

## ROOT RESIGNS FOR SHORT TERM ONLY

### May Again Take Office in January.

## MADE ANTE-ELECTION PLEDGE

### Would Step Down if Letters Were Not Published.

## NEWSPAPERS TOO ANXIOUS

### Began to Let Out Bits of Interesting Information When Gordon Scandal Was Sprung—Meat in Conference.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Sensations following the publication this morning of the letter of resignation of Milo A. Root, member of the Supreme Court of the State of Washington, have developed thick and fast.

Tonight it is announced that Justice Root has resigned his position for only about a month. Should he so choose, he would qualify for his term of office for the next six years, the long term for which he was recently elected.

## Had Promised to Resign.

In tendering his resignation, those who have kept tab on the situation declare that Justice Root has carried out to the letter his promise made before election. Previous to election, the epistolary instructions mentioned in Root's letter of resignation were brought to certain newspapers throughout the state for political reasons. The letters were in the possession of men who were opposed to the re-election of Justice Root to the Supreme bench.

Justice Root was called into conference with the newspaper owners and in consideration of the letters not being published before election, Justice Root agreed to resign on account of ill-health before he qualified.

## Newspapers Couldn't Keep Secret.

The plan was to cover up the scandal involving one member of the Supreme bench and at least one member of the bar and a former Justice. The newspapers would have carried well had all the newspapers been able to keep their promises. A little leaked out at a time and the matter was brought to the attention of Justice Hadley. Justice Hadley is a man against whom there has never been a breath of suspicion.

Justice Root was given to understand how matters stood and was allowed to call for his own investigation, which he did. The matter was referred to the Bar Association, which appointed a special committee to investigate the charges. The committee did not find it convenient to meet until yesterday and it is practically assured that the members were aware of the fact that Justice Root was to resign.

## Robinson Opened Fire First.

Had events progressed as it was intended, Justice Root would have resigned under the plea of poor health and the people of the state would have been none the wiser. During the last primary campaign, Judge Robinson, of Olympia, after he had been discharged by the Supreme Court, boldly attacked Justice Root on the stump but found not enough credence in his charges to affect the nomination of Justice Root, so strong was the confidence of the public.

But the letter of resignation to Governor Mead, with its references to "epistolary indiscretions," and the fact that it came at the critical moment, caused a profound depression in the minds of those who had always stood for Justice Root.

## Attorneys Have Letters.

These letters were, until recently, safe in the possession of some Spokane attorneys. They were held as a club for the protection of Judge Gordon. Whether they will continue as a bar to further investigation remains to be seen.

The charges against Justice Root grew out of an alleged defalcation by Judge Gordon, attorney for the Great Northern and an ex-Justice of the Supreme Court. Judge Gordon was said to be \$20,000 short in his accounts, and that money sent him by the legal department in St. Paul to settle claims against the road was not properly accounted for. To this Judge Gordon calmly replied that the money had been spent to the best interests of the Great Northern, and from this statement grew others that culminated in the request of Justice Root that an investigation be made.

Speculation as to the appointment of Root's successor was rife among the attorneys of Seattle today. Of the names mentioned for the office, that of Judge E. B. Robertson, of the King County Superior Court, seemed the most general. He was originally appointed to the local bench by Governor Mead, and has been twice elected since that appointment.

The appointment of Judge Robertson would leave a vacancy on the Superior bench and would give Governor Mead a second appointment because of Root's resignation.

## Mead Confers With Neterer.

At Bellingham today, Governor Albert E. Mead and Judge Jeremiah Neterer,

## FULTON BACKED BY GOTHAM PAPER

### NEW YORK TRIBUNE CONFIDENT OF HIS RE-ELECTION.

### Dispatch From Washington Indicates Impression Legislature Will Send Republican to Senate.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 25.—Senator Fulton had intended leaving for Hot Springs tomorrow night for a conference with President-elect Taft and Chairman Hitchcock, but in response to a telegraphic invitation left this afternoon and will spend Thanksgiving with Taft and other party leaders. A Washington dispatch to the New York Tribune says:

"Re-election to the Senate of Charles W. Fulton, whose term expires March 4, is coming to be regarded as extremely likely by Republicans who have looked into the Oregon situation. The popular impression that the Oregon Legislature, although strongly Republican, is in honor bound to elect Governor Chamberlain a Democrat to a Senate, has been severely shaken by a closer knowledge of facts than newspaper reports afforded at the time of the primaries and by an exposition of the methods by which the nomination of Croke as the Republican candidate was accomplished."

