

## ARREST PROMINENT ARMY MAN ON WIFE DESERTION CHARGES

Col. Wm. F. Tucker Taken Into Custody On Train In Illinois.

FLEEING WITH HIS AFFINITY THOUGH ILL

Former Paymaster of Department of Columbia, and Miss Logan's Hubby.

(By Associated Press.) DECATUR, Ill., Oct. 13.— Col. Wm. F. Tucker, for several years paymaster of the Department of the Columbia, was arrested here on a Wabash train, charged with deserting his wife, the daughter of the late General John A. Logan. Tucker was sick and could not be taken from the train, but he agreed to return without requisition papers. He was accompanied by a woman for whom, it is alleged, he deserted his wife. He had with him a nurse and two men servants.

## CONNECT RIVER AND COOS BAY

Project On Foot to Construct Waterway to the Upper Coquille.

There is a plan on foot to revive the old scheme of connecting Coos Bay with the Upper Coquille by water by the construction of a canal through the divide. The work done thus far has been done with little publicity, merely a number interested in the project talking it over and securing estimates on the cost of the proposed work.

The plan is to connect Isthmus Inlet and Beaver Slough by cutting a channel through the narrow high stretch that divides the two water sheds. Very little dredging would be necessary to make Isthmus Inlet navigable for the larger river craft but considerable work would have to be done on Beaver Slough beyond the canal.

Another feature of the project that may cause trouble is that the Coquille has a greater elevation where it is proposed to tap it with the new waterway system than has Isthmus Inlet and unless some precaution was taken, the river might unexpectedly duplicate in a minor way the stunt of the Colorado in lower California and desert its old course and empty into Coos Bay instead of the ocean near Bandon.

The project, it is said, was taken up first about twenty or thirty years ago and surveys and estimates made of it then but somehow it fell through. The late Mr. Lockhart, the father of Mrs. Henry Songstacken, while serving in the Oregon legislature almost secured the passage of a bill providing for the work to be done by the state.

Cheaper transportation and especially of unmanufactured timber is one of the objects of the proposed waterways systems.

### Boat Merger Plan.

Whether the promoters of the proposed waterway have any connection with the plan to merge a number of the boat lines on the Bay is not known. The boat merger plan is still pending. Capt. C. E. Edwards stated the other day that he expected announcement any day of its consummation. The promoters are anxious to keep Capt. Edwards, the venerable Coos River boat man, actively identified with the new firm but Capt. Rogers insists that he will retire if the merger goes through. He feels that he has earned the rest that only retirement can bring.

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## BALLOON LOST IN NORTH SEA

St. Louis Car In Berlin Race Lands In Ocean But Occupants Are Saved.

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, Oct. 13.—A wireless from Conductor Arnold of the St. Louis balloon in the James Gordon Bennett race, is as follows: "Lost everything in North Sea last night." Another dispatch says the St. Louis sank in the North Sea and the occupants were rescued by a schooner.

## INSANE MAN HIS COMPANION

Louis A. Lux, Escaped Napa Asylum Patient, Reported a Suicide In Portland.

(Special to The Times.) GOLD BEACH, Ore., Oct. 13.— While Mr. Welch, a San Francisco hide buyer, is shaking in his boots over the discovery that his traveling companion with whom he had bunked alone was an escaped inmate of the asylum for the insane, Louis A. Lux, the alleged insane man, is journeying to Coos Bay where he hopes to meet his wife. Lux was in jail for several days, having been apprehended by Sheriff Tyler, but the announcement by the Portland authorities that the Lux wanted had committed suicide there resulted in the Napa asylum authorities refusing to send after the real Mr. Lux. That the man held was the man wanted, there can be no doubt. Lux, who was rational most of the time, admitted that he had escaped from the Napa asylum. He begged not to be sent back. He escaped from there last April.

Shortly after the escape from the asylum, Lux changed his name to P. M. Dark and hiked to Eureka, Cal. There he met Mr. Welch, the hide buyer, and was engaged by him to accompany him through the country and buy hides. Lux suddenly disappeared one day but a few weeks later Welch as he proceeded northward to Crescent City, encountered Lux there running a ferry and again engaged him to accompany on lonely trips through the desolate country.

### Welch Is Relieved.

Mr. Welch, in speaking of his experience with Lux, said he was quite surprised when Sheriff Tyler told him he was traveling with an insane man, and declared that he was afterwards greatly pleased at being relieved of his companionship. They had bunked and camped together for a long time, off and on and while Lux had never exhibited any extraordinary mental peculiarities, there were some things he could recall which, on learning of Lux's condition, appeared a little out of the usual. One thing Mr. Welch noted in him was a disposition to tell others how to make money. He said he could hardly see the sense of Lux's confidences, so long as the latter was obliged to send home for money.

Lux is fifty years and at the jail was well behaved and thoroughly understood his situation.

Mrs. Lux lives in Berkeley, Cal. She became aware that her insane husband was in Curry county as a result of his writing to her for money. She wrote to Sheriff Tyler to arrest him but when the Napa asylum authorities refused to send for him, Sheriff Tyler decided not to hold him longer, Lux apparently not being dangerously insane.

