BEGINS ARGUMENT OF CALHOUN CASE

O'Gara Makes Strong Point of Ford's Silence About $200,000 Bribe.

PROTESTS FROM DEFENSE

Heney Asks Jury to Draw Inference From Silence—O'Gara Says None of Defense Fit to Wipe Shoes of Heney.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 14.—John O'Gara, assistant prosecutor in the trial of Patrick Calhoun, had submitted one-half of the argumentative case against the president of the United Railroads today when his address before the jury and a crowded courtroom was concluded at the end of an entire court session.

An increased police detail regulated admission to the building. Women were given the preference over scores of men, who vainly sought admission, and one-third of the seating capacity was given over to their use. Until late in the day there was no dramatic incident or interruption to reward the close attention spectators gave to Mr. O'Gara's dispassionate review of the testimony offered during the last two months. Calhoun sat at the edge of the table reserved by the defense, and at his side were Tirey L. Ford, William M. Abbott and Thornwell Mullally, three officials jointly indicted with the defendant sitting in full view of the jury. Mr. O'Gara said:

Why Was Ford Silent?

"Why did not Tirey L. Ford come here and hold up his right hand and swear that he was not guilty of paying this fund of $200,000 to Ruef?

"This is assigned as misconduct on the part of the prosecution," said Stanley Moore, of the defense. "He knows that Mr. Ford has been here and could have been called by his side as a witness."

A spirited argument involving the right of the prosecuting to make such a reference ensued, and Judge Lawlor, disregarding repeated protests, directed Mr. O'Gara to proceed with his argument.

"Was Ford called?" asked the speaker. "Why has he not appeared, informing this jury that three juries failed to convict him, and said 'I am an innocent?' Mr. Ford did not come forward because he could not do so. He would have stooped himself further in crime." Another objection was made by Stanley Moore, and this time Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Heney went to the defense of his colleague, saying:

Ask Jury to Draw Inference.

"We will ask the jury to draw the inference to which the defense objects. Who is it but Tirey L. Ford who comes here to help the defendant with his presence today, but who would not help him with his sworn testimony denying his part in this transaction."

Mr. O'Gara reviewed a great portion of the testimony in his last hour, declaring that neither Ford, Abbott nor any other subordinate to the president could possibly have authority to expend so large a sum without his authority.

Mr. O'Gara then defended those prominent in the prosecution.

"There is not one of that crowd," he said, pointing toward Calhoun, "whether it be the defendant or his attorneys, who is fit to wipe the shoes of Francis J. Heney."

Mr. O'Gara paid a brief tribute to Rudolph Spreckels, financial backer of the graft prosecution, and closed with a request that the jury return a verdict of guilty.

Calhoun Only After Money.

In the course of the earlier part of his address, Mr. O'Gara said "There is nothing courageous or chivalrous in the crime which this record has exposed. What does it all amount to? Simply that Patrick Calhoun wanted an overhead trolley franchise; that it meant more money in his pocket to secure one; that the earthquake and fire gave him the opportunity, and that he promptly made his arrangements with Abraham Ruef. Ruef, in turn, made his arrangements with his tools—the Supervisors. When his end was accomplished Patrick Calhoun went back to his Eastern home with his franchise in his pocket and the Supervisors got the money Ruef had promised them.

"There was in that transaction something in the nature of treason and something of theft, and no matter how these men's lives shall turn in the future, no matter how much wealth shall surround them and no matter how often they may win the encomiums of their fellow men, the soil and stain of that theft and that treason will remain with them as long as they live."

Later on, when Mr. O'Gara declared that the defendant knew of the corruption existing in the municipal government, he said:

"Why did Mr. Calhoun offer to take this overhead project to the supervisors after he had failed to win the support of committees of business men? Was it not because he knew, as all other men knew, that the red flag of the auctioneer was flying over the City Hall and that Abe Ruef was ready to sell any and all of the privileges that the city owned?"

Alexander King will open the arguments for the defense tomorrow morning.

JAPAN BUYS GOLD INGOTS

Will Save Money on Purchase From San Francisco Mint.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 14.—The Japanese government has just purchased from the United States mint in this city gold ingots to the amount of $2,250,000 for the announced purpose of augmenting its reserve fund to cover a portion of its issue of bank notes. It has been the custom of Japan to purchase gold in London, but a considerable saving has been effected by the present transaction, owing to the favorable rate of exchange between New York and London.

