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HILL INCIDENT CLEARED UP

GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN MISQUOTED.

Retiring Ambassador Tower Has a Large Task on His Hands to Explain to Uncle Sam How Information That Kaiser Was Displeased With the Appointment of Hill as Ambassador, Originated—Kaiser Denies Having Made Any Such Statement.

Berlin, March 27.—The situation resulting from the objection sent to Washington to the appointment of David Jayne Hill as ambassador to Germany, is now up to Ambassador Tower. Following semi-official denial by the German government yesterday, that the German government had objected to Hill and following a report of the reichstag, in which it was proposed to cast a vote of censure if it was shown that the kaiser objected to Hill on purely personal grounds, and an official statement from the kaiser himself, was issued today.

In it he states that he never said nor wrote a word that might be construed by any one as an objection to Hill's appointment. On the contrary, as late as last November, the kaiser expressed his warm approval of Hill. The kaiser's statement ends the matter as far as the German government is concerned. It removes the last shadow of doubt that the Washington state department was misinformed. Just how, will have to be explained by Tower.

The Berlin afternoon papers are full of the Hill-Tower ambassadorship mud and the prevailing impression seems to be that Tower is in the wrong and to blame for the confusion.

DUNBAR IS GUILTY.

Former Secretary of State in Oregon Must Reimburse Commonwealth.

Salem, March 27.—Ex-Secretary of State Dunbar was found guilty by

Judge Galloway in the circuit court here this afternoon, in the suit brought by the state of Oregon to recover fees alleged to have been appropriated by Dunbar while in office. Dunbar will have to reimburse the state, according to the court's ruling.

Bryan Visits Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 27.—Democrats from all over western Pennsylvania are arriving in Pittsburg today to participate in a demonstration in honor of William J. Bryan, who will speak in the Exposition building this evening. President Jere S. Black, of the Pennsylvania Bryan league, will preside over the meeting. The Nebraskaan will proceed from here to Parkersburg, W. Va., where he will deliver an address tomorrow.

ATTITUDE OF COREANS IS ALARMING TO JAPAN

MIKADO TAKING EVERY PRECAUTION POSSIBLE.

Attitude of Coreans in Their Assassination of Stevens of San Francisco and Subsequent Statements, Give Ample Grounds for the Belief That a Campaign of Assassination is Planned—Special Guards Everywhere About Japanese Leaders.

Tokio, March 27.—Fear of a wholesale campaign of assassination by Corean enthusiasts following the murder of D. W. Stevens in San Francisco, has stirred officials here to take greater precautions and visitors to the foreign office are being closely questioned before admittance is granted.

Orders have been sent to Seoul that special guards should be placed about the palace and all Japanese agents are warned of be on the look-out for assassins.

It is believed here that Stevens is but the first of a series of assassinations planned by Coreans with the object of attracting the attention of the world to their down trodden condition.

The entire secret service of Japan is engaged in looking out for Corean leaders, both in Japan and Korea.

IMPEACHMENT IS THREATENED

ROOSEVELT LIABLE TO IMPEACHMENT SAYS LEADER.

Minority Leader John Sharp Williams Hints in Speech on Floor of the House Today That He Will Bring Impeachment Proceedings Against Roosevelt—Starts Over Roosevelt's Action Relative to the Recent Wilfley Incident in Shanghai.

Washington, D. C., March 27.—John Sharp Williams, minority leader of the house, hinted strongly today in a speech that he intended bringing impeachment proceedings against President Roosevelt on the Wilfley incident.

Williams' statement followed the report that the president had taken members of the judiciary committee to task for criticism that they had leveled at Wilfley for his conduct as judge of the United States court at Shanghai.

"If these charges against the president prove true," said Williams on the floor today, "I shall introduce a resolution calling for a thorough investigation of this intrusion of the president of the United States on the rights of members of this house."

Auto Race Heads for Alaska.

San Francisco, March 27.—The American Thomas racer in the New York-Paris race, left for Valdez, Alaska today on board the steamer Pueblo. The Pueblo is due at Seattle Monday and Captain Hansen of the auto, expects to reach Valdez in six days. Carrier pigeons will be carried with the car and released along the route.

Fleet Laying Mines.

Magdalena Bay, March 27.—The fleet is now engaged in the practice of laying mines. Torpedo boat practice is also under way. All battleships except the Vermont, Kansas and Missouri have practically finished their target practice.

