

## SPRECKELS FINANCED BOB LA FOLLETTE'S COAST TRIP

### Campaign Fund Origin for Wisconsin Senator Laid Bare Today by Senate Probers—Liberal Contributors

Washington, Oct. 7.—When the senate campaign contributions committee resumed its probe this morning, Col. Hannan, private secretary to R. M. La Follette, was placed on the stand.

"La Follette's expense on the California-Oregon-Washington trip were largely paid by Spreckels," he said. "Spreckels met the bills and gave La Follette \$2,500 additional. Another San Franciscan gave \$400."

Hannan told how money was raised to finance the La Follette pre-convention campaign and among the largest contributors he said were Rudolph Spreckels of San Francisco, Congressman William Kent of California. The

largest individual donor was Charles R. Crane of Chicago, who contributed \$26,000.

Gifford Pinchot, said Hannan, contributed \$10,000. Hannan declared the entire receipts for the campaign were \$62,965, and expenditures just \$4,000 less.

Charles Edward Russell was the next witness to testify regarding the report that in 1904 Roosevelt asked Morgan for a second contribution after the financier gave \$100,000. Russell testified that when Roosevelt asked Morgan for more Morgan called the colonel a "blankety-blank maniac" and other uncomplimentary names.

## War Calls Get Replies

EASTERN OREGON WILL SEND RECRUITS TO WAR.

### OFFICIAL CALL HERE

Consul at New York to Determine on Draft of Greek Warriors.

Macedonians, Bulgarians and Montenegrins employed in and about La Grande, Servians employed at Hilgard and other native sons of Balkan states doing construction, section and other labor in Eastern Oregon will send many of their numbers to native lands to struggle against Turkey in the Balkan uprising. The first delegation from La Grande, Pendleton, Portland and other sections of Oregon, leaves immediately after the 16th of this month, when the paychecks arrive. Just what number is to lay down shovels in the immediate vicinity of La Grande and take up the musket against Turkey is not determined and won't be until local leaders hear from the consul at New York relative to the Greeks who need not desert their jobs to take up arms unless the government so dictates. The draft on the Greeks applies only to Greeks proper, the branch consisting of about 5,000, 000 all told, known as Macedonian Greeks, escaping the draft. But a great many of these undraftable Greeks are rallying to their standards without requirements. Arrangements to ship 54 from and around Pendleton on the 17th have already been made, while 93 go from Portland on the same detachment. The La Grande group to be designated later when word is received from the New York consul, will join this small army.

made this morning by the Wilson-National Progressive Republican league. It is not stated whether La Follette will take the stump or not. The league also published a list of prominent Republicans who have deserted Taft and Roosevelt for Wilson.

### U. S. SENATOR R. M. LA FOLLETTE, WHOSE POLITICAL FINANCIAL BACKING WAS EXPOSED BY INVESTIGATORS TODAY.



## GRAIN RECORD IN NORTHWEST IS SHATTERED

### OREGON ALONE PRODUCES A GREAT WHEAT CROP

#### BANNER 1911 YEAR IS OUTDONE, SHOW REPORTS

Pacific Northwest Establishes a New Record From Small Grains When All States Outstrip Former Years—Oregon Contributes Over 25,000,000 Bushels of Wheat—Idaho 18,000,000.

Portland, Oct. 7.—The Northwest crops for 1912 will break all records. Wheat in Oregon amounts to 25,231,000 bushels, in Washington 41,150,000 Idaho 18,150,000. Oats in Oregon amounts to 14,160,000; Washington 10,120,000; Idaho 7,350,000.

The total wheat output is 78,530,000 as compared with 66,750,000 in 1911. Oats is 31,630,000 as compared with 30,000,000 a year ago. Barley is 14,800,000 as compared with 11,350,000. The wheat crop several weeks ago was estimated at 74,000,000.

#### MUSICAL MEETS TUESDAY.

Year's Work to Be Taken up Commencing at 2:30 Tomorrow.

At Honan hall tomorrow at 2:30 the Lyle Tuesday Musicales will take up its work for the year. The complete program for a public meeting two weeks hence will be arranged tomorrow.

