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PANIC DUE TO PLOT OF FINANCIERS

La Follette Says Recent Stringency Was Brought About by Pierpont Morgan and Standard Oil Crowd for Speculation.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—De-clarating the recent financial stringency brought about by the influence of the Standard Oil and J. Pierpont Morgan...

There were no commercial reasons for the panic," said La Follette. "There were speculative, legislative and political reasons why the panic might have occurred."

With this enormous concentration of business it is possible to create artificial periods of prosperity and periods of panics. Prices can be lowered or advanced at will of the "system."

He severely criticized the provision of the Aldrich bill by which railroad bonds are to be made security for emergency circulation and charged that it was a scheme to defeat legisla-tion which would lower railroad rates.

TOM RICHARDSON HOME WITH PRAISE FOR OREGON

PORTLAND, March 17.—After a week of traveling through Western Oregon on his way home from Southern California, Manager Tom Richardson of the Portland Commercial club is enthusiastic over the prospects of development work.

Mr. Richardson visited Ashland, Med-ford, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Albany, Stayton and other points. The Roseburg people are taking up the work of advertising and developing the Umpqua valley along the same lines that the Rogue river valley has been made one of the famous fruit regions of the world.

Divorce Proceedings That Would Not Work

A very interesting proceeding passed through the courts. Mrs. Amanda Grumbler had gotten tired of her companion and applied for a divorce. It happened that the attorney for the poor old man asked her majesty if her husband provided her with a cook stove. She replied that she had a TOLEDO RANGE, a MAUD'S PUMP, a WASKER and was going to paint with NASON'S pure paint. After she had made this clear declaration, her attorney told her that it was useless for her to go forward with the case, for the judge would not grant a divorce to anyone having the above articles in their possession. So the lady dropped it. Those who know Shorty Garret know he has the goods to keep things quiet.

LAST SURVIVOR OF CHARGE OF 600 AT BALAKLAVA DEAD

Wm. Nelms, Who Fought at Sebastopol and Was Wounded at Inkerman, Dies at Colorado Home at Age of Ninety Years—Member of Queen's Guard.

BRYAN SAYS SILVER WON'T BE LIVE ISSUE

LINCOLN, Neb., March 17.—W. J. Bryan reiterates his announcement that silver will not be an issue in the coming campaign, adding that he is satisfied with the platform adopted in Nebraska as a whole.

CUT STEMS WITH KNIFE TO HAVE FLOWERS KEEP

"Very few persons understand the art of keeping flowers," says a south-east florist, "and yet by a little attention flowers may be kept fresh for three or four times as long as people expect them to stay in good condition."

GRANTS PASS PIONEER CROSSES GREAT DIVIDE

H. O. McCallish, one of the old-time heroes of Southern Oregon, is dead at Grants Pass from pneumonia after a short illness. He was born 78 years ago in Massachusetts and was a civil engineer by profession.

W. H. Holcomb Dead.

CHICAGO, March 17.—William H. Holcomb, vice general manager of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company, died here Sunday.

WARSHIP ARRIVES AT HAYTI

French Cruiser at Port Au Prince—Orders for American Vessels to Sail—Executions Continue so Situation is Critical.

PORT AU PRINCE, March 17.—The British cruiser Indefatigable and the German cruiser Bremen arrived at this port last night to the surprise of people. The lives of foreigners are not in danger. The situation is quiet to-day.

PARIS, March 17.—Official dispatches from Hayti indicate that the situation there is still critical for foreigners. French Minister Carteron reports fresh executions last night, but the number is not given. He reports 27 executed the previous night.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Haytian situation is described by the state department as decidedly more grave than at any time since the revolution began. Dispatches are to the effect that the Haytian government now declines to allow the refugees in foreign legations to leave the country.

PARIS, March 17.—The French government does not anticipate the slightest friction with the United States over the situation in the Haytian trouble. The Monroe doctrine is in no sense in danger.

KEY WEST, Fla., March 17.—The government wireless station here has received a dispatch from Hayti stating that a rough of terror exists at Port Au Prince. There is fear of a general massacre of all white people in Hayti.

BOURNE DISGUSTED WITH PROGRESS TAFT IS MAKING

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Senator Eugene of Oregon had a long conference with the president recently. As he left the white house (Bourne said): "Such a fellow that Taft will get into a bad way."

When voice shall prevail—the voice of the white in the white house, or the voice of the people? The man in the white house says we must take Taft. The people say that the man in the white house must resign.

It is however the situation or the system of the people? If it is the situation, he will bow to the popular will and take another term. If it is the system, he will not.

Representative Perkins of New York threw up the sponge for Governor Hughes. Senators Taft will be found seated without the shadow of a doubt, he told the president.

