

## SPECIAL CABINET MEETING

### Jerome Springs Great Sensation in the Thaw Case Republicans Prepare to Give Senator Fulton Great Ovation for Securing \$3,500,000 for Oregon

#### RAILROAD PANIC IS ON

#### President Has Called Meeting of Cabinet

#### Falling Stocks in Wall Street Down With a Smash

Washington, March 13.—A special meeting of the cabinet was called today to consider some matter of grave importance. There is an announcement of the purpose of the meeting. It is rumored it is the Thaw case, and the question of railroads.

#### Wall Street Excited.

New York, March 13.—With a reversal from after-strength of the last few days, the stock market went to pieces this afternoon. One of the most severe breaks in recent years was resumed, and its sud-

denness swept traders off their feet. Prices tumbled from one to ten per cent in the active list. This threw the market into complete demoralization. Coincidental with the crash came the announcement that the President had called a special meeting of the cabinet. No one seems able to tell where the trouble lies. In the street the decline is attributed partly to the panic in Berlin, where over speculation in industrial stocks is given as the cause.

#### Some New Records.

Union Pacific reached a new bottom at \$148. Southern Pacific went down in a fever to 82%. Reading dropped ten points. Hill stocks fell to a new low record. Great Northern dropped to \$141. Northern Pacific to \$128. Oregon Short Line to 59. Steel, common, at first inclined to resist, but broke to 47%, three points drop.

Washington, March 13.—The meeting lasted nearly half an hour. Members of the cabinet on leaving declared they had nothing to say. The President declined to discuss matters, and hinted that Cortelyou would make an announcement shortly in reference to the immediate deposit of customs collected in national banks.

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#### BATTLE ABOUT TESTIMONY

#### Lawyer Delmas Seeks to Have Smith Ruled Out

#### Lawyer Abe Hummel Is Placed on the Witness Stand

New York, March 13.—Abe Hummel was called as the first witness this morning. He was excused after a few minutes to allow James C. Smith to return to the stand.

Jerome was just asking Hummel if he dictated the affidavit in the presence of Evelyn, when Smith arrived. Delmas' objection to the question asked Hummel was interrupted by the calling of Smith.

Smith was unable to produce Jerome's cablegram. First ensued a contest on the admission of Smith's testimony as to the contents of the cablegram, as best he could remember. Delmas' tactics indicated his intention to endeavor to have all of Smith's testimony ruled.

#### Jerome Springs Surprise.

Jerome made an eloquent plea for the admission of Hummel's testimony and affidavit. He insisted that the contradiction between the affidavit and Evelyn's testimony on the stand was admissible as circumstantial evidence that she never told Thaw the story as she related in on the stand. "If I can show," began Jerome, "that Evelyn, under oath, denied that White drugged and ravished her, and that Thaw tried to make her swear to this, and she repulsed him, and he was so angered by her refusal that he beat her, stripped her clothes from her, lashed her with a whip to make her give such a statement, I believe it will go a long way with the jury in determining the facts." Delmas asked time to prepare himself to answer Jerome.

#### The Sublime Renunciation.

The Hummel affidavit is calculated to destroy Evelyn's story to Thaw, to show him why he should not marry her. Jerome continuing said: "The sublime renunciation of Thaw's love by Evelyn Nesbit is alleged by defense as the cause for upsetting his reason. In saying 'sublime renunciation,' I don't speak sarcastically, because, if that story is true, I know of nothing in history which equals the sacrifice, but it is of vital importance to show the truth of the story. If I show by this affidavit that the statement was untrue, the jury should be given a chance to weigh the facts." He quoted authorities to show that such evidence was admissible.

#### Long Hypothetical Question.

Court adjourned at 12:25, until tomorrow, at the request of Jerome, who wished more time to prepare his hypothetical question. Hummel was on the stand when the court adjourned.

Jerome announced that it would take an hour to read his hypothetical question. The attorneys agreed to call experts at once to have them sworn together and the question read to all at the same time.

#### Testimony of Smith.

Smith said he arrived in New York February 17th, visited the district attorney's office February 19th, and was excused. Hummel was recalled. Delmas objected to every-

thing Jerome proposed. He testified he had dictated a statement in the presence of Evelyn. Jerome asked if Evelyn told him Thaw was trying to injure White and send him to the penitentiary, or charging that White drugged her and betrayed her when she was 15. He said she told Thaw this was untrue, that Thaw beat her because she would not sign succussions against White. Delmas made an effort to exclude this evidence, and tried to show that the relation of attorney and client existed between Hummel and Evelyn. Hummel said he acted for White only.

#### Welcome Senator Fulton.

No one can deny that Senator Fulton has accomplished wonders in securing the appropriations for Oregon—in fact all that have been asked for, and that he is entitled to the thanks and most hearty support in his work for the next two years. All factional differences should be laid aside, and the whole Oregon delegation in Washington given the best possible support here at home. Let us make them feel individually and collectively that they are appreciated and will be appreciated in the future. That is the only way to accomplish results in the development of a great state. Let all Republicans forget their sore places, cut out factional strife, and give the senior senator the glad hand of welcome for his grand work in Oregon.

## FRENCH WARSHIP EXPLOSION

#### The Fatalities May Not Exceed Two Hundred

Paris, March 13.—Admiral Marquis this afternoon reported to the ministry of marine that the number of dead officers, crew and laborers was approximately 100. In all 407 officers and men of the Jena answered roll this morning. In all 175 are missing; 68 are in the hospital and many deaths expected.