After explaining the situation, the dispatch concludes:

"Senator Fulton is taking no part in the contest but it is conceded that if a Republican Senator is elected he will be chosen and the hope for his re-election is expressed by Republican leaders in the Upper House who hold him personally and his services as a legislator in high estimation."

## DORANDO IS AGAIN WINNER

### Italian Defeats Hayes by Third of Lap in Marathon Race.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Amid the crash of rival bands, one American and one Italian, and the thunderous cheers of thousands who urged on their favorite, Dorando Pirola, who was supported over the line the winner in the Marathon race at the Olympic games last Summer, but was disqualified because of the assistance, again claimed title to the honor by defeating John J. Hayes, of New York City, in the race which started tonight at 9 o'clock.

Dorando was victor by a third of a lap and his time for the 25 miles, 286 yards, and 2 hours, 44 minutes, 29.5 seconds. Hayes' time was 2 hours, 45 minutes, 5.5 seconds. To cover the distance it was necessary for the runners to make the circuit of the ring at Madison Square Garden 53 times. At the ten-mile post both men were fighting for honors, but Dorando three feet in the lead. The race was started by Richard Croker, who fired the pistol which sent both runners flying around the track.

## ROPER HELD AT REDDING

### Lost in Mountains, Went Insane, Found, Escaped, Caught Again.

REDDING, Cal., Nov. 25.—Charles Roper, of Talent, Or., who was lost for ten days in the mountains of Southern Oregon and went insane from hunger and exposure, and who escaped last Saturday from a searching party which had found him the day before and was taking him home, is being held here awaiting the arrival of his brother.

Roper came to Redding yesterday and was recognized last night by a description sent out and taken in charge by three officers, who placed him in the detention ward of the local hospital. The missing man was heavily armed and well supplied with money. He seemed to be mentally deranged, but after being under the care of physicians for 24 hours his mind appears to be somewhat clearer.

Roper admits his identity, but has no recollection of his wanderings during the last ten days and cannot account for his having come to Redding.

## WOMAN SHOTS HER ENEMY

### Fatal Wound Inflicted as Result of Ten Years' Quarrel.

RENO, Nev., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—On a lonely road near Dayton, Nev., Mrs. Melinda Ventura, a wealthy and prominent ranch owner, shot Peter Cassanell yesterday afternoon, the result of bitterness engendered ten years ago. Cassanell is probably dying tonight.

Mrs. Ventura occupies a cell in the County Jail. She is the first woman to have been so confined in the history of Lyon County.

Friends of the dying man and the woman are trying to suppress the facts concerning the shooting. They met late yesterday and, without preliminary words, Mrs. Ventura pulled a revolver and began firing. Then she returned to fiends.

## GIRL VICTIM OF TORNADO

### Child Killed in Missouri Windstorm by Falling Timbers.

RED SPRINGS, Mo., Nov. 25.—A tornado struck this place this morning and wrecked a large number of buildings, including a hotel. Gertrude Viles, the 12-year-old daughter of the proprietor, was killed by falling timbers.

## SHAMEFUL LIFE LED BY DE SAGAN

### Count Boni's Lawyer Exposes Misdeeds.

## DOES NOT SPARE PRINCESS

### Tells of Travels Together Before Marriage.

## MAKES AUDIENCE LAUGH

### Offer of Dissolute Prince to Enter Monastery Excites Roars of Merriment—Exposure of Count Boni Promised.

PARIS, Nov. 25.—The first day's proceedings in the suit of Count Boni de Castellane against his former wife, who was Miss Anna Gould, of New York, and is now the wife of Prince Helle de Sagan, for the custody of his three children were characterized by a strong denunciation of the Prince and Princess by M. Bonnet, who represented Count de Castellane. The courtroom was crowded. There were more Americans and English present than French.

Prince Helle and the Count glared at one another for four hours, while M. Bonnet pleaded that the custody of the children be confined to their grandmother, the Marquise de Castellane, because the marriage of Mrs. Gould to the Prince had polluted the atmosphere of their home. He described the marriage as a catastrophe, which has resulted in the quasi-abandonment of the children, and without mercy raked De Sagan's past—his early life, his amorous adventures with questionable companions, his ostracism by his family, the month he had spent in jail before the case charging him with the forgery of notes to the value of \$60,000, which was not passed through the intervention of his father, and his amorous escapades even since his marriage.

