

CHARGE OF FRAUD AMONG DAUGHTERS

Congress Almost Splits on Talk of Tampering With Tellers' Report.

TO COUNT OUT INSURGENT

Mrs. Wilcox Secures Office Which Administration Rival Was Point of Securing by Error.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Before the 40th congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution closed tonight a suggestion, practically a charge, that the report of the tellers who counted the recent vote had undergone a change since it was signed threw the congress into a state of confusion and opened anew the contests of the insurgents and regulars over the office.

The tellers announced informally last night that Mrs. M. B. Swormsted, of the District of Columbia, the regular or administration candidate for corresponding secretary-general, had come within one vote of a majority and therefore was no election. It was stated that Miss Mary Wilcox, of the District of Columbia, insurgent candidate for recording secretary, had defeated her opponent, Mrs. Hodgkins, also of the District of Columbia, securing 455 votes, an exact majority.

TELLERS CONFESS ERROR.

It was this latter vote that gave rise to much discussion which hinged on whether scattering votes had been included in the grand total, the vote of Mrs. Hodgkins being 434. The situation was becoming so tense that at the suggestion of Mrs. McLean the tellers retired and recounted the votes. Mrs. Elroy Avery, of Ohio, chairman of the tellers, reported that she had made an error by according Mrs. Hodgkins ten more votes than she deserved. The tellers joined in a vote of confidence, and Miss Wilcox was declared elected, and balloting for a corresponding secretary-general was begun.

On the second ballot Mrs. Mabel G. Swormsted, an administration candidate, was declared elected to the office of corresponding secretary-general, receiving 132 votes, and defeating Mrs. Eleanor I. Thorne, of the District of Columbia, who polled 131 votes.

NO THANKS TO PRESS.

Just before final adjournment all sorts of resolutions of thanks were adopted, but the press was omitted from mention. At this juncture Mrs. Anna Hennig, state regent of Georgia, moved that appreciation of the courtesies extended by the newspapers be shown by the congress in the adoption of an appropriate resolution.

"Thank the press? For what, for what?" asked Mrs. McLean sternly. Mrs. McLean refused to permit a vote on the motion and declined to recognize any one for that purpose.

The final session of the congress resembled a love feast, the delegates settling for the moment much of the business that had characterized the contests for the different offices.

A touching incident of today's session occurred when Mrs. Sallie Houston Carr, of Kansas, 73 years old, a niece of "Sam" Houston, read a poem to her native state, and then going to the piano played her own accompaniment to a song, also dedicated to her state.

FISH SEASON OPENS MAY 1

Lower River Seiners Preparing for Big Run of Salmon.

ASTORIA, Or., April 24.—(Special).—Large numbers of men are at work at the various local canneries and cold storage plants, placing their fishing boats in the water and tanning their nets in preparation for the fishing season, which will open at noon on next Saturday, May 1.

One peculiar feature will be that while fishing can be commenced at noon on that day, it must cease at 6 o'clock that evening for 24 hours in accordance with the Everday closing law.

Everyone is looking for a good run of salmon in the Columbia this year, and many of the seiners are getting ready to begin operations at the opening of the season. However, the freshest which is expected to come later in the season, should aid the gillnetters.

REMITTANCE MAN KILLED

Blow From Pugilist's Fist in Stomach Proves Fatal.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 24.—Tom Williamson, a cunning "remitance man," was killed last night in the Pony saloon by a blow from the fist of Earl Hopkins, an ex-pugilist, according to the police. Williamson, who was in some words and Williamson, who was intoxicated, was struck in the stomach by Hopkins.

Hopkins was placed under arrest this morning. He admits striking Williamson with his fist, but appeared surprised to learn that the latter was dead. A charge of murder will be placed against Hopkins.

ASSAILANT IS RELEASED

Prosecuting Witness Swears Prisoner Acted in Self-Defense.

ASTORIA, Or., April 24.—(Special).—The preliminary examination of Otto Sivo, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon in having shot Abram Hittunen in the leg, was held in the justice court this afternoon, and the defendant was discharged.

