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T. R. WANTS TO EXPLAIN GRAB OF THE CANAL

Writes Senator Stone of Foreign Relations Committee Asking That He Be Examined About Panama Canal.

"I DID IT ALL," DECLARES THE FORMER PRESIDENT

Stone Says Roosevelt Should Put His Facts Down in Writing.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, July 22.—Assuming entire responsibility for all acts connected with the acquisition of the Panama canal zone during his administration as president, Colonel Roosevelt made a formal request today that he be examined by the senate foreign relations committee in its hearing on the treaty between the United States and Colombia, by which it is proposed to pay Colombia \$25,000,000 in settlement for that country's claim to the canal territory.

In a letter to Senator Stone of Missouri, chairman of the committee, Roosevelt said:

"If there is any intention on the part of your committee to act favorably on the proposed treaty with Colombia, by which we are to pay Colombia \$25,000,000 and express regret for action taken in the past, I respectfully request that I be heard thereon.

Admits Responsibility.
"I was president throughout the time negotiations were in progress with Colombia, and later with Panama, by which we acquired the right to build the Panama canal.

"Every act of this government in connection with these negotiations, and other proceedings for securing possession of the canal was taken at my express direction, or else in carrying out a course of conduct which I, as president, laid down.

"My full knowledge of everything of any importance which was done in regard thereto by any agent of the government, and I am solely responsible for what was done. John Hay, then secretary of state, now dead, had almost as complete first hand knowledge of what occurred, but no man now living except myself had this first hand knowledge, and no man, living or dead, shared with me the responsibility for the action which I took, save in a wholly minor degree.

No Action Taken.
"I request to appear before you, so that I may make a full statement of exactly what I did, of what was done by my orders, to state my reasons therefor, and to answer any questions your body may choose to put to me."

No quorum of the foreign relations committee was present when Roosevelt's letter was read, and no action upon it was taken. Senator Stone indicated that, personally, he was opposed to hearing the ex-president's testimony.

"I can see no reason," he said, "for turning the foreign relations committee hearings into a town hall proceeding."

Colonel Roosevelt has not yet taken any action to say regarding the situation that ought to be known by the president, the secretary of state or the senate, let him communicate the facts to the committee.

"That happened 11 or 12 years ago is of no great moment at present in considering the treaty."

CRIMINAL ASPECTS OF NEW HAVEN CASE TO BE GIVEN ATTENTION

President Directs Grand Jury Have Chance to Act; Dis-solution Suit Prepared.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, July 22.—That the government's dissolution suit against the New Haven railroad will be filed before the end of the week unless the directors reconsider their refusal to dispose of their Boston-Maine holdings was definitely announced today.

Attorney General McKim today will bring the proceedings in the federal court of the southern New York district, it was stated.

Criminal actions against the individual directors were expected to follow in accordance with President Wilson's letter to the attorney general, in part as follows:

"I request and direct that a proceeding in equity be filed, seeking the dissolution of the unlawful monopoly of transportation facilities in New England now sought to be maintained by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company, and that the criminal aspect of the case be laid before a grand jury."

Writing to the president, the attorney general said:

"The criminal aspects of the case have been kept continually in mind and care has been exercised to permit nothing which might interfere with proper prosecutions at the appropriate time."

Some of the directors responsible for the conditions the government will attack are Charles E. Malten, William Rockefeller and Lewis Cass Ledyard. The late J. P. Morgan was also among them.

WIDOW AND DAUGHTER TESTIFY AT MYSTERY INVESTIGATION



Miss Ruth Dawson (on left), testifying before coroner's jury, while Mrs. Dawson, her stepmother, listened.

MRS. DAWSON HELD DEFENDANT IN LAND LOCATOR CASE TAKES STAND IN HIS BEHALF

Coroner Makes Recommendation in Verdict Laborer Died From Poisoning.

With every probability that the case will be carried to the grand jury for consideration, Mrs. Joseph Dawson is held for further investigation in connection with the death of her husband, George Dawson, laborer, who died of strychnine poisoning last Wednesday at his home in Lents, immediately after breakfast.

