



## PINCHOT DENIES MAKING TROUBLE

### Disclaimer Relieves Tension in Cabinet.

## NO FIGHT ON BALLINGER

### Subordinate Caught Giving Information to Magazines.

## PEACE OVERTURES MADE

### President Pleased and Confirmed in Belief That Forester and Secretary Were Unduly Suspicious of Each Other.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—(Special.)—In a letter to President Taft, written of his own volition, it is believed, Gifford Pinchot has denied any responsibility whatever for the attacks on Secretary of the Interior Ballinger that have appeared in the magazines recently.

The fact that the letter had been received at the White House was admitted today, notwithstanding the wariness that is found everywhere about discussing the "controversy" between the Forest Service and the Interior Department.

The letter tends to clear up somewhat an extremely difficult situation that has been testing the judicial temperament of the President. On his return to Washington he found most of his cabinet officers bitterly arrayed against Pinchot because of a conviction that the Forester had inspired the renewal in the magazines of the crusade against Ballinger.

### Disclaimer is Complete.

It had been represented to the cabinet members that investigators "had the goods" on Pinchot, and minds had been made up to demand an immediate decapitation to end the warfare of one branch and the administration against another. This situation undoubtedly impelled Mr. Pinchot to make an explanation, although the President was apparently letting matters drift along as the best way to deal with a lot of angry statesmen who were forcing an issue hard.

The disclaimer of Pinchot is understood to be to the effect that he has in no manner inspired or encouraged Glavin and the magazine in their fight on Ballinger. It is explained that he has been in the Far West, out of touch with Glavin and the warring publications, and that at no time has he been spurring anybody on in the strife.

True, Mr. Pinchot did send Glavin to the President originally with the accusations growing out of the Cunningham coal land claims, but that was done with the full knowledge of the President and Government circles. Mr. Pinchot, it is explained, was actuated by a high purpose of serving the interests of the administration by persuading Glavin not to start a newspaper scandal but to go in orderly fashion and lay his case before the President.

### Subordinate Caught, Instead.

Mr. Pinchot is believed to have written to the President in this episode because he has been utterly innocent of making a single jab at Ballinger or of having done anything whatever to bring discredit on the administration.

The reported presentation to the President that Pinchot had virtually been caught in the act of underhandedly urging on the attacks is weakened to some degree by the admission of an administration official tonight, that it was one of Pinchot's subordinates who had been detected, and this did not even apply to the recent magazine publication that has aroused so much administration wrath.

In the light of Pinchot's letter to the President, it looks as if Mr. Taft's deduction a few months ago that Ballinger and Pinchot were unduly suspicious of each other may hold good in the present instance, so far as the Chief Forester is concerned, and not regarding what any subordinate may have done.

### Ultimatum Not Sent.

Pinchot will not even admit that he has addressed a letter to the President. He issued a noncommittal statement today, denying the story published this morning that he had sent an "ultimatum" to the President, describing it as a fabrication as silly as the recent yarn that he was in league with Senator La Follette and Francis J. Heney in a movement to discredit the Taft administration and pave the way for the recall of Roosevelt to the Presidency.

"The President was good enough to express his satisfaction with my work, and I am going ahead with it," says Pinchot, referring to the letter he received from Taft two months ago contemporaneously with the statement the President gave in vindication of Ballinger.

### Ballinger Makes Overtures.

Late tonight it is learned that Mr. Ballinger has expressed a willingness to establish peace with Mr. Pinchot on condition that the Chief Forester shall make the first offer of the olive branch. In view of the letter Mr. Pinchot has sent the President, the situation confronting Mr. Taft is regarded as one he can easily manage, and it appears

## WHEAT KING GIVES BACK GIRL BRIDE

### HARVEST ROMANCE WILL END IN DIVORCE.

### Wife Pines for Home and Boyhood Lover and Husband Takes Her to Her Parents' Home.

WENATCHEE, Wash., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—L. C. Hurlburt, the Big Bend wheat king, who married Miss Nora Wait, after a strenuous courtship in the harvest field, on October 20, has finally given up his fight to retain his marriage relation and today he brought her to this city and turned her over to her parents.

