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HENRY SAYS HALL THREATENED STEWART IN EFFORT TO ELECT FULTON TO U. S. SENATE

JAP TREATY LEFT TO STRAUS AND SARGENT CHAMAN ENGLAND FEARS MONEY'S SHORT

Declares Nation Would Be Bankrupt If It Went to War.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Upon the judgment of Secretary Straus and Commissioners of Labor Sargent will depend the final decision in the matter of accepting or rejecting the Japanese plan of regulating immigration...

London, Jan. 16.—England is daily giving evidences of her fear for the future of Japan. Statesmen say the combined political and financial problem confronting the mikado's country has suddenly loomed up as a menacing force...

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RUSH FORTS FOR SAN FRANCISCO Army Engineers Hurrying Work on Defenses to Be Erected at Bay City.

San Francisco, Jan. 16.—After months of quiet work done with considerable secrecy, United States army engineers have almost completed plans for an extensive system of redoubts and trenches for the protection of the forts guarding the entrance to San Francisco bay.



M. W. LITTLETON, THAW'S ATTORNEY.—Copyright by George Grantham Bain.

NO COMMISSION IN THAW TRIAL

Jerome Says He Will See That Case Goes Direct Into Hands of Jury.

New York, Jan. 16.—All hope on the part of the defense in the Thaw case, if any such hope is entertained of having the proceedings interrupted by the appointment of a commission to inquire into the defendant's mental condition has vanished.

August Weber, who was at one time (Continued on Page Five.)

FEAR BRITISH SHIP HARTFIELD IS LOST OFF VANCOUVER ISLE

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 16.—Wreckage on the west coast of Vancouver island seems to indicate the loss of the British ship Hartfield, bound from Liverpool to Port Townsend. The ship was of 1,810 tons, Captain Sanderson commanding.

C. AND E. RAILROAD FAILS TO PAY TAX; IS PLACED ON SALE

Albany, Or., Jan. 16.—The Corvallis and Eastern railroad is advertised for sale on account of delinquent taxes in this morning's issue of the Weekly Democrat. Sheriff Smith has made repeated efforts to collect this amount and after having been promised a settlement in full, and the consideration by the

MURDERED

Lee Hoy Killed at Sacramento as Result of Tong Outbreak—Was President of Hop Sing and Trouble May Occur Here.

Local Chinatown is wildly excited over the assassination, at Sacramento last night, of Lee Hoy, president of the Hop Sing tong. Lee Hoy was educated in Portland and his tong is one of the most powerful Chinese organizations in Portland.

Seven Members of Bing Kongs Shoot Enemy in Street—Learned Secrets of Criminals While Acting as Interpreter.

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COURT FROWNS ON BAD BOYS

Willie Hoskins Convicted of Assault for Whipping His Teacher.

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 16.—For thrashing his teacher at Echo, Willie Hoskins of that place was found guilty of assault and battery in the circuit court here this morning. Sentence will be passed Saturday.

\$5 INCREASE IN COLONIST RATES

Union Pacific Takes Initiative—Big Tide of Settlers Is Expected Here.

Colonist rates from the middle west to the Pacific northwest will again prevail this year. Effective from March 1 to April 30, colonist travel will have rates of \$30 from Missouri river territory, \$35.50 from St. Louis and \$33 from Chicago common points.

General acceptance expected. The entire list of roads signing the notice were as follows: Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line, Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.

Tide of Settlers Coming. "There will be an immense influx of homeseekers on the new rates," said Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial club.

Oregon is bound to get the homeseekers, and the railroads can't prevent it. While I think the rate was high enough last year, the increase of \$5 will not stop the people in the middle west who are contemplating a move to Oregon.

I am convinced that we should this year make the edition 100,000 copies. It furthermore is my belief that the titles of the book should get out their own individual booklets showing up the special advantages of their own localities, instead of using the chamber's booklet.

BRYAN OPPOSED BY DEMOCRATS IN HOUSE

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—According to a poll of the Democratic members of the house of representatives made by the Washington Post, William Jennings Bryan and his policies are opposed by a large percentage. One of the surprises caused by the poll is that Bryan is not the choice of the majorities from Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, and Virginia.

CHILD'S DEATH WAS ACCIDENT

Victor Smith Says Fink Child at Alpha Was Killed by a Glancing Bullet.

Chehalis, Wash., Jan. 16.—Victor Smith, the young man who shot the 10-year-old Fink girl at Alpha Sunday came in and gave himself up to the sheriff last night. Smith's version of the shooting differs very materially from the first story given out by the Fink girl's mother.

BONI AND SAGAN AGAIN FIGHT

Frenchmen for Second Time in Bloodless Battle With Canes as Weapons.

Paris, Jan. 16.—A second encounter has taken place between Count Boni de Castellane and his cousin, Prince Helle de Sagan.

Presumably Count Boni was aware prince Helle was passing the day at the home of his former wife for when his highness issued at moon up the count struck angrily toward him.

SKAGGS DENIES SPARKS SCANDAL

Speaker of Nevada House Declares He Did Not Say Governor Was Drunk.

PORTLAND'S POPULAR PAPERS GROW MORE POPULAR

Next Sunday, bright, well illustrated and full of news. Instructive pages for old and young. Best magazine section, five pages of comics, fashions, society and drama—in fact everything that people wish for their Sunday reading.

Judge Lionel R. Webster for Defense Denies Hall Ever Forced "Political Machine" to Enter into Senatorial Contest.

Ghosts of former battles for the United States senatorship, stories of former political intrigues, threats of indictment and prosecution if political leaders did not do the bidding of John H. Hall, and possibly the state's evidence of W. W. Stelwer, these are some of the sensations intimated by the opening statement of Francis J. Heney in the Hall land fencing conspiracy case made this morning.

Heney in outlining what the government will attempt to prove says that the government will show that Hall worked in the interests of John H. Mitchell for election to the United States senate, and at a later date for Senator Fulton.

Heney in opening his case, went over the early history of the conditions which resulted in the erection of the fence and the indictment. He said that the Butte Creek Land, Lumber & Livestock company was formed by Stelwer, Hendricks and Zachary, that Stelwer and the treasurer, Hendricks, then commissioner of the general land office, was the secretary and Zachary was the attorney.

Heney continued by saying that the members of the company induced a number of people to file on land needed by them, the claimants being composed of stage-drivers, sheepherders, cowboys, washermen and other all of whom took the claims at the solicitation of the members of the company.

Once the fences were up enclosing a large block of government land, the defendants continued to refuse outsiders the use of the open land inside their fences, keeping them out with threats of violence.

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