RETURNING FROM LIBERIA

Cruisers Arrive at Canaries With American Commissioners.

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands, June 14.—The American scout cruisers Chester and Birmingham arrived here today on their way from Liberia back to the United States. They have on board the members of the American commission who conducted an investigation of conditions in the Liberian Republic.

RAILROAD MAGNATE WHOSE TRIAL ON BRIBERY CHARGE NEARS CLOSE AT SAN FRANCISCO

PATRICK CALHOUN.

WOMEN ARE PLUCKY

Coolly Aid Men in Defense of Davao Convent.

SEATTLE MAN IS KILLED

Roy Libby Only American Lost in Siege—American Planters Join Compatriots—Many Rebels Killed in Assault.

MANILA, June 14.—The courage and coolness under fire of the American women at Davao during the siege of the convent, in which all Americans were gathered during the mutiny of June 6, when a part of the company of Philippine constabulary at that post revolted, is the subject of warm praise in a private message received today from Davao which contains further details of the affair.

After the attack on the barracks, which fell into the hands of the mutineers, all the Americans of the post and 16 of the native constabulary who remained loyal gathered in the convent and repulsed the assaults of the mutineers. The women remained cool during the defense of the building, and assisted the men in every way possible.

Governor Has Slight Wound.

Captain Allen Walker, of the Philippine scouts, Governor of Davao Province, was slightly wounded during the attack upon the church.

The pursuit of the 23 mutineers who retired to the mountains with 30 rifles and 5000 rounds of amunition when their assaults upon the convent proved unavailing has already commenced. The mutineers are of the Visayan tribe, and two companies of Moro constabulary will join in the pursuit.

Roy Libbey, who was killed while aiding in the defense of the convent, came to the Philippines from Seattle, Wash., in 1908.

WASHINGTON GETS REPORT

Acting Governor of Philippines Regrets Effect of Outbreak.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Acting Governor-General Forbes, of the Philippines, has sent to the Bureau of Insular Affairs at Washington the following dispatch regarding the mutiny of the Second Company, Davao Constabulary, June 6:

"Acting Governor Hoyt reports the Second Company, Davao Constabulary, mutinied June 6, wounding native officer, attacking American community, one of whom was killed and four slightly wounded; other constabulary company came to the rescue. Thirty mutineers escaped into the mountains with guns. United States infantry pursuing. Extremely regret bad effects of this, particularly in the Department of Davao. Only serious mutiny in history of the constabulary, except small affair, five years ago; Hoyt telegraphs has no political significance, because no political question in the region. General Bandholtz now there; will report as soon as informed."

One Officer Hit Three Times.

MANILA, June 14.—Details of the mutiny of the company of native constabulary stationed at Davao, on the island of Mindanao, on the night of June 6, show:

When the mutineers opened fire one officer, Lieutenant De Goiccouri, was hit three times, but none of his wounds was serious. Lieutenant De Goiccouri is the man who cleaned out the bad men of Davao after the murder of Governor Bolton in 1907.

Governor Walker hastily summoned the neighboring planters as soon as the mutineers were out of sight, and proceeded to fortify a convent in preparation for a long siege. On account of the firearms restrictions, most of the planters were armed only with revolvers, but when the natives made an attack on the convent on the afternoon of June 7, they fought with great spirit and drove off the besiegers. The mutineers made a desperate attack on the beleaguered garrison and a number were killed and injured before they retired. Among the planters were Collector Roddy and Messrs Burchfield, Stephens, Reynolds and Hernandez. All of these planters' wounds were slight.

Battleship Michigan Afloat.

PHILADELPHIA, June 14.—The battleship Michigan, which went aground off Cape Cod last Friday after completing one of the tests in connection with her official trial, arrived at the yard of the New York Shipbuilding Company at Camden, N. J., today. It is said that the battleship did not sustain any injury of consequence, but a thorough examination of the big ship will be made after her official trial is finished.

PROBE OF DELAY IN VIEW

East Siders to Find Why Grand Avenue Work Is Tardy.

At the meeting of the East Side Business Men's Club, next Thursday night, after auditing the affairs of the children's parade, the club will set in motion a movement to investigate why improvement of Grand avenue was not completed south from Belmont street in time to be traveled by the parade. While the failure to complete the street did not interfere materially with the procession it caused the club a great amount of trouble.

