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HOLDS SECRET SESSION

United States Supreme Court Meets at Home of Chief Justice

Washington, March 21.—A special meeting of the supreme court of the United States is being held this morning at the home of Chief Justice Fuller. The utmost secrecy is maintained, officials even being denied admission to the meeting. It is assumed that it is in connection with the lynching of Ed. Johnson, a negro, at Chattanooga. Such a session is almost unprecedented. The court adjourned Monday to April 2d, and only a matter of the gravest importance could have called the members together.

BUSY ON RATE BILL

Washington, March 21.—The senate considered the rate bill from the start today. Culberson introduced an amendment prohibiting any concern engaged in interstate or foreign commerce contributing to political parties, and penalties were fixed. Bailey attacked Dooliver, charging him with a violation of confidence.

Punishment to Fit the Crime.
Washington, March 21.—The naval affairs committee in the house today favorably reported a bill graduating the penalty of hazing at the naval academy.

WANTS ISLE OF PINES

Americans Protest Against the Island Being Turned Over to Cuba

Washington, March 21.—The President and congressmen have received letters from the Isle of Pines, protesting against the pending treaty, which will perfect the title of Cuba to the island. They declare they are American citizens, and that the island belongs to this country, and demand congressional investigation.

International Sunshine Society.
Brooklyn, N. Y., March 21.—Delegates of the 227 branches in the southern New York division of the International Sunshine society opened their annual session this morning at the Sunshine Rest, Crosey and Twenty-third avenue, Bensonhurst, L. I. The beautiful building, which will be used as headquarters of the society, as well as for a rest home for those unfortunate poor who need rest and sunshine. The state meeting is the occasion for the formal opening of the home and the official housewarming. There was a short session this morning and there will be another meeting in the afternoon. Between the sessions the delegates and visitors, all of whom are welcome, will have an opportunity to inspect the handsome and well equipped building.

Congressman Dies.
Washington, March 21.—Representative George R. Patterson, of Pennsylvania died suddenly of heart disease, at his residence in this city this morning.

Chicago Markets.
Chicago, March 21.—Wheat, 78½@77½; corn, 44½; oats 30½@30¼.

ABOUT COAST HOPS

Matter of Pools and Chinese Labor Considered in English Parliament

London, March 21.—In the house of commons Tuesday Premier Campbell-Bannerman said he declined to embark in a crusade against "hop pools" in America or elsewhere. A member asked for information about an alleged pool formed by a hop exporter of Wheatland, Cal., and employment of Chinese coolies by Oregon hop growers, and expressed the hope that the British government would take steps to prevent the pool from destroying the British hop industry.

The premier said he had no information regarding the pool referred to, and added that he had been informed that Chinese labor was not largely employed by the Oregon hop growers, and he had no reason to suppose that where it was employed was under other than free conditions. The premier, therefore, declined to take any action in the matter.

San Francisco, March 21.—The attempt recently made to form a pool of California hop growers was not a success, and the crop is being marketed by the growers, acting independently. Many Chinese are employed in the hop fields, on account of the scarcity of white help, but it is said they command fair wages.

On March 7th, last, M. H. Durst, a well-known grower, presented a proposition for a formation of a hop pool to a convention held in Santa Rosa under the auspices of the Sonoma County Hop Growers' Exchange. He made an offer for 2000 bales of the old crop, to which he proposed to add 5000 bales obtained elsewhere. He proposed to dispose of this stock in London at market prices, and, after deducting expenses and interest, to divide the proceeds among the growers, the object being to dispose of the surplus before the new crop was ready for sale.

A committee was formed to obtain signatures to the pooling agreement, but on March 15th, when the time limit expired, only about 500 bales had been signed for, and the attempt to organize a combination was abandoned. The hop crop of Oregon for 1905 amounted to 115,000 bales, of which 11,000 bales remain unsold. It is estimated that 155,000 to 149,000 bales will be packed this season.

STEAMERS LONG OVERDUE

Probable That Both With All on Board Are Under the Atlantic

Paris, March 21.—Eighty thousand workmen are affected by the strike in the northern mining district, and disorders are frequent. The Halifax government steamers Minto and Stanley are missing and long overdue. They run from Prince Edward Isle to the mainland, and each carried a crew of 25 and many passengers.

TESTIFY TO SLAVE TRAFFIC

(Four O'Clock Edition.)
New York, March 21.—Robt. Spriggs, the negro accused of white slave traffic, was placed on trial today. His victims testified, and it is said that if the horrible details of their testimony was published the citizens of New York could not be restrained from lynching him.