Soon after Hurlburt was married by Judge Palmer in this city the bride asked to visit her parents for a little while, and the happy pair would then turn homeward to their little home near Waterville.

The next day she did not show up and several days elapsed before she was found. After adjusting all difficulties the pair went away rejoicing. The thoughts of her parents and of a boyhood lover still remained with her and she longed to be free again. After devising all the ways possible to make her happy, Hurlburt finally gave up and brought his bride of a month back to her parents.

A divorce will be sought. Hurlburt has advised that he will not be responsible for any debts which she might contract in his name after today.

## PLATINUM FOUND IN SAND

### Discovery Will Mean Much to Coast Miners in Small Way.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 17.—Davis T. Day, United States Geological Survey director of Government petroleum work on the Pacific Coast, left here tonight to make a report to the Government in Washington. Mr. Day also is in charge of the research work in connection with platinum mining on the coast.

For several months he has conducted an investigation of the beach sands from Cape Flattery to Lompoc. Before leaving tonight he said:

"I believe that when the facts concerning the platinum mining industry as we have found them are known, a great stimulus will be given.

"Platinum can be taken from the sands of this coast in paying quantities by a simple mechanical process at little expense. While the industry is not likely to attract the attention of the big corporations, it will prove of immense interest to the miner in a small way."

## WOMAN FIGHTS FOR PURSE

### Cry of "Stop Thief!" Reaches No Ears on Thirteenth Street.

Fighting in the rain and darkness to retain possession of her purse, while two thieves wrestled with her, Mrs. P. L. Thompson, of 214 Halsey street, was worsted in the unequal struggle when two purse-snatchers attacked her on Thirteenth street, just above Market last night at 7 o'clock.

After securing possession of the purse, an expensive leather one, containing \$15 in money, the highwaymen ran down Thirteenth with the plucky woman in pursuit. Mrs. Thompson cried out "stop thief" repeatedly, but no one came. The thieves turned, but she entered a yard on the south side of that street.

## NEGRESS LOSES RACE SUIT

### Refused Cup of Coffee, Woman Seeks Damages.

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 17.—The Iowa Supreme Court today handed down a decision holding that a private business concern under the Iowa statutes could legally refuse to serve a negro. Mrs. Susie Brown, a negress, sued the J. H. Bell Coffee Company for \$1000 damages because she was refused a cup of coffee at a pure food show in this city a year ago.

In the lower court the woman won, but the Supreme Court today reversed the decision, holding that the Bell company, being a private concern, had the right to refuse to serve any one it wished, even though the person had paid an admission fee at the door.

## "FAKE" COUNT CONFESSES

### Paris Prisoner Admits San Francisco, Austria Record.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—The man Gubuta, who, with his wife, was arrested here on October 23, charged with having fraudulently obtained \$30,000 worth of jewelry while masquerading as the "Count" and "Countess" Gubuta, admitted today that he had been convicted of swindling in San Francisco, Switzerland and Austria. Gubuta insisted, however, that his wife, formerly a Mrs. Beck, of New York City, had married him in good faith, believing him to be the son of Archduke Otho, of Austria.

## THREE FREEZE TO DEATH

### Miners Caught in Colorado Blizzard Die on Road.

LEADVILLE, Colo., Nov. 17.—The bodies of Frank Loftis, William Hasty and James Hays were found today four miles west of the Hilltop mine in the Horseshoe district. The men had been frozen to death.

They started for the mine Monday and had evidently been caught in the blizzard. All lived here.

