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TEDDY SAYS HE WAS NEVER DRUNK NOR DRANK HIGHBALL

Former President Admits Taking Light Wines and Little Brandy Occasionally

NEVER DRINKS BEER OR WHISKEY STRAIGHT

Occasionally Drank Mint Julep for Good Fellowship—Noted Michigan Trial.

REFUSED WHISKEY.

MARQUETTE, May 27.—"No man who knows me ever asked me to take any whiskey, because they knew that under no circumstances did I take it," said Col. Roosevelt on the witness stand here today.

MARQUETTE, Mich., May 26.—When Theodore Roosevelt took the stand today in his libel suit against George A. Hewett, editor of "Iron Ore," a paper published at Ishpeming, Mich., who editorially charged him with drunkenness, the former president entered a denial.

He admitted using light wines at meals, but said he never touched strong liquors, except on the advice of a physician or after great exposure. He said that he does not smoke, or touch beer. He said that the only occasions on which he had drunk whiskey had been when it had been prescribed by doctors. "During the last 14 years," he said, "I don't believe I have drunk whiskey straight or with anything more than half a dozen times." He said that on his African trip he did not touch champagne or whiskey, and drank exactly seven ounces of brandy. Dr. Hearn prescribed it on two occasions when he had fever.

He declared that on hard campaign trips he frequently, just before going to bed, drank one or two tablets of milk with a teaspoonful of brandy to the sobriet, otherwise he did not drink brandy more often than he drank whiskey.

Few Mint Juleps.

Colonel Roosevelt stated that he rarely drank mint juleps, not more than half a dozen a year and seldom drank champagne except perhaps a glass or two at public dinners. "I never in my life," testified Colonel, "while at the White House or anywhere else have ever left a room for the purpose of getting a drink between meals and it would have been a physical impossibility for me to have left the room for any such purpose at any period of my work in the White House." He described various trips to New York and other places and said, "Never since I have been of age have I ever under any circumstances been in even the smallest degree under the influence of liquor."

No Cocktails.

In substance Roosevelt defended himself as a man of complete sobriety although not a total abstainer. He declared he had never drunk high balls or cocktails in his life. "While at the White House I never touched brandy or whiskey except in mint juleps and possibly on two or three occasions when Dr. Hixey prescribed a drink of whiskey; once, if I remember aright, for an acute attack of indigestion and once when I had made a hundred-mile ride and came through a snow storm and he gave me some whiskey and I disliked it so that after taking a sip, I would not take any more and got a cup of tea instead."

The cross examination of Colonel Roosevelt only occupied 25 minutes. It had to do with his visits to Michigan and his acquaintance with Geo. Hixey and with Congressmen and United States Senators, politicians, writers, naturalists and others.

Roosevelt Gentleman.

MARQUETTE, May 27.—Theodore Roosevelt was on the stand for all, one hour and forty minutes. Henry Rauthier, the city assessor of Ishpeming, was the next witness. He testified concerning the publication of the alleged libel, Jacob A. Hixey, the writer, was the first important witness for Roosevelt. He testified of their close friendship for many years and that he never had seen Roosevelt under the influence of liquor.

Asked "Is he a blasphemous man?" Hixey replied, "No, he is a gentleman."

Other Witnesses.

Robert Bacon, formerly a member of Roosevelt's Cabinet; Gifford Pinchot, former National forestry head; O. K. Davis, Gilson Gardner and John Callan O'Laughlin, newspaper correspondents, and Dr. Lyman Abbott, of The Outlook, are here to testify in the libel suit brought by Colonel Roosevelt against Hixey. The witnesses accompanying the Colonel will testify as to his habitual sobriety.

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BETTER WATER RESERVOIR

Dr. White and State Bacteriologist Make Suggestions—Inspect Watershed

Dr. Calvin S. White and State Bacteriologist Pernot made rather a complete inspection of the reservoir and watershed of the Coos Bay Water Company yesterday. They were accompanied by City Physician Mingus, Engineer Corey and J. H. Flanagan of the Coos Bay Water Company.

Mr. Pernot took a number of samples of the water, which he will analyze. They also looked over the watershed to see the possibilities of the supply becoming contaminated. On inspection of the reservoir, they suggested that the reservoir should be cleaned out and a cement or concrete reservoir put in and all trees cleared from around it so that the reservoir could be cleaned and kept clean. They may make further recommendations and reports along this line.

