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CALHOUN'S DEFENSE IS LAID BARE

Will Attempt to Show That Spreckels Fixed Up Plot in Order to Get Him in Trouble

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 14.—The nature of the defense that will be offered by Patrick Calhoun, the traction magnate, who is being tried for offering a bribe to the board of supervisors of San Francisco, was revealed today when his counsel in questioning the veniremen tried to show that the indictment was the result of a plot hatched by Rudolph Spreckels to make out a case against Calhoun.

KING EDWARD TO VISIT RAISER NEXT MONTH

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—King Edward's visit to Berlin on February 7 is a topic of lively discussion here. Leading members of the chamber of commerce and the Guild of Senior Merchants, two foremost business organizations, propose that the king be invited to attend a special reception at the house in order to be brought into contact with the leaders of the city's commercial life.

GENERAL STOESEL ASKS PARDON OF THE CZAR

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 14.—General Stoessel, Rear-Admiral Neglogatoff and several other officers of high rank now in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, have applied for pardon or commutation of their sentences. No action has been taken.

LEGISLATURE ADOPTS RESOLUTION OF PROTEST

SALEM, Or., Jan. 14.—Protesting against the removal of the present tariff on lumber, contemplated by the ways and means committee of congress, a joint resolution was introduced into the house by the Lane committee delegation. Dean introduced the measure, explaining the injury the removal would do. The rules were suspended and the resolution adopted.

WOMAN MUST PAY FOR TAKING ANOTHER'S SPOUSE

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—A verdict for the full amount of \$50,000 was for Mrs. Una Goslin against Miss Annie Irene Maglar for alienation of the affections of her husband, Alfred R. Goslin of so-called "get-rich-quick" fame, was brought in by a jury here today. Both Goslin and the defendant, who was his stenographer, now live in Paris.

DID NOT KNOW THAT HE HAD BEEN WOUNDED

VALLEJO, Jan. 14.—Harold Sullivan, a young boy of this city, was accidentally shot in the left thigh yesterday afternoon with a rifle in the hands of W. Connelly, a playmate. During the excitement of their hunt for birds Sullivan was shot, but did not feel the bullet wound until he went home and was about to go to bed.

NOT TO INVESTIGATE THE CHARGES AGAINST SENATOR BEN TILLMAN

Grave Doubt As to His Connection With Oregon Deal—Senate Committee Does Not Care About Investigating the Matter.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—It is not expected that the request of Senator Tillman that the senate investigate the charges made against him by President Roosevelt will be heeded. There can not be found a member of the committee of privileges that are willing to start an investigation of Tillman's connection with the Oregon land grant.

THIRTY PEOPLE INJURED IN TOPEKA HOTEL FIRE

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 14.—Thirty persons were injured, including A. W. Smith, former Republican gubernatorial candidate, who may die, as the result of a fire which gutted the Copeland hotel today. The property loss is heavy. The fire started at 4 o'clock this morning. The guests were injured by leaping from the windows of the hotel.

BOLD ATTEMPT MADE TO FREE PRISONS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 14.—A bold attempt at a jail delivery was discovered today when R. E. Watson, a farmer, of Norwalk, Cal., confessed that he sent a revolver and seven cartridges in a case to F. L. Humby of San Francisco, who is in the county jail accused of forgery. He said Humby planned to kill two turnkeys and make his escape, steal a sloop and go to Honduras. If the plan had proved successful 20 prisoners would have been liberated.

MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD ON ANNIVERSARY OF QUAKE

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 14.—Memorial services in the churches of Kingston today marked the second anniversary of the great earthquake of January 14, 1907, which destroyed a large portion of the city. The anniversary finds Kingston practically rebuilt and enjoying a greater degree of prosperity than before the disaster. Large sums of money were raised here for the relief of the earthquake victims of Italy, for whom the people of Kingston have a fellow feeling. The insurance companies have settled on a basis of 85 per cent, and this money has been largely reinvested in Jamaica.

