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NORMOUS FRAUDS REPORTED IN POSTAGE STAMP DEALS

Government Agents Make Many Arrests for Illegal Traffic in United States.

ANY INDICTMENTS ARE ALREADY RETURNED. Bookers in Large Cities Accused and Some Suspects Have Confessed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Enormous frauds against the government, through illegal traffic in stolen postage stamps, has been discovered by the postoffice inspectors. Reports received today by Post Master General Hitchcock show the frauds have been conducted on an enormous scale that they involve at least two millions annually. Indictments already have been returned against stamp brokers in New York, Chicago and other large cities. Confessions received by the inspectors from some of the men they have investigated are said to indicate that the ramifications of the frauds extended through the country.

STEEL COSTS LESS ABROAD

C. Corey Testifies That the Trust Charged More Here Than Abroad.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—William Corey, former president of the United States Steel Corporation, resumed his testimony in the government suit to dissolve the corporation. Corey testified that steel sells for a higher price in this country than the same rails sold abroad, after the steel corporation was formed. The United States Steel Bethlehem Steel Company participated for four years in an international pool of armor plate, which divided up the business of the "neutral markets," as testified Corey. It was the first direct testimony the government was able to obtain of such a pool. The witness testified that the combination of armor plate manufacturers in England, France, Germany and the United States had lasted as late as 1904 or 1905. The Carnegie Steel Company and the Bethlehem Steel Company were the American members of the combination, Corey said. The witness said he was not familiar with the terms of the agreement of those in the pool. He said, however, that the American members had not to compete for armor plate either in England, France or Germany and that the foreign firms did not bid for the United States government work, because "it is provided by law that the United States government contracts in armor plate shall be given only to American manufacturers."

LET WOMEN VOTE.

New York Senate Adopts Suffrage Resolution. ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 23.—With one dissenting vote, the Wagner resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution to permit women to vote, passed the state senate today.

TWO DIE IN FIRE.

Family Meets Fate in Destruction of Home. CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 23.—Curran Shafer and daughter, Effie, were burned to death and Mrs. Shafer and another daughter, Evelyn, are believed to have been fatally injured and a young son hurt in a fire that destroyed their farm house two miles from here early today.

ROCKEFELLER AWAY AGAIN.

Magnate Sails From Florida for Island Home. FERNANDINA, Florida, Jan. 23.—William Rockefeller, who went to Nassau several weeks ago, today boarded C. K. G. Billings' yacht here, to return to Jekyll Island, where the oil magnate has his winter home. The Rockefeller party arrived in a special car from Palm Beach and boarded the yacht which will sail immediately. The House Money Trust Committee was making preparations to examine Rockefeller in New York the next part of the week.

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NO WISH FOR "BIG DOINGS"

President-Elect Wilson Would Just as Soon Not Have Inaugural Reception.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 23.—President-elect Wilson indicated today that he is not especially anxious that a reception or any other substitute be provided for the inaugural ball, which he opposed. He was told by some members that the inaugural committee is in doubt whether a reception in the rotunda of the Capitol could be arranged. He said he would be "perfectly content" if there was no reception. Governor Wilson was today again urged to visit the Panama Canal before it is filled with water and indicated he would try to go.

NEW MACHINE FALLS TREES

New Device Will Cut Ten Times as Rapidly as at Present; Krebs for It.

SALEM, Jan. 23.—Papers were filed in the secretary of state's office by Conrad Krebs, P. X. Johnson and J. E. Croman constituting the "Tree Falling and Cutting Co.," with a capital stock of \$100,000 and the first mentioned as president and Mr. Johnson secretary. Mr. Krebs stated that the stock was all subscribed and that the principal office of the concern would be in Portland. It is said that the machine fostered by the company, which is run by a gasoline engine and works with a knife, has great advantages over any other method of falling and cutting trees. The knife will cut four inches at a time and swinging back and forth will enable two men to fall and cut 400,000 feet a day while other methods with the same number of men could do but 20,000 feet. By this machine the cost will be 25 cents a thousand feet, while otherwise from 75 cents to \$1 would be required. It is stated that the new mode will save from seven to eight feet of the stump. Other fine points on the proposition are given, which evidently show the originator, Mr. Johnson, to be a great inventor.

