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NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Mayor Schmitz is at liberty under bail bonds aggregating \$50,000.

A Georgia passenger train was wrecked and 26 persons badly injured.

Seventeen bodies of Shriners killed in the California wreck were buried at Reading, Penn., their home.

The Evening Telegram's special excursion party of 17 young ladies from all parts of the state has started on its trip to the Jamestown exposition.

David W. Ross, general purchasing agent of the Panama Canal commission, will resign to become president of a large manufacturing concern in Chicago.

A detective agency of Chicago claims that Harry Orchard is in reality Harry Moore, and was once a reputable and industrious citizen of Detroit, Mich., and member of a Masonic lodge in that city.

The Brotherhood Welfare association of Chicago will give a banquet to 90 vagrants and criminals, at which each one will tell his reasons for being what he is and the association expects to get much useful information to use in its work.

Germany is trying to stir up a revolt in Egypt.

The new Spanish prince has been baptized with great ceremony.

Isaac Stephenson has been elected United States senator from Wisconsin.

Russia has adopted the term "undesirable citizens" as fitting the terrorists.

A lion which escaped from its cage at Atlanta, Ga., created a panic until it was caught.

Some time next fall President Roosevelt will take a trip down the Mississippi from Iowa to Memphis.

Two tenement houses in Brooklyn were blown to pieces, three persons fatally and 30 seriously injured by an explosion of gas.

The Western Cloak manufacturers' association has already decided on next winter's style of wraps. The loose fitting cloaks should be 52 inches long and the tight fitting from 50 to 55 inches.

The United States cruiser California, started by the Union Iron works, San Francisco, will be finished in the government navy yard on account of a strike at the plant of the contracting firm.

The United Railroads in San Francisco is to be boycotted by all union men.

President Calhoun denies that the United Railroads bribed Ruef, Schmitz and the supervisors.

Cossacks in Poland shot down 20 workmen because one of their comrades was killed by robbers.

Ruef has confessed to receiving \$30,000 as a bribe for securing a franchise which was never granted.

General Kuroki is being banqueted by many army and navy officers in Washington and New York.

Two plots against the czar's life have been discovered, one by the terrorists and one by the reactionists.

Fire has destroyed the piers of the Morgan line, New York, owned by the Southern Pacific. The loss is placed at \$500,000.

Great Britain is after grafters and has just sent the entire board of guardians of a workhouse and infirmary to prison for bribe taking.

Newspaper men who have recently interviewed Harry Orchard, at the Idaho penitentiary, declare he is not a physical and mental wreck as has been reported.

General Bonilla, exiled president of Honduras, is preparing to renew war on the Honduran government.

The Battle mayorality contest has been complicated by the discovery that seals on ballot boxes have been broken.

Some of the new passenger cars for the Union Pacific system will have side doors instead of in the end as at present.

It is said that Ruef will be sent to San Quentin, but not until after he has given the grand jury all the aid possible.

The United Railroads is having less trouble in operating its San Francisco cars and is gradually increasing the service.

REACTION BOUND TO COME.

Railroad Man Predicts Adverse Feeling Towards Nation's Hero.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 21.—President William H. Caniff, of the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad company, (Nickel Plate) believes in the regulation of railroads by the nation and the state, but regards the present activities of President Roosevelt as productive of harm to the country in general. He thinks that railroad regulation should be accomplished by liberal conservatism, else ill effects will be felt by the people.

"The pendulum is swinging in one direction now," said President Caniff today, "but it can not fail to swing back, and when it swings back it is bound to away a good deal in the other direction. I do not mean by that that we need fear a financial panic; but I do mean simply that there will be a retarding of the progression of the last five years for which the country will be the worse off."

"Nations must have their heroes. Rome had her Cæsar, and perhaps the next was raised at. The president has struck a key note that has met with ready response on the part of the people, only it is not always sane to believe that the approval of the masses is assurance that the most good is to come to the biggest number of people, for the world often applauds a man and later on discovers that what they approved has done them no good. It will not be long ere the whole situation will be settled into even running again, but not until after the pendulum has had its swing a little the other way."

FOLK HEARS GRAFT STORIES.

Members of Kansas City Police Force Bring Tales to Governor.

Kansas City, Mo., May 21.—Governor Joseph W. Folk left for Jefferson City today after a conference with the local police commissioners, regarding graft charges that lasted until 1 o'clock this morning. He had but a few hours' sleep last night and early today continued conferring with persons from different walks of life, who made him acquainted with various phases of police corruption. Among his callers were policemen and police detectives, who are said to have laid bare numerous irregularities, evidently in the hope of gaining immunity for themselves. Governor Folk's investigations have convinced him that there is a very strong alliance existing between the Metropolitan Street Railway company and the police force. A high official of the police department is authority for the statement that within two years this alleged alliance has been encouraged by the heads of the departments. Mayor Beardsley has repeatedly said that policemen have been overzealous in serving the streetcar companies, when passengers have been injured in accidents. It was charged that instead of taking steps promptly to relieve the sufferings of the injured, the policemen notify the claim agents of the company.

