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The hearing of the city detectives was not without its interesting side-lights. K. S. Bestor, a Herald reporter, swore that he gave \$2 to Superintendent Bloom of the Varuna Apartments, where Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad lived, and threatened to expose a charge of having disposed of certain letters written by Stokes to Miss Graham and supposed to have been taken from the woman's apartments.

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ALL PARIS SUFFERS

Break in Water System Adds to Heat Troubles.

DROUGHT LONG CONTINUED

Fire in Most Picturesque Part of Fontainebleau Destroys Many Acres of Forest—Deaths Are of Daily Occurrence.

PARIS, July 23.—Paris is sweltering in the worst heat wave experienced in 25 years, which is made more severe by the phenomenal drought, not a drop of rain having fallen for a month. The thermometer has risen steadily for the past eight days from 86 to 97, the latter figure being attained yesterday.

All indications point to a continuance of the heat for several days. To add to the suffering of the people there has been a partial break in the water system. Two big leaks in the main water pipes, which were discovered yesterday, necessitated the cutting off of the supply last night.

Many deaths have occurred, the daily average being six until yesterday, when 11 were reported.

At Fontainebleau, the drought was responsible for the spread of a fire which broke out in the most picturesque part of the forest, 15 acres of which were destroyed. The garrison troops were called out and succeeded in getting this fire under control, when a more serious outbreak occurred around Salmandre. The fire burned over about 1500 acres and kept the troops busy all night before they mastered it.

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"IT'S GOD'S WAY," SAYS WILDE

Ex-Portland Man Says He Is Proud of Record in Oregon.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., July 23.—(Special.)—I really don't care to make any kind of statement. What is the use? said Louis J. Wilde, when asked what he thought of the prospects for his extradition.

"Perhaps, it is God's way to clear the clouds away. I shall try and smile my way through the awful inroad of those I once helped, made and saved in Portland. The facts and the truth will soon come to even those who now oppose me. Then I may be understood."

All I have done in Portland is to make good, I have many dear, good friends there, and I am still very proud of my Portland record. I helped everybody; I was a good fellow; I made good; I lived cleanly and can look every man straight in the eye. I am too busy to be disturbed. I have harmed no one, and it is unheard of that I should inherit such abuse and receive such sorry compensation as has been accorded me. All I ever asked was an investigation of the facts, as our Governor and Attorney-General have found them."

In an interview given Saturday, Mr. Wilde explained his opposition to the extradition proceedings by saying that if he went to Portland he would be made the subject of a long-drawn-out litigation that would compel him practically to sever his connections with his business here and remove his family from this place.

He said he had received a number of telegrams yesterday and today from friends in San Francisco and Portland congratulating him on the showing he made in presenting his case at Sacramento. From these, it is apparent that he has taken heart.

PARALLEL CASES ARE FOUND

Authorities Cited for Cameron's Use in Further Argument.

Conclusive authorities, said Deputy District Attorney Page yesterday, bearing upon the contention that Louis J. Wilde is guilty of embezzlement, were sent to Sacramento by telegraph yesterday morning in answer to the call of District Attorney Cameron, who is facing his last resort in the fight to bring Wilde to Portland to answer for his alleged embezzlement of the Oregon Trust and Savings Bank.

Page asserted that cases found by him were directly in point and showed beyond question that the act of Wilde, and therefore of Wilde, constitutes the crime of embezzlement.

Reports of the proceedings at San Francisco show that the attitude of Governor Johnson is based on technical grounds, and that he is insisting upon proof of the exact crime charged. Attorneys for Wilde, admitting the facts, say that a crime had been committed, asserted that it was not the crime of embezzlement, set forth in the extradition papers, and that the view was tentatively adopted by Governor Johnson, subject to the further examination of the case by Attorney-General Webb.

Deputy Page found a case in the Federal reports, where a cashier had misappropriated funds by buying certain stock for \$2500 and turning it over to a bank at its par value of \$5000. The Supreme Court held that this was embezzlement. Other decisions were found bearing out the contention that view was tentatively adopted by Governor Johnson, subject to the further examination of the case by Attorney-General Webb.

