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## LANE'S CAMPAIGN OPENS WITH A TREMENDOUS OVATION

### VOTE FIVE TRUE BILLS FOR MAYOR

Schmitz Name Leads All the Rest in Indictments Voted by Jury on Ruel's Testimony

Fear of Death Forced Former Boss to Confess, Says His Attorney—Schmitz Destroying Vast Amount of Letters and Documents.

(Journal Special Service.)  
San Francisco, May 18.—In the next batch of indictments to be returned by the grand jury will be five true bills against Mayor Schmitz. According to the best authority he will be indicted for receiving bribes from the United Railways, the Pacific States and Home Telephone companies and the fight trust. Besides these, another indictment for extortion will probably be returned. Unless the plans of the district attorney's office are changed, an indictment for extorting \$2,400 from the "municipal crib" will also be returned.

It was stated this morning that yesterday's session of the grand jury completed the indictments against the United Railways, and all that remains to be done is the drawing up of the indictments.

Henry Ash, former counsel for Ruel, admitted today that it was the fear of death that brought the confession of guilt from Ruel. Ruel's mother and sister, whom the ex-boss idolizes, were told by two of Ruel's physicians that he had about two years to live. This drove the parents and sister to Ruel with renewed pleadings to give up the fight and throw himself upon the mercy of the court. Ruel resisted as long as possible, but when they repeated to him what the doctors said, he gave in. Ash planned to continue Ruel's trial on the extortion charge over the period of four months. The prosecution claims they have information to the effect that Schmitz has been destroying a great mass of letters and other documents for the last few days.

Reorganization Begun.  
The committee of seven in whose hands Mayor Schmitz has placed the city government has begun reorganization, although District Attorney Langdon and Francis J. Heney refuse to recognize the committee or any one acting for Schmitz. This decision will somewhat complicate the work of the seven men who have undertaken to assist the mayor in reforming the government.

A short note containing only 10 lines, and signed by Eugene E. Schmitz has (Continued on Page Four.)

### ENORMOUS INCREASE IN CLEARINGS

Portland Bank Transactions Show Tremendous Gain Over Last Year's Business

Week's Record Over Twice Larger Than Any Other City on Coast—Monday's Account Shows Phenomenal Increase of One Hundred Per Cent.

Portland clearing house records for the week just closed show a steady continuance of the gain that has been seen every week, since the first of February over the same weeks of 1906. The gain this week was about 45 per cent. Last Monday's clearings were \$2,048,550.23, or about double the clearings of the same date in 1906.

The week's clearings aggregated \$2,742,442.17, as compared to \$1,722,484.74 for that week last year. Monday's big clearings are not explained by bankers excepting that it happened to be a big day for business.

The week's percentage of gain far exceeds that shown by Bradstreet's report of the week's clearings in other Pacific coast cities. Los Angeles showed a gain of but 10 per cent. Spokane 22 per cent., Tacoma 22 per cent., Seattle 19 per cent.

Portland's gain was equalled by no other large city in the United States.

Bank Deposits Increase.  
Bank deposits have been increasing steadily in nearly the same ratio ever since the first of the new year. The banks are in excellent condition, and in view of the very moderate and reasonable valuations of real estate in this city, as compared with valuations in Seattle and other Pacific coast cities, the future for Portland looks very bright.

It is believed the present year will prove to be by far the banner year for business in its entire history, and that the aggregate of commercial, real estate and building transactions will exceed by 50 per cent the record of any former year.

The demand for this expansion and improvement is said to be absolutely bona fide, by reason of the city's steady increase of permanent population, and its need for modern improvements. The one thing now regarded as essential to insure the city's continued growth and prosperity is hard surfaced street paving, and lots of it.

The prosperity of the whole northwest is having a strong influence on Portland, and in turn this city is responding with investments of its money (Continued on Page Four.)

Ryan's Candidate for President--By T. E. Powers



DISPATCHES FROM VIRGINIA SAY THAT THOMAS FORTUNE RYAN IS AMBITIOUS TO BECOME A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

### WONDERFUL ENTHUSIASM GREETED MAYOR IN FIRST RALLY OF THE CAMPAIGN

Executive Promises If Elected to Serve All the People—Will Not Rob the Public or Permit Others to Plunder—Senator Gearin and Judge Pipes Make Eloquent Speeches. Devlin's Non-Partisan Ideals

A close-packed audience of 1,600 enthusiastic men and women filling every seat and overflowing into the nooks and crannies of the upper floor of the Armory, wild bursts of oratory-checking applause, music, and three speeches such as have seldom been heard in Portland—these were a few of the features of the opening of the Lane campaign last night. Nearly 1,000 were turned away, unable to gain admission.

Old politicians grizzled in the service of party and people shook their heads sagely as burst after burst of applause drowned the voices of Presiding Chairman Thomas G. Hatley, ex-Senator Gearin, Judge Pipes and Mayor Lane, and swung into the line of popular belief that Lane's election cannot be blocked.

