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TAFT CONTROLS FUTURE THRIFT

PRESIDENT RIPLEY DENIES GOVERNMENT IS A REPUBLIC.

Maintaining That Taft Holds the Balance in His Hand as Far as Future Business Enterprise is Concerned, President Ripley Delivers Pointed Interview—If Taft Prosecutes Railroads With Big Stick, Hard Times Will Follow.

Los Angeles, Feb. 23.—Charging Roosevelt persecuted the railways and that at the present time the government is an oligarchy, President Ripley of the Santa Fe railroad, today declared the future conditions of business generally, depended upon the attitude of President-elect Taft. He said the boom following Taft's election has died and that "the country is in a waiting mood; waiting to see what the coming administration will do."

"The country wants to know what will be done with the tariff, and see whether the country is to be ruled by an autocracy or as a republic. There are two extreme parties now, one composed of the administration and its friends who desire a pure democracy in control. This government is organized as a republic. As the result these two parties are pulling in different directions. It has ceased for a time being a republic, and just now it is an oligarchy. If Taft adopts a generous or fair-play policy towards the railways, business generally will advance quickly."

Be not niggardly of what costs thee nothing; as courtesy, counsel and countenance.

Need 4000 Men.
Seattle, Feb. 23.—Four thousand men are needed during the summer season for contemplated railroad construction work in Alaska. M. J. Honey, contractor, said today that he had been instructed by promoters of the Copper River railroad, to build 100 miles of 50 miles of railroad before cold weather. This road will run trains during the winter to make travel to and from the interior easier. It will benefit Alaska's commerce immensely.

TERRILL SUIT FINALLY DEAD

FORMER SOCIALIST SPEAKER ACCUSED ADMINISTRATION.

To Be No Prosecution on Suit Against Federal Officers, Including Roosevelt—Terrill Maintained He Was Wrongfully Incarcerated for Murder.

Perry, Okla., Feb. 23.—A suit for \$800,000 damages for alleged false imprisonment in a Kansas penitentiary, filed by Ira N. Terrill against President Roosevelt, former Governor Ferguson of Oklahoma territory, and other officials, has been dismissed.

Terrill was formerly a populist speaker of the Oklahoma Territorial assembly. He served one term for murder, always alleging he was wrongfully imprisoned and that his incarceration was the result of a conspiracy between the territorial and federal officials. He was freed two years ago.

Beware of little expenses; small leak will sink a big ship.

SECOND FIGHT HAS COMMENCED

STANDARD OIL REBATE CASES WILL BE RESUMED.

All the Nation Rivets Eyes on Chicago While the Second Great Trial is in Progress—Oil Attorney Objects to Farmers Holding Seats as Jurors in the Case—Government Will Attempt to Prove 1,462 Separate Offenses of Rebating.

Elkins Law Valid.
Washington, Feb. 23.—The supreme court of the United States today held the rebate provisions of the Elkins act constitutional, and decided against the New York & Hudson River Railroad company in the sugar rebate cases. The Central was fined \$18,000, and Traffic Manager Fred L. Pomeroy \$5000 for granting rebates to the sugar trust.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—The second great struggle between the Standard Oil and the United States government in the \$29,240,000 case began this morning in the United States circuit court when Attorney Miller, chief counsel for the Standard Oil company, moved the entire venire of 150 be quashed because it was improperly drawn, and that too many talesmen were farmers. Attorneys on both sides began arguments on the motion.

District Attorney Sims notified the Standard attorneys that the government expected to prove 1462 separate offenses in rebating in violation of the Elkins anti-trust law. If it succeeds it will ask the court to assess a maximum fine of \$10,000,000.

SOLONS IMBIBE LIQUOR FREELY

STARTLING CHARGES ARE AIMED AT LEGISLATURE.

Enemies of Local Option in California Daily Furnish Gallons of Free Liquor to Law Makers—This in Violation of State Liquor Laws—Great Excitement Stirred Up by Charges—Sideboards Are Maintained—Senators Hilarious.

Sacramento, Feb. 23.—That members of the California legislature are daily consuming gallons of liquor furnished within the capitol building by enemies of local option, and in so doing violating the laws prohibiting intoxicants being sold or given away on the capitol grounds, is the startling declaration made today by Rev. D. M. Gandler of Los Angeles, representing the anti-Saloon league in the fight for the passage of the local option bills. For weeks—ever since the legislature has been in session, buffets where beer and whisky are given away, were openly conducted at the capitol.

Sideboards Maintained.
Behind curtains in the offices of the sergeant-at-arms of the assembly, senate sideboards were maintained. It was generally supposed the sergeants-at-arms were giving away the drinks in return for their jobs.

The hilarity of certain members along in the afternoon of certain days, supports the statement that between \$25 and \$30 worth of liquor was consumed daily.

It is not necessary for all men to be great in action. The greatest and sublimest power is often simple patience.—Horace Bushnell.

QUITS PULPIT FOR GARAGE

Rev. Ferdinand S. Rockwell, of the Sheridan Park Methodist church, has left the ministry to sell automobiles, after deciding that the money received for preaching the gospel was insufficient to support his family. He said today: "Preaching the gospel does not pay. I have to make money. That money is the root of all evil is false. Lack of it is an evil. Crime is generally committed because of a lack of money."

RESORT WASHED INTO THE SEA

PLEASURE RESORT NEAR HOQUIAM DESTROYED.

Due to a Break in the Dyke Surf at High Tide is Pounding Property to Pieces—Bath Houses Undermined—Loss Will Be Thousands—Many Men Unemployed.

