

FIFTY-FIRST YEAR

WATERWORKS WAR WAGES IN OGDEN.

Predicted Conflict Between Company's Agents
and Consumers—Several Arrests—100
Extra Policemen—Much Excitement.

(Special to the "News.")

Ogden, March 25.—Active war is now on between the city council and the Ogden Waterworks company. Hostilities commenced at an early hour this morning. What the result will be is uncertain. The result will be decided by the fact that the battle will be fought in the courts with much money, determination and ability on both sides.

As is well known the municipality is contending for claims that it will fight to the bitter end, and has notified the company to pay their water rent. The company, however, has refused to do so until after a termination of the war in the courts at least.

This morning the company commenced turning off the water and it was found that actual police force was needed. The regular police and one hundred extra policemen were sworn in and arrested several of the company's agents followed by the city council.

There is much excitement and much indignation on the part of the people.

COLLISION AND ARRESTS.

Robert Shipley, an employee of the Waterworks company, started the row by going to the residence of Councilman George W. Jones to shut off the water. Mr. Shipley and his son were at home and a collision occurred between them and the police. The police were notified and several arrests were made.

OTHER ARRESTS.

Louis Langren and William Shipley, two other employees of the company, proceeded to the residence of Councilman George W. Jones to shut off the water. They were arrested by the police.

DESIGN OF THE FEDERAL BUILDING

Will be Four Stories—First of Granite—Rest Lime or Sandstone—Will Front on East Temple Street.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., March 25.—The design for the Salt Lake building as now laid out by the supervising architect of the treasury department contemplates a four-story building of limestone or sandstone above the first story, that be of granite.

The front of the building will be on East Temple street, with a second entrance on Market street, and its exterior will be treated in modern French Renaissance, with heavily rusticated basement and cut stone, relieved by elaborate carving above, the whole culminating in the main front in rich carved stone above the balustrade with topped all is a large American eagle.

The entrance, marked by ornate iron lanterns, gives immediate access to the portico corridor, while the door on Market street, which is conveniently close to the staircase and elevator to the upper stories, will open directly into the portico corridor. The first floor is entirely devoted to the uses of the city postoffice, as is also a portion of the basement. There will be a

SSOW BLOCKADE ON U. P.

President Durt and Union Pacific Party Held Up in Nebraska.

From word received in this city this afternoon the Union Pacific expects to get the track clear in Nebraska by this evening so that traffic can be resumed upon the lines that were in vogue before the great snow storm of the past two days struck the corn states. At the same time President Durt and party are expected to be held up in Nebraska. Special telegrams from Nebraska state that the trains which were sidetracked at that place yesterday are now being cared for by the driftings. The engines are being cared for and suffering from nothing. Two engines with a half a mile west of Ogallala, which is full of drift snow. The snow here is somewhat abated, but the engines are being cared for.

GREYHOUND PIPE LINE.

Cheney to Patten Razer Back Hogs on Sage Brush Rook.

Cheney has a candidate for the county long held by Muthall, the champion Munchausen of America. Cheney, published in the Deseret, is the following special report: "R. C. Austin and P. U. Cheney have passed through the city on an interesting mission on a mission to the county of Cheney. These gentlemen are extensive owners in the Cheney and water-oak forest of Cheney, and will, if they find the enterprise feasible, purchase a Wyoming

THE COUNCIL ACTS.

The intention of the Ogden Waterworks company to shut off all water to consumers who have not paid their water rental for this season, and the firm stand taken by the city council, mayor and city attorney, to prevent the company stopping the water from the consumers, has caused much comment and may result in considerable litigation before the question is decided as to whether the waterworks system belongs to the city or to the company.

Saturday evening the city council held a special session to decide what should be done in order to protect their rights and the rights of the citizens, and they issued the following letter of instructions to the chief of police, and in his absence from the state the matter was referred to Captain Browning of the police department:

"To John Conlisk, chief of police, Ogden: Sir—According to rumors which in some instances appear to be well founded we are led to believe that there is a probability of violence occurring between water subscribers and Ogden Waterworks employees, as a result of differences of opinion regarding the ownership and right to control certain water equipments.

To guard against the possibility of such an outbreak and at the same time to protect the rights and property of our citizens as well as those of the water company you are hereby authorized if in your judgment you deem it necessary, to swear in not to exceed one hundred (100) policemen and to keep said special policemen on duty as long as you deem necessary or until otherwise directed by the mayor or council.

