

DESERT EVENING NEWS.

TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

SOLDIERS FRED THREE VOYLES.

When All Was Over One Hundred Strikers Lay on the Ground Dead or Wounded.

OTHERS SOON SCATTERED.

Conflict Occurred at Sosnovic When Men Tried to Put Out Fires in Smelting Works.

GREAT EXCITEMENT AT LODZ.

Further Trouble Apprehended at St. Petersburg Where More Workmen Go on Strike.

Warsaw, Feb. 10.—Over a hundred strikers were killed or wounded by the military at a conflict which took place at the Sosnovic iron works at Sosnovic yesterday evening. The strikers were attempting to put out the fire in a furnace of the smelting department of the works when troops appeared and a conflict ensued. The soldiers fired three volleys and finally scattered the workmen.

GREAT EXCITEMENT AT LODZ.

Lodz, Feb. 10.—There was great excitement here this morning among the strikers who are gathering about the mills in a somewhat threatening manner. An additional regiment of infantry has arrived here. Troops are stationed in the street leading to the Grand hotel, where the governor has taken up his headquarters.

TROUBLE IN ST. PETERSBURG.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 10.—The apprehension of further trouble with the strikers was partially justified today when the whole of the workmen of the Putloff iron works and those of the Franco-Russian works struck because the directors were unable to promise them a work day of eight hours. The men at the Putloff works who yesterday announced their intention of striking to begin an eight hour day report at 7 o'clock, worked an hour, then demanded to see the director of the works who conferred with the men's negotiators. The latter demanded eight hours, no discrimination against the promoters of the recent strike, and pay for the week's strike. The director refused to accede to the demands and thereupon 13,000 men at the Putloff works went out.

The employees of the Franco-Russian works took similar action. In both cases the men marched out quietly and armed groups in the streets.

The troops continue to assure the maintenance of order at the Putloff and Franco-Russian works and at the other factories.

Rumors were rife yesterday evening that the men would go out in several large factories, and three English mills in view of the demands of the strikers, to grant all their employees' demands, including an 8-hour day, increased wages and strike pay. The majority of the strikers were in the streets, and it was not advisable to wait until the machinery of labor had been set in motion.

The minister of finance Kokovsov, has summoned a conference of factory inspectors for Feb. 25 to discuss state insurance, hours of labor, medical aid and labor union. A proposal of the minister that the manufacturers hold a similar conference was refused.

Some 5,000 of the Putloff works strikers are gathered in the streets with the object of stopping work at the factories but troops barred their progress on the Zabolanski prospect and the strikers then dispersed.

There were also some unsuccessful attempts to force an entrance into factories.

The men at some of the other factories joined in the strike during the day.

NOVELIST GORKY'S FATE HANDS IN THE BALANCE.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 10, 12:35 a. m.—The Associated Press was able yesterday afternoon to see Maxim Gorky and to assure the author's friends that he is well and cheerful. The procurator of the court of appeals, who is conducting the investigation of the charges of high treason against Gorky, refused the Associated Press permission to converse with the prisoner, as it is contrary to law to allow anyone except relatives and counsel to visit political prisoners.

At noon a closed carriage in which sat Gorky, muffled in furs and attended by a gendarme, drove out of the grim portal of the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul and proceeded to the Tauride palace, three miles distant, where Gorky, Kerdine and the three professors who were arrested, with interrogated and by the procurator's assistant and new Gorky friend saw Gen. Eshel, commander of the fortress, who gave the fullest details of the treatment and accommodation of political prisoners.

"I am sorry," said the general, "that I cannot depart from the regulations that allow you to visit Gorky's cell, but no stranger is ever admitted to the fortress. This bastion contains 20 cells, all over ground, roomy, windowed, well ventilated and heated with porcelain running water and electric light. It is true the floors are asphalted, but this is necessary precaution. Each prisoner is taken daily to the central courtyard. The ration consist of meat and bread in the morning, soup and meat at noon and another dish of meat

SMOOT TESTIMONY.

Full Text of What Senator Said In Tomorrow's News.

