Loeb Defends His System of Granting Immunity to Informers.

JUDGE CONDEMNED

Customs Officers Who Testify Against Musicas Retain Jobs and Loch Says Necessary to Break Up the Gang.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.-'Tt takes grafter to catch a grafter in the United States Customs Service," says William Loeb, Jr., collector of the Port of New York, in an official statement issued to-Notwithstanding Federal Judge Holt's opinion, the four weighers who confessed and textifled in the trial of the confessed and testified in the trial of the Musicas cheese importers, which was con-cluded today, will hold their jobs. Judge Holt, before disposing of the case today, which resulted in the father's ac-quittal and the son's incarceration in the

Tombs for sentence, denounced the reten-tion of the four weighers as a discredit to the Government and an injustice to the bonest men of the service. Mr. Loeb quickly said in reply: Imperative to Break Up Gang.

The views of such a distinguished judge are entitled to the highest respect, and it is not my purpose to make the subject one of controversy, but it seems to me Judge Holt can hardly have understood the situation.

"It was deemed imperative to break into this combination, to get the truth from somebody on the inside who knew; to get in an entering wedge and break down this system. It was then decided to secure the testimuny of several weighers by promising them immunity and retention in the service.

tion in the service.

"It was not a question of choice between having all honest men in the Government service and keeping four men admittedly distonest in the service, but the choice was between keeping four distonest men in the service where they honest men in the service where they could be easily watched and allowing a great many dishonest men to 'remain in the service and have them and all the corrupt merchants who had bribed them escape punishment at the hands of the criminal law. The administration decided on the former course and its decision was based upon the highest motives.

"It is deemed only just to the administration that the public should have this statement when it reads Judge Holt's

Judge Holt's Condemnation. Judge Holt in commenting on the case

"I wish to express my strong disapproval of continuing such men in the Government service. I say it is a discredit to the Government to do so. I say further that it is wrong to com-pel honest men to act in the company of men who have confessed to such

SWINDLE NETS HIM \$2000

John Woolton Wanted for Defrauding British Columbia Bank.

NELSON, B. C., Oct. 27.—The imperial bank here has been swindled out of \$2000 by an American forger, who gave the name of John Woolton, Woolton came here from Seattle,

was introduced by a local rancher named H. S. Johnston, and deposited a certified check on a Seattle bank for \$2000. He drew \$100 at once, and shortly afterward \$1900, the latter in payment for a fruit ranch he said he purchased.

Then Woolion went to Rossland, and was traced to Revelstoke, from which point he traveled east and disappeared. The bank was advised from Seattle that the certifying stamp was forged and the check worthless. In Woolton's valies, found at Ressland by the po-lice, were a number of stamps for use marking checks, and it is thought Woolton was one of a gang that has done some extensive swindling in the West lately.

MELLEN BUYS NO LOBBY

Hartford Road Not Spending Money for Influence in Laws.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 27.—The stockholders of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company joday re-elected the present board of directors and chose John L. Billiard, of Meriden, Conn., as director to fill a vacancy in the board.

At a special meeting the board of directors and chose John L. Billiard, of Meriden, Conn., as director to fill a vacancy in the board.

At a special meeting the board of directors was authorized to issue \$50,000,000 of new capital stock, making the total capitalization \$171,000,000.

"Not one dollar of the charge for legal expenditures in the annual report was expended for lobby, for the use of the so-called third house, or for payments to politicians," was the declaration of President Charles Mellen at the meeting of the stockholders, replying to a question of a stockholder as to the reports current in Hartford that the road had maintained a lobby, at the last sesion of the General Assembly.

JAP TARS REJECT PRAYER

Oriental Naval Men Don't Want Religious Service at Night.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Oct. 27.-The Japanese cruiser Idzumi arrived here from Monterey today to remain until Friday, when she will sail for San Diego. The warship was greeted here by several hundred Japanese, who gathered from

three countles.

