



NEVER HEAR KILLS HER SON AT HAND AND SELF

Cementing of Ties That Bind Inland Empire to Portland Accomplished by Excursion.

CORDIALLY WELCOMED BY PEOPLE OF COLFAX

Speeches Made by Representatives of City and Tourists—Travelers Become Acquainted With Country and Each Other—Entire Region Is Tributary to This Port.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Colfax, Wash., Oct. 21.—The Portland business men's tour of Inland Empire towns closed with a visit to Colfax this afternoon, and tonight the special train is speeding toward Portland on its homeward journey.

It remained for Colfax, the county seat of Whitman county, Washington, the last town visited, to give one of the most enthusiastic receptions of the entire tour and the visitors were delighted with the reception here as at all other points visited.

The special reached Colfax at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon and the train was sidetracked. The excursionists marched to the county courthouse, led by the reception committee.

W. J. Davenport, mayor of Colfax and cashier of the Bank of Colfax, made an address of welcome, to which Governor Chamberlain responded.

Chamberlain made a happy response. He declared that Portland is not jealous of Seattle, Tacoma, or Spokane, as it feels that it has a "chance on the trade of this country, the only practical route to the sea being down the Columbia river."

DROPPING OF TAGGART SCANDAL IS PROTESTED BY ARMY OFFICERS

Pigeon-Holding by General Chaffee of Sensational Charges Are Condemned—Want No Dreyfus Case in America—Demand Punishment for Dishonoring Home.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) Washington, Oct. 21.—General Chaffee's pigeon-holding of the charges in the Taggart case has raised a howl of protest throughout the army and many officials of prominence have, it is asserted, so plainly stated their views of the matter that the Army and Navy Journal has felt emboldened to cry, "Let this be no Dreyfus; we do not want an American Dreyfus."

Here is the editorial; it finds general favor in the army: "The Taggart case has subjected the army to so much criticism that it is only just that we should call attention to the fact that public opinion in the army holds that the most unpardonable of all offenses is that of leading astray the wife of a brother officer."

Deranged Woman Puts Her Child to Bed, Turns on Gas and Dies Kneeling in Prayer at the Bedside.

BRIBES BOY WITH CAKE INTO SLEEP OF DEATH

Both Found Dead by Other Children When They Return for Lunch—By Mother's Side Was a Certificate of Her First Communion and Confession and a Religious Picture.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) New York, Oct. 21.—Mentally deranged since the death of her husband, a year ago, one of the oldest clock-makers in the city, Mrs. Caroline Decher, 40 years of age, today undressed her son Joseph, 12 years old, put him to bed, turned on the gas, pulled down the shades at the windows and knelt by the side of the bed and awaited death.

Two hours later her son, Bernard, after pounding on the door of the apartment, on returning home for luncheon from a store in the neighborhood where he is employed, burst in the door and found his mother dead, stretched out on the floor by the side of the bed. His little brother was also dead.

Notes for Her Daughter. Standing on and just above her own head as she lay on the floor, was a little glass-covered mahogany cabinet containing a green wax cross which had been placed on the casket of her husband.

Dear Emily: I have taken Joseph, you and Bernard can take care of yourselves. I am at fault. My children are innocent of any wrong-doing. My son Bernard is a good boy and earns an honest living. I dearly love my boy Josie and cannot leave him behind. I am taking all upon my own responsibility. MOTHER.

