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## FRAUD IS BLAMED ON WICKERSHAM

HOUSE COMMITTEE TO PROBE STARTLING CHARGE OF ALASKAN DELEGATE.

## EVIDENCE OF STEAL SUPPRESSED

Attorney General Alleged to Have Aided Men Who Robbed Government of Contracts For Coal Land.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—After secret consideration of charges made by Delegate Wickersham, of Alaska, that Attorney-General Wickersham deliberately permitted the statute of limitations to run against agents of the Alaska syndicate who defrauded the government, through perjury, to the extent of \$50,000, the House committee on judiciary has determined to report favorably a resolution of inquiry offered by Delegate Wickersham.

The resolution would call upon the Attorney-General to furnish the House with all documents, affidavits and testimony in his possession relating to an affidavit submitted to him more than a year ago and sworn to by H. J. Douglas, ex-auditor of the Alaska syndicate.

Committee is Started. Delegate Wickersham started the committee when, in executive session, he produced a copy of an affidavit relating to an alleged criminal act, committed by Captain D. H. Jarvis, of the Alaskan syndicate, and formerly prominent in the Government revenue cutter service, who committed suicide in Seattle on June 2, the day following the introduction of the Wickersham resolution calling for production of the papers in the case, and by John H. Bullock, of the John J. Season Coal Company, of Nome.

Through connivance of these men, it was charged, the Government was defrauded on coal contracts, and evidence to that effect was permitted to remain unacted upon by the Attorney-General's office for more than a year until the statute of limitations expired last May.

Copies of Letter Shown. Delegate Wickersham furnished the committee with photographic copies of a letter from the attorney for the Alaska syndicate to D. H. Jarvis, admitting the expenditure of money to control Government witnesses in the Hasey murder trial in 1908, wherein an agent of the Alaska syndicate was accused of murdering laborers employed by rival interests during the ployed by rival interests during the trial.

A photograph of an expense account for \$1,123.40 of M. M. Morrissey, employed by the syndicate, is asserted, to entertain Government witnesses and jurors in that connection, also was submitted to the committee. This evidence, Delegate Wickersham declared, is in the possession of the Attorney-General.

## FISHER JURY DOESN'T AGREE.

Prosecutor Has Not Decided Whether to Try Case Again.

The jury in the case of the state against Gustav Fisher, of Fisher's Mill, who was charged with failing to erect a ladder as required by the fire warden, was unable to reach an agreement and was discharged Friday morning by Justice of the Peace Samson. Livy Stipp, who prosecuted Fisher, said Friday night that no decision had been reached as to whether the case would be tried again. Attorney Story represented Fisher.

## APPLE CROP LITTLE ABOVE HALF

R. A. McCully, of Hood River, Calls at Commercial Club.

R. A. McCully, an extensive apple grower of Hood River, called upon Secretary Lazelle of the Commercial Club. Mr. McCully says the apple crop will be about 60 per cent of the normal yield in the Hood River district this year. McCully and Mr. Lazelle were classmates at Oregon Agricultural College.

## WORK ON RAILROAD PROGRESSES RAPIDLY

DIRECTORS HOLD MEETINGS TODAY AT MOLALLA AND MULINO.

The directors report that the work on the Clackamas Southern Railway is progressing very rapidly and they are receiving more stock subscriptions each week than the total amount of the expense for that work amounts to.

There are 22 teams engaged on the work, besides a large number of single hands, and in order to pick and shovel men, and in known to work to the best advantage, the company recently ordered an extra number of wheelbarrows. As the work progresses, the stock of the company becomes more valuable, and that alone is encouraging to those who had purchased stock before the work started.

There will be a large meeting held at Molalla this afternoon, and the board of directors is anxious to meet as many of the farmers in that section of the country as can possibly spare the time from their work at the meeting. There will be a meeting at Mulino this evening, and the directors will carefully inspect the grading work that has been carried on at that end of the line during the last two weeks.

## EX-WIFE SCORED BY MILLIONAIRE

MRS. MINNIE TAYLOR FIGHTS HERE FOR MAINTENANCE OF \$2,500 MONTHLY.

## HUSBAND HAD MARRIAGE ANNULLED

Defendant Discovered Famous Red Top Mine at Goldfield and Sold Out For \$2,500,000—Wife Got Large Sum.

Wearing a lace dress, for which she is said to have paid \$1,200, Mrs. Minnie Taylor, sat Friday throughout the argument before Circuit Judge Eakin, in the county court room, of the motion made by her attorneys to have the annulment of her marriage obtained here by her husband, Charles Davenport Taylor, the \$2,500,000 Goldfield miner, set aside. Mrs. Taylor seemed deeply interested in the proceedings and frequently conferred with her attorneys, Fliegel & Reynolds, regarding details of the suit.

