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STATE FAIR BOARD

VERY ANXIOUS FOR SEWERAGE SYSTEM

MOST FAVORABLE TIME FOR CITY, STATE AND FAIR BOARD TO GET TOGETHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL THIS EVENING

The state fair board is anxious to construct a sewerage system that will protect the sanitary interests of the state and city. The people of North Salem want a sewer system adequate for that large and growing territory. The location of the \$75,000 deaf mute institution in Highland also requires sewerage on a large scale. It is absolutely necessary that there be joint action between the fair board, the state building commission and the city authorities at an early day. Secretary Welch, of the state fair board, writes The Capital Journal as follows:

"I have been informed that on Friday evening, May 7, the subject of sewerage through Highland to the state fair grounds will be considered, and final plans adopted. Also, that if the Oregon State Board of Agriculture is not ready to accept the offer of connection at the estimated value of construction, plans will be finally adopted at this meeting whereby connections by the state could not be made."

"Owing to the absence of one mem-

ber of the state's committee in California, and our president being detained at home, I ask that an extension of time on the fair grounds portion of the plans be granted in which to jointly consider the city's offer. The Oregon State Board of Agriculture is very anxious to jointly construct a sewer system with the city, providing satisfactory terms can be agreed upon."

The fact that there will be a large force of convict labor available to do the state work with makes this a very opportune time to get co-operation.

To Change Administrator.

Santa Cruz, Cal., May 7.—Petition of Anna C. Bustedde for the removal of S. N. Rucker as administrator of the estate of the late Major Frank McLaughlin was denied late yesterday by Judge L. F. Smith.

Miss Bustedde charged Rucker with failing to include in his inventory all of the property belonging to the estate, with being wasteful and with mismanagement.

ROOSEVELT'S LAND POLICIES ATTACKED

[United Press Leased Wire.] Washington, May 7.—Roosevelt's policy of conservation was on trial today when the cabinet, probably for the first time since the Civil War, listened to a discussion of the differences of opinion between two of its members. Secretaries Ballinger and Wilson, who clashed recently over interpretation of the land laws concerning the withdrawal from entry of public lands, were the principals, and President Taft heard their statements in compliance with their request that he settle the dispute.

Gifford Pinchot, chief forester, precipitated the clash, when he had Secretary Wilson ask Secretary Ballinger to withdraw certain land in the West, to be used as stations for his forest rangers. Ballinger refused to grant the request, saying that such action would be illegal. Wilson denied that it was illegal, and repeated the imputation of unfairness. Both secretaries then took their troubles to President Taft, who told them to prepare statements for presentation at today's cabinet meeting.

The President's verdict will have bearing of the utmost importance upon the future policy of the administration in regard to the public lands.

RENTS RETURNED THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN RETAINED

[United Press Leased Wire.] San Francisco, May 7.—Many San Francisco landlords who returned advance rent paid by tenants previous to the disaster of April 18, 1906, today were bawling that fact. According to a decision given yesterday by Judge Trout in the district court of appeals, the fault lay with the lessee for failing to provide in his lease for such a contingency.

The suit in which the decision was given is unique in court records here. The plaintiffs were Harvey and Daroux, and the defendants Weisbaum Brothers. Judge Trout reversed the decision given in the lower court.

TRIPLE CRIME COMMITTED TODAY

[United Press Leased Wire.] Olympia, Wash., May 7.—J. A. Dawson, night watchman at the ice plant at Three Lakes, a small timber and mill center a few miles from this city, shot and killed his wife and 14-year-old daughter, and then committed suicide today.

Mrs. Hiram Morgan, a neighbor, heard the screams coming from the Dawson cabin and notified the crew of a logging train. The men hurried to the cabin. When they arrived Dawson appeared in the doorway with a revolver in his hand, and warned the men away. While the men stood at bay, Dawson placed the revolver against his temple and fired. He fell to the ground and died almost instantly.

