

# EDICTMENT AWAILS RAILROAD OFFICIALS

## HEARTLESS GREED CAUSED FAMINE

### Coal Shortage in Chicago Due to Conspiracy.

#### Attorney-General's Investigation Has Proved Sensational—Prosecutions Will Follow.

(Journal Special Service.)  
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 2.—Criminal proceedings against the officials and the coal dealers who are responsible for the coal famine in Chicago is almost certain to follow the investigation which is now being conducted by Attorney-General Hamlin. The accusation of a conspiracy between the roads and the dealers for the purpose of creating an artificial shortage and thereby extorting exorbitant prices for coal is being thoroughly probed and the disclosures already made have proved sensational in the extreme.

A mass of evidence has been produced showing that while widespread distress and suffering have prevailed throughout the city in consequence of the impossibility of obtaining fuel, immense quantities of coal have been withheld from the market, being kept in the yards and on suburban sidetracks of the railroads.

Meantime prices have been forced upward until they have reached unprecedented figures.

For Illinois soft coal, which the evidence shows can be mined and laid down in Chicago at a total cost of \$1.50 a ton, the dealers have been exacting \$8. Even at this price dealers have permitted their customers to have only small quantities, representing that a coal famine existed and that they could not supply the demand. As a matter of fact it appears from the evidence that the amount now in the yards of the railroads is sufficient to meet the city's entire requirements for the remainder of the winter.

The attorney-general is investigating the truth of the assertion that since these proceedings were commenced the roads have been secretly removing trainloads of coal-laden cars from Chicago to points at a distance from the city, in order to prevent the authorities from learning how great an amount was on hand. It is said that over 1,000 cars were thus taken out of the city in a single night.

Public sentiment is strongly aroused. Attorney-General Hamlin is prosecuting his investigation with vigor, and if the results justify such action, the persons concerned in this huge conspiracy will certainly be indicted. Mr. Hamlin is a son of Hamlin Hamlin, who was vice-president of the United States.

## SHIP SUBSIDY TO BE DECIDED

### Debaters Seek Information From Portland Board of Trade.

Among other letters received by Secretary Shillock, of the Board of Trade, there is one from a debating team of Cornell University, Iowa, propounding the following questions:

1. What is the opinion of the people of the Pacific Coast in regard to a subsidy to be paid by Congress?
2. Is it necessary and do you think it would be to the benefit of the coast to do not our exporters at present have their goods handled promptly and in the proper manner?
3. Is there not a control of the steamship lines held by the railroads so that they would receive the benefit of the subsidies?
4. Cannot the railroads starve out the competing steamship lines?
5. Kindly give all the information you can on the subject.

The learned secretary was busily engaged in "digging up" the information when the Journal representative came in and inquired what the occasion for such faithful and concentrated work might be. The secretary looked worried and replied:

"Oh, I am preparing a reply to this letter," and handed the epistle to the reporter. The communication is signed by M. Merle Ogden, and at the top of the letterhead appears the legend: "Cornell Intercollegiate Debate." At the left-hand corner are the following three names: M. Merle Ogden, George D. Poe, Jennings Crawford; and at the right-hand corner of the sheet:

NEGATIVE.

"Resolved, That the United States should further extend the principle of protection to her merchant marine."

And with the closing of this debate will the all important question of ship subsidy no doubt be decided.

## FILES PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY

Edward M. Lambert, a retail liquor dealer in this city, today filed his petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. In the absence of Judge Helling, who is now in San Francisco, the matter has been referred to Hon. Alex. Sweek, referee in bankruptcy, for hearing.

Mr. Lambert's place of business is at 183 Morrison street. His total liabilities are \$1,467.25. He claims exemptions, under the statute, amounting to \$150. His assets include exemptions, cash and liquor stock, a total of \$1,322.