RUSH RAILS TO FAR EAST.

American Factories Busy With Hurry Orders for Japan.

New York, May 21.—America's industrial invasion of the Far East is now in full swing, and Japan is pouring a golden stream into the United States for steel rails, cars and locomotives. Twelve million dollars already have been expended in this country for railroad supplies to be used in the construction of Southern Manchuria railways, and it is now learned that contracts involving millions of dollars are pending. Deliveries of rails are being made, and for the next three months steamships chartered by Japan will ply across the Pacific bearing valuable cargoes of steel and iron. Manchuria will be strapped with American steel rails from Duluth to Mukden, and the traveler will ride in cars of American manufacture, and drawn by locomotives built in this country. Thousands of dollars have been spent in premiums to American manufacturers for quick deliveries, for the Japanese insist that these railroads must be built and in full operation within two years. Japan's representatives were told to go ahead and get the railroad supplies at all costs.

Burglars Crack Big Safe.

Misoula, Mont., May 21.—Cracksmen shattered the door to the treasurer's vault of Misoula county at an early hour this morning, but before they secured the money they were frightened away. The treasurer's office in the court house is within 75 feet of the county jail. The explosion was heard by the prisoners in the jail, but owing to the fact that the deputies were engaged in arresting several suspicious characters, nobody in authority knew of the attempted burglary until later.

Women Get \$500,000 Funds.

Pittsburg, May 21.—In a popular subscription campaign of ten days, the members of the Young Women's Christian association of this city have raised a building fund of over \$300,000, there by earning an endowment fund of \$200,000 from H. C. Frick.

CRISIS IS REACHED

San Francisco Must Have Settlement With Labor Unions.

COMPLETE SUSPENSION OF WORK

All Building May Stop and 50,000 Men Become Idle—Money Market Tightens.

San Francisco, May 21.—A meeting of the Builders' Exchange has been called for Wednesday, at which time the contractors of the city who are erecting the structures now rising in the ruins will discuss the question of stopping work until normal conditions are resumed. In case such action is taken 50,000 men will be thrown out of employment.

The car strike, the other labor troubles, and a tightening money market have brought the present situation about. The financial and industrial situation at the present moment is graver than it has been since the big disaster. Every attempt will be made to induce the builders to continue work, but President Kent, of the exchange, stated last night that many of the members of the association had expressed themselves in favor of stopping work until the situation could again be restored to the normal. Loans are being called and the interest rate has been advanced from 5 and 6 to 7 and 8 per cent.

SENDS ARMY SOUTH.

Mexico Preparing for Trouble With Republic of Guatemala.

City of Mexico, May 21.—Mexican troops are being moved to the Guatemalan frontier over the Pan-American Railroad, according to advices received yesterday. In what numbers or for what purpose these soldiers are being moved southward is not known outside official circles.

Voliva Deposed by Court as Successor of Dowie.

Chicago, May 20.—Zion City was in a turmoil today when it became known that Judge T. M. Landis, in the United States circuit court, had recognized Deacon John A. Lewis as the legitimate successor of John Alexander Dowie, the dead founder of the North Shore city, and has thus practically ousted Wilbur Glen Voliva from leadership.

Coupled with this sensational development, it became known that, in stinging letters, three of Voliva's supporters have denounced him as a demagogue and a traitor. It is rumored in Zion City that if Voliva attempted to lead an exodus he could not secure a following of more than a dozen persons.

Edwin H. Conger Dead.

Pasadena, May 20.—Major Edwin H. Conger, former American ambassador to Mexico and minister to China during the Boxer trouble, died at the family home in this city last Saturday. No hope for his recovery had been held out by the attending physicians for the past 24 hours. Daily for a week past Mr. Conger has grown weaker, and it was known that he had but a few hours to live. The family was at the bedside when the end came. Chronic dysentery was the direct cause of death. He was 64 years old.

No Contempt Intended.

Boise, May 20.—Prosecuting Attorney Koelch has completed his investigation of the circumstances under which Harry Orchard, principal witness for the state in the Steuneger murder case, was interviewed, and presented the District court with a report exonerating from the charge of improper motives all persons connected with the incident. He found that the only motive that the newspaper men had in interviewing Orchard was to obtain news from him.

Reduced Rates Withdrawn.

