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Magnate Called Hearst People Crooks, Says President Who Grills Railroad King as a Wealth Corruptionist

Washington, April 2.—In letters to Congressmen Sherman Harrison regarding campaign contributions alleged to have been sought by President Roosevelt and supplied by Harriman, the president said, after making specific details of Harriman's statements: "I am not sure that he thought it well to see Harriman, and the like triumphant over the Republican party, you inform me that he told you that he did not care in the least because those people were crooks, and he could buy them. That is, he wanted legislation from the state legislature, that he could buy it. That he could buy congress, and that if necessary could buy the judiciary."

PORTLAND JOBBERS ARE TREATED WITH TE-UP

Local Terminal Yards Crowded With Cars of Freight Standing Idle on Tracks—Chamber of Commerce Will Take Action and Force Improvement of Conditions.

With hundreds of cars of freight standing in the terminal yards, more arriving daily, shippers using them as warehouses instead of unloading them and clearing the congestion, Portland wholesalers and jobbers are threatened with a complete tie-up unless steps are taken immediately to break the dilatory system in vogue which is responsible now for the overburdened condition of the freight yards.

LEVEE HEAD OF ASTORIA ROAD

Hill Officials Now Take Places on New Directorate of Seaside Line.

At a meeting of directors of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad in Portland yesterday afternoon, the resignations of retiring directors A. B. Hammond, Thomas H. Hubbard, E. H. Hamilton, G. W. Talbot, G. C. Fulton, Gen. C. F. Beebe and F. D. Kuetner were accepted and new directors and officers were chosen. C. M. Levey, president of the Portland & Seattle railway, becomes the executive officer of the Astoria & Columbia River road.

DROWNED IN FORDING A SWOLLEN STREAM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., April 2.—George McCauley was drowned in the coast fork of the Willamette river, near Walker, yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. The body has not yet been recovered.

PERISHES UNDER RAFT IN SANTIAM RIVER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Albany, Or., April 2.—Roy McCrae, aged 18, a son of Thomas McCrae, residing near Thomas, Linn county, was drowned yesterday afternoon in the Santiam river near Jefferson. Young McCrae was working with a logging crew. In floating the logs down the river he was accidentally thrown under the main. His body has not been recovered. A diligent search is being made.

PIONEER HOTEL MAN AT ELKTON IS DEAD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Drains, Or., April 2.—Joseph M. Robinson, the well-known pioneer hotel proprietor of Elkton, 18 miles west of Astoria, died yesterday at 3 p. m. after lying at the point of death for several months with paralysis. He was about 70 years of age. He leaves an aged widow and two grown daughters, one married and one single. He was one of the most respected pioneers of Douglas county.

DELEGATES OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO LAKE MOHONK CONFERENCE WILL BE NAMED.

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The regular meeting of the Portland chamber of commerce trustees today at 10:30 o'clock partook largely of a peace meeting. Various measures looking to the peace of the state, nation and industries were brought up, and delegates from Portland were appointed to attend several conferences. President S. G. Reed was directed to appoint delegates to the Lake Mohonk arbitration conference to be held May 22. He will also name Portland delegates to the national peace conference to be held in New York April 14, at which Andrew Carnegie will preside. A suitable resolution was ordered drawn endorsing the National Industrial Peace association, of which P. H. Scullin is general secretary. The objects of the association are to bring about better relations between labor and capital in the United States.

SEND OUT YEAR BOOK

The Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club Year Book has been written and illustrations are now being secured with which the pages of the book will be adorned, showing Oregon fields, fruits, forests, livestock, mines and various industrial and scenic features. The trustees authorized the offering of prizes of \$10, \$15 and \$25 for the most suitable design for the cover pages. Competitors should notify Secretary E. C. Giltner and secure particulars of the competition.

ONE PARTY TO A JOINT OBLIGATION BINDS ALL

Supreme Court Decision Broadens Revival of Outlawed Obligations.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salem, April 2.—Holding that in this state a payment of a part of a joint obligation by a maker thereof or by his agent or legal representative revives it against all persons who were liable thereon though made without their knowledge or consent, the supreme court today in an opinion by Justice Moore affirmed the judgment of Judge George H. Bushart in the case of E. H. Scott, executor of the will of R. H. Scott, deceased, against M. Christensen and H. Christensen, appellants. The action was commenced in September, 1904, by Scott to recover a remainder alleged to be due on a promissory note given to the testator. The note was executed January 19, 1897, and interest amounting to \$2 in 1897 was all that was paid. This answer denied the allegation and maintained the note was barred by limitation. Judgment was rendered against the defendants and they appealed.

SLOT MACHINES ARE GONE FROM WOODBURN

First Fruits of the Temperance Victory in the City Election Yesterday.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Woodburn, Or., April 2.—A hard-fought battle culminated yesterday in the election of the temperance ticket, and the exception of recorder, and that was gained by the saloons by only two votes. It is alleged that there were plainly a number of illegal saloon votes, and the telephone people predict that the contest that will be brought by recorder, will, without doubt, result in his favor.