DAD ATE ENOUGH TO KILL A DOZEN, BUT STILL LIVES

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 14.—A plot to poison aged William Wiebking by means of pulverized flies which had previously been killed with strychnine may be divulged to Judge Charles Monroe tomorrow when Mrs. Elizabeth Slocum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wiebking, takes the stand in the divorce action of her mother against her father. The proceedings were begun today, but only a reference to the plot was made. Mrs. Slocum heard that poisoned flies would produce death. She told her family, "Several weeks later I was dumbfounded at the confession of my sister, Bertha," she said yesterday. "She came to me and said: 'That story about the poisoned flies you told us the other day is all bunk. We gave father enough of the stuff to kill 12 people, but it did not faze him.'"

JOHNSON WILL PUSH AHEAD HIS FIGHT AGAINST JAPS

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 14.—"I won't be turned aside by President Roosevelt or anybody else," said Grove L. Johnson when asked whether he would be influenced by the criticisms published in the Japanese papers on the three anti-Japanese bills he has presented in the assembly. "Two years ago," continued Johnson, "Roosevelt sent a telegram to the governor asking suspension of further action in regard to the bills against the Japanese, and I requested in the request, 'This time I will stand firm. I don't know what the other members of the assembly will do, but personally I shall fight for the passage of my bills.'"

TO PROVIDE RAISE FOR JUDGE NEIL

Purdi Introduces House Bill Providing a Larger Salary for the Judge of Jackson County

Representative M. Purdi has introduced into the house a bill providing \$2500 a year as the salary of the county judge of Jackson county. This will be an increase of \$1300 a year, the present salary being \$1200 a year.

The object of the bill is to provide an adequate salary so that good men can be induced to take the position. Every election there is considerable difficulty in persuading men of standing to accept the place, as the salary of \$100 a month is too small for them to bother with. But if the new bill passes the job will be worth leaving and men of standing will get into the race.

By the provisions of House Bill 37, introduced by Purdi of Jackson, trusts of every description are made unlawful, and severe penalties attach to violation of the act. The bill defines a trust and provides that both criminal and civil actions may be brought against any person or firm entering into a combination to restrict trade or interfere with free competition in all lines of business.

A trust is defined as a combination of capital, skill or arts by two or more persons, firms or corporations, for the following purposes: To create or carry out restrictions in trade or commerce; to limit the production or increase or reduce the price of merchandise of any commodity whatever; to prevent competition in the manufacture, sale, purchase or transportation of any commodity, and to fix or control prices.

It is provided that any foreign corporation doing business in the state shall lose its license if found guilty of violation of the law. Any violation of the proposed statute is declared as conspiracy against trade. The penalty for violation of the act is made a fine of from \$50 to \$5000, imprisonment from six months to one year, or both fine and imprisonment. The issuing or holding of trust certificates is constituted a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$5000. Any person injured by the operation of a trust may sue in double the amount of the damage received.

HORTICULTURAL EXPERTS FOR STRICKEN COUNTIES

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 14.—War on fruit pests was declared by Assembly man Collier, who today introduced a bill that provided that upon the application of 25 owners of orchards the board of supervisors of a county shall appoint a horticultural commissioner for a term of four years. The work of the commissioner will be to study the nature of the particular pest and to devise plans for eradicating it. When a locality has been rid of the pest, the appointment of the commissioner may, upon petition, be withdrawn.

WOMAN BECOMES JAPANESE FOR FIRST TIME ON RECORD

TOKYO, Jan. 14.—Miss Estella Finch, an American, who for a long time has been connected with the Seamen's missions at Yokosuka and its naval base, has been granted naturalization by the Japanese home department. This is the first instance in Japan of the naturalization of a woman.

EXCURSION TRAIN REACHES THIS CITY SUNDAY MORNING

A special train bearing a large number of members of the Walla Walla Commercial club will pass through Medford Sunday. They are due at 12:15 p. m. and will leave at 12:30, spending 15 minutes in this city. The Commercial club will greet them.

FRENCH CANADIAN WRESTLER WANTS TO MEET LOCAL MAN

Writes to This City in Order to Arrange a Go With West—Will Wrestle for Any Part of Five Hundred Dollars.

