

### MULHALL ON STAND

DECLARES N. A. M. SECRETARY AGREED TO PAY FOR HIS LABORS IN CAPITAL.

### "AID TO M'COMAS A TRAITOR"

Asserts Senator's Secretary Was in the Employ of Cushing—Also Alleges Congressman Who Favored Labor Legislation Was Defeated.

Washington, July 15.—The senate lobby committee again had Martin M. Mulhall on the witness stand Saturday. The former agent for the National Association of Manufacturers was closely guarded so as to defeat any move that the house committee might make to secure Mulhall as a witness before that lobby until they had his full "confession."

After Mulhall had been on the stand for nearly five hours the committee took a recess. Senator Overman excused Mulhall for the day and permitted him to go to New York, where he had important business.

On resuming the stand Mulhall took up the identification of his letters. Before he could begin, however, James C. Emery, counsel for the National Association of Manufacturers, made a formal request upon the committee for the right of the association to be represented by an attorney. Robert McCarthy, former attorney general of New Jersey, was presented as the attorney. Chairman Overman said the committee would decide later whether McCarthy should have the general privileges of an attorney for the association.

Mulhall identified more letters showing his relations with Marshall Cushing, secretary of the National Association of Manufacturers. He testified he had an understanding with Cushing that he was to receive \$100 a week and \$40 a week for expenses for "general field work and lobby work in Washington."

Mulhall testified further of how he worked to defeat the late Senator McComas of Maryland, although he posed as the senator's friend. He said he had received 500 letters from Cushing directed against McComas.

"I turned them over to Carl M. Downs, secretary to McComas," he added.

"Do you mean you delivered these letters against McComas to his secretary?" demanded Senator Reed.

"Carl M. Downs was in the pay of Cushing," replied the witness, who went on to explain that he quarreled with Cushing because he was "buying out" the secretary of a senator.

A letter to Senator Fowler, September 9, 1904, referred to a suggestion that Mulhall go to Rhode Island to help Senator Aldrich in his campaign. He testified he went later at the request of Aldrich.

Washington, July 14.—Col. Martin M. Mulhall appeared before the lobby investigating committee of the United States senate during a special night session on Friday and gave that body part of his confession.

Mulhall took the stand and subscribed to the oath with a smile. Senator Reed, designated by Chairman Overman to examine the witness, began by placing in evidence a list of the officers of the National Association of Manufacturers in 1907 and a list of the members of the association. Mulhall said he was born in 1850 and had lived in Baltimore more than thirteen years. He said before he went with the National Association of Manufacturers he was "principally in politics," and was connected with the Republican national committee.

"I refused a bribe of \$5,000 and a life position in the naval service in 1892," said Mulhall. "That year I had charge of the Republican campaign in Albany and Rensselaer counties, New York. Previous to that I had charge of William McKinley's gubernatorial campaign in Ohio."

The witness said he first became interested in the National Association of Manufacturers in 1902, when he met Marshall Cushing, its secretary, in a Washington hotel. Senator Reed asked him about his relations with labor. He said the late Senator Quay of Pennsylvania sent him to confer with John Mitchell, during the anthracite strike in the Pennsylvania fields in 1902 to get the "inside story." During that time Mulhall said he arranged for a conference between Governor Stone of Pennsylvania and three labor leaders. The first Mulhall letter introduced was addressed to Mitchell in February, 1902, relating to these meetings. A letter of March 18, 1902, from Mulhall to Mitchell declared that the leaders of the Republican organization could do more for the miners' union "than any arbitration board in existence."

A letter dated May 17, 1902, from Mulhall to Mitchell told of a conference between Mulhall and Governor Stone at which Stone expressed sympathy with the miners.

### WILL ENFORCE LAW

FOOD COMMISSIONER HARMAN HOLDS CONFERENCE.

### MEASURE EFFECTIVE SOON

Law Requires Cold Storage Firms to Keep Records of All Articles and Make Quarterly Reports.

Lincoln.—Commissioner Harman has been conferring with owners of cold storage plants relative to the new law which will go into effect July 17.

