

AT PORT OF SPAIN

American Fleet Finishes First Stage of Voyage to Pacific.

ELABORATE WELCOME FOR SHIPS

Imposing Array of War Vessels Excites Admiration of People.

EVANS CALLS ON GOVERNOR

Admiral Evans on Formal Visit to Governor.

SHORE LEAVE GIVEN MEN

Torpedo Boat Flotilla Leaves for Arrival of the Vessels—All Reported Well.

PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 24.—Port of Spain is preparing to welcome the American fleet of battleships with hospitality and good-will.

Numberless launches, rowboats, small yachts and harbor craft of all sorts began putting out on an early hour today.

Arrangements are being made to send into town a large number of men who have been given shore leave.

Rear Admiral Evans called on the governor of Trinidad, Sir Henry Moore Jackson, this morning.

Tests will be made of the Kanawha Sunday law, the first step being taken already.

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Forecast till 1 p. m. Wednesday: FOR OMAHA, COUNCIL BLUFFS AND FAIRMONT—Fair Wednesday; colder Wednesday afternoon.

FOR NEBRASKA—Partly cloudy and cold Wednesday.

FOR IOWA—Partly cloudy Wednesday; warmer in east portion, colder in west portion Wednesday.

Temperature at Omaha:

Hour. Deg. 5 a. m. 25

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NEW VIEW OF LAND LAW

Judge Lewis Quashes Indictments Against Lumbermen in Colorado.

ENTRYMEN MAY MAKE DEALS

Agreements Made After Application is Filed Under Timber and Stone Act Held to Be Legal—Government Will Appeal.

DENVER, Dec. 24.—In the United States district court here today Judge R. E. Lewis granted the motion to quash the indictments against E. M. Riggs, president, and Charles D. McPhee and J. J. McGinnity, directors of the New Mexico Lumber company and Charles H. Freeman and W. W. Kossman of Durango, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the government of timber lands in Archuleta county, Colo.

The decision of Judge Lewis is based, as to the main point in the cases, upon the allegations in the indictment to the effect that they charge no tampering with or agreement with entrymen prior to the application of the entryman for lands. It is based on the further proposition that the making of agreements by or with the entryman after application is made by him is lawful under the timber and stone act.

By these two propositions, one following the other, the court reaches the conclusion that the charge against the indicted men does not reveal a conspiracy to acquire land by a method violative of the timber and stone act provisions. It shows, however, that the court recognizes the illegality and criminality of dealing with prospective entrymen prior to application by them to file on lands, inasmuch as the statute is expressed in explicit condemnation of such practices.

Judge Lewis intimated that the indictments in the coal land cases found by the grand jury last summer would also be quashed.

The cases will be carried by the government to the supreme court of the United States. All the indictments were drawn by Oliver E. Pagan, assistant attorney general of the United States.

TEHERAN, Dec. 24.—Twenty-four hours' restlessness seems to have convinced that faction of the Persian public which favors the constitutionalists that it is better to keep their powder dry until the Dutch legation is restored to normal conditions.

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MEMPHIS BANK CLOSES DOORS

One of Oldest Institutions in Tennessee Forced to Suspend Business.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—This bank is closed by order of the chancery court, E. L. McHenry has been appointed receiver.

Above notice was posted on the doors of the Memphis Savings bank, one of the oldest institutions in the state, at opening time today. It is understood that the officers were before Chancellor H. Heiskell late last night and applied for a receiver. No reason for the suspension has yet been given.

G. W. McRae, a well known local capitalist, is president and E. L. McHenry is cashier. The bank carries deposits of over \$1,500,000.

Several weeks ago a statement was published that the bank had been heavily loaded with paper of a certain coupon upon which it could not realize. This set many rumors afloat and the bank inserted the following explanation in its daily papers:

"A misapprehension seems to exist in regard to the supposed losses of this bank. The facts are that an unpaid maturity was immediately made good to the bank by certain of its officers and directors, and the bank sustained no loss whatever. The claim was bought at its face value by said officers and directors and is their property. Whatever is realized from it will be long to the benefit of the bank."

President G. P. Read of the Memphis Clearing House association said today that the suspension of the Memphis Savings bank would not affect any other institution in the city. Mr. Read said he felt certain that all depositors in the Memphis Savings bank would be paid in full.

A statement of the condition of the suspended bank was made public on December 11 as follows:

Resources—Loans and discounts, \$1,031,656; overdrafts, secured, \$28,477; stocks and bonds, \$22,570; real estate, \$17,331; cash and other assets, \$28,922.

Liabilities—Capital stock, \$24,100; surplus and undivided profits, \$1,574,844; deposits, \$1,531,945.

Later a statement was issued by the directors of the Memphis Savings bank announcing that the institution was solvent and that creditors would not lose a cent. The statement adds that because of the financial stringency it was deemed wise to close the bank, ask for a receiver and liquidate its affairs.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—"One thousand saloons will have their doors and gone out of business in this city by May 1 next," said Adam Ortaisen, president of the McAvoy Brewing company, during a talk last night on the scarcity of barley, which is seriously crippling the large breweries and the malt houses and may mean a sharp rise in the price per barrel of beer within a few weeks.

