

IDAHO STATE NEWS

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the building and most of the stock of a millinery and dress making establishment at Weiser.

While driving a load of hay down a steep hill, near Cambridge, Wallace Coffee, 10 year old, fell off and was severely injured, but it is believed he will recover.

Six counties in the northern tier are responding liberally to a call for financial support to build a home at Lewiston for the Children's Home Finding and Aid society.

The Conway hotel at Star was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning, but most of the furniture was saved. It is thought that most of the loss was covered by insurance.

The body of Louis Odick, the boy drowned near Caldwell, has been recovered. The body was quite badly discolored and cramped up and it was evident that the boy was seized with cramps.

The Payette Valley railroad has secured a contract from the government to carry mail over its entire line from Emmett to Payette.

Owyhee county mining properties are producing well and a number of mines have a large force of men steadily at work, so that bullion returns and payrolls maintain good business and trade conditions.

The board of commissioners of Cassia county has closed its session as a board of equalization, and has left the assessment roll in much the same condition as it was when turned over to them by the county assessor.

Exclusive of the Boise river storage, the great Boise irrigation project was 74 per cent completed, and the storage unit was 3.6 per cent completed by the end of June of this year, according to an official report.

A movement was set on foot at a meeting of the Boise Police Benevolent association last week, to secure some property and build a real home for injured, aged or decrepit patrolmen who are past the period of active service.

Because Mack McClean, colored, snored, as he was enjoying a siesta on a lounging couch at the Courteney Colored Gentlemen's club in Boise, Ed Caldwell, also colored, attacked him with a knife, inflicting severe wounds.

Detectives are searching for the person who placed a threatening letter, demanding \$100, on top of a post beside a mail box in front of the home of C. R. Carlson, a well known rancher who lives two miles southwest of Meridian.

The Caldwell Commercial club and real estate dealers are making preparations for an extensive campaign of advertising of the city.

Francis Fox, who conducts a boarding house at Wallace, was shot three times and beat over the head until unconscious by Jack Dillon, a miner, the shooting occurring without warning and apparently without cause.

Idaho county is the first to file with the state board of equalization a complete abstract of its assessments of property for the present year.

The actual work of consolidating the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company system and the Independent system in the district including Ada, Canyon and Washington counties, is under way, but the real consolidation in Boise will not be completed for two months or longer.

Boise is expected shortly to come into ownership of 160 acres of land up Boise canyon by the good grace of Uncle Sam, and it is said that a great quarry located on this land will furnish the municipality with as fine a grade of pavement rock as was ever used in the northwest.

Mrs. Mary E. Harriman, widow of the late railroad king, E. H. Harriman, is expected to arrive from New York early next month with her children to spend a few weeks on a ranch near Island Lake, northeastern Idaho, a few miles west of the Yellowstone branch of the Oregon Short Line.

Two freight trains collided near Downey, the crews having a narrow escape from death. Both engines were demolished and both engineers and firemen were slightly injured.

The Smithsonian institute will soon be enriched with the skeleton of a huge prehistoric animal excavated from a sand hill five miles west of Montpelier. The finders believe they have unearthed the skeleton of a mastodon.

T. H. DeBord became suddenly insane in Boise and when an officer was called attempted to kill the representative of the law, being placed under arrest after putting up a stiff fight, it being necessary for the policeman to club him into submission. De Bord was formerly a resident of Portland.

PREPARING FOR WAR

ENGLAND WILL FIGHT UNLESS GERMANY RECEDES FROM HER POSITION OF BLUFF.

Gravity of Crisis in the Moroccan Situation is Confirmed by Speech of Prime Minister in the House of Commons.

London.—The statement of Premier Asquith in the house of commons on Thursday that the chamber "should not ask him to enter into further details of the Moroccan situation at the present time, as a too close analysis of the causes of the present incident might provoke recrimination which it was desirable to avoid," is interpreted here as confirming fully the reported gravity of the situation and as clearly indicative of the government's intention to back up Mr. Lloyd-George in his speech of last week, when in effect he told Germany to fight or recede from her position of bluff.

Official opinion prevailing here is that the situation has reached a stage so tense as to preclude a settlement. Further diplomatic negotiations must necessarily be futile, it is believed. War is in the atmosphere. Lloyd's are doing a rushing business in Anglo-German war risks at 7 per cent against war within three months and 10 per cent for six months.

Practically all the leading German papers are openly advocating war. Little hope is expressed editorially that attempts at pacification can succeed. The German press is united in the demand that Germany stand on her demand in Morocco.