WOMAN OF 111 FOUND

REAL DAUGHTER OF REVOLUTION LIVES IN SQUALID CABIN.

Attended by Daughter, Aged 90 Years, Mrs. Mary Proctor Is Spending Last Days in Poverty.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 23.—Mrs. Mary Trawick Proctor, 111 years old, a real daughter of the American Revolution, has just been discovered in a humble old cabin in Barrow County, Georgia. Her only companion is her daughter, Miss Mary Proctor, 90 years old, and two great grandchildren, descendants of another daughter.

Mrs. Proctor was born in Wake County, N. C., April 30, 1800. When 19 years old, she was married to Hiram Proctor, a veteran of the Revolution and the War of 1812. She has lived under the administrations of 26 Presidents, including John Adams and William H. Taft.

On a bed of straw, constituting a mattress so thin that the rough plank floor can be seen, this daughter of the revolution lies, her form emaciated, skin wrinkled, and almost a skeleton. Her aged daughter ministers to the wants and necessities of the household, and till the soil in a small cotton and garden patch nearby. The meager profits derived from this labor she adds to the \$12 a month which Mrs. Proctor receives from the government for her services in the war of 1812. A movement has been started in Atlanta to raise funds sufficient to provide for the two old women the rest of their lives.

Vancouver Has Work Bureau.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 23.—(Special.)—Because contractors in charge of street improvement work here complained to the City Council that it was impossible to secure sufficient men to carry on the work with the desired speed, the Council tonight decided to establish a municipal employment bureau. The chief of Police will be in charge. Such men as apply to the chief for work will be turned over to the contractors for employment.

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Some New Peers May Yet Be Needed to Overcome "No Surrender" Party.

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PRINTERS' VISIT HAILED

SAN FRANCISCO PLANS TO SHOW ITS HOSPITALITY.

"Get Together" Meeting to Precede Bayride, and Trip to Mountain Top Is on Programme.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 23.—(Special.)—As the time draws near for the 5th annual convention of the International Typographical Union, San Francisco printers are especially active in preparing for the delegates and visitors a typical California welcome. In this desire they have received the cooperation of merchants and citizens generally.

Governor Johnson has been invited to deliver an address of welcome on the morning of the convention opening—Monday, August 14. Mayor McCarthy has accepted an invitation, together with other men prominent in civic affairs.

The all-day trip to Mount Tamalpais on August 15 is considered the most attractive feature of the week's hospitality. A side trip to Muir Woods will be taken.

The committees have received word that all the special trains will reach San Francisco in time to permit the delegates to participate in the "get together" evening of August 13. The programme will furnish an appropriate introduction for the bay ride next day. Oakland printers will be hosts on August 14, and will give a further illustration of their hospitality. The president of the University of California, at Berkeley, will greet the visitors and guide them to the buildings on the campus and to the Greek theater.

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President, Homer Hayes, '11, Joseph, vice-president, S. L. Burnhaugh, '03, Enterprise, secretary-treasurer, W. H. Spence, ex-'12, Island City, corresponding secretary, L. F. Allen, ex-'12, Wallawa. The association voted to provide a silver loving cup to be competed for each year by the high school track teams of the county.

WILLIAM EVINGER IS DROWNED.

HOOD RIVER, Or., July 23.—(Special.)—While swimming with a party of friends in the Columbia River near the Kobeg landing at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, William Evinger, the 21-year-old son of O. B. Evinger, was seized with cramps and drowned before aid could reach him. His body sank in the deep water and his companions made a number of futile attempts to recover it. After the news was received in the city a boat was taken to the scene and after dragging the river for several hours the body of the young man was recovered.

ALBANY'S PAVING EXTENSIVE.

