

ROYALISTS IN FIRST BATTLE ARE DEFEATED

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LITTLE DIFFICULTY IN THE CAPTURE OF PEKIN

Standard Oil and Other Concession Seekers are Charged With Failure of Negotiations.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26.—Fighting desperately in the face of terrific fire from imperialist guns, revolutionaries under General Li Yuan Hung today routed the royalists in the first battle of the rebel advance on Peking. Tired of the dilatory tactics of the Manchus, who had put off the revolutionaries from day to day with promises of abdication which were never fulfilled, the revolutionaries ordered a force of troops to move northward from Shantung to the capital. Midway between Nanking and Tsin the imperialists intercepted the rebel army.

Royalists Better Equipped. Although the royalists were better equipped and practically took the revolutionaries by surprise, the latter stood their ground and, despite the fact that scores of their soldiers were mowed down by a raking fire from the machine guns of the enemy, General Li Yuan Hung quickly rallied his force and led them in a desperate charge on the imperialists. The Manchus were swept off their feet and scores were left dead and dying on the battle field before the imperialist officers ordered a retreat to await reinforcements.

Messages from Wu Chong today state that the main section of the rebel army has started northward to co-operate with the forces in the northwest. The main section of the revolutionary army is said to be plentifully supplied with artillery and ammunition, and it is generally believed that the combined forces will have little difficulty in capturing Peking.

Standard Oil Blamed. In an editorial the Shanghai Gazette charges the Standard Oil company and other concession seekers with responsibility for the failure of the peace negotiations here. As a result it is believed that sentiment against foreigners will be greatly intensified, and serious demonstrations are feared.

Many persons here think President Sun Yat Sen heeded the suggestions of the men who were after concessions for the big corporations. It is declared that international financiers, including the Standard Oil company, contributed to Sun Yat Sen's expenses during his revolutionary campaign and that he stood pat as a result of their influences.

KNOX WARNS AGAINST FOREIGN INTERFERENCE.



Secretary Knox in Characteristic Pose. Speaking before the New York State Bar Association, Philander C. Knox, Secretary of State, did not hesitate to declare that there was actual danger presented in the question of foreign interference in Central American republics. He appealed for the ratification by the Senate of the United States of the pending Nicaragua and Honduras loan conventions.

GOULD LINES TO BE MERGED INTO ONE GREAT ROAD

Transcontinental System Will Include Wabash, Missouri Pacific, Denver & Rio Grande and the Western Pacific.

PUEBLO, Colo., Jan. 26.—Practical confirmation of the reported merger of the Gould properties into a single transcontinental railroad system with a direct line from New York to San Francisco was made here by President B. F. Bush of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, who today is en route east. Although he would not specifically discuss the plans, he intimated that the report was true and his trip east is believed to have something to do with the proposed merger. According to report the transcontinental system is to include the Wabash, which connects New York with St. Louis; the Missouri Pacific from St. Louis to Pueblo; the Denver & Rio Grande from Pueblo to Salt Lake, and the Western Pacific from Salt Lake to San Francisco.

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PRESBYTERIANS ARE IN SESSION

Rogue River Valley Institute of Presbyterian Sunday School Workers Are Holding a Meeting in This City.

The Rogue River valley institute of Presbyterian Sunday school workers is being held in the Presbyterian church in Medford today and will continue until Sunday evening. Following is the program for this afternoon and evening: Afternoon—Conference with officers of the church and of the Sunday school, led by Rev. A. M. Williams, educational superintendent, and Rev. J. V. Milligan, D. D., synodical superintendent, both of Portland. Themes: (1) "The Present Efficiency of the Sunday Schools Represented in This Conference," (2), "Relation of the Church to Its School," (3) "Definite Results This Institute Should Accomplish." Evening—Popular meeting. Rev.

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DAVE SMITH GETS THE BEST OF THOMPSON

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 26.—A special cable to the United Press from Sydney, Australia, says that Cyclone Johnny Thompson lost out on points in a 20-round bout there last night with Dave Smith, the Australian. Thompson received terrible punishment all through and scarcely landed one square punch. He was warned several times by the referee for inflicting the clean break rule and also for hitting low. Smith was the favorite with the large crowd.

