

COAL USED AS BRIBE BY FUEL COMPANY

Names of Government Employees Given.

DONATIONS COVER SIX YEARS

Officials of Steamship Companies Also Involved.

FRAUD TRIAL PROCEEDS

Special Agent Tidwell Testifies Friendship Between Himself and Collector Stratton Has Been Strained by Case.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The Western Fuel Company's list of beneficiaries extended not only to engineers of various liners sailing from this port but reached beyond to Government employees themselves, according to evidence presented today by the Government's prosecutors in the trial of the fuel company's officers, charged with having defrauded the Government of duties on imported coal and "drawbacks," four Custom-House employees and one Army officer, it was testified, were recipients of the company's benefactions.

The list submitted contained among others the following names: E. Farmer, clerk to Collector of Customs; D. Finnegan, inspector; A. H. Freund, assistant weigher; J. B. Twigg, assistant weigher; and Major Grant, former assistant to Major Young, of the United States Army transport service, at this port.

Donations Take Form of Coal.

The donations were in the form of coal and the dates on which the gifts were made began in 1907 and extended to 1913.

By the admission of this evidence the Government expects to show that the Western Fuel Company sought by means of the gifts to suppress information relative to the short-weighting of coal discharged into the bunkers of ships at San Francisco.

Tidwell Denies Favoritism.

W. H. Tidwell, special agent of the Treasury Department, has been on the stand for several days verifying figures showing where the fuel company is alleged by the Government to have underweighed coal delivered to its own barges and discharged to vessels. In cross-examination today Tidwell denied having favored certain newspapers in giving out news regarding the progress of the investigation of the Western Fuel Company. He said that Collector of Port Stratton told him of receiving a complaint from a newspaper reporter of not being treated fairly in the matter.

Tidwell said he divulged no information relative to the case to any newspapers.

With reluctance, Tidwell said, he was compelled to admit that during the progress of the fuel company investigations his friendship with Stratton became strained and at the time Stratton retired from the office he and the collector were not on speaking terms. Judge Doelling decided against the admission of evidence by the Government prosecutors contending that the fuel company paid engineers and officers of a Japanese steamship line amounts of money after the coaling of the ships.

LOPEZ SOUGHT IN EAST

Utah Outlaw Reported Begging Among Friends in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Ralph Lopez, the Mexican outlaw who escaped from the Utah-Apex mine in Bingham, Utah, after killing six men, is being sought by the Chicago police. Lopez is said to have lived here and to be well known to several of his countrymen in this city.

According to Mexicans, who gave information to the detective bureau, Lopez was here yesterday, going from one acquaintance to another, begging for money.

AUTO TO RACE AEROPLANE

Oldfield and Beachey Will Settle Speed Merits of Two Machines.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 7.—Barney Oldfield and Lincoln Beachey, one in an eight-cylinder 200-horsepower automobile and the other in an eight-cylinder 200-horsepower biplane, will meet January 16 and 17 at Ascot Park in races to determine the relative speed merits of the motorcar and the aeroplane. Oldfield's car will be the one with which he established the world's record of 36.2-5 seconds for a mile at Bakersfield last season.

ROBBER BINDS GIRL; RANSACKS HOUSE

MISS AGNES KELLEY GRABBED WHILE ALONE IN KITCHEN.

Polite Burglar Enters Basement of East Twenty-fourth Street North Home at 7:30 P. M.

Just as she had turned out the light in the kitchen of her home at 662 East Twenty-fourth street North last evening at 7:30 o'clock, Miss Agnes Kelley was grabbed by an armed man, who bound and gagged her with dish towels and, after assuring himself they were alone, rifled the house from garret to basement and left.

Miss Kelley, who is between 20 and 25 years old, had gone to the basement just a few minutes before to adjust the furnace for the night. She heard a rattle in the wood pile, but supposed it was wood falling. Without investigating she went upstairs, where a second later she faced the man, who showed a knife in his face.

When the robber had rifled the house, searching all drawers, for money, he led the girl to the front door, and, saying "goodnight," left her still bound and gagged. She freed herself in about 10 minutes and called aid. The robber obtained about \$10 from purses in the house.

