

MONEY PAID TO WIN "FRIEND AT COURT"

Contractors Give Further Testimony as to Contribution to Democratic Fund.

OFFICIAL GIVES "ADVICE"

State Committee Helped in Belief Estimates on State Highway and Canal Work Would Be Held Up Otherwise.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—James E. Flood and John R. Davis, president and treasurer, respectively, of the Flood & Van Wirt Engineering & Construction Company, of Hudson Falls, N. Y., testified today at District Attorney Whitman's John Doe inquiry into state highway graft that their corporation had given \$4500 to the Democratic state committee because they feared that contracts for the canal and the State Highway Commission and the Canal Board would be held up.

The Commissioner of Highways, who was O. Gordon Reel, and the Superintendent of Public Works, Duncan W. Peck, were described by Davis as the "high court at Albany."

"I suppose," said Davis, "that we contributed because we believed they would stall us. It was well enough to have a friend at court."

Supervisor Gives "Advice." Flood and Davis were called to supplement the previous testimony of Dudley E. Van Wirt, vice-president of the concern, that at the solicitation of Everett P. Fowler, the alleged "Tammany bagman," he sent two contributions of \$500 each and one of \$2500 to the Democratic state committee and one of \$1500 at the request of William J. Morrissey, deputy superintendent of Public Works.

Davis said Van Wirt had told him that Morrissey, who had supervision over the company's \$20,000 canal contract, had "advised" him to make the \$1500 contribution. This was in October, 1912, a week or two after the \$2500 contribution, which Van Wirt described as his "limit" when Fowler asked him for \$500.

"Didn't Van Wirt tell you," asked District Attorney Whitman, "that Morrissey had urged him to come up with the rest of that \$2500?"

"He said that Morrissey had advised him to contribute," repeated the witness.

"But you regarded it as a demand?" "Didn't you?"

"Yes," was the reply. "Who did you give up the \$2000?"

"To keep in strong with the parties ever use—the Democratic state committee."

"You thought the Democratic state committee could control these two men?"

"Yes."

Flood gave similar testimony. He said: "Van Wirt thought it was good business policy. We were afraid that our estimates would be held up."

Several other road builders also testified today that they gave contributions in connection with their contracts.

TRADE TREATIES TO WAIT

Bryan Says Information Is Wanted First as to Present Revenues.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Secretary Bryan said today that no negotiations looking to reciprocity agreements with other countries would be entered into by the United States until sufficient time had elapsed to tell how the new tariffs would affect revenue producers. The law has been in effect only a little more than two months and Secretary McAdoo has not yet made a report on the income to be derived from it.

Some observers have suggested that if it was impossible to negotiate a successful reciprocity agreement with Canada in 1911 under a high tariff measure, it will be more difficult further to reduce the lower rates of the Underwood act by special convention with other countries.

It is expected, however, that with the opening of the Panama Canal and the consequent shortening of trade routes between the countries of the Western Hemisphere, some of the South American countries will desire to enter into reciprocal trade agreements with the United States.

HUSBAND SLAYER GUILTY

Nebraska Woman Carried in on Cot to Hear Jury Verdict.

WAIHOO, Neb., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Maggie Johnson, charged with killing her husband, John Johnson, was found guilty of manslaughter here today, when the verdict of the jury, returned last night, was read.

Mrs. Johnson was carried into the courtroom on a cot and heard the verdict without emotion, despite the fact that she was weakened by illness resulting from drinking poison yesterday, when told to prepare to hear the verdict. The conviction carries with it a sentence of from one to ten years.

Mrs. Johnson killed her husband last September during a quarrel. He was struck with a club, according to the testimony, after she had threatened her with a knife. She was not arrested until about six weeks later, when the body of the husband was found buried near the family home at Ashland, Neb. Johnson's legs had been cut off with an ax, which was later found in a straw stack.

BISHOP HITS MEN'S MORALS

Assistants Forbidden to Marry All Without Clean Bill of Health.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 12.—Bishop Charles P. Anderson, of the Episcopal diocese of Chicago, in an address to the students of the University of Wisconsin today said:

"Few men are morally or physically fit to enter matrimony. In my cathedral in Chicago I found conditions such that I forbade my assistants to solemnize marriages unless the man submitted a clean bill of health."