The full text of Senator Smoot's testimony before the investigating committee at Washington, including cross-examination, will appear in tomorrow's issue of the Desert News. Accordingly all persons interested may obtain a copy of the same by buying the Saturday News either at the office or other places where the paper is on sale.

In the evening, a prisoner may have tea at any time.

"The government allows 15¢ cents daily, which is ample, owing to the simplicity of the food. The rations are good and well cooked. The prisoners are also permitted to purchase extra through an officer, but are not allowed to receive anything from relatives, as this is the means invariably used for conveying intelligence surreptitiously. The special dress of prisoners is identical with that of the hospital garb worn by officers in the military hospitals. The prisoners, if needed, are cut off from the outside world and are unable to see or talk with each other. They are taken out for air singly, accompanied by two guards, whose duty it is when the prisoner is returned to his cell to search the courtyard to see if any missile has been left for the prisoners. Despite every precaution to prevent prisoners from writing, the guards constantly pick up scraps of paper with messages written upon them. This is the reason why Gorky is allowed books, but not writing materials."

The commandant's statements are corroborated by a statement of the charge against Gorky, but it is believed that it is an alleged attempt to induce troops to mutiny and to stir up a revolt of workmen. It has not yet been decided whether he will be tried by military or a civil court, but it is practically certain that the charges against him do not involve the death penalty.

INTENSE COLD AGAIN OVER THE NORTHWEST.

La Crosse, Wis., Feb. 10.—The temperature has dropped 45 degrees since last evening, falling from 30 above to 15 below zero.

St. Paul, Feb. 10.—The temperature in the northwest ranges from 15 below zero in St. Paul to 30 below at Calgary, N. W. T.

Omaha, Feb. 10.—Ten degrees below zero was registered here today, with predictions of still colder weather. It is much colder in western Nebraska. Norfolk reports 22 degrees below zero. Railroad traffic in that part of the state is impeded, trains on some lines being entirely abandoned. At other points in Nebraska snow has drifted to a height of 12 feet.

Duluth, Feb. 10.—Another cold wave has settled over the head of the lakes. The thermometer today registering 20 degrees below zero, a fall of 35 degrees in 18 hours.

Kansas City, Feb. 10.—The temperature in Kansas City today was three degrees below zero, with prospects of snow and warmer weather by night. The coldest spot in Kansas was at Concord, Mo., where the thermometer was with snow reported in the central and western part of that state.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Cold here today accompanied by a bitter wind, sent the mercury from 25 above to 4 below zero.

DIPLOMATIC POSTS.

President Will Soon Make Contemplated Transfer.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The president has finally arranged for the transfer in the high European diplomatic posts which he contemplates putting into force March 4, or soon after. In addition to those already announced, Ambassador McCormick, now at St. Petersburg, will be transferred to Paris to succeed Ambassador Porter. Ambassador Meyer, to Italy, will replace Mr. Clegg at St. Petersburg. Henry White, secretary of the embassy at London, will be made ambassador to Rome. Henry L. Wilson, at present minister to Chili, will be made minister to Belgium. Townsend, of Pennsylvania, who returns from the diplomatic service.

A CREW'S SUFFERING.

Wandered in the Newfoundland Woods and Badly Froze Bitten.

St. John's, N. F., Feb. 10.—The crew of the British brig Victoria, which was caught in an ice flow and blizzard while bound out of this port Tuesday night, were found yesterday wandering in the woods, badly broken by the ice flows. The crew abandoned the wreck and reached land by walking on the ice. Not being acquainted with the coast, they were compelled to remain on the beach all night unsheltered in a gale and snow. A furious storm was raging on Thursday morning when they left the beach and entered the forest. Lacking their way they wandered through the woods and were in dire extremity when a rescuing party from Petty Harbor found them, took them back to that village on dog sleds. The brig Enery, which was also held fast in the ice, held together until today, but it is feared she will go to pieces.

Caught in an Avalanche.

New York, Feb. 10.—Blatter and Zimmerman, Swiss citizens, have, according to a Herald dispatch from Geneva, been swept over a mountain precipice and killed. They were climbing a mountain near Thun, and were caught in an avalanche.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS. Proceed to the Nevsky Prospect and Make a Demonstration.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 10, 8:05 p. m.—About 500 students proceeded this afternoon to the Nevsky Prospect and made a demonstration.

