

### FIGHTING FOR CLEAN JUDICIARY

Lawrence, Kas., Nov. 30.—The declaration of United States Senator-elect J. L. Bristow that the railroads control the greater number of judges throughout the United States is taken as an indication today that he will insist that the Kansas congressional delegation shall recommend an untrammelled man to President Taft when vacancies occur in the roster of federal judges. Senator Bristow yesterday asserted that the President usually appoints the federal judge upon the recommendation of the senatorial delegation. The statement was made by Senator Bristow at a meeting of Kansas politicians, called for conference by Governor-elect W. R. Stubbs. Attorney-General Jackson suggested a measure in the state legislature to assist the state in enlarging the powers of the state railroad commission, whose activities have been nullified practically by the courts. Bristow coincided with Jackson that something must be done declaring that the railroads controlled most of the federal judges. He then added that the matter was up to the congressional delegations in recommending the right men to the President when vacancies were to be filled.

### LARGEST DEFICIT IN POSTOFFICE

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—The largest deficit in the history of the postoffice department is shown today in the annual report of Postmaster-General George von L. Meyer. The report covers the postal record of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908. The department was run at a loss of \$16,873,225.

Features of the report are the request for legislation creating postal savings banks, the need, for good roads to facilitate the service, and the creation of a position of director of posts.

The position of director of posts, urged by the postmaster-general, is required for the purpose of maintaining a continuous policy for the benefit of the department. He is to be a high salaried official, to hold office during good behavior.

The maintenance of a suitable postal service in New York City is one of the problems faced by the department, according to the report. Each year there is a heavier congestion of mail matter in the metropolis, necessitating additional outlay.

A recommendation is made for the improvement of roads throughout the country for the betterment of the rural deliveries.

Figures show that four railway mail clerks and two substitutes were killed in train wrecks during the year, 104 seriously and 536 slightly injured.

### RESTAURANT PAYS GANS MORE THAN FIGHTING

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Nov. 30.—Fight promoter James Croffoth holds a telegram from Joe Gans today in which the colored fighter declines to meet Paeky McFarland before Croffoth's club here on New Year's Day. Gans declares that he is making too much money in his Baltimore restaurant to make it worth while for him to come to the coast for a battle.

The refusal of Gans comes as a shock to Croffoth who was planning to surprise the sporting-fist world. First the matter was broached to Paeky, who was willing. In fact, Paeky was glad of the chance of following Battling Nelson's advice to him to go out and "do something for himself."

Croffoth next enthused Ben Selig, Gans' manager and things looked rosy until the crusher was put on the whole scheme by Joe himself.

The telegram of declining was tenderly worded but to Gans, who is making money, the offer didn't look attractive.

### TO INVESTIGATE COOLIES' ESCAPE

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—Government agents are endeavoring to uncover evidence today of a wholesale opium smuggling plot which they believe to exist in the Chinese forces. These activities follow the escape of 30 Chinese from the detention sheds of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company early yesterday.

Two of the Chinese returned last night and are said to have made confessions implicating both compatriots and white men in a plot to bring the forbidden aliens into the country.

The Chinese escaped by crawling through a hole cut in the wire screening of a window in the shed. They swung from the window ledge to a roof adjacent by means of a telephone wire, and thence reached the ground by sliding down a pipe.

In view of the fact that only recently a large number of Chinese escaped, a rigid investigation from Washington is expected.

The Pacific Mail Steamship officials are accused of laxity but, in return, they declare that, as the government ordered the Chinese detained, it is responsible for their custody. It is probable, however, that an attempt will be made to collect \$500 for each missing Chinese from the steamship line.

### COURT HOUSE NEWS

Judge George H. Burnett convened court today, and a few cases were argued before him. The Jos. Meyers case, being an order for M. L. and H. W. Meyers to appear today and state cause, if any, why the testimony of witnesses of Mr. Meyers should not be perpetuated until a later date.

The case of the International Text Book Co. against W. R. Kane, an action for money, has been dismissed, the demurrer to the complaint being sustained by Judge Burnett, and the action dismissed with costs and disbursements in favor of the defendant.

The suit for money instigated by W. M. Kaiser and Angle L. Warren, co-executors of the estate of the late Tilton Ford against M. A. Bunce, was settled today to the satisfaction of both parties.

