

WITNESSES MAY NOW SEE PAPERS

Chairman Nelson of Ballinger Investigating Committee Reverses the Ruling Which Prohibited Witnesses From Examining Papers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 5.—Chairman Nelson of the Ballinger congressional investigation committee today reversed the ruling which had prohibited witnesses from examining papers filed in the case. Hereafter the witnesses for both sides will go over the papers with the counsel.

Attorney Vertrees devoted some time today to questioning Pinchot regarding the Cale bill, which Pinchot alleges was to protect the Cunningham claims. The attorney was unable to shake the witness in his contentions regarding the measure.

Vertrees stated that Pinchot considered any misstatements made by Ballinger upon information furnished him were "outrageous." At the same time he said Pinchot considered "misstatements made to the president by Pinchot upon information furnished to him by others were simple little mistakes."

Senator Flint objected to Vertrees arguing the case, and the attorney resumed his interrogation of the witness. Vertrees asked Pinchot why he wrote the letter to Senator Dooliver which caused his dismissal by President Taft. Pinchot replied:

"Because it seemed to me wise, right and fair that the cases of Forrester Price and Law Officer Shaw should be presented to the senate at the same time that Attorney-General Wickham's defense of Ballinger was put before that body; also for the reason that Dooliver asked me to do so."

"You anticipated that it would make trouble for the administration?" suggested Vertrees.

"No," replied Pinchot, "but I thought it was about an even chance whether I was to be removed or not." The cross-examination of Pinchot was ended today.

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COYOTE COMES TO TOWN TO SEE WHAT'S GOING ON

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 6.—Looking to the right and left as if with surprised interest at his new surroundings, a coyote appeared in the streets of Los Angeles and paraded the thoroughfares until caught and led to a police station at the end of a lariat, which had been thrown about his gaunt, long neck by Patrolman R. B. Harris.

It is seldom that a coyote leaves behind him the mesa land, and conflicting statements have been made as to why he came into Los Angeles. Several declared he followed a dog. Others said he "just appeared to be curious." However, a timid woman who lives in the neighborhood of 2018 Magnolia avenue telephoned to the University police station of the presence of the coyote.

Patrolman R. B. Harris answered her call for help to catch the wild dog, and he pursued it to Normandie avenue and West Adams street, where he succeeded in throwing a lasso over its head.

DREW ROYAL FLUSH; SHOCK KILLED HIM

SCRANTON, Pa., March 6.—"I'm the unluckiest poker player living," declared Frank Constantino last night at Mayfield, a small town near here, when a game was proposed.

The third pot had passed around several times and been duly "sweetened" before it was finally opened. Constantino looked over his hand. He had the ten, jack, queen and ace of spades and four of diamonds. Discarding the four spot he drew one card. It was the king of spades, making him a royal flush.

He started and then swayed in his chair. The others took the tip and dropped out.

Constantino laid down his royal flush and managed to rake in the pot. Then he went home, but he had to be assisted to his room. This morning he was found dead in bed.

Deputy Coroner J. W. Grant performed an autopsy which revealed that death was due to overexertion of the heart.

If, looking backward, you're sorry you didn't advertise more about this time last year, try, now, the experiment of doing the thing which always seems right in retrospect.

ENGLAND FACES HUGE DEFICIT

Great Britain Will Find Her Funds \$150,000,000 Short March 31, According to Prominent Statesmen, Due to Non-Passage of Budget.

LONDON, March 5.—An unprecedented deficit in times of peace will be shown at the end of the fiscal year March 31, according to politicians here today.

It is estimated that through the failure of parliament to pass the budget there will be a deficit of \$150,000,000 in the funds necessary for the operation of the government.

Revenues from taxes on tobacco, whisky, land and income, together with revenues from saloon licenses, automobile licenses, death duties and revenue stamps will be lost to the government.

There appears to be no indication that the budget will be passed at the present session of the parliament, owing to a legislative deadlock.

BOY OF FIFTEEN GETS LICENSE TO PREACH

WATERBURY, Conn., March 5.—Francis Rollins, 15 years old, who trudges ten miles every day back and forth from his studies at the Torrington high school, has been licensed to preach by the quarterly conference of the New Haven district of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Probably the youngest parson in the United States, he is the son of the Rev. Edward Rollins, pastor of the Methodist church at Bakersville, and has frequently filled his father's pulpit.