Hoquiam, Wash., Feb. 23.—According to a special to the News from Moclips, a seashore resort near this city, practically the whole north end of that resort was washed into the sea with several cottages and their contents, due to a high tide which hammered a half-mile dyke. A strip of land 12 feet high, 20 feet wide and 1000 feet long, was washed away and the bath were undermined.

The mill giving employment to many men is slowly being pounded to pieces. A break in the dyke is giving the surf free sweep. The loss will be thousands of dollars.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE LAW.

Washington Passes Suffrage Law Up to the Governor.

Olympia, Feb. 23.—The senate this morning passed a police and firemen pension bill. The police pension has already passed the house. Palmer's uniform accountability bill, providing a bureau of inspection of public offices, passed the house. Also McMaster's bill giving university regents a right to allow street car lines to go through the university grounds.

The house killed the bill providing challenged voters must declare their party.

The woman suffrage bill passed the senate without a ripple, 39 to 9. It now goes to the governor for signature.

Promises may get thee friends, but non-performance will turn them into enemies.

RICHARDSON HAS RETURNED

EXPERIMENT STATION PROFITS TO REMAIN AT STATION.

Union County's Representative to Salem Returns Last Evening—Expresses View on Normal School Question—Fought for Johnson Bill—Station at Union Will Profit Monetarily—Explains Exact Status of the Asylum Question.

Stephen S. Richardson, representative to the recent legislature from this county, returned last evening, after having attended the full session. Mr. Richardson accomplished considerable good for the county he represented. One bit of legislation which he perfected is of monetary interest to the experiment station at Union. In addition to securing an appropriation of \$75,000 for the Union station, he secured the passage of a measure that will revert all profits of the farm back to the farm. In the past this has always gone to the state, but now the station keeps it. According to Manager Clark this item will average \$3,500 yearly, making a total running expense of about \$10,000.

His Efforts on Johnson Bill.

While the Johnson road bill was killed, Mr. Richardson was a firm and ardent friend of the bill. In regard to the Normal school question, Mr. Richardson was one of the few who wanted the house to concur with the senate in allowing sufficient funds to carry the institutions through the present year's work. But the majority of the house turned the senate down on this proposition and the fact that the schools have no funds to finish their year's work which is due to the house and not the senate. Mr. Richardson realizes full well that the logical solution of the problem is to have one good school, to be located by popular vote.

His Asylum Work.

Considerable wire pulling that the public knows little of, was effected in regard to the branch asylum proposition. As the matter now stands, explains the solon, the state as a whole will be given a vote on whether or not eastern Oregon is to have an asylum, at the next general election. The whole state realizing that this is needed, will doubtless vote the measure favorably. If passed, a commission of three, the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer, will decide where the asylum is to be located. The location must be within five miles of Isaker City, Union, or Pendleton. As the state owns 640 acres of land at Union, and has numerous others features that

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EVENING GOWNS
Just received by express
GOTHAM LATEST DESIGNS
You are wanting these gowns for the season's social functions.
WE HAVE THEM
In the daintiest Laces, Embroideries in sheet material.

Dainty Waist
What lady is there that does not want a new waist. Call and see them.



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Wholesale Arraignment

14 Whiskey and Gambling Defendants Arraigned--Out on Bonds
Maxwell Given Two Years Term

Today's session of the circuit court was largely taken up with the indictment growing out of the Summerville whiskey and gambling cases. The first to appear from that particular trouble part was Moroni Jack, who was arraigned upon an indictment charging him with selling liquor. He was given until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock to plead and his bond fixed at \$500.

Donaldson Arraigned.
William Donaldson, proprietor of the Summerville saloon, came next and stood up while acting District Attorney John S. Hodgkin read 11 separate indictments. Two of the indictments charge Donaldson with permitting gambling on his premises and the other nine charge him with selling liquor. He was also given until tomorrow to plead and his bond fixed at \$1000.

Afternoon Session.
Summerville citizens were greatly in evidence at the court house this afternoon. Seventeen Summervillites listened to as many indictments, charging them with infraction of the anti-gambling laws. In fact, most of them appeared on more than one count; some on as many as four. The defendants were represented by Attorney T. H. Crawford, who, after listening to the arraignment, explained to the court that his clients were will-

ing to plead guilty to a single charge each and pay a fine therefor, upon the understanding that the other charges would be dismissed. Judge Knowles explained the matter of the prosecution of criminal cases rested entirely with the district attorney's office. Acting District Attorney Hodgkin stated that he did not feel that he could in justice to the grand jury dismiss any of the indictments, and would not agree to any compromise. Attorney Crawford then filed demurrers to all the indictments and stated that he would take the statutory time to plead. The court announced that he would listen to the pleas tomorrow morning.

The court fixed the bonds of the defendants at \$100 each, which was promptly furnished. In the matter of Donaldson and Jack, charged with infraction of the prohibition law, Attorney Crawford asked that the case stand suspended until the supreme court rendered its decision relative to the validity of the prohibition law in this county. Attorney Hodgkin for the state, did not see fit to look at the matter in the same light and there the matter stands.

Maxwell Given Two Years.
While the court was waiting for the other Summerville visitor to appear, Tom Maxwell was sentenced to two

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COMPLEXION BRUSHES

Nature and a complexion brush can undo most of the havoc that time and weather works. Nature renews a complexion when you take pains to stimulate the circulation and to brush out the worn out tissues. These brushes do make good complexions and sooner or later you will use one. We make it easier for you to use one now. Our prices are very low and we carry the sort of brushes that have received the highest approval.

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