

LOEB WANTED TO TESTIFY FOR COLONEL

SENATE URGED TO HEAR FORMER SECRETARY

HARRIMAN INTERVIEW WANTED INTO RECORDS BY TEDDY

Roosevelt Demands That Loeb Tell It All When He Gets Before Senate Investigating Committee—He Was Present at Roosevelt-Harriman Interview and Knows What Colonel Told Railroad Wizard.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Colonel Roosevelt today said he hoped that William Loeb, Jr., would be summoned by the senate campaign contributions investigating committee. Loeb was private secretary to Roosevelt in 1904 and was present when the colonel and the late E. H. Harriman had an interview discussing the contributions for the presidential campaign of 1904. "Loeb," said Roosevelt, "heard Harriman ask me to get Bliss and Cortelyou to contribute funds to himself and Odell for the state campaign. Neither Harriman or myself ever mentioned Harriman's contributions of the expenses of my campaign. Loeb telephone Bliss or Cortelyou about the alleged campaign contributions making in my behalf the same request I made directly in two letters and a telegram and receiving the same assurance I received that no Standard Oil money had been received or would be."

"Loeb told me," continued Roosevelt, "that he had seen the statement that he was to be called before the senate committee and wished to advise with me regarding the rumor. I told him he must testify to everything if called. When I made the statement about Harriman it was when he was alive. I then let it rest. As the senate committee chose to listen to hearsay gossip from Archbold and Odell regarding what Harriman said and what occurred at that interview, I shall be glad to have them listen to Loeb who was present at the interview."

"My attitude," continued Roosevelt, "toward the Standard Oil was precisely the same before as it was after the election. Anyone can find this to be true by looking at the files of newspapers at the time of the passage of the Bureau Corporation bill before I was nominated and elected. The Standard Oil people opposed the law. I got it through congress by publishing telegrams from the Standard Oil showing their activities. As for any connection of mine either before or after election with the Standard Oil company any human being is welcome to make anything public about it in any sort of a declaration. If I had appeared before the committee today I would have testified to any feature of it within my recollection and knowledge. I would have submitted my letter books, or any letters of mine dealing in any way, or shape on the matter."

Trans-Mississippi Congress.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug. 26.—Everything is in readiness for the opening of the twenty-third annual meeting of the Trans-Mississippi congress which will begin a four days' session in this city tomorrow.

Wedding Is Solemnized.

L. J. Ferguson and Mrs. Hattie McCrary were married by Dr. Gilliam Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. McClure, the bride's mother.

FUGITIVES FROM MEXICO BRING TALE OF PRIVATION AND GUERRILLA CRUELITIES

Harrowing details of persecution, oppression and confiscation of white men's property at the hands of guerrilla Mexican rebels, are brought to La Grande by a destitute Mormon family fleeing to friends in Union county after distressing bounding by the rebel forces in the state of Chihuahua. The family is comprised of eight children, and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Johannsen. They came to Mexico five years ago from Sweden; they toiled hard on a little spot near Duplan, Chihuahua, with characteristic North climate thrift, and took advantage of the coming of a Mormon settlement that had a tendency of civilizing the natives who at that time had none of the advantages of a civilized community. The Mormon immigrants brought the domesticated horse, the wagon and 20th century tools to the fertile belt and all prospered. Mr. and Mrs. Johannsen acquired title to a home—a house and lot—and fortune was smiling on the industrious Scandinavians. Then came oppression.

Children Have Heard Battle.

The first warning gun of coming disturbance was fired a year ago when a bitter battle raged but a short distance from the home and the children heard the roar of cannon, rattle of musketry, saw the wounded and dead hauled to the rear and experienced all the vicissitudes that go with a battle-scarred community. Hence they were dyed-in-the-wool veterans, when, this year, oppression commenced again.

Home Is Looted, Burned.

