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THE FLEETING NEWS

IS CAUGHT ON THE WING FOR OUR READERS.

The Boomers Perishing by Hundreds by the Howling Winds of the Plains - Big Fire at Pittsburgh - Bill Dalton and His Gang of Train Robbers Seen in Indiana.

THE BOOMERS

As Scrobbled by the Hot Winds of the Plains.

Guthrie (O. T.) special: Thousands upon thousands of people are still arriving daily to enter the prairie lands, and the situation is indeed getting serious all along the line. With from 4,000 to 12,000 people lined up at each registering booth and the clerks all tired out to start with, little headway is being made and the lines are longer than ever. The temperature 102° in the shade, hot winds blowing clouds of dust with a scorching little rain, and prospect of spending a long time in line have disgusted many and fully 500 people have boarded the trains and left for their homes. Two men died near Hennessy of prostration, and one poor old negro who came all the way from Georgia to get a home perished, drowning and died.

At Stillwater the crowd is getting unruly again and trouble is expected. A score of people are dangerously sick and one died. The fires which started in the Pawnee reservation have swept over a large section of country, burning off grass and destroying the improvements that Indians have made on their allotments.

A score of people are missing at Pawnee and it is feared that some of them have perished in the fires.

At Arkansas City 12,000 people are in line and registering proceeds slowly. Four persons died from the effects of exposure and twenty fainted in line.

At Orlando 8,000 people are in line and eight train loads of people are en route from Kansas City and other points. People are dropping over by the score and hundreds leaving in disgrace.

The Dalton Gang in Indiana.

Indianapolis special: Chief of Police Collier received word that Bill Dalton, the notorious train robber from the west, had been captured and found in a box car at Rockford, a small station on the Indianapolis and Indianapolis Railroad, about forty-three miles southwest of the city. Posse were sent down the road but nothing further had been heard of the robbers. It is believed that after they were discovered they bolted south.

The country is so wild that it will be as difficult to get the gang as it was when they left Kentaville, for it is supposed that Dalton's gang is the one that held up the Lake Shore express. It is said that Dalton originally came from the southern part of the State and it is believed that he is trying to reach friends or relatives in the southern hills.

Defining Insurance Risks on Farm Property.

A special from Peru, Ind., says: There is every reason to believe that most of the large fire insurance companies doing business in the northern portion of the State are seriously considering the advisability of continuing to write the class of business known as farm risks. The majority have ceased writing this class or have applied such restriction around agents so as to make the acceptance almost an impossibility. It is the larger companies remaining which make a specialty of this class, that are wishing to withdraw.

Fire at Pittsburgh.

The wholesale grocery store of J. C. Hill & Co., running through from 62 Water street to 64 First avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., was completely destroyed by fire. The storage warehouse of Hostetter & Co., in an adjoining building, was damaged. J. C. Hill & Co., lost \$20,000; D. H. Hostetter, owner of the building, loss, \$4,000; Hostetter & Co., loss, \$10,000. The losses are fully covered by insurance.

Dropped Dead.

Samuel Lamb, 74 years old, dropped dead at the home of his son-in-law, near Richmond, Ind. The deceased was at one time the Sheriff of the Indiana Supreme Court and later he was Sheriff of Howard County. He was well known throughout Indiana.

McBride Short \$10,000.

The examination of the books of the Supreme Treasurer, McBride of the Indiana State Auditor, of the State of Indiana, confirms the shortage of \$10,000. Some officers do not believe him guilty, however, of stealing the amount.

Wreck on the B. & O.

A Baltimore and Ohio freight train was wrecked near Dillon's Falls, about three miles west of Zanesville, Ohio. Engineer Tom Fisher of Newark, Ohio, was killed and twelve cars derailed and demolished.

Against Holman.

Indianaapolis special: The Lawrenceburg Register, which has been the staunch political friend of Congressman Holman for the past sixteen years, is now making a forcible opposition to Holman's longer continuance in Congress, upon the ground that he has not been true to his friends and because Dearborn County has been too long deprived of its share of joint officers because Holman lived within its borders.

Murdered by White-Caps.

