

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Friday; variable winds.

COULD LET GO BUT CAN'T

Council Has Bruin and Loudly Calls for Help to Enable It to Back Out Gracefully.

INVESTIGATION MORE OF A JOKE EACH DAY

City Attorney Washes His Hands of the Entire Case and Jealous Police and Peanut Politicians Are Left to Carry on the Fight Against Bruin All Alone.

Captain Patrick Bruin of the police department has ceased to absorb the attention of City Auditor Devlin and his following of overhauled policemen and disgruntled councilmen in their fight against Mayor Lane's administration. The main anxiety of the peanut politicians is now to find a good chance to "let go."

The investigation of the civil service commission has become an empty farce and the committee of councilmen who are conducting it have been made unpleasantly aware that they and not the commissioners are really on trial, so far as public opinion is concerned. The problem now before the councilmen is how to end the investigation without an open confession of ignominious failure.

Such an investigation is not properly a matter in which the city attorney should take part. When it is considered if the councilmen desire my advice as to the course to be pursued I shall of course advise them as to the law."

Chief of Police Gritzmacher gives some testimony on these points which is worth more than all those frenzied falsehoods. "I am thoroughly satisfied that if Captain Bruin is let alone he will make a good officer. He has been hampered and harassed ever since his appointment, and he has not yet been given a fair chance."

"There is no truth in the stories that there is an extraordinary amount of crime in the city at this time. As a matter of fact, there never was so little crime at this season in any previous year. Under previous administrations it was the policy to withhold much information from the press, but under this administration everything is given out. Not a crime occurs but it is given to the papers."

"All these hold-ups that have amounted to anything have been in the lower end of town. Saloonkeepers have been victims because the men who commit the robberies know very well that at certain times in the month the saloonkeepers have quite a little money on hand in order to cash the pay checks of their customers. Most of these saloon hold-ups have been near the let or middle of the month, when the saloons are most apt to be cashing checks. There has been no influx of criminals from other cities. The robberies have been by local men who are familiar with the city and with conditions here."

In commenting further on the attacks on Captain Bruin, Chief Gritzmacher repeats with emphasis that Bruin has not yet had a fair chance. "Ever since he was appointed he has been obliged to keep running to the city hall to attend this investigation or to the courthouse to see about that lawsuit," said the chief. "Very likely there has been some jealousy on the part of some of the men and they may have shown some laxity and inefficiency. But all that will come out right if they will let Captain Bruin alone."

The intimate relation between Captain Bruin's raid on the Milwaukee gambling club and the city council's action in ordering an investigation of the civil

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Count Ignatieff, Who Has Been Mentioned as Military Dictator of Russia to Succeed Count De Witte.

STRIKE OF ALL RUSSIA UNDER WAY CIVIL WAR THROUGHOUT EMPIRE

Republic Proclaimed at Tiflis—Troops Joining Revolt—Last Act of National Tragedy Opens—Workmen Showing Perfect Discipline—Indescribable Panic Prevails.

(Journal Special Service.) St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—The strike of all Russia is beginning with great rapidity. Workmen are showing a perfect discipline under their leaders. There is indescribable panic among the people generally, all feeling that this is the opening of the last act of the national tragedy and will result either in the downfall of the government or the victory of the autocracy. The movement has reached almost the proportions of civil war and it is hardly proper to call it a mere industrial strike. The financial ruin of the country seems imminent. Many soldiers have been arrested while addressing the people in the streets urging them to join the rebels. The prices of supplies are rising rapidly, all are trying to secure a great amount of provender to fortify themselves against a long siege. Peasants have driven the landowners from Viliebak and divided the estates among themselves. Their example is being followed in many parts of the empire. A communist republic has been proclaimed at Tiflis. Workmen are in control at Yaroslavl and propose to operate the factories and divide the profits.

