# **COOPER TELLS HIS** STORY OF QUARREL

Colonel Upon Witness Stand All Day.

# CARMACK ONCE CLOSE FRIEND

Political Differences Caused Change of Feeling.

ATTACKS MADDENED HIM

Sixth Day of Carmack Trial Is Devoid of Sensation, Eldest Defendant Telling Story in Matter-of-Fact Tone.

NASHVILLE, Feb. El-The sixth day of actual testimony in the trial of Colone Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharpe, charged with having murdered ex-Senator Edward W. Carmack, closed with Colonel Cooper or the witness stand. The defendant appeared cool and almost disinterested. The only time he showed emotion was when lawyers were reading the editorials which led up to the killing.

He told also of his earlier friendly re lations with the Senator, and repeatedly refterated that he regretted the breach that had come between them. The courtroom was as crowded as usual, and quite a stir was caused when the eldest of the defendants was summoned to the witness chair.

#### Cooper Becomes Witness.

"Call Colonel Duncan B. Cooper," said General Washington. Then the old Colonel arose and walked calmly to the stand. Colonel Cooper is short, heavy set and very florid. He is somewhat bald, but what hair he has, like his mustache, is very white. His eyes are clear and his ities. face is free from wrinkles. As he began to talk his two daughters leaned forward and drank in every word. The Colonel said he was 64 years of age and that he has three sons and two daughters. General Washington had the witness give hi war record with Forrest. The State finally objected after some recital and was sustained. Asked when he first met Carmack, Cooper said: "I met Senator Carmack years ago a

Columbia, when he was quite young. I can, and he remained with me un til 1892, when he went to Memphis."

## Relations Were Cordial.

Were your relations friendly?" "More than friendly-they were cardial and close until his race with Senator Taylor four years ago. Then we dis-

Did Carmack ever give expression to sentiments of gratitude to you?"

"Yes, when he went to Memphis in 1892 he wrote an editorial thanking me." Did you, after he left, maintain friendly relations?"

'Absolutely so. We corresponded, and the last very friendly letter I had from him was in December, 1904. Our relations were pleasant after that. At that time he was in the Senate."

"Have you that letter?" The witness produced the letter. It was passed to the state's attorneys. They objected to its introduction, but consented to the reading of the first paragraph. The court sustained the state's contention. The paragraph admitted fol-

nel: I have been trying to get Dear Colonel: I have been trying to get Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, to locate some good place for Van in connection with the Panama Canal, as he is doing something for someone, class. I am inclined to think the best thing Van can do is to tachle the President himself and tell him what he wants. However, I will do anything I can.

The letter was signed "Sincerely your

#### friend of Colonel Cooper. First Note of Discord.

"What was the first note of discord between you and Senator Carmack?" the Carmack-Taylor Senatorial contest. The first offensive note appeared in the

Memphis News-Scimitar in 1908."

"Who started the change of relations?" Why. I supported Taylor in that contest and Senator Carmack took offense.

I regretted it very much. "Whom did you support for Governor?"

Governor Patterson. "After that did you notice any further

change in Senator Carmack's manner?" "Yes, sir; he ceased speaking to me." "Had you done him any wrong?" "I had not."

Colonel Cooper was questioned about the joint debate between Carmack and Patterson, and asked if he ever learned that Carmack was using his name in them. "Yes, very often. It began in a spirit of ridicule and he later charged me with

corruption. Cooper said in response to questions that he was a private citizen at that time and had sald or done nothing to pro-

voke the attacks. "Was Carmack defeated?"

"He was," What became his occupation?" "He became the editor of the Nash-

ville Tennessecan." "Did his attacks continue in that pa-

"They did. uninterruptedly." Colonel Cooper told how indignant he was at the editorial in the Tennessecan

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# PERJURY TRIAL AS ECHO TO DIVORCE

THEATRICAL PEOPLE IN GOULD

Mrs. Margaret Teal Said to Have Offered Mabel McCauslan \$500 for False Evidence.