Toulon, March 13.—At noon it appears the death list will be increased to at least 100 by deaths and injuries. In all 82 bodies have been recovered from the wreck.

#### Sued for Telling a Lie.

New York, March 13.—Wall street has had a fit of astonishment. Here's a suit brought against a prominent man which rests upon the claim that he told a lie. This man is no less a personage than Charles W. Morse and the charge is made by three citizens of Massachusetts, who claim that Morse did not keep his agreement, and also told a lie about the property they turned over to him. It is probable that Morse was also astonished at having such an accusation made about transactions in which he was engaged, but he certainly never expected to be brought to book for them. If the thing spreads, there will be a great overturning in Wall street.

#### Chicago Markets.

Chicago, March 12.—Wheat 77 1/2 @ 78 1/2, corn 46 1/2 @ 47 1/2, oats 41 1/2 @ 41 1/2

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#### GRAFTERS SEEK TO OBSTRUCT

#### New Tactics Employed by San Francisco Boodle Crowd

San Francisco, March 13.—Contrary to the promise made Tuesday by Ruef's counsel, obstructive tactics were again resorted to when the case was called this morning. Immediately upon the convening of court, Heney filed an affidavit of himself, Dunne and two others in rebuttal of the affidavit filed by Ruef charging Dunne with bias and perjury. Before Heney could read the affidavit counsel for Ruef attempted to offer evidence in support of Ruef's objection to the proceedings being continued in Dunne's court on the ground of lack of jurisdiction. This was overruled. Counsel for Ruef then asked permission to file an affidavit combating the affidavit filed by Heney. Overruled.

#### Drawing Ruef Jury.

Every motion made by the defense relative to affidavits was overruled, as well as a motion for a change of venue. The court then ordered the drawing of the jury. To this the defense objected, but was again overruled, and the drawing proceeded.

Ruef was ordered to remain in the custody of Ellsler Bigby, and adjournment was taken until Monday. Defense sought postponement until March 25th, on which day it stated it would file a record of the case in the United States supreme court.

#### Funeral of Dowle.

Zion City, Ill., March 13.—Throngs are crowding to Dowle's bier. They are mostly palsied men, women and weak children, to kiss the fringes of his coffin. Rachel Fisher, aged 24 was carried to the casket, kissed the fringe and said she could walk. She started down stairs alone, and fell. Her injuries may result fatally.

#### The Hermann Trial.

Washington, March 13.—In the Binger Hermann trial today Special Examiner W. B. McGehee testified that Hermann, while land commissioner, tried to prevent an investigation of land frauds in the West.

#### CALIFORNIA LAW MAKERS INDICTED

#### For Bribery in Connection With the Removal of the State Capital.

Sacramento, Cal., March 13.—Assemblymen Cogswell, McMullen, Root, Berry, Ludington and Johnson, of San Diego, and Senators Wright and Cartwright and Sergeant-at-Arms Martin and Stanford were examined by the district attorney this morning in connection with the capital removal bribery matter. At the conclusion of the examination the district attorney announced he had secured important evidence that he would present to the grand jury this afternoon. About 30 other legislators were subpoenaed this morning.

#### To Save the Dakota.

London, March 13.—At the request of the British admiralty, Japan will send a warship to assist the Dakota. The London underwriters will lose heavily if the Dakota is a total loss. The Great Northern liner is valued at \$3,000,000.

#### Three Train Men Lost.

Pittsburg, March 13.—Three train men were drowned this morning at West Penn by the cars of railroad freight being precipitated into Deer creek. The bodies have not yet been recovered.

## DEADLOCK WISCONSIN SENATOR

Madison, Wis., March 13.—The senatorship is likely to be a deadlock, with Field against Lenroot, backed by LaFollette. A Field caucus to nominate candidates has been called. Probably each will enter trials against Lenroot. Stephenson's strength is based on his past financing campaigns.

#### Brief Worldly Honors.

Bloomington, Ill., March 13.—L. M. Kerriek, yesterday elected president of the board of trustees of the University of Illinois, was found dead in his bed this morning. He came home and retired late last night, apparently well.

## THE MILLINERY OPENING AT MISS EVANS' PARLORS

In the corner with Jos. Meyers & Sons' Store disclosed many new and becoming hats. All of Friday and Saturday women thronged the Big Store.

In the spring a woman's fancy turns to pretty clothes. She thinks a great deal about her Easter bonnet, and Friday and Saturday Miss Evans had on display such ravishingly beautiful bonnets that those who came went back and told of their loveliness. As a consequence, the word was passed along until it seemed as if every woman in town was there seeing, admiring and enjoying the occasion. The display looked like a garden of many hues, and many kinds of fresh-blown flowers. Women flitted hither and thither, always stopping at each pretty hat, becoming a willing captive to each creation viewed. There was praise unstinted praise for Miss Evans. These women appreciate and share with her her triumph. There is something very pretty about the new hats. Many shapes are small in appearance, but on the head they look large. Others look as if smashed down, but when tried on they become a thing of beauty, and impart to the wearer a new dignity and grace.

Regina creations were most admired, and well they should be, for the colorings were superb, and the shapes just seem to be exactly the thing for every face.

As Miss Evans is recognized as a milliner of taste and exclusiveness, it must not be inferred that her hats come high. It was the consensus of opinion of her many visitors during the opening that the bonnets are just lovely, and such modest prices, too.