George C. Brownell, who appeared for Mr. Taylor, declared that the marriage was the result of misrepresentation and fraud. Mr. Brownell spoke for more than two hours and criticized Mrs. Taylor severely.

## Mine Makes Him Millionaire.

Mr. Taylor, a man of destiny, before the discovery of the Goldfield mines, had little money. He had spent much of his life in Alaska and Labrador, and went for years without seeing a white person. He was the discoverer of the famous Red Top mine at Goldfield, and sold his interest for \$2,500,000. He appeared in court Friday with his attorney, Mrs. Taylor, she declares, did not learn that her husband had obtained an annulment of their marriage here on the ground of fraud last September until after she had sued her husband at Santa Ana, Cal., for \$2,500 a month maintenance. She received the news of the annulment when a petition was filed at Santa Ana asking that the maintenance suit be transferred from the Superior Court to the United States District Court in Los Angeles.

Attorneys called attention to the fact that the defendant lived outside the state and the case was removed to the Federal Court.

## Taylor British Subject.

Mr. Taylor, in his petition, alleged that he was an alien, a subject of the King of England and a resident of British Columbia. The petition was sworn to by him in San Francisco on March 10. It was in the petition of T. Russell Joy, who had been sued by Mrs. Taylor for the annulment of their marriage, that she learned her husband had obtained the annulment. Mrs. Taylor believed the deeds were given to defeat any movement of hers for compelling her millionaire husband to support her.

Joy's affidavit stated that Mrs. Taylor's marriage was annulled before she brought suit, and she could not, as a wife tie up Joy's property in a maintenance suit against Taylor, no matter how the deed was made from Taylor to Joy. Mrs. Taylor asks that the annulment be set aside and the case be re-opened on the ground that she was not served with summonses at the time of the filing of the suit. It is said that there was no personal service and she did not see the summonses published in the newspapers.

## Seeks Big Monthly Maintenance.

Her object in asking for the abrogation of the annulment is to enable her to again file suit for maintenance of \$2,500 monthly. It is alleged that Mr. Taylor spent almost half a million dollars on his wife, one of his gifts being a mansion.

Judge Eakin, who lives in Astoria, and came here especially to hear the Taylor case, reserved decision.

Mr. Taylor is said to have met the woman who became his wife shortly after the sale of his mine. Her maiden name was Minnie Terwilliger and she had been living in San Francisco. Soon after the marriage Taylor and his wife disagreed, and she alleged that while on a trip to Europe he deserted her, leaving her with but 40 cents. She declared upon filing the suit for maintenance at Santa Ana that she had not seen him since. The meeting in the courtroom was the first between the couple since they parted.

## MOTHER OF BOY HERO IS CRITICALLY ILL

A. Morrison and son, Kenneth, of Ellyville, were called to Portland on Friday afternoon by the serious illness of Mrs. Morrison, who was recently taken to the hospital in Portland for treatment. Mrs. Morrison's recovery is doubtful. Little Kenneth Morrison is the brave boy who tried to save the life of his chum, Ralph Burd, who was drowned in the Willamette on Wednesday. Kenneth was dragged to the bottom three times by the drowning boy and did not give up until he was thoroughly exhausted.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

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## OREGON CITY MAY LOSE BOULEVARD

WEST SIDE ROUTE CONSIDERED FOR PROPOSED CAPITAL HIGHWAY.

## DIMICK SUGGESTS ORGANIZATION

Hubbard, Aurora, Canby, Barlow and New Era Urged to Make Fight for Thoroughfare.

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## MISS ANNIE S. PECK.

Mountain Climber Who is Seeking Highest Peak in the Andes.



Photo by American Press Association.

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## CONTEST STRIKES POPULAR CHORD

INTEREST GROWS RAPIDLY IN EXCITING RACE FOR VALUABLE PRIZES.

## MANY NEW NAMES BEING RECEIVED

Receipt Books May Be Obtained at Office of Enterprise After Entering of Candidates—Start Work at Once.

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## GLADSTONE SORRY FOR WAR ATTITUDE

DR. AKED DECLARES GREAT STATESMAN REPENTED FOR FAVORING CONFEDERACY.

## NATURE MUCH LIKE THAT OF LINCOLN

Dilworth Derbies and Price Bros. Are Tied in Exciting Baseball Series—Hudson Catches Marathon Leaders.

CHAUTAQUA GROUNDS, GLADSTONE PARK, Or., July 14.—(Special)—That Gladstone repented and suffered the severest anguish for years for his favorable attitude toward the South during the Civil War, was the declaration made by Dr. Charles F. Aked, formerly in charge of one of the largest churches in Liverpool, in his address on "Gladstone, His Legacy to the English People" at the Willamette Valley Chautauqua today. The speaker said that the great statesman thoroughly realized his mistake and that this was one of the signs of his greatness.

