DODSWORTH STORY DENIED BY CONANT

Ex-Correspondent Says He Did Not Report Offer of Spanish Bribe.

DE LESSEPS IS INVOLVED

Dodsworth Tells House Committee Frenchman Offered $36,000 for Aid in Selling Panama Canal to the United States.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—A flat denial of statements made by Alfred W. Dodsworth, business manager of the New York Journal of Commerce, who said an offer to buy the editorial influence of his paper had been communicated by its former Washington correspondent, Charles A. Conant, was made in a telegram to the House ship subsidy investigating committee today by Mr. Conant, now a New York financier.

Mr. Conant said Mr. Dodsworth was "laboring under a misapprehension," and that he (Conant) "was never interested in any manner in shipping legislation," and "never submitted any offer from the Spanish Government or from any other source to bribe the Journal of Commerce or to influence its editorial opinion on any subject."

De Lesseps Offers to "Influence."

The latest disclosed attempt alleged by Mr. Dodsworth to influence his paper was an offer of $36,000 to support editorially the plan for the sale of the De Lesseps' canal property to the United States. This made a total of $176,000 offered the paper, according to Dodsworth, in definite amounts of three offers, besides an unnamed amount from the Spanish Government, and a check which John Roach is alleged to have told the elder Dodsworth he could fill out with any figure he chose.

"At the time De Lesseps visited this country and was entertained by the New York Chamber of Commerce," said Mr. Dodsworth, "a representative of the Panama Canal Company, as it was then, a French company, made our paper a proposition through my father for editorial support and said there was $36,000 of a fund that was left that we might just as well have as not, if we would support the proposition to saddle that property on this Government."

Mr. Dodsworth said the Dodsworth family owned 65 per cent of the stock of the Journal of Commerce and that no stock was held by any one financially interested in foreign shipping as far as known.

As to the $40,000 proposition from a man who said he was a Washington lobbyist, Mr. Dodsworth said he assumed the lobbyist represented ship-subsidy interests. He said, however, that "the lobbyist" said nothing to show evidence of responsibility.

Steamship Pool Explained.

The working methods of the "conference" steamship lines handling what is said to be 98 per cent of the trans-Atlantic passenger traffic, were told before the committee by Herman Winter, manager of Oelrich & Co., the general agents of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company. Mr. Winter testified that the spirit of the passenger traffic pool was that each line must maintain its share of the business and, when one line got too many passengers, it would be authorized to raise the rates.

The arrangements with the ticket agents in this country were explained by Mr. Winter. He said that the commission is paid both by the railroads to the steamship company and the division of the commissions with the ticket agents were purely business propositions and not in any way in violation of the law.

Mr. Winter said that, so far as he knows, no member of his company had any relations with the New York Journal of Commerce.

Corrupt Influence Unknown.

Clarence R. Williams, of the Indianapolis News, identified a number of editorials in his paper concerning ship subsidy and said he knew there was a very active propaganda for merchant marine legislation, but he knew nothing definitely as to any corrupting influence.

G. Waldo Smith, a member of the New York Chamber of Commerce, said he had known of strong rumors as to influence of foreign shipping in commercial bodies, but he had no definite information as to lobbying.

SIX TOWNS IN QUARANTINE

Virulent Smallpox Epidemic Rages Around Vancouver, B. C.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Mission City, a town of about 1500 inhabitants, 39 miles east of here on the Canadian Pacific, is in strict quarantine tonight and five other towns nearby east and south of Mission and Vancouver are being closely watched by health authorities because of the worst smallpox epidemic raging there which was ever known in this province.

The epidemic is believed to have started in the mills and brickyards at Cloverdale, among the foreigners there, who are mostly Finns and Scandinavians. Mission City last night developed 60 virulent cases of the fever and a number of new cases were reported today in spite of prompt measures taken by Provincial Health Officer Fagan, who immediately placed the town in quarantine. Matsqui, Aldergrove, Shortreed and Abbatsford have also been affected by the epidemic. No one is allowed to leave or board railway trains passing through these six towns, and all baggage and other parcels leaving are being fumigated first.

No deaths have been reported as yet, although it is understood the total number of cases in all six towns is near 80.