The prosecutor testified and also filed an affidavit stating that he was the aggressor in the case and that the defendant acted in self-defense.

STODDARD ON LONG VOYAGE

Noted Traveler Passes Away at His California Residence.

ward was educated in the schools of New York and California. He was awarded degrees by Santa Clara College and the University of California, together with the honorary recognitions of other institutions, including the Catholic University of America. He was appointed to the chair of English literature in the latter institution in 1889, and during the year preceding held the same chair in the University of Notre Dame, Indiana.

He was best known through a series of books dealing with his travels over the world, undertaken as correspondent for a local daily. Among his works are: "South Sea Idylls," "The Lepers of Molokai," "Father Damien, a Sketch," "The Wanderer of Pagan," "Marshalla," "A Crusade from Suez to San Marco," "In the Footsteps of the Pardes," and "The Dream Lady."

A sister, Mrs. S. A. Malcom, resides in Switzerland, and two brothers, Frederick C. and Samuel Burr Stoddard, are residents of California.

The funeral of Mr. Stoddard will take place here next Monday. Services will be held at a local undertaking parlor and the body will be laid to rest in the San Carlos Catholic cemetery. High mass will be celebrated by Father Messerschmidt of the San Carlos church. Rev. Father Stark of the Paulist Fathers of San Francisco will pronounce the eulogy. Father Stark was one of Mr. Stoddard's students when the noted traveler was a professor at Georgetown University.

KEEP HUNT PLAN SECRET

ROOSEVELT PUTS LID ON ALL FUTURE PUBLICITY.

English Papers Protest at Exclusion of Their Reporters From Expedition.

KAPITI PLAINS, British East Africa, April 24.—The first night of the Roosevelt expedition under canvas was spent in an elaborate camp set up for the party near the railroad station at Kapiti Plains. It was without incident.

No decision yet has been reached as to when the expedition will leave here. Some of the baggage sent by the Smithsonian Institution was left behind at Mombasa, and this fact probably will cause a delay in the start of the shooting trips of two or three days.

Mr. Roosevelt, who arose this morning in splendid spirits, has forbidden all the members of his expedition to give out any information regarding the future plans or movements of the party.

The Mombasa Standard published yesterday a violently worded attack upon F. J. Jackson, the acting governor of the Protectorate, and Mr. Roosevelt, who is reported only as representing the American newspapers to accompany the Roosevelt special train from Mombasa to Kapiti Plains. This attack is copied today by the Nairobi newspapers, and it is said the imperial government has asked an explanation from the local authorities.

The local authorities, the editor of an English newspaper man. An exception was made in the case of the representative of an English news agency, who was allowed to accompany the special.

DIES WHILE IN ROSTRUM

Los Angeles Banker Stricken During Address to Chautauquans.

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—George Mason, a prominent business man of this city, died suddenly of heart disease this afternoon while making an address before the Pioneer Chautauqua members of New York, who were holding a reunion in East Lake Park.

He came to California 20 years ago. He was a banker in Pierre, S. D., before coming here and later engaged in the lumber business in Oregon. At the time of his death he was president of the Central National Bank in this city. He is survived by his widow, three sons and a daughter.

NEARLY \$1,000,000 IN GOLD

Railroads Pay California Taxes, but Pullman Company Fights.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 24.—Gold piled up in one large pyramid on the floor of State Treasurer Williamson's office today represented payments to the state by four railroad companies. There were \$949,606 in the pile and it weighed nearly two tons.

The Pullman Car company is likely to be the only transportation company delinquent. It has refused to pay its taxes for two years now and owes the state \$221,000. It denies the right of the state to tax it and is fighting in the courts.

REJECTED LAND GRABBED

Members of Council Buy Block Which Citizens Refuse.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 24.—(Special).—Councilmen Rowley and Buchanan today bought from Joseph McGoldrick the block of land at the corner of Fifteenth street and Esther avenue, paying therefor \$9000. Mr. Rowley declared tonight that they would not take \$10,000 for the property now. This is the block which the City Council voted on Monday night to buy for a site for a new City Hall and over Thursday night reconsidered its action and withdrew its offer to buy.