VICTORY FOR INSURGENTS.

Bill Revising Wool Tariff Passed by the Senate.

Washington.—By forming a coalition with the Democrats the insurgent Republicans of the senate on Thursday passed, in a modified form, the La Follette wool tariff revision bill. In order to secure Democratic support of the measure it was necessary for Senator La Follette to reduce his proposed duty upon raw wool of the first class from 40 per cent to 35 per cent ad valorem. The rate in the house bill was 20 per cent. At the present price of wool this will mean a duty of 7.8 cents per pound as against 11 cents per pound in the present law.

The vote by which the bill passed was forty-eight to thirty-two. Thirty-five Democrats and thirteen insurgent Republicans voted for it, while all the opposing votes were cast by regular Republicans.

Confirms Father's Confession.

Washington.—Expressing his firm conviction that his father, former State Senator D. W. Holstlaw, received \$2,500 from a man who offered to pay him that sum to vote for Lorimer for the United States senate, Herschel D. Holstlaw of Iuka, Ill., on Thursday appeared before the senate's Lorimer committee and substantiated his father's famous "confession."

Bell Boy Charged With Murder.

New York.—Paul Geidel, a 17-year-old boy of Hartford, Conn., who was employed as a bellboy at the Hotel Iroquois until Friday last, has been arrested in connection with the murder of William Henry Jackson, a Wall street broker, who was found strangled to death at the hotel Thursday.

Kidnaped Girl Rescued.

San Francisco.—Helen Whitson, the 17-year-old school girl abducted from her mother's home in this city by white slavers some days ago, has been rescued from a retreat in the Santa Cruz mountains by F. H. De Pute, head of the state bureau of criminal identification. Three men were arrested.

Invasion Feared by Portuguese.

Lisbon.—The monarchist invasion of Portugal from the north, to be followed by a peasant rising, which has been expected daily, has not yet materialized. The provisional administration and financial interests are kept worried, not knowing the hour when the projected counter revolution will begin.

Convicts Make Dash for Liberty.

Salt Lake City.—Gust Dores and Paul Van Houghton, convicts employed on the roadway ten miles north of Ogden attempted to escape Thursday afternoon, but were recaptured about 9 o'clock at night. Van Houghton is serving a fifteen-year sentence, and Dores ten years.

Agricultural Entries on Coal Lands.

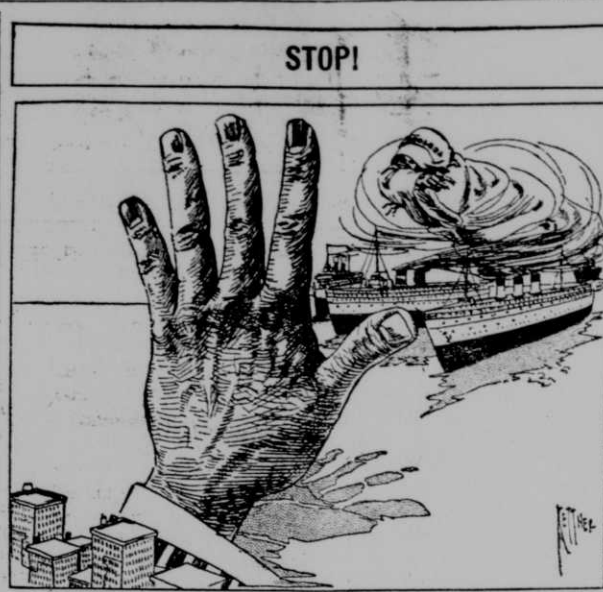
Washington.—Senator Warren has introduced a bill to extend the provisions of the act permitting agricultural entries on coal lands so as to include state selections, schools, indemnity and other lieu lands granted to states.

Killed at Crossing.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Four persons were killed and one was seriously injured when a fast express train on the Pennsylvania railroad struck an automobile at a grade crossing at Wilkensburg, a suburb.

Shot at Son's Grave.

San Francisco.—Mrs. Lillie Guggenheim, wife of Leon Guggenheim, was shot and seriously wounded by an unknown man as she was placing flowers on the grave of her son in a cemetery near this city.



CRUISER ORDERED TO HAYTI BRANDS STORY A FABRICATION

Salem to Join Four Other American War Vessels and Protect Americans and Europeans.

President Sends Special Message to the Senate on the Controller Bay Affair.

