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SAYS HE IS NOT GUILTY

SENATOR MITCHELL DENYS ALL

Says He is Guilty of No Wrong Doing and Will Not Resign, but Will Fight in the Courts.

A Washington, D. C. telegram of the 13th has the following in reference to Senator Mitchell and the Tanner confession:

Senator John H. Mitchell has not the slightest intention of voluntarily relinquishing his seat in the United States senate, either because of indictments pending against him, or on the account of the damaging confession of his law partner, Judge Tanner, before Judge Bellinger yesterday. On the contrary, he repeats what he said last night—that he intends to hold on to his seat and to fight.

The senator persists in his declaration that he is innocent of any wrongdoing; he says he is not guilty of a single charge that has been made against him, and declared in most confident tones that when his case is brought to trial he will be able to clear himself of every accusation.

Senator Mitchell has assumed a definite position, and apparently intends to stick to it. He is apparently not depressed by the news that came from Portland last night; on the contrary, he seemed to be in good spirits, and when talking of his case is even more defiant than he has been before.

Senator Mitchell is full of fight, as will be testified by those with whom he talked today. He main tains, as he has from the first, that he is an innocent man, and that he has nothing to fear.

"I am going into the courts to make my fight, said he tonight. "And when I do you will see that it is one thing to indict a man and another thing to prove the charges. I am not afraid of any charge made against me yet."

Senator Mitchell is not inclined to discuss Judge Tanner's confession. He has nothing whatever to say about his agreement with Tanner, nor will he talk about any moneys received by the firm for handling land cases, further than to state that he has never seen the firm's accounts and does not know what moneys were received or how they were distributed.

"If Judge Tanner tells the truth," says Senator Mitchell, "his testimony will not injure me. Neither he nor any one else can produce the slightest bit of proof that I ever improperly received one dime for my services or influence as senator."

All talk about relinquishing his seat in the senate seems to amuse Senator Mitchell.

"Funny how much interest they have in my seat there, isn't it?" he remarked tonight. "Well, I'm going to hold the seat; they need not worry about that."

Senator Mitchell maintains that he is entitled to his seat to the end of his term unless in the meantime he should be found guilty as indicted. Precedent and custom in the senate give him this privilege, which he intends to enjoy, especially as he persists in his declaration of innocence and express every confidence that he will be acquitted. He does not state what he will do if found guilty, for he says he will not consider such a possibility, nor can he conceive that any such verdict will be rendered.

Judge Dillon of Columbus, O., granted nine decrees of divorce in less than three hours, an average of one marriage tie broken every twenty minutes. People are evidently hurrying up with their applications before congress and the president make the anti-divorce laws.

The school teachers of Columbus, O., are sustained by the law in their refusal to wash the windows and scrub the floors. They probably knew that there was a higher paid branch of the service.

"A man is supposed to be innocent until he is proven guilty," and it is hoped the public will reserve their decision in the case of Senator Mitchell until he has had a fair trial. He has declared his innocence while standing on the floor of the U. S. senate, and his denial gone forth to every portion of this nation, and his statement should stand until reversed in the courts.

In the light of Judge Tanner's confession, the case of Senator Mitchell looks exceedingly dark, and if what his law partner declares under oath is true, then Mr. Mitchell's nerve is exceedingly good for a man who has had the confidence of the people of Oregon for so many years. The following from the Portland Journal expresses our sentiment exactly: "It cannot be denied that the federal prosecution got in a deadly body blow when it secured a full confession from Judge Tanner, the law partner of Senator Mitchell. Neither can it be concealed that much as most people, without regard to politics and for the sake of the state's reputation, would like to believe otherwise, the force of the sweeping and specific denial of Senator Mitchell made in all solemnity before the senate is mightily weakened by the confession which was made in the federal



Lakeview Terrace, Lewis and Clark Fair, Portland.

court room of Portland. Indeed it is almost tantamount to a condition where the burden of proof is now on him. However, the trial is still to come off. Senator Mitchell, like any other man, is entitled to a full, free and impartial hearing. Even now he should not be prejudged. There is yet to be heard his side of the case and that side will get a respectful, even hopeful, hearing. Whatever evidence he can produce in his own behalf will be heard with satisfaction, and there are still many who will hope for the best until the very end of the chapter."