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## VENEZUELA WILL STAND PAT STATE CANNOT PLAT AND SELL WATER FRONT PROPERTY

Announces That It Will Not Concede Demands of the Netherlands' Government, But Will Insist On Apology and Indemnity.

(By Associated Press.) CARACAS, Venezuela, Oct. 13.— "The revocation of the decree of May 14th, is demanded in a most energetic manner, the government of Venezuela must, from this moment and without delay fulfill the protocol of 1894, and not prolong the intolerable state of affairs which it has created by the decree of May 14th." These are the words of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands in his note of August 20th, in which he answered Venezuela's communication telling of the summary dismissal of Minister De Reus from Caracas. The Minister of Foreign Affairs goes into the other alleged flagrant offenses of Venezuela and says "The celebration of a definite treaty must be by arbitration and a constitutional convention which will be the surest means of arriving at the desired end, and that it shall be submitted to subsequent consideration."

## CANDIDATES ON THE HOME STRETCH

Taft and Bryan Start to Put Final Efforts Into Presidential Campaign Now Nearing Finish.

(By Associated Press.) SPOOPTOWN, Ohio, Oct. 13.— Bill Taft on Monday spent about five minutes at our station. "Why, how-de-do," he cried, without a moment's hesitation. "I'd like to shake your hand, old sport." Remarkably a maiden pretty. "Pray do," was Billy's apt retort. (The Tafts are all so witty!)

### PEANUT JUNCTION, Ind., Oct. 13.—

John Kern is Johnny-on-the-Spot. His sallies never bore you. "Why, thanks," he parried, like a shot. When some one said: "I'm for you." "Oh, Bill and John's the team for us!" Bawled out another greeter. "This air," said Kern, "is glorious." Could anything be neater?

### UTICA FOUR CORNERS, N. Y., Oct. 13.—

This bit of repartee from Jim The raconteurs are telling. "Our next Vice-President!" to him One Utician was yelling. "Perhaps," said Jim—quick as a wink— "Oh, no," said that Up-Stater. "Oh, yes." The other, blushing pink. Said: "Take the orders, waiter."

### PIFFLEVILLE, Neb., Oct. 13.—

"If you should be defeated, Bill," A man here said to Bryan, "Would you size up your chance as nil Or calmly keep on tryin'?" Bill gravely at the heavens peered And frowned—pins dropped in showers— "Dunno," he said at last. They cheered For eighty-five full hours.

### (By Associated Press.) CINCINNATI, Ohio, Oct. 13.—

Judge W. H. Taft left here this morning for a continuous tour until election night. For three days, he will devote his attention to his home state. He will pass largely through the rural districts giving the farmers his reasons why the Republic

### PRINCE WANTS WAR.

Montenegro Royalty Urges People to Prepare For War.

(By Associated Press.) CETTINJE, Oct. 13.—The Montenegrin national assembly opened here today in extraordinary session. The war fever which is running high has been strengthened by the bellicose message to parliament from Prince Nicholas who declared the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary had inflicted a crying wrong upon Montenegro and that the people should be prepared to sacrifice the last drop of blood, unless the peaceful endeavors now on foot resulted in the righting of this grievance. The message was received with cheers and approval.

HOT TAMALES at Corthell's.

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It is understood here that Venezuela will not give into any of Holland's demands. Holland's note has not been answered owing to the illness of President Castro. Venezuela will take the stand that apology and indemnity are due her from the Netherlands government for the insulting letter of ex-Minister De Reus and for the stoning of the Venezuelan consul by the Curacao mob.

lean policy of protection should be chosen rather than the Democratic tariff principles.

### WILL SUE HEARST.

Gov. Haskell to Go After New York Editor.

(By Associated Press.) KANSAS CITY, Oct. 13.—Gov. Charles N. Haskell of Oklahoma, arrived here today to consult his attorneys in reference to his proposed suit against Wm. R. Hearst, charging the New York editor with libel. Just when the suit will be filed, he is unable to say as the matter is in the hands of his attorneys. The suit is the outcome of the publicity of the Standard Oil story, the controversy over which led Haskell to resign as treasurer of the Democratic National committee.

### REGISTRATION IS LIGHT.

Both Parties Alarmed By Evident Apathy.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—Although extraordinary efforts have been made by all political parties to induce the voters to register, there has been up to the present a marked falling off in the registration compared with former presidential years.

### GOMPERS RAPS REPUBLICANS.

Head of American Federation of Labor Issues Statement.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13.— President Gompers has issued a circular regarding labor's attitude in the campaign. He charges that the Republican party stands for further injecting into this country a despotic government vested in the judiciary and the Democratic party stands for a law vested in the people.

### BRYAN GETS BUSY.

Will Make Three Days Tour of His Home State.

(By Associated Press.) LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 13.—Preparatory to starting on a three days tour of his home state, Col. Bryan spent a busy forenoon catching up with his correspondence and talking with the local leaders about the situation in this state. Bryan will speak to Nebraska University students this afternoon, and tomorrow he will leave for Omaha.

