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## HANFORD RESIGNS TO A VOID IMPEACHMENT

### REVELATIONS FORCE ACTION

Exposure of Judicial Scandals Compel Judge to Allege Poor Health and Leave Bench Under Fire of Assaults, Virtually Confessing

Probe Halted Pending Decision of Congress Whether to Continue Impeachment Proceedings

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The telegraphic resignation of United States Judge Cornelius H. Hanford reached the white house this afternoon. It read: "I hereby resign office as United States judge. Will confirm by letter." President Taft was not shown the telegram before he went to his usual golf game. It is reported he will take no action until Hanford's letter arrives.

#### Sends in Resignation

SEATTLE, Wn., July 22.—Forced to action by revelations, that he while judging railroad cases, had lessened taxes, apparently in return for "friendly relations," and, it is reported, spurred on by request of President Taft, United States District Judge Cornelius H. Hanford, under impeachment investigation by a committee of congress, today resigned.

Whether or not the impeachment investigation shall be continued the congress sub-committee which has been probing Hanford's judicial acts and his private life, could not say. They have wired to congress for direction.

Hanford assigned as his reason for resigning that his health is poor.

#### Defense Collapses

Throughout the proceedings of the inquiry to date scores of witnesses have testified that he was addicted to the excessive use of liquor and some of them declared him to have acted indecently in public places. In addition to this a number of witnesses have shown that his action in appointing receivers for various business concerns in and about Seattle was far from being above suspicion.

The Hanford defense collapsed apparently when the investigating committee showed a determined effort to get at the bottom of Judge Hanford's alleged business dealings with litigants. The Hanford decision reducing the Northern Pacific railway's taxes while he was negotiating for the purchase of thousands of acres of land from the railway, was a staggering blow to the defense when Representative McCoy read it on the records.

On top of this came the committee's sensational move Saturday to investigate the whole relationship existing between Kerr and McCord, attorneys, and Hanford.

## REBELS WAYLAY TRAIN, SLAYING 84 PASSENGERS

MEXICO CITY, July 22.—Eighty-four persons were killed, according to today's estimates, in yesterday's attack by Zapatistas on the Mexican-Cuernavaca train near Parres on the edge of the federal district. Three of the wounded died last night in the railway hospital. Twenty-three persons escaped the butchery and made their way into Tera Marlas, are here today, having arrived on a second relief train.

It is estimated that the train attacked by the Zapatistas carried approximately 75 passengers, in addition to the fifty soldiers of the escort. Of this number 43 soldiers were killed. The bodies of nine passengers were found near the track. A number of the passengers and soldiers were killed and their bodies consumed in burning cars, which were fired with oil. Before the attack on the train, the Zapata troops routed a small garrison at Parres.

### RESIGNATION IS GUILT ADMISSION CLAIMS BERGER

WASHINGTON, July 22.—"I take Judge Hanford's resignation as an admission of his guilt," was the statement here today of Congressman Lator Berger of Wisconsin, who introduced the resolution calling for the impeachment of the Seattle jurist. When informed that Hanford had tendered his resignation to President Taft, Berger said: "In introducing my resolution calling for action against Judge Hanford I was fighting corruption on the bench generally and not Judge Hanford, personally. The Hanford and Archbald cases are splendid arguments for the recall of judges. It would be a mighty good thing for the county if a couple of dozen more United States judges would resign or be recalled by the people. The present system of impeachment is unsatisfactory, cumbersome and costly."

### HANFORD CASE TO BE DISMISSED; RESULT SECURED

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Chairman Clayton this afternoon received the following despatch from Congressman Graham of the Hanford investigating committee in Seattle: "Hanford just now forwarding his resignation to the attorney general. We are not quite done taking testimony but nearly so. The sub-committee unanimously favors discontinuing taking further testimony." Clayton at once replied requesting the sub-committee to close the testimony. This was taken to mean the closing of the Hanford case which probably will be dismissed in the house.

Clayton said: "In my opinion this house can proceed to impeach Hanford and the senate can try him, but the main object of the impeachment—to get rid of an unfaithful officer—has been accomplished by his resignation. If it is true he was unfaithful there seems no necessity for his impeachment. I take it no president will ever appoint him or no constituency will ever elect him to any office."

Attorney General Wickensham said he had no information of Hanford's intention to resign.

### PROPOSE DIVISION OF CHINESE REPUBLIC

SHANGHAI, July 22.—Because the radical element think President Yuan Shi Kai too conservative the division of China into two sections is predicted today. The radicals who control the southern provinces, say they intend to elect Dr. Sun Yat Sen president of the new republic. The followers of President Yuan control the northern provinces.