California souvenirss were presented to the officers and 700 men and the latter were entertained at luncheon at the Japanese tea garden. The programme for the officers includes several receptions. Captain Takeshita will entertain at dinner on board tomorrow evening. He de-nied the request from the Christian Endeavor Seamen's Association for permis sion to hold song and prayer service on board Thursday night, on the ground that the men must go to bed early.

Hatchery Has Better Results.

WOODLAND, Wash., Oct. 27.-(Special.) -John M. Crawford, general superiptend-ent of the State Fish Hatcheries of the ent of the State rish Hatcheries of the State of Washington, yesterday inspected the hatchery established last year on Johnson Creek, about seven miles above Woodland. He reports that while condi-tions are not as favorable as could be on is much better than last year at this time.

COUPLE WHOSE OBSERVATIONS AT MOUNT M'KINLEY WEAKEN ACCUSATION OF COOK'S DETRACTORS.



MRS. WAITMAN WADE.

Companion Says Cook Did Not Scale McKinley.

PARTY TRIED AND FAILED

Then Cook and Barrill Started and Soon Returned, Boasting of Suc-

> cess - Discrepancies in Cook's Story.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Oct. 27.—
(Siecial.)—Belmore Brown, of Tacoma, son of George Brown, secretary of the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Company, does not believe Dr. Cook ascended Mount McKinley in 1898, and has gone to New York to present his version of the affair to the New York Geographical Society. On his trip he met O. A. Fetcher, president of the Yakima Valley Bank, and to him told the story of his meeting with Cook in Alaska.

Mr. Hrown is a painter and hunter of his game and a millionaire, so has no financial interest in the controversy, In 1896 he was independently touring in 1896 he was independently touring in 1896 he was independently touring in 1896.

turned back by impassable barriers and forced to give it up for that year. Some days later, while all except Cook and Barrill were away, Cook and Barrill stafted up the Sushitan River in a launch to explore. Taking up Mr. Brown's to explore. Taking up M statement, Mr. Fecher says:

"Later, so Mr. Brown says, Dr. Cook and Barrill returned to camp and announced that they had scaled the mountain all alone. They returned in a time more brief than that which would have been necessary for them to reach the top, as far as the party and Mr. Brown could judge. Other discrepancies were also

as far as the party ont Mr. Brown could judge. Other discrepancies were also found in their statements.

"Dr. Cook said he had reached an altitude of 20,000 feet, but the instruments that he carried would not register above 18,000. Dr. Cook said that he also would never have succeeded in reaching the summit had it not been for a hair rope that he carried Mr. Brown avers that that he carried. Mr. Brown avers that the only hair rope in the equipment had been rendered useless in the first attempt been rendered useless in the first attempt made to scale the mountain. "According to Mr. Brown's statement

to me, the picture that was supposed to represent the pinnacle of the mountain was taken on a lower ridge than had been reached by the original party. These and many other interesting details led Mr. Brown to believe that Dr. Cook had never reached the summit of the mountain, as he alleged.

WILL BRING ESKIMOS SOUTH Cook Says Rasmussen and His Agent Will Go to Etah.

MISSOULA, Mont., Oct. 27 .- Dr. Fred-MISSOULA, Mont., Oct. 27.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, his private secretary, Morton Lonsdaie, and his confidential agent arrived in Missoula at 11:05 o'clock tonight. The doctor was greeted at the station by a small but enthusiastic crowd representing the business men of the city. The doctor had a quiet trip from St. A aul to Missoula, the only demonstrations of consequence being at

demonstrations of consequence being at Butte and on his arrival here.

Dr. Cook declined to discuss the Polar or the Mount McKinley contro-Polar or the Mount actains, consider years, asserting that what he has to say about these matters he will say in his lectures at Hamilton tomorrow night and Missoula Friday night. He announces through his private agent, however, that arrangements have been the expedition to bring however, that arrangements have been completed for the expedition to bring back the Eskimos who were with him on the Polar journey. Knud Rasmussen and the doctor's special agent will head the party, which will sail for Etah in May of next year. It is planned that the party shall be back by September of the same year.