Tacoma, May 21.—Reduced rates over the Northern Pacific Railway to Middle Western cities which were to have been made have been withdrawn because the Interstate Commerce Commission has refused to approve the lower fare. It is not known whether the cheap tickets have been taken off the market temporarily or for the entire summer. Agents of the Oregon Short Line and the Union Pacific assert that they are instructed to sell transportation on the basis of one fare plus \$16 for the round trip to all Middle Western points.

Will Not Nurse Her Royal Babe.

Madrid, May 21.—Owing to the many duties requiring her attention, Queen Victoria has given up the idea of nursing the Prince of Asturias, and a nurse has been obtained for him, from the province of Santa Andrea.

CUT IN MAIL PAY.

Government May Reduce the Compensation of Railroaders.

Chicago, May 20.—The recent action of the Burlington in cutting the rates on transcontinental mail to meet the competition in service and time of the Rock Island, is having an important bearing on the question of mail compensation generally.

It is said that the voluntary reduction made by the Burlington is being seriously considered by the postmaster general in determining whether the total compensation received by the railroads shall be reduced between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 annually.

This fact became apparent, it is stated, last Wednesday, when a committee of prominent railroad men called on the postmaster general with a petition asking him to rescind the order requiring the total tonnage carried over a mail route for one week to be divided by seven, instead of six, in arriving at the average tonnage carried. Such a division as the postmaster general is insisting on will reduce the mail compensation nearly 14 per cent.

The chairman of the committee was W. W. Baldwin, assistant to President Harris, of the Burlington. Baldwin was the man who conveyed to the former postmaster general the proposition of the Burlington to cut its rates to meet the Rock Island competition. The postmaster general intimated that in view of the voluntary reduction, it might be difficult for him to be convinced that the mail pay could not stand a general cut.

PRISON FOR SCHMITZ.

Prosecution Will File 70 Indictments and Put Him Behind Bars.

San Francisco, May 20.—The graft prosecution, now that it has the assurance of Ruef that he will tell the complete story of corruption to the grand jury, has turned its attention to Mayor Schmitz. Before the end of the week Assistant District Attorney Henry will ask the judge to give Schmitz into the custody of a special elisor. In order to bring this about, the prosecution will, if necessary, file 70 indictments against Schmitz. These indictments will charge the mayor with having been a party to the bribery of the members of the board of supervisors in all the crooked deals in which they engaged. The testimony of Ruef is explicit on this point.

WHOLE DAY UNDER WATER.

Rival Submarine Boats Undergo Severe Test.

Newport, R. I., May 18.—With all hands well and contented, and with a bountiful supply of fresh air, and with records for submergence broken, the submarines Octopus and Lake rose to the surface of Narragansett bay at 4 o'clock this afternoon, ending a test of 24 hours under water.

The Octopus rose first, and the members of the naval trial board crowded about her, as the conning tower hatch blew open. The members of the trial board at once went below to see what conditions existed on board, and also to test the air supply. Samples of air were bottled every two hours throughout the test for analysis by the board.

SCHMITZ NERVOUS WRECK.

Would Follow Ruef's Lead and Confess, but Lawyers Restrain.

San Francisco, May 18.—Mayor Schmitz is on the point of a nervous collapse. He recognizes that the end is at hand. Ruef has already exposed his part in the trolley bribery and the Parkside deal and in the next few days will continue the exposure, showing how the mayor figured in every corrupt deal put through during his administration.

The mayor realizes that two courses are open to him. He can either confess or hold out for a few weeks, when he will be tried, convicted and sent to the penitentiary. At present the mayor is hesitating between the two courses. Two of his attorneys want him to fight it out and the third has urged him to confess.

Filipino Tribes Are Quiet.

San Francisco, May 18.—Brigadier General H. T. Allen, organizer and until recently chief of the Philippine constabulary, arrived yesterday from Manila on the army transport Thomas. General Allen says there is little trouble in the Philippines now except in Leyte and Samar, where the hill tribes still worry the insular government.

Aguinardo is now living quietly on his ranch in the province of Cavite, where the former head of the insurrection, is attending strictly to his own affairs and not participating in matters political.

Will Build Two Dreadnaughts.

London, May 18.—Orders have been given to lay the keels of two battleships of the Dreadnaught type. It has been understood that in case the proposal for disarmament took definite shape in The Hague conference only one Dreadnaught would be laid down. The order for two such ships is construed as Great Britain's acknowledgement of Germany's refusal to entertain the disarmament question.

GOODING'S BAD MOVE

Granting of Orchard Interview Raises Judge's Ire.

COUNTY ATTORNEY INVESTIGATES

Plan May Have Been to Prejudice Jurymen—Lawyers Think Governor's Action Untimely.

