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SALEM'S PAVING EMBARGO BROKEN

City Council Holding Daily Sessions to Push Street Improvements

POOL FORMED

The Hill-Morgan Interests to Save Market

York, March 26.—The bear market was taken by surprise this morning. Further decline in the price of copper in London was used as a pretext in the Amalgamated to launch a concerted drive at steel stocks, which was offered in blocks at the opening at 10. Bear attacks were noticed in all active issues. One story went that at \$25,000,000 bull was formed of operators affiliated with the Hill-Morgan interests.

French Landed in Morocco.

London, March 26.—A detachment of French troops under command of General Liantry today occupied the city of Oujda, on the Algerian-Morocco frontier. This seizure is the result of the assassination of Dr. Mauchamp. It is believed the French will hold the city until a ration is made, and also while there will probably demand satisfaction for other abuses of French citizens in Morocco, and force guarantees for execution of agreements of 1901 and 1902, which Morocco has ignored.

To Prosecute Land Thieves.

Denver, March 26.—It was learned today that Oliver Pagin, assistant attorney-general of the United States, who is assisting in the prosecution of the beef trust, is here with a force of secret service men and detectives of the interior department, to prosecute alleged land frauds.

Standard Raises Prices.

Cincinnati, March 26.—The Standard Oil Company today advanced the price on all grades of gasoline and naphtha refined oil in barrels a quarter of a cent a barrel, f. o. b. Cleveland.

Chicago Markets.

Chicago, March 26.—Wheat 76 @ 75 1/2, corn 46 1/4 @ 46 3/4, oats 41 1/2 @ 41 1/4.

PROGRESSIVE ELEMENTS VICTORIOUS

Five Streets in North Salem and South Thirteenth Street Ordered

Initiative and Referendum Ordinance to Be Made Immediately Operative in City Affairs

The progressive elements in the city council won a complete victory Monday night, and opposition to improvements dwindled down to about two members who still pursued obstruction tactics, but were overruled by the majority, and by the mayor, on points of order raised.

Five streets in North Salem were ordered improved and grades are to be established with the co-operation of the street committee. **THERE IS TO BE AN END OF LONG-WINDED PROCESSES OF EVERLASTINGLY DRAGGED-OUT ESTABLISHING OF GRADES.**

Alderman Radcliff got a resolution through for the improvement of South Thirteenth street.

The ordinance to apply the initiative and referendum was put to second reading and when passed will extend to the people the right to have a voice on every bill, ordinance or resolution passed by the council within ten days after passage.

Mayor Rodgers immediately served notice of another special meeting tonight, when the State street paving ordinance, and **THE DIRECT LEGISLATION ORDINANCE WILL BE PUT THROUGH.**

The only way progressive policies and street improvements can be defeated now is by breaking a quorum, but it is not believed enough aldermen can be persuaded to remain away to defeat action.

The city council has also agreed to use at least one-half the city street taxes for permanent improvements. This fund amounts to about \$14,000 this year, and **THE \$7000 WILL BE USED TO PAY THE CITY'S SHARE OF PAVING STATE AND COURT STREETS ALONG WILSON AVENUE.**

It is understood the consent of the county and state have been secured to pave those streets as fast as the proper ordinances can be put through, and this year will probably see at least two streets improved, from Commercial to Twelfth street with first-class paving.

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THAW GETS A LUNACY COMMISSION

This Means Indefinite Postponement of Trial

New York, March 26.—The court this afternoon decided to appoint a lunacy commission to examine into Thaw's mental condition.

The appointment of this commission means a postponement of the trial indefinitely. When the jury reconvenes tomorrow it will be excused, subject to a further call. The lunacy commission will file a report if the jury is called together again.

Justice Fitzgerald has named as a commission to inquire into Thaw's insanity Hon. Morgan J. O'Brien, Dr. Leopold Putsel and Peter B. Olney.

Thaw Lawyers Discouraged.

If this commission finds Thaw insane at present there will be nothing further for the jury to do. If they find him sane the jury will be reassembled and the trial resumed where it was interrupted Wednesday. The decision was rendered in chambers. Only attorneys of both sides and Evelyn were present. All the attorneys refuse to discuss what transpired, saying from the manner in which the decision was rendered the justice wanted any announcement to come from himself. Evelyn was adversely affected by the decision and needed assistance when leaving. Thaw was greatly disappointed, his lawyers' faces showed marks of defeat. Evelyn recovered and hastened to the Tombs to encourage her husband.

Thaw Is Confident.

Evelyn carried the news of the decision to her husband, who took it more calmly than was expected. He devoted himself to cheering up his wife. The attorneys followed Evelyn to the Tombs, and a conference followed. Through Hartridge Thaw gave out an interview, saying: "I am satisfied with the decision. I do not fear a commission, as I am confident that I can prove that I am perfectly sane today."