MURDERER WALKS TO TOWN AND SURRENDERS

FRESNO, Cal., Jan. 26.—Confessing to the killing of Mercol Marino, whom he says he clubbed to death at Wood Camp, near Mendota, Tuesday, Jose Maria Corpio walked into police headquarters here today and surrendered. He claims Marino attempted to kill him with a shotgun. Corpio walked all the way from the camp to Fresno.

TECHNICALLY OF LAW MAY FREE BANKER

Only Seven Working Days of the January Term is Left and the Jury May Not Be Held Legally After February 3.

MORRIS STILL STANDS PAT IN HIS DEMAND

State Hopes to Prove That Wilde Was on Intimate Terms With Morris.

PORTLAND, Jan. 26.—Only seven working days of the January term of the district court are left and a feeling akin to consternation is felt by the prosecutors of Louis J. Wilde for embezzlement because there is serious doubt as to whether the jury can sit legally after February 3. The jury was "called for the term" and, according to attorneys, there is no provision in the law for holding it over until the end of the trial. W. Cooper Morris still continues to stand pat in his demand for a dismissal of all indictments against him in exchange for testimony against Wilde.

The forenoon session was given over to the identification of letters from Wilde to Morris, by Frank Stow, formerly a business associate of the San Diego banker.

The state hopes to prove by the letters that Wilde was on intimate terms with Morris and was planning a business coup.

Some characteristic passages in the letters read: "I can always get out and get a sealskin union suit."

"Enclosed find an alarm clock so you can get up sooner."

"I want you to save me some money so I can buy a meal ticket. Those California fellows always soak me when I land."

Frank Stow on Stand. The prosecution at last night's session of the Louis J. Wilde trial for embezzlement, introduced its first material evidence on which it expects to prove its charge of conspiracy and embezzlement by Wilde and W. Cooper Morris, when Frank Stow took the stand. Although Stow did not conclude his testimony, he gave a history of the Union Telephone Construction company, the bond selling agency in which he was associated with Wilde, not omitting the alleged deception by Wilde in failing to account to his associates for their share of the profits from the transaction.

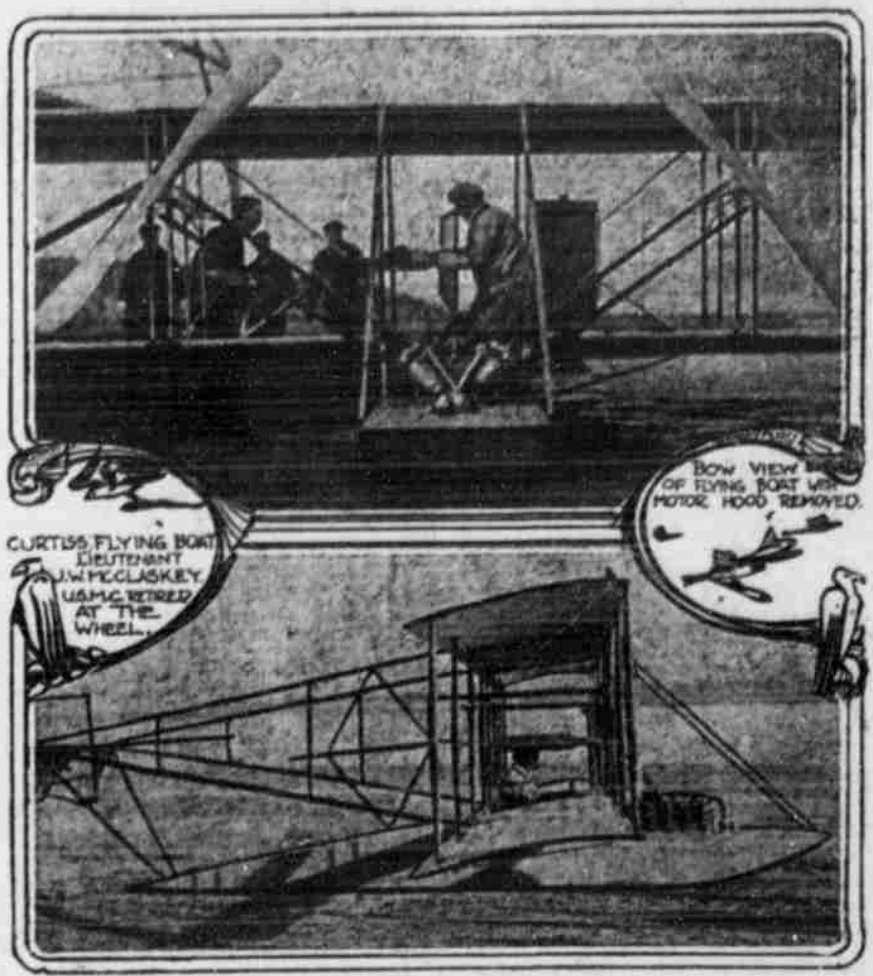
According to his testimony, the organization invaded Omaha, Neb., in 1906, secured a franchise for \$30,000 and entered into a contract with the Omaha Telephone company to install a plant of 6000 telephones. In consideration for installing the plant the construction company received bonds to the amount of \$1,500,000 4 per cent preferred stock at par and common in the same amount. Stow was elected general manager, F. F. Graves president and Wilde sales agent, each at a salary of \$300 monthly to be paid out of the concern's profits. The remaining profits were to be divided equally.

