

STORM RAGES IN MIDDLE WEST

Rain, Sleet, Snow and High Wind Create Climatic Chaos in Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Illinois.

TELEGRAPH WIRES PUT OUT OF COMMISSION

Barometer in Chicago Weather Bureau Stands at 29, Which Is Minimum Record for Illinois Metropolis.

CHICAGO, Friday, Jan. 29.—Rain, snow, sleet and a high wind which reached a maximum of seventy-two miles an hour at Kansas City, created climatic chaos in the Middle West today.

Although the Middle West was in the clutches of a gale which wrought some property damage in various sections and, as in Iowa, took the guise of a blizzard, no serious damage resulted.

Opens House Lined Egg. The severe winter storm in the early dispatches from Monticello, Mo., where the roof of the opera house was blown off, killing two persons.

WIND AND DUST PLAY HAVOC IN OKLAHOMA. ENID, Okla., Friday, Jan. 29.—The most severe winter storm in six years prevailed in Northwest Oklahoma yesterday afternoon, causing more or less damage to crops, stock and buildings.

TORNADO REPORTED AT MACON, GEORGIA

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Friday, Jan. 29.—It is reported that a tornado demolished the Truitt Hotel and several buildings at Macon, Georgia.

REWARDS OFFERED FOR ARREST OF CHINESE

Immigration Officer Determines to Break Up Traffic Between Mexico and Los Angeles.

JUMPS THROUGH TRAIN WINDOW AND DISAPPEARS

Chicago & Northwestern Officials Puzzled at Actions of Strange Man at Maple Park.

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SETTLER WINS LAND CASE

Federal Judge Decides Suits for Railroad Property Must Be Tried in State Where Ground Is Located.

PIERCE COUNTY MAN SUES HARRIMAN ROAD

Termination of Litigation Will Establish Precedent in Claim for Grants at Price of \$2.50 Per Acre.

TACOMA, Friday, Jan. 29.—The refusal of the federal court at Tacoma, Wash., yesterday to grant a plea in abatement in favor of the Oregon & California Railroad indicates that the first trial of the issues involved in the alleged refusal of the company to sell its land and grant at \$2.50 per acre will be tried out in the state of Washington.

ROBINSON MAY PROCEED AGAINST NEWSPAPERS. Douglas Robinson Signs Affidavit and Federal Authorities May Delay Their Suit.

NEW YORK, Friday, Jan. 29.—Uncertainty as to what action would be taken on the suggestion of District Attorney Jerome at New York in the alleged suit of the government's suit against the New York World for libel, that the federal grand jury in New York in their stead has been in a measure removed by the signing of an affidavit by Douglas Robinson, brother-in-law of the President.

BALKAN SITUATION CAUSES MUCH ANXIETY

Bulgaria Calls Out Her Reserves and Powers Try to Bring About Peace With Turkey.

SINCLAIR MAY BE NEXT GOVERNOR OF CANADA

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 29.—It is reported that Right Hon. John Sinclair, secretary for Scotland, will be the next governor-general of Canada.

WILLIAM H. TAFT'S SHIP SIGHTED OFF COLON

COLON, Friday, Jan. 29.—The cruiser North Carolina, of the United States navy, was sighted off this port at 3 o'clock this morning. She is coming in rapidly and will anchor about 10.

OREGON DAY AT A-Y-E EXPOSITION

PORTLAND, Ore., Friday, Jan. 29.—July 17 has been formally selected as the "Official State of Oregon Day" at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle.

FIGURES GIVEN ON JAPANESE IMMIGRATION

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 29.—Secretary of Commerce and Labor Oscar S. Straus forwarded a letter to Senator Frank P. Flint, of California, discussing the statistics of the department of commerce and labor covering the immigration of Japanese to the United States.

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LAND LAW TO AFFECT ALL ALIENS

Assemblyman A. M. Drew Proposes That No Foreigners Be Allowed to Own Real Estate in California.

JAPANESE CANNOT ALLEGE DISCRIMINATION

Suggested Legislation Said to Be in Conformity With Expressed Views of National Authorities.

SACRAMENTO, Friday, Jan. 29.—Assemblyman A. M. Drew, of Fresno, Cal., introduced in the Legislature today a substitute for the alien land bill that President Roosevelt objected to on the grounds that it discriminated against Japanese in denying aliens the right to own land.

Extension of Time. Assemblyman Drew introduced his new bill just before adjournment this afternoon. It is referred to a select committee of one, but Assemblyman Morse, Palmer, Sladden, E. M. Stevens, Tennant, Thayer, Tonkin and Webster. The absentees were Ghent, Locke, McMullen, Morris, Renick, Stewart and Well.

Make Joke of It. There was a great deal of good-natured raillery indulged in, and the final vote was taken amid almost general merriment. The majority of the members apparently treated the subject as a joke.

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NEW CODE OF CRIMINAL LAW PROPOSED FOR WASHINGTON

Prosecuting Attorneys Draft Bill for Legislature That Rearranges Statutes on Pool Selling, Insanity Pleas and All Classes of Felonies and Misdemeanors

OLYMPIA, Friday, Jan. 29.—The code commission's report, which will repeal practically all the present criminal statutes and give this state a new and complete criminal code, will be turned over to the judiciary committees of both houses Monday.

In the main, attorneys who have gone over the work of the code commission agree with their recommendations, but undoubtedly a fight will come on the effort to increase the authority of prosecuting attorneys by permitting them to issue warrants and have them served by office deputies.

Another important change that will be made will be to impose a penalty of not to exceed ten years' imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a hunter who kills a hunting companion. This is intended to do away with the increasing number of tragedies in the woods where one man "mistakes" another for a deer or bear.

POOL SELLERS AND BOOKMAKERS

Two sections in the code as now practically completed refer to pool selling and bookmaking. These sections are farther reaching than the Hanson bill, which will be sidetracked for the code commission's work.

MISDEMEANORS CLASSIFIED

Two classes of misdemeanor are created in the new code; the first a plain misdemeanor punishable by a maximum fine of \$250 or three months' imprisonment or both.

PAWN BROKING

A pawnbroking section is written in that will only apply to cities of the first class. A maximum interest charge of 3 per cent a month is allowed, which cuts from 2 to 7 per cent off the usual pawnbroking rates.

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