

T. R. PROMISES TO BARE SECRETS OF N. Y. REPUBLICANS

Some Political Skeletons Will be Brought Forth From State Organization Closets at Trial.

\$50,000 DAMAGE SUIT IS ON

Private Detectives Guard Colonel and William Barnes As They Arrive at Syracuse for Opening of Libel Case—Barnes Suit is Based on Alleged T. R. Statement.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 19.—Private detectives guarded both Colonel Roosevelt and William Barnes when they arrived at the court house today to be present at Barnes' \$50,000 libel suit against the former president. Surging crowds surrounded the court house and jammed the corridors. Cheers greeted the arrival of the defendant and the plaintiff. Roosevelt seemed in fine humor. The interrogation of 'Isaiah' by Barnes' counsel indicated the plaintiff relies on Justice Andrews to hold that the Roosevelt statement linking Barnes with that of "Boss" Murphy of Tammany Hall is in itself libelous. All the talsamen were asked if they would allow political considerations to influence their verdict.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 19.—During the trial of the Barnes-Roosevelt suit, begun here today, Theodore Roosevelt promises to open republican state organization closets and reveal some political skeletons. William Barnes is suing the former republican president and present progressive leader to recover \$50,000 damages for alleged libel. Amidst his pre-election activities last year, Roosevelt declared a bipartisan agreement existed in this state between the republican and democratic organizations. He specifically accused Barnes of being politically leagued with Charles F. Murphy. Barnes, although no longer republican state committee chairman is regarded still as state republican.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT WORK ON BOND PLAN

GOOD ROADS REPRESENTATIVES SHOW GET TOGETHER SPIRIT

That the members of the executive committee of the Umatilla County Good Roads Association will get together on a bonding program which they can all support with enthusiasm is indicated by the results of the first meeting of the committee held here Saturday. The session was held in the Commercial Club rooms with J. F. Robinson presiding and lasted from 2 o'clock until 5. All members of the committee were present excepting Frank Sloan of Stanfield who was unable to attend. The committee will meet again at 2 o'clock next Saturday. The committee meeting was harmonious at all times and showed a

FIRE LOSS AT PORTLAND MAY REACH HALF MILLION DOLLARS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 19.—Property worth half a million dollars was threatened by a fire which started in the Blake-McFall six story building, Fourth and Ankeny streets in the heart of the wholesale district at 7 o'clock last night, and in a few minutes turned the structure into a raging furnace which no fireman could enter. The probable loss at 10 p. m. was estimated at \$250,000, with 90 per cent carried by insurance. The origin of the fire is untraced. Practically all the fire fighting apparatus in the city had been summoned by 8 o'clock. The fireboat David Campbell stretched three lines of hose from the river. Twenty firemen overcome by smoke, five of whom were rushed to the hospital in a precarious condition. The other firemen were taken to the Multnomah hotel, where they were taken care of by Assistant City Physician Harding. Nearly all were from engine company No. 2. Blake-McFall Heaviest Loser. The heaviest losers are the Fallins

NEW TRIAL DENIED IN CASE OF FRANK BY SUPREME COURT

Man Convicted of Murder of Mary Phagan Must Hang Unless Executive Clemency is Extended.

ALL CLAIMS ARE OVERRULED

United States Supreme Court Refuses to Grant Petition Upon Writ of Habeas Corpus Through Which a New Trial Was Being Sought—Trial Regular, Court Holds.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—Leo Frank must hang for the murder of Mary Phagan, of Atlanta unless executive clemency is extended. The United States supreme court denied the appeal of Frank today for a new trial. The decision was upon a writ of habeas corpus, through which a new trial was sought. All Frank's grounds for seeking a new trial were overruled. Justice Pitney read the decision of the court which held that the plea that Frank's rights had been violated because he was not present when the jury returned the verdict, was lost because an objection was not raised immediately before the trial in court. The decision says in part: "Frank's petition shows that, having been formally indicted for murder, he was placed on trial before a court of competent jurors, had a public trial which was deliberately conducted, had the benefit of counsel and was found guilty and sentenced pursuant to the laws of the state. It was twice moved before the trial court to grant a new trial and once to set aside the verdict. It has been heard three times before the court of last resort in Georgia, and in every instance met with adverse action, and the action of the trial court has been affirmed."

