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LAND BUNKO THAT NETS MORE THAI QUARTER OF A MILLION IS TURNED UP

R. E. Moss of Chicago Paid Dear for Forged Certificates to Six Thousand Acres of Land.

IMMENSE SUMS GAINED BY THE FORGERS' RING

Agent West Now Has News of Disposal of Bogus Title to Thirty Thousand Acres of State School Land by McKinley, Puter and Their Gang.

Almost every day brings to State
Land Agent West news of fresh instances in which eastern investors
were robbed by S. A. D. Puter and
Horace G. McKinley, the boidest buccaneers that have figured in the spectacular story of the Oregon land frauds.
The latest case is that of R. E. Moss
of Chicago, who purchased bogus
school land certificates for 6,000 acros.
The amount of his loss is not known

Moss wrote to the state land agent giving the numbers of the certificates which he had purchased and the description of the lands which they purported to convey. Investigation of the land office records showed that genuine certificates for the same lands are owned by John E. Dubois, a wealthy eastern timberman, and by the Mueller Investment company, and it was at once evident that the papers held by Moss are spurious. Part of the lands described in the forged certificates are in Tillamook county and part in eastern Oregon.

Thus far the state land agent has fated bogus certificates for 20,000 res of land, and there is no doubt at the total amount floated is far in excess of this figure. Many of the wealthier victims of the ring have been exceedingly reluctant to make it known that they were so easily duped and have preferred to pocket their losses rather than face the publicity entailed by in-stituting criminal proceedings.

It is estimated that within the last

two years the Puter-McKinley gang cleaned up not less than \$250,000 by their swindling operations, and it is possible that even this estimate is far too low. It would be difficult to under-stand what they did with the money, but for the reckless extravagance which they habitually displayed. A fair il-lustration was afforded by Puter two months ago, when, after fleecing H. A. Salzer of Chicago out of \$18,000, he blew in \$12,000 of the money in a single night's debauch.

"Both "Bigh Bollers."

Both Puter and McKinley are invet-erate gamblers and are wont to play for big stukes. When open gambling was permitted in Portland they were both frequenters of the fare tables at the Portland club and at Blazier's. When McKinley was indicted the second time, about a year ago, he celebrated the event by bucking the tiger and it is said that his evening's play cost him

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\$2,100.

In his paimy days McKinley was aiways known as a "high roller" and he
was predigal with his money. No man
was more welcome at the saloons and
it was a common thing for him to
spend \$200 or \$300 for wine in a single
night. Both McKinley and Puter had
able assistance in their efforts to spend
their money.

But since their conviction in the federal court fortune has been coy and

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tells the latest news of fashion.

lars Than Any Other Member of Millionaires' Club, Buys His Own Ticket.

IS WITH PRESIDENT ON RATE REVISION ISSUE

New Appointee Leaves on Morning Train to Take Up His Duties-Will Spend Holiday Recess of Congress Familiarizing Himself With

august body this winter. Senator John M. Gearin departed on the 9:15 o'clock Portland-Chicago special and will hurry to the capital to assume his duties at

Senator Gearin was met at his office this morning by his son, Hugh Gearin, and a number of friends, who accompanied him to the union station. While walking there some one jokingly remarked that he was going to join the millionaires' club of the United States. Senator Gearin laughed.

"Well," said he, "it may be a millionaires' club; I don't know much about that phase of the situation. But I do know that, if it be such a body, I will

know that, if it be such a body. I will be the poorest member of the club."

Senator Gearin is traveling on a ticket bought for cash at the city ticket office of the Union Pacific system yesterday evening. As he left the meet-

terday evening As he left the meetboard of trade he went to City Ticket Agent Stinger's office at Third and Washington streets and opened the

"Going to have your sleeping berth reserved?" sked a friend. "Yes," was the answer, "as soon as

It is not known whether or not any of the transcontinental railroads of-fered Senator Gearin free transporta-tion, but the assumption is that they did.

A few years ago the refusal of Orgon's representative to ride on a pass would not have been so significant. But, inasmuch as the great struggle in congress this winter will be over the rate would not have been so significant. But, inasmuch as the great struggle in congress this winter will be over the rate regulation measure of President Roosevelt, which senators and representatives are regarding as not subject to partisan consideration, Senator Gearin's

attitude is significant.