The triple tragedy has thrown the small community into a fever of excitement. Dawson, who has been employed at the camp for three years, had been living alone with his three children, having been divorced from his wife, Mrs. Dawson appeared in the camp for the purpose of paying a visit to the children, and it is believed that Dawson endeavored to induce the woman to remarry him. When Mrs. Dawson attempted to leave the camp this morning, Dawson had just come from his night's work, attempted to prevent her. In the struggle that followed for possession of Dawson's revolver, which he had drawn, the daughter was killed. The man killed his wife and afterward ended his own life.

A married daughter of the Dawsons live in Arkansas.

CALHOUN TRIAL ENDS IN TWO WEEKS

San Francisco, May 7.—Francis J. Heney stated today that the trial of Patrick Calhoun, probably will be concluded within two weeks. The special prosecutor refused to tell how many more witnesses would be called by the prosecution, but announced his intention to hurry the proceedings to an early end.

In order to show to the jury the entrance used by Ruef upon his alleged visits to Mullally and Ford, a photograph of the Broderick-street car barn, where Ford's office was located, was introduced by the prosecution. George Francis, Ford's stenographer at the time of the passage of the trolley franchise, was placed upon the stand, and pointed out Ford's offices, which faced on Broderick street.

Questioned by Assistant Prosecutor John O'Gara, Francis apparently was unable to repeat any conversations between Ford and Ruef at their alleged meetings in Ford's office. He also professed ignorance of the meetings of the "committee of forty," which Calhoun is said to have attended subsequent to the fire.

That there was an irregularity in the filing of the trolley permit after its passage was alleged by George H. Meyer, a reporter for a daily paper, who was called to the stand by the prosecution.

Meyer testified that during the performance of his duties he consulted the official files of the business transactions by the supervisory board and found no matter pertaining to the passage of the permit. He stated that ex-Mayor Schmitz informed him that the reason the permit was not filed was that it was but temporary.

Mrs. Henrietta Siedenfeldt, sister of Abe Ruef, acknowledged the payment of \$3500 to former Supervisor L. A. Rea at the order of her brother. It was charged by the prosecution that this transfer of coin was connected with the payment of bribe money to the members of the boodling board. Mrs. Siedenfeldt averred from the witness stand that the payment was in connection with a business transaction.

STAYTON MAN BUYS \$700 TROTTER HORSE

Frank Talkington, who for many years has been interested in trotting horses, and who has owned and backed some good ones, has finally got entirely out of the swim. Wednesday he sold his splendid horse, "Mike Duff," with a record of 2:19 1/2 to L. L. Thomas, the wide-awake young merchant of Stayton. Mr. Thomas is a great lover of horses, and passed over a check for \$700 for the privilege of owning McDuff. Horsemen will regret Mr. Talkington's getting out of the game, for he was and is a lover of good horses.

SALARY RAISING CALLED IN QUESTION

Columbus, Ind., May 7.—Attorney Charles Caldwell, who forwarded a complaint to the district supreme court of Washington, seeking to oust Secretary of State Knox from office today received back the papers with a statement informing him that they were not properly drawn. The complaint was based upon the fact that Knox, while in congress, voted in favor of increasing the salary of the secretary of state.

Caldwell taught school here last year, then opened a law office. He says his action was taken on behalf of the people of the United States.

COMMITTEE IS CREATED TO INVESTIGATE THE TURKISH OUTRAGES

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES WILL BE REPRESENTED ON INQUIRY INTO THE SLAUGHTER OF CHRISTIANS IN TURKEY

(By Bysantius Moschopoulos, Staff Correspondent of the United Press.)

Constantinople, May 7.—Members of the American diplomatic corps here are taking steps today to prevent the committee which is to investigate the massacres in Asia Minor from whitewashing the government. Every effort will be made to place representatives of the United States and Great Britain on the committee, and France will probably make a similar move, because of the burning of the French missions.

It is believed that Ferid Pasha, minister of the interior, who will dictate the personnel of the committee, will grant the request of the foreigners, rather than provoke an independent investigation.

Announcement was made today that martial law will be maintained indefinitely here. This action was taken because of the recent breach between the soldiery and the Young Turks' committee of union and progress. Disturbances will almost sure to follow unless martial law were maintained.

