

PORTLAND FIGHTS HARD FOR HONORS

Kansas City Is Strong Rival for 1912.

SAMMIS IS CHOSEN ELK RULER

No Choice Made for Grand Ex- alted Loyal Knight.

ANNUAL REPORT IS MADE

Change of Location of Home Is Made, and Sanatorium and Or- phanage Are Also Sug- gested in Document.

NEWLY ELECTED ELK RULERS.

Exalted Ruler—James U. Sammis, Lemars, Iowa.
Leading Knight—Warren G. Sayre, Washburn, Ind.
Lecturing Knight—J. D. Jones, Sebastian, Pa.
Secretary—Fred C. Robinson, Dubuque, Iowa.
Treasurer—Edwin R. Leach, New York.
Trustee—Perry A. Clay, Denver.
Tyler—Charles L. Dicker, Bendigo, Minn.
Inner Guard—A. M. Taylor, St. Augustine, Fla.

LOS ANGELES, July 13.—(Special.)—With the Elks' election out of the way and with the convention for next year given to Detroit by acclamation, the most exciting thing in convention circles now is the fight between Portland and Kansas City for the convention of 1912. Both aspirants for the honor claim victory, but the battle is by no means settled yet.

Portland has, however, gained a decided advantage over her Middle Western opponent in coming first with a strong delegation and getting first whack at the delegates from the other states. Not only this the only point in which the Web-footed aggregation has scored. The name of their city is being spread broadcast among the assembled herds by a bevy of charming women, the wives and daughters of the Elks from the Northern town, and the wives and daughters of their friends.

Kansas City Is Stubborn.

But Kansas City is determined and is making the claim that the Pacific Coast cannot ask the big reunion in 1912, only three years after the Los Angeles gathering. They are also doing a good deal of wire-pulling. It is understood that the new grand exalted ruler, J. U. Sammis, is in favor of the Oregon city, though, of course, he officially shuts his mouth on the point.

Trades and log-rolling in the matter of convention cities have been more in evidence this year than ever before and the task that Portland has before her is not an unique one. Baltimore and Boston and Atlantic City have felt the influence and gone under, but the Portland crowd insists that they have as good, if not a better, right to the big gathering three years hence, and they mean to get it if money and pains will carry the day.

One Office Still Vacant.

At the close of today's election it was announced that the balloting for grand exalted ruler resulted in no election, four candidates being voted for and none receiving a majority. J. L. Preston, of Wyoming, received 32 votes. Another ballot will be taken tomorrow.

The count was completed at 9 o'clock and after the official notification of the result had been made to Grand Exalted Ruler Holland, the results were given to the press.

Bitter Fight on Floor.

Before the ballot the struggle for votes, led by the Iowa delegation for Sammis and the Ohio delegation for Herrmann, became bitter; and into this final struggle many prominent Elks, including Rush L. Holland, the present grand exalted ruler, were drawn.

In a statement regarding the publication of a letter he had written to Sammis he complained that unfairness had been shown in not giving out the entire contents of the letter, but only such portions as made it appear that he had endorsed the candidacy of Sammis.

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SAN FRANCISCO COUPLE GETS MARRIED IN NOVEL WAY.

Dr. Priestly and Miss Hansen Join Fates on Wharf, Then Drive on Steamer.

STOCKTON, Cal., July 13.—(Special.)—One of the most novel marriages probably ever solemnized took place this afternoon at 5 o'clock, with the contracting parties seated in an automobile, just ready to run on to the steamer J. D. Peters. The interested parties were Dr. S. H. Priestly and Miss Sophia C. Hansen, of this city.

This is the third voyage on the matrimonial sea the physician has undertaken and he proposed to make the occasion something unusual. After securing a license he called up City Justice A. C. Parker on the telephone and requested him to get on the wharf from which the J. D. Peters sailed. A few minutes before the departure of the steamer the interested parties roused upon the dock and the nuptial knot was soon tied. The physician's son was one of the witnesses to the ceremony.

The newly wedded couple immediately ran the automobile aboard the steamer. They will make a two weeks' honeymoon hunting, trip through Sonoma County in the automobile to add to the novelty of the marriage.

ALAMEDA WINS OCEAN RACE

Beats Mongolia in Speed Contest From Honolulu.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—The Oceanic liner Alameda arrived today one hour and 20 minutes ahead of the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia, after the vessels had steamed for six days over the 2000-mile course from Honolulu, never losing sight of each other until yesterday morning, when the Alameda pulled ahead. The race was not pre-arranged, but was the result of a similarity of schedules.

The ships sailed from the Hawaiian port July 7 within a few minutes of each other. The Mongolia led for three days, never getting more than ten miles ahead, but on the fourth day the Alameda passed the larger vessel, slowly increasing her lead until this port was reached.

HEINZE'S BOOKS FOUND?