There is nothing the people of New York would like better than to see Governor Hughes nominated and elected," said Perkins. "Had, in a matter of fact, he has no show what-so-ever for the nomination. This is com-posed by party politics in the country, in and out of New York."

EUGENE LAYS PAVING AT A RAPID RATE

EUGENE, Or., March 17.—The Warren Construction company has started a force of men at work preparing the paving plan for this city for operation. Last summer the company paved what blocks had been contracted for by the city. It is believed that the city will be all paved but for which no contracts have been let. There is an understanding however, that the Warren company will do the work, and when this is completed there will be no blocks of last winter's pavement in Eugene with prospects of much more in the future as property-owners along other streets are strongly in favor of paving.

LIGHT VOTE POLLED IN ELECTION CALLED FOR \$25,000 BONDS

Indications Are That Bonds Have Carried by a Large Majority. Though Few Are Voting—Represents Difference in Cost of Different Systems.

Citizens of Medford—or rather the few who do not forget it—are voting today upon the proposed amendment to section 23 of the city charter, whereby the city council will be authorized to issue \$25,000 additional improvement bonds for the completion of the city distributing system.

The indications at a late hour this afternoon were that the bonds had carried by a large plurality of the very light vote cast.

BRYAN AND SULLIVAN WAR IS WAGED ANEW

CHICAGO, March 16.—Bitter hostilities, which will not end until a democratic national convention from Illinois is chosen at the Denver convention, have opened in earnest. The declaration of war was issued by the executive committee of the Illinois Federation of Bryan clubs.

The state-convention must be composed of delegates chosen by county conventions, and not by county committees. The state-convention must not be dominated in the interest of any one faction, and a free and fair hearing must be given to every delegate in the convention. No "gavel" rule.

A delegation must be named from Illinois to the national convention which is unswervingly and sincerely for William J. Bryan for president, and for anything that Mr. Bryan wants.

The next national convention from Illinois must not be Roger C. Sullivan, or any other man known as a "Sullivan man."

JAPAN IS HARD UP; NEEDS MONEY BADLY

TOKYO, March 17.—While denials come from all sides that Japan is suffering from a panic, there is no denying the fact that the financial situation continues year-depressing. Un-der improvement comes soon there are evidences that conditions soon will be even serious in the extreme.

The business depression is more acute in some other cities than it is in Tokyo, but this, of course, reflects adversely on affairs here. Business men are beginning to hoard their money and call in loans not protected by gilt-edged securities. In Osaka and Kobe several failures of banks and business houses are reported. So far none of the railways have been important enough to have any marked effect upon the government, but everything adds to the feeling of uneasiness.

The anxiety of money lack of course, a depressing effect, but conditions are better in the cities than in the smaller towns. There are rumors that some firms considered weak ever since war times started, may not be able to weather the storm. Worst of all, the outlook is far from encouraging and no real improve-ment is hoped for for some time.

PORTLAND LUMBERMEN BUY GLENDALE BOX FACTORY

The property formerly owned by the Glendale Box company, which recently went into bankruptcy, has been sold to Kenneth A. Stewart, a well-known lumberman of Portland. The property consisted of the box factory, sawmill, machinery, yards, timber land, etc. The new concern assuming responsibility for the handling of the bankrupt concern. The box factory will be reopened in a short time and the new company will put in many improvements and expand its service with modern machinery.

MCGURT'S NOMINATION SURE OF CONFIRMATION

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The nomination of John McGurt of Pennsylvania to be United States district attorney for the district of Oregon, which was sent to the senate last week, has been triumphantly reported from the senate chamber. This is considered as being in the spirit of compromise, as there is no doubt the senate will confirm.

COUNCIL TO LET CONTRACT FOR FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

The city council will tonight set upon letting a contract for a fire alarm system to be installed in the city. The contract will be let to the lowest bidder. The council will also consider a contract for a fire alarm system to be installed in the city.

DENVER GRAND STRIKE IS FAX-REACHING IN RESULT

DENVER, March 17.—Referring to the Denver & Rio Grande strike and the probability that it will spread to all points of the Gould system, the Post says that the strike is liable to result in one of the largest industrial struggles among shippers of the country for years, and that the only hope of inter-vention is from George Gould.

THREE KILLED BY BLOWUP OF POWDER FACTORY

LINTON, Ind., March 17.—Three were killed, four injured and two fatally hurt in the blowing up of one of the ten houses of the United States Powder company at Coalton.

