

LASH APPLIED TO POSTAL SERVICE

Southerner in House Accuses Department of Starving Rural Service.

CARRIERS GET INCREASE

General Demand for More Pay for Them Draws Concession From Committee—Critic Aims Shaft at Taft and Hitchcock.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The House today passed the postage appropriation bill, carrying about \$257,998,000, with no negative vote. The postoffice committee of the House, the Postmaster-General and "others higher up," including by inference the President of the United States, came in for a scoring at the hands of members of the House in the consideration of the bill. The debate reached its height when Sizoo of Mississippi said with vigor:

"The mail service all over the United States is in a state of a fix—to use a strong expression—and this House should fix the responsibility where it belongs. Some say it is the committee, some say it is the President. The department has declined to spend the money appropriated for additional rural free delivery routes, and is going to turn back a surplus of \$1,700,000 from this service."

As soon as the rural free delivery paragraph in the bill was read, several members were on their feet offering amendments to increase the pay of the rural carriers from \$900 a year all the way to \$1200. Chairman Weeks of the postoffice committee, attempted to limit the debate, but the House would not hear of it.

Chairman Weeks said unquestionably some of the rural carriers on the hardest routes were underpaid. Others, he thought, were receiving all they deserved. "However," added Weeks, "the committee is now willing to have the salaries of the rural carriers increased \$100 a year."

The House then passed an amendment providing that after July 1, 1911, the carriers should receive a salary not exceeding \$100 a year.

An attempt to substitute official postage stamps for the franks now used by members of Congress and Government departments was defeated.

THIEF GETS QUICK JUSTICE

Ellenberg Barber on Way to Jail 60 Hours After Crime.

ELLENBURG, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Hurry Blackwell quit his job at the Star barber shop last evening at 10 o'clock, but left the rear window unfastened. He returned at 12:15 A. M., entered through the window, turned the combination of the safe, took the contents and went to North Yakima to have a "joy" ride.

Meanwhile the local police were on his trail and telegraphed his description to the North Yakima police at noon Sunday. His trial was held this morning and Blackwell pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to serve from one to 15 years in the reformatory at Montpelier, Utah, and his drunken condition at the time of the crime, coupled with this being his first offense, influenced Judge Kaufman to give him a light sentence.

The man will be on his way to prison within 60 hours after the crime was committed. This is the second time within 10 days that local officers have been able to convict a man within 36 hours after he committed a crime.

INJURED MINER MAY LIVE

Gold Hill Man, Hurt in Explosion, Has Chance—Girl May Lose Eye.

MEDFORD, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—H. C. Riedel, a Gold Hill miner, who lost both of his hands last Saturday by the explosion of chemicals with which he was experimenting on the invention of a new sulphur match, is said today to have a fighting chance for his life, but his 2-year-old daughter, who was standing beside him at the time, may lose the sight of one of her eyes as the result of burns she received about the face.

Owing to the wounds inflicted by the explosion, surgeons were forced to amputate both Riedel's hands above the wrist, but it is from the injury to an artery in his neck, ruptured by a flying piece of the tin pan in which he was mixing the chemicals, that it is feared he may lose his life. The little girl is being watched by nurses at the Gold Hill Hospital and every means is being taken to save her sight.

Mrs. Riedel, who was ill in an adjoining room when the explosion occurred, suffered a slight relapse from nervous shock.

FORTS WILL BE INSPECTED

Lieutenant-Colonel Bingham Ordered to 12 Fortifications.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Lieutenant-Colonel Bingham, Deputy Quartermaster General, has been ordered to make an inspection of 12 forts in the Department of the Columbia in connection with much new construction work to be done the coming summer.

Accompanied by a clerk, Colonel Bingham will visit Forts Lawton, Worden, Casey, Flieger and Ward, and Vancouver Barracks, Washington; Fort Stevens, Oregon; Forts Columbia and Canby, Washington; Boise Barracks, Idaho; Forts Walla Walla and George Wright, Washington, in the order named.

Sorosis Club Adds to Fund. THE DALLERS, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The Sorosis Club of this city observed scholarship loan fund day this afternoon at the Commercial Club parlors. A musical programme was given, home made candy sold, and refreshments served to increase the sum to be applied to the fund, which is loaned to young girls of Oregon to be used in obtaining a higher education.

ENGLISH LORD, AMERICAN GIRL WHOM HE WILL MARRY, AND HER SISTER.



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SOBS MARK SPEECH

Mrs. Schenk Sheds Tears When Lawyer Pleads.