The government fears the attitude of the troops at Koenstadt and at many other points. Revolutionists are in control at Batoum, where a big fire is raging along the waterfront, and many docks and several vessels have been burned. Troops after a fierce battle have recaptured Tokum from the rebels, who defended the place scientifically, proving that they are led by trained military officers. Revolutionists have wrecked a train near Riga, killing five soldiers and wounding 20 others. From all parts of the empire come news of bridges

FOOTBALL IS ABSOLUTELY BARRED BY COLUMBIA

University Takes Lead of All Colleges by Abolishing Intercollegiate Athletics.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Dec. 21.—The Columbia university last night announced that it had decided to abolish all intercollegiate athletics. Football is wiped entirely out of college affairs. This is the most radical action ever taken by an American university dealing with the question of athletics. It means that the sport at Columbia will be purely a matter of recreation and health building. Gate receipts and the idea of competition with other colleges are things of the past. Only a mere formality remains to be observed to make the dictum a law. The resolution that puts Columbia in the lead of all colleges was adopted by the university council Monday.

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PORTLAND'S FIELD IN ALASKA

Portland, Dec. 21.—To the Editor of The Journal: It is with amazement that I read an article in the Oregonian this morning regarding the proposed steamship line to Alaska. It is surely drawing a "herring across the trail" for anybody to propose connecting Juneau and southeastern Alaska with Portland by steamship lines. Those who are conversant with the situation know that it is simply folly to talk of establishing steamship connection between Skagway, Juneau, Sitka or any of the southeastern Alaska points with Portland. Portland is entitled to the bulk of traffic originating in Nome and that portion of Alaska adjacent thereto, and were we to get even one quarter of that business we would be more than amply justified in any steps we might take to establish steamboat lines. This is the only part of the Alaska trade that we can in all common sense claim. We have no business whatever with Juneau or Skagway or southeastern Alaska, as these ports are all situated on inland waters and must be controlled through Seattle and the Sound cities. If our Portland merchants desire trade with these cities they can send their travelers, and will, no doubt, obtain a fair share of the business, but shipments to those points must be made by the present established route, that is via Seattle. Any attempt made to bring into discussion before the merchants of Portland, the plan of connecting these cities by steamboat will surely only act as a drag, and will hinder, or at least delay, the establishment of the line of steamers between Portland and St. Michaels and Nome City. That is our market and the one in which we can defy all competitors, and it is utterly folly to allow any consideration of southeastern Alaskan cities to interfere.

SALOONMEN'S FOE OUT OF OFFICE

Robert Galloway, Deputy District Attorney, Gives Up Work He Did Without Pay.

CLASH WITH SUPERIOR IS REPUTED CAUSE

Manning Says He Could Tell the Reason If He Would but Doesn't Care to Discuss the Matter—No Successor Likely.

Robert Galloway this morning resigned from the special deputy district attorneyship which he was appointed July 21. The resignation is said to be due to serious friction that has arisen between himself and the district attorney's office. Mr. Galloway had been appointed to act as a special prosecuting officer for the juvenile court, and during his term in office he has filed charges against all violators of laws regarding the selling of liquor and tobacco to minors, and of saloon-keepers who permitted youths to linger about their places. Tobacco dealers in nearly every section of the city have been fined for selling the weed to minors; these fines have ranged from \$10 to \$25 each. Nearly every one of the dealers stated when arrested that for years it had been a local custom to sell tobacco to minors. Galloway smashed that custom. Many were convicted. More than a score of saloon-keepers have been arrested and fined for selling liquors to boys and girls; bartenders have been fined or are now breaking court for having permitted minors to enter about the saloons. It apparently mattered little to Galloway whether the saloonist under arrest had "influence" or not. All Galloway wanted to know if conditions appeared as though it had been an information was filed, Galloway was on hand to press the state's case and Judge Frazer did the rest. It is said that never in the history of Portland were saloons as free of minors as they are at present, nor were tobacco-dealers as careful to learn the exact age of beardless customers.

WILL USE GARFIELD'S TALKS WITH PACKERS

Chicago, Dec. 21.—In the packers' case today, venturers were questioned as to their qualifications to try immunity pleas of the defendants. It was disclosed by attorneys for the defense that Garfield's report would be introduced, with stenographic reports of the conversations in which he is alleged to have promised immunity. Each side has nine preemptory challenges left.

DOG RESCUES MISTRESS FROM A HIGHWAYMAN

Four-Footed Guardian of Miss Physackley Puts to Rout Man Who Attacked Her.

KENTUCKY BANK IS LOOTED BY ROBBERS

Corinth, Ky., Dec. 21.—Some time last night, without awakening a soul in town, robbers blew open the safe in the bank in this city, stole \$2,500 and escaped. More than \$1,000 was in gold, \$1,000 in silver and the rest in paper money. The securities were unretained.

