

# IN MITCHELL CASE

By Scripps News Association

Portland, Or., June, 20--- L & The trial of Senator Mitchell & g and the day was taken up in g the selection of a jury.

NR NR NVV Portland, Ore June 20-Today the first of the many Oregon land fraud trials began before United States Distriot Judge J J De Havensin the new courtrooms of the postoffice building in this city. The case is that chargi :g United States Senator John H & itch ell with having accepted feas while renator of the United States for tervices rendered to Frederick, a Kribs, by which timeer land claims belong ing to the latter were passed through the general lard office to patent. Senator Mitchell is represented by Ex Senator John M Thurston of Nebraska and Judge A 8 Bennett of the Dalles while District Attorney Francis J Heney represents the government.

The charge on which Senator Mitchell faces trial is regarded by the government officials as the strongest of the indictments which have been returned against him. The evidence is largely documentary and is said to consist in great part of letters, checks and account books. The alleged trau anctions of S A D Pater with Senator Mitchell do not figure in this case. nor will Puter be a witne s.

TANNER'S CONFESSION

Confronted with the evidence which the government had secured, Judge Tanner, himself under indictment for perjury for swearing that the bogus was the original partnership agreement, and threatened with criminal proceedings against his son, broke down and made a full confession in open court. He acknowledged that he

Se Se Q Q Q Q Q Q B back to 1901, at Senator Mitchell's re-

Tanner stated also that the original articles provided that Mitchell should receive all fees for services rendered L-was opened up this morning & before the departments, and that this arrangement continued up to the time of the grand jury's investigations

This is in brief a summary of some of the facts which have already been published and which will be brought out on the coming trial The government is said to be in possession of checks and other documentary proofs thos Matchell received the moneys paid to the firm by Frederick A Kribs, and the firm's books will probably also be placed in evidence

#### TANNER'S STORY

When Judge Tanner was called be fore the grand jury and asked as to the nature of the firm's transactions he stated that Senator Mitchell had no interest in 'res for services rendered by the firm b'lore the departments at assertion he procured a document purof the clause already quoted, the fol-lowing clause is alleged to have been substituted:

"It is agreed that the interest of

bureaus thereoffer in the land depert-ment of the government, sither at Washington D C, or Oregou or elsewhere, shall be his individual matter and all fees so earned by him shall be t is individual property, as d the firm suall have no interest therein, and said John H Mitchell shall not be required to perform any services therein except such as he might properly do as a sea-

W J Bunna of the secret service made an investigation which disclosed that the document had been prepared wreck. at a very recent dass. Just at this for the grand jury that he wrote the juncture Harry Robertson arrived original articles from dictation in 1901. from Washington, carrying a confi-He surrendered to the government the dential let.er I.om Senator Mitchell to Judge Tanner. Robertson was im-mediately taken before the grand jury, This is in brief a summary of some a d subjected to vigo.ous examination.

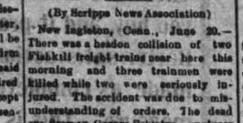
#### DETAILS OF CHARGE

The indictment charges that co ary to the federal laws Senator Mitchell received fees from Frederick A Kribs amounting to \$1,750 for using his influence at Washis gton to secure the patenting of land claims in which Kribs was interettel, the money ba-ing paid to the law firm of which Mitchell was the senior member.

Articles of partnership were execut-ed between Mitchell and Tanner in 1901, and according to the testimony of Tanner, his son, and Harry Robert son, the document contained the following provision :

"It is understood and agreed that Washington, and in support of this the interest of each of the parties to this agreement as to all services ren. porting to be the original partnership business done by the firm shall be the equal one half thereof, except that' for any services which may be ren lered by said John H Mitchell in the city of Washington, D C., either in the su-

preme court of the United States, the each of the parties hereto as to all the court of claims or before congress or services tendered, all moneys received any of the departments, shall be the and all business done by the firm, shall individual matter and claim of said be the equal one half thereof except John H Mitchell, and all fees so sarned that for any services which may be by him to either of said departments, rendered by said John H Mitchell in and his salary as senator, shall be the the supreme court of the United States shall be his individual matter and all lees so earned by him in said court and his salary as senator shall be his individual property of said John H Mitebell and the firm shall have no interest therein; but for all services rendered by the firm or either member of it in any other place, save and ex-



ernment is advising Japan rgainst a understanding of orders. The dead are fireman George Schistze, engineer Louis Stratton and fireman John Gan Britian hopes that General Oyama has nestow. Engineer Scrhitt will also die from injuries received in the succeeded in destroying the army of General Linevitch, thus relieving her of a nightmare. That army may be abifted later to the borders of Afghan-

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Will Remain

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St Petersburg June 19-It is stated

that ambaserdor Cassini who has been

transfered to Madrid, Spain will re-

in Washington after the peace confer-ence is coucluded

**Russian Riots** 

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St Petersburg, June 19-Advices

from the province of Varnoselk at

Had Her Sympathy

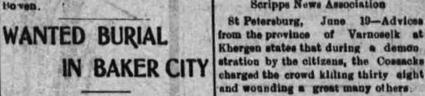
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**EVIDENCE GOES** istan for operatio's against India." For A New Navy TO PRESIDENT

