

## MELLEN AVERS HE SHIELDED MORGAN

### Effect of Indictment on Financier Feared.

## SON AROUSES RESENTMENT

### Lack of Gratitude in Young Morgan Intimated.

## DRAMATIC CLIMAX REACHED

### Ex-President of New Haven Testifies Concerning Grand Trunk Transaction, in Which He Shouldered All Blame.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—A dramatic climax marked the close of the sensational testimony of Charles S. Mellen, ex-president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, before the Interstate Commerce Commission today.

With evidence of deep emotion Mr. Mellen asserted the late J. Pierpont Morgan had suggested a "change in the presidency of the New Haven," at which suggestion, Mr. Mellen said, with emphasis:

"I called his attention to the fact that I had been suffering under the humiliation of an undeserved indictment to protect his father."

The crowded courtroom listened with intense interest as this closing recital was given. Taking up the Grand Trunk transaction on which Mellen's indictment was returned by the grand jury at New York, Joseph Folk, chief counsel to the Commission, asked:

"Did Mr. Morgan have anything to do with this negotiation for the exchange of the Ontario & Western with the Grand Trunk?"

Morgan Dictates Terms.

"He took a very active part."

"What part, can you tell, if you know?" asked Mr. Folk.

"I did not know that Mr. Morgan knew there was a negotiation until he came into my office, when I had an appointment with Mr. Smithers and Mr. Chamberlain, and he told them what they ought to do in order to have peace between the New Haven and the Grand Trunk interests. He told of previous negotiations which he said extended over a period of 20 years (that is the term he used; I suppose it was a general term), and that he bought a steamship line of them on the understanding he was to have the New London Northern for the New Haven road, and that they never had carried out their agreement."

"This negotiation, he said, was with Mr. Smithers' predecessor, Sir Charles Rivers Wilson. He thought it was a great mistake, and he was quite emphatic in saying they had not kept faith with him. He told them they should give up the New London Northern road; he did not care for anything further, and that that would be the only thing, in his judgment, that would ever result in permanent peace between the two properties. Then he retired from the room."

Tadletment Follows Statement.

"Mr. Morgan retired and left Mr. Smithers and myself to continue the conference. I told them that we would continue the conference on the basis that they should give no further attention to the question of surrendering the New London Northern road; they might do as they pleased with it; I did not care."

"I was asked to put my views in the form of a proposition, or contract, which I did. It was submitted to them and within a week the grand jury proceedings were commenced in New York and I was indicted."

"Did you write a letter to the District Attorney taking the responsibility?" asked Mr. Folk.

"I did, and I did it for the sole purpose of shielding Mr. Morgan."

"At whose instance did you write that letter?"

"I wrote that letter at the instance of Mr. Lewis Cass Ledyard and Mr. Edward D. Robbins."

Morgan's Name Kept Out.

"Who dictated it?"

"I dictated a letter, which was redrafted by Mr. Robbins and corrected by Mr. Ledyard. I signed it in their presence and sent it to the United States District Attorney; and I nearly killed everybody in the office to keep Mr. Morgan's name out of it."

"To keep Mr. Morgan's name out of what?" asked Mr. Folk.

"Out of the whole proceeding."

"Had Mr. Morgan been subpoenaed in that matter?"

"I have learned through my counsel—I did not know it at the time—that he was subpoenaed and his subpoena was quashed or nolle, what your legal term is for that action."

"Did you have any conversation with the present director of the road, Mr. J. P. Morgan, Jr.?" inquired Mr. Folk.

"At the time Mr. Morgan called upon me."

## GIRLS SMARTER, EDUCATOR SAYS

### TESTS SHOW, AGE FOR AGE, BOYS ARE OUTCLASSED.

### Same Professor Finds Speediest Work Is Most Accurate and School Days Are Too Long.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—Girls are smarter than boys. The relative intellects of the sexes, as far as shown by standardized tests, age for age, favor the female sex. That is what Lewis M. Terman, associate professor of education at Stanford University, told 1500 teachers attending the San Francisco teachers' institute today.

Professor Terman explained that the difference was one rather of temperament and emotion than of mind, however. He also punctured some other ancient theories when he said:

"Work that is the most speedy is the most accurate."

"The present school day is too long. Children 7 or 8 years old should not go to school more than an hour and a half a day."

"Grouch, grief, loss of sleep—all these things have a direct effect on intelligence."

"Practicing when one is in bad physical condition is worse than not at all."