GIRL WARNED OF HIS MADNESS

Since the publication yesterday in the Journal of a letter written by Roscoe James to Grace Disney, the girl he loved, a mad jealousy and jealous he was of her, still another letter comes to light which bears out the assertion that the youth was crazed over his fascination for the girl. The letter was written by Frank Campbell, a roommate of James, about the time James wrote to Miss Disney in Oakland stating that he would kill himself unless he heard from her inside of a week.

PORTLAND MAN INJURED IN TACOMA YARD WRECK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Tacoma, Wash., April 2.—M. Elias, a Portland traveling man, sustained a wrenched back, and Charles Jackson, a negro porter, a sprained ankle, in an accident in the Northern Pacific yards near Fifteenth street yesterday evening. The observation and dining cars of the train running between Seattle and Portland were derailed. Twenty passengers in the observation car and 10 in the diner were thrown from their seats and severely shaken up, but all escaped injury except Elias and the porter. Both men were able to continue on to Portland.

LEG CRUSHED THEN AMPUTATED AT HIP

R. C. White, an employe of the Northern Pacific Railway company at Seaside, Oregon, was seriously injured yesterday afternoon that it was necessary to bring him to St. Vincent's hospital for treatment. White's right leg was so badly mangled between two freight cars that it was found necessary to amputate the limb at the hip. The injured man is in a precarious condition and may not survive the shock of the accident and subsequent operation.

RESULTS OF DUFUR'S MUNICIPAL ELECTION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dallas, Or., April 2.—The annual city election at Dufur yesterday resulted as follows: John Johnson, mayor; Ed Hinton, and C. F. Eichel, councilmen; Philip Knowles and Hiram Dods, water commissioners; Aaron Frazier, recorder; Lindsay Thomas, treasurer. There was a contest for mayor and one councilman, Monroe Heister and James Ward being the contesting candidates. Johnson was elected by 10 majority over Heister, and Balch by one majority over Ward. One hundred and six votes were cast.

WEAVER FAILS TO APPEAR AT RUEF TRIAL

Stevens Seems Certain to Lose Out, No Matter How People Vote, Unless Re-elected.

That Sheriff Stevens will never be feeding the county prisoners, at least during his present term of office, is a certainty. County Commissioner Lightner stated today that he had written the petition referring the question to the people are coming in fast and that many more than the number needed will be in by the required time.

GRAFT PROSECUTION, ENCOUNTERS OBSTACLES

Grand Jury Fails to Get Expected Evidence—President Scott of Pacific Telephone Company Examined by Grand Jury. (Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, April 2.—The trial of Alvin Ruff on one of the extortion charges was called this morning but one venireman failed to appear. Court was adjourned until this afternoon in order to give the officers an opportunity to find the missing venireman.

WAS OVER LEGISLATURE

To save unnecessary expense to the taxpayers, at the beginning of Stevens' term the county commissioners took the plan away from the sheriff and advertised for bids. Restaurant-keeper Ebeling got the contract on a basis that promised saving of about \$4,000 a year to the people. Stevens strenuously objected. He won over the Multnomah delegation to the legislature and secured the passage of a bill that would put the county kitchen back into his hands at a price that would insure him a handsome profit. This bill also provides for adding four jailers and one matron to the sheriff's present working force.

LONG-SUFFERING ENDS HIS DIVORCE COURT

After patiently enduring a drunken husband for 29 years, Marie Henrietta Barbel at last decided that she could hold up no longer. Today she filed suit for divorce in the circuit court charging cruelty. The couple were married in Portland in 1878, and have resided here ever since. Mrs. Barbel says that her husband was not only a drunkard but a gambler, and that he has often compelled her to give him money from her scanty purse to spend at the gaming table.

MACCABEES WILL HOLD CLASS INITIATION

The class initiation and degree work of the Ladies of the Maccabees will be held Thursday evening, April 4, at W. H. H. Elsworth and Alder streets. All lady Maccabees in the city are cordially invited to be present at 8 o'clock sharp. The state convention will open at 10 o'clock Friday morning, April 5, and all members and delegates are requested to be present.

GOVERNMENT TRIES TO GIVE KILDALL A TRIP

Arguments took up the day before Judge C. E. Wolverton in the federal court in the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Simon P. Kildall to compel removal to Alaska on a charge of conspiring to defraud the government out of certain fish taxes. J. N. Teal, who is appearing for Kildall, concluded for his client, just as the noon rest for luncheon was announced, and United States District Attorney William C. Bristol will finish for the government this afternoon.

WANTED TO HUG GIRL BECAUSE INTOXICATED

Pat Ryan, who, while intoxicated yesterday afternoon, pursued a pretty girl clerk employed in the Meier & Frank store and attempted to embrace her in the entrance of the Gilman block, entered a plea of guilty in the police court this morning and was fined \$25. Ryan at first showed a disposition to fight the case, but finally decided to plead guilty. Ryan was unable to advance any excuse for his conduct other than he was drunk and not accountable for his actions.