## IS THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC BACK OF F. A. BANCROFT?

The Journal has a large number of interviews with people of Portland, who have expressed themselves as satisfied with the administration of Postmaster A. B. Grossman. There have been enough published to show that the sentiment of the citizens of the city is utterly in opposition to the naming of Mr. A. Bancroft for the position that he aspires to, and to which he is being assisted by "Jack" Matthews, the Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee here, and who is also United States Marshal. Additional affidavits will be forwarded to the Department of Justice to make plain the conspiracy that exists to overthrow a man who has served the public faithfully in no other state of the Union, and who has the people tolerate the actions of Matthews, who was appointed to serve the people and not the corporations.

The latest report regarding Bancroft is that he is assisted in his fight for position by the Southern Pacific Railroad, which has been a notorious factor in politics in California. The Southern Pacific succeeded in disrupting political parties in the South, and in enacting laws in favor of its own interests, to the detriment of the farmers and merchants.

**DOES OREGON WANT THE CALIFORNIA ROAD, THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC, WHOSE MR. BANCROFT REPRESENTS, AS "THE EMPLOYER OF MEN," TO DOMINATE THE POSTOFFICE AT PORTLAND?**

If it does not, then the people would better get in a timely protest. There will be a denial that the Southern Pacific has a hand in the Post-office fight, but it is the policy of that road to deny these rumors, ever since it has been a political factor.

## BOGUS CERTIFICATE STORY RANK FAKE

### Federal Officers Say It Originated With the Report of Old Case.

It is a rank fake. The story sent out from this city broadcast over the country to the effect that Chinese were being admitted into the country by wholesale on forged certificates has been run to earth and found to be absolutely false.

Internal Revenue Collector Dunne says there was one false certificate discovered and it was sent to headquarters, but that it was the only one. No other cases have been heard of. Other prominent government officials, who are in still better position to know, say that they know nothing of other false certificates, and if there were they would be useless. No one could get into the country on them unless the officials stood by the deal, and that in that event they would need no certificates of any kind.

The truth of the matter is that about three months ago the story was published that Chief Clerk Dillon, of Internal Revenue Office in San Francisco, was instrumental in issuing 40 of these bogus certificates, and that they had been located and that wholesale arrests were about to be made.

## WILL RAISE MORE MONEY

### Permanent Exhibit Fund to Reach Total of \$20,000.

In order to insure a first-class permanent exhibit William Killingsworth and Col. F. V. Drake, the committee who has solicited funds, will go out once more and endeavor to make the fund reach the \$20,000 mark. It was their intention to raise only \$15,000 at the start, but instead they raised \$16,000, now they say they will go on again and raise \$4,000 additional.

"You see," explained Mr. Killingsworth, "the exhibit and I have used up six weeks of our time for the purpose of making the permanent exhibit a go. During this time we have raised \$16,000. Now we have decided to raise \$4,000 more. All the money subscribed can be used, and to good advantage, too. We have the money in sight, too. I tell you that Portland is getting a bustle on. There are a few pinheads who block our way, but the rest of the people are with us."

A meeting of the committee appointed to draw up articles of incorporation will be held on Monday. This committee is composed of Mr. Killingsworth, Charles E. Ladd, Col. C. Judson, L. C. Clarke and W. H. Beharrel.

## REBELS ARE STILL PASSIVE

### Expected Attack Upon Fez Has Not Been Made.

TANGIER, Morocco, Jan. 2.—Word received here this afternoon from Fez says the Sultan still controls 15,000 troops, this being a somewhat larger force than that of the Pretender. The rebels are running short of supplies, and have as yet shown no signs of attacking the city. The Pretender has issued a proclamation in which he says he does not want to occupy the throne himself, but is fighting in the interests of a brother of the present Sultan, who has been imprisoned since his abortive attempt to gain the throne, last spring.

## PUNISHED FOR TREASON.

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—A Polish schoolgirl named Kopeck has been sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment at Inowrazlaw, province of Posen, for lese majeste in having thrown a brooch with Emperor William's picture in it to the floor and stamped upon it.

Such brooches were presented to the pupils of the schools when the emperor visited Posen.

## THOMAS TONGUE THE COMING MAN

### Old Timer on Senatorial Situation.

#### Fulton, Scott and McBride to Be Thrown Down by Mitchell.

"Who will be the next Senator from Oregon? Why, Thomas H. Tongue, to be sure!"