NEW YORK, Feb., 28.-Charged with attempted subornation of perjury in the divorce action of Helen Kelly Gould against Frank J. Gould, Mrs. Margaret Teal, wife of Ben Teal, a theatrical manager, was placed on trial today. Mrs. Teal was indicted with Mrs. Julia Fleming and Harry S. Mousley, a private detective, it being alleged that they attempted to have Mabel McCausian give perjured testimony in the Gould case

Miss McCauslan testified that Mrs Teal told her she could have \$500 or \$600, a trip to the country and a theatrical position if she would testify that she had seen Mr. Gould under suspicious circumstances in Mrs. Teal's apartments at the Glenmore, which were then sublet to Bessie Devoe, an actress. The witness said she refused to testify, as she had not seen any such impropriety, whereupon Mrs. Fleming who was present, said Miss McClauslan

declared: "I did not see it either, but I am going to swear that I did."

# PACIFIC MAIL CUTS RATES

Scared by California Movement for Independent Steamers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23 .- A sweep ing reduction in eastbount freight rates between this city and New York was announced by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company today. The reduction cuts about 25 per cent off the former rates. The westhound rates are not affected. The company has sent a arge number of solicitors throughout the state, seeking business.

It is stated that the determination of local shippers to establish an independent line between this port and La Boca, Panama, connected with the Panama Raliroad and the Federal Steamship line up the Atlantic Coast,

led to the reduction. The former eastbound rates ranged from 40 to 75 cents per 100 pounds, with 55 cents as a base. The new rate is 40 cents per 100 pounds on all commod-

#### LOSES ISLAND CANADA

Alarm About Interpretation of New Boundary Treaty.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 23.—Some alarm was created in the Canadian Parlia-ment today by a member calling attention to the fact that, if the copy of the recent boundary treaty with the brought him to Nashville as editor of the United States furnished to the Canadian in the Pigeon River district, containing about 1000 square miles, has been lost to Canada and is now the property of the United States.

In the Ashburton treaty the Island was conveyed to Canada through the statement that the boundary line shall not intersect the island. The copy of the recent Washington treaty leaves out the word "not."

Dr. W. F. King, Canada's representative on the Boundary Commission, says the Ashburton line has been fol-

## LOSS AT MOCLIPS DENIED

Threatened Damage to Property by High Seas Is Unfounded.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Feb. 23,-(Special.) Notwithstanding highly sensational reports published here and sent abroad today of an appalling condition of aftairs caused by high water at the Summer resort of Moclips, near here, The Oregonian correspondent received direct and authentic information tonight that the reported damage and further damage threatened, even to "pounding to pieces" of the Moclips sawmill, aggregating in all \$8000 loss, is utterly The "Van" referred to is a without foundation, and is branded as a canard of the most malicious nature.

## BRYAN PREPARES FOR AGE

The relations were not cordial during Buys Texas Fruit Ranch to Provide Income After He Is 60.

> PUEBLO, Colo., Feb. 23.-Ex-Governor Alva Adams, of this city, states that William Jennings Bryan told him in Denver Sunday that he had recently purchased a fruit ranch of 160 acres in Texas, which he is now having planted with the intention of having it bearing by the time he is 60 years of age, when he expects to derive considerable revenue from it. He will then spend his Winters

The ranch is located near Brownsville, in one of the finest fruit districts in the country.

## E. R. WOODARD PASSES

Dies in St. Vincents Hospital as Result of Shooting Self.

E R. Woodard, superintendent of the Multnomah Athletic Club, who shot himself Monday afternoon, died at St. Vincent's. Hospital shortly after 1 o'clock this morning.

No new light has so far been shed on the reason for his rash deed. Officers of the club discredit the rumor that he was short in his accounts, and believe that his mind became ranged through his worry over the condition of his health.

# **GOVERNOR HANDS** DOWN 8 VETOES

Four of Number Are Salary Bills.

