

## MONEY TO AID IN PROSECUTION

### HENEY IS MUCH BETTER AND WILL RECOVER FAST.

Same Warlike Color Rules in the Trial of Abe Ruef Today—His Attorneys Continue to Fight for a Change of Venue—Ruef Driven to Court in Patrol Wagon, Surrounded by Armed Officers.

Henev is better. San Francisco, Nov. 17.—The doctor's statement this morning says Francis J. Henev passed a restful night and is much better. It will probably be three weeks before he is well, and five weeks before he will be able to resume his duties.

San Francisco, Nov. 17.—When the Abe Ruef trial was resumed this morning the same warlike military aspect marked the proceedings. Ruef was driven to court in a patrol wagon guarded by five detectives and five mounted police. The crowd on the street kept moving, but everybody entering was searched.

Attorney Dooler, for Ruef, opened the proceedings by filing a supplementary affidavit supporting yesterday's motion for change of venue. After a wrangle Dooler was allowed to read the affidavit, which covered the ground since the close of court yesterday.

The affidavits were about the same as those presented yesterday. They pointed out Ruef was in danger and that he had been driven to court under the protection of the officers.

Financial Aid Liberal. Scores of replies to the call issued yesterday by the Citizens' League of Justice to rally to the support of law and order, have been received today. Financial, moral and physical support has been pledged. The call asks the citizens to aid in the establishment of a clean and honest press. It says: "An honest dollar for an honest city will offset a thousand dollars for its corruption. All must stand together."

Boys Thought Drowned. San Francisco, Nov. 17.—The police today failed to find a trace of four boys reported lost on the bay since yesterday. It is believed the boat in which they were riding capsized, and the boys were drowned.

VICTORY FOR OREGON. Oregon City Locks Case Decided in Favor of the State.

Salem, Nov. 17.—The state's interest in the locks at Oregon City will amount to \$200,000 today, when the supreme court denied a rehearing in the case of the State vs. the Portland General Electric company.

The locks will soon be free to navigation. The way is now clear for a joint purchase of the locks by the federal government and the state, for which purchase the legislature has already appropriated \$300,000.

Voodoo Test Fatal. Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 17.—Proved by the "voodoo test" to be a murderer Louis Hirsch, a farmer, today slashed his throat from ear to ear and dropped dead before the coroner's jury which was about to free him. The case was all in, but with insufficient evidence.

Hirsch was suspected of killing Sam Haywood, a negro. A negro on the jury objected to the verdict, declaring if the revolver that killed Haywood was fired in the court room it would sweat blood. A test was ordered to satisfy the negro. Hirsch pulled his revolver and fired out of the window. He saw something on the barrel resembling blood. He instantly pulled a knife and killed himself.

Pledges for Woman's Rights. London, Nov. 17.—A poll of the house of commons completed today, shows 420 of the entire 610 members admitted they are pledged to support the pending woman's suffrage bill if it is brought to a final vote. Powerful influences are keeping the bill in the committee.

Given Life Sentence. Portland, Nov. 17.—Jack Larose, convicted of murdering Hyman Neuman, a pawnbroker, was today sentenced to life imprisonment.

## TROUBLE ON CUTTER. Scandal May Be Uncovered—Officers Under Arrest.

Seattle, Nov. 17.—Reports preceding the coming of the revenue cutter Thetis, now held in northern waters by a storm, state several members of the official staff of the vessel are under arrest, and that an official investigation has been demanded from Washington, which will create a big scandal among officers of the cutter. It is reported that there is friction among the officers. It is stated that Lieutenant Miller is in irons. Captain Henderson has been forced to discipline many of the officers. It is reported that Lieutenant Hay has also been arrested.

## UNCLE SAM READY TO PROTECT YANKEES

### PHILIPPINE SQUADRON PREPARES FOR ACTION.

In the Event That Trouble Breaks Out in China, American Interests Will Be Protected—Atlantic Fleet Held—May Mean War in the End.

Manila, Nov. 17.—The Philippine squadron has coaled, provisioned and mobilized and is ready to proceed to China immediately to protect American interests in the event of serious complications. All the marine officers are preparing to leave Cavite. The battalions at Olongapo have been ordered to prepare for action. The consensus of opinion is that the Atlantic fleet will not go to China at the outbreak of the trouble, but will remain here as reserves.

