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BANKERS SPEND DAY AT WENAHA

Delegates to Convention Make Trip to Summer Resort this Morning.

BANQUET TONIGHT WILL ADJOURN THE CONCLAVE

Money Men Enjoy Ride Through the Grain Country and Also Dinner of Fine Trout—Elect Officers and Choose Next Convention Place This Afternoon—Address of J. J. Browne of Spokane Feature of Yesterday's Session—Smoker Enjoyed Last Night.

Today's session of the fifth annual convention of the state bankers' association is being held at the famous Wenahe springs summer resort and the convention will be brought to a close tonight with a banquet at the Quelle. Shortly after 7 o'clock this morning the first automobile loaded with bankers left for the resort on the Umatilla river and by 8:30 the last machine load was on the road.

The drive up across the wheat belt was a continuous revelation to the visitors, many of whom had never before enjoyed the privilege of a ride through a real wheat country with the headed grain just turning. Then came the drive up the river from Gibbon to the springs and their eyes were opened again because many of them had been led to believe that nature had used up all her beauty in western Oregon.

The principal feature of the luncheon served at the popular and historic hotel, was the trout which were supplied by members of the local anglers' association. This part of the entertainment seemed to be especially appreciated by the visitors.

A business session of the convention is now supposed to be in progress in the hotel at the springs and the bankers are expected to begin arriving in Pendleton from 5 o'clock on. The banquet is supposed to begin at 7:30. The features of the afternoon business session is the election of officers and the choosing of a place for next year's meeting.

The Smoker Enjoyed. Last evening the visiting bankers were the guests of the local men of finance and members of the Pendleton Commercial association at a smoker in the Eagle-Woodman hall. Music was furnished by the United Orchestra and Major Lee Moorhouse and his band of Indians entertained the bankers for an hour or more with dances and speech-making. Attorney Dan P. Smythe acted as interpreter for the Indians.

Following the smoker most of the bankers adjourned to the Oregon theater to witness the boxing match.

The feature of the afternoon session of the convention yesterday was a speech which was not down on the program but which aroused a great deal of enthusiasm and elicited frequent and hearty applause. The speaker was J. J. Browne of Spokane, who is interested in the Columbia Valley bank at Wenatchee and the Coeur d'Alene Bank and Trust company of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He had stopped off in Pendleton for a brief visit at the convention while on his way home from attending the Idaho State Bankers' convention at Twin Falls. When at the conclusion of the afternoon program he was invited, as a prominent guest to address the convention. He said that the only subject upon which he was prepared to speak was that of "conservation," but that if his fellow bankers desired, he would address them on that subject. Shouts of "go ahead" came from all parts of the house and the Spokane banker proceeded to launch forth on an eloquent arraignment of the policy of conservation.

The speaker was frequently interrupted with the applause and at the conclusion of his remarks the bankers crowded about him to thank him for what they termed a "masterly address."

Hits at Pinchot. He said in part: "In the spring of 1908, Chief Forester Pinchot sent a man into the three northwest states to confer with the forest rangers upon a very important subject. The exact facts concerning this secret mission did not become fully known until March 9 of this year when in giving his testimony before the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee, the former chief of the forest service revealed his hand.

"The object of this secret and important mission was not to confer with the forest rangers regarding the protection of the forest, it was not to instruct these rangers with regard to their duties as rangers, but it was to instruct each and every one of these rangers to go and select suitable places, wherever they could find them within the forests or without the forests—if near enough—for the establishment of ranger stations. Then

tracts of land containing from 160 to 200 acres were to be withdrawn. These sites were to be located along the banks of rivers so that they would serve as a key to the water power of the streams, holding the water power so that it could not be taken by miners, ranchers or manufacturers who might wish to use it.

"This leads us to an important question—to the consideration of a question that has been more discussed during the past five years than any other public or semi-public question or topic, that has been before the American people. It is that of 'conservation.'