"How do I know? Well, I'll tell you," said John Goodin, an old-timer of Washington County who is at present visiting friends in Portland, in conversation with a Journal man.

"In the first place, let me say that I have watched the political sky in Oregon for thirty years, and I believe that I am at least in that respect, somewhat of a weather prophet. At the present time you hear a great deal of both Gear and Fulton as candidates, but I am convinced from what I know of the situation that neither one is a possibility. Gear, for the reason that the politicians are against him almost to a man, and Fulton, partly because of his geographical disadvantages and partly because Senator John H. Mitchell doesn't want him.

**MITCHELL'S POWER.**

"When all is said and done it is John H. Mitchell who will elect the man who is to be his colleague and there is little incident which seems to have escaped the eye of most of the political forecasters but which to my mind is the most important feature in the whole situation, and which indicates most conclusively that it is not H. W. Scott, not Charles Fulton, not George McBride nor any other man but Tom Tongue whom the 'Czar' of Oregon has selected as his assistant.

"The incident is this: When A. B. Grossman was appointed postmaster of the City of Portland some few years ago there was no man who stood to his back more heartily than did Tom Tongue, but when the matter of his reappointment came up a short time ago the same Tom Tongue, who had previously stood as his friend, joined John H. Mitchell in the recommendation of F. A. Bancroft.

"Now, on its face this may not seem an incident of importance but to every man who knows Congressman Tongue it is full of meaning. For Mr. Tongue is not a back room operator, and he has taken without a quid pro quo so that it is no great stretch of imagination to suppose that his adherence to Mitchell's plan in this particular was the great man's assistance when the Senatorial fight has resolved itself into the deadlock which now seems almost certain. Just whether Tongue is to be the first choice or not I have not been able to make up my mind. It may be that in order to keep faith with McBride, who, it is well known, is the particular patron of Jack Matthews, that astute person is trying to swing the vote of the machine in his favor. But it is very generally believed by many men who should be in a position to know, that Mitchell realizes that McBride has no chance and that he is giving the support of his colleagues and to the situation that is being provided for contingencies by having on his staff not only the man whom he has slated for winner, but also all those who, in an unexpected turn of the wheel, fortune, might possibly win the prize."

"But what do you think of Mr. Scott's chances? Is he not a factor in the situation?"

"Not for a moment," was the reply. "As The Journal has already said he is simply buying a gold brick from Jack Matthews, and you will smile to hear the howl when this political rattle opens his package and finds that he has bought only a gilded cube. No, sir! Thomas H. Tongue is the man. Harvey Scott is only a cat-in-the-hat in this political game."

## Strives to Keep It Secret by Living Incognito.

### In Obscure Lodgings in San Francisco, the Millionaire Horseman Undergoing Treatment.

(Journal Special Service.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—E. J. Baldwin, better known as "Lucky" Baldwin, the millionaire racing man, is suffering from a cancer which affects his lip and the glands under his chin and on his neck. For several weeks he has been living at an obscure lodging house on Third street, which is south of Market, and he has been passing under the assumed name of E. Jackson.

Baldwin assumed this alias in order to escape publicity and he has kept in retirement since he came. Few men are better known in San Francisco, and it is remarkable that he was able to maintain his incognito as long as he has. His room was selected with a view to being near the cancer specialist, who is treating him, and who occupies an adjoining apartment.

Dr. McCurt, who has been Baldwin's physician for twenty years, was greatly surprised when he learned of the action taken by his patient, but he says that it simply serves to show the man's peculiar character. McCurt was not consulted beforehand and did not even know that Baldwin had cancer.

The specialist who is treating him says that he has hopes that he may effect a cure, though he admits that the case is an extremely serious one.

"Lucky" Baldwin is well known to racing men all over the United States. He has owned many famous horses and on his immense ranch, Santa Anita, near Los Angeles, are the scions of many kinds of the turf. He is the owner of much blooded stock and his ranch is one of the show places of Southern California. Baldwin was the proprietor of the Baldwin Hotel in San Francisco, which burned several years ago. At that time he was at the zenith of his fortune, but he lost heavily in some mining ventures in Nome and for the past two years he has been living quietly on his ranch. He is still rated at over a million.