STUDENTS DEMOLISH THEATRE

Mob of Rioting Michigan Pupils Wreck Play House at Ann Arbor Which Ejected One of Their Number—Many Arrested

ANN ARBOR, March 17.—Twenty-two University of Michigan students spent last night in jail and the Star Nickel theater was thoroughly wrecked as a result of a riot of students last evening, which lasted until nearly 1 o'clock this morning.

The riot was the result of the dismissal of a student from the theater last Saturday night for disturbing the peace. The reprisals were planned for last night and 2000 students joined in the march on the theater, which was stormed. The police were powerless.

The women were called and the boys chased away with the hose. A boy called, indicating that the state militia was preparing for action, finally quieted the mob. Several students and some policemen were hurt.

EASTERN CAPITAL TO DEVELOP GOLD MINES

PORTLAND, March 17.—Josephine county property of the Alameda Consolidated Mines company, of which O. M. Cronch of Portland is president, will be developed by Ohio and Michigan capital. A smelter will be installed and in operation with a capacity of 100 tons daily, by May 15, according to statements made by the investors.

The sum of \$200,000 has been invested in the stock of the company by a syndicate, including J. H. Southard, E. C. DeWilder, Walter Payne and A. J. Townsend of Toledo, O. C. A. of Columbus, Miss. Jackson of Fremont, O., and Isaac of Waukegan, Mich. It is said there is enough rich ore in sight to run a 100-ton smelter more than 200 years. The mine has been partially developed by Portland capital, and about \$250,000 has been expended in opening tunnels and prospects.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK SOON TO BE REALITY

WASHINGTON, March 17.—After several weeks' consideration, a postal savings bank bill has been drafted for presentation by the senate committee on postoffice and postroads this week. The sub-committee appointed to decide upon the measure held its final meeting Saturday afternoon. Postmaster General Meyer participating in an advisory capacity. The measure decided upon is a composite of the bills introduced by Senator Carter of Montana, chairman of the sub-committee, by Senator Baileys of Nebraska and Senator Knox of Pennsylvania. The Knox bill was introduced by request, and has been passed by the senate, having been drawn under the direction of the postmaster-general.

MARION CONVENTION NAMES NO TICKET

SALIM, Or., March 17.—The republican convention has concluded its work by looking down from the declared purpose of sending a legislative ticket and placing it to the county central committee to select suitable candidates who shall stand on its platform. No platform. A motion to put a ticket in the field was voted down—yeas 30, nays 12. A. J. Adams of Sit-cation was made permanent chairman. The platform has only a brief refer-ence to state or national politics, and no mention of senators.

Resolved, That all the candidates for the legislature on the republican ticket subscribe to a statement that they will support for United States sen-ators that candidates chosen by the votes of the republican party of the state.

ADMIRAL SPERRY TO COMMAND SQUADRON ON REACHING FRISCO

Evans to Retire on Account of Ill-Health—Said to Be Ill and to Have Asked for Relief—Has Appeared But Twice on Board Ship Since Leaving.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 17.—Rear-Admiral Evans will forever leave the navy when the fleet arrives in San Francisco. He has asked to be relieved and his request has been granted after the exchange of numerous messages with the commander-in-chief of the fleet and navy at Washington.

Immediately upon the arrival of the fleet at Magdalena bay, the ships' sur-gens were called aboard the flagship Connecticut and a consultation was held at the bedside of the commander-in-chief, who has left his cabin but twice since the fleet left Hampton Roads. The last time that he appeared was at Trinidad, and then the rear-admiral sacrificed greatly, his every movement inflicting the extreme torture he was suffering.

It is unofficially announced that Rear-Admiral Sperry of the Georgia will relieve Evans as soon as the commander-in-chief can be removed from the fleet. It is intimated that Evans may not live to reach Washington.

LONE ROBBER HOLDS UP NORTHERN PACIFIC TRAIN

SPOKANE, Wash., March 17.—As-suming all the airs and authority of a veteran postoffice inspector, a daring highwayman boarded the Great North-ern westbound Oriental limited train just as it pulled out of Bonner's Ferry, Idaho, early Sunday morning, and holding the two mailboxes at bay at the point of a revolver, locked one of them in a clothes closet and tied the other to a chair with ropes, after which he rode a distance of 109 miles into Spo-kane, spending three hours and 40 min-utes riding registered mail, loading and unloading mail sacks along the route and puffing complacently at a cigar the while.

The lone robber dropped off the train at a railroad crossing inside the city limits, carrying with him, it is believed, much valuable plunder in a satchel. Just how much he obtained is not definitely known.

HEARST TO NOMINATE HIMSELF FOR PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, March 17.—The author-itative announcement by William R. Hearst that the National Independence league, of which he is the controlling spirit, will not in the approaching presidential battle support either Theodore Roosevelt, William J. Bryan or Gover-nor Johnson of Minnesota, but is "to go it alone," nominating its own pre-sidential ticket, was food for political gossip hereabouts.