Previous Records Broken.  
Never in the memories of all those who have attended such meetings has a municipal campaign been opened under such splendid auspices of large attendance and sympathetic good will as the Lane meeting of last night. At 8:30 time in the history of Portland has any political meeting been more successful or representative, except it has been during the heat and stress of a national campaign.

Chairman R. W. Montague had arranged chairs for 1,000 people, but the audience began to come early, and by 8 o'clock he was rustling more seats. He secured 250, and they made but little perceptible impression on the standing crowd, which, after every seat had been taken, filled the rear aisles and ranged round the walls.

Senator Gearin's address was one long to be remembered by those who heard it. The remarks of Judge Pipes and Mayor Lane were forceful and outlined in no uncertain terms what the Lane administration had represented in the past and what it would stand for in the future. The intent of it all was expressed in the brief statement of Mayor Lane when he said:

City Safe in Lane's Hands.  
"I will make your city safe. I will promise one thing: If I am elected mayor of Portland I will serve the whole people of Portland, and I will neither rob you nor—in so far as my power lies—allow others to rob you."

Such a word-picture of conditions has not frequently been heard in Portland as that furnished by Senator Gearin in his address. He wasted no time in introduction after he had been (Continued on Page Four.)

### ALL STORES MUST USE CASING

Executive Board of Council Will Compel Business Firms to Install Campbell System of Fire Protection

For the purpose of aiding basement fire fighting and minimizing danger from basements in such places, the executive board of the city will compel every business house and every warehouse having goods stored in the basement to install the Sullivan floor pipe casing holes.

Fire Marshal Roberts is now engaged in reurvey of the water front for the purpose of determining just where the casing holes are needed. He will work back from the river and every place within the fire limits will be visited.

Publicity will be given through the executive board and owners thus notified of their delinquency. Yesterday at the meeting of the board H. L. Pitcock, F. W. Leadbetter and others owning property on Front street were notified to equip their basements with the new device.

Business Firms Comply.  
Fire Marshal Roberts says there is a cheerful compliance with the requirements and a number of the large business (Continued on Page Four.)

### BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

Another page of entries in The Journal's beauty quest will appear in The Sunday Journal. Although entries are closed, beauty pictures will continue to appear in The Sunday Journal.

The art commission to select the three most beautiful women in Oregon is now considering the thousand and more photos entered in The Journal contest. As soon as the decision is made, the photos will be returned.

Full page portraits will be printed of the winners. Pictures will also be printed of the winners in the 26 other contests being conducted by the great papers of the United States, from whom the most beautiful woman in America will be selected.

The winners of these state contests represent every type of national beauty. You should save them for comparison with the Oregon beauties.

Watch for The Sunday Journal

### EXAMINE SKULL OF APACHE KID

Head of Notorious Indian Bandit, Killed by New Mexican Ranchers, to Adorn Yale University Collection.

Chicago, May 18.—The skull of the "Apache Kid," a notorious Indian bandit upon whose head the federal authorities put a price, has been brought to Chicago and will be presented to some anthropological collection, presumably that of Yale university.

William Kent, reformer, philanthropist and former alderman, financed the expedition which rescued the head of the bandit, who was killed by ranchers in the New Mexico mountain ranges six months ago. A man who took part in the killing guided the party to where the body had been left and the head was severed and brought to Chicago.

There is a total of \$9,000 reward for the head of the "Apache Kid," but it will not be claimed, as the ranchers were well paid at the time they killed the outlaw, and the men who possess the skull are now all wealthy.

### ROBBERS SECURE \$13,000 STAMPS

Safe Crackers Make Big Haul of Postage Stamps in Pasadena Postoffice—Small Amount of Cash Secured.

(Journal Special Service.)  
Pasadena, Cal., May 18.—More than \$13,000 in stamps, a small sum of money and a drawer full of valuable papers were stolen from the safe of the local postoffice last night. The robbery was discovered this morning.

The safe was blown open with nitroglycerin. The robbers had nearly succeeded in forcing the small treasure section of the safe which contained \$2,000 in cash when they were frightened away. They made their escape in a stolen buggy.

Corporations Paying for Privileges.  
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Indianapolis, Ind., May 18.—The tax commissioners report that corporate assessments have increased this year by over \$12,000,000.

### PLOT TO WRECK CHICAGO PRISON

Thousand Convicts Plan to Blow Up Wing of Building and Make Concerted Dash for Liberty—Ringleader Sent to Joliet.

(Journal Special Service.)  
Chicago, May 18.—A plot to blow up the Chicago jail and liberate 1,000 prisoners was frustrated today by the discovery and capture of the prisoners' store of nitroglycerin. A breach had been made in the west wall, in which it was planned to place the explosive and destroy the wall. Extensive plans were made for the inmates of that wing to make a break in a body at the time of the explosion. Bed slats and other weapons were found placed at convenient spots.