Joe La Salle, the French Canadian wrestler, has written to Medford in an endeavor to get a wrestling match with W. H. West of this city. La Salle is at the present time teaching Young America how to wrestle at the University of Oregon and says that he will meet the local man for a side bet—any part of \$500.

La Salle is not at all particular about the date. He says come any old time, he says, and will wrestle any old way, although he prefers to have the struggle held barred and to have pin falls govern the match, best two out of three falls.

HAD SEVEN WIVES AND 300 DESCENDANTS

OGDEN, January 14.—Loren Parr, pioneer of Utah, among the first converts to Mormonism, died Sunday at Ogden, husband of seven wives and father of 300 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and one of the best-known men in the west, was drowned at Utah Hot Springs, 11 miles north of this city, at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The body was found floating in one of the pools of the sanatorium, where the aged man had daily gone for his bath. He was 87 years old. It is supposed he was overcome by the heat of the water or fell in a faint and was drowned.

NEW HORTICULTURAL PAPER PUBLISHED BY MESERVE

Number 1, Vol. 1, of the Rogue River Fruit Grower, a new monthly magazine devoted to horticulture, edited and managed by Charles Meserve, the well-known horticultural writer, has made its appearance. Its initial number is a 12-page three-column paper, of neat typographical appearance, containing many articles descriptive of fruit growing in the valley and items of interest to orchardists.

COLD WEATHER HITS THE SOUTHERN STATES

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 14.—The central and southern states today experienced the first genuine cold weather of the winter. Snow and snow or snow generally. The temperature is at the freezing point as far south as Galveston and ranges from 8 to 14 above in Northern Texas and Arkansas. In Louisville streetcar traffic is interrupted.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 14.—The heaviest snowfall in three years fell here yesterday and today. Traffic was impaired and the river ferry service was blocked entirely. Temperature 5 degrees above zero.

WHISPERS OF MONEY HEARD AT STATE CAPITAL

SALEM, Or., Jan. 14.—Promises of federal patronage, whispers of money to be used, unusual demands made upon the governor, investigating committees to be juggled in the interests of the opponents of the election of Governor Chamberlain as United States Senator, these and others are things that are being talked of as whispers to be used in the defeat of the principle of Statehood No. 1, and the disorganization of its forces in the senatorial contest.

The old-line machine politicians, the part-Standish 1 forces are now making their last long pull for the defeat of Governor Chamberlain. Up to this time there has been no definite plan evolved, but they are working. They are now arguing that the governor ought to resign as soon as the legislature elects him. They want him to make a definite promise to that effect before the time for the first ballot for senatorial services. They have made no advance for the governor, however, and he has not discussed the question. It is not believed that they will do so.

And Chamberlain lobbyists are now swooping down upon it in capital to aid in the fight of the old-line men. Ralph E. Williams was here before the organizing buttholing members, working hard in the effort to get them to disorganize the statehood ranks. J. H. Brown, "Paltan's friend," is here on the floor of the house, inside the rail in the senate, everywhere, working against Chamberlain's election. Federal patronage is to be the reward of those Statehood No. 1 men who go back on their pledges.

Nothing definite has been done as yet, however. It seems to be a hard matter to find a plan with which Statehood members can be safely approached. There is no sign of defection. There is nothing but talk, and effort, but it is apparent that the opposition will step at no scheme or plan by which they can break down the Statehood majority, repudiate the will of the people and throw the senatorial election into the legislature.

WILL BALLOT FOR SENATOR ON TUESDAY

Vetoes Will Be Considered on Monday—Every Effort Being Made to Have Pledges Cancelled

SALEM, Or., Jan. 14.—When the legislature reconvenes on Monday it will be to consider several of Governor Chamberlain's vetoes of last session. The anti-Statehood No. 1 men will make every effort to pass several vetoes over the governor's head, hoping in this way to weaken the Statehood men who are interested in the bills, so that they will cancel their pledges to vote for Chamberlain for United States senator.

The first ballot on the senatorial contest will be cast at noon on Tuesday, January 19. Two lines are pursued by those who want to defeat Governor Chamberlain, as fully revealed today. A systematic plan of inducements is held out to the members who pledged themselves to vote for the popular choice to get them to go back on those pledges by remaining away from the joint convention next Tuesday on account of sickness or for other reasons.

