

STEINER, IN REPLY, DARES ACCUSERS

Asylum Head Defies All
to Prove Waste.

\$1500 PURSE BOLSTERS DENIAL

Oregon Institution Shown to
Be Next to Cheapest.

KAY PRODUCES FIGURES

Superintendent in Speech Before
Ways and Means Committee
Scores Hurdled Inquiry and
Says Bowerman Errs.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Superintendent Steiner, of the Oregon Insane Asylum and State Treasurer Kay came to the bar for their findings in the asylum controversy tonight when they appeared before the ways and means committee.

Superintendent Steiner entered into a general refutation of the charges made against him on the Senate floor and in the report of the legislative committee and left \$1500 with the ways and means committee to be given to the Young Men's Christian Association if a penny's waste in his management of the asylum is proved.

He declared that political reasons have been the animus behind the open allegations of extravagance and lavish expense at the institution and came armed with an array of facts and figures as to the conduct of affairs at the institution.

These were presented by State Treasurer Kay and in many instances he charged exaggeration on the part of Senator Bowerman and the committee. He showed where, instead of the cost of farm produce at the asylum being \$1.50 for every dollar returned to the state, the farm gave the state a net income of \$33,966 on a gross income of \$32,965.50, this including a charge of 6 per cent on the present value of the land now worth \$180,000 and bought at half the amount.

Per Capita Here Lowest.

Kay in his talk showed where the cost for Vermont marble charged by Bowerman to have been \$12,000 cost the state but \$268, this figure being written over the architect's signature. In addition Kay showed that the per capita cost of the Oregon Asylum is the lowest of any similar institution in the West or North. Oregon's per capita, at \$12.50 for the last two years and a request of \$14 for the next two years, he placed against the following figures as comparative for some other institutions: Medical Lake, Wash., \$15.50; St. Elizabeth, Wash., \$15.30; California, \$14.90; Michigan, \$13.75; Indiana, \$14.25; Idaho, \$12.80; New York, \$12.80.

Only Georgia Exceeds.

The only institution in the United States having a lower per capita than Oregon, he averred, is in Georgia, where the patients are mostly negroes and there is a continual warm climate necessitating much less clothing and scarcely any fuel.

"The policy of the board," declared Mr. Kay, "will be to conduct all of the institutions for the next two years without a deficit, unless something unforeseen occurs and we will conduct them in that manner no matter the size of your appropriation. If it is too small we will refuse to receive patients. The appropriations were cut down two years ago many times without reason and in most cases arbitrarily.

Inquiry Called Unfair.

"The legislative committee did not make a fair investigation at the asylum. They visited no wards, but a week ago, in company with some of the legislators, I visited the wards and found some of the hallways, which should be used for recreation and amusement, crowded with beds and three or four beds in each of the small rooms on the sides. If we are compelled to starve those people out there because of a miserly appropriation we will do it. If they must go uncared for and unfed it will not be our fault. I wish to declare right now that the Oregon Insane Asylum as conducted is as well conducted as any institution in the United States, and the legislative committee was manifestly unfair in its statements."

In closing his speech to the committee Superintendent Steiner, with tears in his eyes, offered an urgent plea to the committee.

"If you must assail my honor and integrity, if you must condemn me for alleged laxity in business affairs," he declared, "I am in a position to refute those allegations. But do not hammer at the poor unfortunates at that institution to get even with me. There has been no one to stand up for them, not even a member of the delegation from Marion County, but give them a chance. Legislation such as has been proposed belongs to the dark ages."

Steiner pleaded that judgment at least be suspended upon him until he has had a fair opportunity and promised that when the time comes he will refute every charge that has been made, defy anyone and that he courts the fullest and most free investigation.

Blame Laid to Politics.

Superintendent Steiner said: "Four part of legislation in this leg-

LOVE LAVISHED ON VARIOUS WOMEN

MRS. ELEANOR CAMP SUES DR.
CAMP ON THIS GROUND.