# SENATOR COLE'S BILL GETS AX

Calls Proposed Law Insult to Young Men of State.

VAGRANCY BILL IS SLAIN

Executive Believes Too Many Innocent Men Out of Work Would Suffer if Law Became Effective, Salary Increases Hit.

> THESE BILLS VETOED. S. B. 47, Cole-Requiring physical

examination before marriage. S. B. 105, Albee-Defining vagrancy.

B. 209, Nottingham-Fixing time for registration of voters.
S. B. 93, Mulit-Exempting public bonds from taxation. Four salary bills.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 23.-(Special.)-Governor Chamberlain today vetoed eight bills passed at the recent session of the Legislature. Four of these were salary bills, vetoed because they raised a county officer's salary during his term of office. One of the other bills vetoed was Cole's Senate bill 47, in returning which the Governor says:

"The bill requires every male person seeking to enter the marriage relation to submit to an examination by a physiian and procure a certificate from him that he is free from contagious or infectious venereal diseases as a condition to procuring such license.

"Insult to Men of Oregon."

"In my opinion the bill is an insult to our citizenship and to the young men of the State of Oregon. There may be an occasional case, where such an examination would be justifiable, but to require it in every case and to compel modest, upright, Christian men with respectable parentage and decent training to undergo such an examination would result in greater harm than good."

Senator Albee's vagrancy bill was another measure to meet executive disapproval. The bill provides that every able-bodied person without visible means of living who does not for ten days seek employment and every idle person who wanders about the streets, sleeps in barns, cars, etc., shall be deemed a vagrant. In vetolng the bill the Governor

Fears Innocent Would Suffer.

GOSH!

THAT'S BUMS

LIGHTNING.

"There are many men who seek for ore than ten days for employment and who cannot find it, and because they cannot and happen to be arrested, no one is willing to believe them, and they may not be able to present proof of their ef-(Concluded on Page T.)

# CLAIMS \$100,000 BECAUSE OF DEATH

WIDOW OF E. M. BRANNICK SUES NORTHERN PACIFIC.

Largest Damage Suit Ever Filed in Spokane County-Death Due to Injury by Train.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 21 .- (Special.)-One of the largest, if not in fact the largest, damage suit for personal injury and death ever brought against a railroad in this county, has been started by Bridget Brannick and son, E. J. Brannick, against the Northern Pacific to re-



Colonel D. B. Cooper, Witness in His Own Defense at Trial for Killing ex-Senator Carmack.

cover \$100,000 for the death of E. M. Brannick, husband and father of the plaintiffs: The plaintiffs are residents of Portland, the home of the deceased at the time of his death. The deceased, on February 1, of last

year was a passenger on a caboose attached to a freight train, and was en route from Hatton to Connell on the main line in Washington when the train was violently started, throwing Brannick to the floor, injuring him fatally.

E. M. Brannick, at the time of his death, February 22, 1908, was one of the best-known men in the city. For years he had been vice-president and general manager for the local branch of Studebalter Bros. His death was the result of a fall which he received by being jerked violently to the floor of a caboose in which he was riding.

Mr. Brannick had left Portland to go to Hatton to visit a customer of his firm

Mr. Brannick had left Portland to go to Hatton to visit a customer of his firm who was in financial straights. He had finished up his business and was on his way home to Portland. He boarded the train at Hatton and was in the act of reaching down to pick up his baggage as the train reached Connell on the main line of the Northern Pacific, when the train was jerked. In the fall he received he suffered severe internal injuries, from which he died 22 days later.

# WOMEN HAVE CLOSE CALL

Building Collapses.

MANHATTAN, Nev., Feb. 23 .- The roof of the Morasci building collapsed today from the weight of snow. Tony Sofarni was killed.

Sofarni was killed.

The building had been used recently by the ladies of the Catholic church for Sunday school purposes and for social meetings. Had the roof fallen ten minutes earlier about 50 women would have been killed or injured, as a meeting had just adjourned.

DEFYING THE LIGHTNING.

