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KENTUCKY TOWN HAS WILD NIGHT

"Night Raiders" Take Possession and Destroy Tobacco Warehouses

MANY BULLETS FLY ABOUT

Marauders Followed by Improvised Posse But Make Their Escape

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 7.—Five hundred "Night Raiders," masked and heavily armed, marched into Hopkinsville early today and destroyed property valued at over \$200,000, while citizens, in terror of their lives, feared to open their windows. The police, fire department, telephone and telegraph offices, and even the railroad stations, were in possession of a wild mob, shooting right and left, flames from burning buildings meanwhile lighting up the city and the whole town was ablaze.

Only two men were injured, one of them a tobacco buyer, who was severely beaten with clubs, and the other a brakeman, who was shot in the back while trying to move his train. The "Night Raiders" caught the people unawares. For some time the disturbances resulting from the tobacco war had been of a minor nature, and it was generally thought that in the "dark district" at least the war was over.

The property destroyed was two large warehouses. In addition, the entire glass front of the Hopkinsville National Bank, Mayor Mechem's paper, which has been severe in its condemnation of the "Night Raiders," was destroyed, while windows in the front of the Commercial Banking and Savings company, the First National Bank and the Bank of Hopkinsville were punctured by bullet holes.

A number of other business houses and residences bear the marks of bullets, and it is considered remarkable that no one was killed. The insurance is believed to be about \$1,000,000. The "Night Raiders" left town a posse of 15 men, headed by a man whose name is not known.

These men, who were armed with revolvers, shotguns, and rifles, and the pursued returned the shots. It is thought none of the night raiders were hit. The members of the posse escaped injury. They were outdistanced by the mounted men, and after chasing the "marauders" past the town, they returned to town.

There was hardly a house in the business section of the city which did not suffer.

Just why no damage was done by the raiders to the Imperial and American Snuff companies' warehouses is not known. The bank and the other stores had no stock on hand.

Russia and Japan. Tokio, Dec. 7.—M. Shipoff, the former Russian minister of finance, has extended the time of his visit, conferring with the Japanese government, and conferring with the Japanese government, and conferring with the Japanese government.

Deporting Bulgarians. Toronto, Dec. 7.—That the four hundred deportees, who are to have been a city charge for a few days must be deported was the decision of the board of control yesterday. Fifty of them received an order to depart at North Bay, the city offering to provide money to pay their fares to the coast.

Sale of Coacins. Toronto, Dec. 7.—The council of the Ontario College of Pharmacy will ask the Ontario government to forbid the sale of cocaine except on an order from duly qualified physicians. It is claimed that the people of New York state add to the cocaine habit come to Canada for a supply because the law in that state is prohibitive.

W. J. Mitchell's Will. Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—The will of the late William James Mitchell, former wholesale druggist, has just been filed for probate and disposes of \$102,297.59. His estate in Ontario is \$48,829.13. His son, Harold W. Mitchell, and his brother, Harold Mitchell, both of Winnipeg, and his daughter, Inez C. Broughall, of Toronto, are executors of the will. The income from the estate is to be divided equally among two sons, Harold and Edward, and one daughter, Inez C. Broughall, and Mrs. Florence Mitchell, wife of Edward, each receive legacies of \$15 per month during the life of their husbands. At the end of five years each receive legacies of \$500.

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 7.—Hector La Chapelle, a homesteader, living 75 miles from here, arrived in the city last night in charge of friends, and died a few minutes later in the city hospital. His death was a most tragic affair. La Chapelle on Thursday was working with a threshing machine and got his hand caught in the machinery and the member was literally torn from the socket. The nearest physician was absent, and as the moment was of the utmost importance to the homesteader, owing to danger of bleeding to death, the party left for the long drive to Saskatoon. They arrived here last night, and La Chapelle expired a few minutes later. The body was taken back to Zoolandia today, where he leaves a wife and two babies.

ALL-RED ROUTE

Hon. Clifford Sifton Speaks to Gathering at Colonial Liberal Club in London

London, Dec. 7.—Hon. Clifford Sifton addressed the Liberal Colonial club at the Prince's restaurant on the "all-red" route. He said the scheme justified itself on commercial and high political grounds. He pointed out since 24 knot steamers were quite feasible for the Atlantic section, and showed that there was considerable loss for that on the New York route. Ice was not dangerous and navigation of the St. Lawrence was not impracticable and was constantly being improved. He dwelt upon the imperial value of the route as a strategic grid for the empire, and an easily protected food route. He declared it would undoubtedly prove a considerable success from the trade point of view. All governments were committed to the principle and he anticipated an early and favorable reply respecting the feasibility of the scheme from the home government. Even if the scheme did not materialize now it would in the near future.

Hon. William Pember Reeves committed New Zealand to the proposal; at least for the present, after a series of conferences which have been held between United States Ambassador O'Brien and Minister of Foreign Affairs Hayashi. It is agreed to limit emigration to students and commercial men having means of support, and entirely to prevent Japanese laborers from going to New Zealand.

