

## COUNCIL REJECTS APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR STRAW FOR VACANCIES

**Vote Down Selection of Carleton and Haines For Positions.**

**TOM COKE LEADS**

**THE OPPOSITION**

**Matter Passes Over and Leaves Things Up in the Air Again.**

By a vote of three to one, the city council last evening rejected the appointment of G. W. Carleton and W. R. Haines by Mayor E. E. Straw to fill the two vacancies on the town board caused by the resignations of F. A. Sacchi and Herbert Lockhart. Immediately after calling the council to order and the reading of the minutes of the last session had been completed, Mayor Straw requested City Recorder Butler to read a communication he had filed. The communication was the official announcement of the selection of Messrs. Carleton and Haines. When Mr. Butler had completed reading the message, Mayor Straw asked if the two had filed their acceptances and qualified and Mr. Butler stated that they had. Mayor Straw then delivered a verbal message explaining the appointments. He said that he had made the appointments without conferring with anyone as he had always believed that the executive should exercise his appointive power without favor to anyone. He said that the city of Marshfield was in imminent peril in a financial way and that he had endeavored to select a couple of men who would assist in putting affairs in a good shape. He said that Carleton and Haines had been chosen by him because they had made a success in their own business and demonstrated their ability. He said that the two members of the council who had retired had resigned because their private affairs had taken up their time and that he believed the entire city of Marshfield should be thankful to Messrs. Carleton and Haines for their willingness to serve the public in what might be termed even a thankless position.

There was an instant's lull after Mayor Straw had concluded. Then Councilman Coke arose and moved that the appointments be rejected.

"For what reason?" interjected Mayor Straw.

"It isn't necessary to give a reason," answered Mr. Coke.

"You, as a public servant, owe it to give the grounds," retorted Mayor Straw.

After a little parleying, Councilman Coke said there were a number of reasons.

"In the first place," he continued, "I do not know Mr. Carleton. Then Mr. Haines is unfit for the position. In the last campaign he was especially active as an officer of an alleged businessmen's league. Also Marshfield has had three or four years of an alleged businessmen's administration and see what a condition it is in. I think it is time that others than business men now take a hand in it."

There was another brief lull after Mr. Coke had concluded before Councilman Albrecht seconded the motion. On a viva voce vote, Coke, Albrecht and Nelson voted aye and Councilman Savage nay.

"The motion is carried," said Mayor Straw.

"What motion?" inquired Councilman Coke.

Mayor Straw looked askance upon Mr. Coke while someone explained that the motion carried was to reject the appointments and then Mr. Coke said that he thought it might have been a motion to seat the two.

What's the next order of business?" inquired Mayor Straw and then the routine of the evening was taken up and the various ones in the large number of citizens present were allowed an opportunity to state the reasons for their presence. *(The*

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## MAYOR STRAW GIVES VERSION

**Says He Had Requested Men to Serve Before Coke Made Overtures.**

The rejection of the appointment of G. W. Carleton and W. R. Haines to fill the vacancies on the council by that body last night is causing much comment today. Members of the Citizens' League declare the rejection was right while many business men deplore the action because it tends to make a bad muddle of municipal affairs right at a time when the city's work for the season should be starting. Many expressed surprise that both should have been turned down when the appointment of one would have enabled the council to act on various measures.

The statement of Tom Coke at the Citizens' League the other night that he had made overtures to Mayor Straw to appoint two men that would be satisfactory to them is the center of much discussion today. At the time, Mr. Coke said that he had suggested the names of two men to the Mayor but that the latter said he could not consider them until he heard from men he had already offered it to. Mr. Coke said he expected to have a conference with the mayor later about it but that he had been tersely told the appointment had been settled. Some interpreted Mr. Coke's remarks as meaning that he had been snubbed or insulted by Mayor Straw.

Mayor Straw stated today that he had not insulted or snubbed Mr. Coke. He said: "Mr. Coke came to me after the council meeting a week ago and suggested that if I had not found anyone to serve on the council, Thomas A. Howard and R. A. Copple would be two good men. I told him that I had offered the positions to two men and that if they did not accept I would be glad to consider his suggestion. I also told him that I would get an answer in a day or two and asked him to phone me so I could let him know whether or not they had accepted and if they ferried about it. As I had offered it did there would not be any use contacting Messrs. Carleton and Haines and they had it under consideration. I did not feel at liberty to recall the offer and consider Mr. Coke's offer. Well, Messrs. Carleton and Haines accepted. I had arranged for a trip up the river when Albert Matson informed me that Mr. Coke had telephoned him that he (Coke) wanted to see me about the appointments. I told Mr. Matson that the two men I had offered it to before Mr. Coke spoke to me about the matter had accepted and said it would be useless to confer about it then. Mr. Coke evidently did not hear of the two having accepted it and came into the office when I was very busy. I told him that I had the two men for the place. He went away and that was all there was to it until I submitted the appointments to the council last night."

Mayor Straw said he had not considered what organization or men his appointees were affiliated with and did not care. All he wanted was to get capable men for the place. He said he had never consulted with anyone relative to men he should appoint because he did not want to show favoritism.