During the morning M. Izvolsky, curator of the St. Petersburg high schools and university, conferred with the students on the question of reopening the educational establishments Feb. 28 in accordance with the request of Gov.-Gen. Trepoft. The students replied that they would return to their studies when reforms were introduced and freedom of studies from the influence of the police was assured.

MAY BE TROUBLE IN SAN DOMINGO.

Dominican Authorities Will be Held Responsible if Harm Comes To Lt. Comdr. Leiper.

THE "INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC"

That is What Monte Cristi is Called, Where There is a Strong Revolutionary Party.

New York, Feb. 10.—Rear Admiral Sigbee, commanding the Caribbean squadron, has notified the Dominican authorities, cables the Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, correspondent of the Herald, that if any harm is done to Lt. Commander Leiper, the cruiser Detroit's executive officer, who is in charge of the customs house in Monte Cristi, they will be held responsible for the consequences. He landed alone, without arms, and some persons threatened him.

The authorities in Monte Cristi are said to pretend that they have received no instructions from the Dominican government to hand over the direction of the custom house. The telegraph wires are being cut.

Merchandise landed from the steamer Seminole from New York has been placed in bond. As the Dominican authorities decline to permit Lt. Commander Leiper to dispatch it to its destination, Rear Admiral Sigbee also refuses to let the Dominican collector take the goods by force. The cruiser Seminole kept a searchlight on the custom house Wednesday night, and had boats ready to land blue jackets in case of any trouble.

Many persons of unimportant standing in Monte Cristi have signed a protest against the protest, but generally speaking, it is accepted by the rest of the country as being the best arrangement for the settlement of the claims and debts.

THE "INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC"

New York, Feb. 10.—Judge John T. Abbott, financial agent of the United States, who is stationed at Puerto Plata, in charge of the collection of customs at that port, has just returned to New York from Santo Domingo. He was much surprised over news of the reported hostile demonstration against the United States naval officer in charge at the Monte Cristi custom house. "There are," he said, "some disaffected persons who by the arrangement have lost their political jobs. I can say for I am thoroughly conversant with the affairs of the entire country—that it is only these, together with a few merchants in the interior, that either could or would foment trouble."

"The situation as to Monte Cristi is peculiar. Nominally it is under the authority of President Morales, but there is a strong revolutionary party there, and actually the city does about as it pleases. We call it the 'Independent Republic' down there, but of course that implies much more than the political situation. Nevertheless the independence of Monte Cristi is so near a fact that Admiral Sigbee and Commander Dillingham were negotiating separately with Monte Cristi for the adoption of the protocol which under the agreement with the Morales government, was nominally binding upon the entire island. When I left the Newark, Admiral Sigbee's flagship was at Monte Cristi."

No Successor to Cockrell.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 10.—On the twentieth ballot to select a successor to United States Senator Cockrell, the only change was in the recipient of Representative Waimale's complimentary vote, which he cast for Senator George R. Curry. The ballot follows: Neidringhaus, 69; Cockrell, 62; Kersens, 11; Finkbeiner, 1; Pettijohn, 1; Curry, 1. Adjournment taken until Monday.

SWAYNE IMPEACHMENT.

Proceedings Before the Senate Resumed Today.

Washington, Feb. 10.—At 1 o'clock the Swayne impeachment proceedings were resumed. Judge Swayne was present with his attorneys. After some preliminaries, Senator Patterson made a statement of the case against Judge Swayne.

Slam's Cargo Legal Prize.

Nagasaki, Feb. 10.—The prize court has adjudicated the Austrian steamer Slam (seized by the Japanese off Hakaido Jan. 31, while bound for Vladivostok from Cardiff with coal), and declared her cargo to be a legal capture.

Big Swell in Kentucky River.

Madison, Ind., Feb. 10.—A message just received from Beattyville, Ky., reports a 20-foot swell coming out of the Kentucky river carrying everything before it and sweeping the valley clear.