Early in the summer bands of detachments from General Orozco's rebel forces drifted into the enterprising Mormon communities and commenced to steal, rob and pillage to their heart's content. The settlers appealed to rebel generals without

success; the Americans cried for help but received the information that death was what the whites deserved. Finally about two weeks ago the crisis came.

Women Leave at Moment's Notice.

One day a band of rebels drifted over to Duplan, and mounted their cannon and threw up breastworks in anticipation of a battle with the federals the next day. Federal officials sent word to the whites to flee, and to loyal Mexicans to take to the hills with provisions. Mrs. Johannsen was among those mothers who hurriedly left their homes and everything they owned to seek refuge in El Paso, a half day's train ride away. The men came on that evening, unable to bring other clothing or belongings than they carried on their backs. At El Paso the government cared for the refugees and provided transportation to those who wished to seek friends or kin elsewhere. The Johannsen family knew of a family named Blomquist that once lived near Alice; they were their only acquaintances or relatives and they came uncertain of their trip's destination. Today they went out to Alice—father, mother and eight children, the oldest of which is a boy of 15. From that age they range down to babes in swaddling clothes. Mr. Johannsen hopes to get work in the fields or in the sawmills that he may provide bread for his wounded wife and children. The story is how the rebels pilfer, confiscate and garner in the life savings of the white and federal following alike was told by the fugitives today.

Starvation, pestilence and bloodshed is what looms before the federal Mexicans who have sought refuge in the mountain recesses, said the family today.

DARROW MUST FACE 2ND TRIAL

MOTION FOR DISMISSAL OF INDICTMENT DEVED.

Presiding Judge Wells is to Set Trial Date Tomorrow.

Los Angeles, Aug. 26.—Presiding Judge Wells of the Los Angeles county superior court today denied a motion by the Darrow defense to dismiss the indictment specifically charging Clarence S. Darrow with bribing Robert F. Bain, a juror in the McNamara case. The case was continued until tomorrow morning when it will be set for trial.

PORTLAND WILL HEAR E. V. DEBS

SOCIALIST CANDIDATE "ADVISED" OF NOMINATION.

Speech of Acceptance Is Short and Eulogistic.

Terre Haute, Ind., Aug. 26.—Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist nominee for president, was today officially notified of his nomination by the Indianapolis convention. His speech of acceptance was brief and devoted to an eulogy of the Socialist party. Debs is to leave today for a coast to coast campaign tour. He speaks at Portland, Ore., Sept. 2.

West Moves Force To Portland

Portland, Ore., Aug. 26.—Governor West announced this afternoon that he would move his stenographers here and make this the capitol, so far as he was concerned, until he puts the vice campaign well under way.

ATTORNEYS OPPOSE NEGROES

American Bar Association Will Try to Oust Attorney Lewis.

Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 26.—It is expected that a bitter fight will mark the 35th annual meeting of the American Bar association which opens here tomorrow. Southern members are bitterly opposed to negro membership. They intend to make a fight to oust William H. Lewis, the Boston negro, an assistant attorney general of the United States. Attorney General Wickersham will personally plead for the retention of Lewis as a member.

HARRISON ABLE TO BE OUT.

Minus Part of Hand and Two Fingers, but Improving.

Engineer Wesley Harrison, the round house engineer who was knocked down by a locomotive a few days ago, is able to be out again. He is minus a part of his right hand, his right little finger and a portion of another.

Borden Hears Women.

London, Aug. 26.—Robert L. Borden, premier of Canada, consented today to receive a delegation of suffragettes. After hearing the arguments of the suffragettes the premier said he would decide whether it was best for him to support the movement in Canada.

HIRAM SCORNS RECALL ISSUE IN CALIFORNIA

FIVE DOLLARS OFFERED PER NAME ON PETITION HE SAYS

CALHOUN AND SPRECKELS CROWD HELD RESPONSIBLE

Hiram Johnson Will Continue His Campaign Regardless of Recall Efforts Started in California to Unseat Him—He Cares but Little, Saying He Knows Where and How Recall Started.

