

PECK'S NEW MAN

Mayor Names Next City Engineer.

CHARLES WANZER CHOSEN

Will Succeed W. C. Elliott in Office on January 1.

CHOICE COMES AS SURPRISE

First Work of New Official Will Be on the Tanner-Creek Sewer Problem—Several Plans Are Suggested.

Charles Wanzer was appointed City Engineer yesterday, by Mayor Williams, to succeed W. C. Elliott, on January 1. The selection made a big surprise since, perhaps, scarce half a dozen persons in the whole city would fall on more familiar names without consulting any man in the city government or in any political faction. Mr. Wanzer is now in the engineering service of the O. R. & N. Co., where he has been employed for the past six years. When A. L. Mohler came to Portland in 1898, as president of the O. R. & N., he engaged Mr. Wanzer for an engineer. Previously to that time Mr. Wanzer was Assistant City Engineer of St. Paul for three years. There he became familiar with the Tanner-Creek sewer problem, and has been active in Portland during its residence.

Has Strong References.

"Mr. Wanzer was strongly recommended by Mr. Mohler," said Mayor Williams, "as an able, competent and trustworthy engineer. He is a native of Crook, assistant to Manager Calvin. He is skilled in all branches of railroad engineering and his experience at St. Paul made him familiar with the duties he is about to assume. He did not apply for the place, I offered it to him. In making this choice I consulted my own judgment and the judgment of several of my friends. I have made a good selection. If not I stop, am accountable."

Several Wanted Place.

The Mayor said that three or four men had applied for the job, but he refused to reveal their names, saying that their qualifications did not entirely satisfy him.

Wanzer Will Hold Office until his Successor

Wanzer will hold office until his successor shall be appointed by Mayor Williams' successor, who will take the reins of city government next July. Elliott was elected by popular vote in 1902, but under the present charter the City Engineer is appointed by the Mayor.

To Work Out Sewer Problem.

One of the first duties of the position will be that of working out the sewer problem. The Executive Board will refuse to accept the sewer in its present defective condition, but is of the opinion that the sewer can be made more serviceable and durable than if Contractor Riner had faithfully performed his contract, by requiring his bondsmen to put the tube in proper shape.

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steamer *Arabia* on the ground that the time afforded owing to delays incident to communication was insufficient for the perfection of an appeal before the case came up. The *Arabia* was captured by the Russian *Vladivostok* squadron July 22.

WORK FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

Advocated by Campbell-Bannerman to Relieve Distress in London.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The political campaign of education in fiscal affairs, which is now being vigorously carried on throughout the United Kingdom by both parties, while affording little that is new in proposition or argument, shows evidence of increasing acrimony and more personal feeling between leaders. Mr. Chamberlain, in addressing a public meeting in the East End last week, hit out even more sharply than usual, and showed no little feeling in reference to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the former Liberal leader in the House of Commons, who had said of Mr. Chamberlain, "At least he might try to be a gentleman."

Sir Henry tonight made a speech in the same hall, and before an audience equalling in numbers and enthusiasm the one addressed by Mr. Chamberlain the night of December 16. He dwelt at the outset at some length upon the subject of the unemployed in London, which now threatens to become a serious question, and advocated that the government ought to inaugurate large works and thus benefit the state and at the same time afford employment to thousands who are threatened with starvation. Sir Henry then began a reply to Mr. Chamberlain, and said: "It is not those who are forgotten, mouthed the word empire and using that word to cover their own shady acts and their own policies who are the best friends of the empire."

CONTESTS MME. SHATTO'S CLAIM

C. A. Reed, Bankrupt, Had Large Interests in Oregon.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—At the inquiry into the bankruptcy of Charles A. Reed, in the United States District Court today, Attorney Rosenzweig made numerous charges of blackmail and fraud. Reed inherited \$2,000,000 from his father, General Reed, of Oregon. These are merged for \$200,000.

GOVERNOR OFFERS SERVICES.

Urges Termination of the Strike at Fall River.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—The Governor tomorrow will say: Governor Bates has moved toward the settlement of the strike in Fall River, having tendered his good offices and urged a termination of the conflict. President of the Fall River Manufacturers' Association, has been in Boston recently and has conferred with the Governor. From Fall River comes the intimation that the Governor and President Borden, representing the manufacturers, have been in communication.

GIFTS FOR CHICAGO UNIVERSITY

Rockefeller Heads List With About a Quarter-Million.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Gifts amounting to \$457,370 was announced by President Hargett tonight at the University of Chicago. John D. Rockefeller gave \$245,000 for current expenses and \$160,000 for improvements to the heating plant. The next largest sum was given by Mrs. Hiram G. Kelley, of this city, who gave \$148,000 for the erection of a building for classes. The remainder of the total donation was in small amounts.

