

THE WEATHER.
Tonight and Wednesday
occasional rain; south to
west winds.

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GRAND JURY PROBING HARD

The Lines of Investigation Adopted Will Unearth Graft If Any Exists—Many Witnesses Are Called.

If Gambling Has Existed, Why?—If Laws Have Not Been Enforced, Why?—If Money Is Collected by Specials, Why?

The Journal demanded that the grand jury investigate the sensational charges of graft made by Councilman Fred T. Merrill. Yesterday he was brought before that body and put in the "sweat box." There were but two things for him to do. One was to get in and make a clean breast of his information, and as an official of the city offer every possible suggestion to sift the matter to the bottom. If his statements were "hot air," it was up to him to also candidly admit this fact. It is believed that he sidestepped the real issue by dealing in generalities.

Before the investigation he stated that he would not go before the grand jury and incriminate anyone. From his own statements he was familiar that corruption was general and could bring the proof. Whether he has vindicated himself on the issue will not be known until the findings of the jury are made public.

It is inferred from the statements of those who have been before the grand jury, that if anything rotten exists they will unearth it. They have opened up the right avenues of investigation, which will lead up to results if the condition of affairs are as pictured by Mr. Merrill.

GAMBLING AND WOMEN.

Among the features that are being investigated are those of gambling and fallen women. The questions that they will endeavor to solve are whether gambling was allowed to run with the knowledge of the police. Whether policemen were instructed to take action in this matter if they saw the laws violated, or whether they were by inference given to understand that they were to keep their fingers out of the gambling pie, unless otherwise instructed. Also if the authorities had exercised proper diligence in the enforcement of the laws in this respect. If gambling has been running continually, and if so, why not stopped.

The phase of special policemen will also be handled. If these officers are working with the police department; if they paid any money for the privilege of holding the North End beats; if they collected money from the fallen women, and what becomes of it. Other lines of alleged graft will also be looked into.

TODAY'S SESSIONS.

This morning's session of the Grand Jury was an uneventful one, according to what the different witnesses had to say when they left the inquisition chamber.

The first one put upon the rack was Frank Lischke, police reporter of the Journal. When he came out of the witness room with the perspiration streaming down his face, he told the Journal's court house reporter that there was "nothing doing," but that he gave them some sources of information which, if followed with any degree of intelligence, would lead to surprising results. If there was anything at all to the charges made by Councilman Merrill.

Former Captain of Police T. J. Hoare was the next witness. When he was dismissed he said that the only thing he was questioned on was alleged grafting in connection with gambling. Mr. Hoare resigned from the force to accept a special beat in that portion of the North End known as "Whitechapel." He has only one gambling house on his beat, but a large number of "cribs."

"They confined their questions to gambling and grafting in connection therewith. I told them that I was aware that gambling had been going on, but that I never knew of a dollar being paid for the privilege of running. I was not questioned about the time I was captain of police. Neither did they question me about the cabs."

Joseph Macquene, the Oregonian's police reporter, was also called, but he could not throw any light upon the alleged grafting. He had no personal knowledge of any grafting.

EX-CHIEFS SUMMONED.

There were only three witnesses examined this morning, but there are three to be called this afternoon who can throw some light on the subject if there was any grafting during their administration. They are ex-chiefs of Police Spencer, Hunt and Robinson.

Ten men, some of them prominent in business circles, will be subpoenaed this afternoon to appear tomorrow morning, but Deputy District Attorney Spencer refuses to divulge their names until service is had. No subpoenas has as yet been issued for Police Sergeant Church.

IS ON IN EARNEST

Big Parades of Civil War Veterans.

A LIVELY CONTEST

Interest in Election of Commander-in-Chief Is Growing Warmer.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The Grand Army parade here this morning was made under a threatening sky, and in spite of the fact that torrents of rain were expected at any moment, the turnout was one of the best in the history of the organization. The crowd attending the encampment is one of the largest ever seen in Washington.

A GREAT DISPLAY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—The thirty-sixth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is on in earnest and the constant succession of events leaves little rest for the veterans.

HEINZE SCORES.

Forces Clark's Montana Mining Company to Shut Down.

(Journal Special Service.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—The Federal Court today granted a writ of supersedeas directing Receiver Harris, of the Butte & Consolidated Mining Company, of Montana, to cease all operations in the mines pending the decision now on appeal in the case of F. August Heinze vs. the mining company. The effect will be that it will throw many men out of temporary employment.

GIRL CONFESSES.

Breaks Down and Tells How She Pushed Her Rival Into the River.

WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 7.—Miss Rodella Bain, who has been under suspicion of being connected with the murder of Miss Gay Smith here last week, has broken down and confessed.

In her statement she says that she threw Miss Gay Smith, who was her rival for the love of a young man named John Nolan, off the Wheeling wharf on Monday of last week. She says that she made an appointment with her victim to meet her there when she heard of the announcement of the Nolan-Smith engagement and confessed to her relations with the young man, which she said had been brought about through his promise of marriage. However, the statement

ROAD TO YUKON

White Pass Company Contemplate Work.

TO SPEND \$100,000

Large Quantities of Lumber Needed by the Government—School Teachers Scarce.

(Journal Special Service.)
TACOMA, Oct. 7.—Late advices from Alaska state that extensive preparations are being made for work on the new Yukon road this winter. The White Pass Railway Company will employ a large number of men and will spend \$100,000 in establishing roadhouses and relay stations along the new winter road from White Horse to Dawson, which will replace the old and more difficult route over the ice. This will permit quicker service and prevent the vexatious delays which have heretofore been experienced between the end of navigation and the

MAKES A PLEA TO MITCHELL

President Roosevelt Asks Him to Return Miners to Work Pending National Investigation.

May Also Proceed Against Operators Under Anti-Trust Law—Important Conference Being Held at Buffalo—Troops Assigned.

SHOULD REFUSE.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The members of the Executive Council of the Federation of Labor this afternoon agreed that Mitchell should refuse to accept the President's offer on the ground that the proposition contains no tangible advantage to the miners, being dependent on future action. President Gompers says the Federation will continue to stand by the strikers.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The announcement was made at the temporary White House this afternoon that on Monday, Hon. Carroll Wright, Commissioner of Labor, went to Philadelphia and gave John Mitchell the following communication from the President:

"If Mr. Mitchell will secure the immediate return to work of the miners the President will at once appoint a commission to investigate, thoroughly, all matters at issue and do all in his power to obtain a settlement of the questions in accordance with the report of the commission."

President Mitchell has taken the matter under consideration, but the President has not yet been advised of any decision.

AFTER THE OPERATORS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—At present nothing is being considered by President Roosevelt but the strike situation.

President Roosevelt has practically sidetracked all public business in order to give him an opportunity to look into strike matters. This morning he held another conference with Knox, Moody, Payne and J. S. Clarkson. Nothing as to the details of the meeting has been given out, but it is believed, however, that the primary question considered was the advisability of proceeding against the coal roads under the anti-trust laws. Attorney-General Knox, who is investigating the matter, has ordered the District Attorney of New York to look into the evidence produced by those seeking such a solution to the difficulty.

CONFERENCE IN BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 7.—President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, and District Presidents Duffy, Fahy and Nichols arrived here this morning and at once went to a hotel, where a conference with a committee of the National Manufacturers' Association will be held regarding the strike situation. President Fahy also accompanied the committee of the association.

WILL MAKE TOUR.

TAMAQUA, Oct. 7.—The miners were greatly excited when they learned that the entire state militia had been called out. President Mitchell has sent word urging good order and said he would address the miners of the entire region during a tour which is to be made by him in a few days.

STREET RIOT.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 7.—An attempt to run the street cars here this morning precipitated a street riot. Three non-union motormen and one conductor were beaten and three cars wrecked, and left standing in the street. The police were unable to cope with the situation.

FRANCE WORRIED.

LENS, France, Oct. 7.—Thirty-six thousand coal miners in the Nord department are out on a strike. A thousand strikers forcibly prevented the landing of a force of foreign miners this morning. In view of the American situation, France is now worried.

ASSIGNS TROOPS.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 7.—Major-General Miller today sent out the assignment orders to the troops, all of whom are expected to be on the ground by Thursday.

OPERATORS JUBILANT.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The coal operators met at 1 o'clock in a regular weekly meeting. All seem jubilant and say they will find plenty of men to take the places of the miners now that military protection has been gained.

WILL NOT ACCEPT.

BUFFALO, Oct. 7.—The conference of President Mitchell and the Manufacturers' Association adjourned to meet tomorrow in Philadelphia where they hope to have the operators present. The manufacturers will try to influence the operators to arbitrate. President Mitchell declares the miners will not accept President Roosevelt's proposition to return to work, pending an investigation of their grievances.

SUICIDE

Samuel Renshaw, a Letter Carrier, Jumps Into the River.