DAIRYMEN ON GRILL

Barns in Clark County Must Be Cleaned, Inspector Says.

METHODS ARE NOT MODERN

Ernest Kelly Insists Dairies Must Make Better Showing at Next Inspection or Some of Them Will Be Closed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 24.—(Special).—The dairies in Vancouver and Clark county are not in as good condition as they should be. Modern methods are not only not used, but the dairymen do not know all that is required of them," says Inspector Kelly, who will inspect the dairies in Clark county next week.

"Some of the places were notified to be cleaned and if they are not, they will be closed," Ernest Kelly, deputy dairy inspector, has just completed an examination of 51 dairies in this vicinity. Continuing, he said:

"The worst features of the dairying done here is the poor light and insufficient ventilation in the barns, and the removal of manure.

"The dairies delivering milk in Vancouver were scored as follows, based on sanitary conditions, barns, milkhouses, health of cows and cleanliness in milking and care of cows: W. B. Fletcher, 88 per cent; T. D. Shafer, 85 per cent; Hathaway & King, 84 1/2 per cent; Durkin & Son, 84 1/2 per cent; John Burke, 84 1/2 per cent; J. O. Griffin, 45 per cent; M. Dillon, 41 1/2 per cent. T. D. Shafer, who delivers milk to Mossley & Church and to King & Hathaway are the only persons here having his cows tested for tuberculosis within a year." Mr. Kelly returned to Seattle today.

PASTOR'S SON IN TOILS

HAROLD DAVIS UNDER ARREST AT ALBANY.

Accused of Sending Objectionable Matter Through Mails—Informed On by Man Father Prosecutes.

ALBANY, Or., April 24.—(Special).—Because Rev. W. W. Davis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Corvallis, caused the arrest of Walter Cathcart for sending objectionable mail, his own boy, Harold Davis, is in the toils tonight.

About a year ago, when all of the parties concerned in this peculiar case lived at Ainslie, Benton County, Cathcart began paying attention to Nina Davis, Rev. Mr. Davis' daughter. The girl would have nothing to do with him, and Cathcart, so the story runs, became angry and began sending her insulting letters. The girl gave the letters to her father, and one was so incensed, Rev. Mr. Davis says, that he turned it over to postal officers.

Learning of this action from an investigation which followed, Cathcart informed the officers that Harold Davis had sent a postcard through the mail to another Ainslie girl. This card was secured by postal officers, and both boys were arrested today.

Sheriff Gellatley, of Benton County, arrested Davis at Corvallis, and Deputy United States Marshal W. B. Griffith, of Portland, arrested Cathcart in Albany, where he has been living the past few weeks.

The boys were taken to Portland tonight to answer the charge in the federal court. Davis will plead guilty. He is only 18 years old and has borne a good reputation. His father was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Albany for several years. Cathcart is 24 and clerked for years in the Ainslie store and postoffice.

With the two boys Sheriff Gellatley and Marshal Griffith took John Jacobson, who is charged with robbing the postoffice at Elk City, Lincoln County, to Portland tonight for trial in the Federal Court.

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The recon sideration was brought about by reason of opposition against the purchase of the property. Councilmen Rowley and Buchanan voted on both occasions in favor of buying the property. In fact, Councilman Rowley insisted all the way along that the buy was a good one.

KELSO HOPES FOR DEPOT

Railroad Commission Promises to Consider Needs of Town.

KELSO, April 24.—(Special).—A new depot and other improvements on the station grounds are assured. Kelso, as the result of the visit of the Washington Railway Commission and accompanying railway officials on the general tour of inspection of the Northern Pacific Railway.

The members of the commission and the railway officials were met by a delegation of business men and escorted to the rooms of the Kelso Commercial Club.

The representatives of the company and the commission all agreed that the new depot and other improvements asked for by Kelso were necessary, and that they should be granted. The Railway Commission announced that while the meeting had been informal and friendly, they would make a record of the complaints, and if the railway company did not make the necessary improvements within a reasonable length of time, any citizen of Kelso could take the matter up and the commission would consider this hearing as having been a formal one, and action would be taken to compel the railway company to put in the improvements.