### PRODUCE DEAD GAMBLER'S DIARY

NEW YORK, July 22.—Five persons are under arrest today charged with participation in the Herman Rosenthal murder here last week. These are William Chapiro, owner of the automobile used by the murderers; Louis Libby, its driver; Jack Rose, the go-between for the police and the gamblers; Bridget Weber, in whose rooms it is alleged the murder plans were laid, and Sam Paul, at whose outing a week ago, it is alleged, the crime was decided upon. Jack Sullivan is held as a material witness. It was stated that arrests in other cities are momentarily expected. Post office officials today are trying to locate the writers of letters

### SON KILLED TO AVENGE MOTHER

William E. Clement, Son of Mrs. Bradford, Confesses to Revenging Death of Parent by Shooting Down Her Slayer From Ambush

Landis Played "Another Shovefful of Dirt on Mother's Grave" Which Maddened Youth

REDDING, Cal., July 22.—William E. Clements, son of Mrs. Bradford, who was recently killed by William C. Landis, postmaster at Buckeye near here, confessed to having shot and killed Landis from ambush here in revenge for the death of his mother.

John Clements, a brother of the man who confessed, has been released. Marcus A. Griffith, a friend of William Clements, has been arrested following the confession and Dan Thompson, another friend, is still held.

Just at last midnight, William Clement sent to the sheriff, saying, "I will be got sooner or later so I want to confess."

District Attorney Chenoweth and a stenographer were called at once. Clement said:

"I did the job. In a way I am not sorry. You may do what you please with me. Landis killed the best friend I had on earth—my mother."

Clement said he shot Landis three times from a spot found near the forks of a road where he lay hidden under a manzanita bush.

"I was driven to it," he said, "by the demeanor of Landis after he was released on bail after killing my mother. Sitting on his front porch a short distance from our home he played the tune: 'Another shovefful of dirt on mother's grave.'"

Clement seemed greatly relieved after the confession and slept soundly last night for the first time since his arrest. The confession has raised his standing with the public. Everybody here believed that Clement committed the crime, but the officers found it difficult to get direct and positive evidence.

### ODDS OF 2 TO 1 BET ON WILSON

NEW YORK, July 22.—The odds in Wall street today are 2 to 1 on Woodrow Wilson being the next president of the United States, according to the New York Times (democrat) which says:

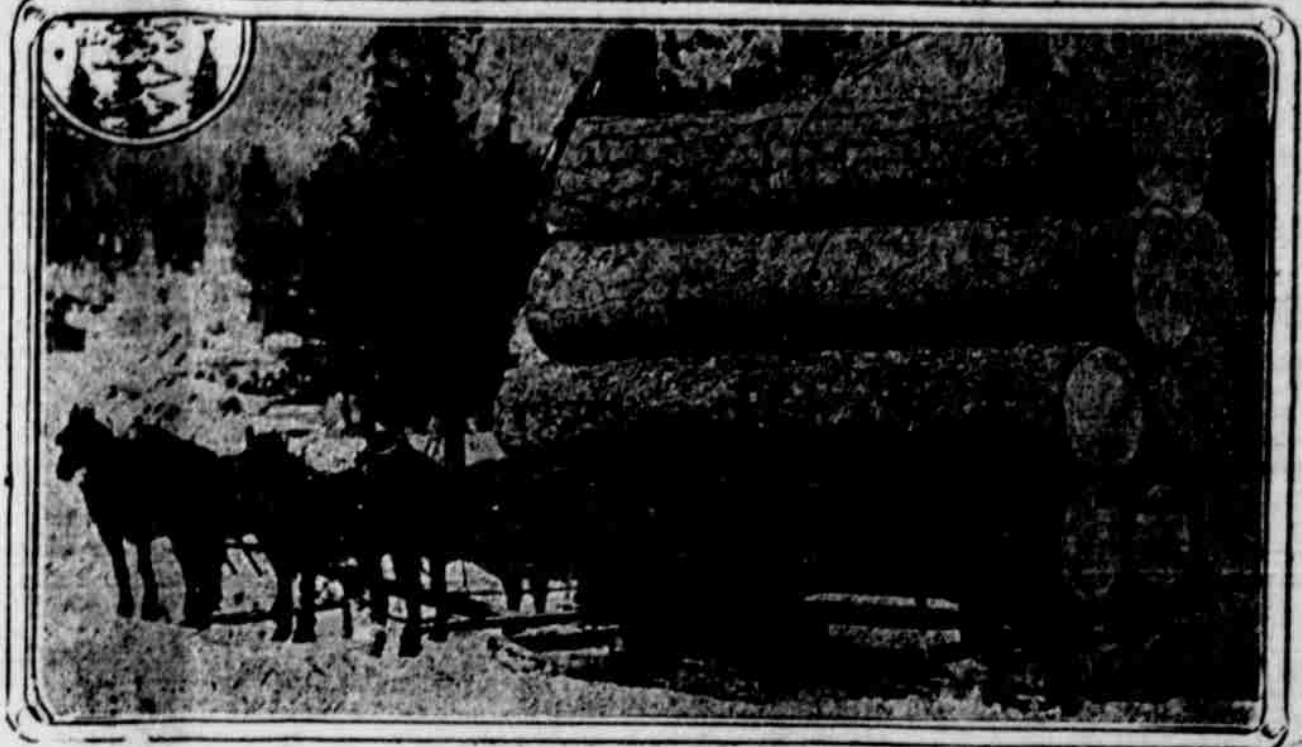
"Anyone who does not believe that Woodrow Wilson will be the next president of the United States and willing to take a chance on his conviction, may find an opportunity to bet by interviewing an active member of the stock exchange. His name may not be mentioned because of the possible conflict with the anti-betting laws but the broker has \$5,000 of his own money which he has been vainly trying to place at odds of 2 to 1 on Wilson."

