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SENATE COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE COST OF LIVING

YANT FALLS VICTIM TO TWO CHICAGO THUGS

Professor Stanley Flydrichowicz Unadvisedly Criticizes Pinchot for Removing Forest Service.

Yants in Play in Reply to Strictures of the Professor Believed to Be Mortal—Assailants Under Arrest.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Feb. 3.—Because he decried President Taft for dismissing Pinchot from the forest service, Stanley Flydrichowicz, former professor of biology and philosophy of the University of Vienna, is dying here.

Yants were placed under arrest after they attacked Flydrichowicz in chairs and knocked him to the floor. The professor was unconscious when he arrived.

McArthur was held to the grand jury yesterday in the municipal court on a charge of feloniously taking a contract which he had with the W. P. Land company. R. E. Wallis, managing the land company, was arrested. He stated that McArthur came to his office and asked to see a contract. After they had read it, McArthur grabbed the instrument and ran out the door.

McArthur claims the contract belonged to him. He had asked for it at times and the land company refused to give it up. He also claims it had been altered from the original.

In Chase of a Sneak Thief. (United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Feb. 3.—Detectives were fully detailed to watch the fire buildings in the downtown district in an effort to catch a sneak thief who has been active for the past few days. The thief operates exclusively in restaurants and doctors' offices. Numerous complaints have come from office assistants and stenographers that their purses have been stolen. The police have a complete description of the thief in them by Miss A. J. Robertson, a newspaper employed by Dr. T. J. Johnson. The thief entered the office, looked at the stenographer and then into the hall on a message and then to her purse. His method of robbing was along the same lines.

Theatre Fireman Scalded. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallis, Wash., Feb. 3.—The fireman who was scalded by the fire at Charles Hicks, who went to sleep on the hot water heating plant, was scalded in the dressing rooms of the Keylor Grand theatre, the boiler exploded under the pressure and Hicks badly scalded about the face and

some of the difficulties. Later, when there was no longer any hope of this, I decided for the happiness of myself and family, not to remain with them, though my wife and I had occupied different apartments in the same house for two years prior to my final leaving. It was not until Mrs. Davenport circulated stories which reflected upon my character that I decided to leave my home at Morris Plains, N. J.

COMING AROUND HORN FOR FRISCO-PORTLAND SERVICE

Steamship Bear, Built for San Francisco & Portland S.S. Co., Leaves New York Today With General Cargo. WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SISTER SHIP BEAVER Both Boats, 364 Feet Long, Will Go on Regular Run Soon as Arrive.

In command of Captain C. F. Austin, formerly master of the steamship Minnesota, the steamer Bear, built recently for the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company for carrying passengers and freight between Portland and San Francisco will sail today from New York for the latter port. She will bring a cargo of general freight. Following her about the end of the month will be her sister ship, the Beaver, which will come around with a cargo from New York direct to Portland.

The Bear will come first to San Francisco and will probably be placed on the run between that city and Portland about the latter part of March. The 2500 tons of cargo which she has aboard, in addition to the coal which will be necessary to last her on the passage around, is probably all consigned to San Francisco, as the sailing of the Beaver so soon after her with cargo for Portland direct will give them a chance to segregate it. The passage around the Horn from New York will take her about 45 days and will bring her into the California port about March 13. In charge of her engine-room is Chief Engineer Jackson, formerly chief of the steamship Rose City.

The Beaver, which will sail from New York about the last of February, will be in command of Captain Kidston, who brought the steamer Kansas City around and remained with her as master until he was sent back east to take charge of the new steamer. She will take on about 2500 tons of general cargo at New York, and will come directly to Portland, arriving here about the middle of April.

The two new steamers, which were given the nicknames of Oregon and California, were built for the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company in the

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CROOKED BROKER SENT TO PRISON

Charles S. Cummings Sentenced at Boston—Connected With Lombard Case.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Boston, Mass., Feb. 3.—Charles S. Cummings, formerly a prominent broker here, was sentenced today to serve from five to eight years in state prison on conviction of the charge of larceny and uttering forged notes. The allegations against Cummings were made in connection with the alleged forgeries of John B. Lombard, former city treasurer of South Framingham, Mass., whose notes amounted to nearly \$2,000,000.

Broadminded Brother Chas.



HIS BROTHER WAS P. TAFT

Charles P. Taft, brother of President Taft, owner of the Chicago Times-Star and the Chicago and Philadelphia National league baseball teams who has just bounced the sporting editor of his Chicago paper, because the editor invited some of the leading lights of the baseball world to "meet the president's brother." "I don't want any baseball players loafing around this office," is reported to be Mr. Taft's dictum and although Charles H. Zuber, the sporting man, had been 20 years with the paper, he had to go.

