

ROOT'S DECISION WORK OF GORDON?

Evidence Judge Accepted Dictation.

WRITTEN PROOF SAID TO EXIST

Bar Committee Seeks Documents in Spokane.

MANY LAWYERS INVOLVED

Incriminating Papers Also Believed to Be in Possession of Leaders at Bar—Decision Reversed Carrier's Liability Law.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Letters, telegrams, stenographic notes and other original documents now in the possession of certain attorneys in Spokane show that a Supreme Court decision in a case in which the Great Northern was a party was originally written by Judge M. J. Gordon, who represented that company as its attorney.

Whether Judge Root received any compensation for this consideration shown to Gordon and to the Great Northern Railway Company is a question upon which the committee is not yet prepared to form an opinion, but the facts already assembled by the committee warrant it in making a most severe criticism of the conduct of Judge Root in its report to President Bridges of the State Bar Association.

Was Root Paid for Decision?

Who Has Destroyed Letters? The opinion of the Supreme Court which was written by Judge Gordon is that in the decision on rehearing of the Spokane case of W. H. Harris vs. The Great Northern Railway Company, filed June 25, 1906, and published on page 441 of the 43rd Washington reports. It reverses a rule of law in relation to limited liability rates laid down in the original decision in the case, which rule was objectionable to the railroad company and vigorously and ably protected by Gordon in his petition for rehearing.

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BUILD HIGH TOWER ON MOUNTAIN TOP

SUN TO BE STUDIED WITH MONSTER SPECTROSCOPE.

Mount Wilson Also to Be Scene of Wireless Station, Sending Messages to Japan.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Dr. George E. Hale, director of the Carnegie solar observatory on Mount Wilson, announced today that a great steel tower 150 feet high, with a well 75 feet deep under it, with which to use the spectroscope, will be constructed on the peak next summer.

ROMANCE ENDS HAPPILY Gov. Boies' Granddaughter Marries Lover Won at College.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Miss Alis Grace Parsons, of Waterloo, Ia., granddaughter of ex-Governor Horace Boies, of that state, and one of the most beautiful women in the Middle West, today became the bride of Harold A. Willard, of San Francisco, Coast representative of a New York tobacco company.

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TWO MORE CITIES GO DRY

Drys Make Decided Gain in Massachusetts Liquor Election.

HOSTON, Dec. 1.—The champions of non-licensure succeeded in inducing New Bedford and Marlborough to vote today in favor of closing the saloons. The feature of the municipal elections held in seven cities of the state was the campaign carried on against non-licensure in the two places named and Northampton and Fitchburg.

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DID CHIEF BIGGY COMMIT SUICIDE?

Was Worried by Newspaper Attacks.

TOLD HIS TROUBLES TO KEIL

Search for Body in San Francisco Bay Fails.

MAY HAVE DRIFTED TO SEA

Charges Growing Out of Haas' Suicide May Have Prompted Self-Destruction—Acting Chief of Police Appointed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Although numerous boats patrolled and searched the bay since daylight this morning from the Golden Gate to Hunter's point and the officers of the ferryboats and other craft were asked to keep a sharp lookout for it, the body of Chief of Police W. J. Biggy, who mysteriously disappeared from the police launch patrol and is believed to have fallen overboard shortly before 12 o'clock last night, while returning to this city from Belvedere on the North Shore, has not yet been covered.

Acting Chief Appointed. The Police Commissioners met at 6 o'clock this morning with Mayor Taylor and, after an executive session, appointed A. D. Cutler, president of the Commission, Acting Chief of Police, pending the appointment of a permanent head to the department. The new Chief spent the greater part of the day investigating the circumstances of the disappearance of Biggy. At 4:30 P. M. the Commissioners held another session, but it gave out nothing.

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UNCOVERS FRAUDS IN STONE'S FAVOR

SAGER'S REVELATIONS MAY PREVENT RE-ELECTION.

