

# TAFT IN CABINET MADE NO PROTEST

## Colonel Roosevelt Replies to Criticism in Harvester Trust Matter.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., April 24.—I am entirely responsible for the action taken, but it was taken with the full approval of the entire cabinet, including Mr. Taft, who was a member of the cabinet," says Colonel Roosevelt in a statement in reply to President Taft's criticism of his action in regard to the prosecution of the harvester trust.

"I took precisely the action in the harvester trust case that I took in all similar cases.

"There remained at the time less than a year and a half of my administration. During this time, for the reasons given by Mr. Smith, he was not able to furnish the report ordered by the senate. During this period, as Mr. Smith writes me, the only instructions I gave him in regard to the report were orders intended to facilitate its preparation and publication.

"Over three years have elapsed since Mr. Taft became president. During this entire time the letter of Mr. Smith has been in the office of the attorney general and Mr. Taft cannot have forgotten the debate about it in the cabinet meeting when he was a member of the cabinet and in which he took part. During these three years Mr. Taft at any time could have ordered the attorney general to proceed against the harvester trust with regard to the report, or have requested the commissioner or corporations either to hurry up the report or to give him the reasons why it was impossible to hurry it up.

"Not only did I not suppress any papers connected with the case, but I left every paper on file either in the department of justice or in the bureau of corporations and if anything wrong had been done either in the way of omission or commission, the administration had three years and two months in which to correct the wrong.

"Mr. Taft has been over three years in the white house. During that period he has had ample time either to publish the facts or to take action against the harvester trust. He has taken no action except that now taken. Five days before the Massachusetts primary."

The colonel calls attention to the fact that the matter was brought up in the senate by Senator Johnston, an ardent supporter of Senator Lorimer of Illinois.

## TITLE GUARANTEE & TRUST IS AGAIN IN THE LIMELIGHT

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In its name were recorded in the books of the Title Guarantee & Trust company and all of its financial transactions with the funds of that company. The Commercial Trust company never had a bank account in its own name. Should this fact, that the Commercial Trust company was not a separate company, be established to the satisfaction of the federal court, Ross and Lindsey cannot escape from being in contempt for the alleged transfer of stock from Ross and his dummies, W. W. Reid, Nathan Coy and Louis G. Clarke, which took place on February 17, 1912, it is said. The stock of Ross, 20 shares, and that of Clarke, 20 shares, was issued subsequent to the appointment of a receiver and was therefore in direct opposition to the orders of the court. Mr. Howard also denies that Reid and Coy ever were the real owners of any stock in the company.

### Part of Ross Estate.

In the issuance of the stock originally, Ross is charged with unlawfully inducing F. C. Mears, at the time receiver of the defunct company, to issue the stock without the sanction of the court and directly contrary to the court's orders. He is also charged with using the same influence in securing the shares to Clarke, and it is said the stock was issued that Clarke might be indemnified as surety on a bond for \$50,000.

The shares which are now claimed by Lindsey and which were turned over to Lindsey by Ross last February, were a part of Ross' estate, if it be decided that he came by them legally, at the time when he made a signed statement through the newspapers that in consideration of the guarantee of William M. Ladd that he would make no claim on the defunct company for the large amount due him until all the depositors were paid. According to this promise Ross stated that in addition to the assets of the bankrupt company he would turn over all of his personal estate to the receiver to be exhausted in the payment of the debts of the company. This promise was made on January 3, 1908.

**Create Fictitious Value, Alleged.**

It is alleged in the petition that on June 12, 1907, Ross, F. T. Burkhart and George H. Hill, as directors of the Title Guarantee & Trust company, then in a precarious and failing condition, held a corporate meeting and resolutions were passed creating a fictitious

## SPOKANE CHRONICLE EDITOR AND HIS ASSASSIN



Above, E. H. Rothrock of the Chronicle, and, below, Charles Aleck, who murdered him causelessly. As a "joke" fellow workmen of Aleck, who could not read, showed him the glaring headlines of the Titanic disaster and told him he was the subject. So Aleck came to Spokane from a logging camp and killed the editor.



Ass by Nathan Coy. This manipulation, it is charged, was fictitious and purposefully done. The total sum of \$125,000 was loaned to Ross, Reid and Coy by Mr. Howard to give him no knowledge of the transaction and did not authorize it.

This \$125,000 stock which was reported to have been issued to Reid and Coy, on the records of the company, was made to purchase the \$125,000 worth of Commercial Trust company shares. The \$125,000 difference went into Ross' own bank account. The Title Guarantee & Trust company was out \$125,000. The company had in the first place paid the \$125,000 for the Commercial Trust company stock and the company's own stock had been issued with which Coy and Reid were made to purchase the stock, adding \$125,000 to the outlay of the Title Guarantee & Trust company. The profit of Ross also came out of the company's funds, completing the \$125,000.