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WINNIPEG'S RELIGIONS

Members of Different Denominations, as Found by Recent Church Census

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—The religious census which was commenced on November 20, is complete, and the following is the result: Church of England, 23,812; Presbyterian, 21,827; Methodist, 16,320; Roman Catholic, 13,888; Baptist, 4,724; Congregational, 4,624; Evangelical Lutheran, 3,624; Hebrew, 2,840; Salvation Army, 836; Various other denominations, 4,682; No preference, 2,840; Refused information available, 512. Total 104,472.

There are also Zoroastrians, Agnostics, Materialists, plain Infidels, Mohammedans, Freethinkers, Mormons, Swedenborgians, Mennonites, Christians, those who call their particular belief "The Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man," others who claim to be of the "Church established by Christ while on earth," Ethical Spiritualists, Shakers, and others.

Children under four years were not counted.

Coming to Victoria Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Samson Walker, ex-M.P.E. for North Winnipeg, left with Mrs. Walker and family to spend the winter in Victoria.

Regina, Dec. 7.—A prisoner named W. Ireton, alias Redding, who was sent to Regina from Estevan, escaped from a guard room at the barracks yesterday morning and is still at large. Keys were left lying about it is alleged, and the man unlocked the door and escaped without difficulty. It is suspected that a policeman assisted in his escape, and three members of the force are now under arrest.

WILL NOT LIMIT ON EMIGRATION

Japanese Government Gives Assurance to Canada and the States

LABORERS NOT TO COME

Hon. R. Lemieux to Have Final Conference at Tokio Tomorrow

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BIG STEAMSHIPS HAVE DIFFICULTIES

Celtic Swept by Mountainous Seas—Carmania Grounds at New York

New York, Dec. 7.—After a stormy passage the White Star liner Celtic arrived today with two of her lifeboats afloat, the lashings of her fastenings wrenched from their fastenings, and her superstructure showing visible evidences of constant battering with mountainous seas, which pelted over her bows and tore along her decks. The Celtic was delayed several hours by a constant succession of gales, and only on one day during the voyage did the passengers catch a glimpse of the sun.

The big Canadian liner Carmania, which became wedged fast on a soft mud bank across the new Ambrose channel while leaving port today for Europe, was floated into deep water by the tug "Tribune" and returned to quarantine, apparently none the worse for her experience. She will probably continue her voyage tonight.

She was the first trans-Atlantic liner to go aground in the new fairway for vessels of large draught.

"The Pilgrim Progress" has been translated into 208 languages and dialects.

INSURANCE COLLAPSE

Excelsior Company at New York Applies to Court for Voluntary Bankruptcy

New York, Dec. 7.—The Excelsior Fire Insurance company, for which Attorney General Jackson sought a receiver on Tuesday, applied to the Supreme Court today for voluntary bankruptcy.

The application was made through T. B. Armstrong, John Jenkins and other directors of the corporation. Justice Truax assigned J. Campbell as referee to investigate its merits.

Among the assets claimed by the insurance company is the deposit of \$13,000 in the Borough Bank of Brooklyn, which the directors of the bank repudiated. "Bullington" on October 25, 1907, the bank closed. The incorporators of the insurance company included Wm. Gow and Edward Maxwell, two were indicted in connection with the suspensions of several of the Brooklyn banks.

SCAFFOLD IS READY

Execution of Gowland, the Killarney Murderer, to Take Place on Friday Next

Morden, Man., Dec. 7.—Contractor Eggo returned to Winnipeg after superintending the erection of the scaffold for the execution of Lawrence Gowland, the Killarney murderer, on December 13th. It is within an enclosure 12 by 14 feet, adjoining the jail. An executioner has been secured, but his name is being kept a secret.

Gowland is but little moved by the prospect of his death without concern, and with an expression of regret. Four clergymen are in constant attendance. Gowland spends considerable time reading, chiefly religious books. An effort has been made by some leading citizens to secure a reprieve, but little hope is held out for the condemned man.

LIFETIME OF WORK

Chicago Man of Seventy-one Who Never Missed a Day's Pay in Forty-five Years

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Robert G. Lucas, 71 years old, resigned his position in the office of the American Express company last night, ending a 45-year term of service as a receiver, which he has never missed a day's pay. For 70 years Mr. Lucas had no need of the attention of a physician. Less than a year ago he felt a decline in health and began treatment. His throat was operated on by the company. Overwork also is credited for his general falling off in health.

Mr. Lucas began work for the American Express company as an express messenger. He gives the following advice to those who would emulate his example: "Good health is as great a requisite of a good worker as good brains. I have observed that the men who get highest were those who were not complainers, and who didn't watch the clock too closely."

"Pass up the drinks! I've seen boys put more men out of jobs than bad times. A man should have eight hours' sleep out of every 24. That does not mean four one night and 12 the next. I have observed that the men who follow the advice, if he tells you to wrap up your throat in a red flannel rag soaked in kerosene, do it."

