SOLD AN OFFICE?

Alleged Dietrich Made Postmaster Put Up.

PRICE IS GIVEN AS $2500

Committee Hears Charges Against Nebraskan.

EDITOR CREATES SENSATION

He Says Senator Said He Spent $15,000 to Be Elected, but He Had Many Appointments at His Control.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The Senatorial inquiry into the charges against Senator Dietrich of Nebraska, began today before the special committee in Senator Hoar's committee-room. The inquiry which was instituted upon the demand of Senator Dietrich is for the purpose of disproving the charges on which the Senator was indicted last Fall in Nebraska, and which were dismissed on demurrer. The committee consists of Senators Hoar, Platt (Conn.), Spooner, Cockrell and Pettus.

All of the members of the committee except Mr. Spooner were present when the inquiry began. Senator Dietrich was in attendance with his attorney, R. A. Beatty, of Hastings. Mr. Dietrich repeated his wish that the investigation should be the fullest possible.

Leopold Hahn, postmaster at Hastings from 1897 to 1901, was the first witness. He was succeeded in that office by Mr. Fisher. In reply to questions by Senator Hoar, Mr. Hahn related a conversation with Fisher on April 23, 1901, relative to his (Fisher's) appointment as postmaster.

"He asked me," said the witness, "what the office paid. I told him $2500. He said that was what Dietrich wanted him to pay for the office. He also told me that Adam Breed had said that Dietrich had asked him $2800, or $700 a year for the four years.

"He asked me what I had paid Senator Thurston for my appointment, and I said, 'Not one cent.'"

The witness also said that Fisher had questioned him as to whether he (Fisher) would have to pay a note for $2500 if he should give one, and the witness said he had volunteered to investigate the point for him, and had done so, getting legal advice that such a note would not be negotiable.

At a later date Fisher had come to his store with William Dutton and they had announced that they were there for the purpose of "fixing up the postoffice business." He then retired. He was told afterward the matter had been fixed. He then produced a memorandum which he said he had made on the day of the conversation, 30 minutes after it occurred.

Knew He Was After His Scalp.

Replying to a question from Mr. Hoar, Mr. Hahn said that when Mr. Dietrich was elected he had given up all idea of being continued as postmaster because he had understood from various sources that Dietrich was "after his scalp." Asked if his feeling toward Dietrich was very friendly he admitted it was not.

Mr. Hahn also testified to Fisher's good character and said Fisher had supported Dietrich loyally. Fisher had told him that he (Fisher) was friendly to him for reappointment, but had told him he was satisfied he (Hahn) could not get it.

Mr. Beatty cross-examined Hahn and the witness said he had known Fisher for 25 years. He said Fisher had told him that Dietrich had said to him that Breed was to give $2800. The witness added he had talked with Breed more than once, and that Breed had told him the story of his offer was true.

"I was a candidate for the position of postmaster before the Senatorial fight began," said the witness, "but Mr. Dietrich said to everybody I could not have the place. He had always fought me before when I ran for office, while I had loyally supported him."

He admitted he had frequently said that "it was a long road that had no turning' and that he would see when Dietrich's term was out that he did not get another election." He would not admit, however, he had said that he would spend $10,000 to beat Dietrich. He had given Mr. Fisher his word of honor he would not repeat the conversation but admitted he had shown the memorandum to his deputy half an hour after it was written.

"After I had written it I thought I'd better show it to him so some one would know of it in case of my death," he said.

John D. Pope was the next witness. He is an ex-Nebraska State Senator, an attorney who Mr. Hahn testified had advised as to the course Fisher would have to pursue with the note for $2500 which Fisher had told Hahn he wanted to give to Diterich for the postmastership.

It being understood that Mr. Pope's testimony would be of hearsay character, the committee decided to admit it while holding that it was not regular. Mr. Hoar said this conclusion had been all the more easily reached because of Mr. Dietrich's willingness to admit everything.

Pope said he had a conversation with Hahn on the train between Lincoln and Hastings. Hahn had asked him whether a note given for the purpose of securing an appointment could be defaulted, and he answered in the affirmative. He said at the same time Hahn had told him that Fisher had agreed to pay the $2500 to Dietrich for the office, and wanted to know if he gave a note for that sum he could avoid paying it.

On cross-examination the witness said Hahn had not shown any great feeling, but that, knowing there had not been good feeling between Hahn and Dietrich, he had supposed the condition of affairs had grown out of that circumstance.

At the conclusion of Mr. Pope's testimony the committee took a recess.

Memorandum Kept by Hahn.

The following is the memorandum referred to in the testimony:

"Conversation held between Leopold Hahn and James Fisher in regard to the Postmaster, which Mr. Dietrich will cause to appoint, or for sale as you might call it, to the highest bidder. Here is Dietrich's proposal to Fisher:

"First to pay for the new furniture in the new room called the Dietrich building, which will cost about $2000 or $2500.