Divorce Suit of Noted Writer of
South Sea Stories and Eminent
Physician Is Startling.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Dr. Calvin Eugene Camp, formerly one of the best known physicians in the Hawaiian Islands, which he left two years ago for San Francisco, later engaging in practice at San Diego, has been sued for divorce by his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Camp, a noted writer of South Sea Island stories.

The complaint was filed in secret with the County Clerk on January 17 by Attorney Gross, and every effort has been made to keep the allegations, charging the husband with consorting with various women and with suspicious conduct, from becoming public.

With the filing of the suit Mrs. Camp obtained an injunction restraining her husband from selling or encumbering their Honolulu residence, which is said to be a marvel of art.

In addition to the decree the wife asks the court to give her the whole of the Honolulu property and alimony at the rate of \$100 a month. The residence is located on Kalahele Drive, Pacific Heights tract, Kewalo, Honolulu.

The Camps were married here August 20, 1907, and immediately went to Honolulu, where the husband was practicing. Mrs. Camp charges her husband has for many years practiced cruelties against her, until she is unable longer to stand them, her health being undermined. She alleges that during the time they lived in Honolulu, Dr. Camp spent much of his time in other women's company.

WOMAN'S JURY SITS TODAY

Prominent Tacoma Suffragists to
Try Dairyman for Assault.

TACOMA, Jan. 30.—The jury of six women selected by Judge Armstrong, police judge, to try the case of Karl Betschart, a dairyman charged by Arthur Borchart with third-degree assault in drawing a deadly weapon upon him, was announced today.

The jury consists of Mrs. J. Q. Mason, vice-president of the National Society of Women Voters, and a prominent club woman; Miss Mary J. Ball, a dealer in women's clothing; Miss Esther Allmarum, city pure food inspector; Miss Emma Curtis, stenographer in City Hall; Mrs. Gage M. Wheeler and Mrs. Rebecca J. Kaason, well known in Eastern Star circles. They are summoned to appear tomorrow.

ROOSEVELT HERE APRIL 5

Revised Itinerary Sets Early Date
for His Portland Visit.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Theodore Roosevelt will speak in Portland April 5. This date is announced in the revised itinerary of the ex-President given out today.

He will visit Seattle April 7, Sandpoint, Idaho, April 9, Butte, Mont., April 11 and Helena, Mont., April 12. Political conditions in the Middle West will govern Roosevelt's course on his homeward trip.

SOLONS GET BIBLE TEXTS

Anonymous Cards Sent to Senators
From Stordale, Norway.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Even in far-off Norway interest is being taken in the spiritual welfare of the Oregon Legislature.

This afternoon members of the Senate all received a consignment of appropriate scriptural quotations, the communication being anonymous, but the postmark was dated at Stordale, Norway.

"HYPOCRITE" SLUR FLUNG AT JOHNSON

Hot Reply Made When
Governor Threatens.

BANK CHIEF RESENTS ATTACKS

Executive's Demand for Ander-
son's Job Refused.

ULTERIOR MOTIVE SEEN

Superintendent of California Institutions
Declares Amendment Is
Sought to Banking Act for Sole
Purpose of Deposing Him.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Governor Hiram Johnson, of California, threatens to bring about a change in the statutes in order to oust Alden Anderson, Superintendent of Banks.

Johnson's threat comes as a result of a controversy that has raged for some weeks between the Governor and the Superintendent of Banks.

Johnson declares that Anderson is subsidized by the interests, especially the Southern Pacific.

Anderson denies the accusation and says he has no intention of resigning, adding that he has little use for a "hypocrite."

The Governor says he does not wish to involve the state in a lawsuit and, therefore, prefers that the law be amended as an easier and more convenient way out of the dilemma.

Anderson said last night:

Anderson Makes Statement.