## MITCHELL PLEADS FOR REAL LIBERTY

### Labor Leader Cheered to Echo.

## HE SPEAKS AT CONVENTION

### American Federation of Labor Stands By Boycott.

## POSITION WELL DEFINED

### Dramatic Address of Man Under Sentence for Contempt of Court Declares for Rights Guaranteed by Constitution.

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 17.—Indorsing a report of the committee on boycott, John Mitchell, one of the three officers of the American Federation of Labor under sentence for contempt of court, made a dramatic speech to the convention today. He declared that so far as he is concerned, regardless of consequences, he intended, while at liberty, to declare for the rights guaranteed him by the Constitution. The report which drew forth Mitchell's speech, and which was adopted by the convention declared:

"When you say that your country is just and every other remedy has been employed without result, boycott; we say that when the employer has determined to exploit, not only adult male labor, but women and children, and our reasoning and appeal to his fairness and his conscience will not sway him, boycott; we say that, when labor has been oppressed, browbeaten and tyrannized, boycott; we say that, when social and political conditions become so bad that ordinary remedial measures are fruitless, boycott; and finally we say we have a right to labor, and we propose to exercise that right. In the application of this right of boycott, to paraphrase the president (Gompers), we propose to strive on and on."

### Mitchell is Cheered.

The convention broke into loud cheering for Mitchell as he concluded, and there were cries for Morrison. The secretary did not respond. President Gompers was absent.

Mr. Mitchell said he realized that every statement made by those on the convention floor, and especially by those who on next Monday will have to deliver themselves to the court, is being closely scrutinized.

"I want the people of the United States to know my position," he said. "I shall not speak defiantly; but I shall not surrender any right guaranteed me by the Constitution of the United States. If I know myself, not any amount of suffering will persuade me that I have not the right to spend my money where I please, or that I have not the right to write and speak as I please.

"I understand that cognizance is being taken at Washington of the utterances of men on the floor of this convention, and I want clearly to state my position.

### Position is Defined.

"I propose in the future, as I have in the past, to exercise the rights secured to me by the fathers of my country; and I propose, if I am sent to jail, again when I come out, that I shall not, for myself, purchase any product of the Buck's Stove & Range Company. I make

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## WATTERSON HITS YELLOW JOURNALS

### EDITOR OF LOUISVILLE PAPER BANQUET GUEST.

### Writer Regrets Modern-Day Sensationalism—Reporters Should Not Be Detectives.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Deprecating the tendency of newspapers toward sensationalism, Colonel Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, addressed members of the National Press Club tonight, at a reception in his honor, on the personal relation of the newspaper to the public. Mr. Watterson is on his way home after an extensive European trip.

"Pretending to be the especial defenders of liberty, we are becoming the invaders of private rights," said Colonel Watterson.

"No household longer seems safe against intrusion. Our reporters are being turned into detectives. As surely as this he not checked, we shall grow to be the objects of fear and hatred instead of trust and respect.

"Some one ought to organize an intelligent and definite movement toward the betterment of that which has reached alarming proportions.

"I say this in your interests as well as the interest of the public and the profession, for I am sure that you are gentlemen and want to be considered so, whereas the work you are often set to do is often the reverse of gentlemanly.

"It subjects you to aversion and contempt—brings you and a high and mighty calling into disrepute—by confusing the purpose and functions of the newspaper with those of the police and the scavenger.

"I have been proud of that calling all my life, and when I go to my account I want to see a clean and honored flag flying from the masthead."

## CASE CENTURY OLD ENDS

### Colorado Family Beneficiaries of Vast English Estate.

PUEBLO, Colo., Nov. 17.—After being in controversy for over 100 years, an estate in England which may represent several million dollars, will revert to several Colorado persons, according to a decision of the English courts, notice of which has been received by Mrs. C. O. Dufug, of Pueblo, who recently removed to Denver.

Two children in Pueblo—William Dufug, a clerk, and Miss Vanda Dufug, a society girl—and another son, August Dufug, a clerk in Denver, will be beneficiaries through their mother, Mrs. M. S. Hayden, of Walsenburg, a sister of Mrs. Dufug, is also an heir.

Mrs. Dufug before marriage was Miss Kate Withington, and the property was owned by her great-grandfather. The estate includes Sydney Castle in England and had been in litigation since 1800.

## PAIR CUTS TRAVEL BILL

### Wedded Now, Mail Clerk Saves 14,600 Miles Courting Annually.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 17.—Albert A. Kennedy, of this city, and Miss Mabel E. Young, of Wilmington, were married today after a romantic courtship of 13 years. During all that time, according to close friends, Kennedy never failed a single day in calling upon his sweetheart, notwithstanding the distance of 20 miles to Wilmington.

