

STANDS BY HENEY

Roosevelt Declines to Interfere In San Francisco Mess.

CALHOUN HAS LAID DEEP PLOT

Confers With Associates on Question of Uniting to Get Full Control of City Government.

San Francisco, May 23.—Reports are current that President Calhoun of the United Railroads has engaged in a deep-laid plot to defeat Francis J. Heney, seize the reins of the municipal government under the guise of a law and order movement, and go any length in order both to save himself from conviction and imprisonment under the charges brought by the graft prosecution, and to the advantage of himself in his fight with the carmen.

Calhoun has been working for several days in a desperate effort to consolidate in aid of this movement all the more important financial interests affected by the graft disclosures. Men high in financial circles were seen going in and out of his office throughout the day and it is alleged that other conferences were held in the business center of the city. It is stated that, foiled in their attempt to get into touch with the prosecution, through intervention of the Committee of Seven, Calhoun and his associates, some of whom know they are fighting to save themselves from San Quentin, have planned a new stroke by which they hope to place themselves in control of affairs to such a degree that they will be able to block the efforts of Spreckels, Burns and Heney.

Their scheme as outlined in these reports, is to form a new committee as a successor to the one which has just resigned under fire, which will be prepared to resort to extreme measures. Grasping the opportunity of the carmen's strike and the riots and disturbances in the streets of the city, the reported plan is for a mass meeting to be called under the pretext of a law and order measure. From this meeting those who have been active in the graft prosecution will be excluded on the ground that they have already refused to have anything to do with a committee which had been appointed to straighten out the tangle of municipal government.

At this meeting a committee on law and order will be appointed, which will go first to Chief of Police Dinan and request his resignation in the name of the citizens of San Francisco. If Dinan refuses to turn over the control of the police department to them the members of this committee will, it is claimed, immediately declare that the conditions in the city are so serious that the only solution is a vigilance committee and, acting as such, they will assume control of the city. A part of the plan is alleged to be an attempt to persuade the governor to act in concert with this vigilance committee, using the carmen's strike as an argument to induce the governor to issue a call for troops, and possibly to bring about the intervention of federal authorities.

WANT TO BE AMERICANS.

Japanese File First Citizenship Papers at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, May 23.—Joseph Felsau Wada and Mani Suski, Japanese photographers and residents of this city for eight years past, today filed declarations of intention to become American citizens. These were the first applications of that kind ever accepted in this county. Since the decision of the District Attorney that under the existing laws of the United States there is nothing to bar the naturalization of Japanese as citizens, the County Clerk has decided to accept applications against which no specific objection is made. All applications so made will be held pending a decision of the Federal authorities at Washington, which is expected to arrive at any time.

Tacoma After Standard Oil.

Tacoma, May 23.—The city council will throw a gaff into the Standard Oil Company by endeavoring to pass an ordinance requiring the company to sink its big tanks into the ground. This would be a very costly proceeding and the company is preparing to fight the ordinance to the last ditch. The trouble came about through the company's building its plant too near the Carsten packing house on the tide flats, violating an ordinance that the plant should not be within 500 feet of any inflammable building.

Linemen of Four State Strike.

Helena, Mont., May 23.—All of the linemen of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company in this state went on strike today, demanding an increase in wages of 50 cents a day. About 150 men are affected. The linemen state the strike is general also over Utah, Wyoming and Idaho.

TIMBER FRAUDS IN MANY STATES

Two Senators Implicated in Biggest Land Conspiracy Yet.

Chicago, May 24.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says:

"Amazing revelations of a conspiracy to defraud the United States of millions of dollars worth of mineral and timber lands will be laid before the grand juries of half a dozen states within a few days. The frauds, it is alleged, will involve in criminal charges the names of men high in business and political circles. They include:

"One United States Senator, one ex-United States Senator, a man reputed to be one of the wealthiest men in the world; a railroad man known from the Atlantic to the Pacific; two of the wealthiest lumber barons in the United States; numerous smaller fry, including railroad officials, coal operators, and men at the head of fuel companies.

These men, whose names cannot be made public before the grand jury acts, it is declared here, will surely be indicted by the evidence which is now in the hands of the United States District Attorneys in half a dozen Western states.

These frauds, it was declared yesterday in an official quarter, extend into a number of states, including California, Colorado, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Minnesota and the Dakotas.

Much of the evidence in these frauds was obtained by Detective Burns, who is engaged in the municipal graft prosecution in San Francisco, and by Francis J. Heney, who is prosecuting the same San Francisco grafters. Upon the conclusion of their work in San Francisco, Mr. Heney and Mr. Burns are expected to return to the government service for the prosecution of the timber and mineral land thieves. Some of the grafters in San Francisco are also said to be implicated in the frauds.