Perhaps one-third of the breweries, the largest ones, in this city do their own malting. The smaller ones buy of the malt houses. Both breweries and malsters for several weeks have been bidding almost to the point of wiping out the margin of profit in order to get the few carloads of barley that arrive in this market each day.

Beer now is selling at from \$4.20 to \$7 a barrel, according to quality. The quality depends upon many conditions, but chiefly on the malting expense, in which barley figures the chief factor.

"It is a fact well known to the trade that hundreds of the smaller saloons are not making much if any money now, and credit that 1,000 saloons will have their doors and gone out of business by May 1 next."

LABOR LEADERS WILL FIGHT

Claim that Buck Boycott Decision Relieves Them of Constitutional Rights.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Attorneys for the American Federation of Labor today filed objections against the scope of the temporary injunction of the district court prohibiting the boycotting of the Buck Shoe and Rubber company of St. Louis.

They move that the order be amended. A hearing on this motion probably will be held January 2. Counsel for the defense desire to have the injunction run until the further order of the court instead of until the final decree. Other objections are made to the order, which is intended to restrain the defendants from uniting together to agree to patronize plaintiff's products; it might be construed to prevent the defendants and their associates from saying to others that they had united and combined to patronize the products of plaintiff; it might be construed to enjoin the defendants from announcing to others that they had united and combined not to deal with others who should deal with plaintiff or purchase its products; it abridges freedom of speech of all the defendants, which is protected by the first amendment to the constitution of the United States.

GRAND TRUNK PENSION PLAN

System Said to Be Most Liberal of Any Now in Force to Be Instituted.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—The Grand Trunk railroad, which has its eastern terminus in this city, will put into effect on January 1 a pension system claimed to be the most comprehensive and one of the most generous in the country, embracing every employe of the railroad in the United States and Canada. The railroad will finance all the details of the scheme, not levying any assessment on the employes.

As a nucleus with which to support the plan the company has set apart \$200,000. The interest of which, with \$75,000 additional if necessary each year, will be turned over to supporting the terms of the plan.

Under the new rule a compulsory retiring is fixed at 65, while any employe who has served the company for fifteen years or more will be entitled to a pension on a graduated scale. A minimum pension has been fixed at \$30, while there is no maximum.

In addition to this provision is made for employes who have been disabled in the company's service and for men dismissed without cause under 65 but have not served over fifteen years.

MOHLER GOES TO THE COAST

Report that General Manager of Union Pacific is to Be Promoted.

TO REBUILD HARRIMAN LINES

General Superintendent Park to Become General Manager and W. A. Whitney General Superintendent.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24.—The Deseret News today prints the following: The News has semi-official authority for announcing that E. E. Calvin of the Southern Pacific is to go to New Orleans about January 1; that A. L. Mohler, vice president and general manager of the Union Pacific, will go to San Francisco as general manager of the Harriman coast lines to succeed Mr. Calvin; that D. L. Park, now general superintendent of the Union Pacific at Omaha will sit at Mr. Mohler's desk in Omaha and that W. A. Whitney, now superintendent of the Wyoming division of the Union Pacific at Cheyenne will succeed Mr. Park.

W. H. Bancroft, vice president and general manager of the Oregon Short Line, will undoubtedly continue to fill that important position. Those in a position to know say the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific between Omaha and San Francisco have been brought up to satisfactory conditions and those men who accomplished the seemingly impossible are now to try their genius on systems now as tangled as the Pacific West coast.

Vice President and General Manager A. L. Mohler of the Union Pacific is in Chicago with members of his family to spend Christmas. T. M. Orr, assistant to Mr. Mohler, said that nothing had been heard of the contemplated changes in the officials of the Harriman lines at the headquarters in Omaha.

"I know nothing about it," was the comment of W. L. Park, superintendent of the Union Pacific, when advised by telephone of the report.

"That is to say, there is nothing to be reported."

"I know nothing about it at all."

"You neither deny nor confirm it?"

"No, that is, I know nothing about the report."

"Nothing was said of it, then, before Mr. Mohler left the city?"

"I don't know a thing of it."

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

George Krug and Family in Washington to Spend the Holidays.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Mr. George Krug of Omaha and his son Edmund, who has charge of the real estate business of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing association in St. Louis, arrived in Washington today as guests of Mr. Morton Brown, son-in-law of Mr. Krug, to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Krug's younger son, Oscar, is a student at Georgetown university and is residing with the Browns. Mrs. Brown is the real serious business of the session, which reconvenes January 6.