Orders to hold her were given by the coroner's jury late last night after it had set for ten hours and listened to the story of events and circumstances surrounding Dawson's passing. The verdict, delivered shortly before midnight, reads:

"George S. Dawson came to his death by means of strychnine poisoning, administered or taken in some manner unknown. The jury recommends that Mrs. Johanna Dawson be held for further investigation by the authorities."

The verdict would appear to leave three propositions open for inquiry on the part of the authorities: That she gave him poison, that he took it intentionally, or that it came to be in his coffee cup.

There is little doubt but that the strychnine was in his coffee cup, as the chemists have made a thorough analysis of the Union Pacific coffee, fast foods in his lunch basket and the coffee remaining in the pot from which both procured the beverage and no poisons were found.

With the exception of Dr. W. T. (Concluded on Page Nine, Column Three.)

BRIDGE FRANCHISE IS PASSED AND CITY TO GET MORE REVENUE

Literature Describing Grant Which Was Sent Out by Promoters Read to Jury.

J. W. Logan, one of the three defendants charged with misusing the mails in connection with the location of settlers on the Oregon & California land grant, and now on trial before Judge Bean in federal court, took the stand in his own behalf this morning. E. J. Sellers of Tacoma and W. F. Minard of Portland are the other defendants.

Logan was general manager for the Western Accident and Health Insurance company of North Yakima, and became interested in the grant lands through reading of the litigation in the papers. He gathered promising opinions on the outcome of the suits from lawyers, and also talked to other locators before going into the business himself. He felt he could interest his 800 or 700 insurance clients in claims, he said. Later he met Minard in Tacoma, and the latter agreed to act as attorney in filing the applications. Minard was to get \$15 for each location.

Logan's Literature Read.
"Timbered Lands; Your Opportunity If You Will," giving history of the grant, and Logan's principal piece of literature, was read to the jury by Attorney Dennis, Logan's counsel. Among other things the statement said: "There is some risk in the outcome of this suit." Applicants were also asked to specify whether they wanted timbered or agricultural lands. Prices mentioned for a location were (Concluded on Page Ten, Column Six.)

INSANE PHYSICIAN IN COLORADO RELEASED AS "CURED" KILLS 3

Dr. Hutchison of Glenwood Springs, After Trying to Kill Wife, Slays Daughters.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Glenwood Springs, Colo., July 22.—A triple tragedy was revealed here today in which Dr. T. L. Hutchison killed his two daughters and then committed suicide. It was the second attempt Hutchison had made to destroy his entire family.

Two weeks ago Dr. Hutchison went violently insane as a result of excessive use of drugs, and severely beat his wife. He was overpowered and taken to a sanitarium. A few days ago he was pronounced cured and returned to Glenwood Springs. Last night Hutchison again went violently insane from the use of drugs. He went to a hotel where Mrs. Hutchison was under the care of a trained nurse recovering from his first attempt on her life. Hutchison dragged his wife from her bed and again attempted to kill her. The nurse, Mary McCahan, threw him out of the room and locked the door.

Hutchison then rushed to his office, where he found his two daughters, Fay, 10, and Lois, 12. Without a word he drew from his pocket a revolver and began shooting at the two girls. When he was sure they were both dead he turned the weapon on himself and committed suicide.

ASQUITH IS ON VERGE OF FALL OVER IRELAND

Liberal Government Seems Tottering Between Devil and Deep Sea as Conferences Proceed.

KING'S CIVIL WAR TALK STIRS UP CATHOLICS

They Have Always Contended Ulster's Talk of Resistance Was Joke.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

London, July 22.—With political feeling growing tenser almost hourly, another hour and a half's session of the conference concerning Irish home rule was held by the leaders of the opposing parties at Buckingham palace today.

When it adjourned until Thursday it could not be learned that any material progress had been made.

One thing was very evident—the home rulers' demand that such talk was mere bombast, the expression was taken in home rule circles as a tolerably open declaration of royal support for the anti-Unionists.