At one time, in the kitchen while the burglar was ransacking cupboards, she attempted to back up to a knife on the table with which to cut the rope that bound her. The robber intercepted her just as she was about half through the operation and threatened to shoot if she made a further attempt. Miss Kelley said the robber was polite, but firm, and treated her courteously. Detectives Hill and Grismar are at work on the case.

AMERICA EXPORTS CHARITY

Money Sent to Japan, Mexico and Bulgaria to Feed Starving.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Aid was extended today to the distressed districts of Japan, Mexico, Bulgaria and the United States by the American Red Cross Society.

Five thousand dollars was cabled to the American Ambassador at Tokio for relief work among the people of the northern section of Japan, where a famine is reported. A similar sum was sent to Bulgarian war sufferers. \$500 was dispatched to Chioh, Sinaloa, Mexico, where there is a food shortage; \$10,000 was forwarded to the central food relief committee at Houston, Tex., and \$1000 was telegraphed to Mexico for the relief of the Mexican wounded at Ojinaga.

STATE USES PARCEL POST

California Expects to Halve Its Express and Freight Bill.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 7.—Uncle Sam's parcel-post system scored a victory in California today when the State Board of Control announced that hereafter the 66 institutions and departments of the state would be required to use the mails exclusively for state business. It is estimated that the aggregate annual express and freight bill for the state is between \$40,000 and \$50,000. The State Board believes this will be cut in half by the use of the parcel post. Schoolbooks probably will be shipped by freight, except in the case of small packages where the mails can be economically used.

DEPARTMENT HEAD IS HOST

C. C. Craig, of Northwestern Electric Company, Fetes Men.

C. C. Craig, commercial manager of the Northwestern Electric Company, gave a dinner at the Commercial Club last night to 20 men in the commercial department of the company. The event was in honor of the largest month's business yet done by his department. Those who attended included: C. C. Craig, P. L. Smith, W. L. Sherman, J. S. Groo, G. E. Fry, A. Anderson, George G. Bowen, G. H. Beaman, C. B. Dice, James B. Bruman, J. L. Dunlap, Terry Jump, L. H. Kennedy, C. H. Rupert, R. L. Williams, J. B. Williams, R. P. White, W. B. Hollingsworth, A. E. Stephens, W. C. Howe and George Higgins.

RADIUM PATIENT BETTER

Secretary Tumulty Says Bremner Is in Splendid Spirits.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 7.—Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the President, and United States Senator Hughes, of New Jersey, today visited Representative Bremner, of New Jersey, who is undergoing radium treatment for cancer at a sanitarium.

Mr. Tumulty said he left the patient in splendid spirits and that his condition was reported by the doctors as much improved.

It is understood that the treatment with radium, which was temporarily suspended, has been resumed.

NEBRASKA LIFTS TANGO LID

Co-eds May Dance What They Like. Just so They "Do It Right."

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 7.—The ban on "tra" dances, which has been in effect at the University of Nebraska, was lifted today by Miss Mary Graham, dean of women. The annual military ball, the first formal dance of the year, to be held Friday, is the cause of the change in the edict.

GOVERNOR TURNS GUNS ON GODWIN

'Clean-Up Baker or Be Prosecuted,' Is Edict.

FIGHT ON SHERIFF RAND ENDED

Copperfield Officials Refuse to Resign; Soldiers Remain.

TOWN IS WORSE THAN DEAD

District Attorney Asks West for Evidence of Law Violations, Assuring Action—Damage Suit Depends on Injunction Case.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—Governor West today removed his fire from Sheriff Ed Rand and trained his guns on District Attorney C. T. Godwin. He threatens to prosecute for negligence of duty and for failure to act under the state abatement act to close disorderly houses.

Hand Proceedings Dropped.

At the same time Governor West flatly dropped all proceedings against Sheriff Ed Rand, on account of the Sheriff's activity with Colonel Lawson at Copperfield and Huntington. The following message was received this morning from Governor West to C. H. McCulloch, attorney for Sheriff Rand:

"Being advised by Colonel Lawson that he and Sheriff Rand were holding conferences and would likely set together in law enforcement matters, I have telegraphed the court recalling the request for a hearing in the matter of Sheriff Rand's removal."

Injunction Suit to Be Heard.