"You are hereby directed to enforce law and order to the full extent, Yours respectfully,

"M. S. BROWNING, Mayor.

"H. H. THOMAS, "GEORGE W. JONES, "J. W. ARBOTT, "A. W. BROWN, "D. H. CARL, "C. W. CROSS, "H. J. POWERS."

Three councilmen were absent from the conference, namely: Flynn, Emmett and Parry, but it is claimed that they are all in sympathy with the address.

LOGAN CITY SCHOOL BOARDS

Reduced One-half of One Per Cent—Change in Tabernacle Choir.

(Special to the "News.")

Logan, March 25.—At the special meeting of the Logan City school board held Saturday evening, the Utah Mortgage Loan company of Logan took up the \$33,500 in school bonds at 4 1/2 per cent. The bonds formerly paid 5 per cent. The meeting to discuss taxation called for the same evening was well attended. There were addresses by Thos. Irvine, Jacob West, Wm. Waterson and J. Z. Stewart. It was chosen that the tax valuation in Logan City is greater than the cash valuation, while in outside precincts it is as low in some instances as one-fifth of its cash valuation as proven by sales.

A committee comprising Messrs. Joseph Morrell, H. G. Hayball and J. Z. Stewart was appointed to ask the county court for a more equitable assessment.

The Utah Agricultural College board held a special meeting Saturday and in addition to locating site for the new outbuildings, it authorized Messrs. McCormick and Adams to consult architects regarding the New Front building.

The Logan choir is being reorganized and enlarged by a committee composed of Messrs. Ballard, Wilmore and Batt, and will give a series of concerts in the near future.

PUBLIC MORALS AGAIN.

Subject Once More the Theme of Ministers—"Cant" Also Discussed.

The Salt Lake Ministers' association held its regular weekly meeting this morning in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. The subject of public morals in Salt Lake was again taken up and the sermons delivered by several of the ministers yesterday were discussed. These sermons were made according to plans

COULD'S PLAN OF CONSOLIDATION

New York Speculation as to the Missouri Pacific.

AS TO THE RIO GRANDE.

Option on the Purchase of the Rio Grande Western Expired at Noon Today—Probably Taken.

(Special to the "News.")

New York, March 25.—The Missouri Pacific's plans for the immediate future are now attracting attention in the financial district and indications of the pendency of important projects in the affairs of this system are manifested.

The strength of the Denver & Rio Grande and Rio Grande Western stocks is pointed out as evidence of the success of the schemes which George J. Gould has been fostering. Advice from Albuquerque, New Mexico, yesterday, was to the effect that the Goulds and Rockefeller purchased to build from El Paso, Texas, to Santa Rita, New Mexico, and thence to Santa Fe, El Paso, is the western terminal of the Missouri Pacific and Santa Fe is reached by the southernmost branch of the Goulds' system.

The Missouri Pacific itself already connects with the Denver & Rio Grande at Pueblo and Denver, Colorado, and George J. Gould has admittedly bought a controlling interest in the latter road. It is expected to turn the over Missouri Pacific under terms not yet indicated.

Inasmuch as the Denver & Rio Grande directors recently received an option to purchase the Rio Grande Western and as stock market developments lead to the belief that that option has been or will be exercised, the project to build from El Paso to Santa Fe seems part of one big plan to extend the Missouri Pacific system not only all through Colorado but through Utah and New Mexico as well. The control of the Denver & Rio Grande, which has a traffic arrangement with the Rio Grande Western, even if it has not agreed to buy the latter, assures to Missouri Pacific an outlet to the Pacific coast via Ogden which is reached by the Rio Grande Western and is also on the line of the Southern Pacific.

The regular spring meeting of the Missionary union will be held on Thursday next, at the First Methodist church, beginning at 10:30. There will also be afternoon and evening sessions.

The young ladies of the Fourth ward Mutual improvement association will give an old time dance on Saturday night for the woman's building fund.

A letter from President Cannon to-day, written Friday, states that he is much better and that he was able to take a carriage ride the day before.

ROUGH TRIP OF THE ETRURIA.

One Passenger Goes Insane and Another Commits Suicide.

New York, March 25.—The Cunard line steamer Etruria, which arrived last night from Liverpool and Queens- town, was detained in the lower bay on account of a dense fog, which prevailed all night. She reached quarantine early this morning. Heavy weather was encountered March 21 and 22, commencing with a westerly gale, which changed to the northwest, blowing a hard gale with free hail squalls and high seas.

