

DETECTIVE TELLS OF CARRYING BRIBE

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CRADDOCK TALKS TO JURY

Officer Says He Delivered \$20 to A. P. Armstrong.

BATY IMPLICATES SLOVER

Patrolmen Rush to Office of District Attorney With Offers of Evidence—Denial Is Made by School Superintendent.

YESTERDAY'S DEVELOPMENTS IN MUNICIPAL SCANDAL.

Detective Craddock tells of carrying a bribe of \$20 from police applicant to A. P. Armstrong. Same witness says he and Captain Joe Keller had advance copies of questions in captivity examinations. Captain Baty tells how Acting Chief Slover proposed to "do politics for Bushlight" by boosting an obscure newspaper. Patrolman Vroman confirms other officers who were summoned before Armstrong. Patrolmen rushing to District Attorney with offers of evidence. County Superintendent Armstrong enters total denial of whole transaction.

With Detective Robert Craddock talking freely before the grand jury nearly all day, with police officers voluntarily rushing to the office of the District Attorney offering to tell what they know, and with a big batch of subpoenas out for further investigation today, the municipal scandal centering at present around County School Superintendent Armstrong, assumed greater proportions yesterday and began to reach into unexpected channels.

Witnesses before the jury included Captain Baty, C. M. Senofsky, Patrolman C. E. Klingensmith, Detective Craddock and Patrolman Vroman. Others who are to appear today are Captain Slover and Keller, of the police department; W. A. Tupper, secretary of the Civil Service Commission; Robert Armstrong, a brother of the county superintendent, and a man named Markham, whom the police officers supposed to be the campaign manager for Mr. Armstrong.

Craddock Talks Freely.

The star witness was Detective Craddock, who passed several hours in the grand jury room and is said to have talked freely.

Discussing the charge that he was the go-between for Mr. Armstrong, member of the Civil Service Commission, and the men who had taken the examination for appointment to the police force, the detective is alleged to have confirmed in detail the previous statements of Patrolmen Johnson, Thomson, Vroman,esters and Schiller. The patrolmen said they were called by Craddock to the office of County Superintendent Armstrong, where the question of their giving money for high ratings is alleged to have been discussed.

First evidence that money actually had passed was reached with the name of Patrolman C. E. Klingensmith, who, Craddock says, gave him \$20. Craddock says he carried the money to Mr. Armstrong and delivered it personally.

Examination Declared Irregular.

With only a hint of solicitation, the witness digressed into a discussion of the alleged irregularity in the examinations for captain of police, in which he and Keller were the ones who stood highest and from which Keller obtained his appointment to the berth he now fills. Craddock says that a copy of the questions was delivered to him and Keller by Robert Armstrong, brother of the commissioner, the night before the examination and that Craddock and Keller met at Keller's house and went over the questions together, so that they were almost letter-perfect the following day.

From this the detective passed to one matter after another, talking freely of many little occurrences which have mystified observers of police affairs during the past two years. Much of this digression was immaterial, but the jurors listened with avidity to everything, and may make a part of the information the basis of criticism in its report, in affairs where indictment is not practicable.

Klingensmith Confirms Craddock.

Patrolman Klingensmith, when called as a witness, is said to have confirmed Craddock unhesitatingly regarding the \$20 which Craddock asserts he delivered to Armstrong. Patrolman Vroman, after a two-day search by Special Agent Beatty, was found yesterday and taken before the jury. He confirmed in detail the story told by Officers Schiller, Thomson and Johnson about their being taken to Armstrong's office to discuss the payment of money.

Another witness who opened the eyes of the jurors was C. E. Baty, captain of detectives, who was called to tell what he knew about the attempt

LORDS MAY BLOCK IRISH HOME RULE

UNIONISTS PLAN TO DEFEAT ACTION BY ADJOURNMENT.

Parliament Act Has Overlooked Possibility of Virtual Strike Against Legislation.

LONDON, July 9.—A new Unionist attempt to obstruct the home rule bill for Ireland was announced in the House of Lords this afternoon by the Marquis of Lansdowne, Unionist leader.

When the bill is submitted to the Lords for second reading Monday Lord Lansdowne will move that the House decline to proceed with consideration of it until it is submitted to the judgment of the country.

If the House of Lords postpones dealing with the Irish home rule bill by an adjournment to a date beyond the life of the present Parliament, the Liberal government will be powerless to force through its legislation because the Parliament act overlooks the possibility of the upper house's giving itself a prolonged vacation and going on a virtual strike against legislation.

PEANUT WAGONS AN ISSUE

Fruit Peddlers Demand Same Privileges Under Same Ordinance.

War is on between fruit peddlers and peanut vendors of the city because the peanut people are permitted to stand on the streets in the business district, while the fruit peddlers are forced to keep moving, despite the fact that both classes of peddlers pay the same amount of license and have the same privileges under the law.