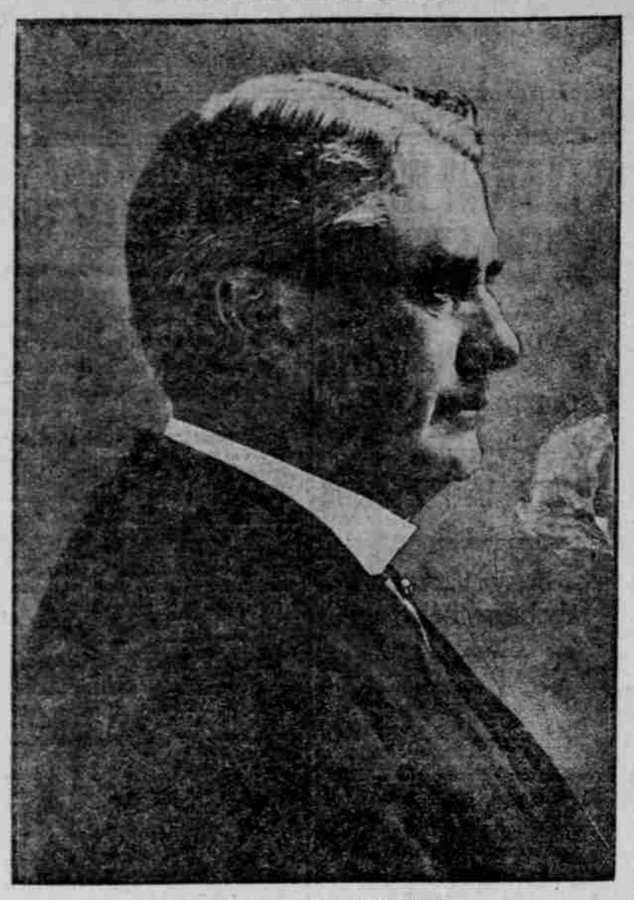
ASTORIA TO REBUILD PIPE

Contract Is Awarded for Seven and One-Half Miles of Conduit.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special)—The Water Commission met in adjourned session this morning and awarded a contract to Palmberg & Matson for rebuilding seven and one-half miles of the wooden portion of the 18-inch main conduit leading from Bear Creek to the large reservoir, bids for which were opened on last Monday evening.

The contract price is approximately $68,117.35. The pipe is to be built of redwood staves, and by the terms of the contract the work must be completed on or before September 1.

JUDGE WHO INSTITUTED DANVILLE INQUIRY INVOLVED IN CHARGES OF CORRUPTION.



JUDGE E. R. E. KIMBROUGH.

VOTE-BUYING TOLD

Judge Kimbrough, at Danville, Says It Wasn't Wrong.

DEMOCRATS ON STAND

Vermilion County Grand Jury Adduces More Testimony Relating to Election Frauds in Illinois Town.

DANVILLE, Ill., Jan. 26.—Judge E. R. L. Kimbough, Mayor Platt and half a score of Democrats went before the Vermilion County grand jury today and told what they knew of traffic in elections in the last year and a half.

Outside of Judge Kimbough, none of the witnesses was in the inquisitorial chamber long enough to tell any detailed account of illegal acts.

Before entering his own grand jury room, Judge Kimbough said that he was prepared to tell everything the jury asked, even disregarding the year and a half limit set by himself. He discussed the story that he and Mayor Platt, at the latter's election, went around to the precincts carrying money.

The Judge admitted that he made such a trip, but he denied that money was to be used for illegitimate purposes. Judge Kimbrough said vote buying was not a crime in Danville, operating under the special city election law, after 18 months had passed.

"Why, yes," said Judge Kimbrough, when told of the story being circulated about his automobile rides. "I went around with Mayor Platt. There isn't anything wrong about it. It is true that our automobile carried money to the precincts. But why? Anyone who has lived in Danville long knows that candidates pay off their organization men—ward workers, etc.—on the day of election. That's what the money Mayor Platt and I carried was used for—to pay off the workers."