Congress will be in recess soon after
Senator Gearin's arrival, but the vacation period will be devoted by him to
familiarising himself with conditions
there and preparing for the hard work

Bate Measure Big Issue.

Senator Gearin realizes that the big issue in congress this winter its the president's rate regulation measure, com-monly known as the Esch-Townsend bill.

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SANTA CLAUS COMES ONCE A WEEK

That is, to the homes of readers of The Journal. Every issue for three weeks past and for five weeks to come carries with it one mechanical cut-out toy for the children. There's nothing funnier-as a toy-than the midnight cat. Thomas is this week's toy and he's sure to make the children laugh. DO YOU WANT HIGHER WAGES?-How successful men obtained them is told every week

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY'S TREASURES OF FRUIT AND GRAIN are described in an illus-

HOW TO BE HEALTHY AND BEAUTIFUL is a subject that interests every woman. Mrs. Henry Symes gives her best recipes and answers questions put by correspondents. Mrs. Osborn

A GENERATION BEHIND THE FOOTLIGHTS is the story of John E. Henshaw and May

TOYLAND AND THE BUSINESS OF SUPPLYING CHRISTMAS GREENS are described.

BOYS AND GIRLS are looked after in Polly Evans' special page, and Artists Opper, Swinnerton and all the group of stars that contribute to The Sunday Journal draw their funniest for the

ANOTHER EXCLUSIVE FEATURE is the cream of the country's news by the only special

in the Workers' Magazine, one of the most interesting features of the magazine section.

New toys for Christmas are shown and the story of the Christmas banshee is told.

trated story that has an interest for every homesceker.

Ten Broeck, whom every theatregoer must remember.

Senator Gearin, With Fewer Dol- President of New York Life Given Sixteen Days to Pay Quarter Million Given Hamilton for Lobbying.

> MUTUAL EXPELS RYAN -PLACE GIVEN HARRIMAN

Trustees Plan to Oust Peabody From Presidency-Richard A. McCurdy Suffers Mental and Physical Collapse-Hyde to Leave Country-Investigators Go to Albany.

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, Dec. 16.—Developments in the management of the great insurance companies followed thick and fast today. John A. McCall, president of the New York Life, has been given 16 days' grace by the trustees to return \$250,000, funds of the company illegally furnished andrew Hamilton, the company's jobby-Andrew Hamilton, the company's lobby-ist. McCall has promised to refund the money if Hamilton did not return the funds.

trustees.

It is predicted among insurance menthat President Peabody, the new executive of the Mutual, who was chosen this week to succeed McCurdy, will not retain the presidency for long, the men who were forced to accept him being ready to expet him. ready to expel him.

ing from mental and physical collapse as a result of the legislative investigation into his management and the consequent exposure. He is said to be following rapidly in the footsteps of former President Alexander of the Equitable James Hassa Wale former Equitable. James Hazen Hyde, for owner of the controlling interest in the Equitable and former vice-president, I buy my ticket."

"Then you are not going to travel on a pass?"

"No," was the senator's reply, "I prelieved that he is going abroad to make his permanent abode. His goods are packed and his house has been offered

for sale.

It is likely that the investigating committee will go to Albany for a couple of weeks to inquire into the methods of the state insurance departments.

E. H. Harriman today said in answer E. H. Harriman today said in answer to Attorney Hughes' inquiry regarding Odell's reference to "getting political influence as a result of his relations to Harriman" that the statements were factious and that Odell did not mean

ENTIRE FAMILY LOST IN BURNING DWELLING

(Journal Special Service.)
Red Lake, Minn., Dec. 16.—Peter Martell, his wife and three children, were burned to death this morning. The po-sition of the bodies indicates that Martell carried his children to the kitchen from the burning part of the house and then returned for his wife, when the floor gave way, causing all to perish.

Woodward for Customs Surveyor.

(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Among the presidential nominations is that of Edward F. Woodward for surveyor of customs for the district of San Fran-



Cripples Brought Back From East Drive Officers Out and Shout for Revolution.

LINIEVITCH POWERLESS TO STOP MUTINY IN ARMY

Commander Wires Capital That Half of His Troops Are in Revolt-Warships Sent to Bombard Riga Where Republic Has Been Delared.

