# \* GRAFT CASE JURY DELAYS VERDICT

Charges Against Pittsburg Councilmen Are Well Substantiated.

TESTIMONY

Witness Klein Says There Were Few Councilmen Who Would Not Take Money-Many Coming Around to Ask For It.

PITTSBURG, April 20 .- The jury is out tonight considering the case of the second councilman placed on trial for bribery. When court adjourned, no verdict was returned, and if one is reached during the night, it will be sealed and submitted to the court early in the morning. The case is that of Councilman A. V. Simon, who pleaded guilty when brought into court today, despite pleas of lliness.

John F. Klein was the chief witness against Simon, and his testimony was corroborated by ex-Councilman Charless.

Stewart and by Dr. W. H. Weber, who has admitted he gave Klein \$6000 to

distribute among councilmen.

Klein afforded the court much amusement today by his testimony, especially when he said there were few councilmen that would not take money and that generally they came around and asked, "Am I in?" Some, afraid they were not "in." according to Klein, threatened to tell George W. Guthrie, who was Mayor at that time, Klein said Pittsburg councilmen were only too willing to vote for any ordinance that had a dollar mark on it.

Simon is alleged to have received \$525 in the bank ordinance case and to have been one of the \$81.10 men in the street vacation ordinance.

#### WHO TELEPHONED POLICE? Release of Prisoner at Command of

Voice, Causes Aberdeen Scandal.

ABERDEEN, Wash., April 20.-(Special.) A mysterious voice called up police headquarters Friday night and ordered the release of Felix Skoidowski, charged with grand larceny by Peter McGuire, saloonkeeper, for the theft of a diamond pin. Night Sergeant Ed Tribbetis com-

From this has grown a scandal, involv-ing the Police Department, municipal heads and Justice of the Peace Bush, before whom the case was set for preliminary hearing.

Tribbetts in a sworn statement today declares that the voice which ordered freedom for Skoldowski was that of the Justice Bush and not that of Councilman Ed Dolen or Maguire, as charged by City Attorney A. M. Wade.

Justice Bush declares it a "frame-up," and that on the night in question he went to bed at 8 o'clock and never saw any-

to bed at 8 o'clock and never saw any one in relation to the case. Maguire says that in the presence of himself and Jack Houston, the judge said he would re-lease Skoklowski upon payment of costs.

### PORTLANDER MAKES TALK

E. T. Allen, Forester, Speaks Before Lumbermen at New Orleans.

vention of the National Lumber Manu-facturers' Association included discus-sions of the utilization of manu-NEW ORLEANS, April 20 .- The provation. Among the speeches today

"Utilization of Waste in Forest and Mill," by John B. White, of Kansas City, chairman of the executive com-mittee of the National Conservation As-

sociation.

"The Box Industry in its Relation to Lumber Consumption," by C. A. Staf-ford, of Chicago, manager of the Na-tional Association of Box Manufac-

"Forest Fire Prevention." by E. T.
Allen. of Portland, Or., Forester of the
Western Conservation Association.
"Freight Classification," by Charies
E. Browser, Secretary of the Classification Committee of the lumber and
wooden box interests of the United

### INSURANCE LINE DRAWN

Commissioners Would Increase Requirements of Fraternals.

CHICAGO, April 20.—At a meeting tere yesterday of insurance commissioners from a dozen states and offislals of insurance companies from all parts of the country, a proposed uni-form state law to regulate fraternal insurance societies was adopted. It is proposed to present the bill for adopion by every state legislature. Among

All fraternal insurance societies after January 1, 1912, shall collect assess-ments based on standard tables of mor-

Each society shall make an annual waluation of its business and publish it for the benefit of pollcyholders.

When a society has accused liabilities in excess of its assets it shall be placed in the hands of a receiver, and deferred payments are to be included in its liabilities.

#### BRITISH STEAMSHIP LOST

Fate of Crew of Satara, Off Australia, Is Not Known.

