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WEALTHY WOMAN SHOT BY MINING ENGINEER

MRS. NOYES OF BOSTON KILLED IN LOS ANGELES

W. P. McComas, Prominent Citizen and Shriner Fires the Fatal Bullet—Much Mystery in Case—McComas Alleges Woman Threw Vitriol in His Face

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Feb. 29.—Mrs. Charlotte L. Noyes, a wealthy member of the well known Noyes family of Boston and a prominent member of the Eastern Star, was shot and instantly killed this morning in her luxurious apartments at 617 South Little street by W. P. McComas, a well known local mining engineer and Shriner.

BUTTER--BUT--ER--A MYSTERY

Modern King Midas Makes Pound of Yellow Skid-Grease Out of Half Pound of Milk—Looks and Tastes Like Real Biscuit Plaster, Too.

A man who claims he can make a pound of butter from a half pound of milk in 25 seconds has been in Portland during the past week endeavoring to interest Portland promoters and capitalists.

QUINTUPLETS ADDED TO FAMILY OF MANY TWINS AND TRIPLETS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Steubenville, Ohio, Feb. 29.—Mrs. George Campbell has given birth to five babies. Within two hours later three of them, all boys, died, but the other two, a boy and girl, are robust and will live.

STOCKTON WILL NOT OPPOSE LECTURER

Stockton, Cal., Feb. 28.—There is no protest against Dr. Blue lecturing on the bubonic plague in Stockton. At a meeting last night, when it was announced that Blue had been invited to speak in Stockton next Wednesday evening, two or three business men protested, and to urge the necessity of improved sanitary conditions the objections were withdrawn.

LANGDON IS ACCUSED OF CONSPIRACY

H. L. Packard Charges That District Attorney Is Convinving With Crothers and Older in Trial of Tevis Libel Suit.

Alleged Prosecutor Forced Ruff to Sign Affidavit Upon Which Newspapermen Are Basing Their Defense in Case.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Feb. 29.—The sensational letter written by H. L. Packard to Attorney General Webb, in which District Attorney Langdon is openly charged with conniving with the attorneys for R. A. Crothers and Fremont Older, on trial on a charge of libel preferred by William Tevis, to force Abe Ruff to make a signed statement in support of the charges on which the libel suit is based, had not reached the attorney general this morning and until it does he will not discuss his probable action in the matter.

The Packard letter calls upon the attorney general for an investigation into the methods of the district attorney's office, charging that Langdon joined in a movement with Detective William J. Burns to coerce Ruff into making an affidavit favorable to Crothers and Older by representing to him the fulfillment of his immunity contract depended upon it.