Armed guards were placed throughout the prison and ordered to shoot any prisoner who tried to escape.

In the cell of Charles Hansen, a convicted murderer, the guards found a sealed tin can with sufficient nitroglycerin to blow up the whole wing of the building.

### DEVLIN MEN HAVE OPEN FIGHT

Factional war clouds, dark, troublesome and forbidding, are hovering above the headquarters of the Republican city central committee. Thomas B. Devlin is being censured because he has been, and is, leaning upon a Reed, which staff of support is in turn supposed to be braced up by the good wishes and good coin of Frederick W. Mulkey, prospective candidate for United States senator. W. M. Calk and the city central committee are willing that the Republican machine should be well oiled, but Judge Calk objects strenuously to the application of any brand that bears the Mulkey stamp.

Peace Efforts Fail.  
The white bird of peace made two attempts to settle on the Republican machine yesterday, but was driven away from the vicinity by discord among the engineers both at a meeting in the morning and again at one in the afternoon. The poor bird is now hovering in the clouds waiting for a chance to alight.

The trouble dates back before the primaries and breaks upon the ambition of two men, F. W. Mulkey and H. M. Calk, both of whom aspire to be United States senator from Oregon. Yesterday a climax was reached at a meeting of the executive committee of the Republican city central committee when Chairman Calk and Ferdinand E. Reed, Mr. Devlin's advertising manager, had some words.

Calk and Reed Have Words.  
Before the meeting the rumor spread that Reed was backed by F. W. Mulkey and that his machine, effected in the interest of Devlin, was to be used in the event of Devlin's election for the success of Mr. Mulkey's senatorial campaign. This was contrary to the expectations of Chairman Calk, who has hopes that Devlin, if elected, can use the machine to assist in the nomination and election of H. M. Calk, who is also desirous of representing the state in the United States senate. The situation was canvassed at the meeting, but no harmony came from the discussion.

"Why," said Mr. Calk, apparently in great surprise addressing Reed, "you are a professional politician."

"Well," was the retort, "I do not know that I have any of the best of you in that. You, and your brother, have sought office, I believe."

Turning to David Mossesohn, who had broken into the dialogue, Reed said to him:

Trouble of Long Standing.  
"Yes, I have an organization, and you want it, but I have got it right here in my pocket. I took it out of my desk because I know that if I left it there when you came into the office I would lose it." This was about as near as the meeting approached to harmony.

The seed of all the trouble was planted before the primaries, when the city central committee's executive committee met and selected a mayorality candidate. At that time six out of the seven members voted for Devlin and the other cast a blank. Since that time the committee has been behind the candidacy of Mr. Devlin. Chairman Calk, it is said, then entered into an agreement with Mr. Devlin, that the candidate should use his influence and his Reed machine, then in course of incubation, for the success of H. M. Calk when the time came, in return for the support of the party machine at the present time. Reed, however, seems to have made other plans.

Realizing Reed's perilous influence Mr. Devlin sought to shelve him before the primaries but Reed refused to go and is now in the Devlin headquarters in the Sweetland building, still refuses to leave and is reported to have consigned the city central committee to a place somewhat warmer than the torrid zone following his session with that organization yesterday afternoon. The committee is still striving for the solution of the puzzle.

### TELEGRAPH TRUST IS FORMED

Western Union and Postal Perfect Working Agreement Whereby Joint Offices Will Be Used to Save Expense

(Journal Special Service.)  
New York, May 18.—A story concerning a working agreement between the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies is published by the American, which states that the following saving in expenditures will be effected at a cost of the excellence in service: Decreased rentals for booths in business houses, hotels and other institutions over country, \$35,000. Abandonment, consolidation and utilization of joint offices, \$1,000,000. Salaries saved by discharging employees, expense of competition and reduction in wire stringing and extensions competition made necessary, \$500,000. Total yearly savings, \$1,400,000.

Although the actual consolidation of the two companies has not been effected, their offices in many places will be combined. Large hotels where booths are maintained by telegraph companies have been notified that rentals must be greatly reduced. If the reduction is not granted by any hotel, telegraph service will be taken out of it. Most hotels want service for their patrons.

### THE CIRCUS THRILLER

Tody Hamilton, Barnum's press agent, writes of the hair-raising "thriller" seen in big shows in the past 20 years.

How electric lighting has become king—marvelous strides in past quarter of a century.

How Oregon Indians hold revival meetings.

Is he saint or charlatan? A visit to Father John of Kronstadt, Russia's most famous priest.

A baroness who spied upon an emperor.

A house that rose on a wave of gold—story of the Guggenheim family.

School days in other lands than ours.

Why some people go to law—absurd suits for trivial causes.

No wedding bells for him—Maud and Si meet Alphonse and Gaston—Jimmy rushes for paper's cigars—Bunk and his wife father.

These are but a trifle of the contents of

Tomorrow's Mammoth Sunday Journal