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TRIALS A PROBE

Difficult to Convict Mormon Polygamists.

FINES ARE QUICKLY PAID

Utah Courts and Prosecutors Give Aid Unwillingly.

SMOOTH'S EVIDENCE TO COME

Examination of All Persons That Can Be Reached by the Protestants Before the Senate Committee is Ended.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The

Reed Smoot hearing today reached that period where counsel for the protestants have concluded the examination of all persons who could be reached by the subpoenas issued by the Senate committee. Attorney Taylor announced that he was ready to rest his case, except for the introduction of documentary evidence and the examination later of some persons on whom it has been impossible to get service. The case of the respondent will be opened January 10, to which date the hearings have been adjourned. Just before adjournment of the committee opposing counsel engaged in a controversy over the admissibility of certain reference books wanted as evidence of the doctrine of the Mormon faith. No agreement could be reached, and after heated arguments, Mr. Taylor recalled Apostle Penrose to identify certain reference books. In a number of instances Mr. Penrose denied that the works had been procured by the church as authoritative publications, and that many of the matters contained in the documents were subject to dispute. Chairman Burrows ruled that the utterances of leaders of the church may be offered as tending to prove doctrines of the church organization.

TILT AT MR. TAYLOR.

Questions Asked Objected to by Attorney for Smoot.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Apostle John Henry Smith was the first witness called. Mr. Taylor asked: "Is the asking of the endowment a necessary prerequisite to a marriage in a temple?" "In the main, yes; I should answer both yes and no to that question." "Could Senator Smoot be elected an apostle without making the endowment?" "He could have been, yes, sir." "Do such marriages occur now?" "I presume not." "Then the inference we are to draw from your testimony," said Mr. Taylor, "is that you have no knowledge of whether Mr. Smoot took the endowment or not." "No, sir; I don't know. Of course, I have my own belief," said Apostle Smith. "And your belief is that he did take the endowment?" "Yes, sir." "And it would have made no difference to you in voting for him for an apostle whether he had taken the endowment or not?" asked Mr. Taylor. "Knowing Senator Smoot as I do, no, sir," replied the witness.

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of his efforts to find the persons for whom he had subpoenaed. One Deputy made a drive of 120 miles, and reported to the Marshal that he had been followed and his movements watched by a young man who asserted he was soliciting subscriptions for magazines.

Marshal Heywood testified that polygamists were numerous up to the time of the Edmunds-Tucker act, in 1887, and on cross-examination said practically no effort had been made to put a stop to these marriages.

Mrs. Fannie C. Thurber, a plural wife of Joseph Thurber, was sworn. She said she has four children, and that her husband's first wife died in 1887. Both wives live at Richfield, Utah, but in houses one block apart. The youngest child of the witness is 24 years old.

Charles M. Owen, who has been associated with Mr. Taylor in accumulating evidence in the Mormon investigation, was sworn. He said he became interested in the question in January, 1899, by receiving an offer from a New York paper to look after the interests of the anti-Roberts campaign the paper was conducting. Later he was retained by the *Western Intelligencer* of New York, and still later the protestants against Smoot retaining his seat.

Mr. Owen testified that he had made the closest investigation possible about polygamy in Utah, and never accepted any one's word about polygamous marriages. He said Apostle Taylor is reputed to have taken two wives within two or three years, and that Taylor has taken another wife within three years. Taylor now has five wives, said the witness.

Crossed Over the Border. "Where are Apostles Cowley and Taylor?" asked Mr. Burrows. "I understand they are in hiding in Canada," he replied.

Continuing, he said Apostle Merrill has nine wives, two taken since the manifesto. Consulting the church encyclopaedia, the witness found that Merrill has five children and 127 grandchildren. "And he is the man who is said to be very ill?" asked Mr. Burrows. "He is," was the response.

Mr. Taylor then pointed out a great many names of persons reputed to be living in polygamy, together with dates of marriages and the number of children born of these plural wives since the manifesto. Witness Owen testified to swearing out an information for Heber J. Grant, because of his holding out his polygamous relations in an address before Utah senators. Mr. Owen said Grant left the country and has not since returned.

Action was also begun by Mr. Owen against Abgus M. Cannon and his plural wives. Mr. Cannon was convicted under this prosecution in September, 1893. Five persons in Sevier County and one in Box Elder Stake were convicted on the same charges. Mr. Cannon and many other complaints were filed by him, according to his testimony. The fines in all cases were merely nominal, said Mr. Owen from \$25 to \$100, and in nearly every case the fines were paid by public subscription. He said he satisfied himself that action in the courts was unavailing.