## De Sagan Offers to Become Monk.

The Princess' reputation after she fell under the influence of De Sagan was likewise assailed in scathing terms by Count Boni's counsel. He described her conduct with Prince de Sagan on both sides of the Atlantic and spoke of the scandal which he declared it caused. M. Bonnet offered to bring proof of many of the incidents to which he referred. In all there are 23 different counts in the indictment, and such an array of scandal has seldom been witnessed, even in a French court. The spectators laughed uproariously at the statement that Prince Helle was anxious to seek a monastery and his laughter was even augmented at

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## ENGINEER SAVES TRAVELERS' LIVES

### REDUCES SPEED AND MAKES COLLISION HARMLESS.

### Fireman Jumps and Is Killed, but Severson Sticks to Post—Dug Out of Wreckage Unhurt.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Nov. 25.—The heroism of Engineer Julius Severson, of La Crosse, saved the lives of 150 passengers in a collision between Burlington railway trains at Portage Junction, Ill., early today. As passenger train No. 47, the heaviest on the line, drew near Portage Junction, a freight train was noticed just ahead.

The fireman jumped and was killed, but Mr. Severson stuck to his post, applied the emergency brakes and succeeded in considerably reducing the speed of the train, which had been running at the rate of 80 miles an hour, before the freight train was struck. A half-dozen box cars were wrecked and piled on the engine.

The engineer was dug out of the debris unhurt and none of the passengers was hurt.

## BREAK SKULL WITH PIPE

### Man to Whom Potter Offered Shelter Tries to Rob Benefactor.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—Gustav Puls, a potter, sustained a fractured skull early today in a beating administered with pieces of gaspipe by two unknown men, one of whom Puls had taken to his room in a Third-street hotel. Puls met the man on the street and believing him destitute, agreed to give him shelter. The stranger evidently admitted an accomplice to the apartment for when the clerk was aroused by the sound of a desperate conflict, two men made their escape. Puls was found some distance from the hotel entrance, having followed his assailants. Although his money remained undisturbed, it is believed that robbery was the motive for the crime.

## "WORK OR REVOLT" IS CRY

### London Unemployed Declare They Do Not Intend to Starve.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Thousands of the unemployed of London, carrying a large banner with the words: "Work or revolution; the government must decide," marched through the fashionable districts of the city this afternoon. This is the first of a series of similar demonstrations and speaking of the procession today, one of the leaders said:

