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ROOSEVELT WINS IN HASKELL FIGHT

TREASURER OF DEMOCRATS ADMITS GUILT BY ACTION.

With a Sober Face of Feigned Innocence, Governor Haskell Bows Under to Charges Brought by Roosevelt—Resigns to Avoid Further Damage to His Party—A Direct Victory for Roosevelt and Republican Party—Claims Innocence.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Governor Haskell has resigned at midnight as treasurer of the democratic committee, following the attack of Hearst and Bennett. He personally announced his resignation three hours after arriving from Guthrie. He declared he did not want to be responsible for the embarrassment which would result to the party by retaining his office. Haskell did not wait for Bryan, on his way here, to demand an explanation of the charges by Roosevelt and Hearst. Haskell admitted the resignation was a direct result of the charges, insisting however, that they were untrue.

Says Attack Was Vicious.
In part the resignation says: "Since the president and the cabinet joined forces with Hearst and three Wall street brokers to make a personal fight against me, notwithstanding the president, in answer to Bryan, abandoned the charge about the Ohio Standard Oil cases, yet, by all means at the command of the government and the millions of Hearst and Wall street allies, they persist in vicious, unwarranted and untruthful attacks on me. I welcome the fight which I shall meet with all the vigor at my command. I will treat them as private citizens, subject to all the penalties of the law, which they merit."

Evidence of Guilt.
This is taken, generally, by politic and non-politic bodies to mean that Roosevelt has won another victory. He assailed the democratic party for having at his head a man who was under shadow for alleged graft and crookedness. He assailed him and his assault has proven so far successfully that it leaves no room for doubt but that his charges were substantially true, or the democratic party would exonerate itself. Roosevelt's statement that Haskell's connection with the Standard Oil, is court record, struck home and the democratic party, nor Bryan for that matter, have been unable to answer it with any degree of result.

Will Prosecute Hearst.
"You read the law and then you will know the limit," was the written answer made by Haskell to a question as to what action he contemplated against his accusers. Haskell's friends say he will take action immediately.

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ROAD WIZARD IN NEW GRAB GAME

THOUGHT HARRIMAN WILL SOON OWN 'FRISCO SYSTEM

New York, Sept. 26.—Those predicting the Southern Pacific would soon take the 'Frisko system off the hands of the Rock Island road today, are more insistent than ever that the deal will soon be closed. The sudden advance in Rock Island shares yesterday is said to have been caused by the report that the Speyer company has agreed to furnish \$5,000,000 for the purpose of taking up \$7,124,900 of 'Frisko 4* per cent notes, due November 1.

Railroad men see Harriman's hand in the deal and think when it is all over he will own the road.

GIANTS IN THE LEAD.

First Game Between Cincinnati and Giants of Last Series.

New York, Sept. 26.—In the first game here today between New York and Cincinnati, Mathewson and Bresnahan are the battery for New York, while Ewing and Schlei are performing for Cincinnati. The Giants got a good lead in the third inning, securing four runs to Cincinnati's none.

CLEVELAND'S ARTICLE DENIED

DEMOCRATS AFFIRM CLEVELAND NEVER FAVORED TAFT

New York, Sept. 26.—The New York Times today prints the following communication from F. S. Hastings, executor of the estate of the late ex-President Grover Cleveland, denying Cleveland wrote the article which appeared in the Times, representing that Cleveland favored the election of Taft.

"Since the interview of September 23, relative to the article attributed to the authorship of the late Grover Cleveland, I desire to say there has come to my knowledge evidence which leaves in my mind a doubt that said article was written or signed by Cleveland; therefore it is no longer entitled to credit as his production. Mrs. Cleveland, in my judgment, is right regarding it, when she declared she did not think the article is genuine. Therefore I hasten to inform you of my conclusion regarding the article. The doubt thrown on the matter will doubtless cause the recall of a great number of pamphlets containing the article sent out by republicans.

CONVENTION IN LA GRANDE SOON

GOOD ROAD BOOSTERS COMING HERE FOR MEETINGS IN OCT.

A good roads convention will be held in La Grande, October 12, according to information received by County Judge Henry and John Collier, president of the Commercial club. The good roads spirit has invaded every nook and corner of Oregon and throughout the western portion of the state many highly successful meetings have already been held. Now the good roads men are invading eastern Oregon and Union county will be favored by their presence. Just who will be here on that date is not known yet, but John H. Scott of Salem, the father of the good roads movement, and who is now president of the state organization, will be here. In a brief time the full personnel of the visiting good road boosters will be announced.

Want Closed Town.
In his letter to the parties mentioned here, Mr. Scott expresses a desire that the city business houses be closed on the afternoon of that day to allow a monster attendance. Steps will be taken by the Commercial club to comply with the president's request.