Arrested Kidnaper.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
San Francisco, March 21.—The police today arrested a man whose name they refuse to divulge, who, they say, tells a story of talking to a strange Italian on the train the day following the kidnapping of the Tose child at Colma. The Italian said he took the child to San Jose, where it was discovered that it was not the one wanted. The police are looking for the supposed kidnaper, but what disposition he made of the child is not disclosed.

Fight Against Hogatt.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Washington, March 21.—Objection was made in the senate Tuesday to the confirmation of W. B. Hogatt as governor of Alaska. Whether this opposition will be sufficient to defeat his confirmation was not developed, but the nomination went over without action. Mr. Hogatt's past record has been brought up against him, notwithstanding the President felt sure he had reformed.

Most's Body Reduced to Ashes.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Cincinnati, O., March 21.—The body of Johann Most, the anarchist, was cremated in this city yesterday afternoon. There were no religious ceremonies, but some of Most's comrades delivered brief addresses before cremation. Mrs. Most will take her husband's ashes to New York at once, and the memorial meeting is to be held there in a few days.

Anti-Discrimination.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Des Moines, Ia., March 21.—The house today passed the anti-discrimination bill, aimed at the Standard Oil Company, forbidding oil reductions to stifle competition. A fine of \$500 and imprisonment is provided.

Gompers Was There.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Washington, March 21.—Gompers, heading a delegation of 110 labor officials, this afternoon presented the President a protest against "the indifference which congress displays towards laws recommended by allied labor.

Postmasters Appointed.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Washington, March 21.—Appointments were made today as follows: To be postmasters, Samuel S. Johnston, of National City, Cal., and Charles H. Jones, of Arlington, Wash.

About Isle of Pines.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Washington, March 21.—The senate this afternoon considered the Isle of Pines treaty. Foraker was for favoring its ratification.

For the Next Congress.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Louisville, Ky., March 21.—St. Louis has been chosen for the next bowling congress.

RICH BUT NOT HAPPY

Rockefeller Worrying Himself to a State Bordering on Insanity

New York, March 21.—John D. Rockefeller, the richest man in the world, is worrying himself into a state bordering on insanity in his heavily-guarded home at Lakewood, N. J., his friends fear today, while his daughter, Mrs. Charles A. Strong, wife of the Columbia University professor, is in France, attended by the greatest specialists, who are striving to cure her of her strange delusion that she will die a pauper.

This delusion seems to grow on her, despite the certainty that her inheritance out of her father's vast fortune can scarcely be short of \$50,000,000. Mr. Rockefeller's condition is due, in a large measure, to his daughter's mental state, his friends say, and worry over her is as much to be blamed as worry over the process servers who have haunted his steps and made him take to his beautiful country residence, which is in a state of armed siege. He is also distressed over the illness of his brother.

According to the latest reports from Cannes, where Mrs. Strong has been all winter, she is no better. She still continues the system of close economy that first drew attention to her mental state. She discharges several servants a day, believing that she cannot afford to keep them. The servants, of course, pay no attention to such actions, as they are under instructions to humor their mistress in every possible way. Mrs. Strong economizes on laundry and grocery bills, and thus far efforts to divert her attention have met with but little success.

TAKING WAS NOT STEALING

New York, March 21.—The giving of political contributions from the funds of a life insurance company by the officers of such a company does not constitute larceny or any other crime, is the opinion of District Attorney Jerome. This opinion was submitted to Justice O'Sullivan, in the court of general sessions today.

The opinion was given in connection with the presentation on the insurance investigation, in which Justice O'Sullivan was asked to advise the grand jury whether he considered the giving of such political contributions as constituting grand larceny. The district attorney in his opinion says that, after a careful examination of authorities he is led to the conclusion that the action embodied in the four statements of fact found in the presentment do not show the commission of the crime of larceny, or of any other crime.

Judge O'Sullivan tomorrow will charge the grand jury as to his own conclusions in the matter.

Held to Higher Court.
(Four O'Clock Edition.)
Salt Lake, March 21.—Hiram Tyre, president of the Centennial Insurance Co., with charges of falsifying statements to the state insurance department, and other offenses against insurance laws against him, was held to the higher court today under bonds of \$5000.

Senator Bailey's Father.
New York, March 21.—N. W. K. Bailey, father of Senator Bailey, of Texas, died here today from an operation. He was a native of New York, but a resident of Mississippi.