DR. WHITE TO MAKE REPORT

Intimates That Mill Slough is Very Unsanitary—Chas. Hickox's Plans Spoiled

FOR DREDGING

Tom Hall and Chas. Hickox had a conference with Dr. White just before he left today and Mr. Hall says that Dr. White informed them that if Mill Slough was properly bulkheaded and dredged out, it would not be unsanitary. Mr. Hall says that someone threw some dead cats in the slough some place so that Dr. White could take a picture of them and he is now looking for the man who left the dead cats there.

While not committing himself until he makes his final report, Dr. Calvin S. White, secretary of the Oregon State Board of Health, intimated before leaving today that he would declare Mill Slough unsanitary and probably order it closed as a safeguard to the public health. He was rather reticent about the matter, pending the making of his report.

"Mill Slough, in its present condition, is certainly unsanitary, to put it mildly," Dr. White said. He inspected the slough thoroughly yesterday at low tide and saw several sewers emptying into it. He said that the sewage was not discharged from the slough but was washed up on the fat, where it remained a menace to public health. He said that the argument put forth that the slough ought to be dredged and opened up as a harbor for the little crafts was a strong one.

Missed High Tide.

Chas. Hickox, Cal Wright and others had a date with Dr. White for last evening. Mr. Hickox was to present the reasons of those who protested against the filling of the slough. The date he had to meet Dr. White was about the hour of high tide when Mill Slough would be flooded. Dr. White had been taken up the slough by Dr. Mingus and others when the tide was out and Mr. Hickox wanted to show him the stream at high water.

However, when the hour rolled around Dr. White was missing. He could not be found and finally it was ascertained that he had gone on an auto trip with J. H. Flanagan and others down to the beach. The auto met with a mishap, getting stuck in the mud and the passengers had to walk quite a ways. This resulted in their being delayed three or four hours until the high tide had almost become a low tide and the slough was nearly empty and it was too dark to see much of the effect of high tide.

Mr. Hickox expressed some doubts as to whether Dr. White had been accidentally delayed and he had a warm session with some of the property owners who wished the slough closed. W. LANGWORTHY and wife and family, arrived here yesterday from Travers City, Mich., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Langworthy. He is a plumber and sheet metal worker and may locate on the Bay.

ANDERSON TO FIGHT CROSS JULY 4

Negotiations Now Under Way for Match at Vernon, Winner to Meet Ritchie or Rivers at Some Time in the Future.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LOS ANGELES, May 27.—An-

nouncement was made today of efforts being under way to arrange a Fourth of July match at Vernon between Leach Cross of New York and Bud Anderson, the Northwestern light weight. It is proposed to match the winner of this bout with the winner of the Ritchie-Rivers fight in San Francisco on the same date.

ANTI-TARIFF REVISION LOBBY ROUT

President Wilson's Vigorous Attack Disconcerts Former Prominent Men now Working for Sugar and Wool Trusts.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—A small army of "Tariff Lobbyists," which have been occupying Washington since the Underwood bill passed the House, was in a state of confusion today because of President Wilson's sudden and vigorous attack on the "numerous, industrious and insidious lobby." Men prominent for many years in official life, including former United States Senators now identified with either the sugar or

Plan Lobby Probe. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, May 27.—Senator Cummins presented today to the Senate a resolution to direct Vice-President Marshall to appoint five Senators to investigate President Wilson's charge that a lobby exists in Washington to influence legislation, and particularly on the tariff bill and to report within ten days.

wool interests in an organized effort against the Underwood bill, were disconcerted after reading the President's declaration and are speculating on its probable effect.

CALIF. STRIKE IS SETTLED

Agreement Reached Between Postal Company and Its Striking Employees

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SAN FRANCISCO, May 27.—An agreement was announced today between the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company with the Pacific district council No. 1 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, which provides that linemen shall receive \$4 a day and cable splicers \$4.75. The agreement, which is to continue for one year, is similar to the one with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company adopted recently and the territory covered by the two agreements includes California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Arizona.

MRS. LINCOLN'S LETTERS SOLD.

Bitter Epistles of Widow of Martyred President Disposed of. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, May 27.—The bitter letters, which Mrs. Lincoln, widow of Abraham Lincoln, wrote more than 40 years ago when in despair of getting Congress to pass an appropriation for assistance, were sold at auction yesterday. Most of the letters went to dealers for less than \$50 each.

HARD TO GET R. R. DIVORCE

No Agreement Reached for Separation of Southern Pacific and Union Pacific

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, May 27.—Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the Union Pacific Railroad, announced today that no agreement had yet been reached between the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific Company in the government's dissolution case against the two roads. Lovett intimated that a statement might be issued later in the week and declined to discuss details in connection with the hitch in the plans.

COASTER BRAKE TRUST.