As to the law relating to vote traffic, he said:

"Outside of Danville, vote-buying is not a crime. In Danville it is not crime after 18 months have passed. Likewise, since conspiracy is to 'do an unlawful act,' there can be no conspiracy when there is no unlawful act. And now as to the 18 months' period. That provision in the law clearly is class-legislation and a violation of the fourteenth amendment to the Federal Constitution, which grants to all equal rights under the law."

POSTAL DEPOSITS GROW

Klamath Falls Business Will Gain as Time Goes On.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Deposits in Oregon's only postal savings bank in connection with a postoffice are growing every day. It is known that this bank now has more than $2000 and that several depositors have deposited the limit of $100 for one month.

While many of the deposits have begun with small amounts from $1 up, a large number have started off with the limit and are awaiting only the arrival of another month when they will again deposit the limit. Some of these have said that they intended to keep this up until they had the limit of $500 in this postal savings bank.

HONDURANS DIE IN BATTLE

Wireless Message Tells of Killing of 30, Wounding of 50.

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 26.—That Commander Guerrero and 30 soldiers were killed and 50 others wounded in a battle which lasted two hours near Ceiba, was the information contained in a message picked up by the local wireless station last night.

SUE ME, SAYS ROOSEVELT

Baldwin Challenged to Test Right to Agitate for Reform.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The Outlook will publish this week the letter of Theodore Roosevelt to Governor Baldwin, of Connecticut, on the strength of which the Governor receded from his announced purpose of bringing a suit for libel against the Colonel.

In the last campaign, Colonel Roosevelt attacked Judge Baldwin for a decision in a labor case.

Governor Baldwin wrote Mr. Roosevelt that they might settle their difficulties without the publicity incident to an action at law, by submitting the question at issue to some judge or lawyer. Mr. Roosevelt declined. Governor Baldwin then submitted a draft of what he would consider a satisfactory apology. The Colonel rejected it, submitting a counter proposal which the Governor in turn rejected.

Then followed the letters shortly to be published, on receipt of which Governor Baldwin announced that although he still held there was an issue as to the facts and the law, he had become convinced of the sincerity of Colonel Roosevelt and would not proceed against him.

"If the letters which I sent you," wrote the Colonel, "and in which I quoted your exact language and added my comments, are libelous, then every labor leader who ventures to agitate for reform in accident law is so in danger of libel and every man who in an efficient and effective manner instead of a half-hearted fashion agitates for reforms will be in very real danger of a libel suit, provided the interest attacked is sufficiently powerful to undertake the suit.

"If your suit is brought, my political opponents may make such capital out of it as they choose."

SUFFRAGE WINS SENATE

VOTES FOR WOMEN SURE TO GO TO CALIFORNIA VOTERS.

Republicans Carry Out Platform Pledge by Voting to Submit Amendment to People.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 26.—(Special)—The Bell constitutional amendment for the submission of the question of woman's suffrage to the electorate at the next general election was passed by the Senate today.

The rollcall followed one of the most interesting debates heard in the Legislature in many years. Gates of Los Angeles opened support for the measure and Wolfe of San Francisco made the principal address in opposition.

The passage of the measure was a foregone conclusion before the Senate convened, twenty-nine members having publicly expressed themselves as favoring the submission of the matter to the electors in accordance with the pledge contained in the Republican platform.

Gates eloquently urged the Senate to do simple justice and place the matter before the electors. He reminded the progressive majority of its platform pledge on the matter.

Senator J. B. Sanford, the leader of the Democratic minority, caused a laugh during his speech in opposition to the measure by his description of a "suffragette."

"A suffragette," exclaimed Sanford, "is a woman who wants to raise hell and not children."

WOMEN UNITE FOR SUFFRAGE

Mrs. Laidlaw Will Combine All Unorganized in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—A reception will be given to Mrs. James Leeds Laidlaw, of New York, on Monday afternoon at the Fairmont Hotel, under the auspices of the California Independent Suffrage Federation. Mrs. Laidlaw is a very prominent worker in the cause of woman's suffrage in New York.

The California Independent Suffrage Federation has been formed for the purpose of uniting all societies or individuals who are in sympathy with suffrage, whether members of suffrage societies or not. There are no dues connected with the federation. Mrs. Elizabeth Gerberding is president and is also president of the woman's suffrage party of California. This latter organization already exists in many states of the Union, and it is hoped that it will soon become a National party.

