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WISCONSIN SENATOR TELLS HOW "REGULATION" WORKS IN HIS STATE

ALL PUBLIC UTILITIES HAVE MADE GREAT STRIDES UNDER STATE REGULATION

Senator La Follette, in a Speech Today Says: "Wisconsin Certainly Is Not Driving Capital Out of the State When the Electric Companies Have in the Year 1910, after Two Years of Regulation Made Bona Fide New Investments of 35 Per Cent Greater Than in 1909."

Flint, Mich., Jan. 1.—Refusing to take advantage of the New Year holiday, Senator Robert M. La Follette, of Wisconsin, who is causing surprise to President Taft considerable approval for his race for the presidential nomination, here today told an enormous throng of what Wisconsin had done with the railroad problem. He said in part:

"Having brought the steam railroads of the state under state control we proceeded to extend the control of the railroad commission over all the other public utilities in the commonwealth. This was not accomplished until 1907, and it was not until 1909 that the commission was able to establish over its public utilities a reliable system of accounting.

"Let us see now whether thoroughgoing regulation of these public utilities resulted in injury to the successful conduct of their business. For the year 1910, compared with 1909, notwithstanding reductions in rates and improvement in service, the water utilities increased their net earnings 10.5 per cent; the telephone utilities 5.8 per cent; the gas utilities 7.7 per cent and electric utilities 27.5 per cent. These utilities have even exceeded the railroad's in the rate at which they have made cash investments in new construction.

"While the increase in railroad construction has averaged 2.5 per cent a year for six years, the water utilities in 1910 increased their new construction property 2 per cent over 1909; the telephone utilities 4.9 per cent; the gas utilities 1.6 per cent and electric utilities 35.5 per cent.

"Wisconsin certainly is not driving capital out of the state when the electric utilities in the single year of 1910, after two years of regulation by the state, made bona fide new investments of 35 per cent greater than in 1909."

A PARTY OF JOY RIDERS IS WRECKED

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Seven men and women were thrown into the streets and at least two of them seriously injured when a street car struck the automobile in which they were riding early today.

Miss Grace Seister, one of the party, received lacerations about the head and a possibly fractured skull. R. D. Scott, a guest at the Mampore, had several ribs fractured. His wife sustained contusion and was badly bruised. Others of the party, who were less seriously injured, were T. C. Peterson and J. McGuire and her son, J. McGuire, of Portland, Ore.

To wind up the New Year celebration, the party hired a big limousine piloted by Chauffeur John E. The machine was hit by the street car in front of the Casino, a resort near Golden Gate Park.

AN AVIATOR DOES STUN LIKE ICARS

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 1.—Paling 100 feet into the ocean, near Port of Pines, Aviator Harry N. Atwood, after starting here today this way to Portland, Me., in hydrene, had a narrow escape from death.

The machine was going nicely when its engine stopped, and Atwood jumped into the water. As he attempted to rise again a big wave struck the machine, tipping it over backward. The hydroplane began to sink and Atwood crawled to its top, calling for help. Rescuers arrived just as he was going down.

Thinks He Is Innocent.
[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Mr. P. H. McCarthy, who has refrained from giving the newspapers an account of his views on the arrest of San Francisco labor leaders, tonight sent the following telegram to Olan Mills in Los Angeles:

"I sincerely regret the manner in which the federal authorities are endeavoring to involve you in this conspiracy matter. I believe you are absolutely innocent of any crime and such belief will be my guide in connection with the matter."

JOE FOUND POISON IN MORNING CREE
[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Lakeview, Ore., Jan. 1.—James Ambrose did not like the taste of coffee. He gave it to his hogs and two of them died from strychnine poisoning. Ambrose is looking for poisoner.

DEATH MAY BEAT THE JURY IN LABOR CASE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, Jan. 1.—E. A. Clancy, San Francisco labor leader, indicted in connection with the federal grand jury's dynamite investigation at Los Angeles, may never face the bar to answer to the charges preferred against him. His condition is far more serious than has been admitted even by his family, until today, when his wife, distressed lest the excitement kill him, said:

"My husband is a very sick man. The ordeal of having his bonds approved has had a very bad effect upon him. And his recovery has been delayed. Nobody at home is allowed to mention the case to him, physicians having so ordered. But I will say for him that the story of his confession is false to the root—he has nothing to confess."