## SHERIFF THOMPSON QUILTS

### Governor Accepts Resignation of Columbia Officer.

ST. HELENS, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—Sheriff A. E. Thompson, of Columbia County, handed his resignation to Governor West here today in person and the state Executive, who is on a good roads visit, wrote "accepted" on the back of it.

For months Sheriff Thompson has not been "on the job," the work being entirely left to deputies. He has been in St. Helens for some time. The grand jury, now in session, has investigated the Sheriff's office and will report tomorrow or Monday.

## CHURCH FAILS TO COLLECT

### Jury Finds in Favor of Eugene Man in Suit for Alleged Gift.

ST. HELENS, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—For the second time the First Christian Church, of Eugene, failed to collect an alleged pledge from R. H. Matteson, a laborer and former member of the church, by a lawsuit. The jury returned at 10:30 o'clock last night with a verdict in favor of Matteson on the two counts of action.

The church claims that Matteson promised to give \$50 and also \$180 toward the cost of a new \$100,000 church building, now completed. The church admits the payment of \$50 by Matteson.

The latter claims that this \$50 was the extent of his gift, and in this jury sustained him. The case was tried several weeks ago, at which time the jury failed to agree. The costs of the suits to the church will be considerable. In the suit yesterday the defense sought to show that the pledge was obtained under pressure.

## TWO DROWNED AT SEATTLE

### Boys Watching Regatta Go Down When Boat Capsizes.

SEATTLE, May 22.—George Maxwell and Floyd La Batt were drowned in Lake Washington today by the capsizing of a rowboat which they had rented to witness the college regatta. A third boy was rescued.

The boat was upset when two of the boys tried to exchange seats.

Thousands of persons on shore saw the accident, which occurred only 100 yards from the bank, but the boys had gone down before boats could reach them.

## BRITISH OFFICERS GUILTY

### Lipton Employees Also Admit Guilt in Canteen Service Contracts.

LONDON, May 22.—Pleas of guilty were handed down today by seven of the nine British Army officers and all the eight civilians charged in January last with graft in connection with contracts for supplying army canteens.

All the officers except Lieutenant-Colonel Whittaker were connected with the Quartermaster's Department of the Army and had risen from the ranks. The civilians accused were employees of Lipton's, Limited. Sentence was deferred until May 25.

## WIDOW IS BOUND TO WED

### Warrants Obtained for Three Sons Who Don't Want Stepfather.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—Because her three sons do not want her to marry Mrs. Caroline Garibaldi, a prosperous widow, swore out warrants today for their arrest, charging them with threats against her life. The boys, she said, told her they would kill her if she married, and she is determined to do so, nevertheless.

George Garibaldi was arrested today and the police are searching for his brothers, William and Antonio.

Ice Wagon Strike Settled.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 22.—The strike of the 300 ice-wagon drivers and their helpers, in progress during the past week, was settled today. Under the agreement the men receive an advance of \$2.50 a month and a percentage on all sales, which, it is said, averages about \$2.50 more.

## STATE ROAD BODY AND COURT CLASH

### St. Helens on Route Is Columbia Demand.

## GOVERNOR AT STORMY SESSION

### Commission Is Accused of Attempt to Bulldoze.

## WEST MAKES SHARP REPLY

### "Do Not Invite Us Here and Give Us Hell for Coming," Is Admonition.

ST. HELENS, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—Governor West and members of the State Highway Commission came here today to induce the County Court to endorse the state survey for the Columbia Highway in this county, which practically eliminates St. Helens from the route.

They left tonight after a stormy session, in which the court agreed to accept their recommendations only on condition they acceded to a demand for a road through St. Helens.

Governor in Clash.

In the course of the meeting County Attorney Dillard accused the Commission of trying to "bulldoze" the County Court and Governor West retorted:

"Do not invite us down here to help you and then give us hell for coming."

The meeting was held in the Columbia County courtroom. Mr. West, State Treasurer and Secretary of the Highway Commission, and Major Bowlby, State Highway Engineer, and his assistant, Mr. Griswold, presented the arguments to County Judge Harris and Commissioners Fahr and Fluhrer. Citizens from the lower end of the county who are satisfied with the survey also appeared to urge its acceptance.

St. Helens Wanted on Road.

Major Bowlby recommended that the road follow the west side of the North Bank road. The County Court takes the stand that St. Helens must be on the highway.