Federal Judge for Arizona.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 10.—State Senator E. T. Tucker, of Humboldt, Neb., today received a telegram from Congressman Burkett to the effect that President Roosevelt had agreed to the appointment of Senator Tucker as federal judge of Arizona. Senator Tucker was not an applicant for the place and the appointment came as a surprise to him.

MANY PERSONS KILLED ON MEXICAN NAT'L RY.

Laredo, Tex., Feb. 10.—Passenger train No. 4 over the National Railway of Mexico, known as the Mexico-St. Louis express, which left here yesterday morning, collided with a freight train at Carban, Mexico, today.

It is not definitely known how many persons were killed, but one rumor states 15 people are dead and 17 were injured. At the offices of the National railway in this city, nothing could be learned of the wreck, the officials stating they had no details.

It was later asserted by an employee that the telegraph operator at Saltillo, the first station north of Carban, reported that one person had been killed. Carban is on the middle division of the railroad and is 58 miles south of Laredo.

EXECUTED FOR WIFE MURDER.

Ex-Mayor Samuel McCue of Charlottesville, Virginia, Hanged There Today.

SAID HE WAS RESPONSIBLE.

Walked to the Scaffold Unaided and Showed no Trepidation While Noose Was Being Adjusted.

Charlottesville, Va., Feb. 10.—J. Samuel McCue, former mayor of this city, was hanged in the county jail here today for the murder of his wife on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1904. McCue was pronounced dead eight minutes after the trap had been sprung.

Immediately after the execution McCue's three spiritual advisers gave out the following signed statement:

"J. Samuel McCue stated this morning in our presence and requested us to make public that he did not wish to leave this world with suspicion resting on any human being other than himself; that he alone was responsible for the deed, impelled to it by an evil power beyond his control, and that he recognized his sentence as just."

McCue listened calmly to the death warrant and when Sergeant Rogers asked, "Do you think that if I gave you my arm you would be able to walk to the scaffold?"

He replied calmly:

"I can walk without your aid."

On the way he stumbled once or twice, and the officers proffered assistance. It was not needed, however. There was no weakness. McCue had merely slipped on the frozen snow.

Watched by a silent crowd of perhaps 30 persons, McCue mounted the scaffold. Not a muscle of his face moved. Rogers and two guards ascending the scaffold, the prisoner was placed over the trap, his arms were pinned and his ankles strapped. The black gown was folded around him and the noose was adjusted. All this while McCue stood without moving. He did not utter a word. The guard took hold of the rope that was to release the trap. Rogers, standing alone upon the scaffold beside McCue, turned his back and lifted his hand. The trap fell. His neck was broken.

Fire in Oskaloosa, Ia.

Oskaloosa, Ia., Feb. 10.—Fire early today destroyed five of the principal business buildings of Oskaloosa, Iowa. Loss, \$100,000. Rich Bros. hardware, Still & McGee, J. H. Baidert & Rosenbach, dry goods, and Frier & Belmont, dry goods, are the principal losers.

"NOT GUILTY" OF BOUNTY FRAUDS.

Davies, Phillips, et al, Alleged Conspirators, Plead Before Judge Diehl.

THREE REMANDED TO CUSTODY.

Rummel Assault Case Taken Under Advisement—Bad Boy Gets Another Chance.

The bounty fraud conspirators were before Judge Diehl this morning for pleading. In all cases their attorneys entered pleas of not guilty. Charles Jones, alias Wade, alias Ward; Ed. Hanna, Henry Martin, alias McCauley, David B. Davies, former deputy county clerk, and William Phillips, are all charged with conspiracy. In addition, Davies is charged with obtaining money by false pretenses. This charge the county attorney announced, would probably not be pushed. The bail in the cases of Davies and Phillips was allowed to stand, and they were released. The other three were remanded to custody. In the cases of Davies and Phillips, their plea of not guilty was entered with the provision that it might be withdrawn at any time before the hearing.

ASSAULT CASE HEARD.

W. H. Rummel, formerly coachman for Alex. Tubel, came before Judge Diehl this morning to answer to the charge of unlawfully knowing a girl under the age of consent. His case was conducted in a closed session of the court, and the matter taken under advisement.

