

ALDID VOTE TOMORROW

RESULT OF CONGRER CHARGES MERE GUESSWORK.

Both Members May Resign, One Is Certain to Go, but Whether Accuser or Accused Is Unknown.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 28.—The 48 members of the State Senate who comprise the jury in the Aldid-Conger bribery case will vote Tuesday on the question of whether Senator Conger has succeeded in making good his charge that Senator Aldid, while majority leader of the Assembly, in 1901, demanded, received and accepted \$1000 for influencing highway legislation.

What the verdict will be no one knows. Corridor gossip has been busy with speculations and predictions have been freely offered, but these forecasts have been mere guess work.

Should the verdict be against Aldid, he will be given an opportunity to resign, otherwise a motion will probably be made to expel him. If the Senate decides Conger has not proved his case, a motion to expel him probably will be made.

Senator Aldid declared before the investigation began that he was innocent. It is true there were "two Senators unfit in the Senate." If untrue, "then one is unfit."

If true, there is reason to believe that if the charges are sustained and Aldid resigns, or is expelled, an effort will be made to expel Conger if he does not resign.

With the Aldid case out of the way, the question of a broader investigation of alleged corruption will have to be settled.

EAST SIDE HOMES ROBBED

Gold Watches and Cash Taken While Family Sleeps.

Three houses on the East Side were ransacked Sunday night, the burglars securing small hauls. The home of W. E. Brooks, 728 East Couch street, was entered about 8 o'clock in the evening, only a few minutes after the family had retired for the night.

Mrs. Brooks was aroused by hearing an unusual noise, and, thinking it was one of the children upstairs, called out. Immediately the burglar, making no attempt to conceal his presence, walked down the stairway and out through the rear door, which he smashed. He had secured entrance through a pantry window, cutting through a screen on the inside. He stole a valuable gold watch, hunting case, having the monogram "C. R. B." engraved on it, and also secured a purse containing about \$2.

The home of James C. Webster, a salesman for the Lilly Seed Co., 790 Cleveland street, was entered yesterday, the robber taking away with him also a lady's gold watch and \$6 in silver.

Another house, 47 East Seventeenth street, North, belonging to Morris M. Hinzford, was broken into while the family attended church. When they returned shortly after 9 o'clock they discovered that ever home had been turned topsy-turvy, but nothing was missing.

SEASIDE EATS ICE-CREAM

Summer Reaches Beach, and Score Bathe in Breakers.

SEASIDE, Ore., March 28.—(Special.)—With a score of bonfires twinkling on the beach, ice cream on sale for the first time this season and many Summer cottages opened, it is no wonder that the hotels being filled to capacity. Easter of 1910 will go down as the most prosperous Easter Seaside has ever enjoyed.

The noon train Saturday was as crowded as any Summer special. The night special came in with a large number of passengers standing and the leading hotels had to refuse those who came without reservations. In one prominent hotel over half a dozen persons slept in blankets on the front porch.

Summer weather has brought out the Summer girl and she is at Seaside in her glory. A full score bathed Saturday in the breakers.

Based on railroad and other estimates, 1500 persons visited this part of Clatsop Beach.

TAFTS TAKE EASTER AUTO

President and Wife Take Trip Over Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Bright sunshine and a cloudless sky marked Easter here today. In the afternoon the President and Mrs. Taft drove around the city in an automobile.

The annual parade on Connecticut avenue was especially gorgeous this year and in the stream of pedestrians many notables of the official, diplomatic and Congressional life of Washington.

The President will leave the capital tomorrow and respectfully has been compelled to forego overseeing the egg-rolling on the White House lawn. Mrs. Taft and her house guests, however, will visit the children during the afternoon.

BAY CITY'S MAN MYSTERY

Body Found Floating in Bay Waters. May Be Seattle Resident.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—The body of an unknown man was found floating in the waters of the bay today. From a tailor's mark on the coat it was learned that the clothing had been purchased in Seattle. As nearly as could be deciphered, the tag on the coat bore the initials "S. W."

The body, which had been in the water several weeks, is badly decomposed. It is that of a man 5 feet 8 inches in height and about 160 pounds in weight. The suit is of dark green cloth and the overcoat is of dark material.

WESTON TEN DAYS AHEAD

Aged Walker Spends Easter at Missouri Farmhouse.

LA PLATA, Mo., March 28.—At a farmhouse two miles east of this place, Edward Payson Weston, the aged western, spent Easter. He arrived there about 7 o'clock last night, having covered 45 miles.

