

BUSY MUCK RAKE FOR FULTON CASE

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DAMAGE SUIT AGAINST SENATOR FULTON IS ON.

Bethery Transaction in 1897 Session of the Oregon Legislature Will Be Thoroughly Aired in Court—J. S. Smith of Salem Will Show Up Rotundness of the Senatorial Deal—Every Member Who Knew Anything Will Be Called.

Salem, Ore., April 7.—The muck rake will be very busy during the coming J. S. Smith-C. W. Fulton suit which was filed by Smith against Senator Fulton Saturday.

All of the facts of the Mitchell-Smith bribery transaction which was told by Smith in his affidavit to Heney and used by the latter as the latter in his charge against Senator Fulton, will be dragged into court by one side or the other.

Smith announced today that he intended to subpoena every member of the '97 legislature that knew anything about the alleged deal and compel them to tell the story to the court.

Story of the Bribery.

Smith in his complaint, after referring to the affidavit which he made before Thomas B. Newhausen, special inspector of the interior department, accusing the defendant of having been a party to corruptly offering plaintiff \$3000 to influence his action as a member of the legislature of Oregon, alleges "that on April 4 in a discourse which he had in the presence and hearing of sundry persons, spoke and published of and concerning said plaintiff and said affidavit the false and scandalous words following: 'The statements are deliberately and wilfully false and there is not a word of truth in it.'"

"Meaning that said plaintiff in making such affidavit, had sworn falsely and committed wilful and corrupt perjury.

"That in consequence the plaintiff is greatly injured in his good name and reputation, and has been rendered liable to prosecution for perjury, to his damage in the sum of \$5000."

The complaint had been prepared some time before, but the words "The statements are deliberately false and there is not a word of truth in it" were added as the speaker uttered them, and the complaint put in the hands of a deputy sheriff for service as soon as the senator should leave the hall.

J. S. Smith now is a resident of Marion county, but formerly lived in Linn, from which county he was elected to the legislature on the Populist ticket in the "hold-up" session in 1897 when the late John H. Mitchell was a candidate for election to the United States senate.

It will be remembered that that legislature did not organize because the supporters of Mitchell could not secure a quorum.

The bribe mentioned by Smith is one he alleges was paid him in accordance with an agreement to which Fulton was a party, to induce him to enter and help organize the legislature. Smith claims he received \$1500 and then refused to go in and carry out his contract.

Smith later moved to Marion county and Governor Chamberlain appointed him to a position in the penitentiary over the protest of Senator Fulton. Smith has since severed his connection with the penitentiary, and now follows the occupation of a farmer.

WISCONSIN ELECTIONS ON.

Delegates to National Convention and Judicial Officials to Be Chosen.

Madison, Wis., April 7.—Elections are in progress today throughout Wisconsin for the election of the following national convention delegates and judicial officers:

Twenty-six delegates for each political party to the national convention of such party called for the purpose of nominating a president and vice president of the United States; four of said delegates to be elected in the state at large and two in each congressional district.

A justice of the supreme court in place of the Hon. Robert M. Bashford, appointed to fill vacancy caused by the death of the Hon. John B. Casady, for the unexpired term ending on the first Monday in January, 1910. Circuit judges in the Second, Third, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth judicial circuits, and such municipal judges as are required by law to be elected at this time.

AUTOMOBILE SHOW IS ON.

Hundreds of Autos in Big Parade in New York City Today.

New York, April 7.—Practically every owner of a "buzz-wagon" in the greater city is today engaged in putting the finishing touches on his car, in order to participate in tonight's parade, the most brilliant feature of motor carnival week.

The line of parade, especially along "automobile row," has been brilliantly decorated and tonight will blossom out with a myriad of colored lights. Hotels are thronged with spectators from other cities, eager to witness the spectacle, and windows along the line of march are at a premium. The pageant promises to be the most brilliant ever held since the invention of the automobile.

ANNA GOULD'S FINGERS BURNED SECOND TIME.

New York, April 7.—All opposition of the Gould family to Prince Helle De Sagan has been brushed aside and Mme. Anna Gould will marry the cousin of her former husband, Boni De Castellane, in Paris within a few months. All opposition was withdrawn at a dinner held last night at the home of Edwin Gould and a formal statement to that effect was made later.

TO WELCOME THE FLEET.

San Diego Will Give Warship Squadron a Royal Reception.

San Diego, Cal., April 7.—With the arrival of the battleship fleet of San Diego now but a few days distant, enthusiasm in this city is passing all bounds and the celebration to be held here will doubtless be the most remarkable occasion in the history of the American navy.

Later Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and San Francisco will have an opportunity to demonstrate their hospitality, but San Diego, by reason of being the first American city on the Pacific coast to welcome the sailors is determined to take precedence also in the enthusiasm of its greeting.