Investigation of Bribery Charges. Mr. Owen was recalled in the afternoon and his examination was resumed concerning attempts to bring about prosecution on charges of unlawful cohabitation. Mr. Owen said cases were instituted against the late Lorenzo Snow, president of the Mormon Church; Joseph Cannon; and others.

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PUT ON THE PACK

Nan Patterson Given Day of Torment.

QUESTIONS ARE SEARCHING

Actress Accused of Young's Murder Is Very Cool.

FINISHES TIRED BUT SMILING

Dramatic Scene Enacted When, With a Messenger Boy, the Tragedy of the Cab is Rehearsed in the Courtroom.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—After a day

of torment facing the merciless cross-examination of Prosecutor Rand, Nan Patterson, the former show girl, went to her cell in the Tombs tonight tired but happy. For several hours she sat under the galling crossfire of the Assistant District Attorney, who probed the events of her life from the day she met Caesar Young, for the killing of whom she is being tried, until the moment of his tragic death. No detail was so trivial as to escape the attention of the State's Attorney, but with scarcely an exception the accused actress once proved a marvel of self-control.

Only once did Mr. Rand confuse her greatly. In going over the conversation between her and Young at the Gravesend truck, Miss Patterson testified that Young gave as a reason for sailing to Europe the fact that he was afraid Mrs. Young might harm him or the prisoner, Miss Patterson finally admitted that she recalled only an incident which had happened in San Francisco.

Frankness of Her Answers. At times she parried the sharp questions of her inquisitor, but when he pinned her down to a definite question, her answer was frankness itself. Miss Patterson talked in a low, clear voice, punctuating her evidence here and there with expressions of much spirit. In the course of one of her answers she exclaimed in a voice ringing with sincerity:

"I have always tried to be truthful and honorable."

Miss Patterson was led over the same ground today as yesterday, but in a manner manifestly different, for today she was under the rapid fire questioning of the man who had handled the case against her and legal pitfalls were expected. There were few striking admissions made by the witness, despite the very searching questions asked.

Noticeable among these, however, was the story of the money given by the bookmaker to Miss Patterson during their acquaintance. At one time the sum was \$2000, at another \$1500, and at another \$1800 or \$1600. She did not know the total amount and could not state whether it would total \$50,000, but acknowledged that Young was a very generous man and gave her money whenever she asked.

Miss Patterson said that Young was fearful that Mrs. Young would kill him and possibly the actress also and for that reason wished her to flee to Europe with him. Later she modified this under the battery of the prosecutor.

Pantomime of Death. The dramatic climax of today's court scene came with the pantomime enacted by Miss Patterson and a District Attorney's messenger, showing the death scene in the cab, seated side by side on a platform facing the court and the jury the messenger, under the tutelage of the former show girl, they swayed back and forth as the prisoner said she and Young had done just before the shooting. With the calm reserve of one accustomed to play to thousands, Miss Patterson, without a tremor, went over the scene and by her interpretation tried to make it clear that Young had taken his own life.

Throughout the two hours and 40 minutes that Miss Patterson faced cross-examination today few shadows of emotion crossed her pale face. She had evidently nerve herself for the ordeal, but when it was over a reaction came and she trembled violently. Arising from the chair she bowed to the Judge and the Earl of Suffolk, who sat beside her and to the jurors. Then she ran down to her aged father and buried her face on his shoulder. He kissed her affectionately and said softly:

"You did splendidly, little girl. This scene closed the evidence for the defense."

Mr. Rand a little later called Mrs. Young in rebuttal. In her testimony she said she had purchased the tickets for the trip abroad for herself and husband and that she had done so at the instigation of Mr. Young.

WOMEN CROWD COURTROOM.

Positive Orders of Judge Are Disregarded in Patterson Trial.

ordeal of her life confronted Nan Patterson today when her trial for the murder of Caesar Young was resumed. That of yesterday, when she was forced to tell the story of her life with Caesar Young before the curious crowd that jammed the courtroom, was severe for her, and she plainly showed the strain of the experience when she stepped down from the stand at its conclusion. Then, however, she was in the hands of her friends. Little by little the painful story was drawn from her by the kindly questioning of her own counsel, whose effort was directed toward making the recital as easy as possible.

Today all was changed. Before her, when she resumed her place in the witness chair, the girl saw not the man who had labored for months to prove her innocence, but the prosecutor who labored just as strenuously all the time to have her branded as a murderer. Instead of the solicitous, kindly, guiding questions which characterized the questioning of yesterday, she knew that for hours she would be obliged to submit to a most galling crossfire of questions she would not care to hear.

