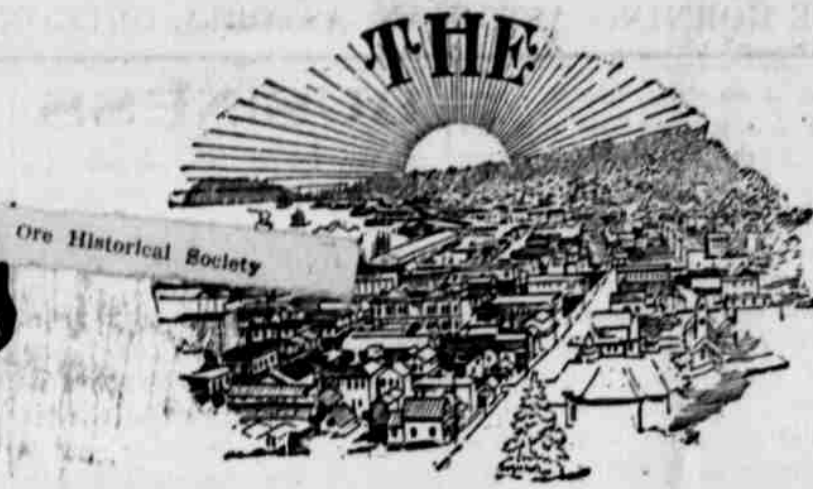


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SENSATIONS CONTINUE

Family Connections are All Cared for By New York Lite.

ENORMOUS SALARIES PAID

Last Day of Week in Insurance Investigations Not Unlike Predecessors as Regards Sensational Developments—Agents Big Commission.

New York, Oct. 6.—Closing a week, every day of which has produced a sensation that has stirred the country, the special legislative committee, which is investigating the methods of the life insurance companies adjourned today until Tuesday of next week. In today's testimony, sensational developments were brought out when Hughes demanded the pay roll of the executive officers of the company. This was produced and showed the salaries of the officers since 1877. For the year 1904, President McCurdy received \$150,000; two vice presidents were paid \$50,000; each second vice president, \$17,000; third vice president, \$10,000, and general manager, \$25,000, who this year will receive \$30,000 and treasurer, \$50,000.

Earlier in the day, when McCurdy was on stand, Hughes tried to bring out why C. H. Raymond and company, and partners in that firm received larger emoluments from the business than any other agency, it being shown that their commission for the first year premiums were 95 per cent. McCurdy said he did not know what Thebaud, one of the partners, received from the business and had never talked to him about his personal affairs. He said it was a large reward for large achievements, and that all business of large magnitude was built upon that principle. During McCurdy's testimony, it was brought out that George Raymond, a brother of Charles H. Raymond, was general agent for New Jersey, and that Howard Lewis was general agent for northern New York, with an office in Albany, was a cousin, either of the vice president, Mr. Granniss, or Mrs. Granniss; that Dr. E. J. Moss, medical director of the Mutual Life, had married a sister of the president of the company, that P. Stuyvesant Pillot, an inspector of risks, is a cousin to Louis Thebaud, son-in-law of President McCurdy, and partner of the Raymond firm. G. W. White, the secretary of the company, whom McCurdy was asked about; but he said he was no relative of any officer of the company, but that Mrs. White was a niece of Mrs. Granniss, the wife of Vice President Granniss.

At one point in the testimony interest was manifested when the expenditures of the company was taken up. An auditor of the Mutual Life, C. A. Pretter, was on the stand and was asked as to the method of recording expenditures.

MINERS ENTOMBED IN BURNING COAL MINE

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 6.—A defective electrical generator started a destructive fire at the Fremont coal mine near Florence, Colorado, at noon today. All the buildings including the shaft house were destroyed. Thirty-five men were working in the mine at the time the

fire started. Ten were rescued without difficulty, but 25 were still in the mine at 4 o'clock this afternoon. By some good fortune, the air compressor was not damaged by the flames and it is confidently expected that the entombed men will be taken out alive.

Hughes for Mayor. New York, Oct. 6.—Charles E. Hughes, principal counsel for the committee appointed by the legislature to investigate insurance affairs, was tonight unanimously nominated as candidate for mayor of New York by the republican convention in Carnegie hall.

BREAKS WORLD'S RECORD.

New York, Oct. 6.—D. C. Johnson's Roseben, carrying a heavy impost of 147 pounds, made a new world's record for six furlongs on a circular track, when he won the Manhattan handicap at Belmont park today. He stepped the distance in 1:13 3-5, which is one fifth of a second faster than Dick Wells' time, made at Washington park, Chicago in August, 1903.

GOVERNOR TO RESCUE

Writes Open Letter Charging Land Operator With Fraud.

Letter Is in Denial of Charges Made by D. J. Killiker Against State Officials—Says That Over One Hundred Thousand Acres Traced into His Hands.

Salem, Oct. 6.—In an open letter Governor Chamberlain accuses D. J. Killiker, a land operator of securing by fraudulent means over 100,000 acres of state lands. Governor Chamberlain says regarding Killiker's operation:

"One thing is certain, that up to this time more than 100,000 acres of land has been traced into his hands, where the applications are apparently either forged or in the names of fictitious persons, and how much more there is, remains yet to be seen."

