

PREFERENCE FOR THE WATER SCHEME

SOOKE LAKE PROPOSAL HAS PRIDE OF PLACE Mayor Morley Will Veto Proposal for Immediate Construction of Jail

MANY TOWNS ARE ISOLATED

SERIOUS FLOODS IN WESTERN WASHINGTON Seattle Faces Water Famine Owing to Washing Away of Pipelines

BARGES LOST

It Is Feared Six Persons Perished During Gale Block Island, R. I., Nov. 20.—A gale that prevailed Saturday and yesterday caused the loss of two barges of the Scully Transportation Company of New York, and it is feared carried to a watery grave six or eight persons. The barges were the Helen A. Wyan and the Vermont. The masters are believed to have had their wives aboard.

COUNCIL TO ACT AS ARBITRATOR

ACCOUNTANT ORTON APPEALS ON RECORD His Letter of Protest to City Fathers to Be Considered Soon

ATTEMPTED MURDER

Superintendent of State School at Salem Fired At From Ambush Salem, Ore., Nov. 20.—Shot at from ambush by an unknown person, Dr. Frank Smith, superintendent of the state school for the feeble-minded, was fatally wounded Saturday night while on the way from the institution of which he is the head, to the city. The attempt occurred just after he had left the hospital in his automobile. He was shot from the bushes alongside the road and a bullet passed through the gambut of the physician's glove, grazing his wrist. It is believed that the shooting was done by an escaped inmate of the institution, who it is thought, was the same party who wrote a threatening letter to the superintendent.

PREPARING FOR DECISIVE BATTLE AT NANKING

Revolutionists Are Sending Large Forces to Attack City Which is Held By Imperialist Troops Rumored Massacre of Foreigners.

(From Monday's Daily.) The first business to be undertaken by the city council when it meets tomorrow evening will be to consider the plans and specifications prepared by Wynn Meredith, consulting engineer of the Sooke Lake water supply. In order that tenders may be called for and no other business will be dealt with until this has been disposed of. The mayor will communicate his intention to veto the new jail scheme, which was passed over his head three weeks ago, the council by resolution instructing the building inspector to have plans prepared by J. C. M. Keith. These were ready, and were saved from the fire on Saturday week at the Hibben block, but have not yet been considered, as there has been no meeting of the city council since that time. It has not been possible to consider them. The council rejected the recommendation from the mayor for temporary repairs to the building now in use, and ordered the scheme to be proceeded with, as approved by the ratemakers, the sum of \$30,000, having been voted for that purpose at the annual election. In order to bring the matter before the council, Alderman Moresby asked the mayor to determine at once if he intended to exercise his veto. The mayor declined on that occasion, October 31, to state his intention, but as he must do so within three days, and the month is drawing to a close, he will now announce his decision. The advocates of immediate action now go to the courts and appeal the right of the mayor to veto a proposal which has received the approval of the ratemakers by-law.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 20.—With Seattle facing a water famine and many of the smaller towns west of the Cascade mountains under water or cut off from communication with the outside world by the loss of bridges and the washing out of roads, the people of western Washington to-day are anxiously watching the turbulent streams for signs of subsidence from the flood, that has raged for more than two days. The railroads that cross the Cascades with their trans-continental lines are virtually tied up, the only outlet being over the coast-lines to Portland and then east along the Columbia river. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern began routing their overland trains this way last night and the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound sent its crack train, the first to leave in two days, over the long detour to-day. The lines of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific between Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., have been made since Saturday, but the Great Northern expects to resume service to the north before night. Although Seattle is built upon commanding hills, and is in no danger from flooding, it is confronted by a more serious problem—that of a water famine. The raging waters of Cedar river, from which the city obtains its water supply, high in the mountains, washed away a bridge carrying the two big pipe lines that bring the water down to the city. The breaking of the pipes was immediately felt in the most populous residential section which is fed by the intermediate water service. When the break came the reservoirs contained 100,000,000 gallons of water. Ordinarily this would be a five-days supply, but with the present rate of consumption that would be a two-day supply. It can be made to last a week.

SEATTLE RECALL Seattle, Wash., Nov. 20.—The charter revision committee last night decided to recommend to the city council that the number of signers required to call a special recall election should be 25 per cent of all votes cast on the last election as compared with the present number of 25 per cent of those cast for the candidate to be recalled, and that 10 per cent of the signers must go to the city hall to sign the petitions.

