

GOVERNOR ACCUSED OF SELLING PARDON

South Carolina Investigators Take Testimony in Adjoining State.

TELEPHONE SERVICE USED

Lawyer, Said to Have Gone to Confer With Executive, Is Missing—Detective and Lawyer Are Principal Witnesses.

AUGUSTA, Ga., July 14.—More sensational testimony charging Governor Bleasie, of South Carolina, with official corruption was introduced Saturday before the dispensary investigation committee of the State Legislature.

A. S. Reed, a Burns detective, and Thomas E. Felder, an Atlanta attorney, were the principal witnesses. Detective Reed's testimony included records said to have been taken by a telephone device relative to negotiations for the purchase of a convict's pardon from the South Carolina penitentiary.

Coachman's Pardon Sought. Reed testified that James Johnson, a coachman with several aliases, serving a one-year sentence in the penitentiary for robbing a safe of \$500, was the convict about whom the negotiations were conducted.

After making arrangements with Johnson, the detective said, he called upon Nichols and informed the latter that the convict was held to a large estate, but could become a beneficiary only by gaining his pardon. The detective testified that he agreed to pay the attorney a good fee and, as evidence of good faith, gave Nichols a check for \$400.

Reed then read records said to have been taken by the telephone device of conversations he had with Nichols in Spartanburg and in Washington on June 25, 1912, according to the records Nichols told of his influence with Governor Bleasie and named the terms upon which he would obtain the release of the convict.

Governor's Share Discussed. The amount was tentatively fixed at \$10,000 or \$15,000. The record also read showed that Nichols repeatedly referred to the amount of the proceeds which would go to Governor Bleasie for signing the pardon. On two occasions this sum was given as \$5000.

Several telegrams from Nichols to Reed were introduced in evidence. One was to the effect that Nichols had left Spartanburg to confer with Bleasie about the pardon.

Thomas E. Felder testified that a certain amount of money had been put on deposit with the understanding that it was to be released to Nichols' order as soon as Reed received a cipher telegram from Nichols saying that the convict had been pardoned.

Attorney Not Found. "We know," testified Felder, "that Nichols left Spartanburg to confer with Governor Bleasie and that he saw Bleasie Friday night. We have been unable today to locate Nichols, however."

Mystery incident to the adjournment of the hearing from this morning until this afternoon was cleared up by Mr. Felder on the witness stand. He said he had expected Governor Bleasie to sign Johnson's pardon at that time and for that reason the postponement was taken.

At the conclusion of Felder's testimony on the hearing of the committee was adjourned.

Talk of Franchise Recorded. The telephone record credits Nichols as saying the only thing he had done since Bleasie was Governor that caused comment was having the Governor sign a bill authorizing a franchise to an Incurran railroad. The bill was adopted with only three votes to spare.

According to the record, Nichols learned Bleasie contemplated vetoing the measure. The record afterwards showing conversation as told by Nichols: "Governor, what about that railroad bill?" said Nichols.

"I am going to veto the — thing," the Governor said. "What is it?" "Oh, don't fly off your nut," Nichols is recorded as saying. "I want to talk the matter over with you."

Nichols is alleged to have told how he remonstrated with the Governor on a visit to his house, saying, "If you don't sign the bill I'll raise hell. You are either doing it because you don't like the men who built it or because of being paid by the Southern Railroad."

According to the record Nichols then started to leave the Governor, when the latter said, "Come back here a minute. Come in and bring the railroad bill. I'm going to sign it to get rid of the — thing."

Tonight the commission held an executive session and afterwards announced that it had admitted the Nichols record under a Supreme Court decision on relevancy.

VEDRINES MAKES RECORD

French Aviator Wins in Trials for Bennett Cup Contest.

RHEIMS, France, July 14.—Julius Vedrines, the French aviator, won first Saturday in the elimination trials for the Gordon Bennett international aviation cup contest at Chicago next September.

He beat all records from 10 to 200 kilometers, making an average speed of 155 kilometers (about 105 miles) an hour. He covered the 200 kilometers (124 miles) in one hour 10 minutes and 50 seconds.

SEATTLE TO MAKE SILK

Japanese Will Establish Mills at Puget Sound City.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 14.—Baron Sibusawa, Nakama Buel and other Japanese, acting on the suggestion of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, have decided to establish a silk manufacturing plant at Seattle, according to advice brought by the steamer Empress of India. The capital of the concern is placed at \$1,500,000. Raw silk will be imported from Japan and will come in free of duty.