## HOWARD WINS PAPER CHASE

### Exciting Finish Marks Close of New Year's Sport.

The members of the Portland Hunt Club turned out in good numbers yesterday morning to participate in the second New Year's Day paper chase, held under its auspices, the start being made at East Twelfth street and Holiday avenue. The first honors were captured by V. S. Howard, on "Bob Prouty," John Latta on "Captain S," securing second place. Miss D. B. Howard, on "Jim Budd," and J. Creagh, on "Berongia V.," who were booked as favorites for the event, failed to be placed through going off the main trail for about 75 yards within three-quarters of a mile from the finish, and raced for the goal on Thompson street, near Nineteenth, while their more lucky fellow-racers, V. S. Howard and John Latta and others, found the trail and landed the muchly-contested honors. The following lady members of the club started and finished in the invigorating chase: Mrs. Buffum, Miss Howard, Miss Hatfield, while the gentlemen riders who finished were: Messrs. Dillon, Creagh, Campbell, Swigert, Howard, Chase, Ketter, Nicol, Latta, Downing, S. C. Orr, Middleton and S. Chase.

## CHAS. W. FULTON WOULD WEAKEN

A Roseburg view of the Oregon Senatorial contest is that the return of former Land Commissioner Blinger Herrmann to become a candidate for that office will prove a severe blow to the ambitions and aspirations of C. W. Fulton. This pointer on the situation was brought to Portland by Charles H. Fisher, editor of the Capital News, an afternoon newspaper of Boise, Idaho. Mr. Fisher makes his home in Roseburg and has been spending the holidays here.

The belief of Mr. Fisher that the support that has thus far been given Fulton came for the most part from Southern Oregon, Herrmann is bound to cut into this if he comes back to Oregon, and takes off his coat to fight. While Mr. Herrmann might not have enough votes in the Legislature to even stand a remote chance of winning, those ballots that he did get would be subtracted from the Fulton following.

It is claimed there are many in Roseburg who believe it would be a wise move on the part of Herrmann to come out boldly for Senator, thus declaring himself free from the stain that has been imputed through his dismissal.

During his stay in this city Mr. Fisher secured the services of H. B. Bryan, who will be Boise as city editor of the Capital News.

# HE CHARGES BELDING WITH PLANNING THE JAIL BREAK



A. L. BELDING.



GEORGE SMITH.

## GEORGE SMITH CONFESSES THE WHOLE PLOT

### Belding Was to Kill All Who Opposed.

#### Cora Dawson a Victim of Murderer's Wiles—His Story Is Doubted.

## WAS DEWEY'S BEST MAN AT MANILA

### Commander Calkins, Now Stationed at Portland, Was Olympia's Commanding Officer.

THERE is one thing about Portland that stands out very prominently, and that is the comparatively large number of prominent business, professional and military men that reside within its limits. From day to day the names of successful men are added to the already numerous list, and yet there is always room for one more.

Portland also boasts of several military heroes—men who fought and bled for their country on the battlefield or on the deck of a man-of-war. Among the more prominent was her own, in this city, General Owen Summers and Lieutenant-Commander Charles G. Calkins. The former is so well known to the citizens of Portland that he needs no introduction. The latter is a newcomer to this city and is less known in this immediate vicinity than the general who commanded the Second Oregon boys.

However, with the coming of Lieutenant Commander William F. Fox, transferred to the training ship "Mohican," with headquarters in San Francisco, this community has had an increase in the number of its war heroes. Lieutenant Calkins having a national reputation for naval skill.

Lieutenant Calkins was navigating officer of Dewey's flagship "Olympia," during the Battle of Manila Bay, and received special mention in Admiral Dewey's official report, the exact wording being as follows: "I desire to specially mention the coolness of Lieutenant C. G. Calkins, the navigator of the Olympia, who came under my personal observation, being on the bridge with me throughout the entire action, and giving the range to the guns with accuracy that was proven by the excellency of the firing."