Washington.—Reports from Hayti caused the cabinet to take up the situation there and immediately after the cabinet meeting on Friday, the swift scout cruiser Salem was given hurry orders to proceed to Haytian waters.

The Salem will join the Chester which is a ship of the same type. The policy in sending swift and capacious cruisers to Hayti is based on the suspicions that these vessels may be needed as places of refuge in case the coast cities where most of the European and American citizens dwell should become the scenes of uncontrolled anarchy.

There will be, on the arrival of the Salem, a squadron of five American vessels engaged in the work of protecting American interests and persons—the Chester, the Salem, the Des Moines, the Petrol and the Peoria.

Fifteen Die in Collision.

Bangor, Me.—A head-on collision between a crowded excursion train, containing about 150 persons, and a regular passenger train, bound from Van Buren to Bangor, at the Little backwoods settlement of Grindstone, on the Bangor & Aroostook railroad, resulted in at least fifteen deaths. It was reported that few, if any, of the 150 passengers on the excursion train escaped injury.

The regular train was the heavier and plowed its way through the lighter excursion cars with comparatively little injury to the regular passenger train.

Expect Veto of Tariff Measures.

Washington.—The fight of the Democratic-insurgent Republican coalition for broader tariff revision gained ground Friday and it was confident ly predicted in both houses that a conference compromise wool bill, the farmers' free-list bill, and possibly the cotton bill, with steel, sugar and other schedules, would be passed. Meanwhile the indications are stronger than ever that President Taft will exercise his veto power on tariff legislation prior to the submission of the tariff board report in December.

Plans Prosecution of Monopolies.

New York.—The department of justice is planning immediate prosecution of all trusts or monopolies which do not dissolve or take other steps to obey the Sherman law as it has been interpreted in the Standard Oil, Tobacco and Powder trust cases. Attorney General Wickham is authority for the statement.

Goes Up With Boiler.

Algona, Iowa.—"If the boiler blows up, I'll go with it." As these words left the lips of Leonard Hart, a traction engineer, living near here, the boiler of a threshing machine on which he was working exploded, tearing his body to fragments and fatally wounding Frank Meyers.

All Hands Lost, Save One.

Halifax, N. S.—The steamer John Irwin struck a rock and sank off Beaver harbor. William McLeod of Halifax was washed ashore on a hatch at Liscomb, ninety miles east of here, and is believed to be the only survivor of the dozen or more men in the steamer's crew.

Says Spoils System in Senate.

Washington.—Senator Kern of Indiana, speaking Friday on a resolution to add sixteen messengers to the senate payroll, charged that a "spoils system ran mad" in the senate.

Dies at Card Table.

Paris.—The Turkish ambassador, Naoum Pasha, fell dead Friday. His death was due to the heat. The ambassador died at the Union Diplomatic club. He had taken a place at a card table when stricken.

Loan Company Bankrupt.

Denver.—Involuntary proceedings in bankruptcy have been commenced in the federal court here against the Star Loan company, which operates a chain of offices in Colorado and the northwest.

Washington.—President Taft sent a special message to the senate on Wednesday shouldering full responsibility for opening for settlement and development 12,800 acres of the Chugach national forest reserve in Alaska—an incident which has become to be known as the "Controller bay affair." In concluding he brands the now famous "Dick to Dick" postscript as a "wicked fabrication" and says that Charles P. Taft, whose name appeared in the alleged postscript, "has no interest in Alaska, never had, and knows nothing of the circumstances connected with this transaction." Moreover, the president adds, his brother does not even remember that he ever met Richard S. Ryan, representing the Controller Bay & Navigation company.

As for eliminating the land in question from the reserve, the president says that there is no danger of the Controller Railway and Navigation company or any other interests monopolizing the field, and nothing to show that this company is in any way connected with the Morgan-Guggenheim interests. Hence he believes that in eliminating the land he has acted for the best interests of the nation.

Washington.—The threat of the attorney general to assail every trust against which there is reasonable chance of successful prosecution is understood here to be the cause of a movement on the part of the electrical trust to settle its case out of court.

It is stated here that this result has been brought about by Wade H. Ellis, who is acting for the department of justice in its suit against the electrical trust.

It is further specifically stated that the department has been informed that the attorneys for the electrical trust can see no escape if the case were pushed in the federal courts and that, in the language of the day, they have promised to be good if an arrangement can be made between them and the department of justice by which the trust shall dissolve and do business individually or as individual concerns.