EXTRA CONVENTION URGED

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Sliding Scale Proposed. The first suggestion of the Congressional committee, which would make the total delegate representation 1944, is as follows:

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LABOR ONLY 'TOLERATED'

GOMPERS SAYS SHERMAN LAW HAMPELS MOVEMENT.

Unions All Exist on Sufferance or for Political Reasons, Labor Leader Declares.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Labor organizations are allowed to exist in the United States, yet the right of coalition, union and free speech is denied them under the Sherman anti-trust law, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, asserted today in an address at the 14th annual meeting of the National Civic Federation.

Mr. Gompers cited a recent case in which a labor body was dissolved by the courts and other cases in which individuals have been indicted because they struck in sympathy with fellow workers. He said it was "a shame" to think that some of these miners could be indicted under the Sherman law "because they sympathize with their fellow tradesmen."

"Do you see the position in which our movement is placed by this Sherman law?" he asked. "We can do nothing."

"In the last five years 250,000 more persons became affiliated with the American Federation of Labor than in the previous five years. But for all that there is not a labor organization in the United States that does not exist at the sufferance of our country or for political reasons. They exist by the permission of the Government. The right of coalition, of union and of free speech, however, is denied them under the Sherman law. Their liberty has been taken away."

John Hays Hammond urged that the regulation of corporations should be left to an independent industrial commission. A. R. Garretson, of the Order of Railway Conductors, said that agreements between organizations of workers and their employers fixing hours of labor, conditions and wages should not be construed as being in violation of the Sherman law.

CUBA MAKES APOLOGY

PARDON BEGGED FOR INDIGNITIES TO THREE AMERICAN GIRLS.

President Menocal Says, However, Police Who Searched for Missing Ring Compelled to do Duty.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—President Menocal, through the State Department, has given William E. Gonzalez, the American minister, a full apology for indignities offered three young American women who arrived here on the steamer Havana from New York October 29. The young women, Misses Annie V. Lally, of Washington, D. C.; Josephine Murphy, of Washington, and Catherine Farrell, of Brooklyn, had come to Cuba to visit Mrs. J. Sanchez, of this city.

On the arrival of the Havana the police boarded the vessel and detained the women as the result of an accusation by another woman passenger on the steamer that her diamond ring, which she had left in the lavatory, was missing. Despite their protests, the young women were searched. The ring was not found. The local newspapers printed disagreeable stories about them.

President Menocal, in his apology, said it had been fully proved that the American women were innocent and honest and respectable. He added, however, that the police were compelled to fulfill their duties according to law.

JIMMY AND THE CAMEL.

It takes the last straw to break the camel's back—if I took one more dollar off the prices of my suits, raincoats and overcoats, my financial back would be broken. For my \$14.75 and \$18.75 suits, raincoats and overcoats pay me \$2 less. Jimmy Dunn, 315-17 Oregonian bldg. Take elevator.—Adv.

NEW FIRMS INCORPORATE.

Articles of incorporation of five new firms have been filed in County Clerk Coffey's office. The names of the companies, the incorporators and the amount of capital stock follows: Metropolitan Laundry Company, Ben C. Day, Kenneth L. Fenton, M. Woodworth, \$5000; Sullivan & Forbes, Inc., real estate, F. A. Sullivan, R. W. Forbes and R. A. Sullivan, \$25,000; People's Mortgage Company, H. L. Moody, G. Misch and R. A. Leiter, \$250,000; Portland Natatorium Company, O. C. Kaepfer, C. W. Alger and H. A. Ludwig, \$150,000, and the R. H. Knight Company, painters and decorators, R. H. Knight, A. Knight and C. S. Andrews, \$5000.

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NEWS 'CLIPPINGS' USED

RADIO DIVIDENDS ACCOMPANIED BY "STORY" OF CONTRACTS.

Reproduction of What Papers Had Said Used as "Batter of Interest to Stockholders."

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Stockholders of the Radio Wireless Telephone Company received today a clipping telling of the alleged contract was shown by Government counsel. The dividend notice to which it was attached in a newspaper, which will show the steady advance being made by the company.

"Not that I know of," Darby replied. "It was not a fact as far as I knew."

A prospectus was read to Darby, which said that the officers of the company had invested their own money. He said he had invested no money.