Meaning of Conservation. "But what do they mean by conservation. The exponents of the doctrine say they would conserve our timber, they would conserve our coal, they would conserve our oil and they would conserve our water power. But how can we conserve our water power better than by building dams, storing up the water, letting it loose again to turn wheels, operate factories, move trains and reclaim land?

"They tell us there is a million horsepower available in the Deschutes river in Oregon. As a matter of fact there is more than that amount. There is 1,600,000 horse power to be developed from that stream. They tell us they would conserve this. Conserve it to what and for what?

"They tell us by conserving this that they would save a million dollars to the people. What do they mean? They mean that if this water power is held by the government and leased out to users of power that it would bring in a revenue of a million dollars.

West Discriminated Against. "But I ask you, why should this be done? Why should the people who develop the water power available in the Deschutes river pay into the treasury of the United States government a million dollars or any other sum? Do the developers of water power in the older states pay anything into the treasury? No, they do not. Then why should we?

"The conservationists would have the general government demand a royalty upon the coal that is mined. Upon what coal? In the coal that is to be found in Oregon, that is to be found in Washington, that is to be found in Idaho and the millions of tons that are to be found in Alaska. In Pennsylvania? No! In any of the states east of the Mississippi river? No.

"I am willing to be taxed upon anything and for any amount, so long as all the people of all the states are taxed in the same manner, but I am unalterably opposed to paying taxation upon anything—great or small, that the people of the east are not taxed upon. Not in any single one of the older states is there a tax upon the development of natural resources. It is only the people of the Pacific Coast states and territories who are compelled to pay a tax upon the coal they mine and burn, upon the timber they use and upon the water power they develop.

Western Industry Crippled. "There is more coal in these western states than in all the remainder of the union and we should bear in mind that it is the consumer that ultimately pays the charges. If the gov-

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POLICE AND THUGS BATTLE TO DEATH

ONE OFFICER, ONE CIVILIAN AND THREE ROBBERS DEAD

Three Footpads Hold up Manufacturer and Kill Him and Later a Policeman—Posses Pursues and Kills One, Another Shoots Himself—Third is Captured.

Lynn, Mass., June 25.—After having shot and killed John Landrigan, and Policeman Carroll, three footpads were pursued by a posse of citizens through the streets. One was shot by a policeman, another committed suicide to avoid arrest and the third was captured. The bandits held up Landrigan, a shoe manufacturer, as he was returning from the bank with \$4500 to pay his employees. He resisted and they killed him. It is believed the thugs had been watching for some time and knew the victim's habits of going to the bank on Saturdays. Policeman Carroll arrived and in a duel was killed, whereupon citizens chased the bandits compelling them to abandon their loot.

Politics in New State. Phoenix, Ariz., June 24.—Gov. Sloan will arrive here tomorrow and it is believed he will call for an election to choose constitutional convention delegates. The election will be held two months after the call. Hovatt Smith, chairman of the republican territorial committee has resigned and has announced his candidacy for the senate.

More Mine Victims. Eureka, Utah, June 25.—Three men were killed and 15 overcome by gas in the Apex silver mine today. A blast caused the gas. Some of the men were rescued and resuscitated, but others died of asphyxiation.

PINCHOT LAUDS INSURGENTS

Former Chief Forester Says Their Services to Nation Have Been Inestimable.

HAS CONFERENCE WITH EX-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Returning from Talkfest With Teddy Pinchot Expresses His Views—Is Glad That Roosevelt Appreciates Insurgents—Declares They Have Made Good Bills Out of Bad Ones—Cites Railroad Bill and Withdrawal Bill—Boosts for Conservation.

