

LA FOLLETTE BOOM BURSTED

SOLON'S CASE BADLY MUDDLED

SENATOR STAYS WITH SHIP

ROOSEVELT ALONE EQUAL

LA FOLLETTE ADHER- ENTS SWING TO TEDDY

GOVERNOR JOHNSON IS ONLY STAUNCH FRIEND

La Follette Embroiled Is Leaving Col. Roosevelt in the Fore-front.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Unless some bargain is struck with Roosevelt and unless the colonel makes some declaration of his principles to which La Follette can subscribe, R. M. La Follette will positively enter the Chicago convention against all comers. This, in brief, is the situation in the progressive camp today following a practically general demand of his supporters that he quit on account of illness. Several leading progressives are trying to bring correspondence between Roosevelt and La Follette, hoping the colonel will declare himself along the lines similar to La Follette's beliefs and it is then planned to use this declaration, if secured, against W. H. Taft.

Positive Leader Wanted.

La Follette said today he was the standard bearer of principles and no individual and no circumstances would make him "join the ranks" unless a new leader publicly binds himself to true progressiveness.

Johnson Alone Loyal.

Practically only one big figure today stands loyal to La Follette. He is Governor Johnson of California who says he is pledged to support him and will remain loyal until La Follette releases him. In a statement issued from La Follette headquarters today it was admitted that La Follette's friends were deserting to Roosevelt. It said in part: "La Follette claimed before the convention to make a fight and he had every assurance from Colonel Roosevelt that under no condition would he be a candidate in 1912. As the reasons for Taft's retirement grew indications of progressive strength developed and the Roosevelt boom was launched. The crisis was reached when many who had pledged themselves to La Follette suddenly announced the discovery that La Follette could not win and the nation demanded Roosevelt."

Press Attack Fatal.

"The first break came Friday night when La Follette, suffering from a shattered nervous system, committed what even his most loyal friends admit was a grievous political blunder, by attacking without discrimination the press of the nation."

Boom Steadfast in West.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 6.—Despite the setback for the La Follette boom in the east petitions to place his name on the primary ballot for Oregon in April are circulating on the western coast. The state will start in Portland this week and in Eastern Oregon soon.

Roosevelt Is Sorry.

Oyster Bay, Feb. 6.—Theodore Roosevelt today expressed his sympathy regarding La Follette's illness. He said: "One man may retard or advance the progressive movement, but

H. RIDER HAGGARD.

British Writer of Romance Is Now a Knight.



Tong War Spreads

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 6.—Dynamite today entered into the fight between the Chinese tongs here when representatives of the Hop Sing tong planted 100 dynamite caps and lit a slow fuse in an attempt to slay Dah Wah, secretary of the Sen Suey tong. Another Chinese found and extinguished the fuse. From present indications a war will branch out and include a general fight among tong men on the Pacific coast.

2ND WHOLESALE HOUSE COMING

BAKER FIRM MOVING HEADQUARTERS HERE.

Takes Advantage of Opening Obtained Some Time Ago Here.

Another wholesale grocery house for La Grande. That is the verdict reached by J. W. Stuchill, manager of the Baker City Grocery company. Yesterday E. L. McIntosh of Union, who has represented the Baker City people in this territory for some time, was in La Grande and stated that it is his understanding that a wholesale house is soon to be placed in La Grande, carrying a stock of goods fully as large as the one in Baker.

For a number of years this company has owned a warehouse location in La Grande, always believing the time would come when it would be necessary to enter this field with a wholesale plant. In all probability a satisfactory building will be erected there the coming spring which will mean that the Baker City people, like Allen & Lewis, have decided to permanently make La Grande a wholesale point.

The movement is not dependent on one man or a group of men. It is bound to be successful.

NATIONAL DELEGATES CHOSEN

The Neighborhood club this afternoon conferred the honors of delegates to the National Federated Club convention in San Francisco upon Mrs. George Palmer and Mrs. Fred G. Schlike. The alternates are Mrs. M. K. Hall and Mrs. H. C. Grady. The convention meets June 5th and continues until July 5th.

Italian Fleet in Action.

London, Feb. 6.—The Italian fleet started bombardment of Hodeideg, on the Red Sea, today. A part of the Turkish port is destroyed already, dispatches from Constantinople admit.

Off on Business Trip.

David Briceux will leave tonight for Spokane on a three days' business trip.

