

SCOUT FOR TAFT PREDICTS BIG BILL'S NOMINATION

PORTLAND, March 4.—C. S. Hemmingway of Dalton, Mass., who is scouting through the United States in the interest of the Taft campaign for president, was at the Portland Hotel Monday and left for Puget Sound, whence he will return east, stopping en route at the principal cities. Mr. Hemmingway reports conditions as he finds them direct to Manager Voorhies of the Taft campaign. He is a close observer and has covered a large part of the United States already. He finds everywhere that Mr. Taft is running way ahead of his field and will unquestionably win the nomination unless Roosevelt is forced into the race. "I find that the business interests of the south, from Maryland to Texas, through which territory I have just come, are very strong for Roosevelt," said Mr. Hemmingway. "They are positive in their declarations for another term and many of the leading business men are memorializing Mr. Roosevelt to induce him to accept the nomination. Politicians in the south are for Bryan and the southern farmers generally are for the democratic candidate. "The negro vote, both in the south and north, is questionable. I find that there is some feeling among the colored people against the administration on account of the Brownsville incident. Just how effective this feeling will be against Mr. Roosevelt, should he accept the nomination, is problematical."

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William L. Albright to Frederick Albright, 10 acres in section 16, township 39, range 1 E. 100
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M. B. Lindley to O. J. Abnee, lots 12 and 13, block 3, Sunnyside Addition, Medford. 400
John H. Downing to N. E. Lamme, 10 acres in section 8, township 37, range 2 W. 140
N. E. Lamme to Mary La Austin, land in township 37, range 2 W. 150
Ida M. Emerson to Mary L. Austin, land in township 37, range 2 W. 1100
William Ulrich to W. H. Hamilton, water right on Little Butte creek, irrigation ditch. 100
W. Ulrich to W. H. Hamilton, 900 acres in township 35, range 1 W. 25,000
A. D. Hillman to N. L. Johnson, property in Ashland. 10
W. L. Johnson to A. D. Holman, land in D. L. C. 40, township 39, range 1 E. 10
G. E. Graves to Thomas A. Culbertson, lots 1, 2 and 3, Homestead Association tract, township 39, range 1 E. 350
California & Oregon Land Co. to Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., 50 acres in section 6, township 33, range 1 E. 1
C. W. Parks to A. P. Talent, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 49, Medford. 10
A. P. Talent to Isaac Coffman, lot 3, block 49, Medford. 800
E. L. Farrar to H. T. Pankey, 10.08 acres in section 35, township 36, range 2 W. 800

BOURNE CARICATURED UPON SECOND-TERM CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Senator Bourne has carried his second elective term harrangue to such an extent that he is being ridiculed. The Washington Star has printed a clever cartoon, which fairly reflects the sentiment. The cartoon, labeled "The Noise of the Unbeliever," represents Mr. Bourne parading in front of the White House, shouting through a megaphone, "Second Elective Term," while with his left hand he is adding to his chatter by wielding an auctioneer bell. From his campaign hat protrudes a flag inscribed, "Second Elective Term," and from his lapel hangs a big streamer bearing the same inscription. In the background the president is seen through the white house window, unmindful of Mr. Bourne's noise, reading with manifest satisfaction his election night statement.

CLOSING PORTLAND GATEWAY WORRIES RAILROAD LINES

PORTLAND, March 4.—Railroad men outside of the Hill lines are worried over the closing of the Portland gateway to passenger travel to the Puget Sound cities. By the new order of things through tickets to Puget Sound are not sold in the east via Portland. Passengers who insist on coming through Portland must stop in their journey here, recheck their baggage and pay the local fare to the sound cities. This was brought about directly by the decision of the interstate commerce commission, which ordered the change into effect March 1. However, its cause lies further back than that, and is in the refusal of the Hill lines to participate in the agreement between the transcontinental roads whereby the Harriman lines bringing passengers through the Huntington gateway and via Portland to the sound absorbed the local between Portland and Puget Sound cities. The commission then ruled that non-participating roads could not be forced legally to accept through tickets of other lines.

