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WHEREABOUTS ARE MYSTERIOUS

SAN FRANCISCO LANDS BIG CASH LOANS.

Through the Estate of Stanford, Donor of Stanford University, the City of San Francisco Gets Big Cash Loan—American Diplomat to Japan's Throne is Missing and His Whereabouts Are a Mystery—Believed to Be in British Port.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 23.—Federal officials and citizens who make it a business to keep close watch on affairs of Japan, are wondering what has become of D. W. Stevens.

Stevens is an American, who for many years has been confidential adviser to the mikado in regard to occidental affairs, particularly with those relating to North America. He is supposed to be somewhere in the United States at the present time. His coming was announced to local custom house officials and they expected him on the Mongolia, but he did not appear. It is said that he slipped off at a British Columbia port. He was expected to go to Washington to assist Takahira, now ambassador from Japan, in getting "in right" at the capitol. He may be there now, but if so, many people would like to know it, as his influence in any Japanese-American imbroglio would be very potent.

Trisco Gets Big Loans.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 23.—Through the Stanford estate, merchants of San Francisco have secured loans aggregating \$1,000,000.

The Sloss and Gerstle estates took one loan of \$450,000 and another loan of an equal amount was made to the Boyd estate. Because of this influx of money into the city it is now easier to secure cash for improvements on city property, as both estates are real, owning the money secured from the trustees. It is said that the loans will net the university 7 per cent.

MAYOR'S CHAIR FOR ROOSEVELT

RIS SUGGESTS MAYOR SEAT FOR ROOSEVELT.

New York Philanthropist Can See in Roosevelt an Ideal Mayor for New York City—Has Refused to Admit That the President Instigated the Suggestion, But Admits it Sounds Good to Teddy—The New Yorker Intimate With Roosevelt.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 23.—Jacob Ris, the New York philanthropist and author, who is supposed to be one of President Roosevelt's most intimate personal friends, would like to see the executive elected mayor of New York after his present term in the White House. He made this statement just prior to delivering a lecture here on civic improvement.

Ris refused to say that the president had originally inspired the suggestion, but declared that the proposition has rather appealed to President Roosevelt.

OIL FIELDS BURN.

Incandescent Light Globe Burst With Disastrous Results.

Los Angeles, Jan. 23.—An incandescent electric light globe burst today in a trailer tank and started a destructive fire in the Sherman oil fields. Two men were injured, Chas. Ledand and Ed Welborn. Ledand had lowered the light into the tank to ascertain the amount of oil remaining, when an explosion occurred. He was blown 20 feet through the air and badly bruised and burned. Within half an hour the entire chain of oil tanks was afire and two large tanks and a reservoir nearby had been ignited.

The way of the world is to praise dead saints and persecute the living ones.—Howe.

U. S. LAND COMMISSIONER PERJURED HIMSELF TO AID BUTTE LAND AND LIVE STUCK CO. IN FRAUD

Portland, Jan. 23.—Hamilton H. Hendricks confessed on the stand today while under cross-examination in the Hall-Mays land fraud case, that while he occupied the office of the United States land commissioner, he perjured himself and aided in the perjury of others in order that the Butte Land & Livestock company might take up certain land claims for pasturage.

He confessed that he knew that many of the claims taken out by the company in his office were fraudulent and that he had assisted the company at times in securing possession of these claims.

He testified that he expected to be

finned by the court for his participation in these corrupt practices.

Hendricks was the only witness on the stand today. He spent an uncomfortable six hours. The defense was merciless in its examination and did not spare the witness at any point. But they failed to shake the damaging effect of Hendricks' admission while on the stand as a witness for the state yesterday afternoon. Hendricks' declaration that he expects to be fined is regarded here as indicating the extent of the immunity promised by Special Prosecutor Heney. His confession saves him from the danger of a term in prison.

UNEMPLOYED SOCIALISTS DEFEY POLICE IN SULLEN MARCH THROUGH CHICAGO STREETS

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 23.—With 50,000 unemployed men massed about the center of the city and with 700 policemen scattered along the proposed line of march, socialists declare that they will hold their proposed parade through the streets of Chicago despite all efforts on the part of the police officials to forbid it.

Chief Shippy has declared that he will call out the entire force to prevent the parade. Ben Reitman, who calls himself the "King of Tramps," will lead the parade. "If the police start to club us, there will be hell," he said today.

Braving an attack of 200 policemen 3000 unemployed of this city started out to hold the forbidden parade, as an advance guard to the main body.

They were under the leadership of Ben Reitman. On the lake front Reitman was arrested, but his arrest seemed to infuse new life into the paraders and they continued to march. No more arrests were made.

THAW WANTED WHITE ARRESTED

NEW FEATURE SPRUNG IN THE THAW TRIAL.

Principal Sensation in Thaw Trial is Revelation of the Fact That Thaw Had Appealed to Jerome to Arrest Stanford White—Jerome Refused, Believing Thaw's Motive to Be Insincere—Dr. Wagner Proves an Excellent Witness.

New York, Jan. 23.—Counsel for Harry K. Thaw are much worried over the delay in arrival of the steamer Adriatic, upon which are three witnesses for the defense.

Dr. Charles of Albany, N. Y., testified today that he examined the defendant on a New York Central train at one time and thought him irrational.

Dr. Charles C. Wagner was the second witness. A tiresome wrangling with Jerome followed every attempt made by Wagner to answer questions put to him. The substance of his testimony was that the defendant entertained hatred against physicians because he thought that they were in a conspiracy to put him in prison, and that Thaw told him he never intended to attack White, but that Providence guided his hand when the shot was fired.