Two Trunks Said to Contain Them Seized by Federal Officers.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Two trunks, said to contain the missing books of F. Augustus Heinze and of the United Copper Company, were turned over to the Federal authorities in New York today.

The trunks were found, it is said, in a house in West Fifty-ninth street. Apparently the trunks were first taken to a hotel at Spring Lake, N. J., then brought back to this city and shifted about until their discovery by a Secret Service agent today.

United States District Attorney Wise has been looking for the books for weeks in order to clear up Heinze's alleged illegal loans as president of the Mercantile National Bank during the financial stringency of 1897.

SANITARIUM IS ATTACKED

Much Damage Done to St. Theresa Institution at Oak Grove.

Some enemy of the institution last night about midnight attacked the St. Theresa Sanitarium at Oak Grove, breaking windows, throwing missiles against the building and terribly frightening the patients and nurses. The hydrants were twisted off the water pipes, and much damage was done by the rush of water.

The police and Sheriff of Portland were notified but the last one has gone. Chief of Police Burns, of Oregon City, and Deputy Sheriff Olds, of Clackamas County, who lives in Oak Grove, went to the scene, however, but could find no trace of the miscreant.

LAW PLAIN, M'CREDIE TOLD

Attorney-General Insists Vancouver Jurist Must Wear Gown.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—Superior Judge McCredie, of Clark County, who has refused to wear the gown required by the new state law, has written to the Attorney-General asking if an opinion had been rendered that any judge who failed to comply with the law is guilty of a misdemeanor.

A letter went back promptly stating the press reports of such an opinion were correct, and state officials expect soon to learn the Vancouver jurist has placed his order for the robe.

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EVELYN THAW IS TEARFUL WITNESS

Asks Judge Not to Force Her to Answer.

RISKS CHARGE OF CONTEMPT

Refuses to Tell of Husband's Threat to Kill Her.

IS GIVEN DAY'S RESPITE

Evidence Offered by State Is More Favorable to Thaw, but Effect May Change Today With More Questions.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 13.

Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw, as pretty an ever, petulant and school-girlish and dressed so much during the murder trial of Harry K. Thaw, her husband, was on the stand for more than an hour before Justice Mills in the Supreme Court today. She had been subpoenaed by the state in its fight to keep Thaw in the asylum of the criminal insane at Matteawan. Though she was called by the state in an endeavor to prove Thaw, Thaw's irrational, what H. Roger Clarke, the Deputy Attorney-General drew from her today created a favorable impression for her husband. She was excused shortly after 4 o'clock, but was subpoenaed and will probably appear again on Wednesday.

Refuses to Answer Questions.

Upon the outcome of Evelyn Thaw's testimony the state's fight largely rests. Mr. Clarke tried to get her to admit that Harry Thaw had threatened her life. But, turning appealingly to the court, she repeatedly refused to answer his questions and after a clash between counsel Justice Mills ruled that he would hold the conversation up which the threat was supposed to have been made a confidential one between husband and wife and therefore privileged until the state presented proof to show that Daniel O'Reilly, the New York lawyer, was present at the time, and was not then acting as counsel for both Mr. and Mrs. Thaw. This Mr. Clarke promised to do and Mrs. Thaw was excused after identifying a number of papers in her husband's handwriting.

Appeals Tearfully to Judge.

When Mrs. Thaw first entered the courtroom and made her way to the stand, there was a buzz of excitement, but she showed but little concern. On the stand she was reluctant to answer questions and had to be instructed to do so a number of times. The tears came to her eyes once when Justice Mills ruled against her and she turned to him and said:

"I guess I will have to obey, for I cannot afford contempt proceedings or go to jail. My husband is not paying."

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TWO ALASKA PEAKS SINK INTO OCEAN

EARTHQUAKES PLAY QUEER FREAKS IN FAR NORTH.

Bay in Bering Sea Is Transformed Into Lake in Which Two Islands Appear.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The destruction of two imposing mountain peaks, the transformation of a bay into a lake, and the creation of two new islands are feats of nature discovered in Behring Sea, by a Government party, and reported to the Treasury Department today.

A report received by Captain Commander Ross, of the Revenue Cutter Service, says that a party from the revenue cutter Perry landed on Bogoslof Island, on June 10 last, and found that a number of changes had taken place.

Perry peak and McCulloch peak have disappeared and the opening of the bay or lagoon, a pretty spot shown in pictures on file in the Treasury Department, has closed up, forming a lake of warm salt water of a sea level.

In its center two small islands have sprung up. One of these islands is throwing off a volume of steam which is being caused by earthquakes and volcanoes.