New York, June 25.—Fresh from a conference with Colonel Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, Gifford Pinchot returned today and praised the work of the insurgents and criticized by Innuendo, Ballinger and Wickersham, and further announced that Roosevelt will address the Colorado Live Stock association at Denver in September. He said he was glad Roosevelt had shown an appreciation of the men who supported the conservation program and the Roosevelt policies. He also praised the insurgents, saying: "I feel cheerful over the insurgents' ability to make good bills out of bad ones. Take the railroad bill. Wickersham prepared it and it was bad, but the insurgents rewrote it and made it a valuable measure."

He refused to discuss his visit yesterday with Former Secretary Garfield. Commenting on the attitude of congress towards conservation he said: "The withdrawal bill was one of nine bills Ballinger recommended and was thoroughly valuable to conservation as introduced. The Garfield National Conservation association opposed the bill until it was modified and when it passed, it was a good bill. The insurgents' services to the nation have been remarkable. Conservation has been maintained. They do not oppose development, but want development in the public's interests and not for special interests."

COMMERCE COMMISSION CAN'T RULE IN ALASKA

Washington, June 24.—The interstate commerce commission today decided that it has no authority over the railroad and steamship lines in Alaska. The commission holds that Alaska is not territory of the United States in the sense in which the phrase is used in acts regulating the interstate commerce. The decision relieves the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate, operating railways and steamships in Alaska, of the commission's supervision.

Washington, June 25.—The senate today decided to investigate the affairs of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians following charges of attempted bribery by Senator Gore yesterday. Gore recently introduced a resolution providing that the committee of Indian affairs investigate and ascertain at the next session of congress whether the Indians needed service in connection with the sale of their lands and to also inquire whether the 10 per cent commission provided in the sale contracts was reasonable. Gore said the alleged effort to bribe him was made in connection with legislation affecting the fortune in attorneys' fees claimed by J. M. McMurray of Oklahoma, in Indian land cases. McMurray denied the allegations.

It is doubtful if the resolution permits the investigation of the Gore charges but it is believed the committee expects to investigate anyway. Congressman Creager, of Oklahoma, denied the reports that he likewise had been approached.

DR. C. J. SMITH TELLS THINGS HE LEARNED IN MIDDLE WEST

After a busy three weeks tour of the middle states during which he attended the convention of the national medical association at St. Louis, and visited at his old home in Ohio, Dr. C. J. Smith arrived home today. In an interview this afternoon he talked interestingly of his trip.

"Insurgents" are Strong. Politics is now a live subject throughout the middle states according to Senator Smith. He asserts that almost nine men out of ten with whom he talked expressed dissatisfaction with the Taft administration. There is a general tendency to the democratic party, not because of any particular faith in that party but as a rebuke to the administration. However the liveliest issue now on in many middle states is that with respect to the fight between the "insurgents" and regulars within the republican party. According to Dr. Smith "insurgency" is strong throughout the states he visited and he says there is much sentiment for a general political realignment. Many believe that Roosevelt will head a movement for a new party. In Ohio, Harmon will probably be reelected governor, though there is a chance for a republican to defeat him by taking a strong position with reference to county option. He thinks Beveridge will be elected senator from Indiana. Everywhere party lines are being ignored.

Crops Are Poor. All throughout the middle west the crop outlook is poor, according to the doctor, and in some sections the situation is very bad. In Ohio there will be but a 50 per cent wheat crop; the outlook in northern Illinois is bad. The situation in the Dakotas is deplorable, likewise in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Kansas crops appear to be good and the situation is also good in southern Illinois. The entire middle west is afflicted with drought. It was first a cold drought, but the weather is now exceedingly hot. In Minneapolis the water supply is wholly inadequate and lawns are being ruined by the drought. There are hotels that cannot secure running water above the first floors.

Using Better Methods. According to Dr. Smith the crop conditions would be serious indeed in the middle west if farmers were still using the methods that were in vogue when he left Ohio 20 years ago. Since that time however the influence of the agricultural colleges throughout the west has brought about a wonderful change in farm methods. This is now standing many farmers in good stead.