Several passengers were bruised and one sustained an injury resulting in the attention of the ship's surgeon. An Irish girl, one of the steerage passengers, became so alarmed at the violent pitching and tossing of the steamer that she became demented. She is still very ill.

A second cabin passenger named Frederick Sawicki, a Roumanian, committed suicide by hanging. His body was hurled at sea.

The Anchor line steamer Britannia, which arrived last night from Montreal, was detained at quarantine owing to a case of smallpox among the steerage passengers. The patient will be sent to North Brothers island. The passengers will be vaccinated and the steamer thoroughly disinfected before she is allowed to proceed.

Mrs. Nation Upbraids a Saloon Keeper

St. Louis, March 25.—Mrs. Carrie Nation favored St. Louis with a short visit today, en route to Cincinnati. The famous saloon-wrecker stopped here between trains and visited a liquor establishment on Market street that had been named after her.

Mrs. Nation called the proprietor to task for daring to name his establishment after her. The saloon man said he belonged to the nation, an old his customers, and he meant to retain the name. Mrs. Nation was compelled to continue her journey without securing the object of her visit. She was followed by a crowd as soon as her identity became known.

Mrs. Nation will meet her manager in Cincinnati, and will proceed to Lexington, Kentucky, where she will lecture tonight. Several more lectures will be delivered by Mrs. Nation on this trip before returning home.

Nebraska Senatorial Contest.

Lincoln, Nebraska, March 25.—The ballot on United States senator today was as follows:

Allen (fusion) 55; Hitchcock (fusion) 54; D. E. Thompson 18; Crounse 6; Currie 7; McKelvie 24; Hinshaw 16; Rosewater 22; Scattering 3.

FEAR THE BOERS.

Town Guard Called Out at Queens-town, Cape Colony.

Queens-town, Cape Colony, March 25.—The town guard here has been called out owing to reports that a force of Boers is near the town. Business has been shut down and the town is in a state of alarm. The Boers are said to be twenty miles off and are alleged to have crossed the railroad near Drummond.

Lord Salisbury Ill.

London, March 25.—The report that Lord Salisbury is ill is somewhat exaggerated. He suffered from a slight cold in the head yesterday but is better today.

SOLDIERS SABERED AND BAYONETTED

Englishmen at Tien Tsin Receive Rough Treatment.

GERMANS SAID TO BE GUILTY

Britons Were Acting as Policemen—Indemnity Committee Meets—Russia is Still in the Contest.

Tien Tsin, March 25.—In an affray last evening two members of the Welsh fusilier regiment and a member of the Victorian contingent, who were acting as policemen, were sabered and bayoneted. It is alleged that Germans were the principal culprits.

INDEMNITY COMMITTEE MEETS.

Berlin, March 25.—A dispatch from Pekin to the Cologne Gazette, dated Sunday, March 24, says that at the first formal meeting of the committee on indemnity, held in Pekin Sunday, it was decided to invite Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese imperial maritime customs; Mr. Favier, vicar apostolic at Pekin, and other experts, financial and otherwise, to submit proposals on the best methods for raising the amount of indemnity to be demanded from China.

It is not likely, on account of Sir Robert Hart's increasing age and the gradual approach of feebleness, that he will continue long in charge of the imperial customs on behalf of the powers.

The body of Capt. Riley and seven enlisted men, which were buried at the American legation, were removed to the temple of agriculture, this morning with military honors. Gen. Chavre and staff accompanying the remains. The body of an American marine, which was buried at the Russian legation, will be removed on Tuesday with the same honors. The bodies will leave on board the transport Eshbar for the United States about the middle of April.

The signal corps has completed all arrangements and is awaiting transportation to Manila.

RUSSIA IN THE CONCERT STILL.

London, March 25.—Replying to Sir Ellis Ashmeade-Bartlett, conservative, who asked in the house of commons today whether Russia had presented China with a modified agreement regarding Manchuria and whether Russia had withdrawn from the so-called concert of Europe, the under foreign secretary, Lord Cranborne, said the government understood that the terms of the proposed agreement were still under discussion, but he was unable to make any positive statement on the subject. The Russian government, he added, had informed the government of Great Britain that Russia has no intention of withdrawing co-operation with the other powers in China.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

Yokohama, March 25.—Replying to a question in the house of peers today, the minister for foreign affairs said that Japan had not communicated with Russia in regard to the Manchurian agreement.