Early this afternoon a letter carrier named Samuel Renshaw drove onto the east end of the steel bridge and, abandoning his horse and cart, hurled himself over the railing into the chilly waters of the Willamette below. Men are at work with grappling irons, but have not recovered the body at a late hour. The carrier's cap was found floating in the river.

NO CAUSE KNOWN.

No cause is known for Renshaw's rash act. He was sober and industrious and seemed to be getting along nicely. Postmaster Crossman said of the occurrence: "Renshaw came to the postal service from one of the street car companies. He was put on as a substitute letter carrier and seemed to be getting along nicely. He may have gotten his distribution box mixed up, however, and had some trouble in his delivery and, becoming despondent, ended his life."

"Put a substitute on a new route and he is liable to get mixed up a little at first. It is to be expected. It is no cause for suicide, however."

FOUGHT HARD.

SALT LAKE, Oct. 7.—In a fight between a crowd of Slavs at Murray, and Marshall Hunter and deputies, Anton Bartnick was killed and Deputy Malloy fatally wounded. While Bartnick was mortally wounded and lay on the floor, his wife placed a revolver in his hand and urged him to keep up the fight. The gun was kicked out of his hand, and she then gave him a knife. After a fierce fight, he was finally killed.

BIG TAXES.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—In receipts from taxes today the first of the collections amounted to \$2,700,000. The largest single payments came from the Vanderbilts and the New York Central. They came in the form of one check for \$300,000. The latter estate paid \$250,000.

CONVENIENTLY ILL.

Queen Christina's Health Compels Her to Retire to Seville.

MADRID, Oct. 7.—Considerable comment is being made here over the condition of the health of Queen Christina, as he has decided, on account of it, to henceforth live in the Royal Palace at Seville.

It has been announced here that young King Alfonso's mother, Queen Christina's health is so poor as to make it necessary for her to move to Seville, where she will reside in the Royal Palace for an indefinite period. Her health has been falling for some time, and it is thought that the relief from the constant strain of court life will be of great benefit to her.

However, the knowing ones are casting side glances and wondering if the real cause of the retirement into practical obscurity of the Queen just at this time is not due to the fact that the King was so highly incensed at her marriage with her Master of Horse. It is the popular belief of those who are in a position to know that the King's displeasure at her secret marriage during the Austrian tour was the direct cause of her retirement, and the Queen will shortly be joined in her retirement by her husband, Count Escosura.

U. S. CIRCUIT COURT.

In the case of Jas. Wilson and Simmons Hardware Company, a corporation, vs. John Montag, as surviving partner of the firm of Henry Cleave and John Montag, copartners, doing business under the name and style of Portland Stove Works, and John Montag, as administrator of said partnership, Judge Bellinger, in the United States Circuit Court, ordered this morning that the appeal be sent to the Circuit Court for the Ninth Judicial Circuit, upon the complainants' giving bond in the sum of \$500.