GIVEN ANOTHER CHANCE.

Sidney Wilcox, who was charged with incontinence, appeared before Judge Diehl this morning. It was represented that suitable arrangements had been made whereby the lad could be placed in a good home and that his actions were the result of a mental defect, formerly of the Salvation Army, but now of the Charity association, was appointed probation officer by order of the court, and will look after the young man. He was then released upon his own recognizance and warned that if bad reports of him were received he would probably be held to show why he should not go to the reform school.

Verdict for Defendant.

A verdict in favor of defendant was returned this morning in the case of Ida Fitzgerald against Josephine Allcock, which was tried yesterday in Judge Ritchie's court. The action was brought to recover \$1,000 as damages alleged to have been sustained by plaintiff by being unlawfully ejected from certain property in this city by defendant. Defendant claims that plaintiff prevailed upon her to execute a deed to the property, and that she failed to pay for the same, hence defendant ejected her. The jury found in defendant's favor.

HASTY FIGHT ON H. SMITH WOOLLEY.

Looks More Like a Case of Persecution Than of the Existence of Any Real Grievance.

BOISE MAN MAKES STATEMENT.

Explains the Incident Which Led to His Removal from United States Assay Office.

Discussing the removal of H. Smith Woolley from the United States assay office at Boise, the Pocatello Tribune, in a recent issue, says editorially:

The Tribune firmly believes that H. Smith Woolley, assayer of the U. S. assay office at Boise, is being made the victim of another conspiracy. The nastiest fight in Idaho politics was made against Mr. Woolley's confirmation, a fight that had its origin in petty spite and disappointment and ever since he took charge of the office, he has been pursued with an apparent malice that denied him any opportunity to defend himself. The maliciousness of the present attack on him shines out pretty plainly in the petty spite of the Washington special sent to the Salt Lake Tribune, which indicates pretty plainly some other feeling than the mere desire for the removal of an alleged dishonest official. Whether Mr. Woolley's enemies finally succeed in securing his removal or not, it will be pretty hard to make the hundreds of men who backed him up in his fight against the opposition to his confirmation, believe that there has been any dishonesty or other shady transactions in his conduct of his office.

WOOLLEY MAKES STATEMENT.

Mr. Woolley was asked last evening if he had received any notice from the Washington respecting his difficulty. He said he had, but would prefer to present it in connection with a signed statement for publication. This statement is as follows:

Boise, Ida., Feb. 7, 1905.—I was informed today as to the nature of the alleged complaint against me as regards the management of this office, to-wit: That I had kept on the pay rolls and paid for the month of October, 1904, Kenneth R. Woolley, as laborer and that he had received his pay for said month. It is true he was not paid all of October, 1904, and the reason was that I had granted him leave of absence until Oct. 31, 1904, at which time he resigned. In granting this leave of absence I acted perfectly within my rights, as all employees of this office are granted leave by me and some of them have had as much as six weeks since I assumed charge. Kenneth R. Woolley was issued to Kenneth R. Woolley for his salary for October, and was sent to him at Paris, Ida., by J. W. Robinson, acting assayer in charge, as I was on leave of absence. Kenneth R. Woolley, Art. 29, says: "The assayer in charge shall have power to grant leave of absence to any of his employees as he shall see fit." Therefore, I say that the complaint made against me is groundless in every particular. For the above alleged cause I was this day requested from Washington to wire my resignation as assayer in charge of this office. I respectfully refused for the reason that the affairs of this office to the best of my knowledge are above reproach in every particular and that the above cause did not justify same.

H. SMITH WOOLLEY.

Attached to the foregoing is the appended copy of a statement signed by employees of the office.

Boise, Idaho, January 25, 1905.—To whom it may concern: We, the employees of the United States assay office, Boise, Idaho, know Kenneth R. Woolley, who has been employed at this office since I have been in the work and duties consisted in keeping the grounds around the U. S. assay office building in order and at times he assisted the other employees in the building of the U. S. assay office. Kenneth R. Woolley was an employee of the U. S. assay office from May 1, 1904, to October 31, 1904, and that he was present performing his duties at all times during the time from May 1, 1904, to October 31, 1904, except such time as we understand he was away on leave of absence.