CAMPAIGN PROBE GOES ON

Belmont and Sheehan to Testify Before Committee; Ryan Gone.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—August Belmont and William F. Sheehan have been invited to testify next week before the Senate committee investigating political campaign contributions in 1904 and 1908. An invitation was sent to Thomas Fortune Ryan but he has left the country. Postmaster-General Hitchcock, who directed Mr. Taft's campaign, and Representative Lloyd, chairman of the Democratic Congressional committee, also have been asked to testify.

Senator Clapp, chairman of the committee, emphatically denied today that the committee had considered calling Colonel Roosevelt, President Taft, William J. Bryan or Alton B. Parker. Any one knowing the whereabouts of Charles R. Hall, assistant treasurer of the Democratic National committee during the Parker campaign of 1904, would save the committee a lot of trouble by notifying it. Chairman Clapp said today his committee had been unable to locate Hall.

OREGON PIONEER WOMAN DIES AT HER RESIDENCE ON THIRTEENTH STREET.

Mrs. Marianna Baum, of 350 Thirteenth street, widow of Simon S. Baum, a pioneer merchant of Portland, died from heart disease Tuesday. Mrs. Baum was born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1838 and came to Portland in 1857. A year later she was married and the wedding was the first Jewish marriage in Portland, taking place in the Temple Beth Israel, in which congregation both Mr. and Mrs. Baum were charter members.

Mrs. Baum was a conspicuous figure in Portland's early history, taking an active part in her husband's business and devoting much of her time to charity. Of late years Mrs. Baum had been identified with various societies of Jewish women. Six daughters and a son survive. They are Leon S. Baum and the Misses Bertha, Amelia and Henrietta Baum, of Portland; Mrs. Harry Holland, Spokane; Mrs. Jerome Friedman, Pendleton; and Mrs. Lem Leisic, San Francisco.

The Democratic National committee in 1904, testified he was only a figurehead in the campaign and the campaign books were kept entirely by Hall. Thomas Teggart, chairman of the committee that year, testified that he burned the books in 1908.

WORK ON LINE CEASES COOS BAY-GARDINER TUNNEL STRETCH AFFECTED.

Operations Until Big Bore Is Brought to Completion.

NORTH BEND, Or., July 14.—(Special.)—Work on the Eugene-Coos Bay line of the Southern Pacific has been discontinued indefinitely between Coos Bay and the Gardiner tunnel, according to an announcement made here today by Thomas Dixon, acting representative of the Portland, Tron. & Perks Company, the firm having the general contract for building the line.

Charles E. Tinkler, general manager of the company, was expected to arrive here yesterday, but instead he went to Portland to confer with Contractor Twohy, regarding reported changes in the grade.

Mr. Dixon received a telegram today from Mr. Tinkler saying that all work between the Gardiner tunnel and Coos Bay was to be discontinued at once, and he will leave for Arizona, where the company has work on hand.

Porter Bros. have from the McArthur Bros. & Perks Company the work of building the line from the end of Twohy Bros. contract, that of Eugene to a point this side of Gardiner, including the large tunnel. It is supposed that the order does not affect the work of Porter Bros.

According to this announcement the only railroad activity this year will be in the neighborhood of Gardiner. Mr. Dixon says he supposes the delay of the work is for the reason that it will require at least a year longer to build the big tunnel than it will to build the line from here to the tunnel, and that the work on this end of the line can be started a year from now and still be finished in time to be ready when the tunnel is built.

Messages from North Inlet, where the contractors established a construction camp and where men were engaged in cutting brush on the right of way, say that the work has been discontinued. It is suggested by Mr. Dixon that the matter may be taken up with the New York office of the contracting firm and that perhaps the contract with the Southern Pacific is such that the building of this end of the line can be forced.

LINER WILL BE WATCHED

Customs Men Expect Contraband Opium on Korea.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 14.—Customs officials said here today they had received advance information from Honolulu that the liner Korea, due to arrive here Monday, carried a large amount of contraband opium. The vessel will be searched and will be closely watched by secret service agents from the time it passed the lights until she departs.

Customs inspectors said today they were drawing the evidence closer about men suspected of being engaged in a smuggling conspiracy, and that they believed the ring would be broken up by arrests soon to be made.

Mrs. Mary C. Fisher Dies.

Mrs. Mary C. Fisher died at St. Vincent's hospital at 2 o'clock in the afternoon from an operation performed last Monday. Mrs. Fisher was the wife of Charles Fisher, of Chena, Alaska, who is now in the North. She was visiting D. Jackson, her son-in-law. The funeral will be held today at the crematorium.

SULTAN'S IMPERIAL PALACE RESTORED

Residence Forsaken by Abdul Hamid in Fear Is Established Again.