The feeling is strong among officers of the Philippine squadron and officers connected with the intelligence department of the army, that as soon as the empire emerges from its present financial difficulties, Japanese aggressions in China and assumption of arbitrary position on delicate phases in the far eastern problem will result in war between America and Japan.

## GREAT OREGON SALE.

### Largest Sale of Fruit and Agricultural Lands Ever Made in Oregon.

Albany, Ore., Nov. 17.—The largest sale ever made in Oregon fruit, dairy and agricultural land was just closed in the sale of 30,000 acres of Benton and Lincoln counties to Minneapolis people. Literature for advertising this part of Oregon is being prepared. At present about 300 families around St. Louis are preparing to come to Oregon and take hold of the land, which will be plotted into 10, 20 and 40-acre tracts.

## PAPE RATTACKS EMPEROR.

### Rumored That the Century Magazine Was Paid to Suppress Intention.

Berlin, Nov. 17.—"Die Welt am Montag" (The World on Monday), a leading German paper here, has created a sensation by the publication of what is purported to be an exclusive story that the German government paid \$50,000 to the Century Magazine for the suppression of an interview with the kaiser, that the American magazine left out of this month's issue. The paper demands to know if any of this amount came from the taxpayers. The article is very bitter against the emperor.

## Ready to Test Wires.

Baker City, Nov. 16.—The Baker Light & Power company is ready to test the transmission line into the Grande Ronde, which has just been finished. In the future La Grande, Union and a number of other places will receive current from the Baker Light & Power company of this city. A new transmission line at a cost of \$20,000 has been built and the people of Grande Ronde valley feel much relieved regarding their supply of electricity, for last year it will be remembered that the valley was in darkness for several weeks.

In conjunction with the water power plants at Olive Lake and Rock Creek, the South Baker steam plant is being put in readiness so that when the load is too heavy the steam plant can be used also.

This it is believed will give ample current for the entire system which is now many miles in length.

## GREAT ASSEMBLY AT WALLA WALLA

### EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS CONVENES IN GARDEN CITY.

Efforts to Make Whitman the Yale of the West Proceeds With Satisfaction—Many Great Men Make Addresses.

Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 17.—An educational congress which has attracted delegates from all over Washington, Oregon and Idaho was opened here today, under the auspices of Whitman college. Addresses will be made by prominent educators and literary men from many parts of the country.

The following is the program of exercises held in the chapel today: 10:45—Chapel services. 11 a. m.—Opening address by temporary chairman of the board of overseers. Address, "Whitman College, Its Organization and Present Status," President S. E. L. Ponross. Address, "The Greater Whitman, Its Purpose to Become the Representative Private Institution of the Pacific Northwest," Dean A. W. Hendrick.

2:30 p. m.—Address, "The Economic Value to the Pacific Northwest of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Were Transplanted from Boston to Walla Walla," Alfred E. Burton, dean of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston.

7:30 p. m.—Address, "Is a Great Private Institution Located in the Same Territory, a Benefit or a Hindrance to the Institutions Supported by the State?" Dr. Cyrus Northrup, president of the University of Minnesota.

## KENTUCKY BANK CLOSED.

Cashier Suspected of Having Connection With \$22,000 Shortage.

Monticello, Ky., Nov. 17.—The Citizens National bank is closed today. Cashier Charles W. McConahey was arrested in connection with the suspension. Authorities are seeking the assistant cashier, E. R. Winfrey. The shortage is estimated at \$22,000. The deposits are \$30,000.

## Shot by His Cousin.

Poyallup, Wash., Nov. 17.—Elmer Rhodes, who was shot in the head last night by his cousin while trying to break into his own home, is not expected to live. The bullet lodged in the brain. Rhodes had trouble with his wife and was warned to keep away from home, but he returned, with the above results.

## THOUSAND FEET IN AIR.

Balloon "United States" Awaits Wind to Carry it Eastward.

Los Angeles, Nov. 17.—"United States" balloon is hovering 45 miles east of here awaiting a favorable wind to carry it through the Cajon pass, between San Bernardino and the Sierra Madre mountain ranges into the Mojave desert, and thence eastward. At San Bernardino a note was found saying the balloon had been 10,000 feet high, and finds nothing but north wind. All is fine.

## Organizing Rough Riders.

Tacoma, Nov. 17.—A squadron of rough riders is being organized in the country near here by an officer of the Guatemalan army, to provide a trustworthy bodyguard for President Cervera. The rough riders are offered \$100 in gold per month. Some of them are Americans. Secrecy is being maintained, fearing the United States authorities will interfere in some way.