In addition to naming its own presi-dential ticket, the Independence league of the different states are to name state tickets as well.

Hearst's National Independence league is to be known as the national party. Mr. Hearst made this announcement.

"The independence party is going to nominate its own candidate for presi-dent and is going to vote for him with a strength and a heartiness of num-bers that is likely to be a revelation to the older and sadder political organ-izations. If it does not elect this can-didate it is going to lay the solid foun-dation for doing so in the next."

FULTON COMING HOME TO MAKE HIS FIGHT

Senator Fulton is coming back to Oregon to take part in the primary cam-paign, according to private advices which have been received by some of his friends, personal and political. It is not known just at what time the senator will leave Washington or when he will reach Portland, as the time will depend to some extent upon his en-gagements in Washington.

It is believed, however, from the report that has come to Portland that Senator Fulton will be in Portland by the first of April at the latest and that he will at once take up the per-sonal supervision of his candidacy for the senate.

From what is said it is intended by the senator to make another tour of the state in the interests of his nomi-nation and on this tour he will meet the charges that have been made against him by P. J. Haney. It is ex-pected also that the senator will end his campaign tour with a final meet-ing in Portland just before the pri-mary at which time he will review his work in congress and for the last time answer the allegations that have been made against him.

FIRES IN ONE BUILDING

NEW YORK, March 16.—The discov-ery of seven separate fires in a build-ing at 625 Madison avenue and flames of match, resulted in the arrest of Jo-seph Lashinsky, who is suspected of incendiarism. The lives of 60 persons were endangered, but the flames were put out in time.

CUT OUT RAILROAD SECURITY

Senate Committee on Fi-nance Vote Unanimously to Amend Aldrich Bill Eliminating Bonds as Se-curity for National Bank

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The senate committee on finance today voted unanimously to amend the Aldrich financial bill by eliminating railroad bonds as security for national bank note circulation. It also voted to amend the bill so as to retain the provision of the present law prohibiting retire-ment by national banks of more than \$9,000,000 of circulation in any one month.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—It is ex-pected that Hepburn of Iowa, within a few days will introduce a number of bills in the house on lines desired by the civic federation, but the president will not send a message, unless it ap-pears that he can be of assistance in the matter.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The re-port that the president is about to send a special message to congress, argu-ing upon its behalf a certain matter of necessary legislation, is being denied by the civic federation, which with a positive denial at the white house.

RESISTS ATTEMPTS TO MODIFY FULTON BILL

WASHINGTON, March 17.—It has become clear that the government will resist all attempts to amend the Fulton resolution authorizing the attorney-general to enter suit in the Southern Pacific land grant case. B. D. Townsend, representing Attorney-General Bonn-ports, restated the government's po-sition, amplifying his former state-ments, although it was evident Town-send did not propose to reveal the government's hand for the information of the railroad's attorneys. It appeared also to outsiders that, regardless of what action the committee may take, all titles acquired from the railroad under this grant act must be clouded until the courts have cleared up all questions.

It is learned, too, that if the house committee refuses to amend, the matter will be fought out before the senate committee when the resolution goes back there for agreement to the amend-ment. Hill of Saginaw, Mich., of the Booth Kelly Lumber company, so stated in the committee room during the hearing to one of his associates.

After the regular hearing Representative Hawley of Oregon made a plea for some adjustment which would give relief to Western Oregon from the conditions imposed by the railroad's re-fusal to sell the grant lands, which, as he showed by many facts, had retarded development seriously. He recited the questioning by Governor Chamberlain of Harviman at Sacramento, when he asked if the company proposed to con-tinue its present policy, and Harviman replied, "Indefinitely."

Hill pleaded against the resolution in any form, as did all except Fox-son and Hill. Hill said the Booth Kelly company made less than 5 per cent last year on its investment. He presented the imputation that it was a specula-tive concern. He also said the Weyer-hauser and like concerns were not spec-ulative, but that all were operators on timber lands. He argued that investi-gation of any form would future bus-iness and cause immeasurable losses to the companies.

THOUSAND WORKGIRLS THROWN INTO A PANIC

NEW YORK, March 17.—One thou-sand workgirls employed in a big ten-story factory building at Twenty-fourth street were thrown into a panic today by a bursting steam pipe on the sixth floor. Two hundred girls, who were working in the room filled screaming. This caused the entire population of the building to become terror-stricken. The collapse of the elevator shaft, who kept the machine running, served to quiet the women and in a few minutes all had returned to work. No one was hurt.

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