**Out More Than Total Assets.**

The building at Second and Washington streets, known as the Commercial building, was purchased from Sheriff Story in 1907 for \$121,750 by the Commercial Trust company. Prior to the accomplishment of the purchase Ross drew against the funds of the Title Guarantee & Trust company \$25,000 to pay the United States Mortgage & Trust company on the building. Of this \$25,000 but \$15,000 and \$19,111 were repaid.

In addition to this the sum of \$6000 was paid to P. L. Willis that he forego an appeal to the supreme court of the foreclosure suit on the building. This \$6000 was not removed from the assets of the company on its books until after the receiver was appointed. Other transactions add to the amounts charged to the Title Guarantee & Trust company on account of the Commercial Trust company \$12,666.75, making a total of \$125,000 that the Title Guarantee & Trust company was out, or more than the total assets of the company.

Two days before the bank failed, according to the petition, Ross transferred among other amounts, \$4800 from the trust funds of the Title Guarantee & Trust company in the Merchant's Loan & Trust company in Chicago, to John P. Shields, trust officer of the former company. This money was transferred in the name and apparently for the account of the Commercial Trust company, but actually to cover deficiencies in money handled in the name of the Commercial Trust company, moneys which really belonged to the depositors and creditors of the Title Guarantee & Trust company.

## OREGON-MULTNOMAH TRACK MEET ON AGAIN

(Special to The Journal.)

University of Oregon, Eugene, Or., April 24.—T. Morris Dunne, manager of the Multnomah track team has just been notified by Graduate Manager Geary that the meet between Oregon and Multnomah will be held here tomorrow as scheduled.

The track has been drained and will be in good shape if weather continues fair. Dunne has agreed to bring his team.

Earlier in the morning it had been decided to call the meet off.

**Warships Under Sealed Orders.**

Los Angeles, April 24.—The cruiser Maryland and the destroyer Whipple, lying at San Pedro, will clear tonight for San Diego under sealed orders. The impression prevails here that the warships' trip is in connection with the threatened difficulties along the Mexican border.

Damage to Maryland's hull by a dummy torpedo fired by the submarine Grampus was repaired last night and the ship made ready for sea. The submarine Grampus and Pike, conveyed by the tender Fortune, left for San Diego at midnight.

value on the holdings of the Commercial Trust company. This value was placed at \$402,000.

On the ground that it would be of advantage to the Title Guarantee & Trust company to "partake of all the usual advantages of such an investment and all the advantage of the reputation of owning such a visible asset as its home" a fictitious value of \$1000 a share was created on the 1000 shares of the Commercial Trust company. In order that this might be accomplished the sum of \$125,000 was taken from the trust funds of the Title Guarantee & Trust company.

With the \$125,000 shares to the number of 125 in the Commercial Trust company were purchased, notwithstanding the fact that the total capital stock of the company amounted to but \$60,000 and numbered 600 shares, and the par value had never been legally increased from \$100 a share. At the time also there was a shortage of \$12,000 against the property and liabilities of the Title Guarantee & Trust company

amounted to \$114,540. The value of the property of the Commercial Trust company is given at approximately \$100,000.

### Charges Corrupt Deal.

At this same meeting the directors voted the issuance of 1184 shares of stock in the Title Guarantee & Trust company at \$119 a share and Ross reported to accomplish the subscription of 592 of the shares by W. W. Reid and

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New tailored Shopping Bags in real seal-double strap handles, good lock. Regular \$8. Removal price .....\$6.00

Beautiful new Bags in seal and walrus leathers, latest Spring shapes. Regular \$12. Removal price .....\$9.00

Your choice of the lot—Tailored and Shopping Bags—all colors; strap handles, fitted with inside purse, outside pockets. These Bags valued to \$2. Removal price, only .....68¢

Odd lot of tailored and imported Fancy Bags, all different; also lot of pigskin and calf Bags, regular price \$6. Removal price, while they last, is only .....\$2.94

All other Bags in styles too numerous to mention, selling all this week at special reductions. EVERY REDUCTION IS ONE IN FACT

### Removal Sale of Brasses

An assortment of over 100 pieces hammered brass and plain, such as 6-inch Jardinieres, 7-inch Fern Dishes, 4 claw feet and pretty Hanging Baskets with chain. Regularly sold at \$1.75. While they last, each .....98¢

**BRASS TO CLOSE.**

Brass to be pierced and hammered, including glove, tie and handkerchief boxes, picture frames, plaques, candle and lamp shades, trays and tie racks in various sizes. Your choice, any piece .....10¢