The trouble, which has been brewing for some time, came to a head yesterday, when the fruit peddlers appeared before City Commissioner Daly and demanded recognition of their right to stand on the street corners. Commissioner Daly investigated and found that both the fruit peddlers and the peanut vendors have exactly the same license.

Commissioner Daly announced that the only solution of the problem he can see is to drive them all out of the business district or change the provisions of the licenses. The question will be taken before the Commission at its next meeting.

POLAR EXPLORERS IN NOME

Stefansson and Party Will Resume Journey July 20.

NOME, Alaska, July 9.—The Canadian polar exploration ship Karluk arrived from Victoria, B. C., today with 12 of the scientists who will go with Valianur Stefansson into the Arctic. A few hours later the steaming Victoria arrived from Seattle with Stefansson, Dr. R. M. Anderson, his lieutenant, and James Murray, oceanographer.

The expedition will remain here until July 20, when the way will be open to Point Barrow, the northernmost point of Alaska.

While here supplies will be transferred to the auxiliary boat Alaskan, which will take the Southern party, under Dr. Anderson, from Nome to Victorialand for scientific research work.

WEEDS TO BE ORDERED CUT

City Commissioner to Notify Vacant Lot Owners Today.

With the receipt yesterday by City Commissioner Dieck of a supply of legal weed-cutting notices, to conform with the new weed ordinance, arrangements were made for an immediate campaign to force the cutting of weeds on all vacant property within the city.

The new law provides that the City Engineer shall post on vacant property where weeds are growing a sign reading "Notice to cut weeds." If the weeds are not cut within five days the City Engineer is required to engage men to do the work and the cost will be assessed against the property.

Commissioner Dieck gave notice to all of the street inspectors and district engineers yesterday to spot out property covered with weeds. The notices will be posted today.

ELKS NARROWLY ESCAPE

Sightseeing Party of 30 Comes Near to Drop of 175 Feet.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 9.—Thirty Elks attending the grand lodge reunion here narrowly escaped a drop of 175 feet into the Genesee River to night when a sightseeing car in which they sat crashed through a bridge railing. At the highest point the bridge is 212 feet above the river.

The accident was due to the attempt of the chauffeur to avert a collision with a runaway driven by a woman. When the big machine hit the bridge railing ten feet of the guard rushed into the river. The right front wheel of the big sightseeing car hung over the bridge and the car had to be jacked up before the party could go on.

HAIL IS AS BIG AS WALNUTS

Fruit Trees Stripped and Truck Gardens Devastated in Ohio.

COLUMBUS, O., July 9.—A terrific rain and hail storm swept parts of Columbus and vicinity this afternoon, doing great damage in the city and country. Hailstones as large as walnuts were shoveled up after the storm, which lasted less than 10 minutes.

Fruit trees were stripped bare and truck farms were shorn of the growing crops.

LOBBY TO UNDERGO ANOTHER INQUIRY

House Decides on Its Own Investigation.

MULHALL IS STARTING POINT

Wide Authority, However, Is Given to Committee.

SENATORS HEAR WOOLMEN

Manufacturer Says He Knows of No Expenditures for Political Purposes, Except Fund Raised for Special Exigency.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—A lobby investigation of extraordinary scope was authorized by the House today to supplement the Senate inquiry already under way. With the passage of the Henry investigation resolution a special committee of seven members was immediately appointed by Speaker Clark, with Representative Garrett, of Tennessee, as chairman. The committee will meet tomorrow to make plans for the institution of the probe at once.

While the House investigation was prompted largely by the allegation of Colonel M. M. Mulhall regarding the legislative activities of the National Association of Manufacturers, the resolution as finally adopted enlarged the scope of the inquiry so that all efforts to control members of the House or to influence legislation by any person or organization will be subject to the inquisitorial power of the committee.

House Committee Appointed.

The speaker appointed, with Chairman Garrett, of Tennessee, Representatives Kline of Indiana, Russell of Missouri, Roddenberry of Georgia, Democrats; Willis of Ohio and Stafford of Wisconsin, Republicans, and Representative Nolan of California, Progressive. Representatives Kline, Willis and Stafford are out of town and the chairman telegraphed them tonight asking them to return at once. Chairman Garrett expects to begin hearings on Monday.

The special Senate committee continued today its inquiry into the activities of lobbyists concerned with the wool schedules of the tariff bill. The committee has not yet begun its probe of the Mulhall charges, although all of the correspondence and documentary proof has been classified and arranged for use as soon as the witnesses are ready for examination.

Hearings to Be Open.

Many involved in the Mulhall charges are in Washington, summoned to take the stand before the Senate committee.