NEWCASTLE, N. S. W., April 20 .-The British India Navigation Company's steamer Satara has foundered off the Seal Rocks. The fate of the crew is not known. The Satara was bound for Sing apore and, it is understood, she carried no passengers.

#### PEACE PLANS ARE FAVORED

World Court of Arbitration Is Believed Practicable.

WASHINGTON, April 20,-Ultimate disarmament of nations is practicable, according to Secretary Knox. He be-lieves that a court of arbitrable peace will reduce armament and will ultimately render large armaments unnec-

His plan for an arbitral court, outlined in an identical note sent last Fall to various nations, is said to be

meeting with general favor, and Mr. Knox believes such a court will be constituted at The Hague in the near future.

future.

The court, it is expected, would develop international law, just as the common law of England and the United States has been developed by judicial

decision.

The Secretary gave as an illustration of the successful operation of an international court the conditions in California following the discovery of gold. In the absence of courts, every man carried a pistol and himself redressed his real or fancied wrongs. Ultimately the establishment of courts rendered the carrying of arms unnecessary and they were discarded. they were discarded.

The Secretary foresees a like result to the nations from the establishment of a great international tribunal.

AMUSING MAN DRINKS. THEN IS LOST

Temperance Worker, Wedded but Day, Suddenly Disappears.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 20.—With-in less than 24 hours after his marriage to a Los Angeles girl, Thomas Hughes, a temperance worker who had been en-gaged in anti-saloon and morality cru-sades in Cincinnati, Chicago, and more ecently in San Francisco and Oakland. disappeared and his bride appealed to the police yesterday to find him. He vanished after taking one glass of beer,

Hughes married Miss Cora Beck, im-

Dakotan Avers Taft Would Guide Railway Law Through Appointments.

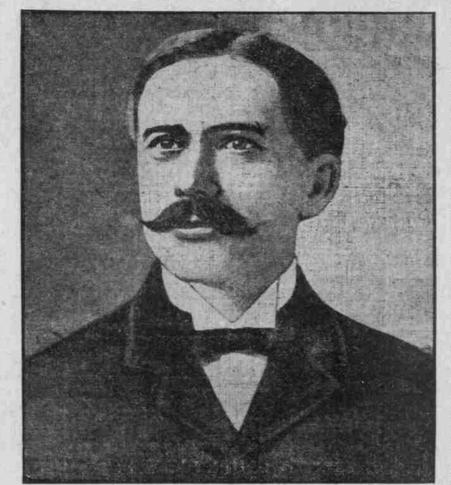
MERGER CLAUSE SCORED

Amendment Requiring That Traffic Agreements Shall Be "Subject

to Approval" of Commission Receives Senate's Assent.

WASHINGTON, April 20 .- In his maiden speech in the Senate, delivered today on the railroad bill, Senator Pur-

JUDGE KNOWN FOR PART IN STANDARD OIL DECISION MAY SUCCEED BREWER.



WILLIS VAN DEVANTER. \*

mediately after testifying Saturday at the tried of a hotel proprietor, whose arrest he had procured the day before. Returning home that evening from the hotel, where he had registered to secure evidence, Hughes brought with him a bottle of beer, according to the story Mra. Hughes told the police. He took one drink, she said, and fell to the floor in spasms.

Cell of North Dakota sharply criticised the President and the Attorney-General. He practically charged a purpose of so transforming the Supreme Court as to insure such construction of the proposed law as to supplant and nullify antagonistic state laws and state constitutions.

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#### COLONEL BIXBY PROMOTED

Becomes Chief of Engineers; Goethals Not in Line.

WASHINGTON, April 20.-Colonel Willlam S. Bixby, senior Colonel of the Corps of Engineers stationed in St. Louis, president of the Mississippi River Commission, will be appointed chief of engineers to succeed Brigadier-General William L Marshall, who retires in June.
Colonel Bixby will retire as Brigadier-General fust about the time of the completion of the Panama Canal, and it is surmised this will afford an opportunits for the promotion of Lieutenant-Colonel George W. Goethals, engineer in charge of the canal construction, to the head of the engineer corps.

