

## SWEEPING STATE AGREEMENTS AT WASHINGTON ABANDON MEXICAN ALLIANCE WITH JAPAN

### Mobilization of Troops Accomplished its Purpose--Treaty Suspended

#### SECRET ALLIANCE ADMITTED TO HAVE EXISTED

##### CONFERENCE AT WHITE HOUSE YESTERDAY BETWEEN JAPANESE AMBASSADOR AND PRESIDENT TAFT SPELLS THE END OF THE SECRET ALLIANCE--TROOPS ARE TO BE WITHDRAWN WITHIN SHORT TIME.

Washington, March 23.—Sweeping assurances that Japan will withdraw entirely from Mexico and hereafter not take part in Mexican affairs are said to have been given President Taft by Baron Uchida, the Japanese ambassador to America, at the conference yesterday afternoon. Dispatches received from Mexico City this afternoon tend to confirm this. They state that as a consequence the American naval and military mobilization and secret Japanese-Mexican alliances have been abandoned. It is known that President Taft and Baron Uchida agreed upon a public statement declaring the countries were friendly. Despite this it is learned that a secret Japanese-Mexican treaty which both denied, was framed last April and that the United States has since then been watching developments with increasing displeasure. Under the agreement Japan controlled many Mexican ports and had trade concessions. As it was feared strained conditions would grow out of the alliance the mobilization orders were issued and they blocked the

scheme. **Competition Killed Off.** Ten days ago the Pacific Mail Steamship company, realizing the futility of competing with Japanese on the coast of Mexico, announced its withdrawal of ships from Salina Cruz, the terminus of the Tehuantepec railroad. It is said the movement of the troops was a notice to Diaz that no trifling with the Monroe doctrine would be permitted and also a notification to Japan that America was awake to the situation and would consider aggression as an affront of a serious nature. It is said that troops will now be withdrawn as soon as possible without appearance of haste. Dispatches here from Mexico City quote prominent Mexican officials as admitting such a treaty existed between Japan and Mexico, and that the treaty will be immediately terminated by mutual agreement. The cause of the treaty's abandonment is given as mobilization of troops and Japan and Mexico do not want any misunderstanding.



Baron Uchida, Japanese Ambassador to America who yesterday agreed to the most sweeping diplomatic arrangement that has been recorded in Washington in some time. It was his word that closed the Mexican-Japanese secret alliance last night.

## FOUR AMERICANS SHOT DOWN

### GIVEN DRUMHEAD COURT-MARTIAL AND ORDERED SHOT.

#### One of Party Escapes to America Soil and Brings the Report

San Antonio, Tex., March 23.—Ford Digenowity, reached here today and reported that four men, including his cousin, J. Hamilton Digenowity all of them wealthy American cattlemen, were captured by Mexican federals and at a drumhead courtmartial were sentenced to be shot. He believed they were already dead. The man's story is not confirmed but is generally believed to be true. The men were captured in recent fighting near Chihuahua.

**Noted Churchman's 50th Birthday.** London, March 23.—The Most Rev. Francis Bourne, archbishop of Westminster and head of the Roman Catholic church in the United Kingdom, celebrated his 50th birthday anniversary today. Recently there has been a revival of rumors that Archbishop Bourne will be elevated to the cardinalate at the next consistory in Rome.

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## BELL SYSTEM IN 1910 NETTED MILLIONS

### ANNUAL REPORT PUBLISHED TODAY DISCLOSED VAST SUMS IN REVENUES.

#### STATE CONTROL FAVORED

Urging That States Control and Regulate Affairs, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company Files Annual Report—Municipal Ownership on Popular Following State Regulations.

New York, March 23.—That state control and regulation has effectively killed all sentiment for municipal ownership in the United States is the burden of the annual report of the directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, published today.

The report states that state control is necessary but urges that "Governmental aid and state supervision should stop at control and regulation and should not be used to manage or operate public utilities."

#### Dual System Tiresome.

The report says opposition toward merging other telephone companies with the Bell company, on the part of the public, is diminished, as it declares the public is tired of the dual telephone service. The earnings of the company are also told in the report. The gross revenues were \$167,000,000 and the company has declared dividends to its stockholders totalling \$25,000,000.