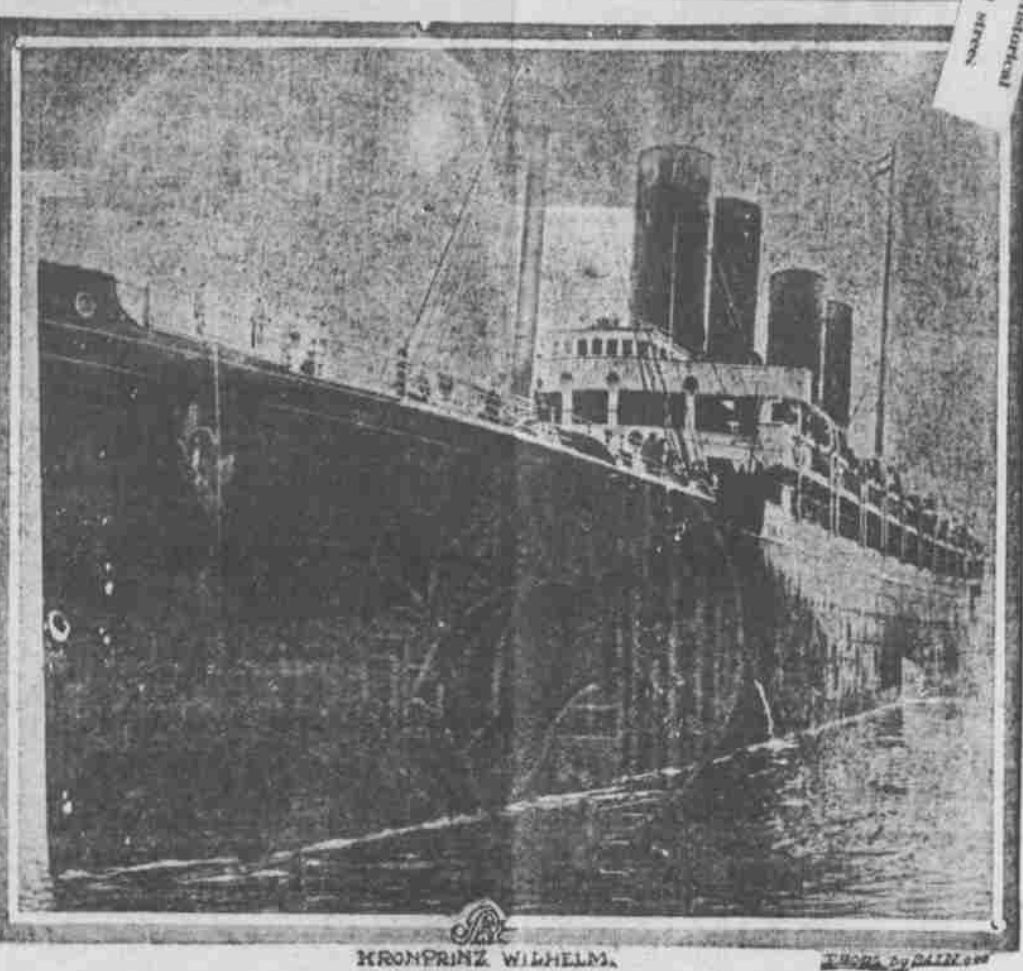
The court held that "allegations of hostile public sentiment and disorder in and about the courtroom improperly influenced the trial court and the jury are rejected because they were found untrue in point of fact upon evidence presumably justifying that finding and which he has not produced in the present proceeding."

NEWS SUMMARY

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Rev. Snyder attacks "German Hall" in sermon.
Historic yoke sent to Maj. Moorhouse.
Pendleton loses to Stanfield; Pilot Rock swamps Hermiston.

Converted Cruiser at Newport News



NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 19.—The converted German cruiser Kron Prinz Wilhelm which is here, ostensibly for repairs and supplies, was formerly a crack North German liner. It had been at sea since August 3, sinking 14 merchantmen in that time, the ships and cargoes being valued at \$7,000,000. She had but 20 tons of coal in her bunkers when she dropped anchor in Hampton Roads, after successfully running the gauntlet of British cruisers which had been hovering about in wait for the Prinz Eitel Friedrich.

HARRY THAW BEGINS NEW FIGHT FOR HIS FREEDOM

SLAYER OF STANFORD WHITE MAKING LAST TRY TO ESCAPE MATTEAWAN.

NEW YORK, April 19.—Thaw will not know until Thursday what success his attorneys have in the fight to prevent his return to Matteawan. After briefs were filed in the supreme court, in Thaw's application for a habeas corpus, a three days' adjournment was taken.

NEW YORK, April 19.—Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, today began a new and final fight to escape return to Matteawan asylum. Hearing of his last legal resort to avoid being returned to the state hospital for criminal insane was scheduled today in the supreme court. The proceeding today was based upon Thaw's third application for a writ of habeas corpus since he was extradited from New Hampshire. The proceedings today were brought by Thaw to test his sanity. If found sane he will ask for formal discharge from custody, having been acquitted—because of insanity—of murdering White in Madison Square Garden nine years ago. Thaw was forced to the proceeding today by the action of the supreme court and appellate division in denying that, after being acquitted of conspiracy, could hold him, and, under the order of Justice Dowling committing him as a lunatic to Matteawan, return him to the asylum. The habeas corpus trial today was brought by Thaw for a new determination of his sanity. His counsel proposed today to ask for a jury trial, but the attorney general's office contends that this is not permissible. Re-opening and a "re-hash" of the whole sordid story of Thaw's infatuation for Evelyn Nesbit and his killing of White, was involved in the trial begun today. Many alienists will be called. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw may also testify.

