a dispatch from Colonel Rochfort, one of the British officers serving with the Abyssinian forces in Somalialand, which says the Abyssinians, May 31, after a series of forced marches, struck the Mad Mullah's forces near Jeyd, surprising them at dawn and killing 10,000 spearmen and capturing almost all their cattle and sheep and 1,000 camels.

Colonel Rochfort adds that the Abyssinians have effectually closed to the Mullah all the watering places south of the Gerlogubi-Galadi line, and he hopes they will soon be in contact with the British forces, and thus be able to co-operate in the pursuit of the Mullah, who is delayed in his movements by the fact that he is crossing a waterless part of the country.

HE IS IN HIS USUAL HEALTH.

More False Rumors Regarding the Pope's Condition.

ROME—The Spanish embassy to the vatican has received telegrams from Madrid anxiously inquiring about the health of the pope, saying that from a reliable source it was learned that his holiness was seriously ill. The rumor soon spread here, producing the usual sensation. On going to the vatican, however, it was found that it was only another false alarm. The pope is in his usual health, and received Sunday in private audience the bishop of Ibague, Colombia. The pontiff conferred with him on the conditions prevailing in the South American republics and the necessity of raising the standard of the clergy so that they might contribute to the intellectual progress and moral progress of the people.

GERMANY HAS SOME CLAIMS.

Cubans Are Puzzled, Not Knowing What They Are.

HAVANA—Garcia Velez, the Cuban consul general at Hamburg, reports that at a banquet at Hamburg at which Emperor William and Foreign Secretary Baron von Richthefen were present, the latter remarked to him that the first matter to be taken up by the German minister to Cuba was the claims of German citizens. The officials here do not know what claims the Germans have, since the war claims are closed, so far as Cuba is concerned, by the treaty of Paris. The consul was not in a position to enlighten them on the point and the circumstances have been communicated to Senor Quesada, Cuban minister at Washington.

SENATOR HANNA SPEAKS

Would Take Up Salvation Army Work if Not So Busy.

CLEVELAND, O.A fine new citadel, to be used as headquarters for the Salvation Army in this city and vicinity, was dedicated Sunday. Senator Hanna was chairman of the occasion and made an address of half an hour's duration. He spoke almost entirely of the work done by the army and praised it. He said that if he had time to preach he would help the Salvation Army with his voice. Commander Booth-Tucker, in introducing Senator Hanna, said that he was a man who was well known and respected in this country and England.

President of Santo Domingo.

PARIS.—A dispatch from Santo Domingo City announces that General A. Wos y Gil, who recently became provisional president through the overthrow of General Horatio Vazquez, has been elected president of the Dominican republic.

Eugenio De Champ, who was a candidate for the presidency, but withdrew in favor of General Gil, has been elected vice president.

Funston Inspects Alaska Posts.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—General Funston, commanding the department of Columbia, has informed the war department that he has left for Alaska for an inspection of the posts in that territory. He will visit Forts Liscum, Skagwa, Egbert, Gibbon, St. Michael and Davis.

Decrease in Price of Silver.

WASHINGTON—The quarterly estimate of the value of foreign coins issued by the director of the mint shows that for the three months ended June 30, 1903, the value of silver decreased from 53.144 cents an ounce to 48.695 cents an ounce, a total of 5.449 cents an ounce.

Russian Troops in Korea.

YOKOHAMA—A dispatch from Soul, capital of Korea, reports that a Korean military officer, who has reached the Yalu river, states that 150 Russian soldiers have crossed the river and are now stationed at two points on the Korean side.

Dan Godfrey Dead.

LONDON—Dan Godfrey, the famous bandmaster of the Grenadier Guards, died Tuesday of paralysis.

Must Deposit Security.

YOKOHAMA—An order has been issued requiring foreign fire and marine insurance companies to deposit as security the minimum sum of $50,000.

Judge Hilton's Estate.

NEW YORK.—The executors and trustees of the estate of former Judge Henry Hilton report that it amounts all told to $6,249,500. Its value was computed originally at $20,000,000.

HIDDEN PICTURE PUZZLE.

He promised to help me. Where is he?

A MINE DISASTER

EXPLOSION TERMINATES IN FEARFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

DEAD MINERS NUMBER 234

They Are Imprisoned Like Rats and Die Before Relief Forces Can Reach Them—Frantic Wives Seek to Join Their Dead Husbands.

HANNA, Wyo.—Two hundred and thirty-four dead and several others slightly injured out of 280 is the record of the most fearful disaster which ever struck the mining camps around here.