For weeks the various committees have been working night and day, and the results of their labors are all apparent. Thousands of invitations have been sent to prominent citizens of California, Arizona and New Mexico and assurance of large and distinguished visitors have been received.

Pictures of Rear Admiral Evans and other officers of the fleet, and the stores are running over with souvenir postal cards relating to the fleet. Everywhere is a fleet, fleet, fleet, and also along the coast.

New features are constantly being added, the latest being a novel one. It is proposed that each sailor in the fleet be presented with a dozen big oranges and a bouquet of flowers. That would mean about 16,000 bouquets and 300,000 oranges.

There will be boat races by crews of the fleet for prizes of the people of San Diego, also numerous dances, a banquet to the officers, illumination of the city and harbor, land and naval parades and concerts.

A jeweled sword will be presented to Admiral Evans and his wife will receive a golden key, symbolizing the "freedom of the city."

JAPANESE OFFER INSULT.

Staff of American Consulate at Mukden Is Attacked.

Mukden, Manchuria, April 7.—International complications will arise out of an attack made upon the native staff of the American consulate here today by four Japanese. The Japanese were quickly overpowered and delivered to the Japanese consulate.

The Japanese consul refuses to apologize and diplomatic action will result. It is believed the attack grew out of the ill feeling between the Japanese, Russians and Americans at Mukden.

EMMA GOLDMAN DOWN AND OUT.

"Queen of the Anarchists" Will Now Have to Prove Her Citizenship.

Minneapolis, April 7.—The United States immigration officials refused to allow Emma Goldman to cross the Canadian line into the United States today and compelled her to return to Winnipeg, where she has been staying for the last few days.

The "Queen of Anarchists" will now have to prove that she is an American citizen before she can enter the United States again. Immigration officials have been looking for an opportunity to deport her and saw the opportunity when she went to Winnipeg.

EVELYN'S FUTURE IN DOUBT.

Mrs. Thaw May Wed One of the Attorneys for the Defense.

New York, April 7.—Coupled with the various rumors concerning the future of Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, comes a story today that she will marry an attorney who was prominently identified with the defense of her husband after the suit for the marriage annulment is granted.

The statement that Mrs. Thaw will go abroad for any extended time is not seriously regarded here nor is the story that she will go to California. She may go to Europe for a short trip, however.

STRAWBERRIES BY MAY 1.

Strawberries will be on the market by the last of this month, the first coming from Fliley, six miles below this city, says an item from Kennebec. The crop will be handled as usual by the Kennebec Fruitgrowers' association. According to the best reports obtainable by the Kennebec Fruitgrowers' association, prospects were never better for a fruit crop in this section. While the frost was well advanced for this time of the year the recent cold nights have not damaged the crop to a great extent. The peaches in a few orchards are slightly injured, but in most orchards the smudges were started and all damage averted.

ROOSEVELT WILL TOUR THE WORLD

President Plans Trip to Get Out of Taft's Way—If Taft is Elected.

PLANS TO GO LEISURELY FOR COMPLETE REST.

Best Literary Work of Roosevelt Will Result from the Tour It is Thought—Wants to Give Taft Free Reins, if Elected, and Avoid Imputation of Undue Roosevelt Influence—May Write Book on Old World Economic Conditions.

Washington, April 7.—President Roosevelt will make a tour of the world after the expiration of his term.

This statement was made authoritatively at the White House today. His declared purpose is to give Secretary Taft, if Taft is nominated and elected, a free hand in office without any danger of the imputation that he was acting under the influence of Roosevelt.

While Roosevelt will not be under contract with any publisher, he will perhaps do some of his best literary work as a result of his intended trip.

His special articles written in the past few months, but which have not been published, will be arranged.

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PORTLAND FEARS HIGHBINDER WAR

Ten Hatchet and Gun Men Are Imported From San Francisco.

MURDEROUS GANG SEEKING TO ENTER THE CITY.

Portland, April 6.—With 10 San Francisco hatchet men, headed by Lim Ga Gee, a noted gun fighter, skulking in the suburbs of Portland awaiting an opportunity to enter the city without the knowledge of the police, there is a general anxiety over the possible outbreak of the factional war in Bong Tong feud.

This war has already resulted in one murder, one attempt at arson and two mysterious disappearances among local Chinese.

Now Astoria and San Francisco gangs have taken a hand. The Astoria gang has raised \$1000 to import to San Francisco gun fighters to Portland in order to square the grievance they have with the local Bong Tong in regard to the difference of opinion over a canny contract. The police are watching every entrance to the city to prevent the Chinese from coming in.

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PETTY THIEVES BUSY.

Tramps Commit Numerous Depredations at Boise.

During the past few months an unusual amount of wholesale stealing has been going on in the local railroad yards by sneak-thieves and tramps. Boxes and other freight has been opened and the contents taken, says the Boise Capital News.