Following the sale of a solid block of \$500,000 of the bonds to the Oregon Savings and Trust company at par, Stow testified that Wilde reported the block sold for \$410,000. The company received \$400,000 in certificates of deposit, \$5000 was divided between the trio and \$5000 was put in the treasury. Later Stow said he investigated and found that Wilde had retained \$50,000 for himself and had given Morris \$40,000.

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NOTED AVIATOR PERFECTS FLYING BOAT WHICH WILL MAKE TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT POSSIBLE



Glenn H. Curtiss is greatly encouraged by the successful trial at San Diego of his new flying boat, designed for naval use, and he now considers transatlantic flight possible. His new machine is said to have made sixty miles an hour in the air and fifty miles an hour in the water.

DUKE SAYS HE IS DELIGHTED WITH THE WHOLE OF US

Eulogizes the United States and Its People and Expresses the Deepest Friendship for the Nation—Energy and Progress Pleases Him.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Eulogizing the United States and its people and expressing the deepest friendship for them, the Duke of Connaught, governor general of Canada, today gave the United Press the first authorized interview since his arrival here. He said: "As governor general of Canada, I wish to say that the sentiment of the Canadian people is now and always will be friendly to the United States. I am delighted with having had the opportunity to meet President Taft, who, as the representative of the entire American people, received me most cordially. My visit to Washington was most pleasant."

"On the spot where the British embassy now stands in Washington I witness a big artillery review, when I was there 40 years ago. Great improvements have been made in that time."

"I was much impressed by the high type of soldiers in your service, by the workmanlike appearance of the cavalry escort provided me, and I appreciated them very much."

"As for the country, I am full of admiration for it, its energy and the progress that I have seen on all sides will be carried back to Canada in my memory, together with my highest esteem."

GIRL GIVES FURTHER DETAILS OF 'COAST'

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 26.—Graphically depicting the lure and horrors of the Barbary Coast, Ada Bretagne of Sacramento today added more accusations to those she has preferred against Jimmy Lawler, dive proprietor and former pugilist. She swears that the latest victim of Lawler's white slave system is a 16-year-old Modesto girl, who was trapped into the slums and ruined. The girl has been smuggled away or disposed of in some more serious way.

JUVENILE COURTS OF AMERICA ARE BEST

VIENNA, Jan. 26.—That the juvenile courts, education of juvenile delinquents and the care and protection of dependent children in America is better than in any other country of the world, was the statement made here at a meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children by Count Gleispach, professor in the German university at Prague. Count Gleispach has just returned from the United States, where he made a study of the juvenile court system.