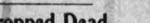
#### (By Scripps News Association)

Washington, Jane 20,-Secretary Taft's conclusion of the Bowen- Loomia outroversy, which was placed in the hands of the President last night, was

cabinet meeting. The secretary holds Loomis innocent of any wrong doing, but leaves it to the President to determine the question of dismissing Bo wen from the diplomatic service. An official announcement is expected this evening. Bowen had a long talk with the Presid at this morning and left the andience, feeling rather bitterly the fast that the testimony in the case was not taken where all the documents on his side of the controuersy could be obtained. The general opinion is that the President has decided to diamiss



Scripps News Association Truckee Cal, June 20-Mrs Robert Burnett attempted suicide bere this morning, shooting herself through the left lung. The loss of her husband was the cause of the deed. In a note



# PRESENT TICKET

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St. Petersburg, June 20 .- A dispatch Philadelphia, June 19.-The Repubfrom London to the Noveo Vremyn lican city campaign committee Li.Is afternoon deci 'ed to withdraw the atstes on what is declared to be excellent authority that the British gov- present county ticket and reform measures within party lines and apconclusion of an armistice and adds as pointed a committee to confer with the follows: "The Russians are not con-sidered sufficiently weakened. Great the makeup of a new ticket.

### We'er Invited

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Washington June 20- It is announced by the state department this morning .hat this government has received an invitation from the Morroscan government to perticipate in the conference of the powers upon the in-St Petersburg June 20-It is reportternstional affairs of that country. Uned that the Russian ship building works here will be placed under the supervision of the United States steel less the invitation of all the governments is unaminously accepted, the work for a period of ten years During United States will becluse to partici-

## **Still Seeking Peace**

By Scripps News Association Chicago, June 20 .- The new strike committee, appointed by the teamsters oint council last night, for the purpose of negotiating with the employers for a settlement of the strike, met this morning and sent the request to John V Tat bell, Jr , asking for a conference. Little hope is felt that the employers will consent to an open discussion of

#### **MAKES PROTEST** TO GOVERNOR

By Serippe News Association St Joseph Mich June 20-Oaptain

(By Scripps News Association) Lloyd Ctark. of the United States Eskersfield, Cal., June 20 -After supply station today wired Givernor being out four hours the jary brought Bell of Vermont a vignous protest in a verdict of "not guilty" in the case against the hanging of Mrs Mary Radagainst the hanging of Mrs Mary Rodaf "ewt Walker, charged with the murder of Dave Burton a d James gers at Win loo-, requesting that, if the woman was excented, the picture Begub, at Havilah. After the jury of Captain Clark of Battleship Ore-

jury and said that the pretended ar individual property and the firm shall cept as above, shall be considered firm ticles of partnership were drawn and have no interest therein; and hat for business and the parties equally interexecuted in November, 1904, and dated any and all services which may be lested therein "



### Dropped Dead

Scripps News Association Chicago Ill. June 20-N P Sheerof Indianapolis, a prominent 00. politician and a delegate to the interstate telephone convention, dropped dead this morning at the auditorum while replying to an address of we'come.

His death was due to apoplexy. He was one of the most prominent independent telephone magnates in the country, and was president of the Indianapolis company and a stockbolder in many others and was formerly secretary of the national democratic executive committee. Out of respect for the dead man, the convention only transacted important basinees and adjourned until tomor-

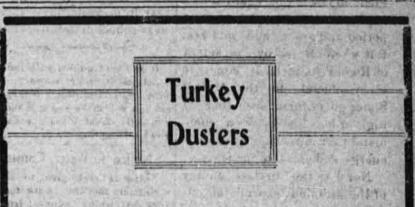
#### **Higgins Reelected**

Scripps News Association San Francisco June 20-Martin P Higgins, of Boston, was this morning reelected president of the internatioaal printing presemen's union over Frank Pempush, of Denver, Edward Bandall, of forento, was elected first vice-president, John Farrington of St Louis around vice-president, Fred Ranagan of Boston third vice-presi-dent, Witham Webb, of New York secretary and treasurer. Pittsburg Penn was chosen as the next meeting place of the convention. They will meet on the third Monday in June of next year.

## A TRAGEDY AT THE EXPOSITION

(By Scripps News Association) Portland, Ore June 20-Rachida Brudo, an Algerian dan er, was shot and fatally wounded on the "Streets of Cairo" at the exposition by her husband today. Her husband was a Moorish merchant, who after shooting her put a bullet through his own head and is now dying. Jealousy was the

of Burton slepped up to Walker, warmly shook his hands and to a re capitol, be turned to the wall. Capporter she said "You may say that I tain Clark says that he has the con-am in sympathy with the defense. Does that sound romantic to you?" quest.



There's no question about the everyday usefulness of a feather duster. You can get along without one, but better with one. Save stooping, reaching and climbing, will do some kinds of dusting better than anything else.

The time was when the cost made them inxurious. Our prices ought to make them necessities. After using one a while you would as soon think of doing without a broom as a duster. Our sock of dusters was bought close and we can afford to sell them in the same way.