To Publish Proclamations.
Governor Chamberlain is sending out the proclamations relative to the laws and amendments initiated by the people, which will be voted on at the June election. These proclamations are to be published in the newspapers of the state. There are nine proclamations which must be published in each judicial district in at least one paper. Papers of all political shades have been selected to give the amendments wide circulation. A uniform rate of printing has practically been agreed upon with the publishers.

HAMILTON TALKS "SAUCY"

Turns up His Nose at Investigating Committee, and Says "go to . . ."

New York, March 21.—Hamilton this morning made a caustic reply to Fowler, of the investigating committee, on his invitation to testify before that committee. He said he would meet the issues "in court, where there would be no vanity to be tickled, and the scales would be held on an even balance.

WITNESS PROVED STUBBORN

St. Louis, March 21.—Pierce is too ill to testify at the Standard inquiry this morning, and the hearing was adjourned at noon to April 5th, to permit Hadley to go to New York and resume taking depositions there. Andrew M. Findley, vice-president and general manager of the Waters-Pierce Co., took the stand this morning, but proved so stubborn that Judge Anthony threatened him with punishment. He was asked why a list of his employees was sent to the Standard office. The witness, when pressed, said he did not know.

Farmer Takes to the Woods.
Oregon City, March 21.—Imagining that some one was pursuing him for the purpose of taking his life, John Heinrich, a farmer aged 52 years, residing near Clackamas, arose at 2 o'clock Monday morning, and, after bidding the members of his family farewell, left his home and disappeared. No trace of the missing man has been found, although the north end of the county has been thoroughly searched. Heinrich's mind first became unbalanced Sunday, and, in addition to imagining that his own life was in danger, he at times threatened self-destruction. Heinrich's family, consisting of a wife and three children, the youngest 11 years old, is much alarmed for the safety of the husband and father. The authorities have taken up the search for the missing man.

Think Plea Will Be Dismissed.
Chicago, March 21.—Before departing for Washington Moody said: "In the light of the evidence I don't see how the court can do otherwise than dismiss the immunity plea, and order the packers to trial." Attorney Miller for the packers answered Moody today. The court during Miller's argument said: "The construction of immunity the government should be fair in dealing with its citizens, so the fullest benefits would be accrued to all."

Insurance Matters.
Chicago, March 21.—The sub-committee on the insurance conference met today to consider the provisions of the Ames-Armstrong bill, but took no definite action. It will probably call a conference of the governors and attorneys-general at Washington September 7th, the time the insurance commissioners are scheduled to meet.

Edison's Advantages.
New York Times: The late Marshall Field of Chicago paid Thomas Edison a neat tribute. While the great merchant was walking along State street in conversation with a business associate a stirring military march was wafted from the great horns of a phonograph. "That's a pretty fair piece of music," observed Mr. Field, appreciatively, "brimful of melody and free from harshness." "Yes," assented his companion, and then added reminiscently: "Isn't that man Edison a genius? Just think of it, at one time he didn't owe a dollar, and now the revenue from his inventions are enormous." "And how modest he is," commented Mr. Field as a teething automobile blocked the men's progress at a street corner; "why, Edison is the only man on record who doesn't have to go around blowing his own horn in public!"

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RACE TROUBLES SOUTH

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 21.—A squad of less than 100 policemen backed by four companies of militia last night held in check a large crowd of negroes, variously estimated at from 2000 to 400 in number, and prevented a riot which might have resulted in a great loss of life. The negroes were bent on revenge for the lynching last night of Ed. Johnson.

With the exception of a small fusillade of shots on East Ninth street near the intersection of A, in which two white men were shot and the burning of a house on West Ninth street, there were no further disorders. The injured are: John Curtis, a railway man, shot in shoulder by unknown negro; Dick Light, deputy sheriff, shot in hand by unknown negro.

The officers are satisfied with the situation here tonight and it is believed that, if tomorrow passes without trouble, the crisis will be over. The funeral of Johnson will occur without trouble, but it is feared that some outbreak may occur after that.

During the day all manufacturing plants in the city were closed because of the refusal of the negroes to work, and by night they were forming into parties, which the officers broke up as fast as possible.

John D. Is at Home.
Lakewood, N. J., March 20.—Dr. Irwin Hazen, who has been attending Rockefeller for two weeks, spent 15 minutes at his home this morning. To the end of his visit he maintained silence when asked about the oil magnate.

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