Shortly after 10:30 Tuesday morning a miner entered a closed shaft leading into the No. 1 mine of the Union Pacific Coal company with a naked light. Through years of idleness gas had been allowed to escape and accumulate till it needed but a spark to set it alight and wreck the pit. This was supplied by the miner. Instantly there was a roar as if of echoing thunder. Mine timbers, rock and iron were torn down and hurled athwart the entrances, completely blocking the escape of almost 300 men employed below ground. The sound of the report echoed and reechoed below and above the surface and brought men hurrying from every direction, fearing they knew not what, but knowing something untoward had happened. Gradually survivors began to appear, forty-six of them, ragged, disheveled men, with gaping wounds and clothes torn by the explosion. From these the first stories of the disaster and the closed condition of the various underground tunnels were learned.

Almost before they appeared, however, rescuers had volunteered for the task of carrying succor to their stricken comrades below ground, and headed by E. S. Brooks, superintendent of the mine, a hundred willing hands were speedily at work clearing away the debris and opening up an avenue of escape for the imprisoned men and a snaft whereby pure air might be conveyed to them.

For a time it was feared the explosion had bred a worse disaster and rumors of fire sweeping the workings were bandied about among the crowd of watchers and workers which headed the pit mouth. Fortunately, however, these rumors proved of false origin, and the entombed men, surrounded with sufficient horrors without, were spared a holocaust.

All day long willing hands worked, while weeping wives and children crowded round anxious for news of those who had gone down in the morning full of hope and vigor to wring a living from the black earth. Hour after hour dragged on and apart from a straggling survivor, each with a worse tale of death and disaster to tell than his forerunner, no news came. Gradually, too, the innate hope a miner's wife carries ever in her heart, died out, making room for dull, aching certainty that the man beloved had gone to his last rest, nevermore to return.

Of the dead men two-thirds were married and leave large families. One hundred were Finns, fifty were colored men and the others white Americans.

They Are Asked to Explain.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The treasury department called upon the two United States customs officials who are said to be connected with the Columbia Gold Mining company for a statement of their relations with the company and a statement of their conduct in permitting their official positions to be used to further the interests of the company. An answer is expected within two or three days.

To Mark Ingalls' Grave.

ATCHISON, Kan.—The grave of the late John J. Ingalls will be marked with a glacial boulder of granite five and one-half by four and one-half by two and one-half feet in dimensions. It was Ingalls' wish that a Kansas field stone should cover his burial place, and a red rock, found near Atchison, was chosen. On the stone will be carved a medallion and a quotation from Ingalls' famous essay on "Blue Grass."

GOV. CUMMINS RENOMINATED

Only One Contest for Place in Iowa Republican Convention.

Governor.....A. B. CUMMINS of Polk
Lieutenant Governor .....
.....JOHN HERRIOTT of Adair
Railroad Commissioner .....
.....D. J. PALMER of Washington
Judge Supreme Court .....
..CHARLES A. BISHOP of Polk
Supt. of Public Instruction .....
.....J. F. RIGGS of Sigourney

DES MOINES—The republican state convention nominated the foregoing ticket and adopted the platform of principles. All the candidates were renominated by acclamation with the exception of the state superintendent, for which office Mr. Riggs was nominated on the third ballot, his opponents being the present superintendent, R. C. Barrett of Osage, and H. L. Adams of West Union.

Harmony marked the proceedings of the convention, all of its actions being by unanimous vote, with the exception of the nomination of state superintendent, but after the ticket had been completed and the platform adopted, speeches were made which indicated that the republican leaders of the state are not entirely agreed as to the details of the tariff policy. The tariff plank adopted was one prepared by Senator Allison, after conferences with representative republicans of the state. No objection was made to it in the committee of resolutions nor in its presentation to the convention. Governor Cummins in his speech accepting renomination approved the platform in its entirely, but announced that he would continue to hold to all the views expressed in his speeches within the past two years.

DRAWS JAPAN TOWARD RUSSIA.

Visit of Kropatkin to Japan Seems to Pave Way to Peace.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The visit of the Russian war minister, General Kropatkin, to Japan, has, according to the Japanese newspapers, had a very satisfactory effect on the relations between Russia and Japan and has paved the way for a reapproachment.

The newspapers of Japan, in expressing satisfaction at this state of affairs, allude to General Kropatkin as the harbinger of peace and point out that he has been the mikado's guest at the Shiba palace, where no foreigner, except princes of the royal blood, had ever before resided.

DISSENTION REIGNS IN HAYTI.

President Shouts "Down With the Chambers!"

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti.—The foreign minister and the minister of the interior have resigned and no successor has yet been appointed to succeed because he was opposed to prosecuting the inquiry into the financial scandal.

In an address to the soldiers of the guards, President Nord vigorously denounced the attitude of the senate, the chamber and the national bank as being opposed to his administration.

The president shouted, "Down with the chambers!"

Russia Still Opposes Pact.