That the records of this office show that check No. 107 for office salary for September, 1904, and check No. 109 for month's salary October, 1904, were issued to said Kenneth R. Woolley.

(Signed.) J. W. ROBINSON, Chief Clerk.

A. C. DE MARY, Assistant Chief Clerk.

W. G. SMITH, Watchman.

WM. PERKINS, Laborer.

GRAFTED NEW SKIN.

Father Gives His Cuticle to Heal His Daughter's Burns.

A skin-grafting operation was in progress at the L. D. S. hospital this afternoon when a father bared his arms and surrendered several square inches of cuticle in order that his baby girl should not be deformed for life. The principals were Daniel McKay and his infant daughter, who was badly burned recently owing to her little brother

SMALL LIKELIHOOD OF ACTION IN SMOOT CASE NOW.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—Chairman Burrows continues to abstain from calling a meeting of the elections committee for the purpose of preparing a report on the Smoot case. He said today that he will do so as soon as the printed briefs are received. The chances for final action by the senate this session are vanishing and no matter what the committee report may be there is every indication that a final vote in the senate will be postponed until the Fifty-ninth Congress meets.

TWO BIG SNOWSLIDES.

Big Cottonwood Canyon the Scene of a Couple of Avalanches.

There were two big snowslides up Big Cottonwood yesterday, one 100 feet across, and one further down 500 feet across. Maj. Thomas of the Maxfield mine says that there is more snow in the canyon now than there was at this time last year, and almost as much as there was at the close of winter. It will be remembered that much of last winter's snow fell in March. The snow is four feet deep on a level at the Maxfield mine.

"WE" ARE COMING HOME.

Postmaster A. L. Thomas and Bride Expected to Return Sunday.

Postmaster A. L. Thomas and bride will be home Sunday morning from their eastern bridal tour. As the telegram announcing this said: "We," it is taken for granted that there is no further doubt about the postmaster's marriage. Postmaster and Mrs. Thomas will receive warm congratulations from many admiring friends on their return.

MORE SNOW COMING.

While it did not snow last night as promised the local weather office won't "give up the ship" of prediction, and promises a fall of "the beautiful" anyhow by another morning as a large sized low barometric area is spreading this way from the southwest. The very cold weather still holds its own in the north and northeast.

ADRIAN VON SINDEREN DEAD.

Lived Abroad Fourteen Years. A Fugitive from Justice.

New York, Feb. 10.—News has been received here from Berlin of the death of Adrian Von Sinderen, once a well known Brooklyn attorney. During 14 years he has been abroad in seclusion. He was issued to Kenneth R. Woolley for his salary for October, and was sent to him at Paris, Ida., by J. W. Robinson, acting assayer in charge, as I was on leave of absence. Kenneth R. Woolley, Art. 29, says: "The assayer in charge shall have power to grant leave of absence to any of his employees as he shall see fit." Therefore, I say that the complaint made against me is groundless in every particular. For the above alleged cause I was this day requested from Washington to wire my resignation as assayer in charge of this office. I respectfully refused for the reason that the affairs of this office to the best of my knowledge are above reproach in every particular and that the above cause did not justify same.

HOCH'S TENTH WIFE.

He Says She Was Mrs. Henry Bartel of Cincinnati.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Police Inspector Shippy said today that Johann Hoch had named the tenth woman whom Hoch claimed having married. She was Mrs. Henry Bartel, of Cincinnati. In marrying her, Hoch said that he had used the name of "John Schmidt." Hoch was the central figure today at the inquest over the death of Mrs. Marie Walker Hoch, the last of the long list of deceased wives. The prisoner was suave and smiling when he faced the inquirers.

Two photographs of Hoch sent to Germany by the police officials have been returned with the information that they are pictures of Jacob Schmidt, who formerly lived at Bingen, Germany.

At the coroner's inquest today as Hoch entered the room he looked neither to the right nor to the left but walked to a seat apparently without noticing three of his alleged former wives who sat in front of him.