PRAYERS MADE AS OF OLD

Present Ruler Smiles and Salutes Troops, but Occasion Remains One Marked by Solemnity and Traditional Silence.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 14.—(Special.)—The present Sultan has re-established the imperial residence on the shores of the Bosphorus which Abdul Hamid deserted in the fear of meeting the same fate as one of his predecessors, who was awakened one morning by the bombardment of his palace by the guns of his own fleet.

Leaving the ancient dwelling of the Sultans on the Pointe du Serail—the scene of many a sanguinary tragedy—his father, Abdul-Medjid, installed himself in the spacious and beautiful palace erected by his architect, Garabed Balian, on a site on the seashore called Dolma-Baghtche.

With the beginning of the present regime Dolma-Baghtche was thoroughly overhauled, and it badly needed repairs, since for half a century the vast edifice had hardly ever been touched. A little west of the palace and also on the shore is situated the mosque called Valide, where the weekly ceremony of the Selamlik generally takes place.

Heavy Guard Kept. A square planted with trees and ornamented with a clock tower separates the palace from the mosque. It sometimes happens, of course, that the Sultan offers his Friday prayers elsewhere, but the Selamlik is held at Dolma-Baghtche gives it the privilege of receiving the Padishah most regularly.

When the Sultan is about to leave the palace for the mosque all the approaches are occupied by battalions of infantry and squadrons of cavalry. The traffic is not entirely held up, as was the case under the old regime and the people are allowed to pass between the military lines until the sharp sounds of a bugle announce that the Commander the Faithful is taking his place in his carriage. The troops present arms and the crowd is held back behind the hedge of bayonets.

Another feature of the Selamlik is the drawing up nearest to the palace of the old Ottoman cry, wishing long life to their sovereign, "Padisahim tchok Yacha." Then one sees the large Victoria drawn by four white horses with long tails almost touching the ground advancing at a slow and dignified trot.

Ruler Often Smiles. Mehmed, who is always alone in his carriage, salutes the troops with a long and emphatic gesture. He is often smiling, especially now that the war in Africa has taken a better turn. Last Autumn his face ordinarily appeared sad and worried, for the Sultan is a man of nervous sensibility and he is acutely affected by passing events. His striking contrast with the impassible mask of Abdul Hamid, who remained unmoved alike by the delirious acclamations of the crowd in July, 1908, and during his own journey to Canossa, to St. Sophia, several weeks later.

The grand orchestra of the palace is taking its place in the courtyard of the mosque and, but being none the less Imperial March while the Sultan is still some distance off. Three shouts from the troops interrupt its repetition as the Emperor enters the mosque, where he has been preceded by several of the ladies of his harem. His ministers have awaited him and while the spectacle is assuredly not without interest and significance.

Solemnity Marks Rite. The solemn silence that used to announce the dreaded approach of Abdul Hamid no longer marks these Friday ceremonies, but being none the less possess that character of solemnity which always impresses an Oriental crowd.

Outside the mosque, when the Sultan is taking his place, the crowd, which had remained strangely still during the passing of the Sultan, once more becomes animated.

The prayers are finished and the Sultan receives the ministers who are present and questions them on public affairs. The conversations finished, the Sultan takes his place in his carriage to the shrill strains of the orchestra and returns to the palace by the same road.

WIFE SLAIN BY HUSBAND

Man Then Kills Himself—Couple Were Wedded in Portland.

LOS ANGELES, July 14.—Harry Weber, a marble-layer, shot and killed his wife early tonight on the steps of a lodging-house here and then blew out his own brains.

Weber was 31 years old and his wife was 26. They were married about a year ago in Portland, Or., where the young woman resided. His name prior to marriage was Rose Wilson.

Domestic differences caused the murder and suicide. Mr. Weber had threatened to leave her husband and he had told her he would kill her if she did.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weber formerly lived at 351 Sacramento street. Neighbors said last night that the couple quarreled frequently. They lived in the house about a month and nothing was afterwards known of their whereabouts.

GOLF BALL KILLS TROUT

Fish Is Killed as It Cavors in Stream Running in Links.

CHICOPEE FALLS, Mass., July 14.—Here is a fish story that is sworn and subscribed to, and better than that, there is a fish to substantiate the yarn. A ten-inch trout with a golf ball killed a ten-inch trout with a golf ball while he was driving for the seventh hole. The ball veered and struck in a trout stream that runs through the links. Hunt picked up the fish when he went to recover the ball. The fish will be mounted.