# TO FIGHT FOR LIFE

Inroads of Independents Provoked War.

# WAS LOSING MUCH BUSINESS

Has Begun Campaign to Drive Competitors to Wall.

CUSTOMERS IN STRAITS

Left Behind in Race Because Independents Sold Cheaper to Rivals. Leakage of Truth Starts Stampede to Sell.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.-(Special.)-Wall street learned for the first time today just why the United States Steel Corpora tion cut the price of steel. Only one weel before the announcement was made, the Pressed Steel Car Company's contract, which annually calls for \$12,000,000 or worth of material expired and was not renewed. Other heavy buyers let it be known that for the next year at least they would purchase in the open market.

The loss of all the business indicated could have been sustained and still the stockholders and the surplus of the billion-dollar concern would not have suffered materially. But it was reported that the smaller independent companies were cutting prices and making contracts to furnish steel for the current year at figures materially lower than those charged by the United States Steel Corporation, the Bethlehem, Lackawanna Pennsylvania, Cambria and Jones & Laughlin companies.

#### Drive Little Men to Wall

This meant that more orders than the officers of the larger group had information about were probably being secured by the little fellows. For this reason war was declared, and it is to be continued until these little fellows sur-

render or go to the wall. Many of the largest construction companies and other big consumers of steel which were under contract for their total supply to the United States Steel Corporation and the big independents, which the corporation has long maintained a "gentlemen's agreement," have complained for more than six months that it was impossible for them to compete with concerns that were buying from the independents at lower fig-Just Adjourn Meeting When Roof of ures. They declared that, if they were to keep their heads above water, they had to get steel products at prices that

#### their rivals were paying. Frenzied Selling of Stock

When this information permeated Wall United States Steel stocks, which resulted in sensational declines and evidences of demoralization very like those which prevailed during the panic of 1907. The heavy selling of steel began at the (Continued on Page 4.)

# RICH MAN MARRIES WASHERWOMAN

FAIR AND FORTY, MRS. DOBLER WEDS MILLIONAIRE.

Aged Owner of Three Illinois Banks Surprises Daughter With

ELGIN, Ill, Feb. 23 .- (Special.)-M. B. Getzleman, millionaire banker and real estate owner of Elgin, owner of the Elgin National Bank, the Bank of Algonquin and the St. Charles National Bank, today wired Mrs. Charles J. Schmidt, of Elgin, his daughter, that he had married Mrs. Hulda Dobler, 40 years old and handsome, and was on the way to Florida with her. The news created a stir in Elgin, where Mr. Getzleman, who is over 70, is known as a close financier and was believed to

be without a trace of sentiment. The aged banker first met his bride IS years ago, when her husband was clerk in his employ. Several years later her husband died. Two years ago the first Mrs. Getzleman, who died one year ago, engaged Mrs. Dobler to do some washing and Ironing for her. Only a week ago Mrs, Dobler discontinued her work as washerwoman for families in Elgin by whom she was engaged.

#### POLICE PROTECT GAMES Wholesale Indictments at Stockton of Recipients of Graft.

STOCKTON, Cal., Feb. 23,-The San Joaquin County grand fury filed a report today, after several weeks of investigation, that is replete with sensation. The grand jury found the town running "wide open," illegal gambling games, poolrooms, lotteries and opium dens being conducted in violation of law and under the "corrupt protection of Chief of Police Frank Braire.'