The railway officials consented to this.

JAILBREAK IS FRUSTRATED

Sheriff Sappington Detects Man in Time to Prevent Delivery.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 24.—(Special).—Four prisoners, Ed Anderson, John Berney, Chester Kitchen and Charles Taylor, made a desperate attempt last night to escape from the County Jail, but they nearly succeeded. They were endeavoring to pry apart the steel bars of one of the outer windows when Sheriff Sappington heard the noise, but when they heard the Sheriff coming they quickly crawled back into the cage and were there when he entered the corridor. They deny that they had anything to do with the attempted jailbreak, but one of the other prisoners told the Sheriff all the facts in the case.

The Sheriff has 12 prisoners, one more than he has the regulation jail bed for, so he had just put in a folding hospital cot. This was broken in pieces and the cross bars used as levers to swing the top catch on the cage door, and that being accomplished, they, by prying, bent back the corner of the door far enough so that the cot could crawl out. The other eight prisoners refused to have anything to do with the matter.

These four prisoners will hereafter be kept in solitary confinement in a cell by themselves. Berney, Anderson and Kitchen, a few weeks ago, planned a jailbreak, which was frustrated by one of the prisoners, Chester Sappington, the Sheriff's son.

Anderson, Berney and Kitchen are awaiting trial for burglary, Taylor for a statutory offense.

CHURCH FIGHT IN COURTS

Father Becker Secures Order to Maintain Possession of Pew Rent.

WALLACE, Idaho, April 24.—Dissension in St. Alphonse parish, of the Catholic Church reached a climax here this evening when Judge W. W. Woods issued a temporary injunction restraining the recently appointed board of trustees from interfering with Father F. A. Becker, the parish priest, in collecting pew rents and voluntary offerings.

The congregation effected an organization for the purpose of securing the removal of the priest. It named a board of trustees which demanded of Bishop Glorieux, of Boise, head of the diocese, that Father Becker be removed, alleging incompetency and misconduct.

The Bishop refused. Thereupon the trustees took forcible possession of the contribution boxes and pews at each service the last of April, cutting off all revenues from the priest. Father Becker sought and obtained the restraining order which gives him undisputed possession of the church until May 17, when a trial will be held to determine if a permanent injunction should be issued.