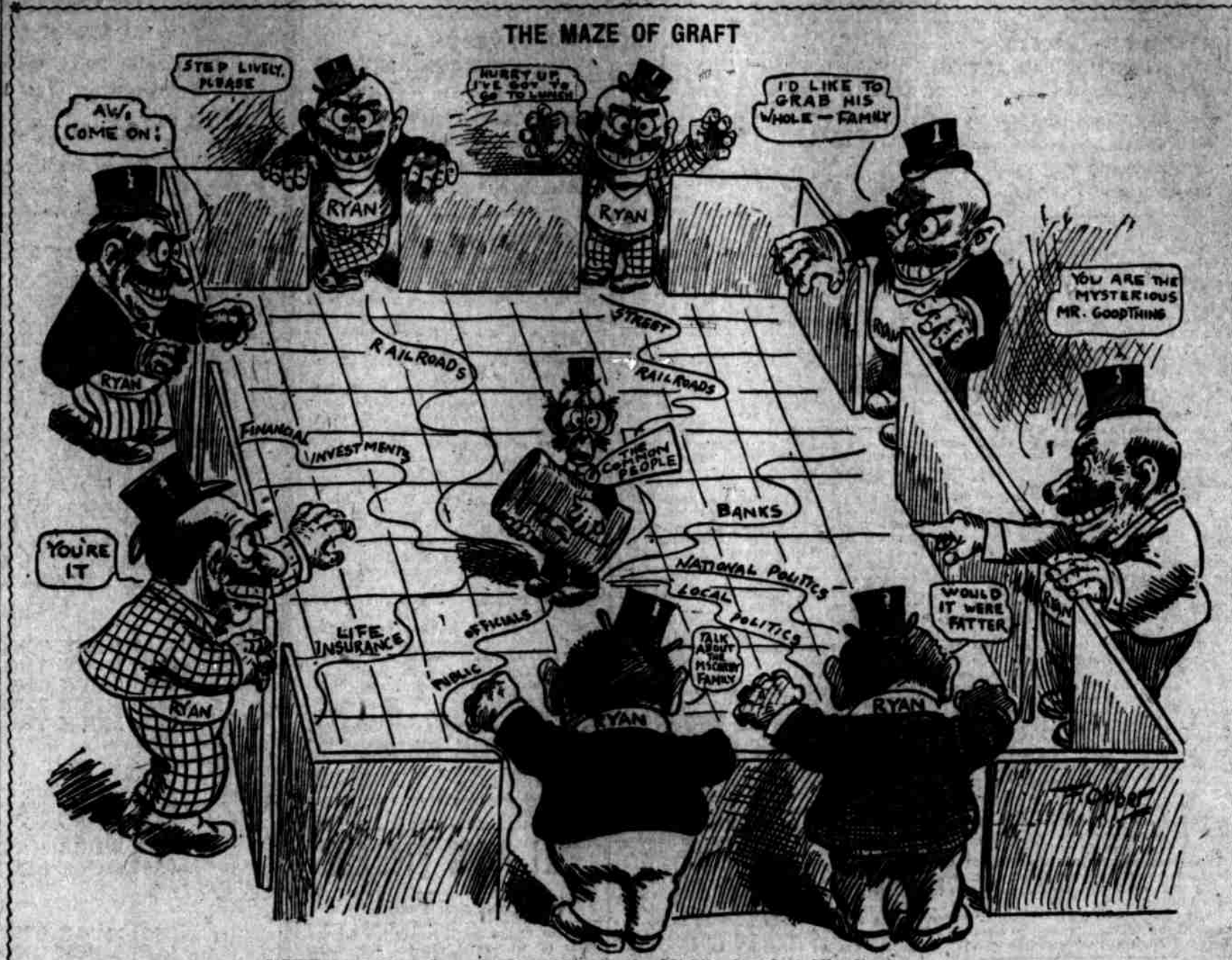
It is believed by the police that the mother bribed the little fellow with the cake to undress and go to bed and she waited until he was asleep before she opened the gas jet.

Her son, Bernard, half crazed with grief, was refused permission to stay at home for the day but had to remain at work.

case, to have been guilty of dishonoring the home of their brother officer. Without seeking to determine here the question of guilt or innocence, it is obvious that high positions and influential connections should avail no more to shield them than similar circumstances did to shield Captain Oberlin M. Carter.

"Now is the time to show that this is no Dreyfus case, that when the judicial decision is in his favor, the men who wrangled him and showed by doing so that they are unfit to be officers, will be as sternly prosecuted as Taggart would have been had the decision been adverse to him.

"The scandal has been done. It only remains to deal with the matter so thoroughly, so promptly, so effectively, as to be a notice to the general public and to those who are restrained by obligations of morality or honor that the army will not tolerate such acts as those which have been committed in the case as basis for the decision.



How Can the Poor Man in the Middle Get Out Alive?

HARRIMAN WILL SPEND \$700,000 FOR 30 STEEL BRIDGES IN OREGON

Modern Dock and Shop Machinery, Heavy Rails, Twelve Large Compound Locomotives and Oil Burning Equipment Figure in Improvements to Cost Millions.