BURGLARS LOOT GROCERY Escape With Money at Albany While Proprietor Enters .

ROSEBURG, Or., April 20 .- (Special.) A daring burglary occurred here shortly after 10 o'clock this evening, when masked robbers entered Kidd & Sons' grocery, forced open the safe and made away with \$150 in cash. The burglars effected entrance to a rear win-dow and were seen leaving the store by Robert Kidd, one of the pro-pletors, who chanced to enter as they

had completed the job.

Every available police officer in the city has been detailed on the case and their capture is expected at any moment.

EARLY HEARING IS ASKED Trial for Right of Way for Pipe Line Sought by Medford.

MEDFORD, Or., April 20.—(Special.)

The City Attorney of Medford went to Grants Pass today to ask Judge Calkins for an early hearing of the case of the City of Medford versus M. F. Hanley, as a new trial for a right-of-way for a pine line through Handley. a new trial for a right-of-way for a pipe line through Hanley's land has been ordered by the Suprems Court.

The pipe line has been laid all the way from Fish ake to Medford with the exception of this tract of land and Engineer Roberts says that by June 1 something will have to be done to save the pipes from injury unless water is turned into them.

#### LEATHER MAN FOUND DEAD

Bullet Wound, Asserted Accidental, Kills Chicago Manufacturer.

CHICAGO, April 28,-Carl W. Eisendrath, vice-president of the Monarch Leather Company, was found dead in his room here today. Death was caused by bullet from a hunting rifle.

Members of the family declare the shooting was accidental.

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He was dealing with the merger pro-vision of the bill and having stated that the North Dakota state constiturallroad lines he contended that unhad been held that questions of this character were subject to state con-

#### Court to Be Reconstructed?

"It must be apparent to everybody." he added. "that when the President and the Attorney-General drafted this law they were familiar with existing laws covered section 12 It is fair to assume the put it in this bill because they wanted to see it become law. Section 12, if enacted, would conflict with the decisions men-

"It can become operative only in one ay. Of the members of the Supreme Court which decided the Louisville & Nashville Railorad case, only three now are on the bench, and two are advanced n years and entitled to retirement. The Two vacancies now practically exist. Two more will soon exist in the natural course of events. This will make at least four appointments the President will have to

"Having the power to appoint the members of this court, who finally de-termine the law upon all questions, he has the opportunity to appoint those whose sentiments on section 12 accord

#### Lumber Tariff Criticised.

Mr. Purcell declared that already the country had repudlated the wisdom of the President in giving his indorse-ment to the new tariff law. He spoke regarding the failure to place lumber on the free list, and went at length into conditions in his own state, where he said lumber business was largely under control of a ring.

The Senate engaged in a prolonged wrangle over the status of amendments offered by Senator Crawford and Cummins to the provisions legalizing traffic agreements between railroad ompanies. This condition was at last relieved by the acceptance by Senator Elkins of the Crawford amendment. The Crawford provision requires that such agreements shall be subject the approval of the Interstate Commence Commission, but does not speci-fically require this approval shall be youchsafed before the agreements go into effect.

WITHDRAWAL BILL IS PASSED

Vote on Conservation Measure in House Almost Unanimous.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The Pick-ett conservation bill, authorizing the President to make withdrawals of pub-President to make withdrawals of public lands for purposes of conservation, was passed by the House today. No record vote was taken, the final passage of the bill being unanimous. As passed, the bill is practically in the form it was introduced by Mr. Pickett, of Iowa, it being stated that in that form it had had the approval of the President. Under its terms the President is authorized to withdraw President is authorized to withdraw rom location public lands for public ases and for examination and classi-location to determine their character and value. These withdrawals, the bill provides, are to remain in force until revoked by the President or by Congress.

An agreement again to report the relson bill to authorize the President to make withdrawals of areas of pub-

lic lands was reached by the Senate committee on public lands. It is pro-vided that the withdrawais should be from settlement, location, sale or en-try, and reserved for water-power sites, irrigation, classification or for other public purposes. While the bill amended so as to declare that the public lands might be withdrawn "temporarily." the provision that the reservations should remain in force until revoked by the President or an act of Congress was retained.