Defendants Plead Guilty at Rochester Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 27.—The defendants in the case of the Government against the Coaster Brake Trust* all pleaded guilty in the Federal court here today. The companies in the case are the New Departure Manufacturing Company, Miami Cycle and Manufacturing Company, Corbin Screw Corporation, Aurora Automatic Machinery Company, Eclipse Machine Company, Buffalo Metal Goods Company and 18 individual companies. A decree of perpetual injunction was agreed to both by the defendants and the Government and was signed by Judge Hazel.

Lots of FLOUR at HAINES.

MRS. M'CARTY GETS \$65,000

Widow of Pugilist Plans to Claim Estate Left by Dead Husband—Was Waitress

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) FARGO, N. D., May 27.—Mrs. Luther McCarty, widow of the late prize fighter, may receive \$65,000, the amount of the fortune her husband is reputed to have left. Mrs. McCarty received a telegram from her attorney's yesterday in Chicago saying that her husband's estate would reach \$65,000, and that she would be able to claim the money if action was taken. Mrs. McCarty's attorney has gone to Chicago.

Mrs. McCarty and her husband had been estranged and for a time she was employed as a waitress in Fargo.

MCCARTY'S KILLER FREED.

Arthur Pelkey, Who Delivered Fatal Blow, is Exonerated.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) CALGARY, May 27.—Following the exoneration of Arthur Pelkey last night from charges connecting him with the death of Luther McCarty, who died in the prize ring Saturday as a result of a blow administered by Pelkey, he was rearrested by the Northwest Mounted Police. What action will be taken is problematical. McCarty's body was sent to his home in Ohio last night.

BALKAN PEACE TREATY IS UP

European Diplomats Will Try to Get Allies to Sign it One by One—End Deadlock

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, May 27.—The plan under discussion here of solving the deadlock in regard to signatures of the peace treaty between Turkey and the Balkan states, the European powers recommend that those states which are ready, sign Sir Edward Grey's draft of the treaty without waiting for their allies. It is pointed out that Bulgaria could thus conclude terms with Turkey and the powers could then devote their attention to inducing the recalcitrant states to sign. The Greek delegates referred the question to their government.

ENGLISH RULER HOME.

King George and Queen Mary Leave for England.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) BERLIN, May 27.—King George and Queen Mary of England started for home this afternoon.

MRS. BAKER and son, Chas., of Empire, were in Marshfield today to make application for pension for the former. Mr. Baker, who died last week, was a veteran, and his widow, who is of Indian origin, wants a pension to support her. Mr. Baker having left little property.

STATE DEPARTMENT DENIES PLANS FOR JAPANESE WAR

PLAN TO TURN OVER SURVEY

Subscribers to Coos Bay and Boise Ready to Co-operate With E. R. Shaw

KEEP RECORDS HERE.

At a meeting this afternoon in the office of R. O. Graves, it was decided to take steps to keep the books and records of the Coos Bay and Boise line here until definite arrangements were made as to the ownership of the project and the interests of Coos Bay and the people who contributed toward starting the project are amply protected.

The announcement in The Times yesterday that E. R. Shaw and associates at Boise were figuring on reviving the old Coos Bay and Boise Railway has caused quite a stir on Coos Bay. The Boise line, on account of its far-reaching possibilities in a transcontinental way has always appealed to Coos Bayites.

Today most of the original subscribers to the project, which was started by subscriptions of Marshfield and North Bend people, have been looking up their stock certificates, etc.

The matter is a peculiar condition now and may require a little effort in straightening it out. The old Coos Bay and Boise passed to F. A. Haines under a contract in 1909 and later from him to the Oregon and Eastern, which was incorporated by F. A. Bantz and others at Portland. The latter company advanced about \$5,000 at one time to complete the survey from Coos Bay to Roseburg and possibly put in additional money. However, they did not comply with the option-contract given Haines and this, technically is probably forfeited.

However, the people of Coos Bay, who subscribed to it, according to expressions today, are not disposed to hang out fast and hard concerning the proposition. While they feel that it has reverted to them, it is understood that steps will be taken to reorganize or renew the company, allowing the Portland syndicate and others who took the project under the Haines option-contract, to come for shares in proportion to the amount they expended. Then, it is proposed to have it in shape to turn over to Mr. Shaw and his associates or others to go ahead with. It is understood that F. A. Haines' maps and profiles and survey notes, together with the books of the company are being held in Portland.

The matter will be taken up with Mr. Shaw and others probably at once. The old holdings were in the name of the Marshfield and North Bend Chambers of Commerce and the stock held by the bodies were placed by Pat Hennessey and J. C. Gray, the trustees, in escrow at the Flanagan & Bennett bank.

Gets Records Here.