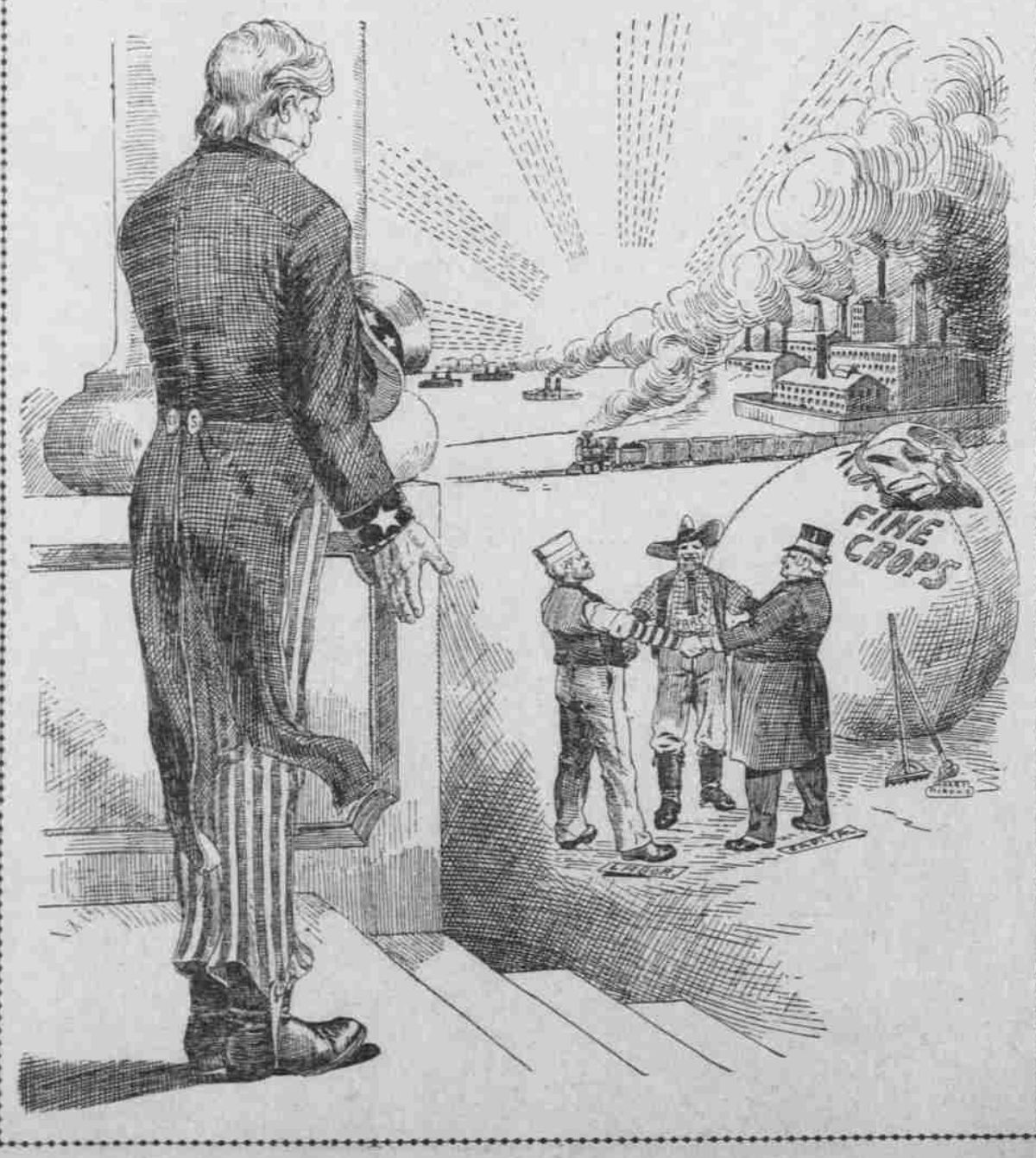
"We are going to let the West End know that the East End does not intend to starve."

## COLLEGE MAN IN SCANDAL

### Ten Eyck Arrested on Charge of Fleecing Poolbuyer.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Nov. 25.—James A. Ten Eyck, student of Syracuse University, eight-oared crew, was arrested here today for the Chicago police. He is charged with being a party to a pool game in which Chris Hansen was fleeced out of \$1350.

## PROSPERITY'S REOPENING



## GIRLS GIVE PARTY IN MEN'S CLOTHES

### SECRET LET OUT BECAUSE AFFAIR WAS "JUST TOO CUTE."

### Scandal at Bellingham When It Is Reported Young Women Smoked and Drank Wine.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Jauntily clad in evening clothes borrowed from the masculine friends or "swiped" from the wardrobes of their brothers, eight young women, prominent in Bellingham society, last evening paraded one of the most exclusive residence districts of the city, on their way to anti from a "stag" party given by one of their number.

Although it was the intention of the girls to keep the matter a secret, several of them were recognized in spite of their unusual disguises, and a decided scandal has resulted. Wine, cigarettes and other distinctly masculine amusements were indulged in at the party and rumors are current of the presence of several prominent business men of the city at what was supposed to be strictly a girls' affair.

## MAE OTIS' NEW DISEASE

### Moral Anaesthesia Explains Conspiracy to Kill Mother.

CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—Moral anaesthesia, a deadening of the moral perceptions, was ascribed to Mae L. Otis, when the hearing of her case was begun in the Municipal Court here today. Miss Otis was arrested recently, charged with attempting to conspire to murder her mother, Mrs. Sarah Otis.

"Miss Otis does not even live up to her own moral standard; she seems perfectly subjective to outside suggestion," said the alienist, Dr. Harriet Alexander, who was placed on the witness stand.

Dr. L. L. Baldwin, City Physician, suggested that the young woman be placed in a sanatorium until her mental condition can be determined.

The charge was dismissed by Judge Gemill, who held that there was no statute covering the offense and that no crime was committed.