MAXWELL TO BE ASKED AGAIN

Ship Subsidy Witness Will Have

act of Congress was retained.

Another Chance to Answer. WASHINGTON, April 29 .- It was de washington, April 29.—It was de-cided today to give John M. Maxwell, of Indianapolis, the recalcitrant wit-ness before the House ship subsidy in-vestigating committee, another chance to avoid being reported to the House for contempt in refusing to answer the committee's questions.

The select committee informally de-The select committee informally decided today to try to secure the information from him in some other way, the idea being that the report to the House was too serious a proceduce to adopt without exhausting every means of getting the witness to tell what he knew.

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he knew.

The hearing tomorrow is likely to be devoted to the testimony of Editor Dotson, of the Crookston, Minn., Times, subpensed at the request of Representative Steenerson. Maxwell probably will be recalled to the stand Friday or Saturday.

PENALTY MADE FOR BANKERS

House Committee Favors Bill Governing Insolvency.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The House committee on banking and currency to-day favorably reported a bill by Repre-sentative Russell, of Texas, making it a felony for any officer of a National bank to receive any deposit of money or other valuable property after such officer has knowledge of the insolvency of teh bank. The punishment provided is imprisonment for from two to ten years.

The committee also favorably reported

to bill by Representative Parsons, authorizing the Attorney-General to bring que warrante proceedings for the custing of any officer of a National bank who violates the currency laws.

## VAN DEVANTER NEAR TOP

JUDGE CONSIDERED FOR PLACE ON SUPREME BENCH.

Washington Paper Regards Former Wyoming Man as Probability for Justice Brewer's Place.

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 20.—The Washington Times (Independent) prints the following in regard to the possibility of Judge Van Devanter being appointed to the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench, caused by the death of Justice Brewer

'Judge Willis Van Devanter, of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, is looming up as a possibility for the Supreme Court bench, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Brewer. Although the President is in no hurry to make his selection for this important post, he has already begun to look over the field of probabilities and eligibles, and Van Devanter is said to stand near the top of the list, with Lloyd W. Bowers, dicitor-General for the Department

of Justice.

"Judge Van Devanter was a member of the court which made the famou decision dissolving the Standard Oil Company, on which an appeal is now pending before the Supreme Court. He is originally from Wyoming, and is known to the judiciary of the whole country as a man of profound legal learning and strong character. He was seriously considered for the Supreme bench by the President just before tent with delivering the Thirty-S Judge Lurton was appointed, and he has the indorsement of a strong following in the West.

"It is probable that Mr. Taft will not make his final selection before June 1. and he may let it go over until next Fall, but so far his study of the situ-ation has left him with a high opinion of Judge Van Devanter, according to those who profess to be familiar with the President's views."

### PHONE MERGER IS BEATEN

Attempts at Bribery in Ohio Defeat Corporation Scheme.

COLUMBUS, O., April 20.—By a vote of 14 to 19 the Senate tonight defeated the Elson telephone merger bill. passage of this measure by the House resulted in bribery charges and an inresulted in bribery charges and an investigation by a legislative committee.

The House committee that instigated the bribery charges today connects no member of the House with any irregular or unlawful act in connection with the Elson bill. The testimony shows, however, the committee way. ever, the committee says, that an unsuccessful attempt was made to influ-ence Representative H. W. Pears in his vote on the bill and the grand jury may find evidence to warrant an investiga-

Evidence is disclosed, the committee reports by the testimony of Representa-tive Cyrus D. Withers that, if he with-drew his opposition to the Elson bill, he drew his opposition to the Esson will would receive political influence and support in his candidacy for Secretary of the for any other office. This State or for any other office. This evidence, however, is contradicted by evidence as positive and direct, says the committee.

### CUBA TAKES PRECAUTIONS

Troops Sent to Santa Clara to Pre vent Uprising of Negroes.

HAVANA, April 20.—During the night a special train carrying a battallion of infantry and a battery of machine guns under command of General Rivas left Camp Columbia, bound for Santa Clara.