MEXICANS SLOW TO MAKE REPLY

AMERICAN SOLDIERS PREPARED TO GO SOUTHWARD

SQUADRON ALSO ORDERED IN- TO MOTION BY DEPARTMENT

Answer From Mexico Regarding the Frontier Situation Slow in Coming—American Troops Ready to March to the Border to Protect American Interests in Texas.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—Thirty-four thousand American troops await orders from the state department to leave for the Mexican border to protect American interests, which are jeopardized by the situation. There are 5,000 troops already in Texas.

The announcement was made today that the South Atlantic squadron is under orders to sail for Guantanamo off the Cuban coast. Mexico has not as yet answered the state note of yesterday.

Explaining orders to the squadron, a state department official said: "It is possible that some of the ships will go to the Mardi Gras celebration in New Orleans."

Seattle Regiment Ready.

Commanding the 25th infantry, has Seattle, Feb. 6.—Colonel Jackson, been notified to hold his regiment in readiness to move to the Mexican border.

WORKING FOR LAND SHOW.

Wants La Grande to Interest Itself in Kansas Land Show.

J. Walter Mosler, special commissioner for the Kansas City Land show for the state of Oregon, with offices in Medford, is here today interesting the community in an exhibit in the land show at Kansas City. While here Mr. Mosler is at the Sommer.

Emperor in Spirit.

Shanghai, Feb. 6.—To prevent the humiliation of the emperor through his abdication, it was announced today that he will become the spiritual head of New China. Clashes between the republican government and the spiritual throne are predicted but President Sun is determined to have the scheme carried out.

Walter Becomes Wealthy.

San Francisco, Feb. 6.—Last night Norman Carlisle was a waiter in a hotel here, and today he is en route to England to claim a \$50,000 estate. A cable told him that he was his aunt's sole heir.

CIRCUIT COURT WHEELS GRIND AND GRAND JURY IS PROBING

With a grand jury inquiry on, and circuit court hearing important cases, the February term is well launched today. Preliminaries were carried out yesterday and today the machinery of justice is grinding smoothly.

While the grand jury is holding forth with its inquisitorial investigation, an action commenced yesterday is holding the attention of the court and attaches today and involves litigation over a \$3,000 note. In the case Flora McDonald, administratrix of the estate of John McClain, deceased, is bringing action for recovery of a \$3,000 note and the defendants are Jack Childs, Laura Childs and Mrs. S. C. Zuber. The case went to trial yesterday and will probably not be settled by the jury until some time tonight. The next case before the court is that

MURDER CHARGE HOLDS TIMOTHY

PRELIMINARY HEAR- ING ENDS IN FORMAL CHARGES

MAN SUPPOSED TO HAVE KILLED MOORE IN A DUEL

First Shot Fired by Moore, It Is Admitted—Scandal in California Takes on Added Interest When Young Timothy Is Held on Formal a Murder Charge by Justice.

San Mateo, Cal., Feb. 6.—Chauffeur Timothy was formally charged with the murder of Millionaire Moore today after the justice refused a motion for dismissal of the case by the defendant's attorneys. The year-old scandal of the Moores is prolonged as a result.

The preliminary hearing of Samuel Timothy, the chauffeur who shot and killed Millionaire James Moore in a pistol duel was held here today before Judge McCormick. Mrs. Moore was unable to be present owing to nervous prostration. John Bivens said that Moore told him a few minutes after the shooting that he shot because he saw Mrs. Moore riding with the chauffeur. Timothy denies this. It is admitted that Moore shot first.

Son Secretly Married.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 6.—It was learned here today that while his father and step-mother were suing each other for divorce at Redwood City last November, Jefferson Moore, the son of the murdered capitalist and his sole heir, married Bertha Schneickert of San Jose, formerly an Oregon girl. The ceremony was performed in Oakland November 2. It is reported the young man was forgiven by his father shortly before the elder Moore engaged in the revolver duel with Chauffeur Timothy.

Savage Starts on World Tour.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 6.—Henry W. Savage, the theatrical manager, accompanied by his general stage director, T. Daniel Frawley, sailed on the steamship Cleveland today on a six months' tour of the world.

Pennsylvania Hardware Dealers.

Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 6.—A large attendance marked the opening here today of the annual convention of the Pennsylvania Hardware Dealers' association. The convention will last three days.

Big Horse Sale.

To add to the many big horse sales made recently is one consummated today when George Pierce sold \$1,000 worth of horses from the Pierce ranges.