Another action for money filed by the Bank of Newberg against G. A. Eberhard was decided today in the circuit court. Judgment was awarded with order to sell attached.

Judge Burnett adjourned court this morning until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

### Realty Transfers.

J. E. and A. E. Wright to Etta Wright, land in Capital Park Add. to Salem, w d \$ 400  
P. and C. Fuchs to J. W. Ebner, 20 feet of lot 2, block 2, City Park Add. to Mt. Angel; w d 400  
J. W. Ebner et ux to Bank of Mt. Angel, part of lot, block 2, City Park Add. to Mt. Angel; w d 400  
Bank of Mt. Angel to Paul Fuchs, part of lot 3, block 2, City Park Add. to Mt. Angel; w d 400  
Bank of Mt. Angel to Henry Berning, part of lot 3, block 2, City Park Add. to Mt. Angel; w d 1800

D. W. Fisher et ux to E. R. Rhoten, lot 6, block "B," Simpson's Add. to Salem; w d 700  
G. W. Johnson et ux to W. B. White, lots 11 and 12, block 3, Compton's Add. to Salem; w d 150

John A. Anderson to F. M. Powers, lots 6 and 7, block 9, Highland Add. to Salem; w d 1200  
F. M. and R. Power to D. Gibson, lots 6 and 7, block 9, Highland Add. to Salem; wd 1400  
J. Hughes Co., to O. C. Grettie, 58.86 acres in T. 8 S., R. 3 W., W. D.; \$2354.40.

M. C. and R. L. Ellwood to Barbara Evans, land in Frickeys and Central Adds. to Salem, W. D.; \$1250.  
John O'Donald to Andrew Fischer, 6-100 of an acre in W. Morely's D. L. C. T. 8 S., R. 1 W., W. D.; \$10.  
J. T. and M. E. Cooper to A. C. Hausman, land in city of Salem, W. D.; \$1550.

Y. M. C. A. to E. M. Hulden et al lot 2, blk 17 in Yew Park Annex to Salem, \$130.  
J. A. Bernardi et al to J. G. Voget lot 1, blk. 3, Queen Ann Add. to Salem, W. D.; \$300.  
J. H. and R. R. Levesay et al to G. and G. Ruseher, 7.64 acres in T. 5 and 6 S., R. 1 W., W. W.; \$375.  
C. L. and C. Ferrel et al to J. G. Voget, corner of lot 1, blk. 4 in Reeds Add. to Salem, W. D.; \$400.

### DESTRUCTION IN OKLAHOMA FLOOD

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 30.—Seven persons are dead and many are missing and thousands are reported to be homeless today as the result of floods in Oklahoma, Texas, southwestern Missouri and southern Kansas.

Rivers throughout this whole section are rising rapidly and the worst floods in years are expected. A constant rain of 30 hours is responsible for the high water.

Scores of rescuing parties are at work in various sections taking people from the upper stories of houses where they have been marooned.

Reports today indicate that heavy damage already has been done to property and much more is threatened.

### DIES RATHER THAN PROSECUTE

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 30.—Rather than appear as prosecuting witness against two negroes, accused of robbing him, Dominick Knezy, a Russian, ended his life in a jail cell here with one of his shoe laces.

With one end of the string in a noose around his neck and the other coiled to the bunk above him, his body was found yesterday in a posture between standing and sitting. He doubled the lace, thus making it strong enough to hold his weight.

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### NARROW ESCAPES FROM SHARKS

Filipinos Cling to Upturned Boat and Fight Man-Eaters—Rescued by Steamer.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 30.—News has been brought here by the Canadian Pacific railroad steamer, Glenfarg, of the rescue of four Filipinos from death when surrounded by sharks, as they clung desperately to wreckage, and of the suffering of the lighthouse keepers on the coast, when they were on the verge of starvation.

According to advices from Hong Kong, Captain Carlos Krobbs, commander of the steamer Dalupanon, reports that while en route from Tudela to Iligan, in Cebu, the ship sighted four Filipinos clinging to a submerged banca, surrounded by a school of sharks, which even, after the vessel had come alongside, persisted in hovering about the banca. The men, when picked up, related a terrible tale of suffering and agony.