With the hearing of Sheriff Rand out of the way for Saturday, there remains only the hearing Saturday of the injunction proceedings. It is held that the agreement on the part of Mr. West's attorney, Frank T. Collier, to take the case into court, will settle once and for all the legal status of the martial law which was attacked by the injunctions.

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ROCK BREAKERS MAKE \$3

One Workman in City's Quarry Receives for Day's Work \$3.25.

That the unemployed can make exceptionally good wages at the city's rockpile on Terwilliger Boulevard was demonstrated yesterday, when 15 out of 124 men employed earned \$3 each. The best done by any of those working was \$3.25, by a negro.

The men are being paid \$1.50 a yard for breaking up rock for use in establishing the base for paving the north half of the boulevard. The city has provided hammers and other tools and has given the men a good place to work. Yesterday the number on hand was greater than any day since the rockpile has been in operation.

SHERIFF IS FERVID IN PRAISE OF THAW

Prisoner Held "Pleasant Companion."

EGO IS NOT EXAGGERATED

Official Envies Harry His Conversational Powers.

JEROME DOES NOT APPEAR

Special Prosecutor Says Powers of Commission to Examine Into Question of Admission to Bail Are Limited.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 7.—Two of Harry K. Thaw's custodians were warm in their praise of him today in a hearing before the commission appointed to inquire whether it would be dangerous to admit the prisoner to bail. Sheriff Drew envied Thaw his conversational powers and Clark D. Stevens, of the Concord police force, who has been immediately in charge of Thaw since September, found him a "perfect gentleman." Both favored his admission to bail.

The Sheriff said that Thaw was nervous and excited when first arrested at Colebrook, after his deportation from Canada, and also showed some excitement when he was denounced at the extradition hearing before Governor Folger by William T. Jerome, Special Deputy Attorney-General of New York, "but no more than any man would under the same circumstances," added the witness.

Conversational Ability Envied.

Thaw was a pleasant companion under all circumstances and in conversations on current topics displayed "wonderful insight." He wished he had Thaw's conversational ability.

"Would you consider him characterized by an exaggeration of the ego?" asked Dr. George A. Blumer, of the commission.

"No, sir."

Officer Stevens, who occupies a sleeping-room with the prisoner and accompanies him on his walks, described Thaw as "a perfect gentleman." The principal difference between Thaw and other men, in his opinion, was that Thaw was more kind than the general run of the witness's acquaintance.

Stevens said that Thaw's wife had never been mentioned in their conversation. No anger or resentment toward any public official or other person with whom his past had been connected, had ever been shown in his presence by his charge, whose conduct had been characterized by common sense. The witness had never seen anything about the prisoner to make

WOMAN WALKS 13 MILES DAY IN HOME

PEDOMETER SHOWS HOUSEWIFE COVERS 400 MILES MONTH.

Mrs. C. Culter, Vancouver, Steps Off 17 1-2 Miles While Cooking Christmas Dinner.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—In the belief that she was walking many miles a day, and desiring to learn how far she really traveled while at home, Mrs. C. Culter, in this city, obtained a pedometer, which she carried while about her housewifely duties. She kept correct count of the number of miles she walked by days for a month and found that she had covered 400 miles.

On Christmas day, while cooking a big Christmas dinner, she walked 17 1/2 miles. The daily average was a little more than 13 miles. At this rate at the end of a year she would walk 4800 miles, and in less than six years she would encircle the globe.

While Mrs. Culter was caring for a sick person in the house, in addition to her daily duties, she walked about 30 miles a day.

Mrs. Culter weighs nearly 200 pounds.

FLOOD IMPRISONS 2 MEN

Japanese Pass Five Days in Limbs of Tree With Little Food.

OROVILLE, Cal., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—After passing five and a half days in the limbs of a tree in which they were marooned by high water, two Japanese, brothers, were rescued from their plight late last night. The Japanese occupied a cabin on one of the ranches along the river, and when the high water came they snatched some provisions and made for the trees.

The owner of the ranch, R. Marcellus, was absent and did not return until last night. He then secured a boat and rescued the Orientals. They said they ate all their provisions the first two days. They exercised by wading in the water at the foot of the tree, but it was too deep to venture further, and neither could swim.