Major Bowlby explained the purposes of the meeting. That the tract had been let for the portion of the road below Tide Creek to the Clatsop County line and that the upper portion to the Multnomah County line is in dispute.

With Governor West at one end of a long map and Secretary of State Olcott holding the other end, he pointed out the surveyed route and the proposed route. He said that the work had

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## YOUNG DURYEA BENEFITS

### General Left Fortune to Son Now Confined in Bellevue.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Chester B. Duryea, who killed his father, General Hiram Duryea, in their Brooklyn home, not long ago, is chief beneficiary under the General's will, made public here today.

Duryea is now in Bellevue Hospital. A commission has been appointed to inquire into his sanity.

Linn County Works Roads.

ALBANY, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—With hundreds of men and scores of teams at work, Good Roads day was observed in Linn County. Few in Albany turned out, but in almost all other sections of the county large crowds worked.

Rain this afternoon interfered to some extent, but a great deal was accomplished. In some localities basket dinners were enjoyed at noon. The road supervisors of the county had concentrated road-building machinery and supplies of gravel at convenient locations.

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## BECKER CONVICTED ON FIRST BALLOT

### Jury Finds Conspiracy Is Corroborated.

## SYMPATHY IS UNAVAILING

### Foreman in Tears as He Renders Verdict in Case of Library

## NEW WITNESSES CREDITED

### Ex-Police Lieutenant for Second Time Found Guilty of Procuring Murder—Wife and Brothers Overcome by Grief.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Charles Becker for the second time was held responsible today by a jury for the Rosenthal murder, which nearly two years ago awoke New York to a realization of corruption in the police department and opened a new era of police reform.

Becker, an ex-police lieutenant, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. Only a pardon or interference again by the Court of Appeals can save him from following to the electric chair the four gunmen who shot Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, early on the morning of July 16, 1912. The jury decided today that the gunmen were Becker's agents.

First Ballot Unanimous.

One ballot decided Becker's fate. It was unanimous for conviction. The jury reached its verdict in four hours and four minutes. Tears streamed down the faces of the jurors.

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## BATTLEFIELD ONLY REBEL RECOURSE

### CARRANZA'S AGENT DENIES HE WILL AID MEDIATION.

### "A. B. C." Powers Thanked by Jose Vasconcelos as Private Citizens, but Right to Act Doubted.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Jose Vasconcelos, special agent of Carranza, who it has been reported would be chosen as a constitutionalist representative to the Niagara conference, emphatically denied in a statement tonight that he was to receive such an appointment or that Carranza would ever consider mediation as a solution of Mexico's international problems.

"As long as the Huertistas are at Niagara Falls we shall not be represented there," said Mr. Vasconcelos. "The only way my party meets Huerta is on the battlefield."

"Personally, as a Mexican, I thank the A. B. C. powers for their efforts to settle a conflict that has been brought in my country by some of its bad citizens. But the A. B. C. powers have no more right than the United States to interfere or advise in our internal questions."

"These questions should not be discussed in the meetings. I am sure the constitutionalists will not be a party to such a violation of our society."

Mr. Vasconcelos, who is known to stand very close to the rebel leader, has just finished a special mission in Toronto and will return to Mexico by way of Washington.

"I suppose," said Mr. Vasconcelos, "that my sudden departure from Toronto, where I stayed for three days, has given rise to the unfounded rumor that I was to be a peace delegate. As far as I know, I shall go from Washington direct to Saltillo to meet General Carranza."

"The elimination of Huerta will not solve our difficulties and even if the A. B. C. mediators eliminate Huerta it will not interest us. We are not fighting a man, but a series of abuses."

## GARY PREDICTS NEW ERA

### Big Business to Have Chance Again, Says Steel Chairman.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The country is entering on a new era of big business, according to Judge E. H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, in an address at the opening today of the annual meeting of the American Iron and Steel Institute.

"As I read the signs of the times," said Judge Gary, "there is a well-developed sentiment throughout this country in favor of giving business a fair chance."

## AMIABILITY BEING SOUGHT

### Since Publication of Dr. Pernot's Experiment Mail Grows Bulky.

Judging from a stack of letters which have been received by City Bacteriologist Pernot from practically every state in the Union, fat people are in style. The letters are all in the form of inquiries about Bulgarian milk which Dr. Pernot in recent experiments with city employes has shown to be a fat and amiable producer.

Facts concerning the experiments were published recently in The Oregonian and since then Dr. Pernot's mail has grown bulky.