Chief Braire, Captain Craig, Detective Donahue and Officers Washburn, Finnell, Carroll, Philo and Green are charged with receiving presents, chiefly money from persons liable to be subjected to their discipline, and Chief Braire, Captain Craig and Officers Carroll and Gayou are accused of misconduct, formal accusations having been filed against them. Following the report of the grand jury formal accusations were filed against Councilman W. T. Shepard, charging him with having received sums of money in amounts from \$20 to \$500 from various interests for performing official acts to their benefit. His trial was set for

#### GAME WARDEN IS SCORED Idaho Official Accused of Showing Favoritism in Duties.

March 8.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 23.-(Special.)-In the Senate today an effort to put through the Seattle Exposition bill, carrying an appropriation of \$30,000, was prevented. The Republican floor leader, Senator had the measure referred to the

the appropriation will be pruned. In the House another Republican mare'e-nest was unearthed during consideration of the new fish and game bill. The Game Warden, Stephens, was roundly condemned for his use of public money in establishing fish hatcheries. He was erteet today there was frenzied selling of also excoriated for favoritism in appointment of deputies, his home county of Fremont having a disproportionate number. There the law for the protection of elk has been notoriously violated.

# BARS EXPRESS FRANKING

Supreme Court Decides Parcels Cannot Be Sent Free for Employes.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.-In an opinion by Justice Day in various cases of the United States against express companies, the Supreme Court of the United States held today that under the Elkins law express companies could not legally frank the property of their own employes or those of other companies. The decision held that to grant this privilege would be to exercise an undue preference under the law prohibiting the giving of rates not included in the published

schedules. Justice Day in his opinion declared there was no reason why Congress should not grant the express companies the privileges enjoyed by the railroad companies, but that the law must be applied by Congress and not by the courts.

# THIRTEEN DIE BY TORNADO

Whole Town in Arknnsas Wrecked. Many People Injured.

MARKED TREE, Ack., Feb. 23.-Six persons were killed, more than a score were injured, several seriously, and virtually every building in the town of Fisher was wrecked by a tornado today. Wires are down and the information received was by messenger. Because of the flooded condition of the country, the relief party which started from Marked Tree was forced to turn back.

# VOTE FIVE COUNTIES DRY

Prayers and Bell-Ringing Enliven Indiana Elections.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 23.-Five Indiana counties which held local option elections today voted dry. They are: Grant, Howard, Davies, Adams and Newton. One hundred and forty-three saloon are put out of business

During the election constant prayermeetings were held in many of the churches, the women attending and praying for divine aid in swinging the re-

# **BUSSIA BACKING** FOES OF AUSTRIA

Portends Conflict of Slavs and Germans.

# SERVIA IS PREPARED FOR WAR

Believed to Be Assured of Muscovite Help.

### EVEN TO EXTREME OF WAR

Reception of Ferdinand at St. Petersburg and Coalition Cabinet Signs of Impending War in Balkan Peninsula,

LONDON, Feb. 23.-(Special.)-Features of the Balkan crisis are particularly disquieting to the British government-namely, the ostentatious reception of King Ferdinand of Bulgaria in St. Petersubrg and the formation of an allparties Cabinet in Belgrade. The former, it is feared, may imply that Russia intends to champion the cause of the Southern Slave, even to the extent of war, while the new and strong Cabinet in Belgrade, it is thought, dispels all hope that Servia will desist from her claims respecting Bosnia and Herzego-

Mr. Whitehead, the British Minister in Belgrade, reports that the new Cabinet group is composed of "very determined men," and adds that the Servian army

#### "Is apparently ready for action." Russia Works With Servia.

The closeness with which Russia and Servia are working together is indicated by the fact that M. Milovanovitch is the new Servian Foreign Minister. This man and the Russian Foreign Minister, M. Iswolsky, have been in communication for many M. Milovanovitch is said to months. have told M. Iswolsky that, if Russia tolerated the Austro-Hungarian aggression against the Serbs, the empire would forever lose its hold on the Slav race in Southeast Europe. M. Iswolsky assured the Servian statesman that, if the Austrians persisted in their unco mising course toward the Slavs, Russia

#### would protest. Slavs to Resist Germans.

The moment M. Iswolsky knew Austria's plan to annex Bosnia and Herzegovina he communicated the fact to M. committee of the whole, which indicates | Milovanovitch and ever since then the Servian, Bulgarian and Russian statesmen have had their heads together determining what the Slavs should do to resist the Germanic policy in the Bal-

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