Wants Farmers Interested.
Not alone do the boosters want the city folks to attend this road convention, but they are especially desirous of having the farmers attend. The importance of good roads in any community is like water on dry land—it cannot be estimated. The stupendous success that has branded meetings of a similar nature in western Oregon, will be duplicated here without a doubt.

Union county papers are urgently requested to give space in exploitation to this convention in La Grande.

Children of one family come eight miles every day to Echo to school.

INDIANA LOCAL OPTION PASSES

DRAMATIC SCENE ENACTED AND DEMOCRATS FALL IN LINE

Special Session of Indiana Legislature Called for Purpose of Acting on Local Option Bill, With County as a Unit, Has Obeyed Governor's Wish—Dramatic Scene When Daughter of Representative Breaks the Ice for Success.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 26.—The county local option bill giving each county a right to individually decide whether liquor can be sold, was passed today by the legislature called together in special session by Governor Hanly, to enact his local option bill.

A dramatic scene marked the passage of the bill. To a little daughter of Representative Johnson is attributed the success of the local optionists. The democrats opposing the bill caused a great demonstration until Johnson, democrat, arose to explain his vote. His daughter entered and stood beside him. "I have been against the bill," he said, "but certain influences—here he laid his hand on his daughter's head. He was under great pressure, and broke down and cried. After a pause, he continued: "I can't vote, Mr. Speaker."

His little daughter placed her arms about his neck, and in a moment Johnson turned about and said: "I vote 'Aye.'"

This action was immediately followed by six democrats voting with the republicans, resulting in the passage of the bill, under the most dramatic circumstances ever to take place in the Indiana legislature.

This is a signal victory for Governor Hanly. He virtually pounded the local option bill into the state. It was only by calling a special session—as his term ends soon—that he was able to bring about the desired end.

Exhibit for Fair.

Marion Stoker of South Union, will have an exhibit at the La Grande fair next week, several Early Crawford peaches grown on his place here, says the Scout. The peaches weigh 15½ ounces and are 12 inches in circumference and of excellent flavor. These peaches will speak well for Union.

FORAKER ADMITS HE GOT OIL PAY

DENIES HE WAS PAID TO CHOKE OIL LEGISLATION IN SENATE

Cincinnati, Sept. 26.—United States Senator Foraker, in a long and carefully prepared statement, last night discussed the recent charges by W. R. Hearst and President Roosevelt, explaining his connection with the Standard Oil company, the Brownsville negro soldier incident, and his connection with the rate bill.

He declared he was employed for a short time as a lawyer by the Standard, but never received a cent for aiding the trust in the senate. He flatly denied all Hearst's charges that he had accepted money from the Standard to choke unfavorable legislation.

HELENA WRECK TOOK 20 LIVES

REMARKABLE ESCAPES ARE RECORDED BY MANY.

Reports From Scene of Disastrous Wreck Yesterday Near Helena, Show That Death List is Twenty-Three—More Expected to Die—Some Instances of Remarkable Escapes From Death or Injury—Wreckage Held Many Under for Hours.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 26.—The death of Samuel Sionowitz, a prominent citizen of Billings, today, brings the report of the dead in the Northern Pacific wreck yesterday to 20. Of the 15 seriously hurt, it is believed three will not recover. The body of Chas. E. Johnson of Denver, district passenger agent of the Nickle Plate line, was taken from the wreckage today in a crushed condition.

Freight Train Crew Blamed.
Investigation seems to place the blame on the engine crew of the freight train, which, it is alleged was attempting to "steal time" on the passenger by making a siding at Youngs point.

The Fatally Hurt.
The three thought to be fatally injured are F. Dyer, of Mount Carmel, Ill.; Susan E. Cordia, of Flathead Mission, Mont.; Benjamin S. Westbury, address unknown.

Many Remarkable Escapes.
Colonel H. Hudson, a resident of Utah, was talking to a friend on the dining car and left him just before the collision. Hudson was entering the smoker when the crash came, and was instantly killed. Mrs. Bert Anderson, of Hardin, Mont., who was compelled to ride in the smoker on account of the train being crowded, just left her husband in the smoker, to wash before breakfast. A moment later the collision came, and her husband was killed. Frank T. Stivers, of Seattle, had a remarkable escape. He was sitting in a double seat with three men who were killed. The wreckage was piled up all around him when he was dug out.

Snow Line Descends.

Pendleton, Sept. 25.—With the cold wave which has been felt during the past few days, snow has been creeping nearer the city than is usual at this time of the year. As many have said, it looks as though Pendleton was going to get snow before any rain falls. For the past few weeks considerable rain has fallen all around this city, but the clouds have not crossed the valley nearer the city than Barnhart or Weston for more than a mere shower. Tom Purdy who drove in yesterday from Cold Springs, said that there was snow at Cabbage Hill about 18 miles from this city, and Joe Forrest's place near Adams was also covered. In the vicinity of the Tollgate the snow is heavy and in the Squaw Creek country similar conditions are found.

