

TUCKER MAY FILE COUNTER CHARGES AGAINST WIFE REVIVING OLD GOSSIP



Mrs. John A. Logan and Her Daughter, Mrs. Mary Logan Tucker, Wife of Colonel William F. Tucker.
 (Journal Special Service.)
 Washington, July 1.—There is little doubt but that Lieutenant-Colonel William F. Tucker will be called upon to face a court-martial as the result of charges preferred against him by his wife, Mrs. Mary Logan Tucker, and her mother, Mrs. John A. Logan, widow of General John A. Logan.

PALATINE GUARD TO BE DISBANDED

Vatican First of European Powers to Put Disarmament Into Effect.

MEMBERS OF CORPS DISLIKE SUPERIORS

Unable to Enforce Discipline or Reform, Dissolution of Whole Regiment Is Likely—Only a Hundred Members.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Rome, July 1.—It seems probable that the first of the European powers to put into practical effect the idea of disarmament will be the Vatican. This is because of recent discontent among the Palatine guards, many of the members of which have for several months manifested their dislike for their superiors.

The commander-in-chief of the guard is Count Pecci, a nephew of the late pope, who as pope and also as commander of the corps introduced some wise reforms with the intention of bettering the condition of the men and the discipline of the corps. In enforcing such reform he failed conspicuously, as he met with much opposition not only from some of the men but also from several of his subordinate officers, especially in the matter of uniforms and promotion.

The pope has been informed by his cardinal secretary of state of the trouble, who was told to order greater obedience by members of the guard under pain of expulsion. This threat did not meet with success and now a dissolution of the whole regiment is likely. The Palatine guard, which numbers about 100 men, is composed of volunteers selected from the middle classes of Rome. They receive no regular pay but are offered certain fees.

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JACKRABBITS FADING AWAY

Unknown Foe Preys on the Vitals of the Pest of the Plains.

BIOLOGICAL EXPERT IS DIAGNOSING CASE

Ranchers Report Wholesale extermination of the Long-Eared Demons of the Desert—Campaign to Be Waged Against Sage Rat.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Madras, Or., July 1.—Br'er Jackrabbit in years past has reared his family in peace on the sagebrush flats and around the juniper points in central Oregon. His countless numbers have at times been almost a plague in this district. But he is now reported to be dying, hundreds of him, from a disease caused by a microbe, the exact nature of which is now under investigation by the biological survey of the department of agriculture.

Stanley E. Piper, assistant in the biological survey, has been at Haystack during the past week, where he has been securing specimens of the diseased rabbits and studying the nature of the fatal ailment. In order, if possible, to determine whether or not there is any danger of human beings or domestic animals contracting it from the rabbits.

Symptoms of the Disease.

Rabbits that become afflicted are said to grow weak and emaciated and become almost unable to get out of the way when approached. Dissection reveals large sacks of yellow watery pus formed all over the body of those in the advanced stages of the disease and the points where these sacks form are said to be usually near a gland development. Many of the rabbits have large protuberances on the side of the neck and head.

Mr. Piper announces that he has discovered a microbe which he thinks causes the disease, but he has not made sufficient study of the matter, as yet, to make any definite conclusions. Out of 12 specimens which he examined every one of the old rabbits had the disease. Young ones of this year's crop, seemingly were not affected.

How They Were Hunted Once.

Ranchers whose work takes them out over the ranges state that rabbits are becoming scarce and many dead ones are seen lying about. And this, too, in a district that a few years ago was famous for big killings in "rabbit drives," and where farmers hunt them by hitching onto a wagonload of shotgun men and driving around the country while the men with the guns, bunched as they were, were never in want of a target, so numerous were the rabbits.

The manner in which the rabbit disease was brought here is interesting. A man from Australia named Welch was visiting friends at Haystack last summer and noted the fatal effects of the disease. In portions of Australia the rabbits are a great plague and Welch was minded to take some of the virus or disease germs to Australia and endeavor to inoculate rabbits.

Prof. Jordan Helped It Along.

He shipped his rabbits in the post meridian state, but it seems that his method of embalming was not satisfactory to all on board the ship on which he took passage to Australia, and "by mistake" the crate of odorous jacks was given a airing in the Washington, and as a consequence Biologist Piper has been sent here to investigate and endeavor to determine the nature and cause of the disease.

Anti-Sage Rat Crusade.

Mr. Piper is also looking over the field preparatory to performing a stunt with the sages of this region early next season. He plans to inoculate rats with a virus which causes a fatal, contagious disease and by this means hopes to rid the country of this pest. He has been experimenting on the ground squirrels of Whitman county, Washington, during the past few months. While here he stated that he had taken special

TO BE DOUBLY ARMED ON ALCOHOL RATE

State Railway Commission Will Carry on an Investigation on Its Own Motion.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., July 1.—Following up its fight for better rates on denatured alcohol, in the case in which the Oregon state railway commission is plaintiff, now pending before the interstate commerce commission, the Oregon commission will now investigate on its own motion the rates on this product within the state. Under what is known as the "western classification" denatured alcohol has the same rates as "proof alcohol. The commission regards the matter as

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