A steel derrick and electric conveyor of 35 tons capacity on the new Albina dock—the first modern equipment of its kind in the Pacific northwest—an electric traveling crane in the new Albina shops, 20 new steel bridges between Portland and Ashland and new 80-pound rails the entire distance, heavy new steel bridges over all streams between Portland and Umatilla, 12 new monster compound locomotives similar to that exhibited at the exposition, oil burning equipment on all heavy locomotives running into Portland—these are some of the great things on the list of improvements involving large expenditures of money to be made by the Harriman lines within the next 12 months.

in the closing months of 1905 and the year 1906. The ruling powers in the Harriman companies some months ago determined upon an aggressive campaign in this state, and now have it fairly inaugurated. The work was begun under General Manager Calvin's direction, and the O. R. & N. lines west of Pendleton were thoroughly rebuilt, new steel bridges put in to replace old culverts, and track straightened and ballasted.

WIFE CAUSES LOSS OF FORTUNE BY FEAR OF HUSBAND'S INSANITY

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) New York, Oct. 21.—"Yorkshire Lad wins at 15 to 5." But C. E. Hungerford, a wealthy commission merchant who had \$40,000, to bet on the horse, was locked up in Bellevue before he could put his money down. This is a story of how a wife's fear for her husband's sanity caused him to lose \$125,000.

left the house intending to bet at least \$40,000 on Yorkshire Lad in the second race at Jamaica. Mrs. Hungerford was on the verge of a nervous collapse when her husband left the house. She called Michael J. Foley, a nurse who had attended Mr. Hungerford during a recent illness, sent him out to find her husband and have him arrested and taken to a hospital to have his mind examined.

GRAVE DANGER AS CUBANS SEE OFFICIALS PROTECTING ASSASSIN

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) Havana, Oct. 21.—Authorities here have been officially notified that there is grave danger of serious troubles in Cienfuegos, growing out of the killing of Congressman Enrique Villuendas. Many persons in town are seemingly convinced that the administration is determined to protect those concerned in the death of the Liberal leader, and the feeling grows more bitter as the taking of testimony progresses.

tionary of Senor Manuel Secades, counsel for Villuendas. The family of Senor Secades, who has just declined the nomination for congress, has been repeatedly threatened with death. Senor Freyre said he would give special orders to the rural guards to protect Senor Secades. The editor of a Havana newspaper, El Mundo, which printed a long list of crimes, has also received several threats of assassination.

BILLIONAIRE GRAFTERS PREPARING FOR GIGANTIC LEGAL BATTLE

Insurance Investigation to Be Followed by Struggle to Keep the Loot—Crimes That May Be Charged Based on Admissions Secured in the Insurance Inquiry.

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) New York, Oct. 21.—The investigation of insurance scandals by the New York legislature is to be followed, by present indications, by the most gigantic legal battle the world has ever seen. Grafters whose united fortunes run into the billions will, if plans do not miscarry, be defendants in suits brought by the attorney-general and by the district attorney to force them to disgorge the vast sums stolen from the premium payers. Millionaire perjurers will face indictment for falsely testifying before the investigating committee while under oath.

street and the financial destinies of this country, may be tried. The law holds that the directors of any insurance company are the trustees and it is further held by the law that the trustees are prohibited from making money through funds held in their trusteeship. Under this law all of the directors of the three big life insurance companies, the Equitable, New York Life and Mutual Life, are responsible for the money made by themselves and their fellow-directors in syndicate deals in the purchase and sales of stocks and bonds of which they hold an interest.

Many Crimes Committed. The crimes with which the grafters of fortune from insurance funds may be charged are grand larceny, perjury, forgery, embezzlement and fraud. All of these crimes have been testified to, or have been shown clearly in the testimony produced at the sessions of the investigating committee. It will be on these charges that the multi-millionaires, the powers who rule Wall

The juggling by New York Life directors of the stock of the New York Security & Trust company, by which it was boomed from \$150 a share to \$180 a share and then sold to the directors for \$800 a share, is a case in point. McCurdy and other directors and officials of the Mutual Life, in their dealings with the Morristown Trust company, is another case of the same kind.