By buggy, railroad train, bicycle, trolley-car or horseback, he traveled the 20 miles regularly 365 times a year, and sometimes twice a day to see the girl he loved and one of his companions figures that he made a total of fully 5000 visits, representing 200,000 miles. The bridegroom is a mail clerk.

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## OUTLAW BASEBALL SEEMS CERTAINTY

### However M'Credees Do, Split Is Likely.

## NORTHWEST IS FULL OF FIGHT

### Support in Contest Against Californians Is Hearty.

## MONEY SUPPORT PLEDGED

### Sentiment Among Portland Followers of National Game Undergoes Rabid Change—Complete Break Is Favored.

If the McCredees say the word the Northwestern Baseball League will go out and invade Portland.

If the McCredees elect to stay with the Pacific Coast League, there are strong indications the Northwestern League will invade the city anyway. To do so, they must go out.

Joseph Cohn, owner of the Spokane team, declares he stands ready to stand by the McCredees and fight with them to the end if they will cut out the Pacific Coast League.

George Schreeder, owner of the Tacoma team, declares that while he cannot afford to make the fight as an outlaw, he will have no more to do with the baseball game if Portland is to be shut out of the Northwestern League. His purpose is to sell out.

A. R. Dickson, manager of the Vancouver team, has declared to his associates that if keeping Portland on the circuit means that the league must go outlaw, he is emphatically in favor of that measure.

President McFarlane, of the Aberdeen team, is unequivocally in favor of the league going outlaw in order to keep Portland.

While Dugdale has not been interviewed since Portland's touchdown at the hands of the Pacific Coast League Tuesday, his close associates at Seattle declare he favors the outlaw movement.

None of the Northwestern League magnates has expressed himself openly as to what course he favors in case the McCredees shall elect to stay with the Pacific Coast League. But all of them, it has been known, are determined Portland shall continue in the Northwestern League. That this means a break from organized baseball there is little doubt.

In Portland, sentiment among the followers of baseball, heretofore with and for the Pacific Coast League, has undergone a radical change since Tuesday's developments. The feeling is now nearly unanimous for affiliation with the Northwest League and a complete break from the Pacific Coast League.

## SPOKANE PROMISES CASH AID

### Reserve Fund of \$15,000 McCredees' If Cohn Has His Way.

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—"You can say for me," said Joseph Cohn, president of the Spokane club, "that the Spokane club puts itself on record to go down the line with Judge McCredees, just as far as he'll let us.

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## ASTOR AND YACHT LOST; SEARCH ON

### NEW YORKER, RECENTLY DIVORCED, GONE 12 DAYS.

### Safety of Craft in Doubt and Government Issues Lookout Orders.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Colonel John Jacob Astor, who is aboard his yacht Nourmahal, has not been in communication with New York for 12 days, and it is probable that he has not heard that Mrs. Astor obtained a divorce November 4.

Early that day, before the divorce formally was granted, Colonel Astor was reported to have sailed from Port Antonio, Jamaica. Since then no word has been received of his whereabouts, and some concern has been felt for the safety of the yacht on account of the recent West Indian storm.

Mrs. Astor sailed for Europe on the Louisiana today.

Vincent, the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Astor, is cruising with his father.

William A. Bobbin, Astor's private secretary, said tonight that he was without word from Colonel Astor, but felt that his protracted silence was due only to interruption of telegraphic communication.

On board the Nourmahal, with Astor and his son, when the yacht sailed from Jacksonville on October 15, was Richard Peters, a cousin of Mrs. Astor; Vincent Astor's tutor, Herr van Kaitenburn, and a crew of 45 men and officers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Search is being made by the Government for the missing yacht Nourmahal, belonging to John Jacob Astor, of New York. She is supposed to be somewhere in West Indian waters. The commander of the revenue cutter Algonquin at San Juan, P. R., was cabled for information.