The cold weather of Friday, Saturday and Sunday last beat all records in Oregon for a number of years. While in this vicinity and Portland the mercury only reached the 17 above zero mark, other sections report as low as zero. Ice formed to the depth of half an inch on exposed water and many water pipes were frozen in different parts of the city, while one hot water plant is said to have been knocked into smithereens by the building of a fire in the range while the pipes were frozen solid. No damage to fruit or vines is reported, though the early planted gardens were well chilled. Now that the "cold wave" has passed, work will be resumed with little fear of another cold snap.

Lakeview Terrace.

Columbia court, the central landscape feature of the exposition, terminates on the north in Lakeview terrace, which is one of the beauty spots of the grounds. From a broad parapet at the head of a series of terraces of velvety lawns dotted with beds of blooming roses, the grand stairway leads down to an ornate boat landing on the shore of Guild's lake the natural "Grand Basin," of the Western world's fair. The stairway is flanked on either side by massive balustrades, with pedestals supporting electroliers of frosted lamps. On each side of the stairway the grounds are terraced and benches are provided for the comfort of visitors who gather here to listen to the music and witness the pyrotechnic displays on the lake. At the foot of this series of steps is a perling fountain, pouring into a basin decorated with water nymphs.

\$15,674.30 FOR MILEAGE

PAID TO OREGON LAW-MAKERS

Two Representatives and One Senator Do Not Claim Mileage--A Few Interesting Figures.

Salem, Or.—Mileage and per diem for the ninety members of the legislature this session will amount to \$15,674.30. Of this amount by the larger sum, practically two-thirds, is charged up to the House of Representatives, while a little over \$5,000 will run the senate, so far as the expense of transportation of the senators and their \$3 per day amounts to. Of the sum total, there is almost \$14,000 for per diem for the forty days of the session, while roughly \$4500 will cover the mileage, which includes not only trips from the place of residence to Salem and return, but any joint committee trips.

There is some rather interesting statistical information to be secured from the reports. Two representatives and one senator, A. L. Mills and S. M. Mears and R. A. Booth, do not claim mileage. The assump-

ing that they will not, the total expenditures promise to foot close to the \$2,150,000 mark.

The total appropriations of the last session, including the appropriation for the Celido canal and portage road, amounted to \$2,623,717.70, which is just \$449,599.80 more than what appears to be the total of this year's expenditures at the hands of the Oregon solons.

In the general appropriation bill introduced by the committee, all the normal schools are recognized by provision for maintenance, but no succor is given for improvements in the building line, which would seem to indicate that the attitude of the committee is favorable to their extension.

The largest items in the general appropriation bill are those for the state insane asylum, the penitentiary and the Oregon agricultural college. Provision for the asylum and penitentiary are larger this year than two years ago.

Following is the general appropriation in full:

Insane Asylum, maintenance	400,000.00
Insane Asylum, building and repairs	87,250.00
Transportation of insane	32,500.00
Penitentiary, maintenance	110,000.00
Transportation of prisoners	15,000.00
Reform School maintenance	53,600.00
Reform School, building and repairs	10,500.00
Mute School, maintenance	37,500.00
Mute School, repairs and improvements	3,600.00
Blind School, maintenance	15,500.00
Blind School, repairs and improvements	5,500.00
State University library bldg	25,000.00
University, Girls' dormitory	5,000.00
University, additional maintenance and repairs	32,500.00
Eastern Oregon Experiment Sta.	10,000.00
Agricultural College, dormitory, drill shed, improvements	65,000.00
Monmouth Normal, maintenance	36,000.00
Ashland Normal, maintenance	31,000.00
Drain Normal, maintenance	21,000.00
Weston Normal, maintenance	25,000.00
Soldiers' Home, additional maintenance	8,000.00
Soldiers' Home, repairs	1,230.00
State Biologist	1,000.00
Non-resident poor	5,000.00
Return of fugitives	3,000.00
Rewards for arrests	900.00
Expenses, Presidential election	335.50
Irrigation Commission expenses	524.40
William B. Matthews, securing swamp land title	1,500.00
Total	\$1,042,929.90

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GRAND JURY ADJOURNS

SOME PEOPLE BREATHE EASIER

Fulton Under Investigation--Northrup in the Web--Confidence Shaken in Mitchell.