"Yes, I have read the statement of Governor Johnson with respect to myself and the office of Superintendent of Banks. I am glad to be assured by the Governor himself that he wants the patronage of this office as heretofore. So far as I had heard, such statements were made only by Mr. Linsner. The excuse given by Governor Johnson is that I am acceptable to Mr. Herrin and the Southern Pacific Company; therefore a fit subject to be kicked out. I do not know.

"I never held a political conference with Mr. Herrin alone or in the company with the Mayor of any city in my life; likewise I never applied for a position on the payroll of the Southern Pacific Company or asked to be its representative at any time or in any way, nor have I ever acted as such.

He Doubts Johnson.

"The Southern Pacific has never contributed, to my knowledge, one cent to any political campaign in which I was engaged and I have never spent any money contributed by it to elect any relative of mine to office. If prior political affiliations with the Southern Pacific Company and the solicitation of favors therefrom is sufficient reason for removing a man from public office, how long will Governor Johnson hold his job?

"Governor Johnson says I will not abide by the decision of the Supreme Court. This is news to me. I have received no order from the Supreme Court. First Governor Johnson proposed to depose me by passing a bill placing the banks and building and loan associations under one supervision. Then he says he sent a friend to me requesting me to resign. That failed. Then he consulted

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ANNIVERSARY NUMBER IS ENLARGED.

So much material has been prepared for the Fiftieth Anniversary Edition of The Oregonian, to be issued February 4, that the number will be even larger than has been expected. It is now certain that this great edition will be comprised of more than 120 pages.

Although it has been thought advisable to increase the size of the edition, the price will remain, as announced, at 5 cents a copy. The cost of mailing, however, will be 8 cents, instead of 7 cents. The 8-cent rate will apply in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the island possessions. The postage to all other countries will be 16 cents. The Anniversary Edition will be the greatest advertisement that Portland and Oregon have ever received.

WOMAN CONQUERS SNOW

Heroic Trip Over Mountains in
4-Horse Sleigh Made in 10 Hours.

MEDFORD, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Journeying over the Odessa mountain road, during which her sleigh was almost snowbound by huge drifts, Mrs. W. C. Neff, wife of Acting Supervisor Neff, of the Crater National Forest, arrived in this city from Klamath Falls last night. She was accompanied by her two children and Dick Brightenstein, of Klamath Falls, who drove the team.

The journey required ten hours to complete, though four heavy draft horses averaging in weight 1800 pounds each, were harnessed to the conveyance. Several times while traversing the road snow to a depth of over four feet was encountered and it was only by heroic work on the part of the driver and horses that the sleigh was kept from being snow-bound.

CARNEGIE DOUBLES OFFER

Salem's Growth Induces Him to
Give \$27,500 for Library.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Andrew Carnegie will give \$27,500 for the construction of a public library in Salem, according to a dispatch received here from his secretary, James Bertram today. Several months ago the matter was taken up by George F. Rodgers, then Mayor of Salem, but Carnegie refused to take any action in the matter until he was furnished the official figures of Salem's population. When informed of the rapid development and growth of this place, he almost doubled his offer of \$14,000, made less than two years ago.

The Salem Library Association owns a site for the proposed building on State and Winter streets and it is probable that the city will take over this property and get the project under headway at once.

TAFT'S PICTURE REMOVED

Governor Hawley, of Idaho, Orders
It Taken Down.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 30.—A sensation was created in political circles here today when it became known that Governor James H. Hawley had ordered the removal of the picture of President Taft from the executive office.

The Governor later explained that the picture was not removed because of any personal feeling against the President and that no disrespect was intended, but that he desired another picture in the place. It was not learned what portrait Governor Hawley had selected to replace that of the President.

M'CURDY FLIES ALMOST TO CUBA

Mishap Forces Descent
When He Nears Goal.

TORPEDO-BOAT RESCUES HIM

Airship Floats Safely on Pon-
toons Till Picked Up.

OVER-SEA RECORD BROKEN

Weather Perfect and Feat Would
Have Been Accomplished but for
Broken Crank—McCurdy Will
Try Again First Chance.