As to the future plans, Mayor Straw had nothing to say.

## HE IS WALKING SOME.

*(By Associated Press.)*  
JAMESTOWN, Ohio, March 31.—Weston, the aged pedestrian, left here this morning on his westward journey. He expects to reach Cambridge Springs, 50 miles distant, tonight.

## UNION PACIFIC TRAIN IS BURNED

**Passenger Wrecked By Land Slide In Utah and Wreckage Catches Fire—Only Two Known Dead.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
OGDEN, Utah, March 31.—At 5 o'clock this morning, a special train carrying doctors and nurses, left here for the scene of the wreck of Union Pacific Passenger Train No. 3, west bound, which occurred near here early today. Wrecking trains

left Ogden and Evanston at the same time. Fireman Loham was found buried under his engine but the body of baggage man C. J. Gordon has not been located. It is supposed to have been incinerated in the baggage car which with the mail car and three passenger coaches were destroyed by fire. The train at 3:55 this morning ran into a land slide on Castle Rock hill. The engine turned over and almost instantly flames enveloped the mail car gradually extending back until five cars were in a blaze. Conductor Miller reports that no passengers were killed.

## KILLS WIDOW AND SUICIDES

**August Schoemer, Los Angeles Dairyman, Kills Neighbor Woman and Self For Unknown Cause.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
LOS ANGELES, March 31.—August Schoemer, a dairyman 50 years

old, and living near Tropic, a suburb of this city, this morning shot and killed Mrs. Mary Austin, a widow and a neighbor, after which he committed suicide. Mystery surrounds the shooting. It occurred at Mrs. Austin's home where Schoemer went this morning to talk with Mrs. Austin regarding plans for a partnership in the dairy business.

## RICH COUPLE TO SEPARATE

**Daughter of Late Herr Krupp and Husband May Enter Divorce Courts.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
CHICAGO, March 31.—The Tribune prints a cablegram from Berlin saying that it is reported at Essen that there is a probability of divorce proceedings between Herr and Mme. Von Bohlen Undee Halbach. She was Miss Bertha Krupp. It is reported they have lived unhappily together, especially since the death of their infant son two months ago. She is the daughter of the late Herr Krupp, the famous gunmaker, and is one of the wealthiest women in the world.

## BRAVE CAPTAIN TO BE HONORED

**Heroism in Marconi Disaster to Be Called to Carnegie's Attention.**

It is announced that the heroic action of Captain B. W. Olson of the Nann Smith in rushing to the rescue to the crew of the schooner Marconi at the time of the disaster on South Spit last week will be called to the attention of the Carnegie commission and that organization will be urged to award the brave Coos Bay commander a medal for his act.

Captain Olson has been extremely modest over his connection with the rescue work and stated that he wished it had passed unnoticed. His friends, however, insist otherwise.

### M. F. Plant Sails.

The M. F. Plant sailed at 2 o'clock this afternoon for San Francisco. She had a good cargo of freight and a fair passenger list. Among those who sailed on her were the following:

T. Seamanson, P. Erickson, T. P. Caldwell, E. R. Nienstadt, E. Johnson, A. R. Dryston, E. Nelhaus and wife, T. J. Lewis and wife, John Varney and wife, Lucy Thornwald, Lily Thornwald and Mrs. C. Thornwald.

The Nann Smith arrived early today from Bay Point. She went immediately to her slip at the C. A. Smith mill and will load with lumber for the south. An effort is being made to reduce the present record of five days for a round trip between here to Bay Point.

## LUNATIC TRIES TO KILL MAYOR

**Crazy Man Caught While Trying to Break Into Philadelphia Executive's Office.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—While Mayor Rayburn was in conference this afternoon with several citizens, a man said to be a foreigner attempted to break in the door leading to the mayor's private office. When detected by a guard, the man drew a knife and exclaimed, "I'll kill the mayor. He owes me a lot of money." The man was overpowered. He is thought to be insane.

## PANIC FOLLOWS AN EXPLOSION

**Dynamite Touched Off Presumably By Angry Laborers Causes Fright in New York**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
NEW YORK, March 31.—A heavy charge of dynamite said to have been placed by disaffected laborers who were recently employed in the construction of the steel viaduct over the Hoboken viaduct, exploded with a tremendous crash at 3:15 o'clock this morning wrecking one of the supporting pillars of the structure and shattering every window in the neighborhood within a radius of a quarter of a mile. A number of persons were cut by flying glass and falling plaster but no fatalities are reported. In the neighborhood of the explosion, there was a panic of scantily dressed men and women who rushed into the streets terror-stricken.

### MODELS OF WARSHIP.

**Senator Heyburn Wants Them For Exhibit in State Capitols.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—Senator Heyburn of Idaho, introduced a bill requiring the secretary of the Navy to have constructed a complete model of each vessel of war of the United States Navy which shall have or hereafter be given the name borne by a state of the United States to be deposited in a conspicuous place, convenient to public view, in the capitol building of the state whose name the vessel bears.