(Journal Special Service.)
St. Petersburg, Dec. 16.—Hospital patients returned from the front are on a strike. A legless soldier refused an artificial leg offered him, saying that the Japanese legs were better. He de-manded of the surgeon in charge why Russia could not take care of her wounded as well as Japan did. An offloer who entered at this juncture over-heard the remark and made a savage re-joinder. The patients jeered the offloer, whereupon he struck the legless man. This was the signal for a riot among the invalids. All who were able to leave their beds started for the offi-cer. Some of the injured hursed their cer. Some of the injured nursed their crutches at him. The officer fled leav-ing the invalids victorious and cheering for the revolution.

A courier from Rostoff brings news that the troops inflicted heavy loss of life in suppressing a riot at that place.

May Bombard Riga.

Two cruisers and two torpedo boats have been sent to Riga to shell the city if the revolutionists refuse to surrender. Barricades have been erected through-out the city and the revolutionists have seized all public buildings and fortified them, determined to make Riga the

them, determined to make Riga the capital of the Baltic provinces.
"I cannot combat the growth and vast spread of the revolutionary movement in my army. Aiready more than half of my troops are mutinous," General Linievitch telegraphs from Manchuria. "The reserves demand to be sent home immediately. Urgent."

REVOLT THOMAS W. LAWSON REPORTED TO BE CARNEGIE PLEADS ON VERGE OF BANKRUPTCY

Author of Frenzied Finance Denies That He Is Broke but Admits Mortgaging Property for Over a Million-Worsted in

Efforts to Bear Copper Stocks.



the government's reply to Linievitch, which was sent via Viadivostok.

The Railway Workers union has telegraphed the soldiers in Manchuria as "Redy on its even if we declare a gen." Have Rockefeller and his Standard Oil cohorts finally secured the financial scale of the helps of the belight when to assist in Russia's Beraico.

The Standard Oil cohorts finally secured the financial scale of "Frenzied Finance"? These are the questions which State street is assing the street.

To Disarm Linievitch's Zen.

Alarmed at the situation the government in given order to disarm Linievitch as the street of the

Reports from the provinces show that revolutionary turmoil continues. The situation in the Caucasus is most serious. Authorities at Moscow fear a general uprising, as less than 10,000 froops remain in the city, an inadequate number in case of a crists.

Bloody collisions have occurred at Risa, where machine guns were used. Everywhere the peasantry and workmen are becoming united and the revolutionists conducting regular military operations.

In this they were materially aided by the highest in the history of the metal.

Lawson himself denies that he is van-quished or that he is 'broke,' but admits that he has been going rapidly in that direction for several months. He admits a mortgage of \$150,000 placed recently on his home and says that he has mortgaged other property for \$850,000.

The picturescope Restoration

Laird of Skibo Vainly Tries to

Induce Steel Magnate to Forsake Actress.

THREATENS TO OUST HIM FROM TRUST'S PRESIDENCY

Library-Giver Told to Mind His Own Business, as Corey Will Do as He Likes in His Personal Life-Parting of Two Men Not Friendly.

Carnegië's annual dinner to his former business associates at his home in Fifth avenue last night, it leaked out that Carnegic had a personal controversy, which became almost a quarrel, last Tuesday evening with William Ellis Corey, president of the steel corporation. The subject matter was Corey's association with Mabelle Gilman, the actress, and the casting off of his wife.

It was a dramatic meeting, if the stories told are accurate, it is declared that Carnegfe used all his influence to induce Corey to throw over Miss Gillman and become reconciled to Mrs. Corey. The conference lasted nearly two hours. Corey was obdurate to all pleadings, and finally when Carnegie's arguments toward effecting a reconciliation proved futile, he is reported to have exclaimed:

"Then, Corey, if you persist in this course, I tell you I will exert all the influence I possess to have you susted from the steel corporation. This matter concerns more than you and your family." actress, and the casting off of his wife.

Corey retorted in substance:
"This is none of your affair. I shall do as I like in my personal life."
The parting of the two men was not of the most friendly character.

ANNA HELD TALKS.

eased wire that reaches a newspaper in Portland. ALL IN THE SUNDAY JOURNAL