\$538,113 STRANGELY FOUND

Albany Blacksmith Picks Up Wallet of Checks Lost in New York.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 14.—When Thomas O'Brien, a blacksmith, saw a

red leather bag lying behind a fence near his smithy, he picked it up last night.

A moment later he was hurriedly telephoning police headquarters. The bag contained checks totalling \$538,113, the property of the United Cigar Stores Company, of New York. The company told the police that the checks, with \$223 in currency, had been sent today by a messenger to the National Bank of Commerce in New York for deposit. The company supposed the deposit had been made until informed that the bag and its contents had been found in Albany.

NEW YORK, July 14.—Police here cannot explain how a bag containing checks totalling half a million dollars—the property of the United Cigar Stores Company—reached Albany.

So far as detectives have been able to learn from the company's auditor, the checks were endorsed for deposit and entrusted to the care of a 15-year-old boy known as "Joe," who was to take them to the bank. The police say they are informed "Joe" had not reported back to the company's office after leaving with the stachel shortly before noon.

PERU OUTRAGES SHOCK

CONDITIONS IN RUBBER INDUSTRY ANGER BRITISH.

Publication in Blue Book Made With United States' Consent as Action Is Refused.

LONDON, July 14.—The disclosures as to the state of affairs in the rubber industry in Peru, published in the Blue Book just issued by the Foreign Office, as the result of Sir Roger Casement's investigations, attract a great deal of attention and have caused comparisons to be drawn between these wholesale atrocities and those at one time reported from the Congo Free State.

The British Consul-General at Rio Janeiro confirms the charges brought against native agents of the Peruvian Amazon Company, a British concern formerly engaged in rubber collection in the Putumayo district.

The story first was published in the United States and was brought to the attention of the British Foreign Office by the Washington State Department. Sir Roger Casement was sent to Peru a year ago and found overwhelming evidence of the murder and torture of defenseless Indians. He discovered that kerosene had been poured over men, women and children, who had been tied to stakes and were then set on fire. The brains of children had been dashed out, the limbs of Indians had been cut off and broken and they had been left to die. Other tortures also included deliberate starvation of many persons.

The Foreign Office says that after months of futile attempts to get the Peruvian government to take measures to prevent the recurrence of such horrors and punish the guilty it had decided, with the cordial acquiescence of the United States Government, that the only course to take was to publish the facts in full.

CURIO DEALERS MAKE FIND

Discovery Is New Rich Client, the Daughter of J. P. Morgan.

LONDON, July 14.—(Special.)—The English curio dealer has suddenly discovered a new American collector upon whom to operate. The daughter of J. P. Morgan, the daughter of J. P. Morgan, who is a collector of curios, has been identified with those of her father and has lately been exploring peculiar places in search of things historical and rare. Old world medals of the Bohemian and Balcanic period appear to have a special attraction for her, and one London dealer has instructions to secure as many as he can of a market in these war models has immediately brought on the scene quite a quantity of spurious examples that are likely to land in the hands of the collector.

The most interesting feature of Miss Morgan's desire to secure the "real things" she appears to be in competition with Lord Curzon, who is heading a wealthy syndicate whose main object is to stop the exploitation of the Balkan Peninsula by foreigners. While at the same time her personal friendship with the ex-Indian viceroy has been regarded as a ground for a possible closer alliance by their mutual friends.

MRS. SHANE LESLIE WINS

WIFE OF GAELIC JOINS AMERICAN COLONY.

Daughter of Henry Clay Ide May Some Day Claim Title of "Lady," Is Latest Belief.

DUBLIN, July 14.—(Special.)—Though the Gaelic League were inclined to criticize the marriage of Shane Leslie to an American, Mrs. Shane Leslie will soon join the band of young American women who are making Ireland their home, and she is sure of a warm welcome.

She was, before her marriage to the enthusiastic Gaelic League, Miss Marjorie Ide, daughter of Henry Clay Ide, United States Minister to Madrid. Some time ago she was married to the son of her name, as her husband is the direct line of succession to his grandfather, Sir John Leslie, of Castle Leslie, in County Monaghan. That ancient home is busy with Spring cleaning in anticipation of her arrival, but she will surely miss the glamor and excitement of Port Washington amid the rural surroundings of Glasglough, where the Leslies hold their "court."

She can claim the distinction of being the first foreigner to marry a member of the Gaelic League, because the movement does its best to be strictly "protective" in this respect. "Shane" is not a poor man, so it cannot be charged against him that he has gone to America for his wife on account of her name, that may be attached to the alliance. But if report speaks true the Gaelic League is already profiting from the dollars for its propaganda work.

MRS. GODAU IS CONVICTED

Alabama Murderess Sentenced to Life Imprisonment.