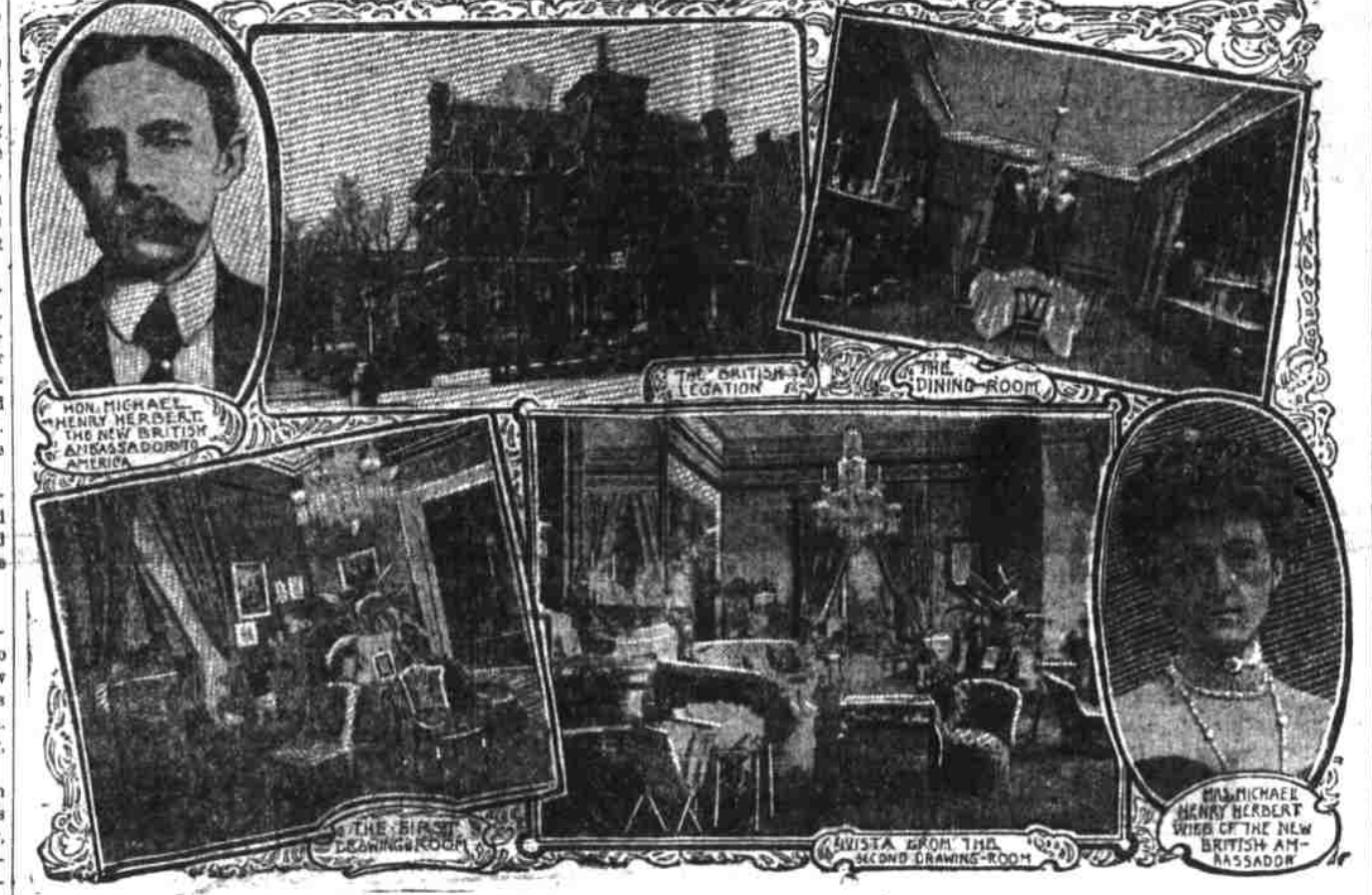
DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The retiring directors of the Northern Pacific were all re-elected today at the annual meeting.

BIG DEFICIT.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The Post Office Department shows a deficit for the year of \$2,881,100.

AMBASSADOR FOUGHT BY VANDERBILT FAMILY WITH ACERBITY.



WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—It is likely that Sir Michael Herbert, named by King Edward as Ambassador from the Court of St. James to Washington, seems to have won out in the fierce fight waged upon him by the Vanderbilts. Herbert married one of the daughters of Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, and the Vanderbilts are at outs with the Wilsons. The Herberts will find a practically new embassy in which to live during the winter, the building having been remodeled and made over in many respects. It is the most commodious embassy at the national capital, and when completed will be exceedingly elegant. Lady Herbert is popular in Washington society.

and other visitors. The day has witnessed the customary parade of the naval veterans, reunions of the various army corps, meetings of the Woman's Relief Corps and other auxiliary bodies and a monster reception for the veterans at the pension office. Commissioner Ware received the visitors and to each veteran presented a souvenir card. Business sessions of the encampment begin tomorrow. The pre-election contest for commander-in-chief is hourly growing warmer. The supporters of General Stewart of Pennsylvania, declare that his election for the honor is assured, but the friends of General Black of Chicago, General McElroy of this city, and the others whose names have been mentioned, have not abandoned hope and give evidence of an intention to fight to the last ditch.

GIANT MERGER

Irrigation and Trans-Mississippi Congress to Combine.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Oct. 7.—A movement is taking shape in the Irrigation Congress here today to merge the organization with the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, thus forming one large and complete Western organization.

CALIFORNIA TIMBER KING.

ASHLAND, Oct. 7.—Thomas B. Walker, late of Minneapolis, is now the timber king of Northern California, owning more timber lands than any other single individual. And he is constantly adding to his possessions. For over a year past he has been buying all the timberland in Shasta and adjacent counties that answered his purpose, and at the present time has a clear title to 54,874 acres—almost ninety square miles—of valuable timber in Shasta County alone. He is assessed on the rolls at \$170,850, or at the average rate of \$3 per acre.

WHEAT MARKET.

Wheat—Sixty-nine three-eighths, one-half.
SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Wheat, 11.7 1/2 @ 1.19 5-8.

JOHNSON-HANNA

The Senator's Challenge to Debate the Tariff Question Accepted.

CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 7.—In reply to the challenge issued to Tom L. Johnson yesterday, by Senator Hanna, who made a political speech at Steubenville yesterday, Mayor Johnson said that he would meet the Senator on any question he might select, and on any terms he might desire. The challenge specified that the debate was to be on the tariff question, and the discussion was to be from a strictly economic standpoint and with no reference to monopolies. Mayor Johnson will remain in this city from October 17 till the election.

WHITE AMBASSADOR

Will Succeed Meyer at Rome, Who Will Resign.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—President Roosevelt has decided to appoint Henry White, now Secretary of the Embassy in London, as Ambassador to Rome. The appointment will probably be made effective after the holidays, Ambassador Meyer having announced his intention of resigning at that time.

UNDERGROUND WIRES.

The Board of Public Works will hold its regular meeting this afternoon. The members do not know of anything of importance coming up unless it might be the address of a gentleman on the proposition to put telephone wires underground.

PELEE AGAIN

Preparations Being Made for Wholesale Emigration to Guiana.

PARIS, Oct. 7.—The government is becoming alarmed at the renewal of disturbances of Mont Pelee, and will take some action at once for the safety of the inhabitants of the island.

The colonial office, becoming fearful of a repetition of fatalities, should Mont Pelee again break forth in violent eruption, are making rapid preparations to formulate a plan to facilitate a wholesale emigration of the inhabitants of the island of Martinique to Guiana at the earliest possible moment.

The recent report of the renewal of disturbances of the giant belcher which has wrought so much death and destruction on the island, has caused a state of alarm here for fear she will break out again.

LOST DIAMONDS

Thief Steals \$17,000 Worth From Under a Pillow.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Abraham Freyman, a jeweler in Maiden Lane, had seventeen thousand dollars worth of uncut diamonds stolen from beneath his pillow on which he was asleep last night. He took the diamonds home with him, having been detained after deposit hours.

WHITE MURDER CASE.

The White murder case is dragging along very slowly in the Circuit Court, Attorney Dan Marley, who is questioning the talesmen for the defense, is very painstaking and using all the diligence possible to keep any one out of the jury box who can in any way enter a prejudice against the defendant. At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, only 11 jurors had been accepted since yesterday morning.

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TO BUILD VILLAGES.

Paris, Oct. 7.—The Council of Ministers has voted an appropriation to rebuild in South Martinique, the exact counterpart of villages evacuated in the North because of the Pelee eruption, hoping to thus prevent the depopulation of the island.

A CAR FAMINE.

WHATCOM, Wash., Oct. 7.—The merchants of this city are complaining of the trade depression, which they ascribe to the car shortage which prevents the shipment of shingles, an industry of great importance in this country. At Sumas one mill alone has 100 cars of shingles cut and awaiting shipment. The same is true in a like ratio of every other mill in the country. The 100 cars of shingles at the Sumas mill represent a tie-up of at least \$17,500 in money. In the country there are at least \$150,000 worth of shingles awaiting transportation East, and the mill owners cannot realize a cent upon them, as the bank advances only upon bills of lading. Should the situation not be materially relieved within a short time, there will be a general close down of mills throughout the country.

BRYAN COMMENTS

Says Roosevelt Is to Be Commended for Attitude in Strike Matters.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 7.—"President Roosevelt should be commended for his efforts to settle the miners' strike," said W. J. Bryan during an interview here last night. Mr. Bryan suggests that since the operators have refused to arbitrate, the President's hands are practically tied, and urges him to call an extra session of Congress to take up the matter. In commenting further on the situation, he said:

"A law establishing a National Board of Arbitration consisting of three or five members to consider, and report on all controversies between the corporations engaged in interstate commerce and their employes; a law abolishing government injunction; a law that will discriminate between the natural man created by the Almighty and the corporation giant created by legislation; a law taking the tariff off coal; a law which will prevent railroads engaged in interstate commerce from operating coal mines except for the purpose of supplying fuel for their engines."

INTO OPEN SWITCH

Engineer Killed and Many Others Injured.

ROANOKE, Oct. 7.—A passenger train on the Roanoke & Southern ran at high speed into a switch engine in the Walnut Cove yards last night, killing Engineer Fugart and fatally injuring Fireman Richardson, also slightly shunting twelve passengers. The accident was caused by a misplaced switch.

JAP FIGHTERS.

YOKOHAMA, Oct. 7.—The Japanese Ministry of Marine has decided to build four battleships and six first-class cruisers, involving an annual expenditure of \$10,000,000 for six years.