

PANAMA CANAL LIBEL SUIT IS IN U. S. SUPREME COURT

Action Started By Former President Roosevelt Against New York World.

CHARGED "TIP" WAS GIVEN TO RELATIVES

President Taft's Brother and Others Alleged to Have Got Big Profits.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 21.—Briefs in behalf of the government and the Press Publishing Company of New York were filed in the supreme court of the United States today in what is termed the Panama libel case. The case is that in which former President Roosevelt ordered the department of justice to proceed against the publishers of the New York World because of the publication of stories of alleged favoritism in the purchase of the Panama canal property by which capitalists including Charles P. Taft, brother of the president, Douglas Robinson, brother-in-law of Roosevelt, and others are charged with having reaped great financial benefits. Because of the fact that the world circulated upon the government reservation at West Point, the libel proceedings were brought in the federal courts and on the legality of this action depended the brief contentions of the defendant's counsel.

OFFER REWARD FOR TORTURER

Stemler Brothers Will Pay to Have Nurse Arnold Brought to Justice.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 21.—Urged to take such action by many friends, who evidently are of the impression that the authorities are not bestirring themselves with due vigor, L. E. Stemler and Attorney J. O. Stemler have decided to offer a reward of \$500 for information and conviction of J. G. Arnold, ex-day head attendant at Crystal Springs Sanitarium, who fled the city to escape service of a warrant for hearing and otherwise mistreating and torturing their brother, Dr. Laurel A. Stemler, an incompetent patient. It is said these friends have voluntarily called on the Stemler brothers and offered them financial assistance in bringing to justice the man who repeatedly beat, kicked and choked Dr. Stemler and afterward bound him to a cot and gagged him, leaving him in this condition for four or five hours. Several of them have said they would like to be permitted to contribute toward payment of the reward in case Arnold shall be captured and convicted of his offense. Grand jury investigation of the practices at the Mount Tabor institution has been permitted to halt temporarily, the jury taking a recess until Monday, with the understanding that should the exigencies of the case demand the jurors may be called together at any time previously to Monday by District Attorney Cameron.

HIT EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES.

Request Their Abolition. Laboring Men of Washington Will Request Their Abolition.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 21.—The laboring men of Tacoma, Seattle and other cities will present a petition to the next legislature asking a law to be passed to abolish all employment agencies in the state except the municipal free employment bureaus.

AUTOMATIC Pump and Double Barrel SHOT GUNS at MILNER'S.

ALDRICH HAS A CLOSE CALL

United States Senator Recovers From Street Car Accident.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—United States Senator Aldrich has recovered today from the shock and bruises received last night when he was knocked down by a street car. Early reports said he was in an auto accident.

PECULIAR ILL OF CHILDREN

Physicians Are Puzzled by Strange Malady—North Bend Child Dead.

A peculiar stomach malady that was first noticed at Myrtle Point has spread to Coos Bay and is causing considerable uneasiness. There are more cases at North Bend than there are in Marshfield and owing to a few deaths, physicians are puzzled over it.

The most recent death that can be attributed to it was of Albert Halstead, the five-year-old son of Albert Halstead of North Bend, who died day before yesterday and who was buried yesterday from G. W. Dungan's undertaking parlors, the Rev. Mr. Browning officiating. The little fellow had been sick a few days of stomach trouble and finally appeared to be suffering from brain fever.

NO GAME IN BIG SERIES

Rain Prevents Chicago-Philadelphia Contest This Afternoon.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—There was no game today on account of wet grounds and a drizzling, intermittent rain that has been falling all day. Both clubs welcome the opportunity to rest from the stress and excitement of yesterday's game.

COAST LEAGUE SCORES.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Score. Includes Portland, San Francisco, Sacramento, Oakland, and Los Angeles.

NUNCIO IS RECALLED.

Pope Said to Have Decided to Protest Against Portugal.

LISBON, Portugal, Oct. 21.—Monsignor Tonti, the papal nuncio in Lisbon, today left Portugal. His destination was not announced. It has been rumored that the pope has decided to recall the nuncio as a protest against the anti clerical attitude of the republic.

SHOPMEN THREATEN GOULD ROADS THINK THREE BALLOONS ARE LOST IN CANADIAN FORESTS

Declare They Will Extend Missouri Pacific Strike to Other Lines If Necessary—1,500 Now Off.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 21.—All the union boiler makers, blacksmiths and pipemen on the Missouri Pacific struck today in sympathy with the machinists who have been out for several months. Fifteen hundred are involved in the strike called today.