## RUSSELL GIRL TO WED JAP

### Daughter of Actress Admits She Is Engaged to Prince Mutsuhito.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Not having a great fortune to pave the way to an European title Miss Dorothy Russell, daughter of Lillian Russell, the actress, has decided to become an Oriental Princess. She admitted last night that she is engaged to Aoki Sumutru, Prince Mutsuhito, a nephew of the Emperor of Japan. She is waiting in Pasadena, accompanied by Miss M. A. Driscoll, who is to act as her chaperone, she says, until she becomes "Princess Mutsuhito."

The Prince has sailed from Japan and the wedding is expected to follow his arrival. The romance, Miss Russell says, began when the Prince was a student at Yale.

## STOLEN MONEY AIDED SON

### Warrior Says Mrs. Ford Got Coin to Pay Tuition.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 17.—Mrs. Jeannet Stewart-Ford, arrested yesterday, charged with receiving stolen money from Charles Warrior, indicted former treasurer of the Big Four Railroad, obtained the money to complete the education of her 12-year-old son, according to a statement made by Warrior today.

Warrior, who is in jail, accused of having embezzled \$25,000, told Prosecutor Hunt that Mrs. Ford had obtained \$1000 from him last October. The woman had told him, he said, that if she did not get the money her son would have to leave his boarding school near Cincinnati.

Mrs. Ford was released today on a bond furnished by a security company. Warrior is still in jail.

## REINWALD TO JOIN COOK

### Austrian Mountain Climber Hopes to Scale McKinley's Summit.

PASADENA, Cal., Nov. 17.—(Special.) Paul Reinwald, the Austrian mountain climber, who holds a number of medals for his work, has just received a letter from Dr. Frederick Cook stating that Reinwald's application to accompany Cook on his next expedition to Mount McKinley will be accepted.

Reinwald has made numerous records for his endurance and states if anyone can "stick it out" and reach the summit of Mount McKinley he is certain he can do it. One of Reinwald's staunch supporters is Richard K. Fox. Fox has presented Reinwald with a diamond-studded medal for his work in mountain climbing in Switzerland.

## SNOW ON PLANET MARS

### Scientist Records First Apparent Antarctic Snow of Season.

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., Nov. 17.—Director Lowell, of the Observatory here, reports that the first apparent Antarctic snow fall of the season has been observed here on Mars. Two patches appear at the altitude 62,721, longitude 190.150.

The first was on November 12 and was small, with a great increase on the 16th. This is of special interest because it is exceptionally early for the first Martian Antarctic snow.

## GIRL OVERPOWERS THIEF

### She Wrenches From Him \$200 Worth of Jewelry and Furs.

PRINCETON, Nov. 17.—Miss Grace Witherspoon, 29 years old, tonight overpowered a burglar who had entered her home and wrested from him a pillowcase containing more than \$200 worth of jewelry and furs.

## PRIMARY BALLOT DISGUSTS VOTERS

### Hundreds Shrink From Clumsy Ticket.

## LOS ANGELES PLAYS FOR FOLLY

### New System Costs 100 Per Cent More Than Old.

## ONLY HALF VOTE POLLED

### Taxpayers Object to Putting Up for Two Campaigns—City Sick of Freak Laws—"Reformers" Deal Severe Blow.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Los Angeles has tried its first direct-nominating primary election, and there are few voters who actively and honestly defend the new freak election method. Aside from the result, people of all parties and supporters of all movements and friends of all candidates for office generally condemn the direct primary.

It is the sole topic of conversation in clubs, on street corners, in offices. How did it work? Is the all-absorbing question. For Los Angeles has tried almost every kind of freak regulation, and Angelenos of all classes are now feverishly anxious to know if there is any new method for them to try, comparing it with the old system.

Very generally loud objections are heard to the direct primary in its practical workings. The "Good Government Organization," popularly known as the "Goo-Goo," openly and ardently championed the direct primary from the outset with comparatively little—and that listless—opposition.

### Field Open to All.

By the provisions of the primary law, any citizen may become a candidate for any office upon filing a petition bearing 100 names of registered voters. It is a poor politician who cannot get such a petition filed in an hour or two, and as

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