FIRE THROWS HOTEL GUESTS INTO PANIC

New York, April 2.—Guests of the Hotel Sarsene, one of the most fashionable hotels on upper Broadway, were thrown into a state of great alarm by a fire on the seventh floor. Men and women climbed down the fire escapes and jammed the stairs and corridors in their efforts to escape. The fire broke out at about 10 o'clock and had spread to the rear of the building. Ambulances of police reserves are on the scene to watch for the injured.

GROUND BOUGHT FOR NEW WING OF ASYLUM

Salem, Or., April 2.—The Riley tract of 25 acres was finally purchased yesterday by the state executive board for \$10,000. The excavation has begun for the new wing of the state insane asylum, for which the architects are now making plans. This wing was authorized by the last legislature. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

STRAIN AND HIS CLERK SETTLE THEIR FEUD

John C. Hertz, a clerk employed by Paul Strain, proprietor of the Hub clothing store, who was arrested yesterday by Detective C. B. Hill on a charge of assaulting his employer, was discharged from custody in the police court this morning and the case against him dismissed. Strain and Hertz adjusted their differences amicably out of the courtroom and consequently the prosecution was dropped.

Honor for a Dog Hero.

From the London Daily Mail. The mayor of Blackburn, on behalf of Mrs. De Courcy Laffan, the well known authoress, has presented a headstone collar, fittingly inscribed, to the sagacious Ferguson dog of Mr. William Cotnam of Blackburn, whose household was recently enabled to escape the dangers of fire by the animal rousing them during the night when an alarming outbreak occurred in the kitchen.

REMARKS BY A STENOGRAPHIC NOTEBOOK

Henry declared that he had a transcript of the notes and that they were of great importance to the prosecution. These notes contain the details of all the correspondence between Ruef and Detweiler preceding the actual payment of the bribe.

THE ACTION OF THE SUPERVISORS

Yesterday in dismissing from office the secretary of the board, George B. Keane, a close friend of Ruef, is significant.

BOSS RUEF'S PETITION TO THE SUPREME COURT

for a writ of habeas corpus is lengthy affair, based on numerous grounds, among them being allegations that he is held without legal authority; that it is in violation of the constitution to refuse him bail, and that his indictments were instigated by Rudolph Sprengle, Special Prosecutor, Henny and Special Agent Burns, who are his political enemies. The supreme court took no action on the writ yesterday.

THEORY TO MAKE HALSEY CONFESS

Thodore V. Halsey, the Pacific Telephone company official who was indicted on 10 counts for bribing the supervisors and was arrested in Manila, will leave the Philippines on the steamer China on April 9 in charge of Captain Trowbridge, chief of the Philippine secret service.

HENRY WILL MEET AT HONOLULU

Attorney H. M. Owens, who will endeavor to bring a confession from him. Owens will have copies of the written confessions of the supervisors in which they admit that Halsey paid them \$5,000 each for voting against the Home Telephone franchise. Should Halsey be slow about telling his side of the story it is expected that these confessions will be valuable in influencing him to admit his guilt.

INFORMATION WHICH WILL LEAD TO THE INDICTMENT

of a number of the officials of the United Railroads for the bribery of the supervisors for the overhead trolley franchise in the possession of the grand jury. The names of the men who will not be accused by the grand jury have not yet been revealed, but it is understood that the indictments will be directed against three or four branches of the company, namely, control, under the direction of President Patrick Calhoun; management, under the direction of Tharwell Muller, and the law department, under Tracy L. Ford. The placing of the blame will be done next week.

FRISKY ZEPHYRS WEAR SEVEN LEAGUE BOOTS ALL DURING MARCH

It rained nearly four inches during the past month, whereas the total average precipitation for the month is 5.78 inches. Thus it is shown by the report of the weather bureau that while people complained of "rain" most of the time they were really mistaken for it rained less than the average.

IN REGARD TO TEMPERATURE

the first part of the month was warmer than the latter part, excepting last Saturday, when the thermometer showed 57 degrees in the shade. On the 12th the thermometer fell to 32 degrees. That was the lowest temperature recorded during the month.

NEW COMERS BID HIGH FOR PORTLAND REALTY

Choice Locations Bring Fancy Figures in Day's City Property Deals.

AT HERMANN TRIAL TESTIMONY OF PUTER IS FLATLY CONTRADICTED

by Ezra Hill.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL

Washington, April 2.—Ezra Hill, a professional statistician of Washington, testified at the Hermann trial today in which he was in the room with Senator Mitchell on March 10, 1905, the day that Puter swore he paid two \$1,000 bills to induce the expediting of his patents by Hermann.

ATTORNEY WORTHINGTON ANNOUNCED

in court that the defense would offer letters to prove that Hermann continuously for three years urged on Secretary Hill's recommendation to congress to repeal the former law permitting the placing of lie scrip on forest lands of any value, and providing that scrip could be placed only on lands of no greater value. The intention being to show by doing so that Hermann would have been working against his own interests if he was engaged in a conspiracy such as is alleged.

CROOKS IN MACHINE SHOP

The machine shop of Fred Hicks, between East Third and East Oak streets, was entered last night by robbers and thoroughly ransacked. Nothing was taken, however, and it is the theory of the police that the robbers were safecrackers looking for tools to complete an "outfit."