### CLOUBBURST STRIKES UMATILLA TOWN

PENDLETON, Ore., July 22.—Butter Creek Valley, southern part of Umatilla County is today a scene of devastation, according to the first news reaching this city late today, as the result of a cloudburst Saturday night. Butter Creek Valley is an isolated district.

A wall of water which followed the cloudburst swept the valley for miles almost clean of farm houses and barns, and but for the fact that farmers rode in advance of the water warning inhabitants, many lives undoubtedly would have been lost. The water came in a wall five feet high and four or five hundred feet wide.

## One of Jackson County's Neglected Assets



A wagon load of pine—between thirty and forty billion feet of timber is tributary to Medford, and none of it being cut. The valley uses an average of thirty million feet a year, all of it imported. It would take thousands of men steadily employed for over a century to cut this timber. This is but one of Jackson County's undeveloped natural resources.

### 3-YEAR-OLD CHILD LOST FOR 24 HOURS ANTELOPE CREEK

After wandering alone and lost for 24 hours the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bradshaw, who reside on the Antelope property owned by the Rogue River Commercial Orchard company, was found Sunday afternoon, tired out but unharmed, after nearly a hundred friends and neighbors had spent a full day and night hunting for her. The little one was lured away Saturday morning and was not found until the next day at noon, three miles from home.

Saturday morning Mrs. Bradshaw was very busy with her housework and did not notice that Marie, her 3-year-old daughter was straying away. Later she began a search and could not find the child. She then summoned help and by nightfall the irrigation ditch had been drained and searched, the well had been drained and every building searched. With nightfall the search was redoubled but no trace was found of the child.

Sunday morning one of the searchers found a small gingham apron worn by the child about two miles from the farm house. This placed the searchers on the trail of the child and about a mile further on the little one was found. No injury had resulted from the night in the open. "I slept under a bush," was the child's only explanation. Mrs. Bradshaw is in a precarious state following the long search for the child.

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### NORRIS SUGGESTS NEW PRIMARIES

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Calling of new primary elections to decide the right of Roosevelt electors and pro-Roosevelt candidates to remain on state "regular" republican tickets was a solution of the political mix-up today suggested by Congressman George W. Norris, the Nebraska progressive who recently was nominated for United States senator. "It is claimed because I have refused to admit and denounced the alleged re-nomination of President Taft I should withdraw from the ticket as one of the republican candidates," Norris said in a letter to Chairman John L. Kennedy of Omaha of the Nebraska republican state committee. "It is my belief that Mr. Taft's al-

### SAN DIEGO FAIR AND I. W. W. BOB UP AT YREKA MEET

The I. W. W. and the San Diego Exposition got attention at the recent session of the Mining congress at Yreka. One of the exposition promoters made a good talk on behalf of the exposition and the next morning the following resolution was read and offered from the floor. Ditmar denounced the I. W. W.'s as anarchists and J. Walter Dyer declared that the thousand socialists in the congress's territory could not wear their button with safety in San Diego. The resolution carried on a perfunctory aye and may vote when President Herzinger took the congress into his confidence and informed them that the congress at the Ashland organization and the subsequent sessions at Grants Pass and Medford had steered clear of mixing up with either democratic, republican, socialist or prohibition politics and he wished the congress to know that it was treading on a dangerous precedent. His remarks were enthusiastically received and the resolution was rescinded with a whoop.