There was a rumor current last night that an uprising had occurred in Santa Clara Province, but this the govern-

ment denied. Secretary of the Interior Lopez Levia today issued a statement positively de-nying the existence of the least disorder in Santa Clara or any other par-

of the island.

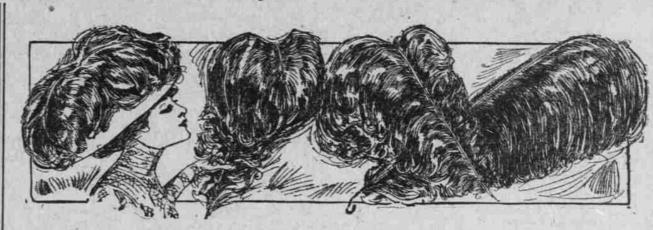
The Secretary said reports had reached the government that there was a condition of suppressed excitement among the Negroes of Santa Clara and the eastern provinces, in consequence of the incendiary utterances of the negro agitator, General Evaristo Es-tenoz. Because of this report, the Secretary said the government had decided to send troops for the sake of the

Taggart After Beveridge's Job.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 20 .- Thomas Taggart, former chairman of the Demo-cratic National Committee, formally an-nounced today that he would be a can-didate before the General Assembly next year to succeed Albert J. B

JUST IN-"A MODERN CHRONICLE," BY WINSTON CHURCHILL

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up to \$15.00 each \$800 French stock. Regular \$2.95 colors. These are long flue

large French Curled Plumes. All French Plumes in light, blue, pink dyed from the best white and white. Six dozen in the lot. stock. Worth up to \$.800 An unusually fine as- \$1.39

ROCHESTER CONGRESSMAN NOT TO SEEK RE-ELECTION.

Delivery of New York's Thirty-Sec ond District From Republican Boss All That Is Sought.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 20 .- James S. Congressional District from the hands of a "Republican boss," and that he would not accept renomination for the office of Congressman, to which he was elected yesterday by nearly 6000 plurality.
"I feel," said Mr. Havens, "that I have

done enough for the party in overturning the political machine that has ruled Mon-roe County for the last 20 years. It is now somebody else's turn." For personal and professional reasons, he said, it would be impossible for him to serve in Congress after the expiration

of his present tetrm.

Regarding a boom for Governor launched today by one of the newspapers that supported him, Mr. Havens was si-

that although Haven's election shows that the people of this district were dissatisfied with the tariff policy of the Republican National Administration and with the political control of George W. Aldridge, Havens' defeated opponent, it entrenched Governor Hughes and his polcly more strongly than ever.

According to Mr. Havens, the high cost of living was mainly responsible for yes-

LOGGER KILLED BY LIMB Partner Standing Three Feet Away Escapes Injury.

VANCOUVER, Wash. April 20.— (Special.)—Standing 20 feet behind a large fir tree while a tree which be had just cut was falling to the ground Louis Olsen, 50 years old, was struck on the head by a falling limb and instantly killed near Yacolt yesterday. T. T. Ostensen, Olsen's partner, was standing within three feet of him when the limb fell, but he was uninjured.

The logger was a widower and had one daughter living in the Eas.

Corvallis' Progress Pleases. CORVALLIS, Or., April 20 .- (Special.) -Officials of the Southern Pacific and Corvallis & Eastern railroads visiting his city are pleased with the advance "This is not wholly a partisan victory,"
said Havens. 'It is a victory over the things for which Cannon has stood and for the ideals which Governor Hughes typifies."

this city are pleased with the advancement of Corvallis. They have indicated their willingness to do their part of the paving of Washington and Ninth streets and agreed to lower the track to the proper grade. The new station was in-The Hughes Republicans today declare spected and plans were made for beauti-

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MEDFORD, Or., April 20.—(Special.)—Sixty acres of land four and one-half miles from Eagle Point were sold to W. H. Dodsworth, general manager of the Great Northern at St. Paul.

will be removed to the rear of where the new one now stands.

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