#### Union Justice Here.

W. A. Maxwell, the Union justice of the peace, accompanied by his son is in La Grande today, being called here by the opening of circuit court.

## Rich Crops Net Profits

ONIONS AND "SPUDS" GROW PROFITABLY.

### EACH ACRE IS RICH

Irrigation Expense for Monster Crops Amounts to Less Than \$9.00.

Rare productiveness of well cultivated soil and a strong argument, although maybe an unusual one, for concentrated agriculture, is told in the crop report just issued by J. C. Kennedy, operating the Turner Oliver ranch on the outskirts of Island City. Mr. Kennedy has harvested 600 2-bushel sacks of monster choice onions off one and a half acres of land, and has harvested 190 sacks of potatoes to the acre between rows of trees. Samples of the two crops on display in the city are wonders. The potatoes are the White Peerless species, similar in many ways to the Burbank but differ in the respect that the eyes are less deep and require no waste whatever.

The potatoes received one irrigation artificially, as the season was well-watered by the heavens. The cost of operating the electric pumping plant for the entire orchard tract was a trifle over \$8.00 a condition which is brought about by the plentiful rains. In the event of a drought the production of the ground would of course remain practically the same with increases in the amount of "juice" used.

The land is of course fertile and coupled with that systematic and careful culture, the crop has been made to net cash returns that are akin to a mining bonanza.

## MISSION OF T STARTLES INDIANAPOLIS

### PROMINENT MEMBER OF 48 DEFENDANTS CONFESSES.

#### PLEA OF NOT GUILTY IS CHANGED THIS MORNING

Other Defendants Taken Unawares at Confession of Edward Clark, Prominent Among Those Charged With Transporting Dynamite—Says Bluff Attack From Prosecutor to Blame.

Indianapolis, Oct. 7.—Edward Clark, of Cincinnati, former business agent in that city for the Industrial Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers, and one of the 48 members of that organization now on trial here for illegally transporting dynamite, this morning changed his plea of not guilty to one of guilty.

The action of Clark came as a great surprise. Others of the accused had no previous knowledge of his action.

The announcement was made by U. S. District Attorney Miller, when he reached the court room. Clark then took the witness stand and said he was guilty as charged, and ready for sentence.

The other defendants expressed the belief that the confession resulted from Miller's denunciation of Clark last Saturday.

## CIRCUIT COURT WHEELS SET IN MOTION FOR LONG SESSION

Long and well-filled law, equity and criminal dockets facing it, circuit court and its jury trials for the October term were resumed this morning before Judge J. W. Knowles, when a grand jury was picked and preparations commenced for opening actively the circuit court trial cases. With more than the usual grist of business before it, the grand jury made up of W. S. Ezell, foreman, Garrit Blockland, C. T. Darley, J. K. Lantz, J. A. Bingaman, J. J. Conley and Thomas Loftus settled down to probably a week's grint.

While these matters are on, requiring the attention of the prosecuting attorney in the grand jury room, various important cases will be tried in circuit court, the first one being that

of a suit and counter suit with Dr. Riley, a local veterinary bringing action against N. K. West. The litigation hinges on the fate of Commonwealth, a famous racing horse that broke its leg some time ago and was eventually lost to the owner, N. K. West. Mr. Riley is suing for a matter of some \$200 in fees while Mr. West is bringing a counter claim of about \$3,000. R. J. Greene and Geo. T. Cochran are attorneys in the case.

A minor motion in the Hancock damage suit was argued this morning with Attorney Bennett of The Dalles appearing for the plaintiff and George T. Cochran representing O-W counsel. A demurrer is anticipated tomorrow, and it is probable that the case will not be heard until late in the term if at all this term.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STAGE IMPRESSIVE DAY'S PROGRAM

With a great deal of success the local council of the Knights of Columbus exemplified the three degrees of the order and added new strength and timber to the organization yesterday in this city. The weather was ideal. At 9:30 a. m. 200 members and candidates including delegations from Portland, Seattle, Baker, Pendleton and Grande Ronde valley points, marched to St. Mary's church where they attended high mass in a body. After the services all gathered at the K. of P. hall and completed arrangements for the initiation ceremonies.