HAVANA, Jan. 30.—J. A. D. McCurdy, Canadian by birth but now affiliated with American aviators, set a new record today in over-the-water flight, covering nearly 100 miles from Key West to within ten miles of Havana, where he was compelled to drop into the sea.

There he remained, his biplane floated by pontoons, until the lifeboat from the torpedo destroyer Terry picked him up. With victory within his grasp, his goal in plain view, an accident, trivial in itself, robbed McCurdy of his almost won title of conqueror of the Florida straits. A break in a small part of the engine, a ruptured crank case, stopping the escape of the lubricating oil, necessitated McCurdy's descent.

Torpedo-Boat Picks Him Up.

The descent was made between the Pauley and Terry, the leading ships, which were about ten miles apart. The aviator, when the sound of the engine told him something was wrong, instantly shut off the power. He descended rapidly, swinging steadily to the water. The pontoons proved buoyant. McCurdy not even setting his feet. The Terry's lifeboat took him off and finally he was taken aboard the Pauley.

Efforts to hoist the machine on the launching platform failed. Grappling irons finally were used and the aeroplane was badly damaged.

While this work was going on the Cuban flagship Hattuey arrived from Havana, carrying President Gomez and friends. She ran alongside the Pauley and the President shouted his congratulations on the pluck of the aviator and regret for his ill-fortune. After an hour's delay the squadron started for Havana, entering the harbor a few minutes after 1 o'clock.

McCurdy, landing from the Pauley, proceeded to the drill grounds at Camp Columbia, where he gave an exhibition of his skill, rising 1200 feet and performing a variety of maneuvers. He used a machine of one of the other aviators at the meet in progress here.

McCurdy Describes His Flight.

The start from Key West was made at 7:25 o'clock, central time, which was 5:05 Havana time, and, after making two circles, the aviator squared away on his course. Conditions were ideal, a faint wind, a cloudless sky, an unrippled sea. Of the beauty of the scene, McCurdy said this evening:

"Never have I experienced so wonderful a sensation as when I rose a thousand feet and took the course. Ahead of me was a wondrous mirage; the sea, instead of a horizontal plane below, having the appearance of a huge vertical picture, on which the funnel

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SALOON-SMASHER IS NERVOUS WRECK

CARRIE NATION, WHO FOUGHT
DEMON RUM, FIGHTS DEATH.

Woman Who Spread Terror Among
Kansas Divekeepers Now Is
Believed Near End.

EUREKA SPRINGS, Ark., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Mrs. Carrie Nation, saloon smasher, is near death, her friends fear. Her busy life in fighting the demon rum has proved too much for her in her later years. She is suffering from a nervous breakdown, from which, physicians fear, she may never recover.

Mrs. Nation collapsed a few weeks ago. At first it was thought that the rugged constitution she acquired as a plainsman's wife in Kansas would stand her in good stead, but she has gradually become weaker and weaker, until today her friends fear the worst. It is said that the end may come at any time. Mrs. Nation recently abandoned her fight against liquor to take up a crusade against tobacco, especially cigarettes. She has toured the country snatching the little pipes from the mouths of every one she has encountered, particularly newsboys. She created a furore in the Union State of Denver a year or so ago by delivering a philippic against Alice Roosevelt-Longworth, whom she accused of being a cigarette fiend.

Mrs. Nation began her career as a public person about 15 years ago, when she smashed up a saloon in Kansas which her husband frequented. So great a furore did that create that she went throughout the state, cracking costly bar mirrors, expensive cut glass and terrorizing proprietors in joints.

She was careful, though, to do no damage in saloons in those states where prohibition was not in force, contenting herself with snoring, the places and haranguing the proprietors and patrons on the evils of drink.

OREGON ROAMER IS WEARY

15-Year-Old Boy Applies for Aid at
Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Weary of roaming the country, Vestal K. Bennett, 15 years old, son of F. M. Bennett, of Willamette, Or., applied today to the police at the central station for shelter and transportation back to his home.