HALFAX SAFE Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 20.—The balloon Dusseldorf, which across here last yesterday, landed safely to-day at Monroeville, 110 miles northeast. G. L. Baumbaugh, pilot, and Walter McFitt, aide, had fallen in an effort to lift the balloon up for long distance flight. To accomplish it they would have to travel more than 698 miles.

NEW MINISTER Vienna, Nov. 20.—Ritter Von Saleksi Vienna, the minister of agriculture, has been appointed minister of finance, to replace Dr. Von Meyer. Countman Graf has been appointed minister of agriculture.

WORK OF SELECTING JURY IS SLOW MORE TALESMEN EXCUSSED BY JUDGE Three Jurors Seek to Escape Serving in the McNamara Trial

Shanghai reports fifteen gunboats proceeding to Nanking to co-operate in the rebellion. The Daily Telegraph's Pekin correspondent says anonymous letters have been received by Yuan Shi Kai, warning him that an attempt is to be made to assassinate him and the members of his family. The premier is constantly surrounded by a guard, fearing a revolutionary bomb.

Another matter which has been referred to the garage owners in the case will be an amendment of the by-law dealing with the storage of explosives, as the owners have been limited to a storage capacity of 250 gallons of gasoline. This they consider absolutely inadequate, and it is now proposed to amend the by-law to enable the garage where more than ten gallons are stored to keep two tanks of 250 gallons each at one time, subject to the approval of the fire chief. The absence of regular meetings for a week has created a quantity of business which may not be reached to-morrow, including the letter of H. P. Orton, accountant in the engineering department, who has resigned as a protest against the late changes. The resignation having been declined, he has accordingly sent it to the council. The Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' association has been seen in the press that T. N. Hibben & Son propose to ask permission to construct temporary premises on the burnt block for immediate occupation, owing to the destruction of their building. Hibben & Son sent the council a letter of protest against "any such violation of the fire limits by-law."

Two Killed In Railway Wreck FIVE OTHERS INJURED; ONE PROBABLY FATALY Mail and Freight Trains Collide—Misunderstanding of Orders

Rugby, N. S. W., Nov. 20.—The Great Northern fast mail, No. 208, east-bound, collided head-on with a freight train this morning here yesterday, killing the engineer and a woman of the passenger train and injuring five others. The dead: Isaac Wright, engineer, Devil's Lake, N. D.; Michael O'Leary, fireman, Devil's Lake, N. D. The injured: R. C. Winn, conductor; Mimat, N. D., bruised; Dan Healy, mail clerk, Devil's Lake, head bruised; George Price, express messenger, bruised and cut, probably fatally; Wm. Rodenbaum, brakeman fast mail, legs injured; Jenkins, mail clerk, Devil's Lake, head injured.

REPORTERS BARRED Richmond, Va., Nov. 20.—Superintendent Wood of the state penitentiary announced that reporters would not be admitted to the death chamber Friday when Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., is to be electrocuted for the murder of his wife. Under a state law Virginia newspapers are not permitted to publish details of an execution. Reference to the Beattie murder was made by several ministers in their sermons yesterday.

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 20.—Illness, the seeming evil genius of the McNamara murder trial, dragged another talester from the box to-day, and threatened to take others. William Nicholson, a grocer, asked and obtained an excuse from jury service because of the illness of his wife, so postponing counsel to learn if he could fairly and impartially try James B. McNamara for the murder of Charles J. B. Sexton, whose brother is in the Los Angeles Times explosion a year ago.

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HELD OFFICERS AT BAY FOR 24 HOURS

Man Who Shot Daughter and Her Husband is Now in Jail

Mead, Utah, Nov. 20.—After holding the offenders of Grand county at bay for 24 hours, John F. Brown, who early Friday morning shot his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Dubois, to death and injured wounds upon her husband from which he died later, surrendered to the sheriff at an early hour to-day. The shooting took place on the way home from a dance and is said to have been the result of a trivial quarrel which Dubois said in a statement before he died, started over his refusal to ride home with Brown.

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ITALIANS Nov. 15.—A pro-States senate was elected by the Italians in the Egyptian city of Tripoli at a large charge of the Italian offensive population and children who are simply slain against a being butchered.

KILLED BY LOGGING TRAIN Nanaimo, Nov. 18.—John Greenway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Greenway, of Boat Harbor, was fatally injured at Nanaimo on Thursday when engaged as a conductor on a logging train. He was struck by the tender of a locomotive and terribly injured about the abdomen, death resulting before medical aid could be secured.

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