The new law, which was introduced by Senator Henry V. Hoagland of Lancaster county, and is known as senate file 64, places cold storage and refrigerator plants under the jurisdiction of the state food commissioner for regulation. It applies to concerns handling foods, drinks or confections, commercially where articles are stored more than sixty days. It requires them to obtain licenses annually from the commissioner, the fee to be \$5.

The food commissioner is given full authority to inspect and order changes for improving sanitary conditions, and to revoke licenses. The law requires storage firms to keep records of all articles received and withdrawn and makes it unlawful to store any commodity that is unfit for human food, unless intended for different purposes and labeled as such.

It forbids keeping any article in storage more than one year except by special permit of the food commissioner; forbids sale of storage goods as fresh and provides for actual inspection at a fee of from \$10 to \$50, according to size of plant.

The penalty for the first offense is a fine not exceeding \$500; for a second offense not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment six months or both.

Assessments Reported.

	1912.	1913.
Red Willow	\$3,039,823	\$3,069,500
Murt	6,996,826	6,820,680
Cass	8,430,727	8,405,723
Dawes	2,267,310	2,122,823
Thurston	3,426,161	3,401,798

The Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company has been given permission by the State Railway commission to issue \$1,100,000 special 5 per cent preferred stock upon the following conditions:

That stock shall be issued for money only and at a price to net company not less than 92 cents on the dollar.

That funds derived from the issue shall be used for the purpose named—acquisition of property, construction, completion, extension or improvement of its facilities, plant or distribution system and discharge or lawful refunding of its obligations or underlying securities.

That no investment in associate companies from the proceeds of said stock shall be made save and except such purchases as shall have been specifically approved by the railway commission.

The company shall file with the commission verified statements showing proceeds derived from sale of said stock and purposes in detail to which such proceeds have been applied, to be filed with the commission within thirty days of the time when the unreported amount of money realized or expended exceeds the sum of \$50,000.

Laborers at Work on Canal.

Lincoln, Neb.—The Commonwealth Power company, backed by the Moore interests of Detroit and London, have filed a report with the state board of irrigation setting forth its construction activities during the month of June and a portion of May. One hundred and fifty-five acres of land are claimed to have been purchased at the aggregate cost of \$12,000. To that sum is added \$711 for engineers, \$15 for a draftsman, \$139 for eight laborers and \$289 for eight teams, which were used on actual construction work.

No uniform method for reporting the monthly activities to the state board has yet been fixed upon by State Engineer Price. Blanks providing for the forwarding of such information as is required by the enactment of the late legislature will likely be prepared with a short time. Until these blanks are authorized there will be no means of comparing the activities of the big financial concerns which are battling for water power supremacy in this state.

Prizes For National Guard.

Lincoln.—The Dupont Powder company has presented to the Nebraska National guard two beautiful prizes to be contested for by the two regiments of the guard. These prizes are in the nature of coats of arms, being of silver and stand about two feet high. The top of each is surmounted by a large eagle, while a couple of olive branches cross each other at the bottom. They are to be given as first and second prizes to the regiment showing the best scores in rifle practice.

### GREAT TREES ENDANGERED BY FIRE



Forest fires on the slopes of Mt. Tamalpais have endangered the giant sequoias of California, and the peril is not yet over. The photograph gives a vivid idea of the size of these monster trees.

### 12 KILLED, 50 INJURED

TWENTY MORE VICTIMS MAY DIE FROM COLLISION.

B. & O. Flyer, Westbound, Hits Street Car at Cambridge, O.—Storm Cuts Off Communication.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 15.—Twelve persons were killed and about fifty were injured Sunday night when a Pacific electric interurban train ran into another one at Vineyard station, a junction on the outskirts of Los Angeles.

Several three-car trains on the Pacific Electric line, en route to Los Angeles from Venice and Ocean Park, were stalled at the Vineyard switch by a broken trolley wire. There were no lights, and apparently a flagman had not been sent out. Without warning another three-car train from Venice swept around the curve and crashed into the last train at forty miles an hour.