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### Toilet Requisites

50c Stillman's Freckle Cream .....32¢  
\$1.00 Herpicide at only .....50¢

## Save on Drugs and Patent Medicines--Saturday

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| 25c Sal Hepatica .....15¢              | 25c Pure Castor Oil, bottle.....13¢ | 75c Marmola Tablets .....59¢        |
| 25c Beecham's Pills .....19¢           | 10c Sewing Machine Oil, bottle 6¢   | \$1.00 Maltine and Cascara .....74¢ |
| \$1.00 S. S. S. for the blood .....69¢ | 25c Bay Rum and Glycerine, bot. 14¢ | 25c Sloan's Liniment .....16¢       |
| 10c Chloride Lime, pkg. ....8¢         | \$1.00 Pinkham's Veg. Comp'd 63¢    | 35c Hospital Cotton, lb. ....27¢    |
| 10c Concentrated Lye, lb. ....7¢       | \$1.00 Swamp Root .....63¢          | 50c Formaldehyde, bottle. ....38¢   |
| 15c Peroxide Hydrogen, bottle. 9¢      | 50c Pyramid Pile .....33¢           | 10c Epsom Salts, pkg. ....5¢        |

### Supply Your Liquor Needs From These!

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| Old Sauter Pepper, bond bottled, full qt. .98¢   | \$1.75 S. S. S. for the blood .....69¢  |
| \$1.75 Tokay, genuine Hungarian imp. .1.23   | \$1.50 Cervera Sherry, Spanish imported. .98¢   |
| Good California Port, Sherry and Claret, an excellent cooking wine, gallon. ....\$1.00 | California's finest vintage in Port and Sherry, guaranteed full measure. Quart. ....75¢ |
| 1/2 gallon .....\$1.35   | Gallon .....\$2.50  |

### Some Saturday Specials!

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| 20c Tooth Brushes, in assorted styles...10¢ | Others at comparative savings.  |
| 75c extra large Ladies' Combs.....59¢       | \$1.10 Oak Bath Tub Seat at.....59¢   |
| \$1.35 White Enamel Seat at.....98¢         | \$1.50 Fountain Syringe, 3-quart, red. ....79¢  |
| \$1.00 Fountain Syringe, 2-quart. ....59¢   | All-linen Towels, for the bath, an excellent towel of generous size, regular \$2.50, \$1.59 |
| 35c "Wood-Lark" Playing Cards.....25¢       | 50c "Wood-Lark" Letter Files.....35¢  |

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**Dainty Percalé House Dresses for Women for \$1.09**

Another sensational sale of women's \$1.50 one-piece house dresses. Made of fine quality percalés—all very neat patterns of stripes and checks. Made in both low neck or sailor collar styles—Short sleeves—panel back and front. Very dainty styles and good qualities.

**Pretty Cambric Muslin Night Robes for Women 95c**

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**\$1.25 Lace Curtains Now Selling for 95c Pair**

Choice new bungalow patterns, 40 inches wide and 2 1/2 yards long. Colors are white or ecru.

**Women's Long Silk Gloves Worth \$1.00 at 75c**

White or black gloves, in 16 button lengths. Nice fine quality pure silk gloves that fit perfectly and have double finger tips.

**\$3, \$3.25 Lace or Net Curtains for \$1.98 Pair**

Some truly wonderful values for Saturday and Monday. Dainty new patterns in net lace, or scrim curtains, in white or ecru. Some have plain centers with lace edge. Scrim in white only, with 3/4 inch insertion and lace edge.

**Best 10c Double Width Percalé for 7c Yard**

Choice new patterns in dark and light percalés, 36 inches wide. Very best 10c qualities at only 7c yard. Saturday only.

**Sale Roller Skates for Boys, Girls**

\$2.50 Ball Bear's Skates \$1.90 for .....98¢  
Best \$2.50 ball bearing, adjustable skates for either boy or girl. On sale in basement toy department.

**Children's 35c Bloomer Rompers Now Only 19c**

For Saturday only, we place on sale neat and serviceable bloomer style rompers for children, 2 to 6 years. Made of plain and check materials, in most approved style. Blue, tan and checks.

**Men's Shirts Special at Only 50c**

Good or negligee shirts that are perfect in fit, full cut size and neat in pattern and color. Cuffs attached or without collars.

**Nu Buck and White Canvas Shoes for Women**

White Buck buttons, with short vamp, best last, high or low heel, at \$3.50. White canvas button shoes at \$1.75 and \$2.50.

**Men's All-Wool Tailored Spring Suits \$12.50 to \$15**

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