#### To Try a North Dakota Judge.

Bismarck, N. D., March 23.—The North Dakota senate has completed arrangements for the impeachment trial next week of John F. Cowan, judge of the second judicial district. Judge Cowan is charged with a long list of offenses, chief among which are habitual drunkenness, immorality and malfeasance in office.

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DR. LYMAN ABBOTT.  
Clergyman Who is Editorial Associate of Colonel Roosevelt.



## MILLIONAIRE IS CONVICTED

### THIRTY-FIVE YEARS IN PRISON STARE HIM IN THE FACE.

#### Postoffice Department Makes Raid on Literature Sent Out.

Cincinnati, March 23.—William Harrison, millionaire head of the World Manufacturing company, and also of its subsidiaries, was convicted today in the United States courts for using the mails to defraud the public. He is guilty on seven counts and will possibly mean his imprisonment for 35 years with heavy fines. An appeal will be taken, however, according to announcements today. The arrest is the result of a raid by the postoffice department on alleged Harrison advertising literature, which misrepresented a vacuum cleaner which he sold through mail advertisements.

#### CHICAGO CAMPAIGN HEATED.

**More Interest in Mayorality Race Than Presidential Election.** Chicago, March 23.—More interest is manifested here in the Chicago mayorality election of April 4 than was shown in the last presidential election. Up to date over 435,000 voters have registered. The campaign is heated and each candidate is straining every nerve to win.

#### CANADIAN IMMIGRATION HEAVY.

### Great Influx to Canada From the United States.

Winnipeg, March 23.—Within the last ten months immigration into Canada was 261,000, of which 102,000 come from the United States, according to the report of Commissioner Walker.

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## TACOMA DEPUTY CITY CLERK ARRESTED

### CHARGED WITH FORGERIES ON CITY WARRANTS WHILE IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

#### MAN IS NOW IN PRISON

Retired City Clerk Posts Blank Check to Cover losses Which Are Not Determined at This Time—Said to Be Several Warrants Involved—Discovery Follows Removal of Head City Clerk Recently.

Tacoma, March 23.—Robert Campbell, deputy city clerk who resigned Monday, was arrested today on a warrant charging forgery. Campbell was jailed in default of \$1,000 bail. Chief of Police Mason said he has evidence that Campbell committed a series of false endorsements on city warrants and received the money. The sum is not ascertained.

The warrant was sworn to by Former City Clerk Cushman who gave the city a blank check to cover the losses, as he said he felt personally responsible for the condition of the office while in it. Cushman was ousted from office by the municipal commission last week after it had been found that some one had tampered with the recall petitions.

#### AUSTRALIA TAKES ALARM.

### Found That Certain Sections Are Meccas for Japanese Colonies.

Melbourne, March 23.—Much apprehension is felt among Australians on account of the continued flow of Japanese immigration southward in the Pacific ocean. The latest display of activity of the Japanese as settlers has just been discovered in New Caledonia. Visitors to the island who have just returned declare that the number of Japanese there has increased so rapidly of late that they did fair to outnumber the French. The orientals are said to be chiefly war veterans who have completed their terms of service with the army.

It is believed by many that Japan is preparing for a possible eventuality of warfare and desires to be in position to seize the island any time necessary in order to utilize it as a naval base.

While there is no proof of such an intention the rapid peopling of the islands by Japanese is looked upon as a distinct menace to the policy of a "white Australia."

#### WOMAN TO CHRISTEN SHIP

### First Time That Woman Will Have the Honor of Naming Battleship.

London, March 23.—Suffragettes are having a hard time winning their cause with the British politicians, but the ever gallant naval officers have capitulated. For the first time in the history of England, a British battleship will be christened by a woman. Mrs. Lew's Harcourt, wife of the secretary of state for the colonies will crack a bottle on the prow of the huge Dreadnought, when the vessel is launched March 30.

#### Ohio Automobile Association.

Dayton, O., March 23.—The Ohio Automobile association met in annual session here today with delegates in attendance from Toledo, Cincinnati, Columbus, Cleveland and a number of other cities throughout the state.