The veteran will start eastward again early tomorrow morning with the expectation of walking to Dumas, Mo., 60 miles, before stopping for the night. He is 10 days ahead of his schedule.

JEFFS' WORLD TOUR SETTLED

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For the protection of the aeronaut it is recommended the proprietors of high buildings and other structures be required to illuminate their buildings at night at each level of 30 feet, while electric wires strung above 150 feet from the ground should be marked each 600 feet with a white flag by day and a white light by night.

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TRUSTIES SAVE GUARD

PRISONER, TO ESCAPE, WIELDS BRICK IN CLOTH.

Deputy Sheriff Draper, of Tacoma, Grapples With Alleged Highwayman—Aid Arrives.

TACOMA, Wash., March 28.—(Special.)—J. J. Colton, alias Wallace, held in the county jail to await trial on two charges of highway robbery, made a murderous assault on Deputy Sheriff Harry Draper in the cell-room of the county jail Sunday afternoon with a brick wrapped in a cloth. But for the timely assistance given to Draper by trustees Colton probably would have killed the deputy and liberated himself and other prisoners.

Draper has a severe scalp wound, the seriousness of which will not be known until a closer examination can be made. It is believed, however, that the deputy sheriff's skull is not fractured.

Draper raised his arm as Colton made a murderous swing with the brick and the blow caught him on the arm and back part of the head. Draper was dazed by the blow, but did not fall. He grappled with the prisoner and held him about the arms until several trustees gave assistance. Colton was overpowered and put in his cell.

It is the belief that Colton, brooding over the possibility of a life term, grew desperate.

IDAHO AFTER BACK COIN

Governor Brady Insists \$75,000 Is Due From Public Land Sales.

BOISE, Idaho, March 28.—(Special.)—The Interior Department report that Idaho is entitled to \$75,000 on a 6 per cent basis from public land sales in this state since the period from the admission into statehood in 1890 to 1896, has urged Governor Brady to insist on an investigation of the state records to ascertain where the money went if paid, and if not paid to find the grounds the Interior Department has for its denial.

State Treasurer Hastings says he has looked the money record on a 6 per cent basis for land sales from 1883 to 1888, which had been "sandwiched" into the records of the office under various accounts. Hints at misappropriation are made, but are scoffed at by state officials, who believe that the present controversy between the state and the Government is due to a misunderstanding.

With a view of putting members of the Idaho Congressional delegation on the spot in the missing funds, Governor Brady wrote them personal letters. A few days ago Senator Hayburn replied, saying that so far as he had been able to ascertain, Idaho had received everything that was due it, and if there was no accounting for it, the state books must be in error. It was through this letter that the state Treasurer was able to locate the "sandwiched" accounts.

This would have closed the case, but Governor Brady, still believing in the right, demanded further investigation. It was then discovered that cash payment has not been made to Idaho by the Government covering a period of 20 years.

Due to the probing of Governor Brady, the state has practically abandoned its first claim for \$75,000 and substituted a claim for \$5,000. This brings before the state and the Interior Department the question as to whether the claim of a state for 5 per cent of the public land sales where scrip was used instead of cash payments, can be substantiated.

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RAILROAD READY TO BUILD

Steel Bridge Will Soon Span Chelalis at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 28.—(Special.)—That the steel railway bridges over the Chelalis River at Aberdeen will be built during the coming Summer by the Grays Harbor & Puget Sound (Union Pacific) Railway, is the statement of J. E. Holman, chief engineer of the line and assistant manager of the Harriman interests in Washington.

Bids for the construction of the piers for the bridge have already been called for. These bids are returnable March 21, and immediately thereafter the contract will be let and construction will begin not later than April 15.

The bridge proper outside of the approaches will be entirely of steel, with five spans. According to Mr. Holman the bridge should be ready for traffic by October 15.

ALUMNI BACK F. A. GOLDEN

Marshfield Body Objects to Ousting of School Superintendent.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., March 28.—(Special.)—The high school alumni of Marshfield are making an effort to have F. A. Golden retained as Superintendent of the Public Schools. When it was announced that the Board of Education would not re-elect Mr. Golden to the place the members of the alumni met and passed resolutions asking that the superintendent be retained. If his office is abolished the alumni ask that he be made principal of the high school at the same salary he is now receiving.

The School Board has decided to abolish the office of superintendent. For 20 years Mr. Golden was principal of the high school and during the past year has held the office of superintendent of all of the schools. Under the new plan announced by the Board the schools will be under the supervision of three principals who

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