CONGRESSMEN ON DIAMOND

Republicans and Democrats of House to Play Baseball.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Republican and Democratic members of the House will meet in a baseball game Friday afternoon. The Democratic team will be captained by Representative Kinkhead, of New Jersey, who will muster into service Representatives Garner, Texas; McDermott, Illinois; James, Kentucky; Hughes, New Jersey; Garrett, Tennessee; Dan Driscoll, New York; O'Connell, Massachusetts; Heflin, Alabama; Robinson, Arkansas.

The Republicans under Tompkins, of Pennsylvania, will put forth Thomas, Ohio; Anthony, Kansas; Vreeland, New York; Cole, Ohio; Butler, Pennsylvania; Dawson, Iowa; Taylor, Ohio; Morehead, Pennsylvania; Bennett, New York; Longworth, Ohio; Stump, Virginia; Burke, Pennsylvania; Denby, Michigan; Gaines, West Virginia; and Hawley, Oregon.

The proceeds will go to the Playgrounds Association.

TO TRY HEAD MURDERERS

Commanders of Adana Massacres Ordered Before Court-Martial.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 13.—An imperial decree issued today orders the trial by court-martial of Djavad Bey, ex-Vah of Adana, Mustapha Pasha, the military commander at Adana, and Youseff Bey, Governor of Jebelbeck, in the vilayet of Adana on the charge that they were implicated in the Armenian massacres of last April.

GOVERNOR JOHNSON ILL

Minnesota Executive Undergoes Operations for Appendicitis.

ST. PAUL, July 13.—Governor John A. Johnson is seriously ill.

He has already undergone three operations for appendicitis.

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NATIONAL TROOPS OCCUPY TEHERAN

Shah of Persia Whipped by His People.

GENERAL CALLS PARLIAMENT

Royalist Party Can't Resist Much Longer.

RUSSIA HAS EARNED HATE

Only Desultory Firing Marks En- trance of Nationalists and Cos- sacks Are Cut Off From Comrades in City.

FIERCE COMBAT RAGING.

LONDON, July 13.—A dispatch from Teheran says that the Nationalists attacked the Cossacks in the barracks and Artillery Square for two hours this evening without succeeding in capturing the positions.

The combat was fiercely waged, the Cossacks using shrapnel.

TEHERAN, Persia, July 13.—Recent events in Persia are being repeated in Persia. The Constitutionalists forces are now in possession of the greater part of Teheran, which they entered this morning without encountering any organized resistance. While Saradarsad and Sipahdar, the leaders in the movement, concentrated the attention of the Royalists by demonstrations to the west, a strong body of Nationalists and Bakhtiaris made their way unnoticed around to the north, whence the capture of the capital was not difficult.

The Royalists are badly situated to make further resistance and the Cossacks, under command of Russian officers, remain outside the city, entirely cut off from their comrades.

Only Demand Constitution.

The strictest discipline is being maintained by the Nationalists. Their leader, in a note to the Russian and British legations, guarantees security of life and property to foreigners, adding that nothing is demanded from the Shah but a real constitution. Cipahdar already has summoned the members of the Majlis to witness the opening of Parliament.

The invaders lost only one man while making their entry into the city. The loss to the Royalists is unknown, but cannot be heavy, as the Cossacks were the only defenders to offer resistance. They are keeping up a desultory fire to-night and occasionally are making use of their artillery.

Ill Feeling Against Russia.

There is much ill feeling against the Russians, and the Nationalists are endeavoring to stir up ill feeling against them.

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NEW CHANCELLOR TO RULE GERMANY

VON BETHMANN-HOLLWEG WILL SUCCEED VON BUELOW.

He Adjourns Reichstag by Order of Kaiser — First Dose of Socialist Trouble.

BERLIN, July 13.—Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg has been practically decided upon as Prince von Buelow's successor as Imperial Chancellor. The appointment will be recommended by Prince von Buelow at his audience with the Emperor tomorrow and there is every reason to believe it will be made.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg is now Vice-Chancellor and Minister of the Interior. He is a college friend of the Emperor. He is of Jewish origin, and is 53 years old.

After the clerk of the Reichstag had announced today the passage of the bill providing increases in the salaries of civil servants, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg rose and said that, as the representative of Prince von Buelow, he had a message from the Emperor to be read. His communication was a decree closing the present session. The House will not reassemble until next Autumn.

As had been expected for some days, the Socialists, to show their disregard for monarchial institutions, remained seated while the message was being read. All other members arose when the Emperor then left the chamber, while the other delegates gave three cheers for Emperor William.

WABASH TO HAVE AGENT

Stubbs of Los Angeles Made General Agent at Portland.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 13.—(Special.)—Effective August 1, the Wabash Railroad Company will open an agency for the handling of freight and passenger business at Portland, Or. W. D. Stubbs, traveling freight and passenger agent at Los Angeles, is promoted to be general agent at Portland. Announcement of the street location of the office will be made in a few days.