Just before adjournment Monday the federal grand jury returned the long-expected indictment dealing with the Blue Mountain reserve and the frauds attempted to be perpetrated by its creation. In the indictment are implicated John H. Mitchell, Binger Hermann, John N. Williamson, Franklin Pierce Mays, W. N. Jones and George Sorenson. The charge is that the defendants attempted to defraud the government of the United States of the possession and use of and title to 200,000 acres of land situated in various of the states and territories of the nation and of the total value of more than \$3,000,000.

Final indictment of the present land fraud investigation was returned, including the following:

Former United States District Attorney John H. Hall, A. P. Cayler, Henry P. Ford, H. L. Rees, John Cordano, J. H. Hitchings, John Northrup and Charles F. Ford.

The ground of the indictment is an alleged attempt to impede the ends of justice by entering a conspiracy to blacken the character of present United States District Attorney F. J. Heney.

John Northrup, one of those gathered in the government's web, is one of the two jurors responsible for the recent disagreement of the Sorenson jury.

Fulton Under Investigation. The Telegram of Monday says: "Developments which may involve A. B. Hammond, millionaire railroad magnate, and the well-known Pillsbury estate, of Minnesota, with Frederick A. Kribs in alleged land frauds in the Roseburg land office district, have come to light as a result of the investigation of the government secret service agents. These developments point to an agreement between Hammond, Charles Pillsbury, now deceased, and Frederick A. Kribs, whereby Pillsbury and Hammond were to furnish the money for the venture, and Kribs was to do the work in Oregon. As a result of this alleged combination, 22,500 acres of the finest timberland in Oregon was secured, and, as promised, Kribs got one-third of it.

The attorneys for these manipulators were the firm of Mitchell & Tanner, and present United States Senator Charles W. Fulton. There

is as yet no positive indication that Senator Fulton will be drawn into the government's net, but his connection with Hammond's dealings is under investigation, and if it is shown that in 1903 he received money for his services to A. B. Hammond he will be liable to indictment."

Confidence Shaken. A Washington telegram to The Daily Oregonian, dated February 13th, says: The United States Senate has lost all confidence in John H. Mitchell. The confession of his law partner, corroborated by his own letter here this morning, has wrought a complete change in the attitude of the senate toward Mr. Mitchell and has had the effect of utterly destroying his usefulness as a member of that body. While many senators continue to sympathize with him, none goes so far as to longer defend him.

In the language of the senator "he has convicted himself." Less than a month ago, when Senator Mitchell, in open senate, defended himself against his former indictment and denied having been in any way involved in the land frauds, the senate took him at his word. Not a senator seemed to doubt him and fully half the senators present went to him to assure him of their confidence. Today it is a different story.

Today there is no longer that confidence, though much sympathy remains. Even senators who have known Mitchell intimately for years, who have trusted him always, are aghast at the revelations of the last two days; they cannot explain away the tenor of the confession nor the letter written in Senator Mitchell's own hand. Even the most faithful admit that Mitchell faces a very grave situation. They hope, but they very much doubt if he can clear himself.

Cold for Oregon. Saturday was the coldest that The Dalles has experienced in several years. Saturday night the mercury sank to 7 degrees above zero, 23 degrees being the highest it reached during the day. At Milton one of the worst snow storms ever known raged with a strong north wind and the temperature was at zero. It is thought there has been much suffering of live stock, as farmers were wholly unprepared. Trains were late and sleighs are running, something unusual in this part of the state. Garfield, Wash., had the coldest weather that Pa-louse country has experienced in six years. The cold wave struck Saturday and the mercury went down until it reached 10 degrees below zero. The cold wave is making a lively demand for wood and coal. Water pipes all over the city were frozen up.

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