COOK'S CLAIM IS UPHELD

(Continued From First Page.) saw nor heard of Dr. Cook or his party until they reached Knik on Cook's Inlet, September 15. Here they learned that Dr. Cook had abandoned his attempt to as-Cook had abandoned his attempt to ascend Mount McKinley on the southwestern slope and had gone down the Kahlitna River in cances with his party. Upon reaching Claurchill's Station, at the junction of the Yentna and Shushitna Rivers, Dr. Cook resorted to other tactics. Repairing the broken rudder of the launch he had moored at Churchill Station, Dr. Cook and party boarded the craft and moved up the Shushitna River to the extreme navigable point.

From that point they ventured over-



Waltman Wade.

financial interest in the controverse.

1906 he was independently touring in Alaska and running across the Cook party was invited to join.

According to the story he told Mr. Fetcher, the entire party made one attraction of the mountain and was anxious to reach the summit. The fact and the strength of the summit and the summit. The fact and the strength of the summit and the summit and the summit. The fact and the summit a anxious to reach the summit. diplomacy in cheering his men and guides on to that end made his eagerness to ac-complish his goal very apparent. Mrs. Wade and I with Tom Harrap and Jim St. Clair, both of whom are now in Alaska, formed a party of prospectors, who, according to assertions of Indians and miners, were the first party that ever attempted to explore the wilds at the foot of Mount McKinley at a point nearly 100 miles from the Tokashitna to the Middle Fork rivers.

Suter Is Contradicted.

"As to the statement made by one Jacob Suter, of Beilingham, Wash, to the effect that he was prospecting in the guiches at the base of Mount McKinley at the time Dr. Cook and his party ar-rived on Dutch Creek when he attempted rived on Dutch Creek when he altempted to ascend the westerly slope, it is inconceivable to me to see how Mr. Suter couls, have witnessed Dr. Cook's 'futile attempt to scale the mountain.' In the first place it would have been necessary for Suter to accompany Dr. Cook and the party in the ascent. In the next place, it would have been necessary for him to travel more than 100 miles about the southern base of the mountain after he first saw the Cook party near the westerly side of Mount McKinley.

"It would have been an utter impossibility for Suter to cover the distance from Dutch Creek to the southeastern slope of Mount McKinley in time to see the Cook party make its ascent a few weeks after he first saw the party. No man could

he first saw the party. No man could have made such a trip and packed provisions on his back. I was the only man who had horses east of the Tokashitna River that Summer, except Dr. Cook, according to the assertions of the natives. Airship Not Required.

"As for Suter or anyone else making the assertion that it was an impossibility to 'reach the summit of Mount McKinley except in an airship,' in my judgment anyone making such an assertion must not have thad much experience in mountain climbing, or, at least, never saw the southeastern slope of Mount McKinley.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Wade sympathize with Dr. Cook in his apparent failure to establish the truth of his statements in reference to his ascension of Mount Mo-

Kinley. Mrs. Wade, a keen little woman, said: There is no reason in the world to that Dr. Cook did not reach the I talked with the doctor while he and his party were camped on Dutch Creek. He impressed me as being a straightforward man and very enthusiastie in his efforts to reach his goal. After our party had left we pressed on to the east where we eventually camped on the Tokashitna River, and we could plainly see the gradual slope on the southeastern side of Mount McKinley. I was enthu-siastic and wanted to make the ascent. We had begun to form plans for the ascent, which could have eassily

made, but were compelled to change them subsequently. "I kept a diary all the time and ae-member distinctly of talking with Dr. Cook about the approximate altitude

plished the discovery of the Pole, too. I never doubted it for a moment. His tactics previous to his ascent of Mount McKinley and his tenacity in clinging to his purpose only strengthen my belief that he discovered the Pole.