GET OUT ON HIGHWAYS AND DO SOME WORK IN INTERESTS OF GOOD ROADS IS BATTLE-CRY

Tomorrow is "Good Roads Day" in Umatilla County—Peaceful Army With Rakes and Other Implements Will Try to Improve Highways by Filling up Holes and Throwing Away Debris That Hinders Travel.

Tomorrow is Good Roads Day in Umatilla county by decree of the newly formed Umatilla County Auto Club and by endorsement of the various commercial clubs and kindred organizations in different sections. What are you to do? "Get out on the roads in which you are particularly interested," says Roy W. Ritner, president of the Auto Club. "Take a shovel and a rake with you. Rake the loose rocks out of the roads where they have been washed on the grades. Fill up the little holes, throw the bottles out of the roads, fix the approaches to the little bridges and do any other work you can for the good of the cause." According to Mr. Ritner it is not the expectation that any big work can be done on the roads tomorrow. The object will be to take care of work that can be easily handled and yet will make a vast difference in the state of the roads if the work is done. Where really heavy work is to be done it will have to be left to the regular crews. On the Ritner-Storie ranch tomorrow the whole force will take a lay-off and devote the day to working the roads. It is the expectation that many farmers will take the same course and devote the day to fixing the roads over which they travel most. People from the towns will have the privilege of working the roads adjacent to the towns or elsewhere if they wish to do so. Sportsmen who wish to improve roads over which they travel going fishing will find tomorrow a good time to get busy. There are indications that Good Roads Day will be generally observed all over the county. In the west end of the county the people are well organized and will go out in earnest to work the roads, devoting the entire day to the move.

\$30,000 SUIT FOR DAMAGES OPENS IN COURT HERE TODAY

Case of Twitchell vs. Thompson Growing Out of Auto Accident Last July is on Before Judge Phelps.

BRILLIANT ARRAY OF COUNSEL

Prospective Jurors are Subjected to Most Searching Questioning—Only Two are Excused for Cause—Peremptory Challenges Being Exercised at Afternoon Session.

Examination of jurors has taken up practically the entire time today in the circuit court where the \$30,000 damage suit of Twitchell vs. Thompson is on trial. The entire morning was used in filling the jury box with jurors passed for cause and this afternoon the attorneys are exercising their peremptory challenges. Little if any test money will be taken today. Judge A. S. Bennett of The Dalles conducted the examination for the plaintiff and Col. J. H. Raley did the same for the defendant. Each subjected the men called to a most searching questioning, requiring them to explain among other things whether or not they had had business relations with either party, how well acquainted they were with the parties, whether or not they are owners or drivers of automobiles, how much they know about the case and whether or not they had formed an opinion as to the responsibility for the accident. The counsel for the plaintiff also asked almost every juror whether or not they had had any friendly or business relations with Mr. or Mrs. E. W. McCombs, who were in the Thompson auto at the time of the collision. Only two jurors, Perry Houser of Echo, and J. H. Price of Weston were excused for cause although others were challenged. The first twelve men to be passed were J. H. Coffman, U. G. Haun, Arthur L. Grover, Joseph N. Scott, G. W. Beddow, J. I. Agnew, Sidney Dennis, Otis McCarty, A. C. Hemphill, G. Newman, V. H. Myers and J. D. Wallace. This afternoon at 1:30 court resumed and the attorneys were instructed to proceed with their peremptory challenges. At press time the defendant's counsel had exercised two of their three challenges, excusing J. I. Agnew of Hermiston and Otis McCarty of Echo. In Agnew's place Ralph Folsom of Pendleton was drawn and passed for cause over the challenge of the plaintiff. James A. Fee, Sr. and Jr., are with Judge Bennett as counsel for the plaintiff while Prosecuting Attorney Frederick Steiwer is associated with

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MONEY PAID TO AUTO CLUB TO BE USED WHERE NEEDED

DIRECTORS OF ORGANIZATION MAKE STATEMENT REGARDING EXPENDITURE.

By action taken Saturday by the directors of the Umatilla County Auto Club the money collected by the organization from its members in the form of dues will be expended in the sections from which the money comes. The expenditure of the money in any one community will be entrusted to the committeeman or director from that section or town, in this way it is believed the funds will be used in an equitable manner. The club is offering a free membership to the party who will design the most attractive emblem using the letters U. A. C. The emblem will be used on the cars of the members joining the club and will signify their interest in the organization and the cause of better highways.