Brothers Peare and Donohue of La Grande, assisted by Brothers Smith and Pallerdesse of Baker and officers from the local councils—and other out-of-town points—put on the first and second degrees. The third degree was exemplified by Brothers

Murphy of Bakr, Patterson, Lonergan, Flynn, O'Brien, Hanley, Beckman and Hurd of Portland and Harrigan of Seattle.

After the work was put on a banquet was served at the Foley hotel. Brother W. H. Casey of La Grande acted as toastmaster and filled the position like a veteran. Instructive, entertaining addresses were made by Brothers Murphy, Peare, Hennessey, Lonergan, Meyers, Smith, Flynn, Pattison, Hadaller, Kleese, Kilkenney and the Rev. Marshall Murphy, Bishop, and Father Driscoll of this city.

Greeks Selze Passengers. Berlin, Oct. 7.—The Turkish embassy here states that the Greeks in Dirraeus captured a steamship with Turkish passengers. They are dragging the women away, it is stated here.

## COLFAX AUTO SMASHUP FATAL

### ONE KILLED WHEN THROWN FROM MACHINE.

Portland Grain Buyer Killed and Three Others Badly Hurt.

Colfax, Oct. 7.—Thurston B. Morley, a buyer for the Houser Grain company of Portland, was instantly killed Ed Smithpeter, a clerk, Dan Lankard and Bert Snyder, a real estate man, were injured when their automobile struck a bridge at La Crosse, Wash., late last night. Moreley was hurled to the rockbed of a stream falling on his head. Snyder's leg was broken and Smithpeter suffered a fractured arm. Lankard has slight bruises. The accident occurred while the car was going at a high rate of speed, the steersman being unable to see the bridge in the darkness. The injured men lay several hours before help arrived.

## JOE WOOD TO OPEN WARFARE

### VAST CROWDS ASSEMBLE TO GET TICKETS.

Boston Off for Polo Grounds This Afternoon—Giants Practice.

New York, Oct. 7.—Two thousand men were in line this morning at the Polo grounds to await the sale of tickets to the opening game of the world's series tomorrow. The Giants and the Highlanders indulged in a practice game this afternoon.

Wood to Open Series. Boston, Oct. 7.—The Boston Red Sox started for New York at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Joe Wood will pitch the opener for the Sox.

La Follette Out for Wilson. Chicago, Oct. 7.—The allegation that La Follette had come out in favor of Wilson and would actively participate in the Democratic campaign, was

## OFFICER NIPS DARING ATTACK

Clutching an automatic Colt, the safety off and ready for action, Thad Slaughter, a negro plasterer employed about the city by contractors wanting high class work performed, was arrested Saturday night and brought before the grand jury this afternoon on a charge of attempting to kill Night Officer Howard Avant. Avant arrested the fellow Saturday night and prevented the negro from starting the bullet-ejector in the nick of time. In company with a white man the negro passed Avant on the street,

load of whiskey and brushed by the bending heavily under an assumed officer roughly. One hand was in his pocket all the time, and when the officer suggested he get off the street the fellow wheeled and lost all traces of being drunk. Suspecting trickery, Avant got his own weapon into action and with the muzzle of the gun aimed at a vital spot cowed the negro until the mysterious hand was found to contain the weapon ready to shoot from the pocket that hid it. His arrest was easy, once the weapon had been removed.

## INSANE MAN AMUCK IN CALGARY

Calgary, Alberta, Oct. 7.—Driven suddenly insane, John C. Davis, a wealthy real estate man, formerly of Spokane, Wash., entered the apartments of Miss Mildred Dixon, his wife's friend, shot Mrs. Dixon dead, and fired three times at Miss Dixon, then shot himself, dying later. Miss Dixon is in a critical state. Mrs. Davis had been staying with Miss Dixon for three weeks and her husband beg-

ged her to return. She refused, and the shooting resulted.

#### Roosevelt Meets Strauss.

New York, Oct. 7.—Before starting this afternoon on an 18-day campaign of the middle west, Colonel Roosevelt had a conference with Oscar S. Strauss, the Progressive nominee for governor.