PASSER OF WORTHLESS CHECKS IS CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) Portland, Oct. 21.—A man who was detected last night in the act of trying to pass a worthless check for \$72.50 on the Eastern Outfitting company after he had bunked another firm of \$42.50. C. Wilson was placed under arrest by Acting Detective Scallen. On the way to the police station Wilson threw away three checks signed with the names of the proprietors of the Oregon Brass foundry. They were recovered and will be held as evidence against him. All three are signed "J. Frier, Bros." and are payable to "Foreman C. Wilson." Wilson had \$150 when arrested.

the name of the Portland Wire & Steel works stamped on its face, was drawn in favor of "Foreman C. Wilson," and purported to be signed by a member of the firm. Wilson was held on a charge of passing forged checks. He says he is cook and came here from Denver only two days ago. Detective Hartman found in Wilson's room at 191 Seventh street stamps and perforator used in preparing bogus checks as well as a bullseye lantern and a revolver. Wilson passed at the lodging-house under the name of Cramer, but letters sent him from the east tend to show that his name is Arthur La Garde. A trunk, two telescope barrels and a suit case was crammed full of effects. Wilson admitted that yesterday he passed a forged check on Gray's clothing store, Morrison street, near Fourth, for \$17.50.

SMALL FINDS ELOPING WIFE AFTER TWO YEARS' SEARCH

(Special Dispatch by Leased Wire to The Journal.) Point Richmond, Cal., Oct. 21.—After searching more than two years for his wife L. B. Small of Oswego, Oregon, found her last night in a hotel in Point Richmond with Frank Grant. In the fight that resulted he cut the back of his hand on Grant's teeth, four of which he knocked out of his mouth. An 18-inch pistol with which he had intended to shoot Grant was taken from him. Grant and Mrs. Small were arrested on felony charges sworn to by Small and are at present in jail at Martinez. Small was arrested on a charge of battery, but was released on his own recognizance. According to the story told by Small, Grant, known as Frank Stone,

served a sentence in the Oregon penitentiary for cattle stealing. In August, 1904, Small says, Grant induced Mrs. Small to leave her husband and their four children. Small left home in pursuit and has gone from one town to another. Yesterday he saw his wife in Oakland, but she saw him almost as soon and dodged into a millinery store and out through a side door sliding him. Mrs. Small, he says, sold an interest in community property in Oswego, with the result that title to the place is now clouded. Mrs. Small admitted that she had eloped with Grant, but accused her husband of seducing her. She said she had been married to him for two years.

SCOTT SCORED BY MAYOR

Says Editor of Oregonian, While Member of Water Board, Was Guilty of Practices He Now Condemns.

INCONSISTENCY OF PAPER IS PROVED

Oregonian a Year Ago Commended Board for Letting Contract to the Oregon Iron & Steel Company—Resolutions Adopted Yesterday Reconsidering Former Action.

Harvey W. Scott, editor of the Oregonian, was rebuked in scathing terms by Mayor Lane, at the meeting of the city water board yesterday afternoon. The mayor declared that Scott, while a member of the water board, had been guilty of the very practices which he has recently been condemning through the columns of his paper, and declaring illegal. Extracts from the Oregonian were read by the mayor, showing the inconsistency of its utterances. At a recent meeting of the water board a contract for iron pipe amounting to \$152,000 was let to the Oregon Iron & Steel company. W. M. Ladd, the president of the company, was then a member of the water board, though he has since resigned. The Oregonian, it attacked the water board on the ground that its action was illegal, in view of the charter provision that no city official shall be interested in the letting of any city contract.

Mayor Lane severely criticized Harvey Scott, saying that the editor had himself participated in precisely similar acts by the water board when he was a member. "I believe the criticism of the Oregonian regarding this interpretation of section 125 of the charter is well taken," said the mayor, "but in my mind Mr. Scott is inconsistent. He was formerly a member of this water board and participated in just such contracts as he is criticizing this board for entering into."

When Scott was a member of the water board the present city charter was not in effect, but he was interested in city contracts. Nevertheless Scott sanctioned by his vote a number of contracts which were in violation of any city contract. The Oregonian, it is said, and as a further illustration of the editor's inconsistency, he added: "Sentiment a Year Ago. A year ago Scott wrote an editorial commending the water board for awarding a contract for pipe to the Oregon Iron & Steel company of this city, which an eastern firm was the lowest bidder. This is what he said: "The Oregonian thinks that public opinion will sanction the award of water pipe contracts to the board, and that it is illegal for municipal officials to be interested in city contracts. Nevertheless Scott sanctioned by his vote a number of contracts which were in violation of any city contract. The Oregonian, it is said, and as a further illustration of the editor's inconsistency, he added: "Sentiment a Year Ago. 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