Boise, Idaho, May 18.—Judge Wood touched off some fireworks just at the opening of court, and it became necessary to ask all prospective jurymen to leave the room while the display continued. It was all over reports published in the morning paper of the newspaper men's interview with Harry Orchard the day before. The Statesman published the story sent out by the Associated Press, one from its own representative, and two signed statements from visiting newspaper men.

Judge Wood called attention to the publications immediately upon ascending the bench. All were surprised. When the judge had concluded, Mr. Hawley spoke. Then Mr. Richardson said he would like to say what he thought of it, but was restrained by the presence of the talesmen. These were excused and then the whole matter was aired for an hour. The judge finally directed the county attorney to look the matter up and see what, if anything, could be done. During the progress of the discussion he said there was a plain remedy, if it was the intention to prejudice jurymen, intimating he would cite all concerned for contempt if he thought that was the purpose.

Yesterday five peremptory challenges were used. Of the special venire of 100 only 34 are left.

Signs Agreement to Let Committee of Citizens Name Officials.

San Francisco, May 17.—Mayor Schmitz last night signed an agreement to be guided in his appointments during the rest of his term by a committee of seven. This committee is composed of representatives of local commercial associations.

Schmitz from now on will be mayor in name only. He willingly signed the agreement, as he is a nervous wreck and unable to carry on the affairs of the city.

Before concluding arrangements with Schmitz, the committee called upon F. J. Heney, and explained its plans. Mr. Heney said it would not conflict with the graft prosecution.

The practical abdication of the mayor will result in the appointment of a new chief of police at once to restore order and a new works commissioner to clean the city and repair the streets. More drastic actions will then follow.

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Examination of Talesmen in Hayward Case Reveals Prejudice.

Boise, Idaho, May 17.—During the one session of the Hayward trial held yesterday 11 talesmen were examined before a satisfactory juror was secured to replace William Van Orsdale, the grocer, as No. 2, who was excused Wednesday afternoon on a peremptory challenge from the state. As court adjourned yesterday the defense exercised its first challenge by selecting Allen Pride, a farmer, as No. 5. Mr. Pride had testified during his examination that he had invited to dinner the deputy who served him with a jury summons. He and the deputy discussed the case for some time, their talk being particularly upon Harry Orchard, who is to be the principal witness for the state. A talesman was called to replace Pride, but his examination was deferred until today.

Will Prosecute Harriman.

Washington, May 16.—That the inquiry conducted by the Interstate Commerce commission into the conduct of railroads controlled by E. H. Harriman, will result in prosecutions was plainly shown by the publication today of the report and recommendations of Frank B. Kellogg and Charles A. Severance, counsel for the commission. Within a short time the commission will take up this report, vote upon it and transmit it to the department of Justice to the evidence tending to show that the Harriman school of railroad financiering has operated in violation of the Sherman anti-trust laws and other statutes. The publication of this important report caused a pronounced sensation. It proved a decided shock to some of the members of the commission.

Eight Million in a Year.

Butte, Mont., May 17.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Anaconda Copper Mining company, held today at the office of the company in Anaconda, all of the old directors were re-elected. The report of John D. Ryan, president of the Anaconda Copper Mining company, submitted to stockholders, shows that the corporation for the year that ended Dec. 31, 1906, earned a profit of \$8,842,669. The balance on Dec. 31, 1906, was \$7,240,572, which, with the profits for last year, amounted to a surplus of \$16,083,241.

Will Cut Passenger Rates.

St. Paul, May 17.—General reductions in passenger rates to all points by the Great Northern railroad will soon be announced, to become effective July 1. A. L. Craig, passenger traffic manager, states that the Great Northern will allow all points on its system to receive the benefit of the lower rates provided by the Minnesota and North Dakota laws, 2 and 2½ cents.

RUEF MAKES GOOD PROMISE

Tells Grand Jury About Franchise Graft—Doomed to Prison.

San Francisco, May 17.—Abraham Ruef made good his declaration that he would, following his change of plea to guilty in the extortion cases against him, turn state's evidence and assist the bribery graft prosecution in its campaign against municipal corruption. Ruef, obeying a subpoena from the grand jury served upon him at the Fillmore street prison house shortly before 3 o'clock yesterday, went in the charge of Special Agent Burns, Elisor Biggy and another guard to the grand jury chambers in Native Sons' hall, where he took the witness stand and submitted to an examination that lasted from 3:20 p. m. until after 5 p. m. When the ordeal was over, he called the newspaper men around him and said that he had promised the grand jury to divulge nothing. District Attorney Langdon and Assistant District Attorney Heney refused to make any statement whatever. From Mr. Burns it was learned that the only matter on which Ruef was questioned was the alleged bribing of Mayor Schmitz and 18 supervisors by the United Railroads to grant to that corporation a change in its franchise allowing the electrifying of its 250 miles of street railway system in this city.

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