Mr. Wade is engaged in the real estate business, with offices in the Swetland building. He has realded in Oregon 30 years and is an expert mountaineer and guide. He and Mrs. Wade left their home at Sumpter in Eastern Oregon in May, 1906, and prospected all that Summer at the base of Mount Mc-Kinley. They returned to Seattle October 6 of the same year. Since that time Mrs. Wade has contributed a number of interesting stories of her experiences to Eastern magazines.

SUTER'S FRIENDS ARE FIRM

Insist Wade, Misrcad Statement Made by Prospector.

BELLINGHAM, Wash. Oct. 27.—W. T. Wade's statement is all about something which Joseph Suter, of this city, did not state in his affidavit relating to Cook's 'ascent" of Mount McKinley, says a

The prospector tells exactly where he stood when he saw Cook try to gain the top of the peak after falling to make the trip up the Yetna River and when he went up the Shushlima River and made the start from Shushlima Station. This the start from Shushitma Station. This was Cook's last and final attempt in 1996, anys Saler, and the miner makes no preferse of witnessing both attempts to "gain the top of the continent." by

Cook and his party.
Suter's affidavit contains 500 words and tells how he shoul on one of the peaks in the Lake Creek Ridge of mountains. about four miles in an air line from Cook, and watched Cook's party through a field glass and saw him distinctly when he tried to scale a wall of ice about two-thirds of the way to the top, and says Suter, he saw Cook turn back at an alti-

tude of about 2000 feet. Suter clearly states that he was camped in a gorge at the head of the Shushitna River on the side of McKinley during the Summer of 1966 and makes no allusion to Summer of 1998 and makes no anison to being in the Yetna Valley. Many well-known friends of the miner in this city eay they have known him for years and know that he has traveled all the big mountains of the West and that he is not given to relating his adventures as

REWARD OF \$10,000 TO BE PAID FOR CONVICTION.

Indianapolis Employers Up in Arms. Unions Blame Nonunion Men for Crimes.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 27.-Frank H. Wheeler, a mane acturer, today started with \$1600 a fund of \$10,000 to be made up by business men as a reward for the conviction of the persons who dynamited conviction of the persons who dynamical several buildings last Sunday night. The buildings destroyed or damaged were being erected by Albert von Spreckeisen, who has been having difficulties with the

The Building Trades Council and Cen-tral Labor Union have each contributed \$100 to the reward, asserting today that the dynamiting was the work of imported nion men discharged by Von Spreck-

The Trades Council also issued a demand on Von Spreckelsen to discharge the nonunion men employed by him on the Shriner temple and theater buildings. Von Spreckelsen, backed by fellow-contractors, will refuse.

PREACHER'S WIFE SUES

Woman Tires of Minister's Failure to Provide Properly.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 27.—Charging erly Mrs Jennie Gay Du Moulin. merly a church choir singer, brought suit for divorce here today against her husband, the Rev. Walter G. DuMoulin, who was connected at different times with St. Paul's and St. John's Episcopal

with St. Paul's and St. John's Episcopal churches of this city.

The Rev. Mr. Du Moulin is the son of the Right Rev. John Philip Du Moulin, Episcopal bishop of the diocese of Niagara, Ontario, Canada. A brother is dean of Trinity Cathedral in Cleveland. Since their marriage in 1902 the couple have lived in Spearfish, S. D.; Holland, Mich., and Fort Morgan, Colo. Rev. Mr. DuMoulin has preached in Den-Fort Morgan, Colo., and Blaine,

VANCOUVER GETS FACTORY

Building Rented in Which to Make Washing Machines.

VANCOUVER Wash. Oct. 27 .- (Special.)—The Pacific Washer Company, recently organized here, met last evening and decided to rent the old Buchanan mill at the foot of Main street, and fit tup for a factory. The company expects to begin the manufacture of washing machines within the next 39 days. The first carload of castings from Chicago will severe within a few days.

The first carload of castings from Chicago will arrive within a few days.

The following officers of the company were elected at the meeting last evening: President, William B. Du Bois: vice-president, C. S. Voorhees; secretary, J. M. Reeves: treasurer, Donald McMasters. The capital stock of the company is \$7000, fully paid up. Besides the officers, the stockholders include & W. Shumway, Dr. N. J. Taylor and D. D. Rullman.