RADIUM DEPOSITS WASTED

Exploitation for Foreign Benefit Cuts Into Supply.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Deposits of radium-bearing minerals in the United States are being rapidly depleted by wasteful exploitation, chiefly for the benefit of foreign markets, according to a report issued today by the bureau of mines. From Colorado and Utah, said to possess the most important radium-bearing deposits known in the world, the report said, there was shipped to Europe in 1912 over 9000 ounces of radium, valued commercially at \$792,000.

In this time only one American company was engaged in making radium and its products has only recently been offered for sale. This, the report added, "opened to foreign medicine and science opportunities in this most promising field that have been denied to our own people except by purchasing the manufactured radium compounds at an almost prohibitive price."

FIGHTING IS SUSPENDED

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is not improbable that the rebels will be able to transport fresh troops and additional artillery supplies in time to use them at Tampico before the government can send reinforcements to the port.

Shells Fall in City. Occasional shells fell in the heart of the City of Tampico today and bullets from rifles and machine guns were numerous enough to make it inadvisable that all residents not engaged in the operations seek cover. For the most part the firing was limited to the artillery of the rebels and the guns of the Bravo.

The rebels held the area between Tampico proper and the coast, includ-

ing Donna Cecilia and Arbotgrande, suburbs, where are situated the storage oil tanks of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, the Cowdray interests and the Huascan Company. The Waters-Pierce refinery is at Arbotgrande. Lord Cowdray also has a refinery there, but it is not yet in operation.

According to reports received here the rebels have not damaged any property, but the firing, especially that from the Bravo and a few federal cannon, is endangering the tanks and the refinery of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company.

Artillery Duel Fought. The federals have their position in that part of the city behind a triangle formed by the Rio River, which is really the city's harbor, and the canal running into it between the city and the coast. The rebels are utilizing a hill about 100 feet high in attempting to land shells on the Bravo, which in turn is trying to render their positions untenable.

That the rebels appear confident enough of their strength to consider an attack on Tampico, considering the large numbers of their men in the campaign about Tampico, is indicated by news received here today. Rebels have appeared in large numbers about Monterey and the garrison there is preparing to resist them. The rebels have begun to extend the operation of the railway northward from Victoria and Thursday they were known to be running trains as far as Monteroselo, which was well across the state into El Nuevo Leon, of which Monterey is the capital.

SPANIARDS NOT PROTECTED. Villa Makes Single Exception and Protects Go to Washington.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 12.—Normal protests were sent to the Spanish Ministers at Washington and Mexico City on confirmed reports received today that General Francisco Villa, the rebel leader, had confiscated all the property of Spaniards resident in Chihuahua and had served notice on them that they must leave the country within ten days.

The Spaniards in Chihuahua, who own property there valued at \$4,000,000, appealed to Harry Seobel, the British Vice-Consul, who had received notice on the British Vice-Consul that he would guarantee protection to all foreigners except Spaniards. The Spaniards in the city, however, were advised to leave the country within ten days.

Thomas D. Edwards, United States Consul in Juarez, said he had received notice of the protests of Spaniards and had telegraphed them to Washington. Mr. Edwards endeavored to telegraph to General Carranza, but at Chihuahua, but was told there were no wires.

A messenger left Juarez for Chihuahua today who was said to bear instructions from General Carranza at Hermosillo to General Villa for the operation by the rebels of all industries which have been shut down on account of the revolution.

REBELS MAY INVEST OJINAGA

Federal Refugees, Though Hemmed In, Guard Against Surprise.

OJINAGA, Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The full strength of the rebel army is reported to be approaching Ojinaga with the purpose of starting a siege and possible attack. From 3000 to 4000 rebels are in the vicinity awaiting reinforcements under General Francisco Villa, who is to start out from Chihuahua. The 4000 federal troops under General Salvador Mercado, Huerta's commander-in-chief in the north, thus hemmed in by rebels on the one side and by the federal forces in them from the United States on the other, have taken every possible precaution against a surprise.

General Mercado, however, was absent from the fort all day, having left with 1000 soldiers to escort more refugees en route from Chihuahua. It was reported that the rebels were trying to cut him off from the base.

The rebel report sent from Presidio to Juarez said: "General Mercado is anxious as to the fate of General Mercado. He fears that Mercado has been cut off by the rebels and will be unable to return to Ojinaga."