At Dunlap, a station about thirty miles from Chattanooga, Lafayette Grimes was murdered from ambush. The old man was whipped by "White-Caps" last week and had caused the arrest of four assailants. In order to prevent their being tried against them, the White-Caps laid in wait with shotguns and riddled his body. The authorities are not very anxious to meet the murderer.

Flight Causes Loss of Life.

The Catholic Congress fixed to open in Thessaloniki has been prohibited by the Hungarian Minister of the Interior, owing to the prevalence of cholera. The congress would have attracted 8,000 people.

IRON MEN ARE AROUSED.

Metaska Range Consolidation Has Stirred Them to Action.

It is a royal battle beyond the glories now to see the details of the Metaska range consolidation between the Duluth and New York interests been telegraphed over the country than the leading officials of the Minnesota Iron Company stirred themselves. The Minnesota Iron Company has been eagerly at work for the past few months, since the beginning of the year to realize the iron proposition. One of the leading spirits of the Minnesota is that another combination as strong as the Rockefeller-Merritt combination would be perfected soon and that the Minnesota would be the nucleus. The Minnesota is capitalized at \$16,500,000, while there will be from \$23,000,000 to \$30,000,000 of consolidation.

The Duluth and Iron Range Railway, reaching both ranges, while the consolidated owns the Duluth, Metaska and Northern. The Minnesota owns a magnificent fleet of eight great steel ships of 2,500 tons capacity, while the consolidated controls the American steel barge fleet of 70,000 tons and still living—some of them active.

GIVEN TO UNCLE SAM.

Formal Presentation of the Caravels to the United States.

The caravels belong to Uncle Sam now. Stern Captain, a long sea voyage, stood tall the Castilian standard, snapping at the tops of tall, red flag poles, and delivered the historic fleet to Captain Berry, U. S. N. S., Tuesday, at Chicago. The American voyage accepted the fleet and a few moments later Assistant Secretary of the Navy McClosky formally took the command of the government of the United States. There were cheers for brave Captain Concas and his crew, shouts for the little King of Spain and his mother, the queen regent, and plaudits of eternal friendship between the two nations, and then Captain Concas hurried away, leaving pleasant memories of his stay.

FIRST GUN IN OHIO.

McKinley Opens the State Campaign at Toledo.

At Akron, Ohio, the Republican State campaign was inaugurated with a speech by Governor McKinley. Prominent Republicans from all parts of the State were present and the number of visitors from adjacent towns and the surrounding country was large. The campaign was opened for an over-night meeting, Mr. McKinley began by referring to the Sherman law and the present extra session of Congress called to repeal it. The majority of Republicans in Congress, he declared, favored repeal. If the bill is repealed it will help the joint work of Republicans and Democrats. If it is not repealed the responsibility will rest upon the Democratic party which is chargeable with public legislation.

RIVALS JESSE JAMES.

Train Robbers Perform Their Star Act on a Lake Shore Train.

Twenty masked men held up a Lake Shore train 14 miles from Chicago near midnight, Monday, and after wounding the engineer blew open the safe in the express car and stole its contents. The express car was not damaged.

United States Express Company, and is supposed to have contained a large sum of money.

At 4 o'clock Tuesday morning the Chicago officials of the road had not heard the details of the robbery.

The only information had been the mere announcement that the train had been robbed.

One of the Lake Shore officials was present at the meeting of the Wyoan, who started at noon for the train dispatcher's office at the depot, where a special train was being made up for the officials of the railroad. At 5 o'clock this train left the Twelfth street depot to make a quick trip to Kendallville, Ind., the scene of the robbery.

MOB HANGS A NEGRO.

Ben Jackson, Who Poisoned Seven People, Taken from Jail and Lynched.

At Quincy, Ill., shortly after midnight Tuesday night, the mob of the last show of Ben Jackson, who had been held up at the jail, took Ben Jackson, colored, to a tree near by and swung him to a limb, after which his body was perforated with bullets. The crime for which Jackson was lynched was the poison of the families of Thomas Woodruff and his two sons, numbering twenty-five people, from the efforts of which Jackson does. Jackson placed three packages of poison in Woodruff's well and when the members of the family drank the water all of them were taken violently ill, two dying before a physician could be summoned.

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The second child of the President will not be named Grover Cleveland second. It is a girl. Baby Ruth's sister was born at the same time.

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