The last two cars in the rear train stalled on the line were completely telescoped by the fast-moving train, which plunged through the coaches, loaded to the doors with holiday seekers. There were approximately one thousand people on the trains involved in the accident. Many were killed outright and others died before they could be removed from the debris.

Newark, O., July 15.—Six persons were killed and 18 were injured, several probably fatally, when a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train from Wheeling, W. Va., to Chicago, crashed into a street car at Cambridge (O.) grade crossing on Sunday. A storm sweeping through this section of Ohio carried down the telephone wires.

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The crash occurred in a cut at the junction of the Santa Monica and Venice lines on the edge of the city.

### DANIELS IS GUEST OF HONOR

Secretary of Navy Makes Address at Perry Centennial Celebration in Erie, Pa.

Erie, Pa., July 11.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels was the guest of honor at the Perry centennial celebration here, and in the afternoon he delivered the speech of the day, standing under the shadow of the old reclaimed brig Niagara at the public dock. A luncheon was served to the secretary of the navy at noon at the home of Mrs. Charles H. Strong, after which he went to the public dock, where he delivered his speech in the presence of 20,000 people.

U. S. Demands Release of Americans.

Washington, July 14.—Secretary Garrison ordered Col. Edwin P. Brewer of the Fourth cavalry at Fort McIntosh, Tex., to demand the release of five Americans, with 350 cattle and 20 horses, held by Mexican revolutionists.

Tense Situation in Havana.

Havana, July 15.—A tense political situation exists here in consequence of the assassination of General Riva. Reports were current that followers of General Asbert would attempt to storm the jail and liberate the prisoners.

500 Suffer From Poison.

Dayton, O., July 15.—Physicians were busy following hurry calls sent in by nearly four-fifths of the 500 persons who were taken sick with ptomaine poisoning shortly after returning from a picnic.

Stefansson Off for Pole.

Nome, Alaska, July 15.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson left Nome on the polar exploration ship Karlup Sunday, going as far as Port Clarence, where the engines will be given a thorough overhauling.

### FIRE PERILS TOWN

MICHIGAN CITY, IND., IS THREATENED BEFORE BLAZE IS UNDER CONTROL.

LOSS PLACED AT \$1,000,000

Flames Rage in Huge Lumber Yards—Dynamite and Salt Used to Stop Spread of Flames—Aid Summoned From Nearby Cities.

Michigan City, Ind., July 15.—This city suffered a property loss of over \$1,000,000 on Saturday, when the huge lumber yards of the Haskell & Barker Car company burned. The blaze was seen by citizens of towns a hundred miles away. For a time it appeared that the entire city was doomed.

Appeals for aid were sent to nearby cities. Chicago rushed fire companies with their apparatus, under Battalion Chief Edward Buckley, to the fire on a special train.

In the meantime dynamite was sent from Gary, Ind., and was used in an attempt to check the flames.

The fire started in the south end of the yards, near the Michigan Central railroad. The fire company of Michigan City responded at once. It was handicapped by too few men, inadequate apparatus and the fact that there were few hydrants in the vicinity of the fire. The flames spread quickly to the north.

Before the arrival of the Chicago companies hundreds of volunteers carried lumber from the unburned parts of the yard to a distance of safety.

The Haskell & Barker Car company is owned by Miss Katherine Barker, the property being held in trust by the First Title Trust company of Chicago. It is one of the largest concerns of its kind in the world and is situated on the east outskirts of Michigan City, east of the Michigan Central tracks. The sand dunes surround it on the west and north. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

At 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning the fire was under control. The great danger is that the wind may spring up and carry the flames to the plant of the Midland Chair company.

### PLANS TO AID U. S. SAILORS

Secretary of the Navy Declares He Will Make Service More Attractive.

Chicago, July 15.—With the aim of making a thorough inspection of the naval yards, training stations and equipment on the Pacific coast, Joseph Daniels, secretary of the navy, accompanied by his wife, spent six hours in Chicago Sunday.