Machine Press Helps

The Republican organization at Portland, headed by the Oregonian and Senator Fulton, seems to have worked out this plan of withholding support from the people's choice, Governor Chamberlain refuses to make any pledges and the reaction is becoming high.

The house members have decided to take up the governor's veto messages, held over from the last session, next Monday, two days in advance of the vote on senator, and will try to weaken the statement men by carrying some of the bills held up two years ago over the governor's veto.

One Weak Kneed Member

One member, Applegate, of Douglas county, who subscribed to the statement to insure his election, now says he meant by it only to endorse the principle of amending the federal constitution. He was not counted as one of the 52 who signed the sworn statement to support the people's choice, but his alleged conversion is claimed as a great victory for the anti-statehood members.

WATER WAGON LEGALIZED BY OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

GUTHRIE, Okla., Jan. 14.—A resolution declaring the water wagon in Oklahoma to be a common carrier was introduced in the Oklahoma house today by Representative "Bill" Baird. It was passed with a whoop and sent to the senate for concurrence. The resolution declares that the welfare of the people demands that the statewide prohibition laws have the moral support of the state's entire citizenship, and proceeds:

OAK TREES ARE DANGEROUS TO HAVE NEAR ORCHARDS

The oak trees to be seen in and about the orchards of Rogue River valley are attractive from the viewpoint of the lover of nature, but the orchardist sees no beauty in them for him, for they are merely breeding places for countless myriads of fungi that swarm forth, bringing destruction to his fruit trees. The healthy, vigorous oak trees are not so dangerous as pest-brooders, but the white oaks, half dead from the attacks of mistletoe and other enemies, are exceedingly dangerous neighbors to orchards. But it is the old, half-dead oaks that are veritable nurseries for the breeding of fungi, and the fruitgrower who values the use of his trees will lose no time in grubbing them out, even to the last root. And to make sure of the destruction of all fungus spores, he will sprinkle the ground about where the stump stood with a liberal quantity of lime.—Rogue River Fruit Grower.

MAY ABOLISH ASHLAND STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

Jones of Douglas Introduces a Bill Providing That Ashland and Monmouth Schools Be Abolished—Leave But Two.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 14.—The first gun in the normal school battle was fired yesterday by Jones of Douglas, who introduced a bill providing that the Ashland and Monmouth schools should be forever and eternally abolished. He would have the train and the Weston schools continued under the names of the Western and the Eastern Oregon State Normal schools, and would have the state board of education dispose of the building and grounds of the other two schools and turn its proceeds into the high schools, public schools or back into the educational fund.

FLORENCE ROBERTS SEEN IN 'HOUSE OF BONDAGE'

A crowded house saw Florence Roberts play the heroine in the "House of Bondage" at the Medford theater Wednesday night and witnessed the most finished production seen here for years. The play hinges upon an unhappy matrimonial alliance and the absurd inequality governing English divorce laws. A wronged wife finds herself asked to a calling party which takes her up on his liaison with an influential person. The wife falls in love with her physician, who reciprocates her affection, but she cannot secure a divorce under English laws. The doctor is called upon to save the life of the husband of the woman he loves by a surgical operation.

Arthur Forrest, formerly Richard Mansfield's leading man, gives a most artistic rendering of the part of the callous husband. Thelma Bergen defied the audience with his finished portrayal of the doctor lover. Ann Warrington won applause as the heroine of the liaison, while Miss Roberts showed herself the great actress that she is as the wronged wife. The other parts were portrayed satisfactorily and artistically, and the production was the most even and best rendered seen in modern Medford.

'HANDCUFF KING' IS ALMOST DROWNED

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 14.—By an attempt to emulate the men who style themselves "handcuff kings," a young man who calls himself Albertus nearly perished in the surf here yesterday. Tightly laced in a straightjacket he endeavored to show his ability to free himself while under water. Battered by the cold, he lost consciousness, and was nearly drowned before being rescued by life-savers. Albertus jumped into the water from a rowboat, but it was soon immediately that he was not making a success of his experiments. Tied to the surface struggling, then sunk to rise again a third time. Only one arm, however, could be seen from the water, and the lifesavers intervened to prevent a tragedy.