The boy was sent to the detention home until the authorities communicated with his father. Six months ago Bennett started on a ramble through the cities of the Pacific Coast. When he had "done" the cities he took to the country, hoping eventually to get in line for a remunerative job as a cowpuncher.

Things did not go as he had expected, however, jobs for cowpunchers seemed woefully scarce and chances that might lead to the securing of boundless areas of cattle land seemed scarcer.

Bennett arrived in Los Angeles penniless.

COACHMAN IS MADE RICH

Relatives Almost Forgotten in Will
of Catherine de Peyster.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Leaving a larger bequest to her coachman than to any of her relatives, the will of Catherine Augusta de Peyster, filed today, makes the New York Historical Society her principal beneficiary.

Miss de Peyster, a wealthy member of one of the oldest families in New York, died on January 25, having no near nephews and nieces.

The Historical Society gets all her real estate and the residue of her personal estate after specified bequests are paid.

Miss de Peyster left Thomas Kierman, her coachman, \$5000 and all Miss de Peyster's horses, carriages and harness and stable fixtures. The bequests to relatives are her heirlooms.

SNOWSLIDE KILLS THREE

Six Laborers Are Buried While
Working Alongside Mountain.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Six men were caught this morning in a snowslide at Prosser Creek, four miles from Truckee. Three were dug out dead. The others were badly injured. One may die.

The men were employees of the Union Ice Company, and were keeping the tracks clear near the locomotive. The locomotive is built alongside a mountain. A slide carried the workmen down the embankment.

A. Bernia, R. Herrera and R. Gameros were buried deep in the mass and were dead when the rescuers reached them. The other three were rescued alive, after almost half an hour's work.

A special train carrying doctors and nurses was sent out from Truckee.

RIDER HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Mail-carrier About Cherryville Near-
ly Drowns in Sandy River.

John Jones, who carries mail by horse near Cherryville, on the Mount Hood wagon road, had a narrow escape from drowning in the Sandy River last week while on his rounds.

COAST'S VICTORY IN CONGRESS' AIR

Margin Close on Choice
of Exposition Site.

HOUSE VOTES THIS AFTERNOON

Canvass Continues Until Roll
Call Begins.

SOUTHERNERS FIGHT HARD

They Play Politics to Line Up Demo-
crats for New Orleans, but Bay
City Men Have Body of
Northern Vote Assured.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Victory is in the air and California's poll of the House gives record proof.

The margin is small, however, and contingencies remain that would seem to make it the better part of wisdom to withhold the shouting until after the roll-call tomorrow.

Representative Broussard, of Louisiana, and M. H. De Young met at the hearing before the Senate committee this morning.

"We are absolutely confident that we will have a majority in the House," said the New Orleans man.

"We already have it," was the Californian's answer. "Your looks belie your feelings, then," added Mr. De Young. "I am not feeling very good today," admitted the Representative.

The Southerners freely declare that the fight is close. The Westerners accede to this. Tonight both sides say they may be no more than 20 votes to the good.

Each Side Loses One Man.

This afternoon came the shock of the loss of a Northern Democratic vote by San Francisco. The member is deeply interested in a candidate for sergeant-at-arms under the new Democratic control of the House. The Southerners threatened that, if he voted for San Francisco, the entire vote below Mason and Dixon would be turned against his man.

On the other hand, a Northern Republican whom New Orleans has counted upon announced this afternoon that he had finally decided in favor of the Pacific metropolis.

"I think it would take a great deal more of gin fizz to clarify my mind so I could see that the Crescent City ought to have the fair," he told the delegation of Southerners that was waiting upon him.

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LEFT TO RIGHT GOVERNOR HIRAM JOHNSON, WHO THREATENS TO REMOVE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS, MEYER LISSNER, THE GOVERNOR'S CHIEF