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CALIFORNIA SWEEP BY TERRIFIC FLOODS

HAS SEVENTEEN INCHES OF RAINFALL IN ONLY THREE HOURS

HITCHCOCK'S CRIME GREATER THAN HAIN'S

Senator La Follette Says He Declines to Even Suppose Hitchcock Guilty of Trying to Induce Oregon Legislators to Violate Their Pledges, but If He Is Guilty, His Crime Is Greater than that of Haines.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 15.—That the alleged action of Frank Hitchcock, chairman of the Republican national committee, in interfering with the senatorial situation in Oregon is as heinous as the crime said to have been committed by Thornton Jenkins Hains, at Flushing, L. I., which has just closed, is the burden of an editorial which appears tomorrow in the second issue of Senator La Follette's Magazine.

Thornton Hains is on trial for advising the commission of a crime, and Frank Hitchcock, who is also widely accused of advising the commission of a crime, is guilty of one equally as heinous.

"It is said that Hitchcock has actively endeavored to induce the legislature of Oregon to violate their promise to support the candidate for the United States senatorship receiving the most votes at the primaries. If both men are supposed to be guilty, the only difference between them is one of courage. For Hains' crime, if he is found guilty, the law provides a penalty, but the one charged against Hitchcock is unpunishable. "We decline to suppose that Hitchcock is guilty. In view of the impossibility of legal vindication it would seem that he can do no less than deny the aspersion."

THE COUNTRY CAN REST, HAINS IS ACQUITTED

(United Press Leased Wire.) Flushing, L. I., Jan. 15.—The jurors who have been hearing the evidence in the trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains for participating in the murder of William Annis seem to be hopelessly deadlocked.

One report in circulation today is that nine of them favor the acquittal of the defendant, while the other three are holding out for conviction. After deliberating most of the night, with no prospect of reaching an agreement, the jury fled into Judge Crane's court room at 8:30 o'clock this morning and asked that the testimony given by John Tierney, witness for the defense, and Captain Clark and Dr. McBride, who testified for the state, be read to them.

At the conclusion of the reading Judge Crane inquired if the jurors desired to hear the record on the cross-examination. Jurors Benham and Hecker shook their heads.

"Your honor, we are old men, and we are ill besides, was Benham's reply. "If we cannot reach a verdict within an hour we shall ask you to discharge us."

Judge Crane announced that Benham and Hecker could have the services of a physician, if necessary, at the same time pointing out to them the importance of agreeing to a verdict. The judge remained in his court room all night.

Attorney McIntyre, chief counsel for the defense, declared just before noon today that he is in possession of information that convinces him beyond the shadow of a doubt that the jury stands ten for acquittal and two for conviction.

Special Prosecutor White disputed the statement, but would not venture a guess. He said, however, that he was confident the jury would either find the defendant guilty of manslaughter or disagree. At noon the jurors were given an hour recess for luncheon.

Flushing, L. I., Jan. 15.—Thornton Jenkins Hains, accused of participating in the murder of William Annis, has been acquitted.

NO WIRE SERVICE SOUTH EASTERN LINES CRIPPLED

Owing to the severe storms to the south and east the telegraph service today is noticeable by its not being here. The bridge across the Sacramento river at Sacramento, a span 200 feet long, went down this morning off all communication with San Francisco. Later in the day Sacramento "went out," then all northern California. At noon Medford "went dry," and by 2 o'clock there was no service south of Salem. Connections with the East are also badly broken and the news service crippled.

HILL TO BUILD A CANADIAN LINE

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 15.—It is announced today that James J. Hill, in the spring, will have a direct line and new system through Western Canada. For the purpose he has purchased a local afternoon newspaper. It was at first claimed that the Canadian Pacific road had purchased the paper, but it is now alleged that James J. Hill is the purchaser.

This Is Important.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—Charles H. Gilman, father of Maybelle Gilman Corey, wife of William E. Corey, president of the United States Steel corporation, suffered a stroke of apoplexy last night. There is no hope for his recovery. Two of his daughters are at his bedside.

MADE ARTISTIC RUN IN THE "ALTOGETHER"

(United Press Leased Wire.) Spokane, Wash., Jan. 15.—Ellsworth Hollenbeck, an employe of the C. & O. Steamboat Company, twice crossed the Columbia river, a distance of about 400 yards, on the ice jams at Wonatchee near the company's docks Wednesday, naked except for a pair of socks. The thermometer registered 8 below zero.

Hollenbeck, overhearing friends complaining of the severe cold, laughed and told them he would run across the river on the ice with nothing on but a necktie for \$5. The \$5 was immediately put up. Hollenbeck hesitated a moment, then disrobed and jumped from the wharf boat. The ice did not hold and he fell into the water. Almost immediately he climbed out and darted out on his journey, falling several times, but reached his goal and returned with a wet skin and a few bruises. The \$5 was given him.

WEATHER CONDITIONS THIS MORNING

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- O THIS MORNING O
- O O
- O Portland — Sleeting and O
- O warmer. O
- O The Dalles—More snow. O
- O Hood River — Heavy Snow O
- O falling. O
- O Pendleton—17 inches of O
- O snow; temperature milder. O
- O Baker City—Snow melting O
- O rapidly. O
- O Walla Walla—Heavy snow O
- O fall; chinook in mountains. O
- O Spokane—Chinook expected. O
- O Albany—Snow melting rap- O
- O idly. O
- O Eugene—Snow melting. O
- O Roseburg—Warm rain melt- O
- O ing snow; flood feared. O
- O Grants Pass—Warm rain; O
- O snow nearly all gone. O
- O Astoria—Warm rain; heavy O
- O gale threatened. O
- O Seattle—Rain. O
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WILL PREVENT JAPS OWNING REAL ESTATE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 15.—The judiciary committee of the assembly today decided to report favorably a bill preventing Japanese from owning realty. The California realty men are opposing the bill strenuously, claiming that it will cloud many titles in this state. A hot fight is expected when the bill comes up before the assembly for a vote.