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STRIKERS ASK PROTECTION

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ST. LOUIS, July 9.—The striking waiters, cooks and bartenders tonight sent a telegram to Governor Major begging him to send a company of militia here immediately to protect them from assaults by the police.

The square surrounding the Maryland Hotel is filled with a howling mob, and clashes between the police and strikers are hourly occurrences.

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BULGARS REPORTED ANXIOUS FOR PEACE

Ivanoff's Army Retiring Before Greeks.

CHOLERA ADDS TO HORRORS

Disposal of Dead and Wounded Now Grave Problem.

NURSES MUCH OVERTAXED

Roumania Ready to Attack Either Bulgaria or Serbia, as May Best Serve to Preserve Equilibrium in Balkans.

LONDON, July 9.—Reports from the scenes of war in the Balkans continue to be conflicting. This was markedly emphasized tonight, a dispatch from the Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Uskup, dated Tuesday night, reporting that there hardly had been any fighting in the last few days, while Belgrade dispatches reported further Serbian victories and the latest advices from the Bulgarian capital asserted that all the Bulgarians who had invaded Serbia had been driven back across the frontier.

There seems to be little doubt that General Ivanoff's army is steadily retiring before the victorious Greeks, and it is reported the Bulgarians have evacuated both Kavala, where the Greek fleet is operating, and Dedagatch.

Plan for Peace Thought Probable.

Whether there is any truth in Vienna reports that Bulgaria has applied to the powers to arrange peace is not known but it would appear not unlikely, since clearly things are not going well with the Bulgarians and the outbreak of cholera at many points in the field of operations, combined with the exhaustion of the armies by the fierceness of the struggle, is calculated to make some such solution welcome to the combatants.

This is especially so because of the uncertainty of the policy of Roumania, which is now reported to be ready to attack either Serbia or Bulgaria, as occasion may demand, in order to prevent a disturbance of the Balkan equilibrium.

Dead and Wounded Are Problem.

The problem of dealing with the dead and wounded is proving serious. The nursing resources in Belgrade are woefully insufficient and all accommodations there are distressingly overtaxed. It is said that the Serbians have permitted a pause in the operations to allow the removal of the wounded and interment of the dead, as well as the

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SEX HYGIENE IS ADDED TO STUDIES

CHICAGO INTRODUCES SUBJECT IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

Course to Be Called "Personal Purity"—One Woman Member of Board Opposes.

CHICAGO, July 9.—(Special)—Sex hygiene will be taught in the high schools of this city, beginning with September.

The Board of Education today adopted a recommendation to make teaching of sex hygiene part of the curriculum, making Chicago the first city in the United States to teach it. It will be called a course in "personal purity."

It was not without a fight that the board acted. On motion made by Trustee Loeb at the school management committee meeting three weeks ago, Ella Plagg Young, superintendent of schools, recommended that sex hygiene be taught in the high schools and that lectures be given in the elementary schools.

Opposition developed and when the recommendation came before the board two weeks ago, it was deferred for further consideration. An amended recommendation was submitted and adopted today. Before the resolution was read Mr. Loeb said he had received commendatory letters from prominent citizens of the community who had made a study of the subject.

Among those from whom he received encouragement were Jane Addams, A. W. Harris, president of Northwestern University; Charles R. Henderson, professor of sociology at the University of Chicago, and Mrs. M. L. Purvin, of the Chicago Woman's Aid.

The only members of the board to vote against the teaching of personal purity to children of Chicago were Mrs. John McMahon and Thomas Kelly.

BORAH BILL IS REPORTED

Modification of Homestead Act Favored by Senate Committee.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 9.—Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the public lands committee, today laid before his committee Senator Borah's bill amending the three-year homestead law, and after a brief discussion the bill was unanimously favorably reported.

This bill seeks to make the three-year law a real benefit to homesteaders by providing that in lieu of cultivating 20 acres of land during the third year of residence, homesteaders may show good faith and satisfy the law by making improvements on their land amounting to \$150 for each acre entered.

The merit of the bill was quickly recognized by members of the committee and no opposition was made to it. Senator Borah is gratified at the action taken today, and believes the bill can be passed through the Senate this session, though it may not be considered by the House until next session. With this change, he believes the three-year homestead law will afford great relief to all homesteaders.

DOLLAR COLORS TO CHANGE

Big Steamship Line Arranges to Ply Under Chinese Flag.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—The Chinese flag will replace the Stars and Stripes over the hulls of one of the largest freight-carrying steamship lines in the Pacific—the Robert Dollar Company—in the event that negotiations under way are consummated. Under the arrangements now pending it will receive a subsidy from the Chinese government.

Stanley Dollar, a vice-president of the company, said today: "At the time of the Chinese revolution we were closing arrangements with the Chinese government to put our line under the Chinese flag. The investigation interrupted negotiations but they are about to be concluded." It is said the line will form the nucleus of a Chinese merchant marine and be available to that nation in case of war.