Frank Spreyn, an undertaker, who prepared the remains of Marie Weloker-Hoch for burial, identified Hoch as the husband of the dead woman.

HIS RED WING WING.

Red Wing, Minn., Feb. 10.—The portraits of Johann Hoch of Chicago have been positively identified as "Doctor Hoff," who reigned here in 1897.

Young Ranchman Disappears.

Helena, Mont., Feb. 10.—A special to the Record from Lawton, the county seat of Purgus county, says that the authorities are puzzled over the unexplained disappearance of William Quay, a young ranchman who lives near Lawton. He has not been seen since last November. He lived alone, and was well to do. A few days ago a letter came from Scotland stating he had fallen heir to a large estate, and asking why he did not write. As he had considerable money when last seen foul play is feared.

ARIZONA STRIP CAUSES TROUBLE.

Amendment to Statehood Bill May Keep New Mexico and Oklahoma Out of the Union.

FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER YEAR.

It Has Mixed Things Up Badly and Dampened Hope of the Most Sanguine.

REPUBLICANS TO HOLD CAUCUS.

Will Probably Result in Adhering to April Resolution, Two States Shall be Formed of Four Territories.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—It begins to look as though the forcing of the Arizona strip amendment into the statehood bill will be the means of keeping New Mexico and Oklahoma out of the Union for at least another year. That amendment is the principal bone of contention at the present time, and while the house is disposed to accept the bill as the senate amended it with reference to leaving Arizona out, the fact that that territory is to lose a portion of its lands has snarled things badly, and today the hopes of the most sanguine are rapidly waning and the chances for an agreement upon any statehood measure are decidedly remote.

REPUBLICANS TO CAUCUS.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The expressed opinion of Republican leaders of the house today indicates that the result of the caucus to be held this afternoon on the statehood question will be a declaration of adherence to the caucus action of the party April 15 last on the same question. This action took the form of a resolution that two states should be made of the four territories. With this resolution repeated the disposition of the statehood bill will be a simple matter. It has, under the rules of the house, been referred to the committee on territories. There is nothing to indicate that this committee will bring the bill into the house at the present session of Congress. This course will obviate the risk of subjecting the measure to a motion to concur in the senate amendments to the bill with the consequent opportunity for the success of the motion through a union of the Democratic vote and sufficient Republican members to make a majority. The advocates of the bill in its present form claim to have 45 Republican members of the house who will vote with the Democrats to concur. This is three times the number required to concur. It is believed that the success of this plan that the bill will be allowed to remain in committee until the expiration of the Fifty-eighth Congress, March 4, next.

SENATOR WRIGHT ARRESTED Finally Succeeds in Securing Necessary Bondsman.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 10.—Senator Eli Wright, indicted by the grand jury of Sacramento county last night on a charge of high treason, was released this morning. His attorneys say the reason he was not arrested last night was because he could not procure bondsman and did not want to spend the night in jail. He is now in custody of the sheriff and his friends are making an effort to procure bonds for his release. State Senators Bunkers, French and Emmerson, all of whom were released, were placed under arrest last night, have been released on bail of \$5,000 each.

The four senators named are charged with embezzling \$250 each from Joseph S. Jordan, who has made a confession. It is stated in the indictment that the money was paid and received for the particular purpose of influencing legislation in the senate. The four senators named are charged with embezzling \$250 each from Joseph S. Jordan, who has made a confession. It is stated in the indictment that the money was paid and received for the particular purpose of influencing legislation in the senate. The four senators named are charged with embezzling \$250 each from Joseph S. Jordan, who has made a confession. It is stated in the indictment that the money was paid and received for the particular purpose of influencing legislation in the senate.

Not a Whale Captured.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—Advices received here from the whaling fleet in the frozen north state that the present winter is a severe one and that the ice shut them out from the rest of the world. The Beluga, Herman and Bonanza are wintering in Langton bay and the Karik and Howland at Herschel Island.

Nominations.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The president today sent to the senate the following nominations: Governor of Arizona—Jos. H. Kibbey, Arizona. Receiver of Public Monies—A. C. Mc