Many Killed Near Berlin.

Berlin, Sept. 26.—Thirteen were killed and 49 injured today in a railway collision, reported to be one of the worst in this part of the country. It is reported the action of the engineer of one of the trains in ignoring a danger signal is responsible.

Taft's Voice Weak Still.

Cedar Rapids, Sept. 26.—Judge Taft apologized for his weak voice when he spoke to a big crowd here today. Today's itinerary includes five speeches in Ohio, and seven in Minnesota. At Vinton, Iowa, today, Taft attacked Bryan's free silver record.

Squires Denies Bribe Charge.

New York, Sept. 26.—C. B. Squires, accused by former Attorney General Monnette of Ohio, of having offered a bribe of \$500,000 to stop suits against the Standard, denied he ever made the offer. He said the Monnett affidavit was false in every particular.

OHIO DEMOCRATS. Big Pow-wow to Inaugurate Democratic Campaign in Ohio.

Mansfield, O., Sept. 26.—Buckeye state democrats are here in force today at the big rally formally opening the state campaign of the party. John W. Kern, democratic candidate for vice-president, and Judson Harmon, candidate for governor, will be the chief orators.

FIND REMAINS AFTER 3 MONTHS

BELLINGHAM CRIME UNCOVERED IN AN ORCHARD

Bellingham, Sept. 25.—Wrapped in a blanket, the body of Mrs. J. K. Thomas, missing since July, was found buried in an orchard near her home in South Bellingham this afternoon. Her husband has been arrested, charged with the murder.

The evidence indicates a foul murder. The grave was between two stumps, with vines covering it. The husband insisted his wife was in Chahalls with her daughter.

G. O. P. TRUST OFFICIAL RESIGNS

HEAD OF SPEAKERS' BUREAU REMOVES CAUSE OF SCANDAL

New York, Sept. 26.—Chairman Hitchcock of the republican national committee, announces the resignation of General T. Coleman Dupont, of Delaware, who is identified with the powder trust, as the head of the bureau of campaign speakers, and a member of the executive committee.

Hitchcock said Dupont resigned because he felt the pendency of the suit of the government against the Powder company with which Dupont is connected, will be employed by opponents to injure the republican campaign.

STEAMSHIP HIT BY RIVER LINER

FORTUNATELY ONLY ONE GOES DOWN IN WRECK.

Running at Ten Knots an Hour, the Big Liner Hits Ocean Steamer, Causing Complete Wreck—Small Boats Come to Rescue and Save All But One—Impact Was Terrible—One Thousand Passengers Were on the Liner When Collision Came.

New York, Sept. 26.—While 1000 passengers were sleeping aboard the Fall River liner Commonwealth, the ship ran down and sunk a Norwegian steamship, the Volund, in a heavy fog off Race Rock, Long Island sound. One member of the crew of the Volund went down with the ship. He is believed to have been the only one who perished.

There was a panic on the Commonwealth, which was able to steam away. The Commonwealth was steaming 10 knots an hour when the Volund suddenly loomed up in the fog directly ahead. It was impossible to prevent a collision. The impact was so great that the passengers were thrown from their berths. The Volund was struck below the water line, making a big hole in the hull, which filled with water rapidly. She foundered. Small boats put out from the Commonwealth and 16 of the crew of 17 were taken aboard the Commonwealth.

The cohesiveness of the officers of the Commonwealth prevented serious results. The Volund was bound for Nova Scotia. She is a total wreck.

Railroad Rate Hearing Postponed.

Pendleton, Sept. 25.—District Attorney Phelps has received word from the railroad commission to the effect that the rate hearing which was to have been held in this city September 28, has been postponed until later in the fall. The date set proved to be inconvenient both for the district attorney and at least one member of the commission, so it was decided to hold the hearing at some later date.

This was to have been the time when the question in freight rates on grain should be taken up. Representatives of the farmers have their evidence ready to present, but it is not believed that the postponement of the hearing will weaken the case of the growers and shippers.

The hearing which was to have been held at Wasco September 22, was also postponed and will probably be about the same time as the Pendleton hearing.

This week the Bandon Woolen mills started an \$80,000 order for a Detroit firm and the mill will be run at full capacity until it is completed, says the Recorder.

PURE DRUGS

The Exact Kind That the Doctor Ordered

Our Prescription department organized along modern lines and our reputation is sufficient guarantee as to care and quality



HILL'S DRUG STORE

LA GRANDE, OREGON