TAFT WILL BE CANDIDATE

Opposition From the Organized Labor Vote

Cincinnati, March 26.—Charles, a brother of Secretary Taft, says: "I believe the sentiment of Ohio favorable to the secretary's candidacy for the presidency. Efforts will be made to give this sentiment concerted action so it will be expressed emphatically at the proper time." Taft's enemies are trying to discredit him with the labor vote by citing his decision in the Phelan case in 1884, while Judge Phelan came from Oregon to speak in regard to a railroad strike. Taft enjoined him from interfering with the Pullman employees, and sent Phelan to jail for six months for contempt when he violated his order. The labor men call Taft "Injunction Taft."

HOME FROM EGYPT

The Detwellers Find An Indictment Hanging Over Them

Toledo, March 26.—Mrs. A. K. Detweiler said: Mr. Detweiler and myself arrived in Toledo Friday. Mr. Detweiler left for San Francisco Friday night. I am not acquainted with Mr. Detweiler's business connections, and cannot throw any light on the matter for you."

The wife continued: "We have received no report of the indictment, except through the newspapers. I can state that neither Mr. Detweiler nor myself were in Belgium or Cuba during the trip. We were in Egypt. Mr. Detweiler returned with me."

San Francisco, March 26.—

The increasing mystery surrounding the whereabouts of Detweiler is beginning to cause Heney and Burns anxiety. Conflicting reports from Toledo are the principal cause of this feeling, which is added to by the failure to receive replies to messages sent to Egypt, where, according to authoritative information, the Ohioan is located.

Railroad Labor Situation.

Chicago, March 26.—Upon adjournment this afternoon of the conference of railroad managers and representatives of the employees it was announced that no definite decision was reached in regard to strike or settlement. It is understood the railroad unions have informed the managers of the results of the strike vote, which is said to be 75 per cent in favor of quitting work. The conference will meet again tomorrow morning. Various committees are meeting this afternoon.

Garretson, after the conference, said: "Our demands are for an increase on every line west of Chicago to the coast, and from New Orleans to Fort Williams. The railroads have quadrupled their carrying capacity within ten years, and have granted us only 15 per cent increase."

MONEY TURNED LOOSE

Will Swell the Volume of Ready Bank Currency

Washington, March 26.—Cortelyou today directed the deposit of customs receipts in the national depository banks of New York City. This is an enlargement of a recent order by him. Another statement was issued anticipating interest on two per cent consuls of 1902 and four per cent loan of 1907, due April 1st, so as to make it payable immediately. The amount on deposit by accumulated customs receipts was \$15,000,000 daily, with additions hereafter of a million.

Brief Gains a Week.

San Francisco, March 26.—Ruef's trial for extortion was this morning postponed a week. The court denied the request for an order for Blay 15 permit any one to see Ruef at any reasonable hour. Heney declared this morning that the prosecution had traced from hand to hand \$190,000 of a corruption fund sent by the Home Telephone Company from Los Angeles. The disposal of the money will be traced through witnesses already summoned, and ordered to have all details on record.

NICHOLS VERSUS CITY

Was Argued Before Supreme Court

Tillamook Toll Road Suit Up -- Decisions Rendered

E. E. Nichols vs. City of Salem was argued on appeal from Judge Galloway. A. O. Condit appeared for city and Webster Holmes for appellant. This is the suit in which City Recorder Moore fined Nichols \$75 on a charge of suborning prostitution.

The suit of Tillamook County vs. Wilson River Toll Road Co. was argued and appealed from Judge Burnett. J. H. McNary and W. H. Cooper for appellant and Handley & Thayer for defendant.

I. Freeman vs. R. O. Preston, appeal from Cleland, Multnomah county, affirmed against defendant; opinion by Moore, Justice. Suit over purchase of cash register.

J. E. Wright, trustee, as appellant, vs. Conservative Gold Mining Company; appeal from Hamilton, Douglas county; opinion modified by Slater, commissioner.

Louie Chung vs. H. and G. R. Stephensos, partners; appeal from Cleland, Multnomah county; reversed. Opinion by Kakin, Justice.

George E. Baxter vs. State of Oregon; appeal from Burnett; affirmed; rehearing denied. This is the Coos county local option case.

W. E. Haines vs. Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern R. R. Co., appellant; appeal from Judge Hamilton; affirmed by Moore, Justice. Suit over promissory notes.

Daniel Warner vs. E. C. DeArmond & Sons, appellants; reversed and new trial ordered. Opinion by Bean, C. J.; damages for personal injury.

TO LOOK OUT FOR IMMIGRANTS

Washington, March 26.—The President today appointed immigration commissioners to investigate the conditions abroad this summer and prepare a bill to introduce in congress next winter. The appointees are Charles H. Neill, commissioner of labor; Professor Jenks, of Cornell; and William R. Wheeler, of Oakland, Cal.

Another Two-Cent State.

Harrisburg, March 26.—The Pennsylvania senate today passed a rate bill making the maximum passenger fare two cents a mile. The house will concur, and it is expected the governor will sign.

Prominent Divorcee.

Malwaukee, March 26.—Mrs. Carrell M. Allis, wife of Louis Allis, head of the Allis-Chalmers Co., was granted a divorce this morning on charges of cruelty. They have one son, aged 15. They were married 17 years.

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