ALBANY, Or., July 23.—(Special.)—More than half of Albany's street paving contract for this summer has been completed. The crew handling the work has completed the paving of Ellsworth street, from Third to Ninth streets, and of Third street, from Perry to Baker streets. The crew is now paving Ferry street, from First to Water streets, and after finishing this, will complete Third street, from Perry to Chapman streets, and then pave Washington street, from First to Ninth streets.

HOT WATER SHRIVELS SPRING WHEAT.

THE DALLAS, Or., July 23.—(Special.)—Spring wheat in this section has been shriveled by the late hot wave. The grain was just holding its own with the moisture in the air, but the extraordinary heat will send it to market No. 2 wheat. About one-third of the acreage is spring-sown. Extremely late fall grain is injured.

WEST FAVORS DISCUSSION

Dominion Parliament May Debate Reciprocity All Summer.

WINNIPEG, Man., July 23.—Western Canada takes great interest in the passage by the United States Senate of the Canadian reciprocity bill. The fact that opposition by the Dominion Parliament may prolong the discussion all summer is a pleasing prospect to the West, as that section will then have an opportunity to express its sentiment toward the measure.

One of the best indications of feeling in Western Canada towards reciprocity is the unanimous vote for it by the Legislatures of Alberta and Saskatchewan last winter.

In Manitoba the headquarters of opposition to the agreement. Boards of trade and grain exchanges have passed resolutions hostile to reciprocity.

TRADE INFLUX EXPECTED

California Steamship Lines Realize Value of Coast Shipping.

LOS ANGELES, July 23.—(Special.)—Within the last 11 days the Northern Pacific Steamship Company has added another boat to its service from San Francisco to San Diego. That is, it has completed arrangements for doing so. The old Yucatan is to be replaced by the Alaska service and will alternate with the Roanoke and the Geo. W. Elder in a five-day schedule between the two ports.

The company has also retitled the treasure ship Eureka and will put her into regular service between San Diego and Ensenada. All of which goes to show that California is at last waking up to the meaning of the coastwise shipping—how it is knitting the threads of commerce that stretch from Vancouver on the north to San Diego on the south.

For more than six years the steamship companies have been going ahead in their fierce fight for business, more or less ignored by the citizens of this state, who were too busy with inland doings to pay much attention to matters on their coast. Now, however, all that has changed. Los Angeles is bending every effort to get ready for the vast influx of commerce she expects when the Panama Canal is opened, and the steamship companies are also buckling to their work with redoubled energy.

Each succeeding step in the controversy that has waged for half a dozen years and more has been a step in advance. Shipping records have been broken almost monthly. New and varied interests have been opened up to the citizens, and with their coming speed, comfort and progress of many sorts, has been added to the coast vessels, until now they are hardly equaled anywhere in the coastwise trade of the world.

REBEL ATTACK DELAYED

HAYTIAN REVOLUTIONISTS ARE AWAITING REINFORCEMENTS.

Yacht American, Which Recently Gave Protection to Foreigners, Is Transformed Into Gunboat.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, July 23.—The expected advance of the revolutionists on the capital has been delayed, the insurgents at Mirabala, 18 miles to the north, apparently waiting for additional forces, which are on their way from Cape Haytien. All the government troops are concentrated here.

President Simon, who, after his arrival a few days ago from Fort Liberté, took to a sick bed, appears much better, and attended services in the cathedral today. The failure of the insurgents to make an attack upon Port au Prince, and the fact that there is now a strong government force in the capital have greatly encouraged the President.

The revolts at Croix des Bouquets and Gressier were the result of a military order issued by the military chiefs. General Thomas, commandant in charge when the revolt became active at Croix des Bouquets, took refuge in the presidency. He was made prisoner by the rebels, who cut off his head with machetes. The insurgents then pillaged the presidency and the church school, which is conducted by French sisters.

The yacht American, which recently gave protection to foreigners at Cape Haytien, has been transformed into a gunboat. She is now anchored at Mole St. Nicholas, without coal, having been towed there by a Dutch steamer.

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