The matter of the dismissal from office of Mr. McCreedy Brown, director general of Korean customs, announced yesterday from Seoul, is reported to have been settled.

TWO IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS

W. A. Rodenburg to be Civil Service Commissioner and E. L. Allen, Com. P. A's.

Washington, March 25.—The President has appointed ex-representative W. A. Rodenburg, of Illinois, a member of the civil service commission, to succeed the late Hon. Mark S. Brower and E. L. Allen, of Auburn, N. Y., commissioner of patents to succeed Commissioner Dyer, resigned.

The selection of Rodenburg removes one of the factors which have delayed the appointment of the St. Louis exposition commissioners. Mr. Rodenburg's friends pressed persistently for one of the places, and it is generally believed that Mr. Rodenburg's candidacy clashed directly with that of Prof. Northrup, of Minnesota. The announcement of the commission is now expected within a few days.

Application of Alexander McKenzie for a Habeas Corpus Denied.

Washington, March 25.—The United States Supreme court today denied the application of Alexander McKenzie for leave to file a petition for writ of habeas corpus releasing him from imprisonment in California under the proceedings of the circuit court of appeals for contempt in connection with his conduct as receiver of certain mines in Alaska. The decision of the court was based on the ground that a habeas corpus proceeding cannot be made the basis of a proceeding in error. The opinion was handed down by the chief justice.

Millionaire Rice's Will.

New York, March 25.—Surrogate Fitzgerald has fixed Monday, April 8, for the trial of the contest of the will of the late millionaire, Wm. Marsh Rice. Albert T. Patrick, the lawyer who drew one of the wills in which he is the principal beneficiary, is in the Tombs awaiting trial on a charge of murdering the aged millionaire. The lawyers engaged in the contest include some of the foremost members of the New York bar. Some of them have declined all retainers for the ensuing six months.

Charlotte M. Yonge, Dead.

London, March 25.—Charlotte Mary Yonge, the author, died yesterday in Winchester. She was born August 11, 1823.

Marseilles Strike Situation.

Marseilles, March 25.—The strike situation has undergone little change. There have been no further disorders, more street cars are running today, quietly trying to influence workers to join them and many factories are closed owing to want of engineers.

Miners' Demands Conceded.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 25.—Patrick Dolan, district president of the United Mine Workers' union, announced today that after a conference lasting more than three weeks, the operators conceded the demands made by the miners in the new wage scale and a fair settlement for the Pittsburg district has been effected. The miners' officials will take up the Beaver and Irwin district scales this week.

A CYCLONE KILLS TWENTY-FIVE PEOPLE

Fatalities Occurred at Irondale and Birmingham, Ala.—Exact Number of Victims Not Known—Property Loss Great.

Birmingham, Ala., March 25.—A cyclone which swept over Jones valley, in which Birmingham is located, between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning, resulted in immense damage to property and considerable loss of life. The number of dead is not yet definitely known, but up to noon today it was estimated at 25, of these at least seven being killed at Irondale, about fifteen in the city of Birmingham and the others in suburban towns.

Among the known dead are the following:

Dr. G. C. Chapman, prominent physician of this city, killed by falling debris in Mentor's store on South Twentieth street.

Mrs. Robert J. Lowe, wife of the chairman of the State Democratic committee, and her infant son, killed at their residence on South Highlands.

J. Alexander, merchant, killed in his store at Avenue J and Twenty-fourth street.

W. P. Dickerson, book-keeper, killed in Mentor's store on South Twentieth street.

Three-year-old daughter of B. B. Hudson, merchant.

Lizzie Glen.

Carrie Henry.

Lizzie Hudson.

Lizzie Goodlee.

Carrie Hudson.

Maggie Blevins.

J. Myro.

Mary Johnston.

Fannie Steadmir, negro cook for B. B. Hudson, all negroes killed outright.

Among the fatally injured are:

Mrs. R. H. Thomas and Mrs. W. H. Thomas, wife and mother of prominent real estate agents.

The storm did its worst damage in the neighborhood of Avenues I and K from Tenth to Twentieth streets, wrecking scores of buildings and creating terrible havoc. The entire fire and police departments turned out to render aid and at this hour are still engaged in taking the dead and injured from the debris and sending them to undertaking shops and hospitals.