SAYS HURT HIT TO HURT BUT HURT ONLY HURT HURT

J. A. Lemery Has Justice Arrested for Assault, But Taylor Turns Accused Loose, for Hurt Did Not Hurt Him Much.

J. A. Lemery, an Ashland attorney, was in Medford Thursday afternoon and filed a complaint against Joe Hurt, a justice of the peace in Ashland, charging him with wrongful and unlawful assault upon the person of the above mentioned J. A. Lemery. The case was to have been heard in Judge Glenn O. Taylor's court in this city Friday at 10 o'clock, but the complaining witness did not appear, he having telephoned Judge Taylor Thursday night that he was unable to appear and asked that the case be continued which would have been done had not District Attorney Mulkey moved that the case be dismissed, and it was so ordered by the court.

There have been hard feelings between the justice and attorney for some time over trivial matters which have come up in justice court cases in that city from time to time in which Lemery has appeared as attorney. The assault, if one was made, is thought to have been provoked by Lemery. Lemery bore no marks of violence as evidence of the beating which the complaint would lead one to believe he had received.

T. R. JR., ALSO HAS NOTHING TO SAY

"Father Does All the Talking for Our Family," Declares Young Roosevelt When Reporters Pester Him With Questions.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—"Oh, I see now what you are after. You want me to tell you where my father stands on the third term proposition? Well, there is nothing doing. You know father does all the talking for our family." This was the answer today of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., to the reporters who tried to interview him on the political situation. With his wife, young Roosevelt is here from San Francisco and he is spending a month's vacation at Oyster Bay and ran over to the city for the day. "No, not a word," he replied. "I always leave politics to the main branch of the family. You really couldn't expect me to talk. I'm too old a head for that."

WANTS UNCLE SAM TO PROBE MONEY TRUST

Samuel Untermyer, Famous for Years as a Wall Street Attorney, Urges House Rules Committee to Favor Lindburg's Resolution.

SAYS A FEW MEN ARE IN CONTROL OF FINANCES

"We Will Never Legislate Intelligently Until We Thoroughly Understand This Question."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Samuel Untermyer, famous for years as a Wall Street attorney, today urged the house rules committee to favorably consider Representative Lindburg's resolution asking investigation of the "money trust." He said: "Because I am satisfied that we'll never legislate intelligently regarding the trusts and the monetary system until we thoroughly understand this question underlying all others, I am an earnest advocate of this investigation." "Behind the money oligarchy is a system vicious and dangerous beyond conception—but still within the law. As a result of the recent consolidation of industrial and railroad corporations, the control of their finances has drifted into the hands of a few groups of New York men. They dominate great banks and trust companies of New York and influence the use of vast deposits for enterprises in which they are interested or approve. Money Concentrated. "In the past five years there has been a greater concentration of money power than in the preceding fifty years. This power has been cemented through the interlocking of the directorates in the financial institutions which would naturally be competitive. "Independent railroad construction has ended. Competition against the trusts and industrial interests is impossible. Their ramifications are so endless that credit is impossible for new enterprises conflicting with their plans. And there lies the trusts' greatest danger. "The same power dominates the New York stock exchange and the clearing association, both of which are beyond judicial and executive control. "With the different states engaged in an indecent struggle for patronage of the corporations and bidding one against the other in laxity of administration, it is hopeless to expect the restraints necessary for the protection of security holders or the public." Untermyer declared that the Aldrich monetary scheme would not remedy the financial conditions of the country.

BURKE FAILS TO GET NEW TRIAL

State Appellate Court Denies Appeal of Dr. Burke of Santa Rosa—He Must Serve 10 Years in the Penitentiary.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 26.—The state appellate court here today denied the appeal of Dr. W. P. Burke of Santa Rosa for a new trial for dynamiting the tent of Lou Etta Smith on his sanatorium grounds which housed Miss Smith and her baby. This means that Dr. Burke must serve the 10-year sentence imposed on him by Judge Walter Sewell. Dr. Burke, who has been out on bail, will be taken at once to the penitentiary.

PORTLAND, ORE.—MANY PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS IN PORTLAND USE "PURE SLANG" AND BAD GRAMMAR, ACCORDING TO F. T. ADAMS, A FORMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL. THE SCHOOL BOARD WILL INSIST ON PURE ENGLISH.