FREEDOM MAKES TOILET

Workmen Scrub Statuesque "Lady" on Capitol's Dome.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Freedom, whose form surmounts the dome of the Capitol, made her biennial toilet today. A score of husky workmen clambered to the top of the dome and gave Freedom a bath, using a heavy lather of castle soap and scrubbing brushes to remove the dust and grime that had accumulated on the face and figure of the lady of the Capitol since her last ablutions were performed, in the Summer of 1910.

Freedom's jewelry will be replaced, as the seven platinum tips which surmount her headdress have been badly damaged by lightning bolts. Several hundred dollars' worth of precious metal will adorn her brow and protect her from the elements.

TABLET HONORS BRADDOCK

Spot Where General Camped in Colonial Was Formally Marked.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—A general tablet marking the spot where Braddock camped with his army en route to Fort Duquesne during the French and Indian war was unveiled here today by a committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Today was the 150th anniversary of Braddock's death.

The speakers were Representatives Borland, of Missouri, and Lewis, of Maryland. Colonel M. P. Gage, military attaché of the British Embassy, was present as the representative of the British Ambassador.

2800 MEN FIGHTING FIRE ON MOUNTAIN

Canyon Dwellers Ordered From Homes.

PEOPLE OF TOWN IN TERROR

Tamalpais Blaze, Whipped by Sea Breeze, Dangerous.

RICH ESTATE IS MENACED

Men From Army and Navy Assisting Civilians in Unequal Combat. Cottages in Muir Woods Are Now Burning.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—(Thursday.)—Five men are reported to have been burned to death today on the Larkspur side of Mount Tamalpais. A correspondent of the Associated Press talked with men who said they saw the five carried away on stretchers toward Mill Valley. They had not arrived there at 1 A. M.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—The report that the Mount Tamalpais fire had swept into the big redwood grove, Muir Wood, was confirmed here at midnight. Immediately a train was assembled and hundreds of fire fighters were dispatched to join those now striving to save the big trees. The great grove is one of the noted show places of the state.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—The women and children of Mill Valley are standing in terrorized groups in the street tonight, clutching a few of their most precious belongings, and watching the approach down Blytheedale Canyon of the Mount Tamalpais fire. The husbands and fathers, aided by 2000 men from the Army and Navy, are battling bravely to check the flames. At another point 800 civilians are fighting flames.

No fire, which had been considered no longer dangerous early in the day, was whipped to action by the afternoon breezes from the sea, and it raged through the canyon, leaping the burn-out path of the backfire, until at 9 o'clock it was reported a mile and three-quarters of a mile from the town. The wind slackened tonight, which gave some hope, but dwellers in the canyon were ordered to abandon their homes.

Day of Anxiety Spent.

Residents of the whole district spent a long day of extreme anxiety. Among the noteworthy properties threatened was the country estate of Ralston Lovell, White, known as the "Garden of Allah," which is valued at \$1,000,000. The estate today is in charge of Mrs. William Tierney, a young woman whose husband is with the firefighters. She refused to leave her duties as caretaker.

Three automobiles in the garage were left to their fate for lack of anyone to drive them to safety. The valuable paintings, tapestry and some of the furniture were removed. Much of the prize poultry had to be abandoned.

Fire Leaps Over Trench.

The fire in Baltimore Canyon also is reported to have leaped a trench dug to halt it. It is said that about 800 civilians are making a desperate stand against this fire, which threatens the towns of Corie Madera and Larkspur.

An entirely distinct fire has started down Redwood Canyon and is charging on the Muir forest of Sequoias. Cottages near Muir woods are burning.

PRICE OF COFFEE DROPS

Cost Declines 5 Cents a Pound Since Last October.

NEW YORK, July 9.—There was a break of fully a half cent in coffee today, the culmination of heavy selling which has been in progress for several months, and which has caused a decline of 5 cents a pound in coffee since last October. The break was followed by a sharp rally, but closing prices showed a loss of 11 to 21 points compared with yesterday's quotations.

Pronounced weakness in the European market, lower quotations from Brazil and reports of a continued flat trade demand contributed to the break, which was supposed to effect the liquidation of old loans in advance of competition and new crop coffee, which is now beginning to move in some volume.

DANIELS TO VISIT PORTLAND

Secretary of Navy to Be in City July 20 and Again July 28.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 9.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels will visit Portland July 20, on his way from the Puget Sound Navy-Yard to San Francisco, and will return to Portland July 28 on his way to Spokane.

The Secretary will be at Seattle July 16 to 18 and will inspect the Bremerton Navy-Yard. He will spend July 19 in Tacoma and July 23 in Spokane.