Governor Chamberlain's letter was written to refute the charges made against various state officials by Killiker, in a series of pamphlets which have been given a wide circulation.

Killiker has been asked to appear before the state board on next Tuesday to make any statement he may desire in reference to his land transactions.

PEORIA BANK CLOSES

Directors Voluntarily Close Doors and Ask Controller to Take Charge.

Peoria, Oct. 6.—At a meeting of the directors of the Peoria National bank tonight, it was unanimously decided to close the doors of the institution and ask the controller to take charge.

Since the indictment of November 1st, until yesterday, practically all the hundreds of depositors have withdrawn their accounts.

DESPOTISM IN CUBA

CONDITIONS DESCRIBED

Gomez Thinks United States Should Guarantee Fair Play.

QUOTES PLATT AMENDMENT

Says President Palma Used Force and Fraud in September Election—Liberal Leaders Assassinated and Prominent Men Imprisoned for Political Reasons.

New York, Oct. 6.—General Jose Miguel Gomez, candidate of the liberal party for the presidency of Cuba, who is at present in New York, said today that it was the duty of the United States government under the Platt amendment to interfere in Cuba and see to it that the island has genuine and honest elections. He described what he said was the despotism of President Palma's government and the combined and open use of fraud and force in the Cuban elections. "The days of the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, of last September were days of terror in all Cuba. The chief leaders of our party were arrested, all respectable men, men of conservative ideas, merchants, and distinguished professional men.

Then the assassination of Villuendas took place. He was a young man of great vigor and the leader of the liberal party in the house of representatives. The stupid story of the dynamite plot was invented from whole cloth, being made up only to make an impression on the United States. It was received with laughter in Cuba.

On the 23rd, the ballot boxes were taken to the polling places, already stuffed with votes and defended by men of criminal antecedents, armed with rifles, and also by the rural guards, and the municipal police. Wherever members of our party resisted, they were fired upon. In the province of Santa Clara, there were many killed and wounded.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Seattle, Oct. 6.—Seattle, 12; Oakland, 0.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—Los Angeles, 5; San Francisco, 1.

Portland, Oct. 6.—Portland, 5; Tacoma, 0.

FORMAL DEMURRERS FILED.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Formal demurrers to nine of the counts in the indictments returned by the federal grand jury against five of the meat packing companies, and 17 of their employees were filed today in the United States district court, and pleas of not guilty on the first count are to be entered next Monday when the entire matter will be taken up before Judge Humphrey.

MORMON'S GOOD ADVICE

Much Interest Displayed as to Whether Smoot Would Sustain Smith.

Salt Lake, Oct. 6.—The 70th semi-annual conference of the Mormon church began here today with more than 7000 Latter Day Saints present in the Tabernacle at the opening session.

Apostle and United States Senator Reed Smoot, whose absence from the previous conference caused much comment, was present today with the other apostles. The feature of President Joseph F. Smith's address to the conference, was his appeal to the "saints" to get out of debt and keep out.

At the afternoon session all of the officers of the church were sustained without a dissenting vote.

Because of the charge made during the senate investigation, that Apostle Smoot had sustained President Smith in his polygamous practices, much interest was taken in his vote. The voting was done by the lifting of hands. Observers say that the apostle-senator today did not raise his hand with the others of the quorum. He did not, however, give any sign in the negative.

HIGHWAYMEN ARE CAUGHT IN THE ACT

Joseph Hoff and G. W. Scott Are Captured After an Exciting Chase.

Portland, Oct. 6.—Joseph Hoff, aged 52 years, and G. W. Scott, 37 years old, arrested after a running fight on a charge of holding up and robbing H. Mitchell, of The Dalles, last night, will be given a trial next Tuesday.

Special Officer Roberts was near when the robbery was committed at Fourth and Couch streets, and gave chase, capturing the two men shortly afterwards. While the record of Scott is not known, Hoff was released from the state penitentiary about a year ago, when he had served a term of four years for robbing a store. A gold watch and a valuable chain were stolen from Mitchell, who in court identified Hoff, but not Scott.

HORRIBLE OUTRAGE

Physician Maltreats 10 Year Old Girl Then Poisons Her.

After Seeing That Child Would Not Recover He Swallows Morphine and Lays Unconscious for Day and Night—Son of St. Louis Millionaire.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Dr. Oliver Hart, aged 39 years, a physician residing in the suburbs of Rogers park, is in the custody of the police, pending an investigation into the death of Irene Klockow, 10 years of age, which occurred yesterday in his residence. The girl died in a bedroom in which she and the physician had been locked for several hours. It is the opinion of the authorities, based on the facts disclosed at the inquiry held today, that the girl was maltreated, then poisoned in an attempt to conceal the crime, and after finding it impossible for the child to recover, the physician swallowed morphine and lay in an unconscious condition all last night and during the greater part of today.