## Subways for Seattle.

Seattle, Nov. 17.—Councilman Frederick Sawyer has introduced in council a bill granting a franchise to W. L. Dudley of Seattle, and W. S. Brady of Philadelphia, to construct extensive system of subways. The project is backed by millions of eastern capital. The ordinance outlines three subway routes for street cars. The bill was referred to a committee.

## Deputy Appointed.

Aberdeen, Nov. 17.—John G. Lewis, state treasurer-elect, has announced the appointment of W. W. Sherman of Raymond, as his deputy.

## KAISER PROMISES TO BE GOOD HEREAFTER

### KAISER CAPITULATES WITH CRISIS IN GERMANY BELIEVED PASSED—Kaiser Will Be More Guarded in His Speech and Exercise Less Authority.

Kiel, Nov. 17.—The kaiser capitulated today in an interview with Von Buelow. It is understood the chancellor will remain in office. The kaiser promised to be more reserved in his speech, interfere less in domestic and foreign affairs, and be more careful in public and private utterances.

After the interview the kaiser said it was the most bitter hour spent in his whole career. The conference was held at the Potsdam palace. The kaiser capitulated in the face of hostile criticism of free empire. Whether the kaiser will issue a manifesto limiting his own power, as demanded by Von Buelow, is unknown. It is thought the national crisis is passed.

## Auto Speeder Breaks Neck.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 17.—Small child was killed today while trying to break the world's record for 24 hours continuous automobile driving. The big Renault car in which he was riding was smashed to pieces and the driver crushed to an unrecognizable mass.

## On Ag'in; Off Ag'in; Katherine.

London, Nov. 17.—The Central News agency sends a dispatch from Rome today, which says a correspondent has confirmed the report that the Duke of Abruzzi has called Katherine Etling recently breaking their engagement and releasing her from a promise to wed.

## PRAYER CHAIN LIVES.

Religious Fraud of a Year Ago Makes Its Appearance Here Again.

The prayer chain which a year ago created national interest and almost became a scandal involving several high church dignitaries, is again prevalent in this city, according to the following communication: La Grande, Nov. 17.—(Editor Observer.)—The prayer chain fraud has broken out again, as my wife received a copy this morning which was mailed in La Grande. To all who may receive a copy of the prayer with the request to make nine copies of it to send to nine other persons, I wish to say that the whole thing is a fake. It has been in operation for some years and been attributed to various bishops, Anglican, Greek, Methodist and Roman. Bishop Lawrence, in whose name it has for the past year or two been sent forth has no more to do with it than the man in the moon. Do not be afraid of the threat of breaking the chain, for I have received several of these missive and as invariably consign them to the flames or waste paper basket, and have never suffered the slightest inconvenience in consequence.

## UPTON H. GIBBS, Rector St. Peter's Church.

## ORGANIZE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Railroad Shop Employees Will Be Taught Fire-Fighting Methods.

An organized fire department will soon be vogue at the round house. The splendid new hose cart, equipped with requisite tools and 50 feet of first-class hose, is now in the hose house at the yards, and in a few days, a complete organization of employees will be effected. A chief will be chosen and the employees grouped into squads under sub-leaders, so that if ever a fire breaks out in the yards or any O. R. & N. building, the volunteer department will be on the scene with a dash. In a few days the first fire drill will be held, in which the men will be taught the most expedient methods of extinguishing a blaze. The hose cart is newly painted and declared to be fully equal to any cart in the city department.

## Alaska Explosion Fatal.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 17.—An explosion today in the Tennessee Coal company's mine killed seven, according to reports. Six bodies have been removed, the message says. It is feared the rescuers are unable to reach the entombed men before they die.

## MAY HAVE NOTARY.

Depositors Are Now Required to Pay Their Own Notary Fees.

To relieve the burden imposed on depositors in the suspended Farmers & Traders National bank, a notary public will be employed by the bank hereafter, if present plans mature. Under the existing law, each depositor must pay for notary fees himself in making proof of claims. If the application made by Receiver Neldner is granted, a notary will be furnished by the government to take the necessary affidavits that must accompany each claim. In such instances, as where the deposit itself is only a few dollars, it robs the depositor of considerable of the savings if he is forced to pay notary fees.