UNION SCANDALS REVIVED

O. A. TVEITMOE.

Labor Leader Indicted For Complicity With McNamara.



Photo by American Press Association.

Roosevelt Remains Quiet.

New York, Feb. 6.—Despite all pleas to ascertain whether Roosevelt would run, now that there is a big chance of La Follette dropping out, Roosevelt still has nothing to say.

SINNOT ENTERS MOOTED RACE

AFTER CONSIDERABLE UNCER- TAINTY, SAYS THE WORD.

Formal Declaration Will Be Made in Portland Next Week.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 6.—State Senator N. J. Sinnott, of The Dalles, who is here today, announced his candidacy for the republican nomination to congress from the new Eastern Oregon district. His formal declaration will be filed next week.

Others in the field are George T. Cochran and John Rusk, of La Grande. It was believed for a time that Mr. Sinnott would not enter the race and that unrest is put quiet by the announcement made today.

EXPRESS COMPANIES PROBED

Interstate Commission Is Investigating Charges.

Washington, Feb. 6.—The express companies of the country, accused of over-charging the public, are under investigation today by the interstate commerce commission and plans are being made for their prosecution by the government. Wholesale violations of the law are alleged against big firms operating in New York, Chicago and San Francisco. Heavy fines will be asked by the commission if the companies are found guilty.

Minister's Trial Postponed.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 6.—The trial of Rev. Dr. W. D. McFarland, which was to have commenced today, has been postponed until next month at the request of the defense. McFarland, an aged United Presbyterian minister, is accused of causing the death of his former secretary, Elsie D. Coe, by the means of a criminal operation.

Street Car Accident Fatal.

McKeesport, Feb. 6.—Five were killed and 25 injured today when a street car became beyond control and jumped the tracks.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY REPORTS

THIRTY-TWO INDICT- MENTS INVOLVE LA- BOR LEADERS

ACCUSED OF TRANSPORTING EXPLOSIVES ON TRAINS

More than Forty Men Said to Be Implicated in Three-Fold Charges Preferred Against Them By Grand Jury Not Known When Indictments Will Be Made Public.

Indianapolis, Feb. 6.—Charging conspiracy to violate the United States laws by transporting explosives on passenger trains engaged in interstate commerce, with concealment of their knowledge, and that felonies have been committed, 32 indictments were today handed down by the federal grand jury which has probed the alleged dynamiting ring for many weeks. More than 40 labor leaders are said to be implicated. It is not known when all the accused will be arrested.

'Frisco Case Deferred.

Los Angeles, Feb. 6.—By consent of the federal officials and counsel for accused men, the cases of Tveitmoe, Johansen, Clancey and Munsey, indicted in connection with the McNamara dynamiting, will go over until the July term of the United States district court. The agreement was announced when the defendants appeared before Judge Welborn today. The reason is because of a crowded court calendar.

Sensation in the Air.

Los Angeles, Feb. 6.—What promises to be perhaps as sensational a session of the county grand jury as that which probed the so-called dynamiting cases, is scheduled to begin this afternoon. The rumor (unconfirmed) is that McManigal, who was brought back from Indianapolis, would testify.

Los Angeles, Feb. 6.—It was intimated by Assistant District Attorney Horton that the cases against Connors, Bender and Maple, charged with conspiracy to dynamite the Hall of Records building, will be dropped. The hint was dropped while conferring with local labor men today.

GRAVE SENDS LETTER.

Late Novell's Letter to Friend Made Public Today.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Explaining her suicide recently in a letter written to Dr. Edmund Suggs, made public today by him, Mrs. Myrtle Reed McCullough, the novelist, says she wanted a home and a husband and "drew a drunken loafer."

The letter says in part: "Teddy dear, I have at last opened the little door for myself and have gone to the never, never land. I have broken the promise made to you a year ago and set myself free. It may not be a brave way but it is my way and I must go." She said she had done the best she could and failed and then accused her husband as a drunkard.

GENERAL WEAVER DEAD.

Well Known Populist, Once Presidential Candidate, Succumbs.

Des Moines, Feb. 6.—General James Weaver, the soldier, orator and statesman who was a Populist candidate for the presidency once, and carried six states, died this afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Evans.

Explosion Kills Five.

Philadelphia, Feb. 6.—Five were killed and five injured as the result of a gas explosion in the home of John Darzaw, a baker, today.