PAROLE REVOKED HE GOES TO THE PEN
Sheriff Harry P. Minto returned last evening from Seattle with C. S. Baldwin in custody, and as soon as the commitment papers are made out he will be sent to the penitentiary to serve a year for embezzlement.

Baldwin was the operator at the Woodburn station of the Oregon Electric and the charge against him was embezzling funds of the company. He was arraigned about a year ago, pleaded guilty, and was paroled by Judge Kelly. Learning lately that his conduct was not good, the judge revoked the parole and issued a warrant for his arrest.

Seattle Was Quiet
[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Seattle, Jan. 1.—Seattle ushered in the year 1912 in the quietest New Year celebration in 10 years. The lid was on tight and the cafe crowds of previous years were conspicuously absent. The streets, while presenting a gala atmosphere by contrast with the throwing and the tooting of horns, did not hold the usual New Year crowds by many thousands. The pre-New Year eve celebration Saturday night was also exceptionally quiet, the lid coming down sharply at 12 o'clock.

VANCOUVER MAY HAVE WOMAN POLICE JUDGE
[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 1.—Miss Mildred Henthorne, a law office stenographer, who recently tried a police court case during the absence of the justice of the peace, has been mentioned as a possible appointee as police judge by Charles Irwin, who will assume the office of mayor tomorrow.

The Mornings After.
[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, Jan. 1.—About 100 San Franciscans tried to put the distilleries and breweries out of business by consuming the entire visible supply, were fined away over night for safe keeping and freed this morning to make New Year resolutions. No women were among those arrested.

JUST CRAZY MAD. LAKEVIEW, ORE., JAN. 1.—Blind rage today is given as the reason which actuated Bert Taylor to shoot and kill Policeman E. M. Brown and then commit suicide here last night when Brown attempted to prevent Taylor beating his wife.

Brown saw the family altercation and stepped up to interfere with Taylor's lashing the woman. Without a word Taylor grabbed a rifle and shot Brown through the breast, killing him. He then turned the weapon on himself, blowing out his brains. The Taylors recently came here from Baker, Ore.

ASHLAND SHOT DOWN GOFIELD

Stockton, Cal., Jan. 1.—District Attorney Foltz went to Avena today to investigate the story of alleged wife wronging told by Harry Ashland as an excuse for the shooting of John Gofield last evening.

Gofield was an employ of the government squirrel killing squad and had been working near Avena. He came to Stockton to spend New Year with his wife and children. Ashland owned a farm at Avena, but had been in San Francisco for some months. Ashland claims to have received a letter from his wife calling him home. On his arrival she told him that Gofield assaulted her.

Ashland came to Stockton yesterday afternoon and sought Gofield. In a park he met Gofield's 5-year-old son. "Can you tell me where John Gofield lives?" asked Ashland.

"Yes, he's my father," replied the boy.

On answering the knock at the door, Gofield was called out on the porch and shot twice. He died almost instantly.

DOESN'T LIKE DOG. VENTURA, CAL., JAN. 1.—A. S. Lee, proprietor of St. Marks hotel, is suffering something like mad de mer today as the result of unconscious eating a mouthful of dog meat at a big powwow of the Sioux Indians in winter quarters here. When told that he had eaten dog steak, Lee's face was a study—first white, then crimson. Then he "beat it" for an emetic, and since has been confined to his bed.

How Will He Vote?
On the city attorneyship at the caucus the vote was a tie after balloting twice. The Page following only won after a desperate fight had been made that Page was the man who would be valuable to the council in initiating legislation against the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. Just how Townsend stands on this office cannot be learned, but it is understood that he is not in favor of a corporation man, but in favor of this office to the floor of the council, and if he does some interesting developments may be the result, and the result, it is asserted, may be that Corby will be nominated.