With the appearance of the defendant on the stand yesterday public sentiment had a higher pitch than at any time since Nan Patterson faced a jury, more than a month ago. Hundreds of curious ones flocked to the criminal court. Long before the hour for opening court it became necessary to make substantial additions to the policemen detailed to guard the courtroom against invasion. Despite every precaution, however, every available inch of space was filled. Even the positive order of Justice Davis that no women be admitted seemed to have been suspended or entirely ignored, as feminine hordes were to be seen in every part of the crowded courtroom.

Wife Not a Mother. Mr. Rand, the prosecutor, began the cross-examination of Nan Patterson with the question:

"Are you an actress by occupation?" "I am," replied the defendant.

"Are you a wife?" "Yes."

"Are you a mother?" "I am not."

Then the story of her meeting with Caesar Young in July, 1902, while on a trip bound for California with a theatrical company, was retold.

"Do you remember going from San Francisco with Young last year to Los Angeles?" "Yes."

"What was commented on in the papers, 'was that'?" "I object," said Mr. Levy.

"Did Mr. Young give you money when you came back East?" "I think \$3000."

"Just for two weeks?" "Yes."

"He gave you \$2000 to come East for two weeks?" "Yes."

By a long series of questions, Mr. Rand led up to the time when she came to New York last May. Her sister called at her hotel the first evening and said that her husband, J. Morgan Smith, was very ill. She asked to see him, but Miss Patterson said:

"Smith had been drinking, had he not?" "Yes, I think so."

FAIL TO TIP THE SCALES.

Fighters Under Stipulated Weight of 132 Pounds.

GIVEN TO BRITT

Referee Makes Decision in 20th Round.

MEN FIGHT LIKE BULLDOGS

Nelson Takes Punishment Gately; Weakens at Finish.

PUNCHED ALL OVER THE RING

Californian Given Credit for Cleaner Hitting and the Greater Number of Counts Scored—Dane Did Best at Close Range.

DIMENSIONS OF THE FIGHTERS.

Britt.	Nelson.
5 feet, 6 inches.	Height, 5 feet, 7 inches
152 pounds.	Weight, 152 pounds
15 inches.	Chest, 35 inches
35 1/2 inches.	Chest, 37 inches
28 inches.	Waist, 29 1/2 inches
12 inches.	Biceps, 15 inches
10 1/2 inches.	Forearm, 11 1/2 inches
7 inches.	Wrist, 7 inches
19 1/2 inches.	Thigh, 19 1/2 inches
13 inches.	Calf, 13 inches
7 inches.	Ankle, 9 1/2 inches

MECHANICS' PAVILION, SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—At the end of the twentieth round tonight, with Jimmy Britt, of San Francisco, and Battling Nelson, of Chicago, fighting like a pair of bulldogs, the gong sounded the end of the contest and Referee Billy Roche unhesitatingly placed his hand on the California boy as the winner of the contest. In the closing round Britt was punching the Chicago boy all over the ring, but his blows lacked sufficient force to put a quiescence in his opponent.

The fight was an exemplification of how much punishment a human being can endure and not succumb. At several stages of the fight Nelson was badly punished, but he always kept grimly coming up to the ring line and all the 20 rounds only once did he have the local boy in distress, but Britt's excellent generalship and the advice of his seconds saved him from going too close to the danger point.

Nelson is unquestionably a wonder in the pugilistic world. After five or six rounds of heavy enough to put out an ordinary fighter, he would come up apparently in his earlier form and bring the fighting to Britt's territory.

Referee Roche announced that he gave the fight to Britt on cleaner hitting and the greater number of points scored, and a retrospect of the fight bears out the justness of his decision. Although Nelson did most of the leading, Britt displayed the greater ability as a boxer and his blows were cleaner and more forceful, while a majority of the shots fired by Nelson were at close quarters.

Nelson was sadly deficient in a long arm and most of his attempts to reach his opponent while both men were free were ineffectual.

The house was one of the largest ever seen in San Francisco and it is estimated that the fighters will divide nearly \$40,000 between them. There were no visible signs of punishment, with the exception of some slight puffiness about the eyes, but Britt's face was bleeding in several places from the force of the blows delivered by Nelson in the clinches.

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Never were two athletes in more perfect condition than Britt and Nelson when they ceased their long and arduous course of training, and each was the personification of confidence when Referee Billy Roche beckoned them to their corners and the bell summoned them to action.

Jam at the Pavilion. No fight since the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons affair was decided has brought so many strangers to town. From far-away New York, Philadelphia, from Butte, Omaha, Seattle, Portland and Los Angeles light-lovers were gathered in liberal numbers. From interior California points they flocked to the ring-side and when the main event was started the vast hall was packed from pit to dome. So great was the crush in the gallery section that later in the evening the promoters were upon as the legitimate authorities to release the overflow by permitting hundreds of spectators of that section to invade the main floor, where they were unceremoniously relegated to the rear portions of the building and from which but little of