Late this afternoon he partially recovered, and was brought to the city and locked up. The police declare they will not have the slightest difficulty in proving by circumstantial evidence that Dr. Hart gave the morphine to the girl, which was responsible for her death. Dr. Hart is the son of a millionaire residing in St. Louis, who has sent him a regular allowance of money, which has supported him and his wife, as he had no practice in his profession.

REPUBLICANS SELECT TICKET

New York, Oct. 6.—The following ticket was nominated by the republican convention today: Mayor, Charles T. Hughes; comptroller, Richard Young; of Brooklyn; president of the board of aldermen, James L. Wells of the Bronx.

RUN DOWN BY CAR.

New York, Oct. 6.—Searching for a penny, intended for a band of wandering musicians, and which had rolled into the street, Lillian Sarrell, aged three and Catharine Sullivan, aged six years, of Brooklyn, were run down by a surface car last evening. Catharine was killed instantly and Lillian can not live long.

OPPOSITION DOWNED

RESOLUTION PASSED

Massachusetts Republicans Declare for Tariff Revision.

ENDORSES ADMINISTRATION

Special Mention is Made of President Roosevelt's Part in Securing Peace Between Russia and Japan—State Officers Nominated.

Boston, Massachusetts, Oct. 6.—With only one voice raised in opposition, the republicans of Massachusetts, in their state convention today declared for a revision of the tariff. Contrary to expectations, the radical wing of the party, under the leadership of Eugene N. Foss, of Boston did not offer a substitute for the plank in the platform, relating to the tariff.

The following candidates were nominated: Governor, Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston; lieutenant governor, Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale.

The platform presented by the committee on a resolution was adopted without amendment, and contained, in brief, an endorsement of the administration of President Roosevelt, special mention being made of his part in bringing about peace between Russia and Japan, his enforcement of the laws, thus preventing the corporations from oppressing the people, a resolution for the enactment by congress of a tariff provision which shall protect the American markets against discrimination and secure to the United States, the treatment accorded to the most favored nation in all foreign markets, a resolution for an increase of the navy and the upbuilding of the American merchant marine and the endorsement of the administration of Former Governor John L. Bates.

A WOMAN PARLEYS WITH MASKED BURGLAR

Sherwood Woman Arouses the Neighbors—Desperado Unsuccessful.

Sherwood, Ore., Oct. 6.—A masked highwayman entered the house of P. T. Meeks, a butcher, living in the suburbs of town, about 9 o'clock last evening, and, pointing a gun in the face of Mrs. Meeks, who was alone at the time, demanded all the money on the premises. After parleying with the burglar a few moments she managed to escape at the rear door and came up town for assistance. During her absence the house was ransacked thoroughly from cellar to garret without avail, and the footpad had made his escape unmolested. This being the second attempt of this nature in this place within the past ten days, people here are becoming aroused and any further attempt of this nature will meet with disastrous results to the footpad element that engages in it.

CANAL TO BE CONTROLLED BY WAR DEPARTMENT

Washington, Oct. 6.—The members of the isthmian canal commission will remain under Secretary Taft, who will go to Panama in November to investigate the situation there, and thoroughly inform himself of the conditions in the canal zone. The decision to keep the

BREWERY A TOTAL LOSS

Portland, Oct. 6.—Fire, which started in the engine room of the Enterprise Brewing company, completely destroyed the plant and stables at Thirteenth and Joanson streets at 3 o'clock this morning. The loss is estimated at \$25,000; insurance, \$7500.

STRUGGLE OFFER WIDE-OPEN TOWN.

Pendleton, Oct. 6.—For the city election to be held December 4, 968 voters have registered. This is the largest registration in the history of the city.

Interest in the coming contest is aroused because it promises a struggle between the open-town element and those who desire to see gambling prohibited and a better regulation of saloons. Both sides have endeavored to swell registration.

Although the election is two months off, no mayoralty candidates have been openly presented for either side.

POSITIVE PROMISE GIVEN.

Contest Arouses Interest Owing to Different Elements Engaged.

St. Paul, Oct. 6.—President Levy of the Northern Pacific railroad has announced that his company will positively construct the promised extension from Cul de Sac, Idaho, 30 miles southeast of Grangeville, near Mount Idaho.

RAVAGES OF STORM

British Columbia Coast Strewed With Wrecks of Fishing Boats.

Thirty Japanese Fishermen Are Believed to Have Lost Their Lives During Yesterday's Gale—Tug Lorne Picks up Eleven.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 6.—The great southern gale of the early morning hours today is believed to have been responsible for the death of at least 30 Japanese fishermen who were out fishing for sockeye salmon last night when the gale broke. The tug Lorne reached port this afternoon from Victoria, bringing 11 Japanese, whom she picked up when they were in extreme peril and helpless through exposure to the gale. The whole gulf shore of the mainland from Howe Sound to Tuxeda Island is lined with wrecks of fishing boats.

FIREMEN OVERCOME BY SMOKE

New York, Oct. 6.—The block bounded by East River, 107th, pleasant avenue and 108th street, occupied by the stables and lumber yards of J. Reeder & Sons, was swept by fire early this morning. Five firemen were overcome while aiding in the rescue of the 250 horses, all of which were led out in safety. At 2 o'clock this morning the fire was under control and the loss estimated at \$80,000.