MOBILE, Ala., July 14.—Mrs. Mary T. Godau, who confessed to killing her brother-in-law, Patrolman Fred Weserleben, last December, was found guilty tonight and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Mrs. Fred Weserleben, wife of the slain man, will be tried next week on the same charge. She says she is a cripple. She says she killed Weserleben in her room. The body of the policeman, who was unusually large in stature, was found on the morning after the killing in a pond a mile and a half from the Godau residence. The woman said that she dragged the body down the stairs, rolled it in a blanket and hitching a horse to it, dragged it to the place where it was found.

Saskatchewan Elects Liberals.

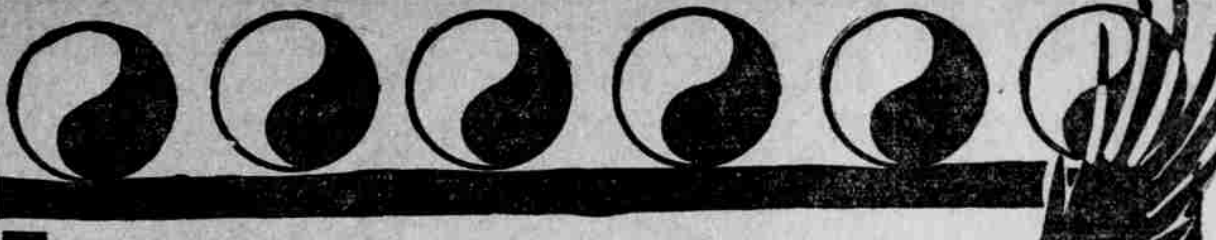
OTTAWA, Ont., July 14.—The province of Saskatchewan has reaffirmed its wish for reciprocity with the United States by a vote of about five to one. Latest figures indicate the return in the Provincial elections there of 40 Liberals and eight Conservatives, with four seats in doubt. The reciprocity sentiment is likely to sweep Alberta Province also.

Battle in Portugal Reported.

LONDON, July 14.—A dispatch from Lisbon says the Minister of War has received information that a Republican flying column attacked a body of Royalists near Cebeceiras de Basto, killing 11 of them and taking a large number of prisoners.

Forest Grove Resident Dies.

FOREST GROVE, Or., July 14.—William Ringles, of this city, aged 43 years, died Wednesday night after a long illness. He formerly lived in Hillsboro, where he managed the electric light and water plants, and several years ago came to Forest Grove and took over the management of the light plant here. He was having charge of the work until his illness forced him to retire. He leaves a widow and five children in this city.



EXCURSION TICKETS JULY 14, 16, 18 HO FOR SEATTLE and the POTLATCH JULY 14 TO 20, 1912

Go With the ROSARIANS via NORTHERN PACIFIC RY.

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A. D. CHARLTON, Asst. Gen'l Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon

chauffeur of 121 East Fourteenth street, was slightly hurt late yesterday when he ran his stripped automobile into a street car at East Sixteenth and East Morrison streets. He was taken to Good Samaritan Hospital, where it was said late last night that his injuries were not serious. Bartman's machine was badly smashed.

FRENCH CRIME STUDIED Investigation Promises to Aid in Abetting Future Lawbreaking.

PARIS, July 14.—(Special.)—The increase of crime, and particularly of juvenile crime, in France led the Chamber two years and a half ago to pass a resolution inviting the legal authorities to consider the advisability of establishing in Paris an organization for the examination of criminals and the investigation of the social causes of criminality. A committee was appointed by the Chamber for the purpose of trying the experiment, the investigation to be confined to convicts. M. Briand took the next step of obtaining from Parliament the money necessary for the establishment of a central bureau of criminology. This bureau will study criminals from the point of view of their physical and biological characteristics, their physical condition, and their social environment. It is hoped thereby to arrive for the benefit of future legislation at the laws which govern the origin of crime.

General of Two Wars Dies.

DETROIT, Mich., July 14.—General Henry M. Duffield, Adjutant-General of the Twenty-third Brigade, Army of the Cumberland, in the Civil War and in command of the Second Army Corps in Cuba, during the Spanish-American War, died here tonight.

Manufacturer Killed in Auto.

TOLLEDO, O., July 14.—John J. Manning, president of the National Malleable Castings Company, of this city, was killed at midnight when his automobile crashed into an electric car in Jersey, son of ex-Mayor Jones, who was in the automobile, escaped uninjured.

Polish the Bath-Tub with Pearline Removes All Stains



George Bartman, Chauffeur, Hurt. George Bartman, 23 years old, a