The Boise railway proposition took an unexpected turn here today owing to the receipt of the records and books of the company from Portland. They were sent to Claude Nasburg, who had acted as secretary of the old company, by C. E. S. Wood, of Portland, a well-known lawyer, who asked that they be brought up to date.

A meeting is to be held this afternoon in the office of R. O. Graves, to go over the matter, Col. Grimes who had been active in the original promotion of the road being among those in attendance.

Others After It.

R. O. Graves, who secured a judgment against the road several months ago, states that there are at least three different companies after the old Coos Bay and Boise project now, one being a San Francisco concern.

Colonel C. E. S. Wood, who has represented a foreign syndicate which had immense holdings in Eastern Oregon; Wm. Hanley, of Burns, who is the largest individual land owner in Oregon, and others are also after it. Whether Messrs. Hanley and Burns and their people are in with Mr. Shaw is not known, but it is suspected that they are.

Bantz Still in It.

It is suspected that from the fact that Mr. Wood sent the books and records here, under seal, that Wm. A. Bantz, who with other Portland parties took hold of the matter soon after F. A. Haines secured the option, is still in it or that Mr. Wood and associates have bought them out. It is believed that they are in the new company.

Mr. Wood's request will be taken up this afternoon at the meeting.

ELKS-BAND special LEAVES for BANDON at 7 O'CLOCK next SUNDAY MORNING.

Issues Statement Denying Report in Japan of Activity of United States Militia

TROOPS TO HAWAII AND PHILIPPINES ORDERED

Claims That Movement Was Agreed Upon Before California Situation Arose

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The following statement was issued today by the State Department: "The State Department has authorized the American Embassy at Tokio to deny the San Francisco telegram which appeared in Japanese papers to the effect that preparations are being made for war. The report was to the effect that troops of artillery were being sent to Hawaii and that the Philippine garrison was to be increased. A few artillerymen have been sent to Hawaii in pursuance of plans adopted before this administration began, but no increase is contemplated in the Philippine garrison. The changes that have taken place are only the customary exchange of regiments."

"The department regrets that any newspaper or newspaper correspondent should send so misleading a telegram from the United States."

SUFFRAGE IS VETOED

Gov. McGovern, of Wisconsin, Turns Down Referendum.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) MADISON, Wis., May 27.—Governor McGovern today vetoed a bill ordering the referendum in 1914 on the question of granting the ballot to Wisconsin women.

The Governor objects to the bill because of suffrage having been defeated by 92,000 last November and says another referendum on the subject so soon would be unwise and would result only in a more emphatic rejection.

NEW STAMP ISSUE

Government Will Issue Large Books of Them Soon.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—July 1 is the date fixed by the Postoffice Department for the issue of new stamp books. One will contain 96 one-cent stamps, the other 24 two-cent stamps, the first to sell for 97 cents, the last for 49 cents, or one cent above the par value of the stamps in each instance.

HONOR MEMORY OF POET.

Ashes of Joaquin Miller Will Be Scattered From Pyre.

OAKLAND, Cal., May 26.—Services honoring the memory of Joaquin Miller, the "poet of the Sierras," will be held at the poet's former home "The Heights" and from the pyre which he built his ashes will be scattered to the winds of the bay.

The ceremony will be conducted by the Bohemian Club of San Francisco and in connection with it one of Miller's poems "Goodbye, Good Night," which has been set to music, will be sung by a chorus of 60 voices.

Before his death Miller desired that his body be cremated on the pyre he had built but this was impossible because of municipal restrictions.

Hetch-Hetchy Project.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—John J. Dunningan, clerk of the board of supervisors of San Francisco, is here today to work for the passage of the Hetch-Hetchy measure in Congress. Mr. Dunningan will remain until the end of the session.

Along the Waterfront.

The Hardy arrived in today from San Francisco with oil for the Standard Oil Company and miscellaneous freight and will take out a cargo of lumber. In handling the incoming freight, the Hardy is working in conjunction with the Homer and Washington, W. S. Seammel acting as agent for the freight out of San Francisco.

The Gleaner came in yesterday from Gardiner and is taking back a cargo of general merchandise.

Capt. Pete Olson, with the Rustler, left today for Florence taking out a special cargo for the Rhododendron festival, which will open there tomorrow. The festival promises to draw a large attendance from that section.

The Alliance sails tomorrow from Eureka for Coos Bay and is due in here early the next day.

The Redondo is due in early tomorrow morning from San Francisco, having left there yesterday afternoon.

The Nann Smith sailed last evening from the Smith mill with a special cargo of lumber for Bay points. The special cargo took greater time in loading and as a result the Nann was in port nearly two days.