At Pratt City many buildings were destroyed, although a number of people were more or less injured. Bright and North Birmingham were more or less damaged. The extent of damage at Irondale is not yet known, but it is stated that seven people were killed.

A reporter of the Birmingham News who went to Irondale to investigate the storm damage, telephoned at 2 o'clock this afternoon that three persons were killed at that place and ten injured.

The dead:

W. W. Gardner, carpenter.

Two children of Clarence Hunter, colored.

ST. PETERSBURG RIOTS DISCUSSED

Czar and Council Take Matter Up—More Trouble Feared—Cossacks Ask to be Not Sent to Suppress Rioters.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—Saturday.

A ministerial council was held at Sarakovo-Selova, under the presidency of the czar, to discuss the riots, the continuation of which tomorrow is anticipated.

The delegations of the students at a meeting yesterday withdrew their previous invitation to assemble tomorrow. This step was taken in order to prevent the police from arresting those who have taken an active part in the agitation for the students' liberties and university reforms and drafting them into the army. In spite of this, it is feared that the workmen will assemble, as strikes are threatening to break out tonight.

Several large forces of troops, accoutered for active service, marched through the streets today, presumably towards the suburbs to check the workmen of certain factories who have been warned against entering the city Sunday under the penalty of losing their positions.

In military circles it is reported that the officers of the Cossack guard regiment have petitioned the authorities not to employ them henceforth in suppressing riots, holding that they are men against defenseless men and women is beneath their dignity.

Lieut. Gen. Prince Viaminsky, a member of the imperial court, who protested against the conduct of the police and Cossacks, has resigned according to report. Officially all the higher educational institutions are idle, including the Kharkoff, Odessa, Kazan and Kiev universities.

The above is an uncensored dispatch. Censored dispatches referring to the same subjects were received last night. They conflict in some respects with the uncensored message.

THE VICTIMS OF A MINE EXPLOSION

Seven Men Are Dead—Nine More or Less Injured—Placed in a Box Car and Rushed to Connellsville, Pa.

Connellsville, Pa., March 25.—A special train composed of a box car and a fast engine brought into Connellsville nine groaning and blackened men, the victims of a terrific mine explosion at the Gates mines of the Euroka Fuel company in the new Klondike coal field in this (Fayette) county. The mine has been worked only a few months. The explosion, it is believed, resulted from accumulated gas. Twenty-eight men entered the mine this morning to work. Of this number sixteen were caught in the explosion and seven were killed almost instantly. As soon after the explosion as possible, a force of men started the rescue work while a crowd of grief-stricken wives and relatives surrounded the shaft. One by one, the burned men were found. Seven were dead. Nine still lived and these were put into a box car. A fast engine was attached and this hospital express was rushed at full speed to Connellsville, where the victims were placed in the hospitals. Three or four probably will die. The dead men were taken to their desolated homes. No names could be learned here as all the injured are foreigners.

Among the dead are Robert Nelson, formerly aged 46.

Of those injured John Gibson, David Ramsey, James Wilson and James Murphy are terribly burned and cannot recover.

Hurricane in South Pacific.

Victoria, B. C., March 25.—The mail from Suva brings details of a great hurricane which recently wrought much havoc in the South Pacific. The storm, which swept over New Caledonia, and especially on the east coast, was the worst for years.

Two large sailing vessels and a steamer were lost. The steamer Hero was driven on the rocks at Kouma, and, together with several barges, loaded with nickel, she foundered. The bark Emile Galline was swept to destruction on the coast at Thio, and the

new four-masted ship Ville de Havre, partly loaded with nickel ore, was stranded at Noumea, where she soon broke up. The loss of life, it was feared, would be large.

Tonga and Fiji also suffered, the former the more. At Nukulofa, among the small craft wrecked, was the king's yacht. The master lost his life in the attempt to save it. A good many coast vessels were wrecked at the islands of Maruku was swept by a tidal wave over 100 houses were blown down or swept away by the incoming waters. Many lives are reported lost.

Van Kuran's Bond.

It Was Reduced to \$3,500 Late This Afternoon.

County Attorney Christensen had Van Kuran taken from the county jail this afternoon into the presence of Justice Dana Smith, to be arraigned, only to find that he had been arraigned on Feb. 14. On motion of Van Kuran's attorneys his bond was reduced from \$5,000 to \$3,500.