FRANCE WILL WELCOME AMERICAN BATTLESHIPS

PARIS, Jan. 14.—Some embarrassment has been manifested in both official and press circles as to the exact character of the welcoming visit to French ports of the American battleships now in the Mediterranean. The prevailing idea is that the ships are not making official calls, that they are merely coming to give the officers and sailors opportunities for shore leave. Nevertheless the battleships will be cordially received.

CONAN DOYLE SUBMITS TO BURCEON'S KNIFE

LONDON, Jan. 14.—A bulletin is said this morning says that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, the author, had passed a restless, painful night. This was the first public admission that he had undergone an operation on Jan. 10. The operation was for a painful though not a serious internal affliction.

CRUELTY TO SHARPS ROUSES HUMANE MEN

LAKE BEACH, Cal., Jan. 14.—Protesting against cruelty to sharks, Byron Glen, a local passenger agent for the Salt Lake railroad, announces that he will appeal to the humane society for aid in suppressing the practice of torturing the monster. Glen's ire was aroused by the practice of fishermen, who, when they land a small shark, cut its fins off and throw it back into the water to perish.

TAKES FALL FROM HIS AEROPLANE

Wilbur Wright Loses Balance and Falls 25 Feet—Lands on Loose Sails—Sprains Ankle

PARIS, France, Jan. 14.—Wilbur Wright, the world's champion aviator, this morning lost his balance as he was starting his aeroplane and fell some 25 feet to the ground below. He suffered a sprained ankle and wrist and while severely injured, sustained no permanent injuries.

Wright had the good fortune to fall where the fall was soft. He had made a flight of some distance and had come down to fix one of the wings of the machine. When he started up he fell backwards and to the ground. The machine is so constructed that when pressure is released on the lever the motors stop. This caused the machine to settle. It was uninjured.

FIGHT TO REASSIGN THE MARINES TO WARSHIPS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—President Roosevelt's order withdrawing marines from ships and assigning them to shore duty has aroused defiance in political quarters. It is declared on high authority and from the hearings now in progress before the sub-committee on naval affairs it is learned that strenuous efforts will be made to secure the nullification of the order by the proposed enactment of a law reassigning marines to service afloat.

BOYS GO HUNTING; ONE FROZEN, OTHER NEARLY DEAD

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 14.—News has just reached here that Willie Fink was found frozen to death and his brother, Henry, aged 21, near the body in a serious condition by searchers. The boys went hunting on Saturday and when they failed to return the party started in search. Henry said he carried the body of the younger brother a long distance, when he finally fell from cold and exhaustion.

DISASTER CAUSE OF GLOOM AT MONTE CARLO

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 14.—Although the opening of the three months' grand opera season tomorrow has brought merry music lovers to Monte Carlo, the recent Italian disaster has cast a gloom over the festivities in this famous resort. The feature of the Monte Carlo opera season will be the series of performances of the "Nephews Ring." Some of the works of Mozart are also to be revived.

GRAND JURY WILL PROBE 'WET' TRAFFIC

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 14.—The dressiness of Pendleton became painful yesterday when the circuit court opened the January term with the selection of a grand jury, which it is rumored will devote considerable time to the investigation of alleged violations of the prohibition law. As the last session of the grand jury resulted in 300 indictments of liquor violators most of the "blind pigs" quit and it is not believed that the present session will have such a sensational result.

PORTERSVILLE IS FLOODED; MANY HOUSES ARE GONE

FRESNO, Cal., Jan. 14.—The lower portion of the town of Portersville is flooded. Several houses were washed from their foundations today and 25 persons are reported as rescued on rafts. The slough running through the city is broken in several places.

BANDITS MAKE RICH HAUL IN CHIHUAHUA

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 14.—Bandits today dynamited the safe of the Ellavide Ore Mining company at Urique, District of Chihuahua, Mexico, and secured \$6000.

The report in these columns of the fact that the ammonia compressor at the ice plant had blown up led many to believe that it was the Weinhard plant. This was not the case, the explosion being in the Carter plant, south of the depot.