HENNEY TRIPS UP HERMANN BY HIS OWN LETTERS

After Defendant Testified He Had Written Only One Letter to Woman Prosecutor Presents Second One.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 3.—The senate finance committee today reported favorably on an investigation into the cost of living by a special committee of five senators. The resolution was then referred to the committee on contingent expenses, so that funds necessary for the investigation might be provided.

The quick action in reporting favorably today on the resolution, which was introduced yesterday, indicates that the finance committee has agreed to the proposition that the administration shall take action in the matter. It is expected that Senator Lodge will be chairman of the investigating committee and it is supposed that his request that Senator Smoot be one of the members will be granted. Lodge intends to make an immediate investigation and return a report at this session of congress.

Observers here see strong political significance in the various resolutions that have been introduced on the subject. It is believed that the "cost of living" is sure to be a big factor in the campaign next fall. The Republican leaders, it is understood, are anxious to allow the investigation to be placed in the hands of the ways and means committee of the house, as they feared it would then become a long drawn out affair and might not be completed before the election. On the other hand some of the Democratic leaders say that the Republicans are now preparing to "rush through an investigation that will not go into the real, deep causes of the increase in prices."

Senator Lodge explains that it is his purpose to make an immediate, sharp and thoroughgoing investigation that will bring to light at once the real conditions and make it possible to take steps to remedy them. He says that a long delayed investigation would defeat the very purpose of the inquiry, as its results would not come in time to use to the benefit of the people. It is generally believed here today that the Lodge resolution will be put through the remaining formalities without any delay and the committee of five senators will soon be ready to take up the work. The resolution providing for an investigation by the ways and means committee of the house may be put through as it would accomplish the desired purpose. Representative Payne, author of the tariff bill, has announced his displeasure with it, however, and has called it a "dragnet."

FIVE MEMBERS WILL DELVE INTO TRUST METHODS

Republicans Unwilling to Allow Investigation to Be Left With House Committee—Want Speedy Action.

LODGE RESOLUTION SPEEDILY PUT THROUGH Some Democrats Alleged to Be in Fear of Whitewash Move.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dulles, Or., Feb. 3.—Swept before tons of earth and rock, two teamsters, eight horses and two wagons plunged down the dizzy walls of the Deschutes river canyon into the waters of the swiftly running stream, according to a report reaching here this afternoon and confirmed by the long distance operator at Sherar's bridge. The men and horses met instant death. The wagons were crushed into bits. The vast amount of earth turned the usually clear stream into a muddy torrent, say residents in the vicinity of the accident.

The slide occurred late yesterday afternoon at Maupin's ferry, 10 miles south of Sherar's bridge. The men and equipment are thought to have been from Copenhagen Bros. camp. Copenhagen Bros. have a subcontract with Porter Bros. on the Oregon Trunk line construction. It is presumed that the recent heavy snows and rains caused the road to go out. At the point where the slide occurred the road winds along the side of a steep bluff, veritably chiseled out of the rock and earth formation. The names of the teamsters have not been learned.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Lakeview, Or., (via Reno, Nev.), Feb. 3.—Bert Petrie, accused of a statutory offense, was lodged in jail here last night. He was bound over at today's preliminary hearing to the May term of court, under \$1000 bonds.

The daughter of Tom Crump, who resides near Adel, in Warner Valley, Lake county, is the complaining witness.

JOHN MITCHELL ON CAUSE AND CURE OF MINE CATASTROPHES

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 3.—John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers, and one of the foremost mining authorities in the world, today declared his belief that the changeable atmospheric conditions usually prevalent at this time of the year are responsible to a large extent for the three great mine disasters in America this week, which have cost the lives of at least 168 men.

A revision of the reports today shows the following totals of loss of life: Seventy-five are dead as the result of the explosion in the Fuel & Iron company's mine at Edmore, Colo. Sixty-three miners are dead at La Esperanza, Mexico, as the result of the explosion in the Paulina mine late yesterday. Thirty are known to be dead in the White mine at Browder, Ky. Mitchell explains that cold air, entering the workings, meet the warm air from the depths of the mine, and in the contact tends to create a dangerous explosive gas. "Most mine disasters could be avoided if all the men were compelled to serve an apprenticeship of three years,

Made Money in Oregon



Mrs. Marion McRae of the Hood River country has successfully grown strawberries and apples until she is worth many thousands of dollars. She is now in New York.

SLIDE SWEEPS 2 MEN, 8 HORSES TO DESTRUCTION

Road Slides Into Deschutes River and Tons of Earth and Rock Bury Oregon Trunk Employees.

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CHARGED WITH MURDER OF TWO UNKNOWN MEN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Houlaim, Wash., Feb. 3.—William Gohl, president of the Sailors' union, is under arrest in Aberdeen, charged with the murder of two men, whose names are unknown. It is claimed that Gohl recently made the assertion that he had killed two men and sunk their bodies in the Chehalis river near Indian creek. The authorities heard of his statement and sent a launch to that locality to make a search. After grappling for a while the crew on the launch brought up the body of a man with a piece of anchor chain about his neck. The body was taken to the Aberdeen morgue and Gohl was promptly arrested. The launch crew is still searching for the other body.