In the house of commons, following today's session of the conference, Premier Asquith sought to divert criticism from the king by himself accepting responsibility for his majesty's utterance. He insisted that George had acted within his constitutional rights throughout the entire proceeding.

His statement, however, did not accomplish much in the way of turning the tide of political comment. The Chronicle, the chief Liberal organ, in its today's edition, plainly warned the king not to mix in the country's political controversies. The conviction was growing that the (Concluded on Page Ten, Column Seven.)

NOTED ADVOCATE DEFENDING MME. CAILLAUX



Maitre Fernand Labori, who played leading part in the Dreyfus case, and who is chief counsel for woman who killed Editor Calmette of Le Figaro.

ONE FAKE IS ENOUGH; FOREST GUIDE TURNS ON THE NATURE-MAN

Knowles Exposed After Plan for Second Trick on Public is Learned.

When Allie Deming, trapper and guide of the great north woods of Maine, exposed Joseph Knowles, the "nature-man," as one of the signal fakers of modern times, it was because Deming had learned a very few weeks ago that his erstwhile accomplice and comedy plotter was planning a hoax in southern Oregon similar to the one he perpetrated in Maine last year.

Until that time, Deming "stood pat" with Knowles in asserting that the Maine exploit was true. He gave out interviews to that effect, both in the Boston Post and in other papers, still considering the hoax too good to disclose.

Whether it was because of pique that he was not being taken on the second cave-man expedition or simply because he felt the joke had gone far enough when Knowles emerged in Canada clad in a bear skin and deer-hide breeches, Deming finally acknowledged that the whole affair was a fake.

Deming, according to his own story, was an accomplice of Knowles in the Maine woods comedy. He helped dig the fake bear pit to deceive the inquisitive into believing Knowles' story of trapping and beating the bear to death and skinning it with a sharp-edged rock. He made the iron-wood (Concluded on Page Ten, Column Five.)

AGADIR AFFAIR NEVER EXISTED, IT IS ADMITTED

Defense Scores Important Point in Trial of Mme. Caillaux; Political Document Not Held by Calmette

POLITICAL MURDER IS NOT SUBSTANTIATED

Moroccan Scandal Hinted at as Real Cause of the Assassination.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Paris, July 22.—The defense won an important victory today in Mme. Henriette Caillaux' trial for killing Editor Gaston Calmette of Le Figaro.

Throughout the trial up to that point, hint after hint has been thrown out concerning a mysterious document Calmette was said to have possessed, proving that ex-Finance Minister Joseph Caillaux, the prisoner's husband, was party to a compact with Germany in which France's Moroccan interests were sacrificed to Caillaux' personal financial interest.

According to French ideas the dragging of such a subject as a politician's relations with a woman into a political controversy, as was done by Calmette in publishing Caillaux' letter to his wife, written prior to their marriage and at a time when she had a wife and she a husband living and undivorced, is so heinous an offense that it was deemed quite possible a jury would consider Mme. Caillaux justified in shooting him.

Caillaux Feared Exposure.
The prosecution's plan plainly was to make it appear that the fear of the publication of more of these letters was not what led to the shooting, however, but that Calmette's document would make public the political document, exposing his transactions with Germany really inspired him to incite his wife to assassinate the editor.

News Editor Louis Latzarus of 'Le Figaro,' on the witness stand late yesterday referred to the document as "document relating to what was known as the 'Agadir incident,'" asserting that Calmette actually showed it to him, Calmette's attorney told him he did not intend to use it as it might make trouble for France.

Caillaux promptly demanded that Latzarus tell what the document contained, relating to what was known as the "Agadir incident," asserting that Calmette actually showed it to him, Calmette's attorney told him he did not intend to use it as it might make trouble for France.

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Plan for Guarding Against Accidents in Street Adopted

The first step toward curbing pedestrian traffic on the busy downtown intersections in an effort to prevent accidents will be taken by the department of public works next week. White lines will be painted on the sidewalk and street at the intersection of Fifth and Washington streets and will define the place for pedestrians to travel.