JURORS' EYES GROW DIM

Attack on Witnesses for Prosecution Interlarded With Appeals to Sympathy—Books Made on Verdict by Gamblers.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 24.—Apparently unmoved by the bitter invective of Assistant Prosecutor Fred L. Maury in his opening argument yesterday before the jury that is trying the case, Laura Farnsworth Schenk, charged with administering poison to her husband, today broke down and sobbed almost continuously while her own attorneys—three of them—presented their side to the jury.

The first emotion came when Attorney Frank A. O'Brien, in opening, mentioned the three children, of whose company she has been deprived since her arrest. The jurymen, too, shed tears, while there were many tear-dimmed eyes in the crowded courtroom.

O'Brien drew a vivid picture of the lonely incarceration of the prisoner on the three real holidays of the year—Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's. She was not even permitted to send her two children the little presents she had worked and made for them, the work of her own hands, he declared.

In the morning session Mr. Maury resumed his argument in behalf of the state. He again touched upon the principal points brought out in relation to the poison found in the medicine taken by Schenk and the fact that the defendant had bought it.

Mr. O'Brien's address largely attacked the witnesses offered by the state and pleaded for sympathy for the accused woman. S. O. Boyce, the third attorney for the defendant, paid his respects to Daniel Z. Phillips, who offered damaging testimony against Mrs. Schenk, characterizing Phillips as a "writhing worm, who squirmed himself into the affections of Laura Schenk, only to accept her presents and damn her character."

The case is to go to the jury tomorrow afternoon.

Shortly before court opened today Deputy Sheriffs were sent out to clear the streets before the courthouse, where men were making bets on the verdict. Books are being made on the result.

AMoy Enforces Quarantine. AMOY, China, Jan. 24.—Owing to the prevalence of the plague, all ships arriving here from the North will be quarantined.

PRISON SENTENCE GIVEN 3 Two Horse thieves and Burglar Sent to Penitentiary.

VALE, Or., Jan. 24.—The Malheur circuit court convened yesterday on its third week of work, most of which will be given up to the trials of cases pending in connection with the officers and directors of the United States National bank of this city.

H. M. Shaver, who was convicted of the larceny of a mare from John Ward, of Nyssa, was sentenced to three years by Judge Biggs, but was paroled on condition that he report to Sheriff Kerfoot every sixty days and that he engage in some lawful employment. Murphy and Hamilton, two horse thieves, arrested near Eugene three months ago, were convicted and will serve six years each in the Salem penitentiary. William Smith, found guilty of burglary was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

QUARREL CAUSES SHOOTING Emerson Hook Wounds George Kelly and Flees—Officers Pursue.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—George Kelly, of Ashland, lies at Mercy Hospital in a precarious condition as the result of being shot by Emerson Hook late yesterday.

Kelly says Hook engaged in an altercation with an associate and, receiving the worst of the deal, drew a revolver and commenced to fire. Two of the bullets went wild, while the third struck Kelly in the mouth.

The injured man was brought to the local hospital for treatment. The officers are in pursuit of Hook, who left the scene immediately following the shooting, without even waiting to don hat or coat.

TAFT SPEAKS FOR MERCHANT MARINE

President Says Time Ripe for Congress to Pass Bill Off Discussed.

SHIPPING TRUST ATTACKED

Merchant Marine Congress Charges Discrimination by Foreign Ship-Owners Against Americans in Export Traffic.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—President Taft, addressing the delegates to the National Merchant Marine Congress at the White House today, declared that not only was the country ready for the creation of a merchant marine, but Congress had discussed the measure long enough to act on it promptly.

Foreign Discrimination Charged.

Emphatic resolutions charging gross discrimination on the part of foreign steamship companies against American manufacturers, and urging Congress to take vigorous measures to destroy "the arrogant, alien maritime trusts," were unanimously adopted today by the convention. It also petitioned Congress for the creation of "an independent service of American ships, built for the naval reserve and to be honestly and ably managed in American interests."

The convention decided to circulate petitions among labor unions and trade organizations, asking them to urge Congress to immediate action on behalf of American shipping interests, so as to make possible increased manufacture at home.

James L. Ewell, secretary of the convention, spoke on the benefits of a merchant marine to export trade.

James L. Ewell, secretary of the merchant marine committee of 100, said: "The way in which a Nation's export trade is vitally connected with its merchant marine may appear from one or two illustrative examples. A few years ago in fact until 1907, we had plying between San Francisco and Australasia three American ships known as the Oceanic line. They made regular sailings from San Francisco every three weeks as mail and passenger and cargo steamers."

"The last year these boats were in operation, before being driven from the field by subsidized Canadian and Japanese competition, they carried from the port of San Francisco to Australasia \$25,000,000 worth of products."

Last year, in the absence of any line from San Francisco to Australasia, depending exclusively upon tramp steamship service, our exports from San Francisco shrank to a total value of only \$2,900,000."