Gohl has been in trouble with the authorities for years. A year or two ago dozens of men mysteriously disappeared from Grays Harbor, and the officers hope that they are now in a way to clear up some of the strange doings which were the outcome of labor quarrels between Sailors' union and the Shipowners' association. Gohl now denies any knowledge of the bodies.

JAMES J. HILL GREAT BOOSTER FOR PORTLAND

In Letter to Three Young New Yorkers, Who Wrote for Information, Suggests Rose City as Best City.

ADVISES THEM TO COME HERE TO LIVE Trio Tell in Letter to Mayor of Railroad Magnate's Love for Portland.

James J. Hill, railroad magnate and empire builder, is boosting for Portland. Not only through the large publicity department of his immense transcontinental railroad system, but personally, through letters and conversation. Although Mr. Hill is generally regarded as a man of very few words, he is pointing the way of the ambitious to the golden west.

The following letter, received by Mayor Simon of this city and turned over to the Portland chamber of commerce for further action, goes a long way towards explaining Mr. Hill's attitude towards the Pacific northwest and his opinion of Portland. It is from a young man in New York city, who has come to the conclusion that the west is the land of opportunities and that Portland is the place for him. This is what the letter says:

"My dear Sir: James Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway company of St. Paul, Minn., in a letter just received, suggested that your city is a good place for a young man to get into business. On behalf of two friends of mine and myself, who expect to leave New York City in the early part of February for the purpose of trying our luck and pluck in the west, we wrote

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MRS. BROKAW IS GRANTED DIVORCE

Judge Holds Allegations of Cruelty Were Fully Proved—Allowed \$15,000 Year.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Mfneola, L. I., N. Y., Feb. 3.—Mary Blair Brokaw was today granted separation from her millionaire husband, William Gould Brokaw, by Judge Putman of the New York supreme court. Judge Putman's decision filed today, allows Mrs. Brokaw \$15,000 a year for maintenance and holds that her allegations of cruelty, upon which her suit was based, were fully proved. Mrs. Brokaw had demanded \$20,000 a year. Judge Putman held this amount was excessive, in view of Brokaw's income.

NAVY SCANDAL MAY REACH TO "HIGHER UPS"

Girl's Photograph Goes Beyond First Stages of Trouble and Involves Prominent Officials.

SENATOR LODGE AND ADAM SWIFT MENTIONED Complication of Social Affairs Is Result of Court-Martial.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Boston, Feb. 3.—No matter what may be the verdict of the court martial that is trying Paymaster George Percival Auld and Assistant Surgeon A. H. Robnett, U. S. N., on charges of "conduct unbecoming a gentleman" it is apparent today that out of the scandal that is shaking naval circles to their very foundation, actual trouble, or at least much unpleasantness, is likely to arise for high personages of the navy.

Auld and Robnett were brought to trial as the result of the physical attack they are alleged to have made upon Dr. Edward Spencer Cowles of Boston, cousin of Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and a relative of Rear Admiral Cowles, at a dance at the home of Medical Inspector H. E. Ames of the Boston navy yard.

The attack was reported to have been made because Cowles refused to return to Miss Dorothy Hesler of Evanston, Ill., one of her photographs he was accused of having appropriated.

Since the convening of the court martial, before which Auld and Robnett were cited to appear some weeks after charges had been filed against them by Dr. Ames, insinuations and

TREASURED BABY SHOE ABOVE ALL

Tramp Dies Leaving \$900—Address of Son in Infant's Bootie Found Over Heart.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Feb. 3.—Through all the vicissitudes of tramp life, while sleeping in barn, haystack or field, while camping beside railroads or lying in village jails, Nathan Franklin carried with him a tiny baby shoe, a soiled and crumpled reminder of happier days long ago. The little shoe is now the principal evidence whereby Thomas J. Franklin of his city came into possession of a little hoard of money left by his father, the aged wanderer. Just a year ago, Nathan Franklin, old and infirm, was received at the Pieshah home here. Soon afterward he died without revealing his name or his history. In his tattered coat was found \$910 sewed in the lining. Over his heart rested the little shoe. Later a slip of paper with the name of the son and his address on it was found in the shoe. Nathan Franklin, now married with children of his own, identified the memento and recognized a morgue photograph as a likeness of his dead father, who disappeared from home 31 years ago. Franklin recently spent nearly \$600 of the small estate in purchasing a fitting burial plot and in erecting a stone over his father's resting place.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 3.—Secretary Meyer has asked the naval committee of the house for an appropriation of \$225,000 for widening Puget sound drydock