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## MYSTERY STILL SURROUNDS THE DEATH OF AXEL CARLSON

### AFTER ALLIES IN BRIBE CASE

**'Frisco Judge Threatens to Punish Heney's Men For Searching Offices.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Judge Murasky today cited officials of the district attorney's office to show cause on Monday why they should not be punished for contempt of court in refusing to obey an order restraining them from proceeding with the search of the offices of the United Railroads.

### TO TRY CALHOUN.

**Defense Will Use Only Two of Ten Peremptory Challenges.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Contrary to the general expectations, only two peremptory challenges were exercised in the Calhoun trial and it appears that the attorneys for the defense in expressing themselves satisfied with the four jurors who were sworn in today to try the case will abandon the right of appeal upon all issues that have heretofore arisen and not insist in using all of the ten challenges allotted them.

### TRIAL IS POSTPONED.

*(By Associated Press.)*  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 31.—In Police Judge Deasy's court today in the cases of the nine men arrested in connection with the alleged theft of documents from the district attorney's office, dates for the preliminary examinations were set in three cases. Those of Attorneys Abbott and Murphy were continued until Monday and four others went over until tomorrow.

## SEEK CRAZY SNAKE TODAY

**Wily Chief Still at Large But Negro Leader Is Captured.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
HENRYETTA, Okla., March 31.—A report that Crazy Snake had been captured or had surrendered is not confirmed. Colonel Hoffman telephoned from Pierce today that the rumor was groundless while the Associated Press obtained similar information from Checotah, Muskogee and Thompson deputies. The Militia today resumed the search for the Creek leader.

Captain Grayson of the negro element of Crazy Snake's band, was captured near Pierce hiding in a hay field. The negroes are reported to be highly indignant over the capture of some of their race by the Militia. This is regarded as added danger to the situation.

### BOND IS HIGH.

**Mrs. Boyle, Whittaker Kidnaped, Bound Over Today.**

*(By Associated Press.)*  
MERCER, Pa., March 31.—Mrs. Helen Boyle, wife of James H. Boyle, kidnaper of Willie Whittaker, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace McClain today, charged with kidnaping. She entered a plea of not guilty. Her bonds were fixed at \$25,000.

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### Coroner's Jury Unable to Clear Number of Peculiar Circumstances.

**FIND DEATH DUE TO HEART RUPTURE**

**Disappearance of Money Which He Had Cannot Be Solved.**

"We find that Axel Carlson came to his death from a rupture of the heart. Cause unknown."

This is the substance of the verdict returned last night by a jury in the inquest over Axel Carlson, the C. A. Smith mill hand who had been missing since February 11 and whose body was found floating in the Isthmus Inlet boom at the Bay Park landing yesterday afternoon, by Coroner Golden at the Temple & Wilson Undertaking parlors. Considerable mystery surrounds the death of Carlson and the verdict does not fully put at rest the rumors of foul play.

At the inquest several strange points were brought out. August Frizeen, who with Gus Levene had conducted a search for Carlson since he was found to be missing, was a witness last night. He testified that Carlson was supposed to have had about \$125 in cash on his person the day that he disappeared, and a bank book showing Carlson had \$400 or \$500 on deposit in some bank, which Mr. Frizeen did not think was a Marshfield institution. Mr. Frizeen also stated that a man by the name of Forstad who had been rooming with Mr. Carlson had left on the last Alliance for the north. Mr. Frizeen furthermore testified that on the day Carlson disappeared, he was supposed to have come to Marshfield from the mill with Gus B. Neilson, another mill hand, but that he (Frizeen) had not been able to fully establish the correctness of the later. He also testified that on the morning Carlson left the mill, Carlson had received a check for about \$23 for his last month's work.

Fred Wilson was called and testified that when the body had been found, an investigation by Coroner Golden showed that the only effects on it were a pocketbook containing seventy cents, a pocket knife, a comb and letter. The latter was submitted to the jury but owing to being water-soaked was not decipherable.

Gus Levene, the foreman of the crew on which Carlson had worked, said Carlson had been employed for about five weeks. He said Carlson had been of steady, industrious habits. He said that Forstad, Carlson's roommate had not accompanied Carlson to Marshfield on the day of his disappearance but had remained and gone to work at 7:00 that evening. Mr. Levene said he understood Carlson carried a draft for \$250 or \$260 on his person. Just before he concluded his testimony, Mr. Levene said that Gus B. Neilson who had associated with Carlson considerably had suddenly left his job on the day that Carlson disappeared. He said Neilson was now at work in one of the lumber camps on the Coquille. Levene could not understand how Neilson could not have seen Carlson after February 5 (the date Neilson stated in a letter to Mr. Frizeen as the last time he had seen Carlson), when both Neilson and Carlson boarded at the same place and came to work at the same time and the same way and both had been working up to February 11.

Dr. Horsfall who performed the autopsy testified that the cause of death, in his opinion, was a rupture of the right ventricle. He said that the skull had not been crushed nor did it show any evidence of a blow on the head.

James Forty who reported the finding of the body testified that he had

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