MORSE IS NOW DOWN AND OUT

Former New York Banker Who Was Paroled, Broken in Health.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Charles W. Morse, who is reported seriously ill in Europe, has just admitted in his testimony that he is not financially responsible and that he has suggested to his attorneys that his creditors put him through bankruptcy. The former banker admitted his low financial condition in a suit brought in connection with a company with which Morse was connected in his prosperous days.

PREST. TAFT IS SOME TRAVELER.

Covers More Than 100,000 Miles in Four Years. WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—When President Taft stepped down from his private car on his recent return from New Haven, the total mileage of his travel during his four years in the White House reached 113,659, or an average of about 75 miles for every day he has been president. The total is exclusive of thousands of miles the president traveled by motor in every part of the country. The president has been on the road 200 days and nights.

EXPECT FIGHT NEAR EL PASO SOON

Large Rebel Force Near Juarez and Federal Reinforcements Are Being Rushed There.

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 23.—With the rebel forces practically surrounding Juarez and holding the border towns to east and west it was announced here today that strong federal reinforcements are hastening to the relief of the border towns. The rebels are active to the south and are increasing in numbers. Juarez is defended by some 300 federal troops and meagre artillery defenses. The rebels are said to number more than 1,000.

STATE SENDS EXPERTS HERE

RAILROAD COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE HERE TO INVESTIGATE MARSHFIELD WATERWORKS NOW.

C. E. Green and G. Stubblefield, special representatives of the Oregon Railroad Commission, arrived here this morning to investigate the Marshfield waterworks situation. They come as experts and will dig into all the records of the matter, the company's franchises, the company's books, and will make a physical examination of the plant, mains, pressure, etc. Their report will be made direct to the railroad commission and will be private and is for the purpose of supplying the commission with the facts in the case prior to the commission making any orders for improvements, changes in rates, etc. They were unable to state what plans the commission had relative to a public hearing in the matter. They expect to spend about two weeks going over the matter and today are looking into the city's records with City Attorney Goss.

BOOSTS FOR CHINA.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Recognition of the new republic of China was a leading topic of discussion when the convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States convened today. It was declared that aside from ethical questions, American trade in the Orient might suffer from a delay in acknowledging the dawn of a new governmental era.

ODD OPERATION PERFORMED HERE

McAllister, Injured at McDonald & Vaughan Camp, Undergoes It.

An unusual operation was performed at Mercy hospital in North Bend this week, Mr. McAllister, a logger, who was injured in the McDonald & Vaughan camp some time ago, undergoing it. Several months ago McAllister had his foot terribly crushed and both bones were broken just above the ankle. The flesh was so badly bruised and crushed that it was impossible to set the broken bones and put them in the necessary splints. For a little while it was thought that the only thing to do would be to amputate McAllister's foot. However, Dr. Dix thought he saw a chance to save it and decided to try it. The broken bones were not set, but steps were taken to heal the badly crushed and mutilated flesh. It has been a slow process, the wounds healing very slowly. However it did heal, and this week it was in such a condition that splints could be put on. In the meantime, while the flesh was healing, the broken leg bones had grown together, but not in their natural shape. The broken bones had been drawn upward so that parts of them were along side and they had knitted together this way. This false union, which was plainly shown in the X-ray picture of the injured leg, had to be broken and the bones set in their natural position. McAllister is getting along nicely and it now appears that his foot and leg will heal in good shape so that he will suffer little or no lasting trouble from it. At any rate, he will be much better off than he is. The injured member had been amputated. It will be sometime before he will be able to leave the hospital.

RULE SET ASIDE.

Can't Hold Railroads for Delays in Shipments. WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The United States supreme court annulled as invalid the "reciprocity demurrage rules" of the Mississippi railroad commission which imposed charges upon railroads for delay in delivery of interstate or intra-state shipments. The decision was based on the fact that the rules did not provide for any exemptions in case of unavoidable delays.

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NEW BOAT TO COME DIRECT

ADELINE SMITH WILL NOT STOP AT CALIFORNIA PORTH—DUE HERE BETWEEN FEBRUARY 15 AND 20.