"In the portrait galleries of the world you will not find a greater contrast between great men than that between Gladstone and Lincoln," said Dr. Aked. The one essentially refined and the other essentially rough. The one born in squalid poverty, the other the natural born heir of the world's culture, associated from youth with the world's greatest leaders and with the path to greatness smoothed.

## Contrast is Shown.

"The intellect of the one simple, direct, abounding in quips, cranks and homely anecdote, the other with intellect molded upon the classics. The face of one, more marked, bears all the signs of mortal suffering to cover tears and rough clothing, to cover a saddened spirit. The other walks with a conqueror's step. Both are one in devotion, patriotism and love of human liberty.

"Lincoln always loved liberty. Gladstone was born to a belief that liberty would be a bad thing for the world and later acquired different ideas through travel and hard knocks. The wonderful thing is that our human nature found itself capable of responding to the appeal of Gladstone and Lincoln."

Dr. Aked gave a short history of Gladstone's life, detailing his political achievements, relating touching and humorous anecdotes and quoting liberally from Gladstone's diary. He showed Gladstone to have been a wonderfully religious man.

## Started Arbitration Move.

In speaking of Gladstone's attitude in the Alabama Claim cases Dr. Aked said:

"He prevented a long and bloody war between the two leading branches of the English-speaking races. This was the first move toward the permanent arbitration treaty now under consideration. His goodness and greatness of heart belonged not only to his own people, but to the whole world. Salisbury, his most capable opponent, called Gladstone, 'The great Christianian.'"

"Gladstone at 12 was the handsomest boy that ever entered Eaton. He studied for the ministry, but chose a political career that he might do the most good possible. That he did not approve of war is evident from his statement, 'The law of love is not confined to the British Islands, but it covers the whole world and all peoples.'"

## Derbies Tie Price Bros.

By defeating the Price Bros. the Dilworth Derbies today tied the

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## CRIMES LINKED BY FINGER PRINTS

SECTION HAND HELD AT TACOMA IN COBLE TRAGEDY SUSPECT IN HILL CASE.

## BLOODSTAINS ON BED GIVE CUE

Sheriff Mass May Go To Rainier To See if He Can Fasten Killing of Hill Family on Man Under Arrest.

Swan Peterson, a section hand, was arrested Friday night at Meeker Junction as a suspect in the killing of Archie Coble and his wife in Rainier, Wash., who were slain with an ax in the same manner as the Hill family in their home near Ardenwald Station.

Sheriff Mass said late last night that he expected to be called to Rainier in connection with the case. Peterson was taken to Tacoma. Footprints of the slayer are identical, the width of his hand as shown in bloodstains is the same and both crimes were committed with striking similarity.

Dr. George A. Cathey, of Portland, who has been working on the Coble tragedy, says that the motive for the crime was the same as in the Hill case. Peterson had worked a day and a half on the Rainier section of the Northern Pacific, disappearing just after the commission of the crime. He did not draw his wages.

## Bloodstains Found.

Dr. Cathey examined the room in which Peterson slept at the Waddell Hotel in Rainier. The bedclothing was blood stained.

A man resembling Peterson arrived at the McKenzie farm, ten miles from Rainier, the day after the crime. His first act was to get water to wash his clothes. He said he had come from Portland. He went to work at the McKenzie place and was still at work when a neighbor who had talked with him sent word to Sheriff Gaston, sheriff of Thurston county. He was told by the sheriff to keep the man under surveillance until he could be arrested.

It is considered more and more probable at Rainier that the Hill and Coble murders were committed by the same man.

## Finger Prints the Same.

Soon after the Hill murder, Dr. Cathey and his brother removed the window sills and door casings from the scene of the quadruple crime and from them obtained blood imprints by the application of a liquid which has the peculiar virtue of bringing out a bluish-green tint wherever a bloodstain has been left.

On the sills and casings were found several imprints of the murderer's hand. These are said to be identical with the hand imprints said to have been left by Peterson in several places about the hotel at Rainier where he roomed.

## The Murderer at Both places walked tiptoed and in the Coble case a patch on the sole of one shoe is shown.

## PRISONER IS WITNESS.

L. F. Short Taken to Portland to Testify Against Friend.

L. F. Short, the Canby telegraph operator who was arrested some time ago by Detective Riley and placed in the county jail here, on a charge of stealing clothing, etc., from freight consigned to Canby merchants, was taken to Portland Friday morning by Sheriff Mass, where he will be used as a witness against a man named Mosier, charged with sending obscene matter through the mails. Short will be returned to the county jail to await the next session of the grand jury. He and Mosier are friends.

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