BRYAN DECLINES IDE'S INVITATION TO DINNER

Manila, Dec. 21.—William J. Bryan has declined an invitation to a dinner given by Acting Governor-General Ide, saying that as a newspaper writer he wished to be free to do his writing later without embarrassment.

ODELL OPENS WAR ON ROOSEVELT

Former Governor of New York Accuses President and Higgins of Wrecking Party.

PREDICTS DEFEAT IN STORE FOR G. O. P.

Selfish Ambitions of Executive Blamed for Discord—Present Governor Is Accused of Duplicity—Will Try to Defeat Wadsworth.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Dec. 21.—Former Governor Benjamin Odell today formally declared war on President Roosevelt and Governor Higgins, and declared that they are responsible for the present chaotic condition of the Republican party in New York state. He said that if the Republicans lose this time it is their fault, and predicted that Wadsworth would not be elected speaker of the assembly when it convenes at Albany next month. The ex-governor says that Governor Higgins is guilty of duplicity towards Odell. "I had a talk with Higgins as to whom he favored for speaker, and he eliminated all possibilities but Merritt. I never was surprised in my life as when he named Wadsworth," said Odell today. "If President Roosevelt desired the good of the party, instead of encouraging soreheads, he would have promoted harmony. Had he sent for me, I would gladly have conferred with him and tried to avert trouble. I charge President Roosevelt and Governor Higgins with deliberately trying to wreck the party for their own ambitions." A Washington dispatch states that Odell's defiance has created consternation among the New Yorkers at the capitol. Congressmen who wished to be friendly to both sides will now be forced to take sides. The president apparently favors little concern. Secretary Loeb intimates that the president took sufficient interest to suggest that Higgins choose a "good man" for the speakership.

BILL INTRODUCED TO REPEAL CUBAN RECIPROCITY

Needham of California Convicted That Measure Has Resulted in Failure.

ROOSEVELT ACCEDES TO SENATE'S REQUEST

Washington, Dec. 21.—A bill has been introduced in the house by Representative Needham of California, repealing the act putting into effect the reciprocity treaty with Cuba and directing the president to give due notice to Cuba of the termination of the treaty. Needham is convinced that events have proved conclusively that reciprocity has not benefited the United States nor afforded the relief to Cubans as was expected. The price of sugar is as high to consumers as ever in spite of the prediction that American householders would be benefited. Needham wanted to offer an amendment to the Philippine tariff bill repealing the Cuban reciprocity, but objection was made by his colleagues on the ways and means committee that it was not germane. Some of them advised him to offer a separate bill promising to vote for it. Among these was Daisell of Pennsylvania, who agreed with Needham that Cuban reciprocity is a failure.

PURSE IS RAISED TO PROBE GEORGE MYSTERY

Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 21.—So certain now are the neighbors of G. W. George, the missing state-line farmer, that he has been killed that they are subscribing from \$5 to \$25 each toward a reward for the recovery of his body or information as to his whereabouts. The mysterious stranger who haunted the bridge below the George farm last week, apparently spying on the movements of the farmer, was seen by Mrs. C. A. McDonald, a neighbor of the Georges.

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DOMINION TARIFF COMMISSION

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TERRIBLE VOYAGE OF SENATOR

Steamer Battles in Fierce Storm for Twenty-Four Hours—Seaman is Killed.

CABINS ARE WRECKED—MUTINY AMONG CREW

In Attempting to Rescue Occupants of Smashed Cabin, Aged Sailor is Struck by Falling Air Funnel—All Aboard Sick.

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Dec. 21.—After battling against a fierce storm more than 34 hours the steamer Senator, of the San Francisco & Portland company, reached port at 11:30 o'clock this morning, more than 24 hours late from Portland. One man dead, several cabins wrecked, an exhausted crew and 75 seasick passengers served as records to show the havoc of the gale against which the boat fought during all Monday night and a portion of Tuesday. Ned Milander, aged 71 years, an old seaman in the employ of the company, was killed while attempting to rescue two young women who were imprisoned in a flooded cabin. The accident occurred Monday night while the Senator was plowing through heavy seas. The aged seaman was on watch on the upper deck when a heavy sea broke over the craft, tearing down the door of the cabin occupied by Miss Katherine Hazelgrove and Miss Emma Struetz. The cabin was half filled with water and their screams brought Milander to the deck, striking the seaman on the head. He was taken below and died a few hours later. The ship's officers and crew had a hard fight between handling the boat and giving succor to the passengers, many of whom are still invalided as a result of their experience. A mutiny nearly occurred among the crew when the body was boxed over the side. The aged seaman, the men averring the remains should be buried in orthodox seaman fashion—in "Davy Jones' locker."