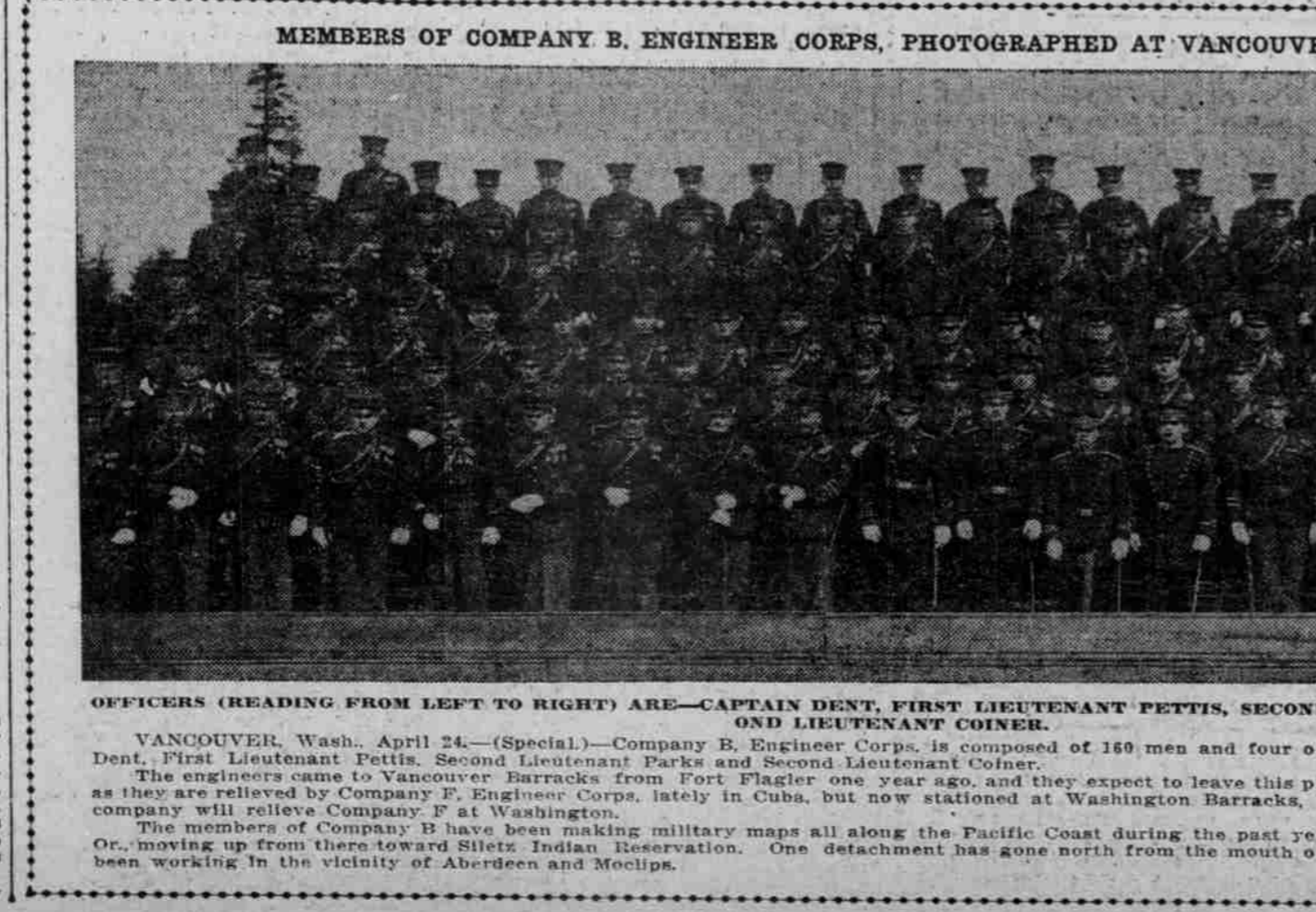
Came to Oregon in 1848.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., April 24.—(Special).—George Washington Whitaker, an Oregon pioneer of 1848, and a prominent citizen of Independence, died at Salem April 19, where he had been taken for medical treatment. Mr. Whitaker was born in Illinois, July 21, 1843, and crossed the plains to Oregon at the age of 5 years. Mr. Whitaker was married in Dallas, December 21, 1870, to Miss Nancy Ann Osborn. He then settled two and one-half miles north of Mouthout on his brother's donation land claim. He afterward purchased this and farmed for 12 years. In 1887 he moved to Independence, where he spent the rest of his life. He leaves a wife and seven children.

Advertisement for Benjamin's High Grade Clothes, featuring suits, topcoats, cravenettes, and hats. Includes a list of items like Knox Hats and Buffum & Pendleton. Price range \$20 to \$40. Address: 311 Morrison Street, opposite Postoffice.

Advertisement for Mayor's Work Upheld, Estacada City Council backs up W. A. Heylman. Includes text about resolutions passed in which charges made by local paper are vigorously denied.

Advertisement for BAYOCEAN, a dental product. Includes text about good teeth being attractive, no plates required, and a list of dental services.



MEMBERS OF COMPANY B, ENGINEER CORPS, PHOTOGRAPHED AT VANCOUVER BARRACKS.

OFFICERS (READING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) ARE—CAPTAIN DENT, FIRST LIEUTENANT PETTIS, SECOND LIEUTENANT PARKS AND SECOND LIEUTENANT COINER.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 24.—(Special).—Company B, Engineer Corps, is composed of 150 men and four officers, the latter being Captain Dent, First Lieutenant Pettis, Second Lieutenant Parks and Second Lieutenant Coiner.