"Second, to pay for all coal during the four years for heating such a room, also pay for the janitor work, which will amount to about ——. Take this off the salary of the postmaster and give it to Dietrich. Beside this, the Government will pay Dietrich $1800 per year rent for furnishing and heating the said Dietrich building.'

"What kind of a Senator have the people got in Nebraska? Mr. Adam Breed is willing to sacrifice himself as postmaster and take the office for $1800 per year, and pay Dietrich $700 per year out of his salary of $2500 for the term of four years. This is what took place at Fisher's Bakery in the hall leading to the bakeshop at the hour between 9:20 A. M. and 9:30 A. M. This is what Jacob Fisher told me, so help me God. Every word of this is the truth, the whole truth, so help me God. This 23d day of April, 1901.

(Signed) "LEOPOLD HAHN."

On reassembling, J. S. Williams, editor of the Hastings, Neb., News, was called. The witness said:

Fisher told him he did not believe he could get anything from Dietrich without paying for it. Fisher told Williams, according to his testimony, that Dietrich had said he had to pay $15,000 to be elected Senator. Fisher, according to the witness, said:

"Charley (speaking to Dietrich) I would not have done it. I would not have paid this sum of money to be Senator. To this Dietrich replied:

"Never mind, Jack, that is nothing. I have the appointment of all the postoffices in the South Platte, and there are ways of making money on the side in the Senate."

Williams said it was notorious that candidates for postmaster had to put up for campaign expenses of Senators.

N. A. Haman, Deputy Postmaster, when Hahn was Postmaster, but who was not reappointed when Fisher took the office, but acted for about six weeks as Fisher's deputy, said about ten days before Fisher took possession, Fisher called the witness to his bakery, and while there Fisher said to the witness he had to put up $200 and Francis $100. Francis is the present Deputy Postmaster.

Jacob Fisher, present Postmaster of Hastings, Neb., flatly contradicted the testimony of Hahn and Williams, and was still on the stand when the committee adjourned until tomorrow.

TILLMAN FAILS TO GAIN.

Senator Does Not Recuperate After Operation on Throat.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Senator Tillman was reported not so well this afternoon. The expected recuperation after the operation on his throat had not occurred.

Senator Tillman, of South Carolina.

AGAIN ASSAIL HIM.

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lay the Hay resolution on the table was read.

Moon (Dem. Tenn.) proposed a substitute providing for the investigation of the entire Postoffice Department by a committee of five House members. Against this Overstreet raised a point of order.

Williams (Dem., Miss.) said an investigation of the Postoffice Department apparently was not desired, "because it has been thought best for the Republican party." Members, he said, had arisen and had not only charged but had proved that the Postoffice Department was guilty of suppression of letters and documents, and, he added, suppression of the truth.

Addressing the Republican side, he said: "The country knows, the world knows, and you know, that you have the power and the right upon an appeal from the decision of the chair, to make it in order. Are you going to do it?"

In passing on the question, Speaker Cannon said the question before the House "is a matter of such high privilege, touching the dignity of the House and the integrity of members in their Representative capacity that it displaces all other business." Then, in an elaborate opinion, quoting many decisions by Speaker Carlisle and others, he sustained the point of order against the resolution.

Griggs (Dem. Ga.) appealed from the decision of the chair.

The appeal was laid on the table by a strict party vote.

Speaker Cannon then laid before the House the committee recommendation that the Hay resolution lie on the table. By a viva voce vote the House refused to table the resolution.

Cooper Defends Bristow.

Cooper (Wis.) vigorously assailed Calderhead (Kan.) for his remarks against Bristow and insinuations against the President. Cooper said:

"This matter has degenerated, as I knew it would, into a covert attack on the President of the United States." This remark was met with derisive laughter and hisses on the Democratic side. Cooper then defended Bristow, and said he never had attacked the House of Representatives or any of its members.

"Let any member rise and prove to the contrary," he insisted.

The challenge was answered by Cooper's colleague from Wisconsin, Jenkins, who called attention to a statement made on Wednesday that the names of members had been associated with that of "A. W. Machen, a convicted felon on his way to the penitentiary." Then, shaking his finger at Cooper, Jenkins said, amid cheers: "You are the gentleman who made that statement."

Abuse His Reward.

Cooper declared he did not refer to the Bristow report in his remarks. He then further lauded Bristow, and said he had worn himself out in the cause of pure government and had received as his reward villification and abuse. "There is not a particle of printed testimony," he said, "to justify this onslaught on him."

McCall demanded the previous question, and his resolution was carried, 256 to 2, Lind (Dem. Minn.) and Gillespie, (Dem. Tex.) voting in the negative.

