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Dated at New York, N. Y., this 14th day of October 1904.**Winter Rates to Yaquina Bay.**

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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 maintains, 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 degrees 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

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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 far 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 \$4,500 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 assumption

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 Celilo 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 extinction.

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.....	10,000.00
Mute School, maintenance.....	37,500.90
Mute School, repairs and improvements.....	3,600.00
Blind School, maintenance.....	15,000.00
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.....	32,000.00
Eastern Oregon Experiment Sta.....	10,000.00
Agricultural College, dormitory, drill shed, improvements.....	65,000.00
Monmouth Normal, maintenance.....	36,000.00
Astoria Normal, maintenance.....	31,000.00
Drain Normal, maintenance.....	21,000.00
Weston Normal, maintenance.....	23,000.00
Soldiers' Home, additional maintenance.....	8,000.00
Soldiers' Home, repairs.....	1,220.00
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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ADJOURNS****SOME PEOPLE BREATH EASIER**

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

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 Paradise 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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