Fire Chief in the Balance.
Mark Savage was nominated fire chief at the caucus, after two tie votes had been taken. Supporters of Wm. Iwan, the defeated candidate, now assert that Townsend is a supporter of Iwan, and should that he true this appointment may be carried to the floor of the council. There are many who believe that the man who holds this office should come from the ranks of the firemen, and who resent the election of Savage, and considerable influence is yet being brought to bear to change the vote taken at the caucus. It will not be surprising if a change might be made on the floor of the council.

Long's Friends Busy.
The friends of Sanitary Inspector Long are busy, and have not yet given up hope of selecting him. This office was closely contested, and Long only won after a desperate fight had been made against him without a chance to reply. The stumbling concerns are friends of Long, and it is understood they are preparing a protest against the selection of McCracken over him. They contend that Long has given good and faithful service, is an experienced man, and that a change is not now advisable.

These are a few of the changes which may be effected. Should Townsend and friends of a few of the defeated candidates get busy the new appointment made by the council may read entirely different from those made by the caucus.

MAY NOT TRY CASES FOR SIX MONTHS

Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—Owing to the congested condition of the criminal calendar in the United States district court, it appears unlikely today that the conspiracy cases against Olaf Tveitmo, Anton Johannsen, E. A. Clancy, J. E. Munsey and other labor leaders will be set for trial before next July.

The accused men will be arraigned tomorrow before Judge Wellborn in the federal district court. This formally finished, a date for their pleas will be set and the cases placed on the term trial calendar for January 8. Forty criminal cases are now at issue and ready to be tried before Judge Wellborn and if the regular procedure is adhered to it will be at least six months before these cases are disposed of and the conspiracy cases taken up.

New York Celebrated.
New York, Jan. 1.—American metropolis awakened today with a headache, a bad taste in the mouth and her bank roll depleted just about \$750,000. That's what the new year celebration cost old Father Knickerbocker. It was one without parallel in the history of New York.

But bromides and every known nerve quieter on the market is being worked overtime today.

TOWNSEND MAY ALTER RESULTS

O. L. Townsend, Councilman From the Seventh Ward, Was Not at Caucus Nominating the City Officers.

HIS VOTE MAY BREAK SLATE

The Only Office His Vote Is Liable to Affect Are the City Attorneyship and Fire Chief, Though Sanitary Inspector Long's Friends Have Hopes of Yet Getting Him Into That Position—Nobody Knows But Townsend.

How will Councilman O. L. Townsend vote when it comes to the confirmation of the appointments made by the new council at a caucus held Friday evening?

That is a question that a few of the candidates nominated at that caucus are asking themselves, and because they cannot formulate a satisfactory answer, they are on the anxious seat.

Councilman Townsend was scheduled to attend the caucus. The new councilmen did all they could to notify him, he being absent from the city. The train service was in trouble, however, and he did not reach the city in time to attend.

Entitled to Vote.
In view of this fact most of the councilmen are contending that he should not be cheated out of his vote. They advocate the proposition that, being denied a vote at the caucus, he is entitled to exercise that privilege at the meeting of the council Tuesday evening—whether it be in accordance with the action taken by the caucus then or not.

Now there were a few nomination that were closely contested at the caucus, and Townsend may change the result.

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CROWD OF 175,000 AT PASADENA TO SEE THE "TOURNAMENT OF ROSES"

Chinese Proclaim Republic.
New York, Jan. 1.—Mott Street, New York's Chinatown, celebrated today the birth of the new China. A hundred thousand imported Chinese firecrackers were exploded, barrels of rice wine were consumed and rare viands were eaten in numerous banquets. At noon the leaders of Chinatown, with "Mayor" Tom Lee at the head of the procession, entered one of the big joss houses. Chinese merchants and Chinese students of Columbia University, spoke. Then the important ceremony of the day occurred. It was the official reading of a proclamation declaring the fall of the Manchu dynasty and the birth of the Chinese republic.