FIVE WORKMEN KILLED.

Bursting Ammonia Pipe Fills Packing Plant With Deadly Fumes.

Chicago, May 24.—Five workmen were killed and several others seriously injured this afternoon when an ammonia pipe exploded in the beef-killing department of Armour & Co.'s plant at the stockyards. The building was full of workmen at the time, and the deadly fumes, escaping from under high pressure, penetrated through every department of the building in such a short time that 20 of the men were overcome before they could make their escape to the fresh air. All but five of these men were dragged from the place by their companions in such a serious condition that it was necessary to take them to a nearby hospital.

An ineffectual effort to search for dead in the interior of the building was made by employes wearing safety masks, but they were driven back by the fumes, and it was not until six hours after the explosion that the first body, that of an unidentified man, burned beyond recognition, was taken from the fourth floor. A few minutes later four other bodies were found, all of them having been burned in a horrible manner.

MRS. MCKINLEY NEAR DEATH.

May Live a Day or Two, but Cannot Recover.

Canton, Ohio, May 24.—After a consultation yesterday afternoon at the McKinley home with Dr. Portman, the family physician of Mrs. McKinley, and Dr. E. J. Eyman, superintendent of the Massillon State Hospital and a physician of wide repute, a statement was issued that there is no indication that Mrs. McKinley could long survive the attack of apoplexy from which she is suffering. The doctors say, however, that they think dissolution will not come for a day or two. Mrs. McKinley is in a comatose condition, and it is stated that there are no grounds for hope of a better turn.

Surgeon-General Rixey reached here at 6:45 o'clock this morning.

Strikers Are Active.

San Francisco, May 24.—In consequence of increased violence attending the extension of service by the United Railroads to several new lines yesterday, Thornswell Mullallay, assistant to President Calhoun, made a demand upon Chief of Police Dinan for better protection by the police for the company's property and employes. Shortly after 5 o'clock about 200 strike sympathizers mobbed an Eighth-street car at Eighth and Bryant streets. The strikebreaking crew operating the car, were badly beaten.

Spain and England Getting Thick.

London, May 24.—The Madrid correspondent of the Telegraph says that the relations between the Spanish and British royal families are becoming closer daily. Members of the British Royal family propose henceforth to spend much of their holiday time in Spain.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

BERRY SEASON OPENS.

Hood River Valley Thronged With Pickers of Many Kinds.

Hood River—For the first time in two years Hood River will have a characteristic strawberry season, with all its attendant rush and excitement. For two seasons the river has not been high enough for boats to land at the town and deliver their merry cargoes of berry pickers from both up and down the river. This year there is high water. The boats began landing at the town today, and from now on until the season ends, Indians, school teachers, residents of Portland and towns in the Willamette Valley and along the Columbia River will pour into Hood River for the berry season. Hood River merchants always expect a brisk business during the berry season. In some years more money is realized from strawberries than apples, and the returns being quicker, it gets to circulation at once. Pickers who are adept and industrious earn from \$2 to \$3 per day, and some as high as \$3.50. A ride through the valley during the season shows strawberry fields everywhere dotted with pickers from girls in blue overalls to the stately Indian in his flaming red blanket or head dress.

Long Detour to Reach Albany.

Albany—Though living within 15 miles of Albany, residents of the Santiam country are now forced to travel twice that far to reach this city. Unsafe and damaged bridges are the cause. When the Sanderson bridge was partially washed out in the Santiam floods last winter, residents of the "Forks of the Santiam," as that country is locally termed, could reach the county seat via Jefferson. But now that the big wagon bridge at Jefferson has been closed to traffic by order of the courts of Linn and Marion counties, the nearest open bridge across the Santiam is at Lebanon. This makes the distance to Albany about 30 miles.

S. P. Refuses to Sell Land.

Eugene—Attorney A. C. Woodcock, who was sent to San Francisco to tender the money put up by about 50 Eugene people for the purpose of buying timber lands in the Southern Pacific Company's land grant, has returned from the Bay City. He says that when he tendered the money it was promptly refused and that the officials in the office became angry and little short of ordered him out. The matter will now be taken into the courts and those who have put their money into the pool have hopes of a decision soon to force the company to sell.

Maiheur Irrigation Project.

Vale—The chief engineer for the Christian Co-Operative Federation arrived in Vale Sunday from Portland, and in connection with Colonel R. G. Wheeler, their resident attorney here, left for Willow Creek where they have purchased reservoir sites for their irrigation project in that valley. The chief engineer stated there would be a crew of surveyors to arrive here soon, and that they would commence work on that project at once. The irrigation of this valley means the reclamation of something like 150,000 acres of valuable land.