Bankers Conservative. Another feature of the situation in the middle states, according to Dr. Smith, is the fact that bankers have suddenly taken a firm stand against risky investments, especially in Texas and in Canada. Money for land speculation cannot now be secured and this stand by the banks has affected the realty world very materially. Dr. Smith attributes this situation partly to the poor crop conditions and partly to a desire on the part of banks to check over indulgence in the matter of land speculation.

According to Dr. Smith the meeting of the national medical association was a very interesting affair. Western men succeeded in landing the next convention for Los Angeles. An Oregon man, Dr. R. C. Coffey of Portland, was named as vice president of the association.

SCANDAL NOW IN OKLAHOMA

Senator Gore Charges Attempt Was Made by Attorney to Bribe Him.

SENATE WILL PROBABLY INVESTIGATE THE CASE

Blind Solon of Oklahoma Introduces Resolution Providing for Investigation of Indian Land Sales—J. E. Murray Claims Fortune in Fees—Denies He Made Attempt to Bribe Gore—Believed Senate Will Insert Probe Into Charges.

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MORE SCANDAL IN ILLINOIS ELECTION

Springfield, Ill., June 25.—In connection with the Lorimer election scandal the Sangamon county grand jury today indicted Lee O'Neill Browne, democratic leader of the house and W. Wilson on charges of conspiracy to bribe. Frank Traut and Louis Herachem were also indicted on the same charge in connection with the passage of a fish bill. They were returned against each and arrests will be made. Browne and Wilson were indicted on the strength of Assemblyman DeKemper's testimony that Wilson paid him \$900 from the legislative jackpot at St. Louis.

The defective vision of willful ignorance is not easily adjusted.

FIGHT GAME IS NO MORE IN CALIFORNIA

GOVERNOR GILLETTS ORDER IS PROVEN EFFECTIVE

Police Stop Four Professional Bouts Last Night in San Francisco—Fight Fans Throw up the Sponge.

San Francisco, June 25.—That Governor Gillett's order preventing the Jeffries-Johnson and Langford-Kaufman fight has been far-reaching enough to kill the game in California is recognized by fans today following the police interference last night in four four-round contests between professionals. The bouts were scheduled as boxing contests but Chief of Police Martin decided otherwise and stopped them.

Johnson Losing Weight. Ricks Training Camp, June 25.—Jack Johnson will probably enter the ring between 195 and 200 pounds if he follows his announced program of road work. He can not keep up his weight to 210 as announced. This place is located at a foot hill and is as hot as a bake oven during the hours when Johnson trains. He expects to devote his time to boxing with little hiking and will practice climbing much.

Jeff Minus His Grouch. Moana Springs Training Camp, June 25.—The outdoor ring is padded and ready for Jeffries to do a little real work with the gloves. The pad was received this morning and immediately put down. He is in superb condition, his grouch has disappeared, and he is confident that he will carry the fight to a finish. He is boxing today and gymnasium work is promised.

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FRISCO CAN OWN HER RAILWAY SAYS COURT

San Francisco, June 25.—The supreme court today decided that San Francisco has a right to enter into municipal ownership of public utilities. It handed down a unanimous decision upholding the city's contention brought in a suit to restrain San Francisco from issuing bonds to acquire and operate a street railway on Geary street. The city recently voted bonds to purchase the Geary street line to operate in competition with the United Railways.

OUTBREAK AT MEXICAN ELECTION IS FEARED

Mexico City, June 25.—Though the country is quiet today, officials throughout Mexico are preparing for outbreaks tomorrow when the presidential election will be held. It was announced today that Corral, the vice presidential candidate, against whom the liberals and revolutionists are particularly bitter, has withdrawn and Theodore Depesa substituted. As another indication that the administration wants to placate the populace, it was announced that Felix Diaz, nephew of the president, had resigned as chief of police. Every precaution is taken against an outbreak.