YOUTHFUL BURGLAR IS SILENT

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THE SWEDISH PEOPLE CELEBRATE NEW YEAR

A watch night service was held in the Swedish Tabernacle M. E. church last night. This service was well attended and a good program rendered. There will be services again tonight at 7:30 o'clock, to which all Scandinavian people are most heartily invited.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 1.—Portland this morning experienced the coldest New Year in seven years. At sunrise the temperature was 27 degrees above 10 degrees colder than usually obtains here in winter.

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Greatest Crowd in Its History Gathered at Pasadena to See the Twenty-third Annual Fiesta or the Great Rose Show—Last Year the Crowd Numbered 125,000—Aviator Rodgers Made Great Flight, Going Up 4000 Feet, and Flying Back and Forward Over the City, While a Vast Crowd Craned Its Collective Neck to See.

Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 1.—One hundred and seventy-five thousand people lined the streets of Pasadena today at the twenty-third annual "Tournament of Roses" festival, and while Aviator Calbraith P. Rodgers showed spectators upon the mass of humanity from a high altitude, the greatest of all the floral pageants in the history of this event, passed along the streets.

Rodgers' flight was the unique feature of the celebration today. The intrepid aviator reached the altitude of 4,000 feet and from this point flew back and forth across the city, while the parade was passing beneath him. He had thousands of carnations tied to the aeroplane, and from time to time he pulled strings which released a shower of perfumed blossoms which fell down upon the people. The watchers scrambled and fought good naturedly for these souvenirs.

Rodgers remained in the air half an hour and finally alighted at his starting point, Tournament Park, after he had exhausted his supply of flowers. Only once in the entire flight did Rodgers experience any difficulty. As he released his bouquets above the Maryland hotel, he discovered that his gasoline pipe was clogged, and feared that he would have to stop, but he succeeded in opening it again without delay.

There never has been such a crowd present at the tournament. Last year the estimate of visitors was 125,000. And this year the most conservative place the number at 150,000, while many declared that not less than 175,000 were present. The streets were lined with solid walls of spectators for two miles, while the side streets were literally jammed with automobiles for an entire block each way from the line of march.

In the afternoon a program of chariot races and other sports was run off at Tournament Park.

ACCUSES OF CONDUCTING A BAWDY HOUSE

Being informed that a house of bad repute was being conducted at the corner of High and Bush streets, Chief of Police Hamilton and his officers late Saturday afternoon made a raid upon it and placed three women under arrest.

Several days ago complaints came to the officers that the house was of an immoral character. The police for some time had entertained suspicions with relation to it, but wanted to be certain before proceeding. Saturday they obtained the needed evidence and the raid was made.

The women arrested were Mary Koehn, Edith German and Maud Vaughn. The names of the first two women, who are well known in the city, being the daughters of good families, are assumed. Maud Vaughn is from Dallas. The charge against Mary Koehn is selling liquor without a license, while the charge against the other two is disorderly conduct. Edith German paid her fine and was released but the others are still in custody.

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BAY OCEAN MAKING MANY IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Eppley have just returned from a short holiday at Tillamook Bay points. They report work on the Bay Ocean pleasure resort as going forward in very substantial manner. Miles of street have been graded and block of cement sidewalk laid. Dredging on a large scale on the Bay Beach has been done and is still under way. Places of amusement built and building—all these added to the notes of one of the finest beaches on the Oregon coast, make Bay Ocean an assured city of pleasure by the sea.

San Juan people interested in Bay Ocean property will find a visit interesting and profitable. The restaurant will care for the inner man, while the captain of the yacht, Bay Ocean, entertains guests in a surprisingly pleasant manner at the Arner Hotel.

GOMPERS ISSUES AN ADDRESS

Washington, Jan. 1.—Referring only by inference to the McNamara cases, President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, issued today a general New Year address to the workers of the country, by Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor.

In our time the most potent influence for common humanity is organized labor. That such a mass movement will have vicissitudes must be expected, but it has done so much to bring light and hope into the lives of the workers that in this the New Year, the people of the country may not only be proud of its achievements but look to it with the confident expectation that the cause of right, justice and humanity will be protected and advanced.

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