The Adeline Smith will make a direct run from Coronel on the Pacific side of Cape Horn, to Coos Bay, according to F. A. Warner of the C. A. Smith Company, who arrived here yesterday on the Nann Smith to look after affairs of the company. Captain Olson's papers were made to run direct from Paris Point to Coos Bay. Under ordinary weather conditions he should reach here between February 15 and 20.

Mr. Warner expects to spend a few weeks here looking after affairs and will also inspect the work on the Smith-Powers logging road beyond Myrtle Point. He expects C. A. Smith here soon. Mr. Smith having planned to leave Minneapolis for the coast yesterday, Vernon Smith is on an eastern trip and was in New York a short time ago.

Mr. Warner says the lumber market is improving considerably and that the outlook is good. They are now handling lumber in their new yards at Sacramento, shipping it up the river on barges or scows in the packages it is taken from here in on the Nann Smith. Good progress is being made with the big improvements the company has underway at Oakland and Bay Point.

Mr. Warner was accompanied by Miss Myrtle Smith and a friend of the latter, Miss Catherine Drew of Minneapolis, who will visit here for a few weeks.

SUMNER'S AUTO IS "NOT GUILTY"

Methodist Brotherhood Has a Jolly Session of Kangaroo Court at Weaver Home.

At a meeting of the Methodist Brotherhood at the home of Fred Weaver in West Marshfield last evening occurred one of the most humorous mock trials that has ever marked a Kangaroo Court on Coos Bay. About forty were in attendance and they are still laughing over it. Milo Sumner was arrested by Sheriff Geo. N. Bolt on the charge of breaking the speed limit by running his auto at a rate of sixty-two miles an hour. A. B. Gidley was the judge and E. H. Joehnk the prosecutor. Sumner was declared to be without funds to pay a lawyer and R. O. Graves was appointed by the court to defend him. W. F. Byerly, Henry Johnson, Fred Weaver and J. J. Morrow, Ray Olivant, Mr. Pagent, Rev. H. J. Rutledge, Ralph Bischoff, Dr. Haskins, A. J. Drews, F. C. Birch and Geo. N. Bolt were some of the witnesses called.

Mr. Drews declared the charge was wrong because the auto was in the shops most of the time for repairs and at any rate it couldn't get up a speed of over a mile and a half an hour unless someone "pushed it."

One witness testified that the auto recently ran into Peter Mirrasoul while coming down the Commercial avenue steep hill in West Marshfield and that Mr. Mirrasoul turned around and pushed it back up the hill.

E. H. Joehnk said that the speed or the sight of the machine scared the chickens breathless in West Marshfield, and they had stopped laying, thereby increasing the high cost of living.

R. O. Graves in a final, tearful appeal to the jury in behalf of his client said that the charge was little short of slanderous and he worked upon the emotions of the jury to the extent that they brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

The meeting was largely a social one, the only business being some plans for a next Sunday's meeting at the Methodist Church, which the organization will have charge of.

See THE OLYMPIC GAMES held at STOCKHOLM, Sweden, at the Grand Theater, FRIDAY AFTERNOON and EVENING.

If you have anything to sell, rent, trade, or want help, try a Want Ad.

BALKAN ALLIES PLAN TO WITHDRAW THEIR TROOPS NOW

TURKS BITTER ABOUT TERMS

Sultan's Cabinet Resigns and Many Threats Are Made About Concessions.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 23.—The Turkish cabinet resigned today as a consequence of the public demonstrations and protests against its action in according to the wishes of European Powers, Mahmoud Shekfat Pasla, formerly war minister, has been appointed Grand Vizier in place of Kiamil Pasla.

Talat Bey has been appointed minister of the interior, a position he held in the previous cabinet. In a statement after his appointment, he said, "The change in the cabinet means we are going to save our national honor or perish in the attempt. We do not want a continuation of the war, but we are determined to keep Adrianople at all costs. That is an indispensable condition of peace."

THIEF MISSES PASTOR'S WORD

Robs Two Parishioners in Portland While Preacher Exhorts Against Theft.