### GOVERNMENT IS UPHELD.

Servian Assembly Passes Important Resolutions.

(By Associated Press.) BELGRADE, Oct. 13.—The Skupschitina today passed resolutions supporting the government in the steps it has taken and expects a vigorous activity to be displayed for the protection of the nation's threatened interests. It also sent an encouraging telegram greeting the Montenegrin national assembly which today voted extraordinary credit of \$3,200,000 to the minister of war and further important decisions are expected.

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## QUAKE NEAR SALT LAKE

University of Idaho Instruments Recorded Severe Shock Late Last Evening.

(By Associated Press.) SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 13.— A rather severe earthquake shock was recorded by the instruments of the University of Utah here last night at 10:22 o'clock. It was about twenty minutes and a secondary shock occurred an hour and a half later.

## LOCAL MEN LOSE CASH

Loaned Money to An Alleged Bogus Army Officer and Can't Find Trace of Him.

Where is A. B. Hinds? This is the question that several Coos Bay people are asking each other and some of them would like to know to the extent of \$25 or so. Incidentally, a number of Coos Bay people are determined to steer clear of individuals posing as military authorities until they have shown the proper credentials.

Mr. Hinds appeared here several weeks ago and announced that he was sent here by the United States War Department to open a recruiting office on Coos Bay. He engaged a room to be used, and spent several days going over the county to see if there was plenty of material to recruit from. He was very genial, was a regular mint of military information and became intimate with a number. He went fishing one day with some of the local anglers, and accidentally dropped his pocketbook into the stream. They saw it go down, and when he told him that it contained all the ready cash he had with him, their sympathy took a substantial form and some immediately loaned him money.

Well, he took the boat for Portland promising to be back the next trip with recruiting officer and assistant to take charge of the Coos Bay recruiting station. This was about a month ago, and he hasn't returned yet. One of his victims while in Portland went around to the recruiting office there to inquire about Lieutenant A. B. Hinds of the United States Artillery, who was to open a recruiting station on Coos Bay, and was told that they had never heard of him. After making some more inquiries, of course he didn't confess about being "stung," he was told to have Mr. Hinds arrested in case he should run across him again.

While here, Mr. Hinds wore a khaki suit but did not show any other insignia of his connection with the army, saying that he did not care to have his presence generally known and that he was especially anxious not to have anything said in the newspapers about his visit.

### FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

Annual Conference In Progress In New Orleans.

(By Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 13.—Foreign missions today received almost the undivided attention of the missionaries' conference of the churches of Christ. A. E. McLean of Cincinnati, president of the society, prefaced the reading of the reports with a short address. Following Mr. McLean's remarks, the annual report of the secretary was presented.

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Important Ruling In United States Circuit Court On Question.

ACTION APPEALED FROM WASHINGTON

Abutting Property Owners' Claim Is Finally Upheld.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 13.—United States circuit court Judge Morrow affirmed the decree of the circuit court in the appeal of Elizabeth M. McGilvra et al, against E. A. Ross, as state land commissioner for the state of Washington et al. The action was brought to restrain Ross and others as officers of the state of Washington from plating and selling any of the shore lands of Lake Washington or Lake Union lying in front of the lands owned by the plaintiffs.

## LOST SHIP'S CREW FOUND

Capt. Monroe and Five Men In Florida Coast Disaster Are Picked Up.

(By Associated Press.) BOSTON, Oct. 13.—Capt. Monroe and five members of the crew of the British schooner Sirocco, who were supposed to have been lost when the vessel was wrecked off the Florida coast, October 1, were landed here today by the steamer Horatus. Two others of the crew were landed at Newport News Saturday when it was thought that the other five were lost.

## ALLIANCE SAILS THIS AFTERNOON

Steamship Carries Big Cargo and Many Passengers From Coos Bay For Northern Points.

The Alliance sailed about 2:30 this afternoon for Portland, carrying a good freight cargo and many passengers. Among those who sailed on her were the following:

Miss Edna Brainard, Mrs. K. A. Wells, D. Carlson, Jno. Lufgren, Rev. W. J. Luscomb, Mrs. W. J. Luscomb, Wynne Luscomb, H. Luscomb, Jas. Leppe, Geo. E. Weaverson, H. Harlan, F. J. Hamer, J. W. Hart, E. R. Bryer, J. H. Plank, Mrs. J. H. Plank, L. E. Burton, Mrs. Band J. Mrs. Brearly, C. E. Cookerly, Rev. J. Thomas, D. L. Ames, G. I. Weldia, G. E. Wright, G. Erickson, A. Conklin, P. N. Gray and wife, H. Foote, K. V. Kruse, and M. N. Kauppenberg.

### BRITAIN BACKS DOWN.

Recedes From Her First Position In Controversy.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Great Britain has receded from her previously expressed determination to confine the questions to be discussed by the proposed international conference regarding the Balkans and recent events in Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

### REMEMBER fruit preserving season is not over.

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