MEXICO BARS YANKEE TARS

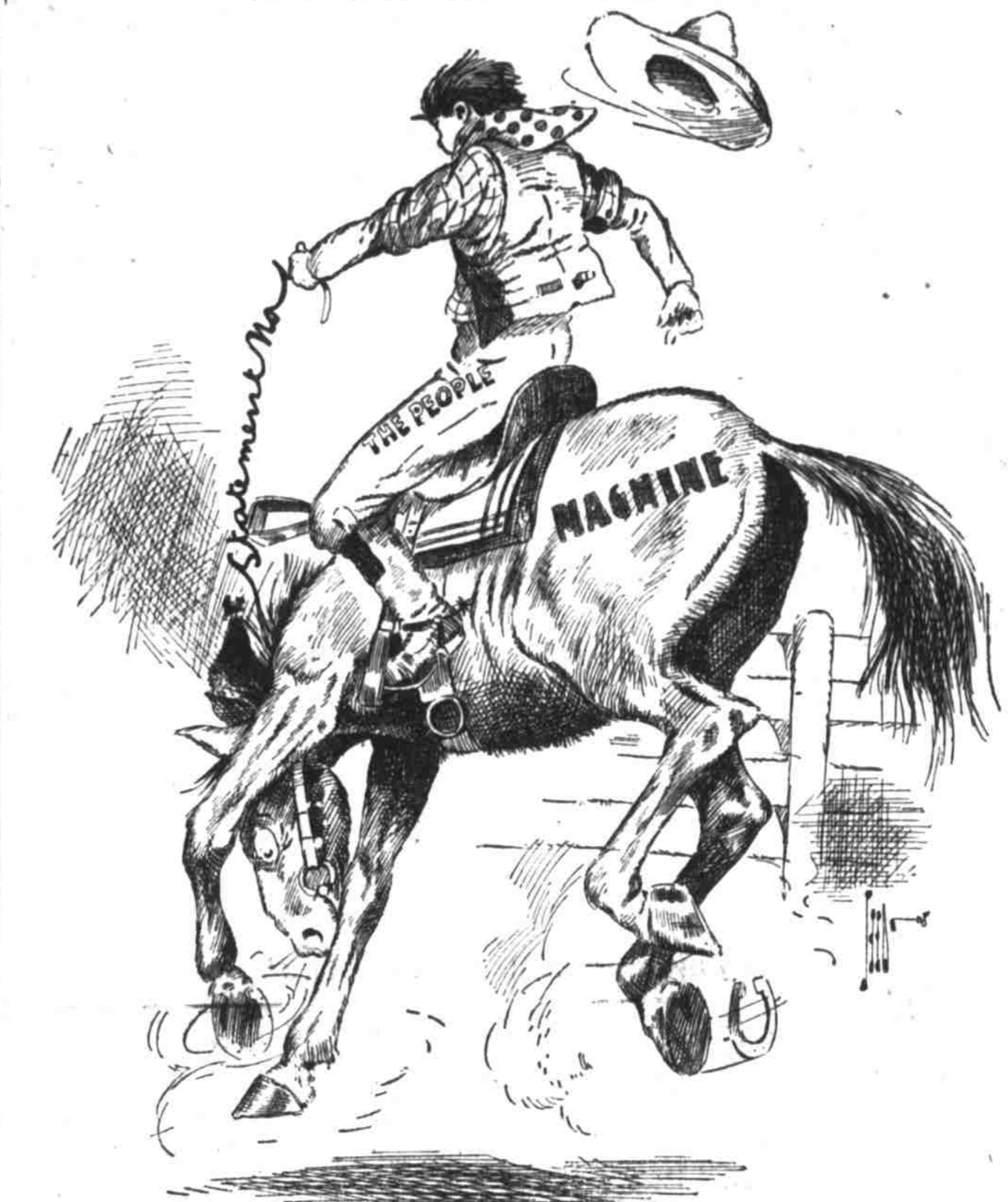
Refuses to Allow Sailors to Hold Target Practice at Magdalena Bay.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Mexico City, Feb. 29.—The Mexican government has denied the application of the United States government to permit the marines of the American fleet of battleships to engage in small arm practice upon the peninsula of lower California at the bay of Magdalena.

ANTI-MACHINE FORCES WIN; STATEMENT 1 MAN IN CHAIR

Harmony badgered by three separate and distinct factions of the Republican party in Multnomah county fled in affright from the convention held in the Sealing-Hirsch building this morning soon after the "mass convention" was called to order by C. M. Idleman, chairman of the Republican city and county central committee.

A BUCKING CAYUSE



The Broncho Buster Has a Firm Seat

KNOCKER REUTERDAHL IS FORCED TO LEAVE FLEET

Callao, Peru, Feb. 29.—Saluted by the guns of the Peruvian warships as they passed out of the harbor and given a hearty God-speed by the thousands of enthusiastic people on pleasure craft ashore, the American battleship fleet, led by the flagship Connecticut, steamed out of the harbor this morning for Magdalena bay. The stately procession of warships presented a magnificent spectacle as they passed out in single file.

Henry Reuterdahl's departure from the fleet is causing comment among Peruvian naval officers. Having discussed Reuterdahl's criticisms with American officers, many are inclined to the belief that Reuterdahl left the fleet because he felt that he was persona non grata because of "knocking."

Before sailing Admiral Evans sent messages to President Pardo and the minister of marine, thanking them warmly for the reception and treatment tendered the officers and men of his command.

HETTY DOES NOT WANT BUTTERFLY

Astor's Great Grandson Denies That He Is Engaged to Miss Green.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 29.—"Please say for me there is absolutely no truth in the rumor of my engagement."

THAW WILL NOT PAY LAWYERS

White's Slayer Angry Because He Is Forced to Remain in Asylum.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 29.—Harry Thaw refused to pay the fees of the attorneys who defended in his second trial and also refuses to make any settlement upon his wife, according to messages received from Pittsburgh today.

HEINZE SAYS THERE WAS GREAT SCANDAL IN MERCANTILE DEAL

(United Press Leased Wire.) Boston, Feb. 29.—F. Augustus Heinze has sent this statement, along with his compliments, to the gentlemen who reorganized the Mercantile National bank in New York.

never been published, and it is quite possible that it never will be. But I can say this much—there has been a whole lot of things done that had for their inspiration something besides the protection of depositors and shareholders, and if the truth is ever known the whole world will be startled and some of our leading financial lights may go to jail.

THE SUNDAY JOURNAL BETTER THAN EVER. HERE ARE SOME OF THE REASONS YOU SHOULD BUY THIS GREAT NEWSPAPER. IT PRINTS ALL THE NEWS—Unexcelled local staff, two leased wires, special correspondence in all parts of the world, and a Sunday Magazine and Comic Supplement unequalled in the west.