## BILLEK'S FINAL APPEAL TURNED DOWN BY JUDGE

### WILL HANG WITH NEGRO ON DECEMBER ELEVENTH.

Calls on God to Pardon Judge Who Condemns an Innocent Man—Court Turns Pale, But Sets the Day of Execution.

Chicago, Nov. 17.—Herman Billek, convicted of poisoning the Vrxal family, makes a final appeal for his life to Judge Barnes court today. When asked if he had anything to say, he shouted, "Laws! before God I am innocent; may God have mercy on your soul if you condemn me, an innocent man, to die on the gallows!"

The judge turned pale but set the day of execution for December 11. Billek was helped from the room.

The condemned man will be hanged on the same date on which a negro murderer will be swung into eternity.

## For Social Service.

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—With prominent workers of both the Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal church, south, in attendance, the first national convention of the Methodist Federation for Social Service was opened in St. Louis today. Both the northern and southern sections of the denomination, which have been split since the war, have equal representation on the program, which includes a discussion of all phases of sociological work for the uplifting of the masses.

## TO BAKER CITY SATURDAY.

Second High School Team Will Play Baker Second Team.

The doughty second high school team will go to Baker City next Saturday morning to play the second team of Baker City. The game was arranged today noon and the members will spend themselves into shape again for the Saturday fray. They are still stiff and sore from the strenuous game of last Saturday, but will get into the pink of condition in the interim.

## Moving About Over.

J. H. Peare, the jeweler, has about completed his "moving day" and Dick R. Kelley is making preparations for opening his fish market in the room occupied by the Peare store for many years.

## STOP THE FIRST COUGH

Early fall coughs often pave the way for many later ones, by setting up a chronic inflammation of the air passages. Cure the first cough promptly and rightly and you will thus be taking precautions against liability to later annoyances and danger. For any kind of a cough at any time, we know of nothing better than Newlin's White Pine Expectorant. It is a remedy that we can highly recommend, because it cures in the right way, and its value has been demonstrated by years of use. Price 25 and 50 Cents.

## NEWLIN DRUG CO

LA GRANDE, ORE.

## CONLEY RUMOR SEEMS AT FAULT

### FLEEING MILLIONAIRE NOT IN HIDING HERE.

Report That Conley Was Seen in La Grande Last Sunday Night is Denied by Conductor Coykendall Who, It Was Claimed, Saw Him on Sunday Night's Train—Conductor Denies the Report Today.

The reported statement of Conductor Coykendall of Pendleton, that Conley, the millionaire wheat grower and banker of Cove, who is wanted in Portland on a statutory charge, was in La Grande last Sunday evening, coming in on No. 2, the eastbound passenger train, is not true. Mr. Coykendall denied this over the telephone today.

The rumor had gained considerable credence in La Grande today and The Observer, in corroborating the report, was unable to gain any authentic statements from Cove neighbors of the fugitive, where he is supposed by some to be in hiding.

In its investigation The Observer conversed with Conductor Coykendall of Pendleton over the telephone this afternoon, and the conductor stoutly denied having seen Conley since the day he went to Portland. According to the conductor's own statement, the report of Conley's presence in the Grande Ronde valley is at fault and without foundation.

## West Virginia Masons.

Wheeling, W. Va., Nov. 17.—Beginning today and continuing until Friday, the Scottish Rite Masons of this section will hold what promises to be one of the most interesting convocations in the history of the order. Delegations of Masons are here from Pennsylvania and Ohio, as well as from this state. The reunion will close with a banquet Friday evening.

## Bleached Flour.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Whether bleached flour is healthful is the problem to be decided by the board of food and drug inspection at a hearing today. Prominent millers appeared before the board to defend the practice of bleaching flour. It is alleged that the public demands flour of snowy whiteness and that the unbleached product would be unusable.

## Tariff on Provisions.

Washington, Nov. 17.—The tariff revisionists of the committee on ways and means of the house today took up consideration of the schedule relating to provisions and agricultural products. The hearing will be continued tomorrow.

## Portland in City of 225,000.

Portland, Nov. 17.—That the city will start the new year with a population of 225,000 is the estimate by census takers of the R. L. Folk company, who are engaged in compiling a new directory. If this is true, Portland will have made a gain of 15,000.

## A Fruitgrowers' Union Will Be Organized at Dufur.

Farmers around Clatskanie are planting many fruit trees and berry bushes.