MANY VOTERS REGISTERING

UP TO DATE 2437 ARE ON THE COUNTY BOOKS.

Surprisingly Large Number of County Voters Have Placed Their Names on the Registration Books and Indications Point to a Record Breaking Primary Vote—One Christian Registered—Camp Carson Has Record—Five Refuse to Give Party.

The county voters have registered lively of late and the result is that the total registration up to date is higher than at the last election by a large margin, and when it is taken into consideration that the primary election laws are yet new, comparative, to the voters, the number of registration as seen from the table herewith, is encouraging. The table shows that out of the approximate total voting strength of the county—3900—there are but 1500 in the county who have not placed their names on the registration books.

For remarkable, Camp Carson stands alone. Only one voter has registered in that precinct, and he is a socialist. The registration in the city wards is heavy.

There have been but five who refused to give their political affiliations and one who registered as a Christian. Following is a table, compiled by the clerk's office, and gives the precinct registration, the party totals and the grand total:

Antelope—Rep. 8, Dem. 2; total 10.
Alice—Rep 25, Dem. 12, Pro. 1; total 38.
Cove—Rep 82, Dem. 67, Soc. 1, Pro. 6; total 158.
North Elgin—Rep. 113, Dem. 84 Soc. 12, Pro. 5, Ind. 6, refused to answer 1; total 221.
South Elgin—Rep. 108, Dem. 82, Soc. 4, Pro. 3, Ind. 3; total 205.
Hilgard—Rep. 32, Dem. 25; total 57.
Imbler—Rep. 5, Dem. 2; total 7.
Island City—Rep. 48, Dem 52, Ind. 2; total 102.
Kamela—Rep. 4, Dem. 3, Soc. 2; total 9.
La Grande, No. 1—Rep. 81, Dem. 48, Soc. 5, Pro. 1, Ind. 1; total 136.
La Grande, No. 2—Rep. 157, Dem. 75, Soc. 19, Pro. 2, Ind. 17, Christian 1; total 271.
La Grande, No. 3—Rep. 163, Dem. 87, Soc. 11, Pro. 1, Ind. 6; total 268.
La Grande, No. 4—Rep. 144, Dem. 64, Soc. 20, Pro. 1, Ind. 4; total 233.
La Grande, No. 5—Rep. 40, Dem. 12, Soc. 4, Pro. 2, Ind. 2; total 60.
North Powder—Rep. 110, Dem. 60, Soc. 20, Pro. 1, Ind. 2, refused 2; total 195.
Perry—Rep. 2, Dem. 1; total 3.
Summerville—Rep 84, Dem. 56, Soc. 1, Pro. 2, Ind. 2, refused 1; total 146.
Starkey—Rep. 11, Dem. 8, Soc. 1, Ind. 1; total 21.
Union, No. 1—Rep. 100, Dem. 56 Soc. 1, Pro. 7, Ind. 1; total 165.
Union, No. 2—Rep. 77, Dem. 43, Soc. 2, Pro. 7, Ind. 1, refused 1; total 131.
Camp Carson—Soc. 1.
Total registration—Rep. 1394, Dem. 829, Soc. 104, Pro. 41, Ind. 53, refused to answer 5, Christian 1. Grand total registered voters up to date, 2,437.

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California Populists.
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PITTSBURG BANKERS TAKE FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND

WARRANT FOR ARREST SAYS OVER MILLION.

Teller and Auditor of Farmers' Deposit National Bank of Pittsburg Arrested on Charge of Taking Large Sums From the Institution—Now in Jail and Cannot, Apparently, Get Bail Release—Bank Examiner Gives Much Lower Figure.

Pittsburg, March 27.—Charged with stealing \$1,055,000 from the Farmers' Deposit National bank, Henry Reiber, the teller, and John Young, auditor,

have been placed under arrest pending investigation.

Accountants say the amount missing may equal \$2,000,000, but Bank Examiner Folds said today the bank's loss might not exceed \$400,000. The two accused men are trying to secure their release on bail, but it is not thought that they will be successful.

Requests Are Granted.

San Francisco, March 27.—In accordance with the requests of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league, the arrival of the Atlantic fleet will be delayed one day in order that the date of primaries may pass before the vessels reach the bay. By coming on May 6 instead of May 5, as originally planned, this is made possible.