MADRIZ CRITICIZES U. S. FOR INTERFERENCE

San Juan Del Sur, Nic., June 25.—Madriz today in a message replying to Knox's note said the United States had no right to interfere in Nicaraguan affairs and said if this country had have left things alone, Bluefields would have been taken, and the revolution ended. Knox's note demanded protection for Americans in Nicaragua, and incidentally criticized the Nicaraguan government. Madriz said this country broke an international law by interference.

CONFIDENT CHARLTON WILL BE EXTRADITED

Rome, June 25.—Members of the foreign office are confident that Charlton can be extradited to face the charge of murder of his wife. Lawyers here believe Charlton will be acquitted if tried on insanity grounds.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE ADJOURNS TILL SEPTEMBER

Washington, June 25.—The Ballinger-Pinchot committee adjourned today until September 5th, when it meets at Minneapolis to prepare its formal report and announce its findings.

Schwartz Resigns. Washington, June 25.—Henry Schwartz, chief of the field service of the general land office resigned today and will be succeeded by James Sheridan, special agent stationed at Denver.

Funston Is Not Ill. Leavenworth, Kas., June 25.—General Funston today indignantly denied that he was sick. He said his illness was but a slight attack of indigestion. He expects to leave soon for Oakland to rejoin his wife.

BACK TO BEVERLY.

Beverly, Mass., June 25.—President Taft is planning to return to his summer capital either Tuesday or Wednesday next. Arrangements for the president's return have been completed. While here during the summer, this city will be the nation's capital and Taft will transact most of his official business here.

\$10,000 LETTER DISAPPEARS AND INVESTIGATION STARTS

Chicago, June 25. Investigation has started into the disappearance of a letter containing \$10,000 in securities, half of which was found in possession of a negro who asserts he found it on the street. The letter was mailed in the main postoffice by Walter Ford and addressed to the Branch-Ford Roofing Co.

TWO ACRE TRACT PAYS \$1000 PROFIT

Kelso, Wash.—H. K. Cronk has raised berries for 34 years. He is past 65 years of age, a veteran of the war of the rebellion and a resident of Cowlitz county for many years past. He has had little opportunity to study the science of the berry-taught farmer, and has had no one to show him the way to make a paying proposition out of a small place. That he has been successful is due to his own efforts as a careful and observing gardener.

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TAFT MAKES BILLS LAWS

President Signs Rivers and Harbors and Public Buildings Appropriation Bills.

SPECIAL MESSAGE OF CENSURE TO CONGRESS

Expresses Disapproval of Haphazard Way of Distributing Rivers and Harbors Appropriations—But for a Few Projects Would Have Vetoed Bill—Congress Places Million With Taft to Alleviate Flood Sufferers—Congress to Finish Business Tonight.

Adjournment.

Washington, June 25.—The senate late today concurred in the house resolution for the adjournment of congress. The senate took a recess until nine o'clock tonight when final business will be completed.

Washington, June 25.—President Taft signed the rivers and harbors appropriation bill this afternoon and also sent a special message to congress expressing disapproval of the haphazard way the river and harbor improvements appropriations had been distributed. He said he would have vetoed all but for a few projects which should be fulfilled.

The resolution placing a million dollars at the disposal of the president to alleviate flood conditions in the Colorado river introduced by Senator Flint, was adopted without debate. The president urged immediate action, saying the lives of hundreds and millions in property were in jeopardy.

The resolution empowers the president to secure the permission of the Mexican government to alleviate the sufferings of Mexicans who are victims of floods.

Signs Public Building Bill. Washington, June 25.—President Taft signed the public buildings appropriation bill thereby setting at rest the minds of the congressmen who feared he intended to veto it at the last moment.

Can We Repel Invasion? Washington, June 25.—The house adopted a resolution demanding that the war department inform congress as to its preparedness to repel an invasion, in answer to a charge that Japan could take and hold the Pacific coast. A report will be made in December.

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