Federal Inspectors Will Dip Sheep.

Eugene—The squabble over the enforcement of the new law, which requires the dipping of all sheep every year, has been practically settled with the Lane county farmers, who declared that they will not allow an inspector to dip their sheep. E. N. Hutchinson, of the United States bureau of animal industry, was here and decided that only those flocks should be dipped that are diseased and that the others would be left alone. Several Federal inspectors will do the work.

Bill Goes Up to Voters.

Salem—Chief Clerk Kiser, of the secretary of state's office, has finished checking the referendum petitions on the Multnomah county sheriff's bill and finds there are 4,972 valid signatures. There were 6,000 on the petition and 4,666 are necessary. The bill therefore will not become a law until it has been voted upon by the people or until the courts have found some defect in the petition not found by the secretary's office.

Astoria Will Aid Railway.

Astoria—The Chamber of Commerce at its meeting this evening instructed its committee to assist in securing rights of way for the Portland-Oregon & Sea Coast Railway Company from Clatsop City toward the Nehalem Valley. The chamber also adopted a resolution condemning dance halls.

Clatsop Will Exhibit.

Astoria—The special committee of the Chamber of Commerce appointed to consider the advisability of Clatsop County making an exhibit at the coming state fair, has prepared its report recommending that the exhibit be made.

STATE HAS LAND TO SELL.

Kelliher Tracts to Be Put on Market Soon.

Salem—The State Land Board has decided to stand by its act cancelling state land certificates held by A. T. Kelliher, covering some 30,000 acres and next week, after the now law goes into effect, the board will repay to Kelliher the portion of the purchase price already paid, and then advertise the lands for sale to highest bidders in tracts of not to exceed 320 acres.

Kelliher was before the board with a request that deeds be granted to assignees of certain certificates which he claimed were granted upon genuine applications. The request was denied. He also requested the privilege of buying for members of his family some 1,300 acres of land at \$2.50 an acre, in consideration of which he would give the board the cruings of his 30,000 acres of cancelled lands, but this was also refused.

The board took a strong "stand pat" attitude, and refused to compromise or make any agreements, but will put all cancelled lands up for sale on equal terms to all. As some of Kelliher's lands are supposed to be quite valuable, there is likely to be some scrambling for desirable tracts when they are offered for sale, which will probably be early next month.

Crushed Rock for Eugene Streets.

Eugene—A carload of machinery has arrived here for crushing rock to be used in the paving of Willamette street, and it is thought paving will begin at once. The only obstacle in the way of pushing the work is the arrival of rails for the Willamette Valley Company, and they are looked for daily. The machinery will be taken at once to the rock supply back of Skinner's Butte.

Shad for Oregon.

Oregon City—Supt. O'Malley, of the United States Bureau of Fisheries, has returned from an official visit of inspection of the government hatcheries on the Upper Columbia. He said today that the bureau would conduct operations with shad in June and will take eggs between Oregon City and the mouth of the Clackamas, in the Willamette River. A shad hatchery will be operated at Willamette Falls.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 84@85c; bluestem, 87@88c; Valley, 83@84c; red, 82@83c.
Oats—No. 1 white, 28.50@29; gray, 28.
Rye—\$1.45@1.50 per cwt.
Barley—Feed, 21.50@22 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, 23.50@24.50.
Corn—Whole, 22c; cracked, 27c per ton.
Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, 17@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, 21@23; clover, 19; cheat, 19@10; grain hay, 19@10; alfalfa, 13@14.
Domestic fruits—Strawberries, 1 1/2@1 1/2c per pound; Oregon, 20@25c per pound; cherries, 1.75 per box; apples, 1@2.50 per box; gooseberries, 8@10c per pound.
Root vegetables—Turnips 12c per sack; carrots, 2.50 per sack; beets, 1.25@1.50 per sack; garlic, 7 1/2@10c per pound; horseradish, 7@8c per pound.
Fresh vegetables—Cabbage, California, 2.50 per sack; cauliflower, 1@1.25; dozen; lettuce, head, 35@45c dozen; onions, 10@12 1/2c per dozen; tomatoes, 2.25@4.50 crate; parsley, 25@30c; artichokes, 65@75c dozen; hot-house lettuce, 12 box; peas, 7 1/2@10c; radishes, 20c dozen; asparagus, 7@8c pound; bell peppers, 30@35c pound; rhubarb, 4c per pound; cucumbers, 50c@1.50; spinach, 1.50 per crate; beans, 15c per pound; squash, 50c@1 per box.
Onions—Oregon, 2@2.50 per hundred; Texas, 1 1/2c per pound.
Potatoes—Jobbing price; Oregon and Eastern, 2.00 per sack; new potatoes, 5 1/2@6c pound; sweet potatoes, 5c per pound.
Butter—City creameries: Extra creamery, 22 1/2c per pound. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 20@22 1/2c; store butter, 17@17 1/2c.
Butter fat—First grade cream, 21c per pound; second grade cream, 2c less per pound.
Cheese—Oregon full cream twins, 16@17c; Young America, 17@18c per pound.
Poultry—Average old hens, 14c; mixed chickens, 13 1/2c; Spring fryers and broilers, 20@25c; old roosters 9@10c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 13@15c; turkeys dressed, choice, 18 1/2@20c; geese, live, per pound, 8c; young ducks, nominal; old ducks, 16@18c; pigeons, 1@1.50; quails, 12@13.
Eggs—18@18 1/2c per dozen.
Beef—Dressed bulls, 4@4 1/2c per pound; cows, 6@7c; country steers, 7@8c.
Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 10@10 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 6@9c; spring lambs, with pelts, 9@10c.
Veal—Dressed, 75@125 pounds, 8c; 125@150 pounds, 7c; 150@200 pounds, 6c; 200 pounds and up, 5 1/2@6c.
Pork—Dressed, 100@130 pounds, 8 1/2@9c; 150@200 pounds, 7@7 1/2c; 200 pounds and up, 6@6 1/2c.