Although the officers of the road have been making every effort to apprehend the thieves they have been unable to make any arrests with the exception of Freund, the assistant freight handler, who was convicted and heavily fined in Justice Savidge's court recently.

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FIELD MEET TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, APRIL 17.

On Friday, April 17, a field and track meet will be held here between the students of the Pendleton high school and Pearson's academy of Walla Walla. It will be the first field meet of the season for the high school boys and the occasion is being looked forward to with much interest. The meet will be held at the Fraser race track on Tutuilla. Pearson academy is the preparatory school for Whitman college.

BAKER CITY MERCHANTS COMPLAIN OF RATES.

Portland, April 7.—Merchants of Baker City today signed a complaint against the O. R. & N. railroad asking the Oregon railway commission for reduction of distributive rates out of Baker in the Blue mountain country and Huntington.

The complaint states that since the commission ordered reductions east of The Dalles the rates out of Baker are unjust.

MURDER REACTS IN PORTUGAL.

Sentiment in Favor of Ruling House Constantly Growing.

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SALEM MINISTER HORSEWHIPPED

Women Arrested for Breaking Up a Religious Meeting Saturday Night.

REV. COFFEY ASSAULTED FOUR TIMES IN SIX MONTHS

Church Fight at Salem Resulted in Suspension of J. F. Coffey and This Is Followed by Assault on Minister—Mrs. Nettie Rhoades and Miss Lulu Good, Sisters, Under Arrest—Husband and Brother Assaulted.

Salem, April 6.—As the result of an assault Saturday night, Mrs. Nettie Rhoades and Lulu Good, sisters, were arrested this morning charged with breaking up a religious meeting and were brought before Judge Webster, where they pleaded not guilty.

In the preliminary examination it developed that the two women, accompanied by the husband and brother, met Presiding Elder W. H. Coffey of the district Free Methodist church and horsewhipped him.

The women allege that Coffey made certain statements about them which they do not like. Rev. Coffey states the trouble arose out of charges against J. F. Coffey, upon which the latter was suspended from the church. He asserts that this is the fourth time he has been assaulted since last November.

SMALLPOX FROM CORPSES.

Contagion Spread by Exhumed Bodies at Walla Walla.

To prevent any danger which might result from the handling of the two bodies recently found at Garden City heights, Coroner George MacMartin will superintend the work of the chain gang for the next few days and will take immediate charge of any more bodies that may be discovered, says the Walla Walla Union. Distinctly will be freely used on all workmen employed.

Although opinion is divided as to whether smallpox can spread from contact with dead bodies, Coroner MacMartin, realizing the wide possibility of danger, will take no chances. A steel casket, partly filled with chloride of lime, will be carried today to the spot where the two bodies were discovered. The remains so far unearthed will be placed in the casket and sealed tight to prevent any spread of the disease.

Work by the chain gang was suspended yesterday at the suggestion of the coroner who was unwilling to endanger the lives of the workmen or anyone else with whom they might be brought in contact.

In spite of the fact that some pioneers hold to the belief that no more bodies lie buried, Coroner MacMartin fears that the place may have been stocked with the remains of several more smallpox patients of whose confinement in the old pest house or of whose death there may have been no record kept.

DOWN SNAKE IN A SCOW.

Engineers for Pittsburg Railroad Company Make Perilous Voyage.

An item from Lewiston says: After a tedious trip of 23 days down the Salmon and Snake rivers, a party of engineers, headed by T. H. Bacon, have arrived in Lewiston in a low, flat-bottomed scow which they built at Salmon City. While ostensibly employed by the Pittsburg-Gilmore railway company the party is believed to be surveying a route for the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad company. Mr. Bacon declined to confirm or deny this rumor.

Mr. Bacon frankly stated that the work was being done for the Pittsburg company, but would not disclose its backers, although he stated it was his belief that the only transcontinental railroad likely to build through Lewiston would be the Chicago & Northwestern.

It has been reported that this company was seeking an outlet to the coast from its present western terminus at Lander, Wyo. A line has been surveyed along the southern boundary of Yellowstone park, and an easy grade is said to have been discovered across the Ritter Roots, which will bring the road down into the Salmon basin. Following a water grade Lewiston is reached through the Snake river canyon. From here it is thought the line will strike westward to a point on the North Coast railroad, which is believed to be a Northwestern project.

The engineers built the scow, which is a peculiar looking craft 24 feet long, five feet wide, with a draft of only three feet. The boat was well stocked with provisions, and the journey was made slowly, as measurements and elevations were taken along the route.

Repairing Block Signal System.

Foreman Masie with a crew of three men, is repairing damage to the block signal system in the mountains, which was incurred during the recent washouts. Mr. Masie has been located at Pendleton the past several months, and has not been supplied with a regulation gang until the washouts damaged the signal system.—La Grande Observer.

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