GOLDFIELD PEOPLE WELCOME TROOPS

All Orderly and Quiet in Nevada Town—Western Federation Indignant

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 7.—The United States troops arrived this afternoon and were warmly received by crowds of citizens. Everything is quiet and orderly.

Governor Sparks did not come to Goldfield. He intended to be met by Capt. Wilcox, a Spanish-American war veteran on his staff, as his personal representative.

There was intense, but suppressed, excitement in Goldfield last night over the expected arrival of United States troops. The country officers have signed all the country officers have signed a protest against troops coming to Goldfield, and sent it to the governor. Some of the mine officers expressed the opinion last night that the coming of the troops means a permanent garrison at Goldfield. It was declared that the plan had been under consideration for several months, and that a number of applications have been made by the mine owners throughout the state for such action by the war department.

Denver, Col., Dec. 7.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Western Federation of Miners in this city, it was agreed to levy an assessment upon the members of the union for the benefit of the Goldfield strikers.

The possibility of securing a congressional investigation of President Roosevelt's action in sending troops to Nevada, was discussed and it was practically decided to bring the matter to the attention of Congress.

"The action of the present in sending troops to Goldfield was the result of a pre-arranged conspiracy between Wall street interests and Governor Sparks," declared acting president Mahoney, after the executive committee had voted absolutely no need for such action.

"ALL RED" ROUTE SPECULATIONS

Lord Strathcona and Mr. Sifton Take Imperial Subsidy for Granted

THE AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Opinion is Given That C. P. R. Co-operation is Necessary at Present

Montreal, Dec. 6.—A special London cable says: Lord Strathcona and Mr. Sifton both say they are acting on the assumption that the Imperial government is committed to a substantial subsidy to the All-Red project. The question remaining to be settled with the British ministers are questions of detail. Australia is apparently the least enthusiastic, she being now committed to the expense of a renewal of the contract with the Canadian Pacific. The Kam river is practically clear of ice, and boats have little difficulty in navigating.

Another more important question still open is how far Australia and New Zealand are prepared to go in support of the All-Red project. The weather has been extremely mild the past few days, the thermometer averaging above freezing point. The Kam river is practically clear of ice, and boats have little difficulty in navigating.

Another knotty question still unsettled is the attitude towards the project of the C. P. R. Discussions here point to see Montreal make it quite clear that the success of the project as an imperial whole must depend upon the financial and administrative support of the Canadian Pacific, at all events for several years to come, before any transcontinental lines are completed. This element precludes the first ideas of an independent steamship undertaking, with Lord Strathcona and Mr. Sifton at its head. In fact the Canadian Pacific holds the key to the position, and must be conciliated.

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HUNTER KILLED

Discharge of His Gun Proves Fatal to Himself While Attacking Wolf

Sheho, Sask., Dec. 7.—Details have been received of a distressing fatality in the neighborhood of Ebemer, about thirty miles southeast. A German, name unknown, had come to the district for the purpose of hunting, and went out on horseback, accompanied by his hounds. Having run down a wolf he alighted and struck it on the head with the barrels of his gun. The wolf charged and the man was killed by the discharge of the gun. The man was killed by the discharge of the gun. The wolf charged and the man was killed by the discharge of the gun.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7.—Steamer Empress of Britain arrived at Halifax 4:15 p. m. today, sailed 5 p. m. for St. John.

Manitoba Game Licenses Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Up to date 3,119 game licenses have been issued by the Department of Agriculture for the protection of Manitoba. They are still coming in at the rate of twenty-five per day. In all probability the number will be 3,200, as compared with 2,600 last year.

Mrs. Bryan for Europe. New York, Dec. 7.—Mrs. William Jennings Bryan and her youngest daughter sailed today on the steamer "Cristina" for Europe. They will spend the winter abroad.

CASE OF THE CARMEN

Grand Chief Renemus Gives Evidence Before the Conciliation Board at Winnipeg

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Frank L. Renemus, grand chief of the Carman of America, gave evidence all yesterday afternoon and this morning before the conciliation committee. He presented in full the situation and the standpoint of the carmen, bringing up a great many technical points in regard to the organization. He also told of the principles and the objects which govern the work of the association. The general principle was laid down that the carmen on each side of the line work together and hold together as general principles, though subject to the laws of the land. The schedules may be different but on the great issues they are as one. However, the whole tendency of the evidence given by Mr. Renemus tended toward conciliation rather than towards a separation of the interests of the men and the company.

Renemus left tonight for Crookston, Minn. The board has adjourned to meet again Monday morning.

LAKE SEASON CLOSING

Most of Grain Boats Have Left Fort William—Weather Unusually Mild

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 7.—Navigation is nearing a close, the majority of the grain boats having cleared from port this morning. The steamer Huronic, with twenty-five hundred tons, seventeen hundred being for the C. P. R., arrived here this morning. The weather has been extremely mild the past few days, the thermometer averaging above freezing point. The Kam river is practically clear of ice, and boats have little difficulty in navigating.

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