Railroad officials say the strike has not yet interfered with the operation of trains. Union men say the road will not be able to operate the locomotive more than a week without the men who quit work today. They say if the trouble is not settled within a reasonable time, they will cause a 'walkout' on all the Gould lines. These include the Denver & Rio Grande, International & Great Northern, Rio Grande Western, Western Pacific and Cotton Belt railroads. The machinists' trouble was caused by a demand for a change in working conditions.

SEVERE FIRE IN HAMILTON

Business Section of Montana Town Endangered by \$125,000 Conflagration.

MISSOULA, Mont., Oct. 21.—The business section of Hamilton, Mont., 25 miles south of here, was endangered by a fire raging for several hours this morning in the Valley Mercantile Co.'s store. A special detail of firemen and apparatus were sent from here. The loss is \$125,000.

ALL RECOGNIZE PORTUGAL.

BERLIN, Oct. 21.—Great Britain has proposed that all the powers recognize the republic of Portugal at the same time. Germany replied approving the idea.

CAL JUDY TO RETAIN CLAIM

Former Loon Lake Convict Wins Homestead From His Former Wife.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 21.—Cal Judy, the paroled life term from the state penitentiary, was victorious in court here in the legal battle instituted by his former wife, Mrs. S. C. Solander, for the possession of the old family homestead of 160 acres on the ground of undisputed possession for the statutory period of ten years. Judge Coke did and the jury complied without retiring. Mrs. Solander's attorney, John T. Long, will appeal the case to the supreme court.

Just before the noon adjournment Judge Coke dismissed all of the trial jurors excepting F. W. Dillard, Grant Taylor, J. H. Hertzler and Robert Boggs. It is expected that Judge Coke will Friday declare an adjournment until November 25 to enable him to hold a term of court in Coos county. A fine of \$400 and costs and 30 days' imprisonment in the county jail was the sentence meted out by Judge Coke in the circuit court here to Max Weiss, operator of a local cold storage plant, who was convicted by a jury last week of violating the local option law by selling real beer. Weiss' attorneys will carry the case to the Supreme Court. Three more charges are hanging over Weiss in connection with his cold storage business.

WHY?

MOUNTAINEERS RESCUE MOORE

Liberate Man Under Death Sentence.

LIVINGSTON, Va., Oct. 21.—Mountaineer friends of John Moore, under sentence to be electrocuted for the murder of Frank Howel descended upon the Nelson County jail early this morning, stormed the building and rescued the prisoner. It is supposed he will be taken to the mountains and liberated. It was not until some hours after the rescue that the news was spread and deputy sheriffs were on their way into the mountains to try and rearrest Moore. It is feared bloodshed will result from the attempt.

FORM BRANCH IN MARSHFIELD

Arrangements For First Division of Oregon Naval Reserve Made

The movement to organize a branch of the Oregon Naval Reserve here promises to become even a greater success than was anticipated. A large number have signified their willingness to join and it is believed that two divisions can be organized in Marshfield and possibly one in North Bend.

Lieutenant Stone, who was sent here to make arrangements, wrote to Mr. McNulty, on charge of the Oregon Naval Reserves, stating the situation and this morning received the following telegram:

"Lieutenant Stone, Marshfield—Letter received. Fine work. Washington wired. Telegraphic answer states books on the way. Letter from Commander Marsh coming. Captain Shepherd going to Marshfield on next Breakwater. I am writing you now. (Signed) 'McNULTY.'"

Plans for the First Division have already been made, part of the officers being chosen. Just as soon as the copies of the books containing the instructions reach here, the Division will be able to start drill work. The officers already chosen are as follows:

- Lieutenant, senior grade—Dr. E. E. Straw. Lieutenant, junior grade—H. C. Stone. Assistant Surgeon—Dr. E. Mings. Assistant Paymaster.—R. O. Graves. Ensign—Arthur Blanchard.

WHEN?

Shermin-Williams Paint at Milner's.

COATS, Tailored Suits and one-piece dresses. At the LADIES' EMPORIUM.

3-in-1 OIL at MILNER'S.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE WRECK

Investigation of Los Angeles Times Disaster Will Begin Next Monday.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 21.—A special grand jury was called today to investigate the dynamiting and burning of the plant of the Los Angeles Times, October 1. The jury will convene next Tuesday.