## ILLINOIS GIVES WOMAN VOTE

### SENATE PROVIDES FOR EVERYTHING BUT SET OFFICES.

#### City and Township Officers May Be Voted on by Women.

Springfield, Ill., March 23.—By a vote of 31 to 10 the Illinois senate this afternoon passed a bill empowering women to vote for certain candidates for city and township offices and on the questions of public policies. The bill provides that whenever it is adopted by referendum women may vote save on constitutional offices.

## CARLOT OF STEERS BRINGS \$9.35 A HUNDRED AT SALE FOLLOWING NORTHWEST STOCK SHOW

Grande Ronde's sweepstake winners at the Northwest Stock show in Portland brought \$9.35 a hundred on the block at the sale following the show in Portland, and registered one of the highest carlot prices in the history of western stock shows, according to J. D. McKennon and Warren Chandler, the owners, who returned this morning from Portland where they scored several victories with their exhibits. Three hundred and thirty dollars in prize money has already been cashed in by these two gentlemen and they have almost a certain hold on an additional \$75 prize will be awarded when the stock has been slaughtered, probably today. The best general average of dressed beef is conceded to the La Grande car of grand champions but cannot be determined until the slaughter takes place.

**Second Best Steer.** Out of the carlot of sweepstake winners, Chandler and McKennon picked one to enter in the single steer exhibit and this animal took second money, a Haines steer taking first. The local steer was wild, ungroomed and unspayed, whereas the Haines steer had been groomed for months and had the finish of a race horse. Many critics favored the local animal for grand champion single steer.

There is no question—in fact, the judges admitted it—that had the steer been given the attention in the way of grooming that the Haines animal showed, there would be no question as to the best steer being considered to the local exhibitors. But being a wild animal grooming was impossible.

**The Competitors Many.** A California breeder who picked his carlot from 3,000 cattle had a car exhibit in the sweepstake; a Montana breeder had a carload of imported stock—yet over all went the local car and the distinction is more hard-earned than most people credit.

The Haines single steer brought 26 cents a pound on the block, but the second best, owned by McKennon & Chandler was not put up at single sale, and no comparison is gained for it went with the carlot which tipped the record beam for lot prices.

The exhibitors are home this morning and have done little else than received the congratulations of their friends at home who appreciate the distinction coming to La Grande and Grande Ronde valley by the winners.

had it been a two or three state affair it would have been considered materially but to compete against the entire northwest is a matter much greater in scope and importance.

A list of prize winners in the Portland stock show has been issued by the managers in charge and the following tells the story of prize winners:

Grand champion, carlot—McKennon, Son & Chandler, La Grande, Or., grade Herefords.

Best three-year-old steers, spayed or Martin heifers, carlots—First, S. R. Brooks, The Dallas, grade Herefords; second, Brown & Carnahan, Baker, Or., grade Shorthorns; third, E. T. Slayton, Prineville, grade Herefords; fourth, McKennon, Son & Chandler, La Grande, Or., grade Herefords.