President C. A. Bigelow said yesterday, "There is not the slightest doubt in my mind that it is a clear case of hold-up on the part of the stone block people to prevent the Hassam Paving Company from finishing the work on Grand avenue in time for use of the street in the parade. The object evidently was to throw discredit upon the contracting company by refusing to sell crushed rock to the Hassam Company. The rock crushing company agreed with me to supply the rock, and then stopped delivery after about 50 yards had been hauled. In striking at the Hassam Company the crushed rock trust struck the East Side Business Men's Club, and the club now proposes to go to the bottom of this affair and let the people of Portland know the facts as we already know them. We shall take the matter up at our first meeting."

Secretary George T. Atchley, William Jackson, Dan Kellaher and other leading members of the club also declare they desire the matter investigated and the responsibility for the situation placed before the people.

WESTON'S PROGRESS SLOW

Walks Only 11 1-2 Miles in Morning Through Wyoming.

CHURCH BUTTE, Wyo., June 14.—Leaving Granger at 8:55 o'clock this morning, Edward Payson Weston, the ocean-to-ocean pedestrian, arrived here, 11½ miles, at 2:30 P. M.

BRUTAL TO INSANE

Watchman Accused of Hurling Patient Against Wall.

INJURIES CAUSED DEATH

Grassmee Killed by Berg's Acts of of Violence—Death of Another Patient at Patten Asylum Due to Beating.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 14.—During the investigation today into the death of Henry Grassmee, who died a week ago while an inmate of the Patten insane asylum testimony was given in which witnesses alleged that extreme brutality toward patients had been practiced by the employes of the institution.

George E. Ackler, an inmate, said that he had seen Hans Berg, the watchman, hurl Grassmee against the wall. Gustave Wilson, assistant medical director and autopsy surgeon, testified that injuries inflicted by Berg had caused Grassmee's death.

Berg is held in jail at San Bernardino pending the outcome of the investigation.

Details of the alleged violent death of another insane patient are related in a story published this morning, reciting the case of Edward L. Parsons, of this city, who died at the institution March 16 last. According to this report Parsons was terribly beaten on different occasions, and finally injured so badly that the result proved fatal. Mrs. Parsons says her husband was beaten to death. In the certificate issued by the asylum authorities, according to the report, "General paresis and acute dilation of the heart," are given as cause of death. When she went to the asylum to claim the body of her husband, Mrs. Parsons says, she found he had three ribs broken. Dr. Wilson, acting medical superintendent at Patten, is quoted as saying last night that Parsons was beaten to death by another patient named Phosole.

CASH STOLEN BY CLERK

THIEF OF $30,000 MAY BE ANY ONE OF THIRTY MEN.

Los Angeles Robbery Reveals Serious Defect in System of Department.

LOS ANGELES, June 14.—(Special.)—Theft by postoffice employes and not an error in routing was responsible for the loss of registered packages containing $30,000 in currency mailed by the First National Bank of Los Angeles to the Bank of Bisbee, Ariz., a week ago today.

To a sudden uproar in the postoffice following the discovery is attributed the failure to apprehend the thief, who made away with two packages containing $10,000 and $5000, respectively. This alarm is believed to be responsible also for the recovery of the other two packages, which were found in the registry division of the main postoffice, having apparently been cast hastily behind a table.

This startling disclosure reveals a serious flaw in the system, which was considered perfect. It means that the thief will be employed so long as he chooses to work, because there seems no possibility of securing evidence against him, and no less than 30 employes will appear in an unfortunate light because any one of that number may have committed the crime.

A rigid investigation is expected from Washington.

POWDER SETS TOWN AFIRE

Blaze in Freight Depot Touches Off Ton; Damage $50,000.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., June 14.—Fire originating in the freight warehouse at Caliente, 23 miles west of here, scattered by the explosion of over a ton of black powder and dynamite, practically destroyed the entire town last night. The fire is still burning over hundreds of acres of feed lands belonging to the Kern County Land Company, on Bear Mountain. The flames reached the powder within 10 minutes after discovery. Everyone was warned, and not a person was injured. The report of the explosion was heard 20 miles away. Sixteen buildings in all were burned, the loss amounting to over $50,000.

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