Unprotected Gun Mere Junk.

General Wood, in a written statement, said:

"We have neither guns nor ammunition sufficient to give any General commanding any assurance of success if attacked by an army of equal size which is supplied with its proper quota of field artillery."

Half Million Men Needed.

"The War Department believes that in case of war with a first-class power an army of 500,000 men will be needed to give this country any chance of success against invasion, and that this force will be needed at once. To make it efficient it must be given its proper quota of field artillery. To do this, this ammunition must on hand, for it cannot be supplied after war is started."

The General suggested that the United States' regular mobile Army should be divided into three infantry and two cavalry divisions, with an aggregate war strength of 221,000 men, needing 174 batteries of 696 guns. The aggregate of the two forces would be 367,000 men, or approximately two field armies short of the force of 500,000 men. These two field armies will require 166 guns apiece, or 332 guns. The United States garrisons abroad have 68 guns.

Militia Short of Guns.

Declaring the militia has in its hands about 31 per cent of the guns it should have, the General added, "to summarize, for the regular Army and volunteers we would need 526 guns, for the militia 696 guns."

The War Department is trying to accumulate 122 field guns, of which 753 have yet to be appropriated for, and General Wood said it was not his idea that the country should be constantly "armed to the teeth" in preparations for war, but that it should be reasonably prepared, "most decidedly so because these things cannot be made for years, the entire capacity of the country today being about 250 field guns a year."

He said he did not care so much whether Congress gave the War Department the money for a reserve of hats, clothing and shoes, as they could be secured at any time.

"But," he continued, "you cannot make a large quantity of field guns and ammunition without taking months or years to do it. We would be absolutely helpless if we did not have them. No country can go into the field today without a large supply of artillery, unless it goes in to be licked. We are as liable to have war as anybody else."

PREACHER'S RIGHT IS ISSUE

Clergyman May Be Denied Seat in Maryland Senate.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 7.—The right of a clergyman to hold a State Senatorship was questioned in the upper branch of the General Assembly today.

Rev. Frank E. Williams was not allowed to qualify pending the result of an inquiry into his right to the office because of the constitutional provision that "no minister or preacher of the gospel shall be eligible as Senator."

Mr. Williams said he was no longer a minister, having resigned.

LORD MAYOR CALLED ALIEN

Henry O'Shea Attacked in Irish Court as American Citizen.

CORK, Ireland, Jan. 7.—Hearing opened today of a suit by which it is sought to disqualify the Lord Mayor of Cork, Henry O'Shea, from sitting as a Councillor on the ground he is an alien and a naturalized American citizen.

The prosecuting counsel announced that he would produce evidence showing that Lord Mayor O'Shea has announced himself to be an American citizen.

SEX LECTURES TO STOP

Chicago Board Decides to Await Expression From Public.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Sex hygiene lectures in the public schools today were ordered discontinued by the Board of Education by a vote of 13 to 8.

The lectures had been a special course during the last school term. It was decided that no more should be given pending a general expression from the public.

ARMY DECLARED IN NEED OF FIELD GUNS

Wood Pleads for Liberal Allowance.

AMMUNITION ALSO LACKING

When War Begins Is Too Late, General Tells Congress.

MILITIA UNARMED, TOO

With Limited Arsenal Capacity, It Is Called Folly to Wait Until War Breaks Out Before Beginning Preparations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Explaining his judgment was not influenced by the Mexican situation, Major-General Wood, Chief of Staff of the Army, advised committees of Congress that it should appropriate \$3,000,000 for field guns and ammunition for the regular Army and \$3,000,000 for the militia.

"If you sent our troops into war as they are now, without guns or ammunition, it would be absolute slaughter," the General told the House military committee. "If called into the field suddenly we should have to go with a small allowance of ammunition, even for the guns in the hands of the troops, and we should have neither guns nor ammunition enough for our field artillery forces."

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STEAMER PASSES CANAL

First Vessel of Kind Makes Way Through Panama Ditch.

COLON, Jan. 7.—The first steam vessel passed through the Panama Canal today.

It was the Alexander Lavalleja, a crane boat, and carried no passengers. It had been operating on the Atlantic side and gradually made its way through during the course of its dredging operations.