PERISH IN SIGHT OF RESCUE.

Four Men Meet Awful Death on Burning Lake Steamer

Grand Haven, Mich., May 22.—Five lives were lost and 75 people had a perilous escape from death when the steamer Naomi, of the Crosby Transportation Company, burned early today in the middle of Lake Michigan, while on her night trip from here to Milwaukee. Four of the victims were coal passers, penned down in the forecastle by the flames, where many of the rescued passengers from the decks of the freighter Kerr and the steamer Kansas saw them at the portholes, vainly imploring for help.

J. M. Rhodes, a passenger from Detroit, was the fifth victim. He was terribly burned in his berth and died soon after reaching the hospital at Grand Rapids.

Fifty passengers and all of the crew except four coal passers were taken off in small boats by the steamer Stratford and the Kansas, which was on route from Milwaukee to Grand Haven. The loss to the Naomi, which was in command of Captain Trull, is estimated at \$225,000. The fire started in the vicinity of the kitchen, between decks, and spread so rapidly that the whole ship was a seething furnace before the crew could get the fire apparatus working. Fire swept the whole length of the ship and the upper works burned like tinder. It is considered miraculous that the passengers all but one escaped. Many of them were taken off in their night clothes, while scarcely any one was more than partly clad.

Captain Thomas Trull was the last man to leave the steamer alive, and his clothing was almost burned off him.

Sol Waterman, of New York, said: "Never will I forget the picture of those poor fellows in the forecastle who were burned. The ship was a mass of flames. Suddenly the four men who had been asleep in the forecastle thrust their heads from the portholes and called for help. The captain of the freight steamer ordered a lifeboat to go to their aid. The boat went, but the men were unable to squeeze their bodies through the portholes. We could hear them calling pitifully for help and see them through the flames, but the lifeboat crew came back and reported it could not reach them. The captain ordered the boat to return and get the names of the men. Then we could hear the questions and answers as the men told their names and residences. Finally one man called out, 'Good bye; I'm gone,' and fell back into the flames."

KUROKI HEARS YALE YELL.

Japanese General Sees Where Many of His Soldiers Studied.

New Haven, Conn., May 22.—The visit to Yale University of General Kuroki today was brought about by the desire of the distinguished soldier to see the institution in which many Japanese officers received a portion of their education. Many of these officers served with distinction at Port Arthur and the battles on Manchurian soil. General Kuroki's party included General O. W. Wood, United States Army, retired, and Major Lynch, of the general staff.

The party visited various departments of the college and at Woodbridge Hall was received by President Hadley. Luncheon was served at the graduate schools. There were present Secretary of State Root, Governor Woodruff, President Mellen, of the New Haven Railroad, and a number of professors and faculty men. The party then visited University Hall, where Yale men numbering 1,000 arose and gave the long Yale cheer.

COMING TO THE COAST.

President Earling Says St. Paul Road Will Be Finished by January.

Miles City, Mont., May 22.—President Earling of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, arrived in Miles City today with a party of St. Paul officials on a trip of inspection of the roadbed of the western extension of the road. The magnates are making the journey in automobiles and carriages.