## WALRUS FINDING FRIENDS

### Russia Willing to Consider Any Treaty for Protection.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Russian authorities are now ready to consider any agreement or convention for the protection of the walrus, according to Hoffman Nickerson, of this city, who returned yesterday aboard the Vaterland from a trip to Russia as the representative of the New York Zoological Society to suggest that a treaty be entered into with this country.

Mr. Nickerson said his mission had been successful. One of the suggestions made to protect the walrus, which is the chief means of subsistence of the Eskimo and is of little use to any one else, Mr. Nickerson said, was to bar walrus tusks from the Custom-house.

## HILL CADETS GIVE DRILL

### Richard B. Stinson, of Portland, Wins First Prize in Competition.

The first exhibition drill of the year by the Hill Military Academy cadets in the academy armory last night was one of the most successful ever given by them. Following the exhibition an individual competitive drill for bronze medals was held.

Richard Broderick Stinson, of Portland, of Company A and B, was awarded the first medal, while Archie B. McNeil, of Seattle, of the same company, finished second. William Young of Company C, won the medal in his class. Following the various drills an informal dance and programme was given. Commencement exercises will be held June 11.

## GROVELAND HAS HIGH JINKS

### Completion of Hard Surfacing Streets Celebrated.

"High jinks" was the principal order in Groveland Park last night, because the entire network of streets in that district had been paved recently. The celebration was planned and carried out under the direction of the Groveland Park Improvement Club.

The feature of the evening was a masquerade parade participated in by about 200 residents in froak and fancy costumes. A brass band led the paraders through all of the streets of the district which is bounded by Fifty-second, Fifty-fifth, Division and Lincoln streets.

## CONSUL SAFE AFTER MANY INDIGNITIES

### Silliman Reaches Mexico City.

## CABINET EXPRESSES RELIEF

### Trial and Condemnation as Spy Unofficially Reported.

## CONSULATE ALSO LOOTED

### Arrival Partly Removes Complications, but Grave Features Remain—Peace Envoys Hear American Delegates.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—A complication threatening difficulties to the mediation conference at Niagara Falls was partly removed today when definite word reached the State Department that Vice-Consul Silliman, arrested at Saltillo and long sought for, had arrived safely at Mexico City, accompanied by the British Vice-Consul at Saltillo, Mr. MacMillan.

The news of Silliman's safety became known at the moment when Secretary Bryan was making public reports received from refugees that SILLIMAN had been executed on May 18 by the federals at Saltillo. Great relief was expressed by the Cabinet members. Several of them said it removed one of the most dangerous features in the situation.

Grave Elements Still Remain.

While Mr. Silliman himself is safe, there remain several grave features connected with his arrest. Unofficial reports have indicated that he was placed under arrest while acting as a United States Consul, was imprisoned, tried as a spy and condemned to death. Also it was reported that the United States consulate was entered, the official archives being taken, including the code of the State Department.

The negotiations going on at Niagara Falls received the earnest attention of Administration officials throughout the day. Several exchanges occurred between the American delegates and the officials here and the situation was fully reviewed at the Cabinet meeting, after which further advice went forward to the American delegates.

Rebel Participation Desired.

Coincident with these exchanges, there were frequent expressions of the view in Administration quarters that the constitutionalist element should be brought into the proceedings. Some counsels among the constitutionalists share the desire of the Administration to have them participate at least to the extent of having a representative at Niagara Falls to give information of Administration officials throughout the day. Several exchanges occurred between the American delegates and the officials here and the situation was fully reviewed at the Cabinet meeting, after which further advice went forward to the American delegates.

## AMERICAN DELEGATES HEARD

### Rebel Participation Not Broached at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., May 22.—Three separate conferences between the three South American peace envoys and the American delegates today constituted the work of the mediation conference. The Mexican delegates were not called into consultation.

While the subject of constitutionalist participation in the mediation was a subject of absorbing interest, it was learned tonight that neither the American delegates nor the mediators had broached it today.

In response to newspaper inquiries regarding their attitude toward constitutionalist representation, the Mexican delegates issued a statement saying they would await formal notice of such question from the mediators themselves and then would consult their home government.

The view held by the mediators that participation was discussed privately by many of the principals to the conference. One of the mediators indicated clearly they were not likely to renew the invitation previously extended to the constitutionalists and then withdrawn.

The view held by the mediators that for the present the most feasible way of solving the Mexican problem is to effect a bipartite agreement between