The secretary said his trip at this time has not the remotest connection with the Japanese agitation that has arisen in California. He said his tour there is part of his program to visit all naval stations throughout the country for the purpose of familiarizing himself with them and enabling him to map out in a comprehensive way the program he has in view during his occupancy of the secretaryship.

Asked regarding the changes and improvements he proposes to make in the navy and its equipment during his term of office, he said: "The most marked change is in connection with the enlisted men. I wish to make the service more attractive than it has been in the past and remove from it the vestige that it is simply a position of drudgery."

Becker Denied New Trial.

New York, July 15.—Charles Becker application for a new trial on the charge of murdering the gambler, Herman Rosenthal, was denied by Supreme Court Justice Goff. Counsel had sought to reopen the case.

Lake Boat Sinks; Two Drown.

Erie, Pa., July 15.—The steamer Anabella Wilson, bound for Port Colborne, Ont., was sunk in a heavy storm which swept Lake Erie. Capt. Daniel McIntyre and his wife were drowned, but the crew were rescued.

### U. S. CROP REPORT IN

CEREAL YIELD EXPECTED TO BE LOWER THAN IN 1912.

Aggregate in the Leading Grains Placed at 4,929,000,000 Bushels—Corn Acreage Less.

Washington, July 11.—The government crop report for July issued Thursday indicates bountiful crops of all the cereals, but the total production this year will be far below the grand total for last year, when there were record yields of nearly all the leading grains.

The total yield of the leading cereals is placed at 4,929,000,000 bushels, compared with 5,661,000,000 bushels a year ago.

The big loss compared with a year ago is in oats, which promise a yield of 1,031,000,000 bushels, against 1,418,000,000 bushels a year ago. Corn is short 154,000,000 bushels and the total wheat crop is 29,000,000 bushels less than last year. Barley is 59,000,000 bushels less than a year ago at 165,000,000 bushels.

Spring wheat promises to yield 112,000,000 bushels less than a year ago, with an indicated crop of 218,000,000 bushels. Winter wheat will be 82,000,000 bushels heavier at 482,000,000 bushels, the total wheat crop being 701,000,000 bushels, compared with 730,000,000 bushels as finally estimated in 1912.

The first report on corn for the season shows a high condition, 86.9, but the acreage is smaller than last year at 106,884,000 acres.

Last year the corn acreage was 108,110,000 acres and the condition July 1 was 81.5. The crop promise on that date was for no larger crop than at present, although the final estimate of the crop was 3,125,000,000 bushels, while the report issued suggests a harvest of 2,971,000,000 bushels, or 154,000,000 bushels less than in 1912.

### SPARKS FROM THE WIRE

Leavenworth, Kan., July 12.—Michael J. Young, Boston, Mass., and Charles Wachmeister, Detroit, Mich., two of the alleged dynamiters received at the federal prison January 1, were released on bonds.

Galveston, Tex., July 10.—The first shipload of banana stalks has arrived in the city from Central America. They are consigned to factory for the purpose of producing fiber and materials that will be used in place of cotton waste.

Bayfield, Wis., July 11.—George Andrews, logger, loaded six stumps with dynamite and lighted all the fuses. One of the fuses appeared to have failed, and, after waiting a minute, Andrews went to relight it. As he leaned over the stump the charge exploded and killed him instantly.

Newport, R. I., July 11.—A farm, small but fully equipped with modern appliances, is the latest "toy" of Vincent Walsh McLean, the \$100,000,000 baby.

Newport, England, July 12.—Mrs. Humphreys Mackworth, the richest militant suffragette in England, was tried and found guilty of smashing letter boxes for the "cause" and was fined \$100. Mrs. Mackworth was arrested on June 26 after she had demolished a number of letter boxes and destroyed the contents.

Threatens U. S. Embassy.

Mexico City, July 15.—An anonymous letter containing threats to blow up the United States embassy was received by Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson and immediately referred to the Mexican foreign office.

Secretary Daniels Starts Tour.

Washington, July 15.—Secretary Daniels left for a three weeks' tour of inspection of Pacific coast navy yards and stations. Mr. Daniels was accompanied by Mrs. Daniels and his aid, Commander L. G. Palmer.

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