DIED TO GET WOMAN TO LEAD BETTER LIFE

[United Press Leased Wire.] Boise, Idaho, May 7.—"Do a good job" were the only words uttered by Fred Seward, the murderer of Clara O'Neill, a woman of the underworld, as he stood on the gallows in the Idaho penitentiary early today waiting for the black cap to be slipped over his head.

Four minutes after the trap fell the man was dead. While on the death march Seward bid a cheerful good-bye to the prisoners he passed, adding "God bless you."

COURTESY TO A WOMAN CAUSED ALL HIS TROUBLES

Tacoma, May 7.—Courtesy to a woman is given today by J. W. Long as the cause of an alleged attack made upon him by a conductor of the Tacoma Railway and Power Company and which he claims will dis-

figure him for life. Long is suing for \$1500 damages from the railway company and \$22.50 recompense for the suit of clothes ruined by his fall into the street.

According to the suit Long was standing upon the platform of a street car when the conductor gruffly ordered him inside the car. At this juncture a woman attempted to alight from the car, and he stepped aside to permit her to pass. Thereupon, he alleges, the conductor struck him, knocking him into the street. He claims the attack was unwarranted.

This Indian Is Broke.

[United Press Leased Wire.] Fort Jones, Cal., May 7.—Jack Dan, an Indian, today is the possessor of the wife, child and all the property of John McCash, as a result of a card game, in which McCash staked everything he owned.

Word of the unique game reached this post today from the Indian village in Quartz Valley. After all McCash's coin had found its way to Dan's side of the blanket, on which they played, McCash offered to place his little ranch in wager against a stipulated sum. Dan won again. The wife and the child quickly followed.

SENATOR ALDRICH MAY LOSE CONTROL OF TARIFF SITUATION

Inharmony in Taft's Cabinet—Conflict Between Ballinger and Wilson over Public Land Policies—Great Naval Record

[United Press Leased Wire.] Washington, May 7.—Senator Aldrich's control of the tariff situation is expected to be demonstrated today when a vote is taken on the lead schedule. A canvass of the senate shows that Aldrich will win the test by a majority of from 12 to 14.

During the discussion of the tariff today Clapp, of Minnesota, urged revision downward as far as is consistent with the policy of protection.

President Taft is expected to ask the members of the cabinet, including Attorney-General Wickersham, to give him written opinions of the case before he makes a decision.

Ballinger and Wilson both carried large bundles of documents when they entered the cabinet room. Regarding the particular issue between the secretaries as to whether ranger sites may be withdrawn from entry at the request of the forest service, Ballinger holds that the forestry appropriation act of 1907 prohibits additions being made to reserves or the creation of new reserves in the seven Western states where the sites were requested.

Wilson is reported to have argued that the refusal of his request is opposed by years of custom. He is also quoted as admitting that the sites withdrawn by the last administration were really wanted for conservation purposes. The withdrawals, he is supposed to have said, were made in accordance with a pre-arranged plan by himself, President Roosevelt and Secretary Garfield.

This plan was the result of information that water power monopolies were about to grab the lands, and that this was the quickest way to act.

Protesting because small newspapers cannot afford to buy linotype machines at prevailing prices, Senator Paynter, of Kentucky, addressed the senate today, demanding that the tariff be reduced.

Paynter demanded that the tariff be reduced from 30 per cent ad valorem to ten per cent, offering an amendment to that effect. He declared that 12,000 country newspapers in the United States have no linotype machines.

The armored cruiser Washington, of the Pacific coast fleet, has broken all records of the world for efficient target shooting at Magdalena Bay, according to advices just received. The tabulated score of the contest has not been received here, but it is said the efficiency of the crew has been demonstrated in such a manner that there is no room for doubt that they are the best marksmen in the American fleet.

The officers of the Washington were not satisfied with the former showing, made under almost impossible conditions, and the government made them another chance. The result was that the ship took the world's honors. The championship was won despite the fact that the ship had to work under quite a heavy sea.

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