HARRIMAN SAID TO HAVE RESIGNED THE PRESIDENCY

LOST CONTROL LAST EVENING DURING PANIC.

Evening Portland Journal Will Print Dispatch From New York Saying Harriman Has Resigned From the Union Pacific Head Office—To Be Succeeded by C. S. Mellen—Morgan Started Harriman Down Hill by Calling for Collateral on Loans.

Portland, March 27.—The Oregon Daily Journal will tonight print a special dispatch from New York, stating that E. H. Harriman has resigned from the presidency of the Union Pacific and be succeeded by C. S. Mellen. It states that Harriman relinquished his control last October, but the fact was kept secret. It declares his dictation of the road ceased when called upon by Morgan during the panic, for collateral on loans and he had to give up his Union Pacific shares.

CITY IN FLAMES.

Stricken City in Mexico Still Without Communication.

Mexico City, March 27.—Chilapa, a city of 15,000 persons, is in flames, following an earthquake shock last night. Delayed dispatches received here state there are many fatalities, but no figures are given. All telegraphic communication is cut off.

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OREGON MEETS TWO DEFEATS

IDaho SCORES DECIDED VICTORY AT DEBATE.

By Both Its Negative and Affirmative Team Winning in the Triangular Debate Last Evening, the Idaho University Stands the Victor—Affirmative Moscow Team Wins at Home From Washington and Wins at Eugene—Oregon Loses at Seattle.

Portland, March 27.—The University of Idaho scored two striking victories in the forensic field last night when the teams from the Moscow institution defeated both the University of Oregon at Eugene, Ore., and the University of Washington at Moscow, Idaho. The Idaho men won on both sides of the question on Japanese exclusion. At Eugene they supported the negative side of the question: "Resolved, That the present laws relating to Chinese exclusion should be extended to Japanese."

At Moscow, the debaters took the affirmative side.

At Seattle the University of Washington defeated the University of Oregon. Washington supported the affirmative side to the Japanese exclusion question.

La Grande Boy at Seattle.
Earl Kilpatrick of La Grande, was a member of the Oregon negative team at Seattle.

Each university of the three has a negative and an affirmative team, the latter remaining at home and the negative going away.

To Reopen Big Bank.

Providence, R. I., March 27.—Action fixing the time and final details for the resumption of business by the Union Trust company, which failed during the recent panic, is expected to be taken in the superior court tomorrow. The company was recently declared solvent by Justice Sweetland and permission given for its reopening. The concern was one of the most important financial institutions in Rhode Island and its failure created a sensation here. The bank will reopen its doors with about \$6,000,000 cash in its vaults. The total net indebtedness of the company is \$19,112,577.62. Practically all of the creditors have given assent to the reorganization plan.

Oregon Prohibitionists.

Portland, Ore., March 27.—With delegates from all over the state in attendance, the Oregon state convention of the prohibition party was opened here today. Representatives will be selected to attend the national convention at Columbus, O.

Fire at Silverton.

Silverton, Ore., March 27.—A disastrous fire here this morning destroyed a business block, causing a loss of \$15,000.

NEW GOODS

Will be the all-absorbing topic for the next few weeks—We believe you will be interested in the new goods we have selected for the spring and summer season, and which are now arriving daily.

Keep your eyes on this store and our ads from now on and all the time, and you can come to this store any day with the assurance of finding some new arrivals in some of the many and varied lines.

In this connection let us say to you the spring productions are most beautiful in point of colors and fabrics and the ready-to-wear garments are so natty and varied in styles that the most exacting tastes can be satisfied.

There is also a tendency for LOWER PRICES in nearly all lines, and as usual this store will be the first to give you the fullest benefit of the lower prices. Being members of the Northwest Cash Buyers' Union, consisting of more than 50 of the best stores in the northwest with a purchasing power greater than the average jobbing house, enables us to take advantage of merchandise opportunities beyond the reach of individual buyers—You will share these benefits to the fullest extent if you buy at this store.

INDEPENDENT
BLUE 32

The Fair
DEPARTMENT STORE
LA GRANDE OREGON

PACIFIC STATES
BLACK 1301

FOR THE SICK ROOM

There is no time when the really proper articles are so essential as when illness comes to the home. No matter what your needs may be, we furnish you with the desired article. Our prompt delivery service is at your service.

HILL'S DRUG STORE

La Grande Oregon