Many women prominent in club and society life of San Francisco will meet Mrs. Laidlaw at the reception and identify themselves with the woman's suffrage movement.

Floods Block Meadow Valley.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 26.—Floods in the Meadow Valey in Western Nevada, along the route of the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad, have blockaded that line. It is hoped by the officials to lift the blockade within 48 hours. Trains leaving the city were turned back today and the passengers sent east by another route.

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BALLINGER CASE ANGERS CANNON

Hitchcock Charges Delay and Reflects on Speaker, Who Strikes Back.

HOUSE ORDERS INQUIRY

Nebraskan Inquires Why Reports Lie 49 Days Without Being Printed — Senator and Public Printer Divide Blame.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—At the instigation of Hitchcock of Nebraska and after an acrimonious debate, in which Speaker Cannon resented implied criticism of himself, the House today adopted almost unanimously a resolution by Hitchcock of Nebraska ordering an investigation by the committee on rules of the 49 days' delay in getting the reports of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee printed and into the hands of members of the House. The resolution requests a report within one week.

A former resolution by Hitchcock stated that three reports were received from the committee on investigation December 7 last and sharply criticised the "unexplained delay, doubt and mystery in referring said report to the committee on agriculture. The resolution set forth that the reference was not made until December 19. The committee did not receive the printed reports until yesterday. The resolution continued:

Delay Violates Rules.

During that period they were neither upon the Speaker's table nor in the hands of the committee on agriculture. Therefore, be it resoved that these irregular proceedings are misleading and improper treatment of these reports, rendering them for six weeks, unavoidable and inaccessible and constitute a violation of the proper procedure of the House and the committee on rules be, and it is hereby, directed to investigate and report to the House within one week the reason for the delay and irregular treatment of these reports.

The Speaker said he knew nothing of why the delay should have occurred. Cannon intimated that, if Hitchcock had been present in the House oftener in the last few weeks and had earlier called attention to the matter, there might not have been so much delay.

Hitchcock replied that the Speaker's criticism was not justified.

Cannon Resents Criticism.

"The chair," said the Speaker, "has no objection to any investigation that may be made. The chair only desires that a member of the House should not place the chair, the committee or the House subject to criticism that may be heralded on its face as accurate, accepted possibly as a fact by the over-vigilant—and fair—press of the country, until, in an orderly course of procedure and without prejudice, the facts may be obtained."

It was then the substitute resolution was offered.

Scott of Kansas, chairman of the committee on agriculture, declared that the delay, according to a report from the Government printing office, had been due to the necessity of preparing a lithograph map of Alaska.

"That shows another reason for this investigation," shouted Hitchcock. "Your explanation is entirely different from the Speaker's."

"I said the delay might have been due to extra copies," said the Speaker, with a bang of the gavel. "Matters of this kind pass beyond the view of the Speaker. As far as the Speaker and his force is concerned, this case has been handled according to the law, rules and the practice of the House. If the gentleman from Nebraska is as anxious to have the facts as the chair is, without sensational statements, the chair is entirely satisfied."

Cause of Delay Found.

After some further debate, the resolution was adopted. It developed later that the reports did not pass through the Speaker's hands, but were marked for reference to the committee on agriculture in the usual way.

Meantime word came from the Senate that Nelson had introduced a concurrent resolution providing for the printing of 2000 extra copies. Pending action on this resolution, the order for printing was held up in the clerk's office. The resolution did not come from the Senate until December 13, and was not passed by the House until December 20.

In holding up the report from the printer, the clerk in charge had overlooked it, it was stated.

BALLINGER STRIKES ENEMIES

Secretary Says They Would Tear Things Up by Roots.

BOSTON, Jan. 26.—Aiming a blow at his enemies and declaring that the endeavors of many advocates of reform and progress of the present day seemed to be hauling everything out by the roots, Secretary Ballinger, in a speech before the banquet of the alumni of Williams College here tonight, emphasized the point that a good man could not be pulled down and that the work of his head and hands would be steadier because of the shocks of battle.