## TUNNEL 567 FEET LONG

### Western Pacific Completes Cut Under Pequi Mountains, Nevada.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—The Western Pacific Railroad Company announced today the completion of its Flower Lake tunnel, which cuts under the Pequi Mountains, in Nye County, Nevada. The tunnel, which is 567 feet in length, Western Pacific, is 567 feet in length, almost the entire distance is through solid limestone and the work of drilling it through the mountain consumed 21 months.

## SALS BRINGS \$6,500,000

### Effects of Morse's Old Steamship Lines Sold at Auction.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 25.—The effects of the Consolidated Steamship Lines of Portland were sold at auction today for \$6,500,000 to a committee of the bondholders of the company. The sale was held by special masters, under a decree of the United States Circuit Court.

The assets were sold in one parcel and consisted practically of the entire issue of the stock of the Mallory, Clyde, Eastern, New York, Cuba Mail and New York and Porto and Metropolitan Steamship Companies aggregating in value \$25,583,600.

There was only one bid and one bidder. The bid was satisfactory to the special masters and the assets were ordered to be turned over to the subcommittee subject to the confirmation of the court.

## MUTINY IS SUPPRESSED

### Gunboats Sent to Nankin—Modern Education for Baby Emperor.

PEKIN, Nov. 25.—According to further advices received here today, the mutinous outbreak of troops at Nankin is at an end and order has been restored. The German gunboat Itis has left Nankin for Hankow, but the British gunboat Flora remains there. The French gunboat is on its way from Shanghai to Nankin.

It has been learned that the government, in its selection of a regent and a successor to the throne, was inspired by a desire to win foreign approval and consequently the diplomats here indulged the hope that the training of the infant, Emperor Pu Yi, will be in accordance with modern ideas. Grand Councillor Chang Chi Tung has been proposed for his tutor.

## LOVE SUIT IS SETTLED

### Damage Case Over Woman's Affection Taken Out of Court.

HILLSBORO, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Circuit Court is in session here this week, and the grand jury, the first convened for years, has been sworn and is now taking evidence. The petit jury was dismissed until next Monday, when trials will begin. Judge McBride has been hearing divorce cases and expert matters. The case of William Harvey against Joseph Duerst, plaintiff, a Cedar Mill farmer, asking for \$5000 damages for alienation of his wife's affections, has been settled out of court.

## STEAMER BURNS; OVER 100 PERISH

### British Liner Becomes Mass of Flames.

## CAPTAIN DIES AT HIS POST

### Arab Pilgrims, in Panic, Refuse to Jump Into Sea.

## ONLY SAFETY IS IN WATER

### Just After Leaving Malta, Vessel Takes Fire—Fear-Stricken Arabs Refuse to Flee and Drown When Vessel Blows Up.

VALETTA, Island of Malta, Nov. 25.—A terrible disaster, in which more than 100 persons lost their lives, occurred at the entrance to this port this morning within sight of the whole city, which was powerless to give aid. The British steamer *Sandwich*, of the Elferman line, sailing from Liverpool and bound for Alexandria, with a crew of 44 Englishmen, 11 first and six second cabin English passengers and nearly 200 Arab pilgrims aboard, caught fire and within a few minutes was a roaring furnace, surrounded by clouds of smoke, through which flames burst upward to a height of 200 feet from explosions in the hold.

So rapidly did the fire spread that the frantic efforts of the crew to operate the fire apparatus proved useless and it seemed but a moment before the upper works and masts crashed down upon the deck, while the ship's boats were crushed by the falling debris or quickly burned.

## Only Safety Is in Water.

Safety lay only in jumping overboard and taking the chance of being picked up. Assistance was hurried to the burning vessel from all the warships in the harbor and from the shore, but the work of rescue was greatly impeded by the strong tide that was running. Even the naval launches, which came as fast as they could be driven, were unable to go alongside.

Among the Arabs there was a panic that could not be controlled. Many of them, too terrified to jump, were burned to death. Others, casting themselves into the waves, were drowned.

## Captain Dies at Post.

The crew behaved with admirable courage, serving out life preservers to the last and working the pumps. When these became useless, Captain Charles Jüttler, commander of the ship, took the helm and directed his ship toward the shore as long as it could be navigated. He perished. His post was taken over by First Officer Frank Watson, all three

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