Los Angeles, Aug. 16.—Governor Johnson the Progressive candidate for vice president, arriving here today on a campaign tour, voiced defiance to circulators petitioning his recall. He declared that Pat Calhoun and John D. Spreckels are behind the movement.

"This recall talk is all rot," said Johnson. "I have known for some time that Pat Calhoun and John D. Spreckels and the clique they represent, were to circulate a petition. Before leaving Sacramento I was told they were offering \$5.00 a name. Let them go ahead. I am confident the people of California will repudiate such an attempt."

Several Charges Preferred.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—The petition for the recall of Governor Johnson is in circulation here today. Ala. Udell, a lawyer-politician of San Francisco, is the ostensible head. It is charged in the petition that the Johnson administration made an effort to control the presidential elections through a new primary law. Complaint is made in the petition that Taft voters will have no opportunity to vote for the Taft electors. Udell makes an additional charge that Governor Johnson approved legislation to foster much land grabbing by wealthy individuals and corporations but there is no amplification or explanation of this charge.

Wright Hydroplane Wins.

Saint Malo, France, Aug. 26.—Flying a Wright machine, Aviator Labouret was declared a winner in the hydroplane races here today with the best average in all events. Aviator Weymann, driving a Nieuwhort machine, won the flight to Island Jersey and return. Weymann, carrying a passenger, made the trip in 1:24:44. Labouret was second, the time being 2:11:46.

MORE SENATORS ATTACKED

West Virginia Senators Accused of Fraud in Elections.

Washington, Aug. 26.—A memorial signed by Gov. Glasscock of West Virginia and numerous citizens of that state demanding an investigation of the election of United States Senators Chilton and Watson, was read today in the senate.

"An unholy alliance," the memorial recites, "existed between Watson and Chilton. As they sleep in the same bed it is reasonable to believe that they think together."

The memorial also alleged improper use of money was employed in the election of both Chilton and Watson.

Vicksburg Breaks Badder.

Washington, Aug. 26.—The United States gunboat Vicksburg lies disabled in Magdalena Bay on the west coast of Mexico according to dispatches received here today. The Vicksburg broke her propeller and was forced to stop at Magdalena Bay where she remains until the arrival of the cruiser Colorado when the Vicksburg will be escorted back to San Diego, Cal.

Great Circus Nears City

FOUR TRAINS WILL ARRIVE TOMORROW EARLY.

CLEOPATRA FIRST ACT

Great Herds of People Are Expected in La Grande Tomorrow.

Tomorrow will be circus day. The Barnum and Bailey greatest show on earth is coming for an afternoon performance, better, far better, than it was in the "good old days." Everything worthy will be there, old and new, but new ideas in old garb and old suggestions in new costume. It is coming stupendous, dazzling, ready to prove it is without a competitor as a national entertainment.

Soon after daybreak, it is expected, the four trains which are required to transport the circus will all have reached the O. W. R. & N. railroad yards. Switchmen will be ready to receive and admit the traveling university and pilot it to tracks convenient to its unloading needs.

The boss canvasman, "Happy Jack" Snellen, and his horde of brawny followers will be first on the show grounds, and with the arrival of the chain and stake wagon the active work of erecting the tents will begin. The "cook tent" will be placed first in position, for food must await the throng of men, women and children not far behind. This is a simple and expeditiously accomplished duty, as compared with the elevation of the "big top," a swelling fabric within whose folds 15,000 persons can comfortably accommodate themselves.

Breakfast over, active preparations will be on for the parade. Well-fed horses and ponies in shining harness and waving plumes will take their places before glittering vehicles; the sound of music from bands perched hazily high; clowns, charlottes, knights, jockeys, Roman riders in line; camels and elephants, many fearing weight of feminine beauty, gorgeously caparisoned men and women in tights and spangles and breast plates of shining gold; staring tigers and lions and hyenas, the fairy outfit of Santa Claus, the old woman of nursery fame and Bluebeard doing his decapitation; the shrieking calliops, with a cloud of boys keeping tireless pace. Barnum & Bailey promise a cavalcade three miles long.