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THANK GOODNESS! THE SUSPENSE IS OVER!



SCOTCH LASS LOST ON WAY TO BE WED

She Left Toronto for San Francisco July 15, Baggage Arrived but Girl Dropped From Sight.

San Francisco, Cal., July 22.—The San Francisco police were appealing today to the departments at cities between here and Toronto for aid in finding Miss Lottie Milne, a pretty Scotch girl of 20, who was on her way to the coast to marry Allen Watton, and disappeared somewhere on the road.

Watton and Miss Milne became engaged in Scotland two years ago. Watton came to San Francisco and Miss Milne accompanied her mother to Toronto.

Watton sent for his fiancée, who left Toronto July 15. Her ticket was over the Grand Trunk to Chicago, over the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul to Omaha, over the Union Pacific to Ogden, and over the Southern Pacific to San Francisco.

Her baggage arrived in San Francisco July 19.

BAD CHECK ARTISTS MAKE HAUL HERE IN THE PAST FEW DAYS

Gang Believed to Have Secured \$2000 by Operations; Simple Scheme.

Using stolen blank checks, a gang of bad check artists, believed to be woman and two men, have flooded Portland during the past week with over \$2000 worth of bad checks.

The greatest amount has been drawn on the United States National bank, 20 checks, totalling about \$1000, having been written against that institution. The First National bank, the Lumbermen's National, the Scandinavian American and other local banks are also sufferers.

The United States national received checks written on blanks of the Clarke-Wilson Lumber company, a book of checks having been stolen from that firm a short time ago. The checks are numbered serially beginning 37,750. It is said that the bank will not be a loser but rather those who cashed the checks for the bad check artists.

Their scheme for raising money is said to be comparatively simple, the artists using blank printed checks of well known firms which are signed with the printed name of the business. The penmen have made the checks look good by using a "check protector," a device which makes the ink bleed through the paper so that the signatures are visible on the reverse side.

The checks have been invariably made out for small amounts and signed with scrawling signatures to represent workingmen. They have been cashed in saloons and stores.

Checks drawn on the First National were on blanks of the West Oregon Timber & Lumber company, the Thambauer Hat company, while the Lumbermen's bank has six checks on the Spady Manufacturing company blanks.

Inasmuch as the checks are not signed with the names of cashiers or other officers of the companies from which the blanks have been taken, but bear only the printed company signatures, the checks are not really forgeries.

According to Chief of Detectives Raty the men operating here in Portland have also passed bad checks successfully recently in Astoria, Independence and Tacoma. Local banks have recognized the checks as forgeries throwing the loss on the merchants who cashed them.

Fred D. Fisher To Be Promoted
Linn County Men Is Nominated Consul General at Tien Tsin, China—is a Republican.
President Wilson today nominated Fred D. Fisher, a former resident of Linn county, to be consul general at Tien Tsin, China, according to dispatches from Washington.

VARIOUS THINGS

"Wanted—George H. Baker to come to Egin, Or., at once; father very ill; last heard from at North Bend, Or." Class. 22.

"Thoroughbred Shetlands at remarkably low prices; gentle, used to children." Class. 18.

"A bargain for cash, one Peerless 7 passenger, 1911 model automobile, mechanically perfect; has new tires and just been re-tuned in accordance with the best buy in Portland at \$450." Class. 44.

"Piano studio, lessons 50c." Business Directory.

"Homers and Carnaux pigeons for sale or trade; about 250 or more; will take receipt of motorcycle with side car." Class. 37.

"Lower fiat, furnished complete, with piano, lawn, phone." Class. 50.

"For sale by administrator, general merchandise store, cash on hand, stock, buildings, 1 acre ground, \$7500; terms half cash and time on rest." Class. 20.

These are a few of the varied items in The Journal-Want Ads today; the classification number follows each item.

Rumor current today that W. B. U'Ren of Oregon City, independent candidate for governor and also nominee of the Prohibition party, intended to withdraw from the race is denied by Mr. U'Ren. Mr. U'Ren says he will stay in the race to the last.