President Earling in answer to questions stated there is no intention of abandoning the work of pushing the Milwaukee through to the Coast. Steel laying commence at a number of points at an early date and trains will be running between Butte and Aberdeen by January 1 next.

Major General Goes Adrift.

New York, May 22.—Major-General Frederick D. Grant had an exciting experience in the Hudson river yesterday when a government launch in which he was returning from a visit to the warships became unmanageable and drifted several miles before it was picked up. There was a stiff wind blowing at the time, and the water was choppy, a condition that made the predicament of the General particularly unpleasant. The police patrol boat, in response to signals of distress, finally picked up the General and put him ashore.

No More Red Flags

Chicago, May 22.—Chief of Police Shippy yesterday announced that no more parades in which red flags or banners are displayed will be permitted in Chicago. The Chief's attitude is due to the abundant show of red color in the Meyer-Haywood "sympathy parade" last Sunday.

BIG CHIEFS INDICTED

President of United Railroads In Grand Jury Net.

MONEY TRACED DOWN THE LINE

Huge Sums Required for Bail—Many More Indictments in Reserve to Avoid Defects.

San Francisco, May 25.—"The people of San Francisco want acts, not words. I will only say that we will make good wherever we accuse" was the brief comment of William J. Burns last night, and it was the only statement made for publication by the prosecution after it had accomplished what half of the citizenship of San Francisco declared to be impossible—the indictment of one of the most powerful magnates known to Wall street in the person of Patrick Calhoun.

The prosecution has traced the \$200,000 with which the United Railroads secured its franchise from Wall street to the San Francisco Mint immediately after the big fire in April, 1906, when the Mint was used for banking purposes. There the money remained for a few days, when it was drawn out piecemeal in lots of \$50,000, converted into currency and paid over to Ruef and by him passed on to the Mayor and the Supervisors. The evidence is strengthened by bits of conversation, records of conferences at the office of Tully L. Ford, attorney for the United Railroads. The fact that the Mayor received \$50,000 for signing the ordinance granting the overhead-trolley permit was learned through the testimony of Ruef.

Fourteen indictments were returned charging Calhoun, Mullally, Ford, Abbott, Schmits and Ruef jointly with the bribery of the Supervisors. Seventeen Supervisors were bribed, so it may therefore be seen that three of the indictments were held in reserve. This is the Heney method. The 14 indictments will act as a sort of advance guard to draw the fire of the defense.

If the defense succeeds in shooting any holes in them, the three in reserve will be altered to make them impregnable, taking advantage of the facts brought out.

Judge Coffey announced, after running his eye over the indictments that he would fix bail in the sum of \$10,000 on each of the 39 counts. He gave the accused until 11 o'clock today to furnish bonds and remarked that he would accept in lieu thereof cash bail of \$5000 on each count. Assurance was given that pending the arrangement of bail no arrests will be made by the prosecution, so the nine men accused of the giving or taking of bribes are at liberty on their own recognizance until 11 o'clock today.

The statement was made unofficially that all but \$116,000 of the entire amount of the bonds of \$500,000 will be forthcoming at the appointed hour today.

Schmits, in addition to \$50,000 security he has already given to secure his liberty pending the trial of the five counts of extortion brought against him and Ruef jointly, will have to put up \$160,000 in bonds. Ruef will have to put up \$140,000, but, inasmuch as he now is and for more than two months has been a prisoner without any immediate hope of release, it is understood that he will make no attempt to give bail. It is said, indeed, that under the circumstances and in view of the fact that he turned state's evidence, he prefers to remain the prisoner of Ellisor Biggy.

President Glass, of the Telephone Company, already has given bonds in the sum of \$90,000. He will have to put up \$20,000 more to retain his liberty.

Halsey has put up \$110,000 in bonds, covering the 11 indictments previously found against him. He will have to put up \$10,000 addition today.

When Foreman Oliver, of the grand jury, filed the 19 indictments in court, he stated that these were "only a partial report from the grand jury." This is taken to mean that more indictments are to follow.

Huge Railroad Bridge.

New York, May 25.—Another step in the progress of the Pennsylvania Railroad's New York extension was taken this week when plans for the East River bridge of the New York Connecting Railroad were submitted to the Municipal Art Association. This bridge will form part of a steel viaduct connecting the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway with the Long Island and the Pennsylvania. It will be the longest and heaviest steel bridge in the world.

Roosevelt Will Attend Regatta.

New York, May 25.—President Roosevelt expects to be at the Inter-collegiate regatta this year on Hudson River, June 28. The presence of the Annapolis crew in the race is what interests him.