Applications to organize national banks approved: The Bonham National bank of Fairbury, Neb., with \$50,000 capital, by Luther Bonham, I. Bonham, A. D. Ackert, H. H. St. John, H. C. Wheeler, E. R. Bee and William Robinson; the First National bank of Cincinnati, Ia., with \$25,000 capital, by N. A. Robertson, Lena Robertson, Guy C. Robertson, Jane Lesney and J. V. Lesney. The comptroller of the currency has approved the conversion of certain New York, Massachusetts, Chicago and St. Louis publishers, who are members of the typothetae, and those concerns are also complainants in the application for injunction. A temporary injunction pending the hearing was granted several weeks ago.

JACOBS CREEK, Pa., Dec. 24.—Searching parties at the Darr mine today reached entry No. 21 where they found seventy-four bodies in a heap. With their forty-eight bodies which have already been brought to the surface the total number recovered to date is 120. The bodies found in No. 21 entry have not been seen except by members of the searching party, but it is said they are not as badly mutilated as some of the bodies previously recovered. Today was funeral day at the mine. Twelve identified bodies were taken from the temporary morgue and placed in a line along the Erie railroad. The last ceremonies were conducted in the open with hundreds of friends, relatives, and sight-seers as spectators. The resultant scenes were extremely pathetic. Quite a number of the spectators have relatives or friends in the mine and their grief was pitiful. Following the services the bodies were placed on a train and taken to Connelleville, Pa., for burial.

The work of searching the mines is progressing more smoothly today.

SISTER OF MERCY MURDERED

Issue Man Who Had Been Patient at Hospital Kills Former Nurse.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 24.—Sister Theresa, a nurse at St. Mary's hospital, was today shot and killed by Gustav Wirth, who is believed to be insane. The assassin was captured after being chased several blocks. Wirth was operated upon at the hospital a year ago. He called there today and upon seeing Sister Theresa began a fusillade, firing four shots into her body. Six of the hospital officials had tried to stop him.

MRS. LONGWORTH IS STRONGER

Daughter of President Able to Move About and Will Soon Go Home.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Longworth has so far recovered from the effects of the operation for appendicitis which she underwent December 11 that she will leave the White House Thursday for her own residence. For several days Mrs. Longworth has been able to go about her doors.

FUNERAL OF FRANK CARPENTER

Services Will Be Held in Calvary Baptist Church Thursday Afternoon at Two O'Clock.

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Funeral services of J. Frank Carpenter will be held at the Calvary Baptist church, Twenty-fifth and Hamilton streets, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. E. Curry, pastor of the church, will have charge and will be assisted by the Baptist ministers of the city, Rev. J. W. Conley of the First church, Rev. B. H. McDonald of Emmanuel church and Rev. F. F. Pellman of Grace church.

Eight active and sixteen honorary pallbearers have been selected. The active pallbearers will be W. S. Wright, J. H. Dumont, G. W. Ryan, S. G. Burbank, A. T. Klopp, G. W. Noble, William Stull and A. C. Burt.

Honorary pallbearers will be C. M. Williams, J. A. Sunderland, F. B. Johnson, Samuel Reek, Ward Burgess, W. H. McCord, G. W. Clabough, Warren Swetler, C. C. Belden, C. H. Picken, Rome Miller, J. H. Millard, H. G. Streight, J. E. Baum, William E. Rhoades and E. F. Marshall. W. O. Shans will have charge of the services at the church. Burialment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery.

Members of the Commercial club will meet at the club rooms Thursday at 1 p. m. and attend the funeral in a body. The Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company will provide special cars to take club members of the club to Twenty-fourth and Hamilton streets.

Mr. Carpenter was an active member of the Commercial club and an ex-president. He served during the year 1907 and was a member of the present board of directors. Until the spring of 1907 he was a member of the executive committee of the club, resigning because of the heavy work he had done in connection with the erection of the new warehouse of the Carpenter Paper company.

Mr. Carpenter was also a member of the Omaha Grain exchange and the transportation committee of that organization.

TRAIN BLOWN FROM TRACK

Six Persons Badly Injured by Unusual Railroad Wreck in Colorado.

DENVER, Dec. 24.—The baggage car and first coach of train No. 25, north bound on the Colorado Southern railroad, which left Denver at 10 o'clock this morning, was blown from the track and overturned in the ditch a quarter of a mile north of Marshall, a coal camp ten miles south of Boulder, about noon today. Six persons were seriously injured and a number of others slightly hurt. The seriously injured are:

J. C. Garrett, ex-justice of the peace, Longmont, Colo., and a prominent Elk, both legs broken and internal injuries; probably fatal.

Fred Kelly, Fort Collins, Colo.

Robert Hunter, Longmont, Colo.

Jackman M. Griner, conductor, Denver.

Charles E. Wagner, passenger, Denver.

A gale has been blowing over northern Colorado throughout the day, the wind at times attaining a velocity of from forty-five to sixty miles an hour, and has caused much damage by blowing down small farm buildings, trees, telegraph poles, etc. A large electric glider was blown in by the Daniels and Fisher department store in this city.