The vote had the effect of sending the Hay resolution to the special committee named in the McCall resolution, but does not provide for an investigation of the Postoffice Department.

Williams then offered a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of five House members to investigate the Postoffice Department. Payne demanded the regular order and made an objection, which was carried. Adjourned.

MURDERER DUNN IS HANGED.

He Dies Declaring Another Committed Murder Charged to Him.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 11.—Mark Dunn was hanged here today for the murder of Alfred Fenton, a wealthy young farmer at Rushville, in July, 1902. Early in the morning of March 7, Dunn escaped from jail by overpowering his guards. He lived in the woods two days and nights, and finally went to the home of his brother-in-law in Andrew County, where he was captured.

Doctors who had examined Dunn said his condition was such there was no reason why the execution should not proceed. The result was telegraphed to Governor Dockery and he said he would not interfere. On the scaffold Dunn made a statement charging that his conviction was the result of a conspiracy and that Fenton was shot by a man named Cy Fisher.

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Dewey Murder Trial Resumed.

NORTON, Kan., March 11.—After a recess of a week, owing to the illness of one of the jurors, the trial of Chauncey Dewey, William McBride and Clyde Wilson for the murder of Burchard Berry, was resumed today. The defense introduced but one witness, and then rested. The state then began its introduction of testimony in rebuttal.

Bodies of Man and Woman in Bay.

BRIDGETON, N. J., March 11.—The police authorities are endeavoring to unravel the mystery surrounding the finding of the bodies of a man and woman in Delaware Bay, opposite Bayside. The woman's body is headless. There is nothing on either body by which they can be identified. The bodies may have floated down the Delaware River from Philadelphia or from some point above that city.

CRISIS AT HAND IN CAUCA.

If Valez Instead of Reyes Is President, a Revolution Is Sure.

PANAMA, March 11.—The internal situation in the Colombian Department of Cauca has in no way improved, and appears to be approaching a crisis. The election to the Presidency of Colombia of General Rafael Reyes is declared in some quarters to be the only thing that can possibly prevent a movement for Cauca to secede. If Joaquin Valez is elected instead of Reyes, it is asserted a revolution surely will break out.

The Bogota government is fully aware of the sluation in Cauca, and has ordered troops from Cartagena and Barranquilla to proceed by land to Quibdo.

MORE MONEY TO FAIR EXHIBIT

British Estimates Contain $350,000 for St. Louis Showing.

LONDON, March 11.—An additional vote of $350,000 for the British exhibit at St. Louis, making a total of $750,000, is included in the civil service estimates for the coming year. With the already announced estimates for the army and navy, totaling upward of $325,000,000, it appears the full estimates will show an expenditure for the year 1904-05 of about $710,000,000.

NATION TO HAVE LINOTYPES.

Government Printer Will Not Respect Wishes of Union.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Public Printer Palmer indicated to the House committee on appropriations today that this year he will begin the equipment of the Government printing office with typesetting machines, despite the opposition of the Typographical Union.

WRIGHT NAMED FOR MAYOR.

Democrats of Tacoma Make Up Their City Ticket.

TACOMA, March 11.—The Democrats today nominated George P. Wright for Mayor, J. T. Eshelman, Controller, and E. L. Hiberly for Treasurer.

CHANGE IN BALKAN SITUATION

Russo-Italian Understanding Causes Rebels to Delay Meeting.

ROME, March 11.—From a reliable source it is asserted that the Russo-Italian negotiations regarding the Balkans have resulted in an understanding which, it is believed, will render Austrian-Russian intervention unlikely. It appears that the two powers are ready, if the Macedonian reform scheme fails, or a new uprising occurs, to ask for the collective intervention of the powers signatory of the treaty of Berlin.

Because of this change in the situation, it is added, the meeting of the Balkan revolutionary leaders which was to have taken place in Venice at the end of the month will not take place.

STUDENTS WOUNDED IN RIOT.

Seven Hundred Germans Clash With 'Varsity Men at Vienna.

VIENNA, March 11.—Serious rioting between 700 Germans and 200 Czaech students, occurred today in front of the University. Forty students were wounded. The Police had difficulty in restoring order.

Reports from Prague, Bohemia, say the police stations there are filled with students and other rioters. The ultimate proclamation of martial law at Prague is threatened.

Kishinef Massacre Trials End.

KISHINEF, March 11.—The trial of prisoners charged with participating in the massacre of Jews here last April is closed. The court today gave judgment in the case of Rusneke and 37 others, of whom 18 are charged with homicide during the anti-Jewish rioting, and 40 with creating disorder. Rusneke and Bodijan were found guilty of the murder of a Jewish couple named Forrarji. Rusneke was sentenced to four years' imprisonment and Bodijan to 20 years.