TRUST CONTROLS SEA, CHARGE

Senator Lodge Makes Plea for Mail Subsidy Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Advocating the passage of the ocean mail subsidy bill, Senator Lodge today, in a speech, charged that the transportation of American goods to foreign ports is under the control of a trust among foreign ship owners.

"The result of this combination controls business both on the Pacific and in the South American trade and that it has power to fix freight-rates."

Lodge said that if enacted into law the Gallinger bill would put the combination out of business so far as it affects South America.

"As a result of permitting it to continue," said the Senator, "we are paying millions of dollars a year more for carrying our goods than are other nations. This is the cost of our indifference in allowing ourselves to be discriminated against by this foreign combination."

TAFT STANDS BY HUNT

PRESIDENT WILL NOT WITHDRAW JUDGE'S NOMINATION.

If Not Confirmed, Montana Jurist Will Be Reappointed, as Present Office Is Filled.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 24.—President Taft today informed a member of the Senate judiciary committee that he would not withdraw the nomination of Judge William H. Hunt of Montana, a member of the Commerce Court, notwithstanding the fight made against him in the judiciary committee yesterday. The President believes Hunt can be confirmed.

There was a rumor today that the President would be asked by friends of Hunt to withdraw the nomination, or at least not to make a reappointment, if he is not confirmed before the expiration of the present session. This was denied and on the contrary it was said the President was certain to reappoint Hunt to the Commerce Court because the place he now holds had been offered to another and had been accepted.

Friends of Hunt say they have not abandoned hope of having him confirmed at the present session. The Senate committee did not act yesterday because there were two members absent. Another effort will be made next Monday to bring the case to a vote. The opposition to Judge Hunt is led by Senator Borah.

NEW ORLEANS SHOWS FEAR

(Continued from Page 1.) statements, "betraying discouragement were made. While the Louisianians continue to claim the fight as won, members of the campaigning delegation are complaining bitterly of "mismanagement," and this afternoon Rodenburg snarled to a Californian:

"San Francisco seems to have hypnotized the President and subsidized the press."

The contest before the Senate committee was one of the liveliest episodes of all the campaigning of the cities. While any action in the upper House is momentarily overshadowed by the impending conflict in the House, it may take on great importance before the fight before Congress is ended. If unsuccessful

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ful in the lower body, the Louisianians may attempt to halt San Francisco in the Senate and put the final decision of Congress off until next session.

California Backs Klamath Project. SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 24.—A resolution by Senator Shanahan, urging Oregon to co-operate in completing the Klamath irrigation project on the boundary between the two states, was adopted by the Senate today, and the Secretary of State was directed by the terms to send copies of it to each house of the Oregon Legislature.

Missouri Supports New Orleans. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 24.—The State Senate today adopted a resolution endorsing New Orleans for the Panama Exposition in 1915.

Pacific Mutual Wins Victory. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 24.—The Pacific Mutual Insurance Company, of California, today won a victory in the Federal Court, when Judge Munger sustained the plea of the company and

declared that it had a right to do business in Nebraska. Ex-State Auditor Earle barred the California company from Nebraska because local firms were not admitted in that state on reciprocal terms. The ruling of the Insurance Commissioner is reversed.

Sick Judge Knows Not of Death. OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 24.—Charles S. Melvin, brother of Associate Justice Melvin, of the Supreme Court, died last night in Berkeley after an operation. Justice Melvin, who is very ill in Providence Hospital and threatened with an attack of typhoid fever, has not yet been told of his brother's death.

Theater Is Being Repaired. MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—W. F. Bernal, who has leased theaters in several of the Coos and Douglas County towns, is making some extensive repairs in the Masonic Opera-House in this city. The other play-houses on the circuit are at Roseburg, Coquille, Myrtle Point and Bandon.

Odds and Ends of Tailored Waists Selling Normally at \$2.75 to \$4.50 In One Great Cleanup Sale Wednesday \$1.85



Poplins, Mohair, Nunsveiling, Soisette, Scotch Flannels and Chiffon Taffeta Waists —Smartly tailored waists, all this season's newest models in navy, blue, black, brown, cardinal and gray, also striped effects in gray, blue and black.

The chiffon taffeta waists are both fancy and plain tailored styles in plaids and stripes in all the popular shades and colorings. Made with side plaits on the shoulders and fasten with gilt or silver colored buttons. Long tailored sleeves with tucked cuffs and stock collar and bow. Some have trimmings of contrasting colored silks tucked which form panels and revers effects.

The other waists are made with seven or five side plaits on either side of the front and one box pleat in the center which fastens with self-covered tailored buttons of the same material. The backs have double box plaits and the sleeves are perfectly plain tailored, with tailored cuffs.

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