When the circus opens its gates to receive the human parade, the crowds who stop to comment and observe in the menagerie tent will find 110 dens of rare and curious beasts ranged in a great circle. A baby giraffe will be among the herd of adults, forty elephants will swing their greedy trunks, and a rhinoceros and a hippopotamus will be seen in the collection.

The circus performance opens this year with "The Spectacle of Cleopatra," and it is the most brilliant

DEADLOCK IS BROKEN, COLONS ARE ADJOURNED

LAST THING ONE IS ELECTION IN ESTIMATION CLAUSE

HOUSE AND SENATE ADJOURN AT 4:30 THIS AFTERNOON

Deadlock on General Deficiency Bill Is Broken and House and Senate Agree to Adjourn this Afternoon—Sweeping Investigation to be Made in All Election Scandals Now Afoot.

Washington, Aug. 26.—When the house and senate met today, the deadlock in both house continued. Final adjournment was in a quandary.

The Penrose, Read, Polindexter resolution calling for a wide and thorough investigation of the campaign contributions since 1904 was adopted in the senate this afternoon. Senator Penrose then predicted that congress would adopt it quickly, asserting that an agreement on the deficiency bill had been reached. That bill had deadlocked the senate. At 2:25 this afternoon the house took a recess for an hour, the leaders hoping meanwhile to fix a definite hour for adjournment. The senate later adopted a resolution to adjourn at 4:30 p. m.

The Penrose resolution as adopted in the senate by a viva voce vote provides sweeping investigation of all correspondence and transactions between John D. Archbold, president of the Standard Oil and members of congress; also for an investigation of the alleged activities of George W. Perkins in behalf of Roosevelt.

Before adopting the adjournment resolution the senate adopted a conference report on the general deficiency bill, after Senators Smith (Maryland) and Culberson (Texas) withdrew their objections. This afternoon Taft left the white house for the capitol to sign the bill. The house also adopted a resolution to adjourn at 4:30 p. m.

thing of its kind ever achieved under canvas. Upon a stage whose area covers one whole end of the "big top" the dream of the serpent of the Nile and her Roman lover is wrought in a fashion that the boys of yesterday could never imagine. While it is in progress one is so absorbingly engrossed that rings and rigging, trapezes and trappings are forgotten.

Upon the great stage there are actually hundreds of players and horses.

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FIRE BLIGHT FIGHTER IN CITY

Demonstrations of how to eradicate fire blight, a disease which is rapidly encroaching upon the orchards of Union county, will be given tomorrow by H. S. Jackson, an expert plant pathologist in the city from the agricultural experiment station at Corvallis. He will be at the office of A. B. Cherry, secretary of the Commercial club, tomorrow at 8:30 and all orchardists who possibly can should be there. From the office the expert and his students will go to some nearby orchard and complete the demonstration prior to the circus parade. This blight is becoming so serious that orchardists cannot afford to overlook the opportunity of obtaining expert lessons on its eradication. Those who are interested can obtain the location where the demonstration will be held tomorrow over the telephone and save coming to town to join the crowd if they so desire.

WRECK DELAYS TRAIN.

Freight Derailment West of Umatilla Holds up No. 6 Today.

A derailment to a freight train west of Umatilla early this morning has held up No. 6, the East bound passenger train today.

The overland was slated to reach La Grande about 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Famous Swindler Dead.

New York, Aug. 26.—Word was received here today that Colonel Christopher C. Wilson, ex-head of the United Wireless company, died at the Atlanta federal prison where he was serving a three-year sentence for swindling. Wilson is said to have made a million dollars from small investors out of the sale of United Wireless stock.