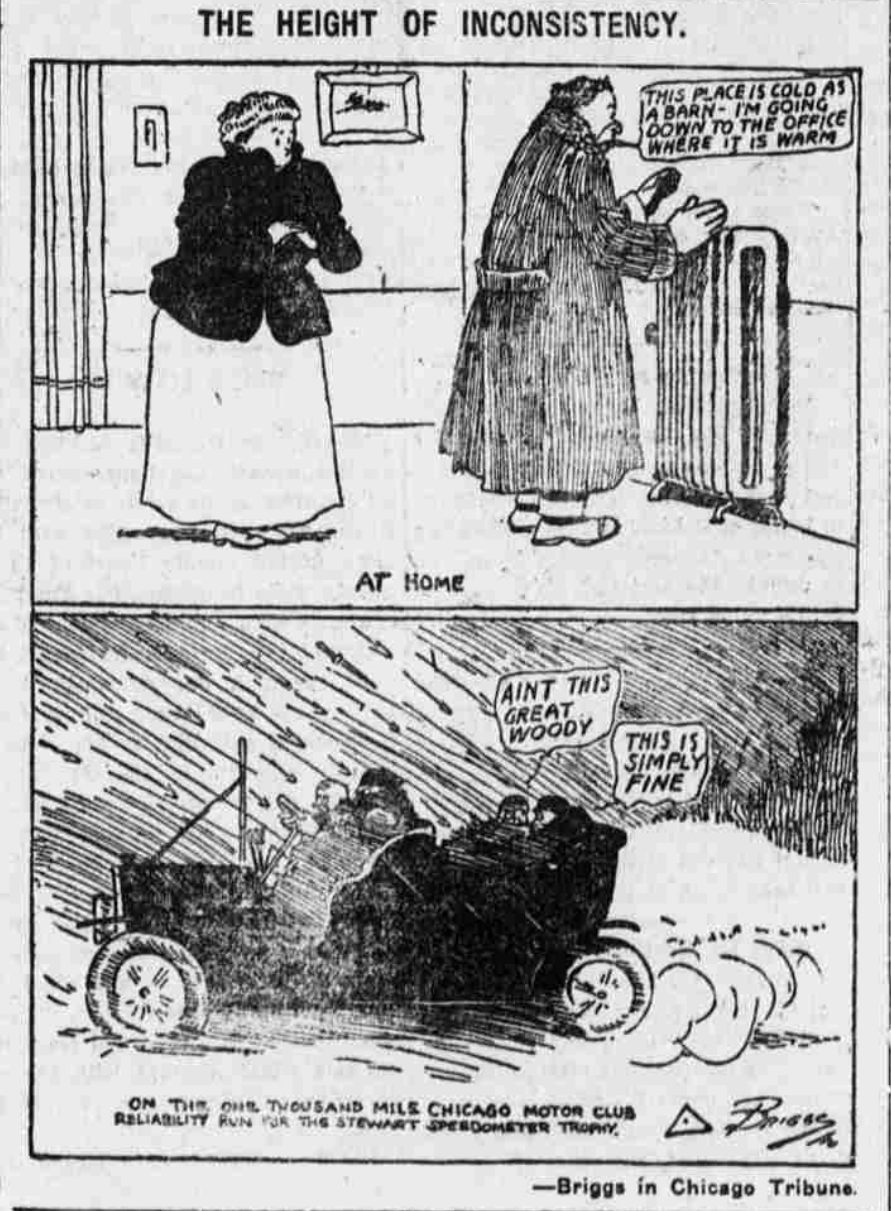
Best two-year-old steers, spayed or Martin heifers, carlots—First, McKennon, Son & Chandler, La Grande, Or., grade Herefords; second, Goodale & Casaday, Gazelle, Cal., grade Shorthorns; third, Carter & Miller, Baker, Or., grade Shorthorns; fourth, Bates & Jones, Wisdom, Mont., grade Herefords; Goodale and Casaday carried all principal prizes last year.

Best one-year-old steers, spayed or Martin heifers, carlots—First, Carter & Miller, Baker, Or., grade Shorthorns; Champion steer, spayed or Martin heifer—E. W. Coles, Haines, Or., grade Shorthorn steer; second, McKennon, Son & Chandler, La Grande.

Best three-year-old steer, spayed or Martin heifer—First, A. Earleston, Eagle, Idaho, Aberdeen Angus, Martin heifer; second, E. H. Coles, Haines, Or., Shorthorn heifer; third, Brown & Carnahan, Baker, Or., Shorthorn steer; fourth, J. C. Lonerzan, Portland grade Shorthorn steer.

Best two-year-old steer, spayed or Martin heifer—First, E. H. Coles, Haines, Or., grade Shorthorn; second, McKennon, Son Chandler, La Grande, Or., grade Hereford; third, Masterson & Wiley, Wallawa, Or., grade Hereford; fourth, A. D. Dunn, Wapato, grade Shorthorn.

Best yearling steer, spayed or Martin heifer—First, W. O. Minler, Hopper, Or., grade Shorthorn; second, Brown & Carnahan, Baker, Or., grade Hereford; third, Frank Brown, Carlton, Ore., grade Hereford; fourth, Carter & Miller, Baker, grade Shorthorn.



—Briggs in Chicago Tribune.