Many Expected Indictments in St. Louis Likely to Affect Missouri Senatorship.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Many indictments of St. Louis judges and clerks of the recent state election are expected in a few days, according to good authority tonight. Concerning newspaper stories that these indictments may cause United States Sen-



Martin A. Knapp, to be Reappointed Chairman of Interstate Commerce Commission After 18 Years' Service.

ator Stone's defeat for re-election next month in the Legislature, in which the Democrats have a majority of seven on joint ballot on the face of the election officers' returns, Circuit Attorney Sager, Republican, said tonight: "There is nothing political in my investigation. I understand the ballots have been grossly miscounted, but I do not know in whose favor. The investigation has been on for two weeks. Today I found it necessary to get ten city detectives to assist me. I expect convictions."

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CAN'T GET FACTS OUT OF ARCHBOLD

Kellogg Asks About Standard Loans.

DID MANHATTAN OIL GET THEM?

Suspects Money Used to Buy Out Competition.

HOW TRUST WAS WOUND UP

Vice-President of Octopus Tells of Method, but Is Careful With Information About Mysterious Subsidiary Companies.

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Resigned Before Suit Began. Mr. Archbold said that he and H. H. Rogers resigned as directors of the Anglo-American Company shortly after the election, a year ago. The vice-president of the Standard denied that the resignations were brought about by the present Government proceedings. Mr. Archbold was closely questioned about many pipelines and refineries which had been purchased by the Standard. He denied that the refineries had been bought that they might be dismantled, thereby removing competition. They were purchased, Mr. Archbold said, to enable the Standard to add to its volume of business.

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STORM DARKENS OVER REICHSTAG

RADICALS DETERMINED TO LIMIT KAISER'S POWER.

Will Propose to Make Chancellor Responsible to Reichstag—May Split Majority.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Fears that a serious parliamentary crisis may develop as the result of debates proposed on constitutional amendments are lending acute interest to tomorrow's session of the Reichstag. The Radical leaders who introduced their amendments yesterday declare they are determined to get some legislation making the Chancellor responsible to the Parliament, putting an end to the personal regime, the perils of which were shown so conspicuously in the incident of the London Telegraph interview.

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STATE PRINCIPLES OF JOINT POLICY

Root and Takahira Publish Agreement.

MAINTAIN STATUS IN PACIFIC

Equal Opportunity in China Nation's Desire.

KEEP OLD EMPIRE INTACT

Common Aim of United States and Japan in Orient Defined and Reaffirmed—Agreement Between Trusted Friends.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The notes exchanged between the United States and Japan, "declaring their policy in the Far East," which have been the subject of correspondence between Secretary Root and Ambassador Takahira for some months, were made public at the State Department tonight. Accompanying the declaration are two letters, one from Mr. Takahira and one from Mr. Root, the former expressing the belief that a frank avowal of the aims, policy and intention of the two countries in the Pacific, would not only tend to strengthen the relations of friendship and good neighborhood between the two nations, but would contribute materially to the preservation of the general peace, and the latter declaring that "this expression of mutual understanding is welcome to the Government of the United States."

Terms of Agreement. The purport of the five separate notes was set forth fully in the Associated Press dispatches of November 27, from Washington. In explicit terms they are as follows: "First—It is the wish of the two governments to encourage the free and peaceful development of their commerce on the Pacific Ocean. "Second—The policy of both governments, uninfluenced by any aggressive tendencies, is directed to the maintenance of the existing status quo in the region above mentioned, and to the defense of the principle of equal opportunity for commerce and industry in China. "Third—They are accordingly firmly resolved reciprocally to respect the territorial possessions belonging to each other in said region. "Fourth—They are also determined to preserve the common interests of all powers in China by supporting by all pacific means at their disposal, the maintenance of the peace in China and the principle of equal opportunity for commerce and industry of all nations in that Empire. "Fifth—Should any event occur threatening the status quo as above designed or the principle of equal opportunity as above defined, it remains for the governments to communicate with each other in order to arrive at an understanding as to what measures they may consider it useful to take."

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