The sensation of the day in the Thaw trial was a startling statement that Harry Thaw once appealed to Jerome to have Stanford White brought to the bar of justice and that the appeal was ignored because the prosecutor did not think that Thaw's motives were altogether disinterested, and believed that he was attempting to use the district attorney's office to help him win Evelyn from White.

These facts were developed in the cross-examination of Dr. Charles Wagner, who was an excellent witness for the defense. He used no technical terms and held the attention of the jury.

In human life there is a constant change of fortune; and it is unreasonable to expect an exemption from the common fate.—Plutarch.

CABINET PROBES APPOINTMENTS

FIVE ADVISERS TO ROOSEVELT IN CONFERENCE.

The Charge Made Against President Roosevelt That He is Making Appointments for Political Purposes of Late, Being Carefully Investigated—Conference May Have Broad Results—Each Secretary Studies Appointments in His Lane.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—A conference that may, in its results, be one of the most important in the present year, is now going on between Secretary of State Root, Secretary of the Interior Garfield, Commissioner of Commerce and Labor Straus, Secretary of the Navy Metcalf and Postmaster General von Meyer.

It is understood that this conference is discussing the charge that President Roosevelt has been making appointments for political purposes of late.

Each secretary brought with him a list of appointments made in his department since January 1.

Boise Paper Defunct.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 23.—The Boise Sunday Times, established six weeks ago, went into the hands of a receiver today. The publication will be continued by the receiver.

BEE BUZZING IN SHAW'S BONNET

RETIRE FROM TRUST COMPANY TO GET BUSY.

Former Cabinet Officer Will Soon Leave the Carnegie Trust Company to Round Up Delegations to Control His Nomination to the Presidency—His Resignation Takes Effect March 1—His Aspirations Cause Him to Resign.

New York, Jan. 23.—Leslie M. Shaw, now president of the Carnegie Trust company, but who will resign from that position March 1, will devote his energies toward rounding up a sufficient number of state delegations to control the republican convention and secure his own nomination for the presidency.

It is said that Shaw's zeal in political matters was the main cause of his resignation from the trust company.

This is the very perfection of a man, to find out his own imperfections.

PULL TEETH FOR THE COLD

NOVEL HOLD-UP IN SPOKANE LAST NIGHT.

Prominent Stage Manager Suffers Excruciating Pain and Loses Several Teeth Because He Laughed at Chagrin of Robbers Who Held Him Up But Found Only Trifling Sum—Street Lamp and Smile Responsible—Teeth Knocked From Jaw.

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 23.—Hold-up men have created a new record for rapacity in this city.

Hitherto coin of the realm, watches and rings, either solid or filled, and gems that would pass the casual inspection and none too rigid examination of the hurried road agent, about encompassed the horizon of the highwayman's loot. But since Spokane became a closed town and the money stringency hit the tenderloin with cruel relentness, the "stick-up" men have been searching for new fields for the elusive wherewithal.

Last night three hold-up men stopped G. E. Hedger, stage manager of the Columbia theater and searched him for valuables. They found but \$2.60, whereupon Mr. Hedger laughed.

In the light of a nearby street lamp the laugh revealed the fact that Hedger's mouth gleamed and glittered from the reflection of three gold encrusted teeth. Before Hedger was able to make any resistance he was thrown to the ground and the teeth yanked from his mouth. The teeth were valued at \$25.

DECLARES MILK UNSANITARY.

California Dairies Are All Unsanitary, Declares Prominent Doctor.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 23.—In a speech before the California Women's club yesterday, Dr. A. R. Ward, of the state hygienic laboratory at Berkeley, Cal., declared that there was not a single dairy in San Francisco, or a dairy outside of the city supplying the metropolitan custom, whose milk was really pure and free from bacilli.

Wants Gage as Counsel.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 23.—Henry Ach, the old attorney for Abe Ruef went to Los Angeles today to consult with ex-Governor Lyman J. Gage, on a proposition of the latter taking the position as chief counsel for Ruef. It is thought it is very doubtful if Gage will do this.

Japan's Location Advantageous.

Stanford University, Cal., Jan. 23.—P. J. Treat, professor of history at Stanford, today, in a lecture, declared that the geographical situation of Japan is such that it will be that nation's destiny to be master of the Pacific ocean.

Inventory and Year's-End Sale

This Week--Unusual Price Reducing in Nearly Every Line --Ladies, Childrens, Mens and Boys Departments Liberally Represented.

We are in the midst of our Stock Inventory and find in every department lines more or less broken, which must be disposed of, and will be MARKED DOWN FOR QUICK SELLING--To profit by these "TRULY BARGAINS" you must visit our store often, as every day will bring forth new bargains.

\$25.00 Ladies' Suits\$12.45
\$22.50 Ladies' Suits\$11.25
\$20.00 Ladies' Suits\$9.95
\$15.00 Ladies' Suits\$7.45
\$10, \$12.50, \$14.50 Ladies' Suits \$4.25

\$15.00 Ladies' or Misses Coats .\$.745
\$12.50 Ladies' or Misses' Coats .\$.620
\$10.00 Ladies' or Misses' Coats .\$.495
\$7.50 Ladies' or Misses Coats .\$.370
\$5.00 Misses5 and Childs' Coats \$2.45

400 Boxes Andrew Jergen's 25c Toilet Soaps 9c This Week, per box

\$3.00 to \$4.50 Boys' Overcoats ..\$1.45
50c to 65c Boys' Shirts25c
Odd lot Boys' 25c and 35c Caps ..9c
65c Boys' Outing Night Shirts ...38c

\$1.25 Ladies' heavy Outing Flannel Waists, this week25c
25c to 35c Ladies' Collars15c
50c, 65c and 75c Ladies' Belts25c

1c

10c Key Rings, this week.....
2 lamp wicks, this week.....
2 School Rulers, this week.....
2 bunches Wire Hair Pins.....

1c

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