FRENCH PREPARING SPRING OFFENSIVE AGAINST GERMANS

New Guns are Being Hurried to the Front and Large Quantities of Ammunition are Concentrated.

BLOW WILL BE STRUCK SOON

First Point to be Attacked by Generals Joffre and Kitchener is as Yet Problematical—Large Number of Unburied Dead Menace Living-Epidemic Feared.

LONDON, April 19.—With spring rains drenching portions of the battlefield and with the approaching warm weather the allied and the German armies are facing a greater menace than shells and bullets. The danger of an epidemic due to thousands of rotting bodies is great. All along the battle front stretches arise from the vast field of dead. A thousand bodies have lain in the open spaces between the battle trenches for weeks and months. Thousands of other bodies are covered only by a thin layer of earth. Within a month it is believed the great offensive of the allied armies must be launched. New French guns are now arriving at the front and great quantities of ammunition are being concentrated at all points along the line. Where Kitchener and Joffre will strike first is problematical.

BERLIN, April 19.—Roland Garros, a noted French aviator has been captured by the Germans, the war office announced.

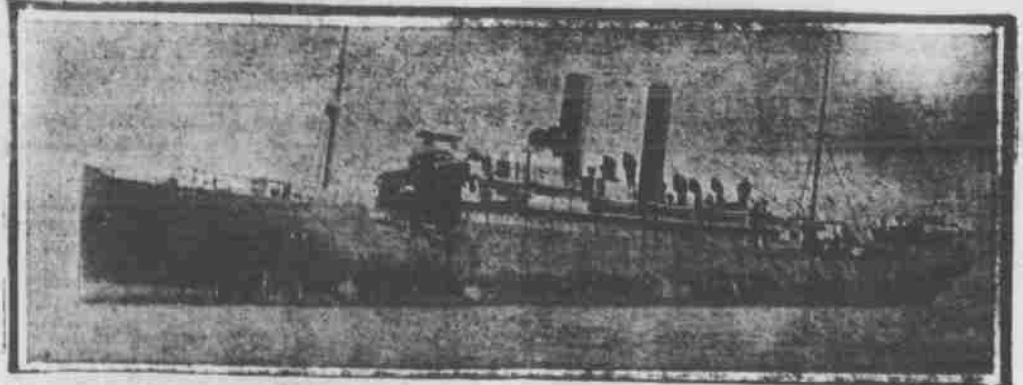
The statement declared Garros was captured at a point "between the Meuse and the Moselle." He was a lieutenant in the French flying corps. Whether Garros' aeroplane was shot down or he was captured after landing inside the German lines is not stated.

OLD OX-TEAM YOKE SHOWS FORMER METHOD OF TRAVEL

MAJOR MOORHOUSE SECURES RELIC OF PIONEER DAYS IN THE WEST.

In the window of the office of Major Lee Moorhouse today is an interesting relic of the mode of travel in Umatilla county in earlier days. It is a large wooden yoke that was used on an ox team in freighting goods through this county long before the railroads came and when automobiles were of the stuff of which dreams are made. It belonged originally to G. W. Hunt the railroad builder, when he was running freight wagons from Umatilla Landing to the Boise Basin, and it was shipped to Major Moorhouse this morning by R. N. Adams, who is living on the old Hunt ranch near the present town of Stanfield and who discovered the yoke there. Hunt, who later built the Hunt line from Pendleton to Walla Walla and Hunt's Junction, now a branch of the Northern Pacific, operated a freight line from 1862 to 1888 and one of his drivers was "Umquqa" Johnson, well known here. Six and eight ox teams were used to each wagon and the yokes on display here today was for the wheel team. Baron Commits Suicide. REIGATE, Surrey, Eng., April 19.—Baron Augustus Julius Clemens Herbert De Reuter, manager and director of Reuter's Telegram company committed suicide by shooting himself in the temple on Sunday. Melancholy due to his wife's death a week ago is believed to have been responsible. He was 63 years old.

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH



Here is a photograph of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, which has interned at Newport News. For some time it was believed that the German converted cruiser would make a dash for the open sea but the presence of the British warships off the Virginia Capes determined the captain not to risk his ship and crew in an attempt to get out.

INDIANA POLITICIANS ARRIVE AT LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY TO BEGIN SERVING SENTENCES

KANSAS CITY, April 19.—Bearing Don Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute and the fourteen other Vigo county politicians, convicted of conspiracy to perpetrate election frauds, a special Missouri Pacific train reached here from Indianapolis. The men are being taken to the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth to serve sentences imposed by Federal Judge Anderson. LEAVENWORTH, April 19.—Mayor Don Roberts of Terre Haute and the 14 other Indianapolis politicians began their sentences in the federal penitentiary. They arrived on a special Missouri Pacific train and at once went through the formality of commitment.