Denver.—Frank H. Henwood, convicted of murder in the second degree for the killing of George E. Copeland while shooting at S. L. Von Phul, the St. Louis balloonist, whom he also killed, in a hotel bar room here on the night of May 24 last, was on Thursday sentenced to life imprisonment. Sentence followed the denial of an application for a new trial. Henwood declared that he had been railroaded to the penitentiary in a speech in which he attacked the judge.

Salt Lake City.—The M. H. Walker Realty Co. has been incorporated in Salt Lake City, with a capital of \$1,000,000, to erect a skyscraper which will be occupied on the ground floor by Walker Brothers Bankers. The buildings will be put up on the northeast corner of Main and Second South streets and will be the highest in Salt Lake City. It is planned to make it not less than ten, and probably fourteen stories high, with a tower.

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Los Angeles, Cal.—W. G. Bradshaw, a prominent real estate and oil operator of Los Angeles and Salt Lake, committed suicide Tuesday night about 7 o'clock.

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SAVED BY OPERATOR

CANADIAN CRUISER TAKEN OFF SHOALS AND SAFELY TOWED INTO HARBOR.

Wireless Operator Stuck to His Post and Signaled for Assistance While Crew Manned Pumps in Effort to Check Water.

Halifax, N. S.—After five tense hours on the ledges ten miles at sea Nova Scotia, with a gaping hole in her hull and holding four feet of water, the Canadian cruiser Niobe floated off with the assistance of tugs Sunday and is anchored in Shag harbor.

That the warship and her crew of several hundred men were finally rescued is due to her wireless operator, who stuck to his post throughout and flashed "S. O. S." incessantly while the crew was manning the pumps in what almost proved to be a vain attempt to check the inrush of water.

The Niobe craned on the ledges shortly before 1 o'clock Sunday morning in a thick fog and heavy sea. All the men were in their hammocks at the time and most of them were thrown to the deck by the impact. There was confusion only for a moment.

The operator of the wireless began signaling for help and soon half a dozen steamers were racing to the assistance of the stranded cruiser.

PUT TARIFF UP TO TAFT.

Congressmen Expect to Rush Revision and Leave Responsibility With President.

Washington.—General tariff legislation at this session of congress, so as to leave the responsibility for any delay in tariff revision squarely upon the president, is the slogan of the Democratic-insurgent coalition in the senate and the Democrats in the house.

The president is accredited with being determined as ever to veto any tariff bill passed by congress prior to the submission of the report of the tariff board in December.

Meanwhile the Democrats, continuing to press their revision measures, are wondering what the president will do when the wool bill emerging from conference with lower duties than the La Follette final compromise, goes to the White House for approval or veto.

Despite the apparently authoritative declaration that the president will veto the tariff bills, some of the Democrats, even Speaker Clark, express the opinion that Mr. Taft may yet approve revision legislation.

Mob Would Wreak Vengeance.

New York.—Three-year-old Morris Goldberg, weakened by a seven days' fast, was run over by a trolley car in front of his home Sunday. Two thousand persons thereupon stormed the car, captured the motorman and conductor, laid them on the tracks and were about to run the car over them when a lone policeman seized the ringleader at the controller. Reserves then dispersed the mob. It was ascertained later that the entire Goldberg family of nine were in a starving condition.

Woman is a contractor.

Salt Lake City.—A woman, Mrs. W. H. Smith, has a contract for building a portion of the northward extension of the Idaho Northern railway. The concern which has the contract for the entire fifty-eight miles from Emmett to Smith's Ferry is the Utah Construction company. It has sublet a contract to Mrs. Smith for three miles of grading above Horseshoe Bend, Idaho.

Thirty-five Firemen Injured.

Brookton, Mass.—Thirty-five firemen were injured in fighting a fire here Sunday which destroyed the public market building in Main street, the Woolworth company's building and two tenement houses. The fire was the worst in the history of Brookton, and caused a loss of about \$210,000.

Many Lives Lost During Storm.

Boston.—Grim tales of loss of life and disaster to shipping by the West Indian hurricane which swept the New England coast Friday continue to come in. Eleven lives are known to have been lost and the long list of fishing and coasting craft and yachts wrecked or disabled is constantly growing.

Record-Breaking Flour Orders.

Seattle, Wash.—Record-breaking export flour orders for September and October delivery have been booked by Seattle millers during the last two weeks. One mill has Chinese orders for 100,000 sacks of bluestem cutoff, and others are running full capacity.

Two Drowned.