PEKIN—Prince Ching, president of the foreign office, returned from the summer palace in order to hold a conference with Minister Conger on the commercial treaty between China and the United States. It is understood the Russian opposition, which the Chinese foreign office insists prevents its signature, is unchanged, though friends of the treaty profess the belief that the protocol will remove opposition.

Union Pacific Man Present.

SARATOGA—The American Railway Master Mechanics' association on Thursday considered reports. A discussion of technical subjects was participated in by W. R. McKeen of Omaha and others.

Islands Accept Invitation.

COPENHAGEN—The invitation to take part in the St. Louis exposition has been formally accepted on behalf of the Danish West Indies.

SHORT TELEGRAMS.

Savings deposits in Chicago banks have passed the $100,000,000 mark. In the past year they have increased more than $22,000,000.

President Stryke of Hamilton college, announces that among his recent donations to the college was $100,000 from Andrew Carnegie.

Upon the departure of America's European squadron from England, about the middle of July, it will proceed to Lisbon for a friendly call at that port.

The watermelon crop of Kansas will be exceedingly short this season. Watermelons are mostly raised along the rivers and the floods destroyed the crop.

Former President Cleveland and his family left Princeton for Gray Gables, Buzzard's Bay, where they will spend the summer. They will return to Princeton October 1.

M. W. Savage, owner of Dan Patch and Directum, the two famous horses recently purchased by him, refused an offer of $92,000 for the two horses. W. W. Gentry made the offer.

The Crown Princess of Denmark, who is now in Paris with her husband, is not celebrated for her good looks, but she has the more permanent distinction of being the richest royal princess in Europe.

The annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of the diocese of Oregon adopted resolutions favoring a change of names. The resolutions favor some name incorporating the word Catholic.

George Madison Randolph, a lineal descendant of Pocahontas and the Randolphs, lives in St. Louis. He claims to be seventh in descent from the famous Indian maiden by her marriage with John Rolfe.

St. Louis is to have a statue of Pierre Laclede, its founded. He will be represented not as a typical frontiersman, but as a captain in the French army, which rank he held in the militia at New Orleans.

The crown prince of Sweden, presumably under financial pressure, wants to sell his ancestral palace at Stockholm. He has applied to the king to submit a bill to the riksdag authorizing him to dispose of it.

President Diaz accepted an invitation to attend the celebration of Fourth of July to be given by the American colony in Mexico City. A feature of the day was a special luncheon given to President Diaz.

On the morning of the Fourth of July President Roosevelt sent from his Sagamore Hill home at Oyster Bay a message formally opening the Pacific cable to the Philippine islands. The message was one of greeting and congratulation to Governor Taft. A return message was sent by Governor Taft.

Leslie Comb, United States minister to Guatemala, has transmitted to the state department, as likely to interest the people of the localities named, a letter of condolence from Juan Barrios, the Guatemala minister of foreign affairs, upon the recent disasters at Topeka and Gainesville.

Statistics show that Holland consumes more smoking tobacco than any other country in the world. Her quota per head approximates nine pounds. The United States comes second, with about four pounds. Belgium and Germany are next, then Austria, with about two pounds and a half.

Senator William A. Clark of Montana is preparing to build the finest house in Washington. He will not break ground on the site of the old "Stewart castle," facing Dupont circle, until the Massachusetts avenue residence of the Colorado millionaire, Thomas F. Walsh, is finished.

Hazard's pavilion, with a seating capacity of 5,000, has been leased by the committee in charge of the preliminary arrangements of the national general conference of the Methodist church, which will convene in Los Angeles in May, 1904. The entire building will be devoted to the needs of the conference meeting.

A new departure in the navy is marked by the issue of a circular from the navigation bureau calling for the enlistment of electricians for the wireless telegraph, who are expected to be secured for $20 per month to begin, although promotions are promised to the grade of chief electrician at $60.

Herr Felix Ottl, conductor of the opera at Karlsruhe and Baireuth, has been engaged by Manager Conreid to lead the Wagner operas at the Metropolitan opera house, New York. The grand duke of Baden has granted Herr Ottl six months' leave of absence.

A dispatch from Seoul, capital of Corea, reports that a Corean military officer has reached the Yalu river; states that 150 Russian soldiers have crossed the river, and are now stationed at two points on the Corean side.

George Abbott, of Boston, the oldest and best known wool operator on the Pacific coast, was seriously injured at Biggs Station, Ore. He walked off an unguarded platform in the darkness and sustained injuries which necessitated the amputation of the right leg.

An extra railroad line is being laid from Ssaromskaja to the hermitage of Father Sserafim, Russia. The czar and czarina are to make a visit there in August to witness the scene of the wonders worked by the noted priest, who was canonized last August.

The independent cigar factories of Havana have entered into an agreement not to sell or lease their factories or brands.

The production of gold, silver and lead in Idaho during the calendar year 1902 was valued at $14,360,814.

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