"I don't know much about theology," said the boy preacher today, "but I believe I know what God wants us to do and what he'll do to us if we don't do it."

The Bakersville church has had difficulty in getting a pastor at the small salary it is able to pay—\$300 per year.

"They needn't pay me anything until I am out of school," says young Rollins.

NEBRASKA APPREHENSIVE ABOUT ITS NEXT CORN CROP

OMAHA, Neb., March 5.—According to grain men here and seed experts, a loss of from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 an enormous loss, the result of poor and imperfect seed, threatens the next corn crop of Nebraska, and realizing the conditions, they are sending out thousands of letters to Nebraska farmers, urging them to make tests of every ear of corn that has been saved for seed for this season's planting.

Men who have made a scientific study of corn state that owing to the unusual quantity of moisture last fall before the corn was gathered, and the hard winter, accompanied by an unusual amount of freezing weather, and bad housing after being gathered, the grain has been rendered sterile or weakened. From tests they say that, of the corn generally that has been saved for planting this season, at least one ear out of every six is bad.

CANNING FACTORIES OF MIDDLE WEST UNITED

CHICAGO, March 5.—A combination of interests of all the packing and canning factories of the middle west on a co-operative basis and under control of the Western Packers' association will be effected next Monday.

"It will require about \$1,000,000 to perfect this combination," said George Williamson of the Western Packers. "There are several hundred factories in the association, which has a membership of 1250. Indiana alone has 120 factories and Illinois half that many. We believe the interests of the industry will be better conserved in a co-operative combination. The association will have control of the operations on the entire industry."

William Roach of Hart, Mich., is president of the organization, which is made up largely of fruit and vegetable canners.

Eugene Men Buncoed.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 5.—Charles H. Chapman, recently a real estate agent at Tacoma, who told the court that he had been in trouble at Portland and Salt Lake City, was sentenced to two years by Judge Melnes today for uttering a document forged with the name of Geo. Willoughby on the Eugene Savings company, Eugene, Or. Chapman in Vancouver went under the name of Campbell.

An evening of profit as well as pleasure at the First Methodist church.

JAMES, LEADING ACTOR IS DEAD

Theatrical Profession Loses One of Its Greatest Interpreters of Shakespeare Roles—Had Been Snow-bound for Some Time

SPOKANE, Wash., March 5.—Louis James, the Shakespearean actor, died this morning at 8:30 o'clock at Helena, James, when he left Spokane Tuesday morning, seemed in the best of health. His death is supposed to have resulted from an attack of heart failure.

James and his company were snow-bound in the Cascades for two days, and the actor was taken ill while out of reach of medical assistance. He was too ill to play last night at Helena, but prior to his illness gave several impromptu performances in the baggage car of the stalled train for the amusement of other passengers.

The death of James robs the theatrical profession of one of its greatest Shakespearean actors of the old school. James had appeared in support of many of the greatest stars in the history of the American stage. He has appeared in the support of Mrs. John Drew, Lawrence Barrett, Joseph Jefferson, Frederick Warde and others, and in later years appeared with Kathryn Kidder as co-star in Shakespearean repertoire.

James was born at Tremont, Ill., in 1842. He joined the famous McAuley stock company of Louisville, the starting place of many famous actors. Later he went to the famous Arch Street theater in 1865, when Mrs. John Drew was the idol of the country.

Under the management of Augustin Daly in New York, James appeared with such stars as Ada Rehan, Mrs. Gilbert, John Drew, Fay Templeton and others. He also appeared at McGuire's theater, San Francisco; Ford's theater, Baltimore, and at the Boston theater.

For five years James was leading man with Lawrence Barrett. He became a star in 1886. In 1891 he appeared with Joseph Jefferson, later as a star under the management of Wagenhals & Kemper, and since 1904 has been starring with his daughter, Aphie James, in Shakespearean plays.

Washington Town Burns.

WINLOCK, Wash., March 5.—Fire early today destroyed a block of buildings in the business section of this place, with an estimated loss of about \$50,000. The total insurance is only \$6000. The fire was discovered in A. W. McFee's meat market and the cause is unknown. Dynamite was used to check the progress of the fire, and in this manner the destruction of the town was prevented.

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