The following from the Portland Oregonian will be of interest to the many Coos Bay friends of the Rev. J. Richard Olson, who was pastor of the Marshfield Swedish Lutheran church until about a year ago:

"While Rev. J. Richard Olson, pastor of the Swedish Lutheran Emmanuel church, Ninewent and Irving streets, was preaching Sunday night on the text, 'Thou Shalt Not Steal,' a sneak thief entered the rear of the church and sampled the hats and coats draped over empty seat backs. He took a hat, coat and pair of gloves.

"After the services, C. Erickson, a parishioner, reported to the pastor that a thief had taken his gray striped cravenette overcoat and a pair of brown gloves. Charles Swenson, also in attendance, said that the robber had made away with a fuzzy brown hat belonging to him and had left in its stead a greasy gray cap.

"If the thief will restore his parishioner's clothing, pastor Olson will see that he is decently clothed, fed and given some kind of work, he said, when he reported the loss to the police shortly after the close of the evening service."

HEAVY FIRE LOSS IN IDAHO

Quarter of Million Dollars Blaze in St. Anthony Today.

ST. ANTHONY, Idaho, Jan. 22.—The fire which started in the Ross Hammer block early today destroyed a number of adjoining buildings. The loss will reach \$250,000.

BILL KNOCKED OUT.

Immigration Measure Is Defeated by La Follette.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Following a vigorous fight upon it led by Senator LaFollette, the conference report of the Burnett-Dillingham immigration bill was rejected because of a clause which it was claimed would exclude a majority of Jewish immigrants from Russia and Roumania. At the request of Senator Lodge, the bill went back to conference, which will be asked to eliminate that feature.

Don't forget W. O. W. Dance at Empire Saturday, Jan. 25. Alice H leaves Market street wharf 7:30 sharp. First class orchestra music.

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Turkey's Acceptance of Peace Terms Sets Europe at Rest Again Today.

THREE FORTRESSES TO BE SURRENDERED

Sultan's Troops Allowed to Retire With Honors of War; Peace Terms.

MAY MEAN TROUBLE.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Diplomats here declare that they expect to hear that armed action engineered by a committee of young Turks preceded the fall of the Turkish cabinet. Absence of detail as to the sudden change in the situation in Constantinople has created grave apprehensions.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—All fears of a resumption of war having been removed the allies are now planning the withdrawal of their large bodies of troops at an early date. The delegates in London, however, think that a month may pass before the final signatures are put to the peace treaty as the settlement of the exact frontiers, questions of indemnity and guarantees in regard to mosques and sacred places of Adrianople still have to be arranged.

The immediate consequences of the decision of the Turkish grand council to conclude peace with the Balkan allies will be a cessation of hostilities between Greece and Turkey and the surrender of the Turkish fortress of Adrianople, also of Jannina and Scutari. At all three fortresses, the Turkish garrisons will withdraw with the honors of war.

Difficulties may arise, concerning the fate of Scutari as no one knows to whom it is to be surrendered, whether to Montenegro, to a provisional Albanian government or to representatives of the powers.

King Nicholas of Montenegro insists that he must enter Scutari at the head of his troops. Otherwise, he said, the reign of his family in Montenegro is doomed as he contrary to the advice of his generals refused to try to take Scutari by storm at the beginning of the war, in order to avoid certain heavy losses which his small army would have suffered. He preferred a temporizing policy of laying siege to the fortress, and should Scutari for this reason, be lost to Montenegro, he alone, would be considered responsible.

The Turkish peace delegations are hopeful that the concessions finally will be closed and the powers will support them in rejecting the demands of the allies for a war indemnity.

SEND TROOPS HOME.

Austro-Hungary Begins Demobilization of Forces Today.

BUDA PEST, Jan. 23.—The demobilization of Austro-Hungarian troops, called to the colors in connection with the Balkan crisis, began today.

"BAT" NELSON TO WED AGAIN

Former Lightweight Champion Will Marry Miss Fay King, Formerly of Portland.

MARRIED TODAY.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Batting Nelson and Fay King were married here today.

REBELS SEEK PEACE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Consul Letcher, at Chihuahua, Mexico, reports that the rebels of that state are seeking peace and that representatives of the government are being sent to treat with them. The proposed surrender is understood to embrace all the rebel Chieftains in Chihuahua.