They stated that they had left Banae, Negros, bound for Brazil, Cebu, and that they had run into heavy weather, which had caused the banca to fill, sinking to the water's edge. Shortly after the weather cleared, leaving these poor mariners under the glare of a tropical sun. The sharks appeared, and, to the agony of thirst and the pangs of hunger was added the threatening fate of becoming a morsel for a shark's tooth. They had despaired of relief, and every vestige of hope was gone when they sighted the Dalupanon.

The lighthouse keepers who were assisted by the Glenfarg's crew, ten in number, were entirely without food and on the verge of starvation. They had not had any communication with the main land for 54 days. As quickly as a small boat could go back to the ship and return a load of supplies was taken to the island.

### TWO CENT FARE IS UPHELD

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—The United States supreme court today upheld the two-cent railroad rate law in Virginia. The decision will have a far-reaching effect. The case came up on appeal from the United States circuit court, which had granted an injunction against the enforcing of the law. The highest court reversed the ruling and dissolved the injunction.

### SEVEN HUNDRED DROWNED

Che Foo, China, Nov. 30.—It is reported that 700 were drowned when two Japanese steamers met in collision off this port today. Relief steamers have gone to the scene, but they have not returned, and no details can be obtained at this time.

### TRIAL OF DAVIS BEGUN TODAY

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 30.—The case of Charles E. Davis, charged with murdering Dr. Frederick Rustin, alleged author of the famous triple death compact, was called today, and the work of obtaining a jury was begun.

It is understood that the state relies mainly on the testimony of Mrs. Abbie Rice, the paramour of Dr. Rustin, who first revealed the details of the pact, and who said an agreement was formed by which Davis was to kill Rustin and then she and Davis were to commit suicide.

The defense today denied that a plea of insanity would be made.

### SALEM MARKET.

**Local Wholesale Market.**  
Cheese—Fancy cream twins, 15c per pound; full cream triplets 15 1/2c full cream young America, 16c.  
Veal—Extra, 8 1/2 @ 9c per pound, ordinary, 7 @ 7 1/2c; heavy, 5.  
Pork—Fancy, 7c per pound; large, 5 1/2 @ 6c.  
Oats—42c.  
Barley—\$26.00.  
Flour—Hard wheat, \$5; valley \$4.25.  
Hay—Cheat, \$12; clover, \$10 per ton; timothy, \$15; grain hay, \$12.  
Onions—\$1.25 cwt.  
Hops—1907 crop, 5 @ 6c.  
Cascara Bark—2 1/2 @ 3c.  
Mohair—18c.

**Retail Market.**  
Oats—\$1.50.  
Wheat—\$1.05.  
Eggs—45c.  
Butter—Country, 35c; creamery, 40c.

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Steers—3 1/2 u.  
Veal—5 @ 7c.  
Cows—\$3 @ 3.50.  
**Tropical Fruits.**  
Bananas—\$6.00.  
Oranges—\$3.25.

### PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT IS ABOUT BROKE

Lisbon, Portugal, Nov. 30.—The government of Portugal today made an unsuccessful effort to borrow five millions dollars from the Portuguese state bank to pay the salaries of the government officials.

The treasury is impoverished and office holders have received no remuneration for their recent services. The present resources of the government for the realization of cash have been exhausted.

The revolutionary party throughout the country is using the situation to foment disturbances.

### OIL COMPANIES DIVIDE THE U. S.

New York, Nov. 30.—John D. Archbold, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, today resumed the stand in the federal suit for the dissolution of the trust, and told of the company's wonderful growth. In the course of his testimony he told how the territory has been apportioned between the various subsidiary concerns. He declared that the Pacific states market is con-

trolled by the Standard Oil Company of California. The Michigan and Minnesota markets are controlled by the Standard of Indiana, and the Rocky Mountain territory is assigned to the Continental Oil Company.

### SAYS GRAFTERS PLAYING UNFAIR

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—The defense is playing unfair," was the opinion given on the stand today by former Supervisor Andrew M. Wilson for giving new and more incriminating testimony against Abe Rad, his former political boss.

Henry Ach, Ruff's attorney, exhaustively cross-examined Wilson to compel the witness to admit that he had been giving testimony that he withheld in former trials, and asked him the motive.

"When I played snowball, when a boy," said Wilson, in reply, "I discovered that sometimes one side was using rocks packed in the snowball. Well, the defense is doing the same trick, and I'm for the side that's fair."

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