WINNIPEG TO HAVE GRAIN ELEVATORS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 15.—It was definitely settled today that the three prairie provinces will agree to the proposition providing for public ownership of elevators throughout Western Canada. The grain raisers and dealers have formed the Western Grain Growers' Association, and will have grain elevators at all important grain centers.

WILL REORGANIZE NAVY TO MAKE MORE OFFICERS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Jan. 15.—At a conference held today between naval experts and President Roosevelt the plans of Secretary of the Navy Newberry, for a gradual reorganization of the navy were unanimously endorsed. The plans virtually call for the creation of a general staff.

Lots of men who are always running for office never seem to get anywhere.

CALIFORNIA UNDER FLOOD OF WATERS

Tremendous Rainfalls Set Rivers Booming and Much Damage Is Done—Thousands of Acres of Farm Lands Overflowed and Many Cities Are in Danger of Being Literally Drowned.

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 15.—The Yuba river bridge at Marysville is down, and the Sacramento bridge over the American river, the key between San Francisco, Ogden and Portland, went out last night, caused by the extremely high water. The floods are general throughout the state. The Kern river has overflowed thousands of acres of land and a gang of 400 men are working like mad to save Bakersfield. The Russian river is flooding the lowlands, and threatens to wash out all bridges over that stream.

The towns of Santa Rosa and Stockton are threatened with the greatest flood in history. The new levee has been broken by the force of the water. The waters in the Mormon channel are rising, and the Santa Fe track has been washed out. The channel is widening near Visalia.

Residents of Watsonville patrolled the Pajaro river all night, watching the levees. The Salspedes river is overflowing a mile from Watsonville and that section is under three feet of water.

It Drowned Angels.

Stockton, Cal., Jan. 15.—A dispatch from Angels Camp this morning reports a cloudburst there, 17 inches of rain falling in three hours. The cloudburst extended over an area of 100 square miles. The rivers and streams in the region are booming, and the islands in the lower San Joaquin river are in danger.

The situation in Stockton a slightly improved. Gangs patrolled the levees all night. The Mormon channel is receding now, but will probably rise higher than ever tomorrow when the Angels Camp cloudburst reaches here.

SPECIAL MESSAGE ON WATER RIGHTS

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—President Roosevelt today sent to the house of representatives a special message vetoing the bill authorizing William H. Standish to construct a dam across the James River, in Stone county, Missouri, to divert a portion of the waters of that stream through a tunnel to create electric power.

The President holds that the bill guarantees valuable monopoly privileges, and does not provide for conditions essential to protect the public interest. He refers in his veto message to former communications showing a tendency to monopolistic encroachments upon natural resources, and says:

"When the public welfare is involved congress should reserve any reasonable doubts as to its legislative power in favor of the people against seekers of special privileges. My reason in believing the federal government, in creating licenses to dam navigable rivers has the power to impose any condition it finds necessary, is that its consent is legally essential to an enterprise of this character. The people of the country are threatened by this monopoly, which is far more powerful than any other, because it is closer touch with domestic and industrial life, than any other known to our experience. "A single generation will see the exhaustion of our natural resources, such as gas and oil, and will see such

a rise in the price of coal that electrically transmitted water power will be the controlling factor in transportation, manufacturing and in household heating and lighting. To give away without conditions this one of our greatest resources, would be an act of folly."

The President pointed out to the representatives the extent to which water power is now controlled by certain corporations, and added that there is a growing tendency on their part to increase this control.

The President points out the results attained through investigations prosecuted by the bureau of corporations, showing how certain corporations have succeeded in securing nearly a quarter of the most valuable existing water power sites in the country. In this connection he mentioned the General Electric and Westinghouse Electric companies as two of the big concerns reaping benefits.

A letter from Herbert Knox Smith chief of the bureau of corporations, which is attached to the message, declares that the General Electric Company controls three subsidiary corporations; that the company owns five water power companies, and probably dominates five others. The letter also states that the Westinghouse corporation controls three subsidiary concerns, two power companies, and perhaps as many as seven others.

MINING OPERATOR FROM CURRY COUNTY

Colonel Munsy, of Coos and Curry, is one of the born orators of the session of the general assembly, and has consented to take a place on the program of the Development Congress, to be held at Salem January 29-30, and will tell of the wonderful undeveloped resources of Southwestern Oregon. The colonel is one of the most eloquent men in the world, when it comes to giving exact information about the mineral wealth of that section, and has the facts and

the products to back up what he says. He was elected almost without opposition, and carried every vote in some of the precincts of the county, where he is best known. He owns copper mines in Curry county worth many millions of dollars and awaiting the single touch of capital to open their stored wealth to the world. He is a cousin of Col Frank Munsey, of New York, the famous millionaire magazine publisher.

It is hard to convince a man that he is wrong when his living depends upon his being right.

Alteration Sale

COST CUTS NO FIGURE

During our Alteration Sale. The proposition now is to dispose of the goods as quickly as possible, as we must have the shelves clear before we begin to tear out the walls. The following goods take up lots of room. They are in the way and must be disposed of. Cost cuts no figure.

- Woolen Dress Goods
- Blankets and Comforts
- Women's Coats and Suits
- Furs of All Kinds
- Women's and Men's Woolen Underwear
- Muslins, Domestic Gingham,
- Sheets, Pillow Cases,
- Towels, Men's Clothing,
- Ladies' Shoes

There is no use trying elsewhere to get prices like we are giving