VANDERBILT OR GOULD BACK OF NORTH COAST

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 21.—J. A. Kerr, director of the North Coast railroad, offers to guarantee the city council that the franchise shall contain a clause providing that all contracts for construction from the Columbia river to Puget sound shall be let within four months, that the line from Walla Walla to Seattle shall be completed and in operation within two years, and that through trains over the transcontinental system shall be running to Seattle within the next two and one-half years. Representatives of the North Coast line will be in Seattle shortly after January 1, and Kerr states that the line is backed by either the Gould or Vanderbilt systems, but declines to specify which, although he intimates that it is the Gould line. Changes will be made in the directorate that will disclose the backers of the road within a few weeks. The North Coast company has acquired all of its right of way from Walla Walla to Seattle, and the line through the state is definitely located. The council's attitude in delaying action upon the franchise until its transcontinental connection was shown brought out Kerr's statement.

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GEARIN IS NOW SENATOR

Takes Oath of Office, Signs Roll and is Warmly Welcomed by Many Members.

BURROWS OBJECTS TO CLAUSE IN CREDENTIALS

Said They Were Illy Worded but Had No Inclination to Prevent Oregon Man From Taking Seat—New Statesman Says National Democracy Will Finally Triumph.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—John M. Gearin was sworn in senator shortly after noon today, but not without a preliminary tie-up caused by Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, who objected to a clause in Gearin's credentials that the appointment was made "until his successor is elected." Burrows called attention to the fact that this language is not in conformity with the constitutional provision for filling vacancies. Senator Spooner, chairman of the committee on rules, agreed with Burrows that such appointment was in excess of constitutional authority, but the closing sentence of the credentials he thought was mere surplusage and would not affect the term of the new senator's appointment or service. Credentials Criticized. "The constitution provides how long a senator shall hold under an appointment to fill vacancies. If the appointment in itself is complete, any additional words are surplusage. It is certain there is a vacancy and certain that the governor had a right to fill it by appointment and the senate ought to disregard the unnecessary words of the credentials," said Spooner. Burrows thought the credentials illy worded in other respects, but said he was not inclined to be hypercritical and merely called attention to these defects for the information of the senate and would not object to having the new senator sworn in. Gearin was then escorted by Senator Fulton to the vice-president's desk and took the oath of office and signed the roll. He was congratulated by Senators Spooner, Sherman and many others on both sides of the chamber. Will Fly Favor. "The Post today says of the new senator: 'It is an easy prophecy that the new senator from Oregon, John M. Gearin, who has come to take the seat of the late Senator Mitchell, will win favor at the federal capitol. Senator Gearin reached Washington last evening, and took rooms at the New Willard. In reply to congratulations, Senator Gearin said laughingly that he was glad to come to Washington in his present capacity, even if it were only for a brief period, filling out an unexpired term, but if the unexpected happened and the Democrats should get control, perhaps he might have an extension. 'But, anyway,' said he, 'I can tell you that Governor Chamberlain is going to get another term. He is the most popular man in our state and will win a first-class administration. Those of us who belong to the Democratic party keep on fighting in Oregon against huge odds, and the hopelessness of victory never dawns on us. Democratic Outlook Bright. 'What do you think of the outlook for the Democracy, senator, from a national standpoint?' 'I think that it is going to get in fighting trim and be triumphant at no distant date. We don't expect the appropriating Democratic policies and doctrines right along. Even the president thinks there should be free trade with the Philippines, which is a straw to show how the leaven of tariff reform is working. Nobody need be pessimistic about the future of the Democratic party. Buffeted and knocked out time and again by blows that would have killed any other political organization on earth, it still comes smilingly up to the scratch ready for more punishment. It is impossible to keep indefinitely in the minority.'"

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