SALES LICENSES

John H. Crocker and Lena E. Baugh

SIMS RESPONSIBLE FOR ROWS OVER BATTLESHIPS

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Commander William H. Sims, naval aid to President Roosevelt, by his own statement is responsible for the "row" over criticisms of battleship construction. At the outset of his testimony before the senate committee on naval affairs he said he would have to go into unpleasant facts, such as charging officers or inventors with having made misleading statements, the secretion of official documents and the refusal of superior officers to accept suggestions of value. The plan of Commander Sims to give the committee a sensation was upset immediately by Senator Tillman, who suggested that the witness be instructed to confine his testimony to alleged faulty construction, and to say nothing at this time of criticism made of personal or incomplete organization or other matters which are to be taken up later. The commander asked that he be permitted to continue his statement without interruption and that the senators would not cross-examine him until he had concluded his statement in his own way. His request was ignored. He got away from the line of inquiry again and again, and members of the committee called him back sharply.

ABE RUEF SUES TO GET EXPENSE MONEY

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4.—Abe Ruef not only wants immunity, but he wants his money back. His attorneys say that it is a matter of principle. The prosecution agrees, but says that it should be spelled "principal." Their only surprise is that Ruef did not ask for interest as well. In a suit filed Ruef asks that he be recompensed with \$4659.95, the amount he was obliged to spend for the maintenance of his prison quarters at Pacific avenue and Filmore street. He names as defendants Judge Frank H. Dunne, Rudolph Spreckels, William H. Langdon, William J. Burns, Francis J. Heney and William J. Bigge, and asks the court to order those men to pay him the amount stated. A statement from Ruef's camp contained the announcement that the real purpose of the suit was not to obtain the money, but to show that until January 8, 1908, the prosecution had acted as though it regarded the immunity contract is still in force. It was added that should the court award the \$4659.95 to Ruef, he would donate it to charity. The prosecution is inclined to regard this as another little joke on charity.

MRS. ROOSEVELT'S COUSIN DENIED PUBLIC OFFICE

WASHINGTON, March 4.—The nomination of Grosvenor A. Porter, a cousin of Mrs. Roosevelt, to be United States marshal for the eastern district of Oklahoma, will not be reported by the senate committee on judiciary. It was decided to request the president to withdraw the nomination. Porter was a marshal under the territorial form of government and when named recently for the state of Oklahoma, charges of immorality and misconduct were made. The committee investigated the charges, but decided upon the course mentioned rather than make recommendations for the rejection of the nomination. This appointment and that of Jack Abernathy, the wolf-catcher, for the western district, were personal selections of the president.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

Newman Fisher and Abe Menser of San Francisco are making this section of the country a visit. Both were formerly residents of Jacksonville. John Edsall and Frank Netherland were down from Butte Falls the first of the week. A. A. Davis was over from Medford Tuesday interviewing the tax collector. H. H. Goddard of Talent was a business visitor Tuesday. The town election held yesterday was about the hottest we have seen for many years. After much hard working the following ticket was elected: Councilmen: Emil Britt, G. L. Davis, J. W. Robinson, John F. Miller, Fred Fick. Recorder, Peter A. Deisch; treasurer, James M. Gronemiller; marshal, J. H. Huffer; street commissioner, Sam Walsh.

UNION PACIFIC COAL MEN ESCAPE CONSPIRACY TRIAL

SALT LAKE CITY, March 4.—The most interesting result of the investigation made by the interstate commerce commission in 1906 of an alleged combination to control the marketing of coal was the indictment by a federal grand jury of the Union Pacific Coal company, the Oregon Short Line rail road company and others for conspiracy. The jury found that the defendants had refused to deliver coal to D. J. Sharp, a Salt Lake dealer, provisionally because Mr. Sharp had made a set of 50 seats in the rear of the car. The defendants demurred on two counts in the indictment and the demurrer has been sustained by Judge Marshall. It was contended that the count was not substantiated by the law nor by the evidence submitted to the grand jury.

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