Mr. Stubbs has been with the Wabash road about 12 years and has been mentioned in this city five years. He stands high in local railroad circles and, when the news of his promotion came today from St. Louis, he was the recipient of many warm congratulations.

FUNERAL ACCIDENT, THIS

Coroner, Undertaker and Corpse Go Over Cliff in Automobile.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., July 13.—Hurled over a grade into a deep canyon on the road to Democrat Springs today, an auto carrying Coroner McGinn, Undertaker A. H. Dixon and the corpse of Thomas Leatherton, fell 100 feet, crashing into a pile of boulders. The wicker basket containing the corpse rolled down the canyon until the rocks stopped it.

The men leaped from the automobile before it jumped the ledge. The basket was not damaged and the corpse was not mutilated. The automobile, however, was wrecked.

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DEFENSE THWARTS ALLEGED FRAME-UP

Murgatroyd Trial Stirs St Helens.

DELAY IN SECURING A JURY

Six Men Excused Because of Alleged Bias to Prisoner.

CASE MUCH COMPLICATED

Evidence Directs Suspicion on Mal- one, State's Star Witness, Who Is Held on Robbery Charge.

Blakesley Aids Defense.

ST. HELENS, Or., July 13.—(Staff Correspondent.)—All of St. Helens is agog over a murder trial that seems with perplexities. Foremost of these is what the defense avers is an attempt by the county regime to load the jury box with men liable to favor the prosecution for personal or political reasons. George Murgatroyd, charged with the murder of aged Robert Livingston, near Goble last December, sat through proceedings today which raised six individuals of this type to the post of deliberators and thereafter ousted them as being too close to the prosecution.

Throughout the examination of a long venire four City Councilmen of St. Helens all but suspended in so jurors a school teacher, who depends upon Deputy District Attorney Miller for his job, was also sited in the box by the defense, and the last intimate discovered was a one-armed man whose son studied law under District Attorney Tongue's father and now carries a key to the office of Deputy District Attorney Miller.

"Toots" Blakesley Aids Defense.

It was also nearly brought out by the defense that the son is expecting to be awarded an extensive stumping contract through the influence of Deputy District Attorney Miller. It is said here that the exposure of this juror by the defense is the result of information given Attorney Abel by "Toots" Blakesley, who is awaiting trial on a charge of extortion, which is scheduled to be prosecuted by District Attorney Tongue.

By far the jurors are not the only puzzle of the Murgatroyd murder trial, for today both District Attorney Tongue and his deputy, Attorney Miller, declared Roy Malone, the state's star witness, to be a king of contradictions. And strange to say, though no murder indictment overhanging Malone, the evidence pointing to him as the possible slayer of Livingston seems to be at least three times stronger than the circumstantial evidence against Murgatroyd.

Malone's Pipe Found in Cabin.

Frank Koshler, a youth of Goble, is prepared to testify he saw Malone with Livingston in the latter's shack the Wednesday night preceding the murder committed on Friday, and that after discovery of the crime Malone's clay pipe was found in the shack of the man slain.

This is the nearest clue thus far obtained, as no witness has been found, save Malone, who will testify to seeing Murgatroyd at Goble at any time. The main evidence against Murgatroyd is to be given by two women who informed the grand jury Murgatroyd had told them he had killed a man in Goble. These witnesses are Mrs. F. B. Richmond, a cook at Junction City, and her daughter, Bessie, a waitress at the same place.

Next to this testimony in importance against Murgatroyd is J. Kelly, who will testify Murgatroyd, six weeks after the murder, asked him for a change of clothes, that he could rid himself of bloody garments.

Defense Testimony Strong.

The defense will attempt to undermine this testimony by calling Miss Lorraine Donovan, who is alleged to have heard Bessie Richmond say "George told mamma something he did not tell us." To counteract the evidence surrounding the bloody clothes noted by Kelly, the defense will produce a witness who is said to have heard Kelly say: "Murgatroyd stole my shirt and pants and I will send him to hell for it."

The witness for the defense is also relied upon to testify that Kelly, when chided for speaking as he did, remarked:

"I am not half as strong as the Richmond."

Principal among the witnesses whose testimony will tend to weaken the state's charge against Murgatroyd is Mrs. A. C. Zigler, who is accused by Roy Malone of concocting a scheme with three men to make away with Livingston. She declared today that soon after the murder two men, neither of whom was Murgatroyd, were sent to her house by a logging camp foreman to room there for a week and shipped out during the night, instead of reporting for work, as they expected of them. Then later than this, declared Mrs. Zigler, two other men called at her house, either the night of the murder or the evening before, and asked for Malone, who was out. And neither of these later callers, says the woman, was Murgatroyd.

Mrs. Zigler is an aged woman, less than five feet tall, who has conducted a rooming-house for laborers at Goble for many years. She denies the slightest participation in the crime and reveals young

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