"I heard I had enemies in Boston," said Mr. Ballinger. "Well, no matter, they, like my other enemies, probably are too incorrigible to warrant embittering my temper over the wrongs they have done me, and it is indelicate for me to exhibit my scars to you on a festive occasion.

Uplifters Tear Up by Roots.

"I am no pessimist, but am old-fashioned enough to believe in the institutions of our fathers and that they will be preserved, notwithstanding new-fangled ideas of government or the flaming fanaticism of the crusaders. One would suppose that with our opportunities of culture, refinement and general education, stability in all things would be the order of the day, but the contrary is most evident—to haul everything out by the roots and keep the roots exposed seems to be the aim of many advocates of reform and progress.

"But most men, I am sure, enjoy the distinction of being upbuilders rather than uplifters. They like to rear and leave behind them monuments of genuine accomplishment."

Pleading for evidences of more good men, the Secretary said the trouble seemed to be that bad men talk louder than they used to and what was needed was more good men to pitch their voices a little higher.

West Claims Sympathy of East.

"I trust that it may be long before the narrow and sordid view of life shall possess our people of the great West," continued the Secretary. "A pioneer people are always those with the courage and patience to endure hardships and vicissitudes, and they conquer nature and the wilderness.

"Your ancestors did it in New England and what they did in the early centuries of American settlement is now being done beyond the mountains of the Western ranges—better than was done by them. As the East has given birth to the settlements of the West, let her retain her sympathy for all that is good in the development of the West, not upon mercenary grounds, but on the higher grounds of common citizenship and common kinship."

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DALLAS DOWNS PORTAGE

CHAMPIONS MEET WATERLOO IN WILLAMETTE VALLEY.

Great Wisconsin Basketball Team's Long String of Victories Broken. Score Stands 25 to 23.

DALLAS COLLEGE, Dallas, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Before a crowd of 500 madly cheering enthusiasts the Dallas College basketball five tonight defeated the Spalding National champion team, of Portage, Wis., by a score of 25 to 23. It was teamwork pitted against teamwork, with the Dallas five meeting the wonderful Wisconsin team at their own game and outgeneraling them. Perfect passes and long shots marked the progress of the game, which excelled anything ever before seen on the local court.

Dallas College bears a record of not being beaten this year and the spectators were nervous when Portage shot into the lead in the first half. The advantage was short lived, however, and throughout the entire brilliant contest the lead kept alternating between the two teams. Shaw of Dallas proved a wonderful point-getter for his team, coming up from the guard position and throwing basket after basket. Few points were made on fouls and the game was marked by clean play.

Portage played with a system of signals which were passed by whistles and word of mouth. Dallas, on the other hand, had a silent signal system and to this is largely ascribed the victory as at no time was Portage able to discern where the ball was going and could not break up the marvelous teamwork of the Willamette Valley champion team.

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EUGENE, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—During 1910 W. R. Jephcott, who lives on the North Fork of the Siuslaw River, sold at the creamery at Acme 91,500 pounds of milk—an average of 6100 pounds from each of 15 cows. The average test of the milk was 3.7 per cent, making 225 pounds of butter fat to the cow and 3375 pounds for the herd.

The average price received for the year was 30 cents a pound, making a total income from the herd of $1012.50, aside from the value of the skimmed milk and the milk and butter used at the family table.

Southwestern Towns Double.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Population statistics for the thirteenth census announced today, included:

City—	1910.	1900.
Tucson, Ariz.	13,193	7,531
Albuquerque, N. M.	11,020	6,238
Laramie, Wyo.	8,237	8,207
Hilo, Hawaii	6,745	.....

Colorado Makes No Choice.

DENVER, Jan. 26.—In the second ballot in joint session for the election of a United States Senator today, R. W. Speer, Mayor of Denver, gained one vote and ex-Governor Adams, of Pueblo, gained two. The ballot: Democrats—Adams, 22; Martin, 2; Maupin, 1; O'Donnell, 3; Spafroth, 1; Speer, 27; Taylor, 2; Thomas, 4; Ward, 4.

Republicans—Dawson, 9; Goudy, 7; Roof, 2; Vaile, 16.

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