J. L. Steckney, special correspondent of the "Herald," at Manila, during the Spanish-American War, who was on board the flagship "Olympia," in relating the battle at that port, wrote the following relative to Lieutenant Calkins' coolness during the battle:

"At 4 o'clock coffee and hardtack was served to the men, and the officers were glad to get some fragrant provender. The lights of Manila had long been in sight, and Lieutenant Calkins, the navigator, knew his position to a nicety. Indeed, much of the success of this bold attack on Manila Bay by night was due to the skill and judgment of the navigator, who continued his patient and harassing labors all through the battle with never failing accuracy and success. It should be remembered that navigating a harbor that is well lighted and buoyed is not always the easiest thing in the world, and in this case Lieutenant Calkins had no lights or range marks to guide him. I am informed that special mention of this officer was certainly deserved."

Lieutenant Calkins' record at Manila Bay. Yet this is not the first time that the lieutenant has distinguished himself, in fact, Mr. Calkins, in his modest way, never cares to speak of himself or his achievements. A striking characteristic of the man is the fact that he also has flattery and cares not for publicity. A brief biography of this man would not be amiss at this time.

Charles Gilman Calkins was born in Rockport, Ohio, on March 16, 1853. His parents were Charles Gilman Calkins and Harriet Masters. He received his early education in the "Little red schoolhouse," and later in the High School of his native town. He was appointed to the Naval Academy from Ohio by Hon. James A. Garfield, who was afterwards President of the United States.

Having successfully passed the entering examinations he began his naval career on June 3, 1871, and graduated just four years later—June, 1875. After graduation his first service was on board the U. S. S. Wyoming, on the North Atlantic Station, where he continued to serve until 1874, being present at Key West at the time of the assembling of the fleet at that point owing to the "Virginian affair." After this demonstration he returned to Washington, D. C., where the Wyoming was placed out of commission.

From 1874 until 1876 he served on board the U. S. S. Powhatan, on the North Atlantic Station, and on the Franklin and Junata on the European Station. In 1876 he was ordered to the New Hampshire,

## SMITH'S CONFESSION.

Smith was next called into the jail office, and was told that the officers had come to listen to his story. Smith then told them that he had no intention of doing with the plot to escape, and that he had told Belding from the incipency of the scheme that he would not do anything rash to effect his escape.

"I have enough blood on my hands now," said Smith, "and I would not do anything more to add to my record. I told Belding that if he succeeded in effecting his escape and left the doors open that I would walk out and get away if possible, but that I would not harm anyone connected with the jail, as they had been too good to me while in here."

"Belding called me a coward," continued Smith, "and said that he would get out if he had to kill whoever got in his way. I asked him how he would get out, and he replied that he would use the blackjack which was to be brought to him."

**THE WOMAN INNOCENT.**

Smith told the officers that Cora Dawson and Mrs. Smith knew nothing of the plot to escape, as no letters ever reached them, and Belding had never approached Cora with any such proposition as was contained in the letter published exclusively in The Journal.

Belding complained about the article in The Journal, when he had finished reading it, as he said he was sorry the letter he wrote should get into print and throw suspicion on innocent parties. Belding admits that Cora Dawson did not know of his plot to escape.

Cora Dawson admits that she was slightly in love with Belding prior to reading his letter in The Journal. In that letter she read of his duplicity, and decided to give up all hopes of ever again seeing him, even should he be set at liberty in some way. She says she despises him, now that she has learned of his intentions toward her, and that she never wants to see him again. She left Portland today for San Francisco, where she is soon to be united in marriage to a wealthy man. She refused to give her name, stating that she did not want to bring him into this unpleasant affair.

**GIVEN NO CREDENCE.**

Sheriff Storey and Detectives Snow and Kerrigan are inclined to believe that the woman is not guilty of anything wrong, but they do not place any credence in the confession of Smith or the statements of Belding. They fully believe that both men intended to break jail and make a bold dash for liberty, killing, if necessary, every one who attempted to interest them.

## CITY TREASURER'S REPORT.

City Treasurer Werlein has practically completed his annual report. This will be submitted to the City Council at its meeting next Wednesday.