Vancouver, Wash.—Miss Eva Trombley and Frank H. Thibodeau, her uncle, were drowned while bathing in Bachelor slough, near Ridgefield and George Young, affianced of the young woman, nearly lost his life.

Leper Released From Quarantine.

Baltimore, Md.—Mrs. Providencia Mascari, a leper who for more than a year had been kept in quarantine at the expense of the city, was released about two weeks ago and is now supposed to be in New York City.

ALL OVER IN A WEEK

WILLIAMS' STAY IN BOARDING HOUSE SHORT AND SWEET.

Gave Every Evidence of Being Experienced Boarder and His Smart Sayings and Mannerisms Were Talk of House.

When young Mr. Williams came to our boarding house it was plain to every one that this was not his first experience at boarding.

In fact, his actions seemed to indicate that he was old and experienced in the life of boarding, and that he had come to us from some other boarding house, or possibly from a succession of them.

It was shown in the aplomb with which he assured Mrs. Hicks that he invariably paid his board on pay day, and that his pay day came on Saturday, ignoring her somewhat distorted statement that she insisted on pay in advance in every case.

It was further shown in the way he skillfully flipped the covering off the bed in his hall bedroom and appraised the condition of the sheets with judicial eye, his opinion, good or bad, being represented by a non-committal grunt.

He was a normal young man, was Mr. Williams. He had just the normal amount of baggage. His face was so nearly normal that people he knew would forget to speak to him. He was of medium height and weight, and so far as we could see had but one suit of clothes, and that an ordinary-dusty, brownish gray.

His appetite, too, proved normal. He had a typical boarding house appetite that pushed aside those things it did not want and insisted on a double supply of those it did. It was a discriminating appetite that refused to accept things the nature of which did not appear on the surface.

Immediately after supper Mr. Williams sat on the front steps and regarded fellow boarders with speculative eye. Being a normal boarder, with what might be called an abnormal nerve, he easily decided that Miss Amy Crottsweight, who was a stenographer in the roller mills office, was the only one of us worthy of his attention. And in fifteen minutes he and Miss Amy went for a walk, heading, of course, toward the drug store soda fountain. Miss Amy, too, prided herself upon her dignity.

When they came back Mr. Williams had some chewing gum, which he passed about.

Next day he was wearing a tie we recognized as belonging to Mr. Willoughby. Mr. Willoughby, when pressed, admitted that he and Mr. Williams had become somewhat chummy.

Toward the end of the week Mrs. Hicks was taking an unusual interest in Mr. Williams. She quoted him to the girls, and would tell the boys how smart he was.

He was the most ingratiating person, was young Mr. Williams, and, as everybody got to liking him, his sayings and mannerisms were the talk of the house.

On Saturday he did not appear at the table. Mrs. Hicks said he was called out of town. He didn't come back either.

His trunk was hauled by Jim, the porter, to the junk room, and we did the best we could to forget him. We have often wondered if he went abroad, or was killed by a motorcycle, but have never learned.

It's always that way, for people come and go like guests at our boarding house.—Dallas News.

Puzzling Words.

The Ladies' Aid women were talking about a conversation they had overheard before the meeting between a man and his wife.

"They must have been to the zoo," Mrs. A. Said, "because I heard her mention a 'trained deer.'"

"Goodness me!" Mrs. B. laughed. "What queer hearing you must have! They were talking about going away, and she said, 'Find out about the train, dear.'"

"Well, did anybody ever?" Mrs. C. exclaimed. "I am sure they were talking about musicians, for she said a 'trained ear,' as distinctly as could be."

The discussion began to warm up, and in the midst of it the woman herself appeared. They carried their case to her promptly, and asked for a settlement.

"Well, well, you do beat all!" she exclaimed, after hearing each one. "I'd been out to the country over night, and was asking my husband if it rained here last night."

After which the three disputants retired abashed and in silence.—Lippincott's Magazine.

Rank in Kentucky.

"Yes, sir," the Kentuckian said, as they sat by the stove, "you can tell a man's rank in this state thusly: If you see a man with his feet on top of the stove he's a general; if his feet is on that rail half way up he's a colonel, and if he keeps them on the floor he's a major."

"Ah, yes," his companion said; "that's good as far as it goes; but how are you going to distinguish a captain or a lieutenant?"

"Stranger, we don't go no lower than major in Kentucky."—Lippincott's.

Economy.

First Aeronaut.—When I found I had won the prize I simply walked on air! Second Ditto.—Gee whiz! That was a big saving of gasoline!