CONDITION OF OREGON BEST

C. A. Smith Talks About Commercial Prosperity of Country and State.

"I believe that the Pacific coast and particularly Oregon and California, is in better condition in a business way right now than any other part of the country."

The above statement was made by C. A. Smith who was in the city recently looking after his milling and timber interests in this locality. In speaking of the business conditions generally, Mr. Smith said that there was a feeling of uncertainty among the big investors and in the financial circles of the east and that the people of Oregon had no complaint to make as they were better off than most all other parts of the country. Politics is attributed by Mr. Smith as the cause of the present conditions which make capital feel uncertain as to investments. In speaking of the lumber business, Mr. Smith said that he had hoped for an improvement in the lumber market by this time but that it had not come. The market, he says, is not good and the manufacture of lumber cannot under present conditions be carried on profitably. Labor is higher than formerly in that line, says Mr. Smith, and the cost of living and price of farm products are much higher yet the price of lumber is low. In the east the rise of the price of lumber is more slow than on the coast but it remains more stable. Only a small advance or drop in price occurs but on the Pacific coast, the price fluctuates widely. Mr. Smith says that when more than the usual number of vessels loaded with lumber come into San Francisco harbor there is an immediate drop in the market on account of the oversupply. Referring to this unprofitable present price of lumber, Mr. Smith says: "It may seem an astounding statement to make, but it is true that the reason labor, farm products and everything has gone up in price and lumber has gone down is simply because of a mistaken belief that the manufacture of lumber is a profitable business. It is a case of over-production due to this idea that sawing lumber will make a man rich. The wealth of the lumberman has been made by the increase in the value of the timber lands. "We have been in the lumber business for many years and I know that there was no money made in sawing lumber until 1897. Then some profit was made. Then the wages in the east were much lower both in the woods and in the mill. Now, wages are higher and the cost of producing lumber is higher so that with the present market there is no profit. An owner of a saw mill today would make money faster if the money he has invested in his plant was invested in timber. The increase in the value of the timber would be greater than anything he could make operating a mill and he would not have the care and trouble

Dominion Government and Hudson Bay Company Asked to Search For Them.

WERE ENTRIES IN ST. LOUIS CONTEST

No Word From Pilots of Airships That Left There Last Monday.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 21.—Alarmed by the prolonged silence of three balloon pilots and their aides who left here Monday in the international race, the Aero Club of St. Louis today asked the Canadian government to begin a hunt for them. It is believed the balloons landed Wednesday night, and that the six occupants of the three baskets are in distress in the forests of Canada. The Hudson Bay Company with headquarters in Montreal was also asked to begin a search for the aeronauts. The three balloons unreported are the "America III," "Anuara," the Swiss entry, and the "Dusselderof II," the German entry.

M. F. PLANT IS IN.

Arrives From South Today With Many Passengers.

The M. F. Plant arrived in at noon today from San Francisco after a good trip. She had a large passenger list.

The Plant will sail at 1 o'clock Sunday for San Francisco. Among those arriving on the Plant were the following:

- Mrs. C. W. Merchant, J. F. Marshall, H. D. Hutt, Miss L. Butler, J. Berustein, F. T. Hobson, Mrs. W. F. Batchell, Miss Batchell, Mrs. Sweeten, Mrs. Curran, W. H. Painter, Mrs. Painter, W. H. Painter Jr., A. Magermuster, M. C. Gilmore, Miss P. Shirley, J. Harman, P. Rambach, C. L. Daggett, G. A. Peterson, J. Davis, J. Van Horn and M. Hurley.

and would not require the operating capital. "But there has been an idea that sawing lumber was highly profitable and many have rushed into the business. There are many small mills which have been started and many a saw mill man has found that he could not get the profits he hoped for. The result has been an over-production and a market which has declined while the price of other commodities and labor has increased."

In spite of the fact that the lumber manufacturing business is not profitable now, the C. A. Smith Company continues to manufacture and this year increased the capacity of the plant by the construction of the new mill. The plant has the largest output of lumber of any mill on the coast and is paying out in the county a monthly pay roll of \$75,000, which is one of the most important items in the financial affairs of the community.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PORTLAND, Oct. 21.—Wheat unchanged.

TACOMA, Oct. 21.—Wheat unchanged.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Wheat closed as follows: December, 93 7-8c; May, \$1.00 1-8; July, 96 7-8c.

HOW?

RAIN COATS and rubberized CAPES at the LADIES EMPORIUM.

BEAR TRAPS at MILNER'S.

SHOULD WE?

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