DR. VON KLEIN IS DEAD

NOTED MEDICAL RESEARCHER IS GANGRENE POISON VICTIM.

Son Louis, in Portland, Says Father Was Getting Old and That Brother in Trouble Was Not to Blame.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Dr. Carl Von Klein, widely known for his research work into the medical lore of the ancients, died here today. Dr. Von Klein spent a fortune in his studies.

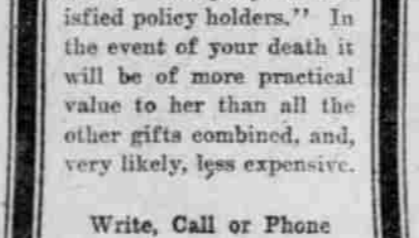
In regard to the death of his father, Dr. Carl H. Von Klein, Louis Von Klein, of Portland, one of the sons of the deceased, said yesterday that the cause of his father's death was gangrene. He further declared that far from having been a drag on his people in a pecuniary way his brother, E. B. C. Von Klein, had for many years past been in the habit of sending considerable sums to his mother every month.

"My father has been suffering from poisoning in his big toe, so I learned from the medical lore of the ancients, by a nail in his shoe," said Mr. Von Klein. "He did not give it proper

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attention at first and the result was that the poison spread, first to his other toes and then to his entire system. Three of his toes were amputated about a week ago and it was thought that he might, with good fortune, pull through in spite of his advanced age, but it was not to be.

"People are always ready to knock a man when he is down, and the result has been that my father's death has been laid entirely to the door of Brother Edmund. There never was a more unfair case, because father's death was due entirely to gangrene infection, and my brother has been hurt beyond words to be blamed at a time when other troubles have brought him to his present condition."

CLYNN'S BILL PASSES NEW YORK LEGISLATURE COMPLETES STRENUOUS YEAR.

Workmen's Compensation Law, Direct Primary, Direct Election of Senators Provided for.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The Legislature completed tonight the passage of all Governor Glynn's bills and adjourned sine die. The Governor probably will sign the measures tomorrow. All of them, except that relating to workmen's compensation, will become effective immediately. The workmen's compensation act will not take effect until January 1.

Only slight opposition was made in the Assembly to the bills, the Republicans supporting most of the measures.

The principal bills passed provide for compulsory workmen's compensation for all hazardous employments, direct primaries, Massachusetts ballot, direct nomination and election of United States Senators, a constitutional convention and the payment of the expenses of the Suizer impeachment trial.

The Legislature has been in session at least a part of every month this year. Not a member, it was said, has been able to pay his expenses this year with his \$1200 salary. One Assemblyman said he had to borrow money to come here today to vote.

MONA LISA IS RECOVERED

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lure beneath his workman's blouse and succeeded in leaving the place without attracting suspicion.

Suspicion Is Avoided. At the time of the theft Perugia was not employed in the Louvre, but he knew all the exits and entrances and how to avoid attention. He kept the painting concealed, he said, until his patriotism led him to offer it to the Italian people.

The painting has also been identified by Corrado Ricci, director-general of the department of fine arts, who was dispatched hurriedly to Florence from Rome by the Minister of Public Instruction, Luigi Credaro.

News of the discovery of the "Mona Lisa" spread in the Chamber of Deputies, where extremist members were engaged in a discussion in an endeavor to prevent a vote on the election of a Nationalist deputy for Rome. The discussion ceased immediately. The Deputy surrounded the Minister of Public Instruction, who exhibited a telegram from Dr. Ricci, confirming the statement he had already made by telephone.

Their Defense Causes Laughs. All laughed at the defense of the thief. Some of them remarked that Napoleon's deeds were too antiquated to constitute grounds for funds. If it were not so Italy would quarrel with the whole world, as all countries, in-

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cluding the United States, had stolen masterpieces from her. The famous Ascoli cope, stolen from the cathedral at Ascoli, which was returned by J. Pierpont Morgan, was cited, however, as an instance of American generosity. Signor Credaro announced that Italy would apply the same generosity. He said he had immediately notified the French Ambassador, Camille Barre, of the discovery of the painting. The painting is in an almost perfect state of preservation, notwithstanding the vicissitudes it must have undergone. Perugia has admitted that he concealed it under the false bottom of a trunk or fixed it behind the canvas of said he had immediately notified the

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