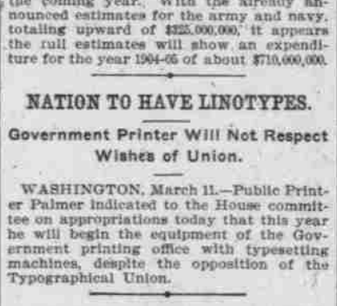
Fifteen persons accused of rioting were each sentenced to a year's imprisonment and three others to four months. Thirty-six of the accused were discharged.

German Naval Estimates Reduced.

BERLIN, March 11.—The budget committee of the Reichstag, after examining the naval appropriations for four days, has decided on reductions amounting to $2,000,000, including striking out one gunboat, which the navy department agreed to.

Coolies Cannot Use Sidewalks.

JOHANNESBURG, March 11.—Yielding to the pressure of public opinion, the Commissioner of Police has prohibited colored persons, including coolies, from using the sidewalks of Johannesburg. The better class of colored persons are exempt from this ruling.



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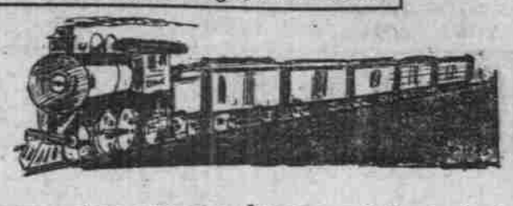

This is a broad-gauge store. The great business is an immense system, run on a plan as carefully devised as those employed by the great overland railways. Each department has its head, and all under one executive, to whom we must look for orders. There are train dispatchers here who give the orders for starting out each day's shipments of merchandise to the people. The director-general says how they shall be sent—whether over the bargain roads or through the regular channels—and the great business is run on schedule, as strict as those of the country's railroads. We are trying to squeeze cold commercialism out of business—would have the public look upon this—"Portland's New Kind of a Store"—as an institution worthy of its rank among the city's attractions; a store, if you please, that keeps a small army of buyers busy in the world's markets, ransacking for things that Portlanders can enjoy. The things in orderly fashion are here when wanted—sold at a fair price to you and to us always, yet not finally sold until you've put your stamp of satisfaction upon them.

The daily store news is the chronicle of the interesting things received—interesting either for their newness, their rarity, their desirability, or, perchance, their lowness of price.

Such a store is in marked contrast with the spirit of commercialism that trades even on grief. A recently bereaved man said the undertakers were annoying, the newspapers unduly exorbitant in the charge and regulations for death notices, and that the insurance company had the promptness of its settlement exploited in every house on the surrounding blocks.

Of course, every business house makes its own ethics, but some of these things sound odd. Now don't they?

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In kid leather, black, brown, tan and gray....35¢

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Fine white kid crushed Leather Belts, each.....$1.25

New-Saturday in Art Shop

Second Floor.

BEADS.

New Beads came in yesterday. Cut Steel Beads, in all sizes, full range of pearl beads, iridescent beads and jewels, in all colors and sizes.

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Ladies' fine ribbed white cotton Vests, low neck, sleeveless and low neck, short sleeves; neat crochet, and new silk ribbon trimming. Special value, each .....15¢

Ladies' black lisle Hose, with assorted shades of embroidered boots. Special values, pair...35¢

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Ladies' black lisle Hose, with assorted patterns of lace boots, full finished, pair.....50¢

Ladies' white lisle Union Suits, low neck, sleeveless, with lace trimming at knee. Special value, each .....50¢

New In Infants Wear

Annex Second Floor

This week has brought us hosts of new things in infants' and children's wear.

Children's wool Jackets, in red, navy, cardinal, cadet, green and tan materials, trimmed in fancy braids, stitchings and brass buttons; ages 2 to 6 years; prices from..$1.40 to $10

Children's black silk and pongee Coats, in many styles of applique, lace, braid and silk cord trimmed, and dainty-colored linings; ages from 2 to 6 years. Prices from.....$4 to $15

Infants' Long Coats, of white silk, Bedford cord and cashmere, with or without large capes; very handsomely trimmed in silk embroidery, silk lace, ribbon and silk braids. Prices from..... .....$1.50 to $45

Infants' soft-sole Shoes, in plain white, black and all dainty colors or combination of colors; many styles in lace or button, including 1, 2 and 3-strap sandals. All at, per pair.....50¢

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New $8 Tailored Hats

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Second Floor.

Saturday Last Day of This Grand Special.

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11-in. open-handled Trays, $2.65 val., for..$1.98

12-in. Nut Tray, $5.25 value.....$3.94

7-in. handled Bon-Bon, $3.25 value, for...$2.43

10½-in Covered Stein, $6.75 value, for...$5.05

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