It reads: In view of the fact that the citizens of San Diego have seen fit to send a representative to our congress to invite our co-operation in their exposition of 1915.

And in view of the fact that the basic force upon which this congress rests is the toiler with pick, pan and shovel.

And in view of the fact that the legally constituted authorities of the city of San Diego have seen fit to set aside the safeguards of life and liberty, in denying freedom of assembly, speech and press and are making a relentless war upon the wealth producers of this nation.

Therefore, We ask that the citizens of San Diego again restore those constitutional rights, that the humble citizen may know that degree of peace and security enjoyed by one of the lofliest stations. This to the end that we may with one voice say to every citizen of Oregon and California come, let us go down to San Diego in 1915.

### ERECTION OF NEW BUILDING NEAR TRACK STOPPED

A temporary restraining order has been issued by Frank M. Calkins, judge of the Circuit court, stopping the erection of the Neidermeyer brick building at the corner of Eighth and Fir streets as the building is so close to the Rogue River Valley railroad that the box cars strike the bricks. The railroad bases its suit for an injunction on a deed given the railroad 22 years ago by the owner of the lot at that time which grants, for a consideration of \$100, the right to the corner for the operation of the tracks including several feet where cars hang over the private property there.

Mr. Neidermeyer who recently purchased the lot started erection of a two story brick livery stable. The south wall runs nearly to the track, so close that a box car has already dislodged some of the brick. Work must cease now until the suit filed by Barnum is settled.

### VACATES COMMONS FOR STRIKE SUFFERERS

LONDON, July 22.—Cursing the government's refusal to intervene in the dock strike here in which more than 250,000 men, women and children are suffering privation, James O'Grady left his seat in the House of Commons today, swearing that he would not retain his place in that body while women and children starved. O'Grady demanded that Premier Asquith intervene in the strike. Asquith said it was impossible. O'Grady then shouted: "This is a damned scandal" and left the chamber at once.

### FREDERICK FULLER FOR FEDERAL JUDGE IN ALASKA

WASHINGTON, July 22.—President Taft today nominated Frederick Fuller to be United States judge of Alaska and James Crossley to be United States attorney.

## TAFT BARRED FROM BALLOT IN CALIFORNIA

Attorney General Webb Holds That Defeat of President in Primaries Eliminates His Electors From the General Election Ballot

No Voters Who Participated in Primary Election Can Sign Nominating Petitions for Any Candidate

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 22.—Should President Taft be defeated in the contest for control, in the September California primaries, it would eliminate his electors, as republicans, from the general election ballot in November, according to an opinion issued today by State Attorney General U. S. Webb, in which he upholds the progressive republicans and maintains that regular republicans who desire to support Taft may secure places on general election ballots, but may not use the name "republican." Webb holds that the Taft republicans must either win the contest with administration organization for control of the republican party in the state or have no chance to vote for their candidate in November. The principal points in the opinion follow:

- 1—Broad and liberal interpretations of direct primary law necessary in order to make it constitutional.
- 2—State administrator ticket may take the name "republican," although its nominees are pledged to support Roosevelt.
- 3—Regular republicans who desire to support President Taft may secure places on the general election ballot, but may not use the name "republican."
- 4—No voters participating in primary election in September may sign nominating petitions for any candidate at November election.
- 5—Candidates for presidential electors may be voted on in groups, provided they are designated on the ballot under some party heading.
- 6—Prohibitionists, socialists, or any other party may secure place on the ballot in November election through nominating petitions without holding party primaries.

### ROOSEVELT ELECTORS ON KANSAS BALLOT

TOPEKA, Kan., July 22.—The Kansas supreme court today decided that the names of Roosevelt electors may remain on the primary ballots and that the voters can then express their choice between Taft and Roosevelt as the republican nominee. It developed that the Taft-Roosevelt row was political and should have never been brought into the courts. All suits were dismissed.

### ENGLAND BUILDS 21 DREADNAUGHTS IN FIVE YEARS

LONDON, July 22.—Introducing the supplementary naval estimates in the Commons today Secretary Churchill announced that England intends to increase her shipbuilding program for the next five years to 21 dreadnaughts, five the first year, and four annually afterward. Fifteen hundred men will be added to the personnel of the navy this year. Churchill declared that 33 dreadnaughts will be in commission in 1914, as against Germany's 29. Work on eight cruisers is to be hastened and eight battleships will be constantly kept in the Mediterranean. The estimates also provide for an alrship fleet. Churchill declared that Premier Sir Robert Borden of Canada has authorized the statement that Canada favors any steps to strengthen the navy.