PHONE SERVICE EXTENDED

Right to Lay Cable Across Lower Columbia Is Asked.

ASTORIA, Or., Oct. 27,-(Special.)-The Pacific States Telephone Company is arranging for the construction of additional long-distance telephone lines from this city to Seaside, and also from this city to Hammond, Fort Stevens

and to liwaco.

A request is now pending before the War Department for permission to lay a cable across the river from Fort Stevens, and as soon as the petition is and to Ilwaco granted the construction work is to

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Having Taught Two Army Officers Art of Flying, Wilbur Has Woman as His Passenger for Four

Minutes in Aeroplane.

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Oct. 27.-Mrs. Van Deman, wife of Captain Ralph C. Van Deman, Twenty-first Infantry, U. S. A., occupied the passenger's seat be side Wilbur Wright when he ascended in the Government aeroplane here to-day. For four minutes she experienced the sensation of soaring in the air, sometimes as high as 60 feet above the

ground.
This was the first time a woman had ascended in a heavier-than-air mabrothers having resisted a multitude of feminine importunities for aerial ex-

"Oh," exclaimed Mrs. Van Deman, when she had returned to the ground, "now I know what makes the birds

Lieutenants Lahm and Humphreys had so far progressed with their mas-tery of the Government's aeroplane tohad so far progressed with their mastery of the Government's aeroplane today that just before the closing of the afternoon's work Wilbur Wright allowed the two officers to oversee all details in the management of the machine prior to their ascension, but after being in the air three minutes the machine descended rather suddenly in a remote part of the field. One of the supporting wires had given way and, upon hearing it snap, the officers liad promptly pulled the lever to make a landing. The damage was trifling. His pupils have progressed so far His pupils have progressed so far that Mr. Wright has announced his in-tention of abandoning them for sev-eral days, allowing them to use the aeroplane at their discretion.

JUST PUT ON WINGS AND FLY

Jersey Professor Has Airy Way of Settling Question.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 27 .- At a meeting of the New Jersey State Bi-ological Society, held at Rutgers College yesterday, Professor Julius Nelson, state yesterday. Professor Julius Neison, state biologist, in a lecture on aerial naviga-tion, prophesied that within a few years any one would be able to ascend and descend in the air without the aid of aeroplanes or similar machines, but by the use of what he termed a "sky-

Why not manufacture wings, some thing on the order of those of birds, and have them controlled by the leg muscles of the human being?" asked Professor "Scientists have given this much Nelson. "Scientists have given this much thought and I prophesy that within a short time people will be able to go into the air any time they want to. Just take the wings out of your pocket and ascend. When you come down, fold them up and put them in your pocket."

Haytlen Navy Launched.

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Orville Sails for Home. SOUTHAMPTON, Oct. 27. - Orville

ton Woolen Mills.

Vright, the American aviator, sailed for ome today on the steamer Adriatic. Cable Fractures His Leg.

ASTORIA, Or., Oct. 27 .- (Special.)

While at work this morning Carl Gul-likson, a rigging rustler employed at the Palmer-Libby Company's camp, was truck by the cable and his left leg badly fractured.

yards in South Brooklyn, where the lit-tle craft, formerly the steam yacht Earl King, has been undergoing conversion into a war vessel. She will sail tomorrow into a war vessel. She will sail tomorrow effort to recover the body of W. W. Dennis, Deputy Sheriff, whe is believed to have been slugged and robbed and his body thrown off the wharf, but without result. The authorities are still

Crossed Wires Cause Blaze.

Electric wires becoming crossed on the new Ariington Club building, under course of construction at West Park and Saimon streets, caused a slight blaze last evening shortly after 8 o'clock. Staging eracted around the building being used by the workmen caught fire. Little damage was done.

General Coppinger III.

Seek Body of Murdered Officer.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 27.—The bottom of San Pedro Bay near the docks was at his residence in this city.

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