

CALLS DOWN WILLET

Bitter Attack on President Cut Short by House.

New York Representative Also Refers to Chief Executive as "Pigmy Descendant of Dutch Trades People, Tyrant and Bogus Hero."

A bitter attack on President Roosevelt was made in the house by Willett (N. Y.). His remarks, which were delivered under the license of general debate on the pension appropriation bill, were cut short by a vote of the house that it would hear no more of them.

Willett characterized the president as a "gargoyle, tyrant, pigmy descendant of Dutch trades people, hay tender, fountain of billingsgate, a jocular imitation of a king and bogus hero," and charged him with having "established a court in the White House which would have delighted the heart of Alexander Hamilton. Willett took for his theme "The Passing of Roosevelt," and in a speech of great length, dealt with numerous of the president's acts since he came into office and scathingly denounced them.

Willett had completed the reading of about three-fourths of his speech when, after repeated appeals to the chair by numerous Republicans that he be called to order, he was compelled to take his seat. It was on a motion by Chandler (Miss.), that the New Yorker be allowed to proceed, "in order," that the house voted him off the floor, 79 to 126.

Smith (Mo.) pleaded for pensions for certain militiamen of Missouri, Langley (Ky.) did likewise for some of his constituents, Norris (Neb.) attacked the house rules, Larringage (Porto Rico) presented arguments to show that Porto Rico had not progressed politically, and Goulden (N. Y.), Bowers (Miss.) and Keller (O.) discussed the merits of the pension bill.

Proceedings in Senate. By a vote of 37 to 27 the senate fixed the salary of the speaker of the house of representatives at \$15,000, instead of \$12,000 as at present, and instead of \$20,000, as proposed by the committee on appropriations. A vigorous speech against any increase was made by Senator Bailey and numerous other addresses were made in support of the proposition.

Senator Rayner endeavored to have the senate adopt a resolution calling on the attorney general for information as to whether the president had ordered suits brought against the New York World and the Indianapolis News because of alleged libel in publications relating to the purchase of the Panama canal property and under what statute this action had been taken. Upon motion further consideration was postponed for a day.

The president sent to congress a message recommending the passage of a law authorizing him to issue a proclamation setting apart Feb. 12, 1909, as a special holiday in recognition of the centennial anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

BIG LAND FRAUDS ALLEGED.

Secretary Garfield Asks Additional Appropriation.

Startling information of alleged wholesale frauds upon the public lands has come into the possession of Secretary Garfield through special agents in the field. The allegation is made that approximately \$110,000,000 worth of lands in states principally west of the Mississippi river have been fraudulently acquired within the past two years by corporations and individuals.

With a view of recovering these lands, Secretary Garfield sent letters to Chairmen Hale and Tawney of the senate and house appropriations committees respectively, asking for an additional appropriation of \$500,000, which, if granted, with that already asked for, will give the department \$1,000,000 for that purpose. The specific purpose of the appropriation requested is for preventing "depredations upon public timber, protecting public lands, examining swamp lands, etc."

It is stated that there is reasonable prospect of recovering much of this alleged fraudulently acquired land if the appropriation is quickly made. It is also pointed out that while a million dollars may seem large, it is not 1 per cent of the commercial value of the land which the government may hope to recover.

Secretary Garfield also submits a statement of H. H. Schwartz, chief of the field service, showing over 32,000 distinct cases of alleged land frauds demanding further investigation.

Panama Libel Case.

Although the federal grand jury sat for about two hours at Washington Monday, occupying all its time presumably in the examination of witnesses and evidence dealing with alleged libelous matter published in the New York World and Indianapolis News concerning the purchase of the Panama canal rights from the French company. District Attorney Baker would give no information as to when the grand jury might be ready to make a report.

St. Joseph Pioneer Has Fatal Fall.

Dr. John S. Logan, one of the pioneer residents of St. Joseph, while stepping from the doorway of the Logan block, which he owns, fell on the icy walk and fractured his skull, dying immediately. He was seventy-eight years old and had been a surgeon in the civil war.

21 KILLED IN COLORADO WRECK.

Rio Grande Passenger and Freight Crash Together at Dotsero.

In a collision between Denver and Rio Grande passenger train No. 5, westbound, and eastbound freight train No. 66, at Dotsero, Colo., 21 persons were killed and a number of others injured. The freight train was attempting to take a siding on orders to let the passenger train pass, but had only partially run off the main line when the passenger train came tearing along and crashed into it.

No statement has yet been obtained from Engineer Gus Olson of the passenger train. He will not be well enough to talk for several days and until then the investigation as to the blame is at a standstill.

Official list of dead:

Henry D. Dunn, Princeton, Ind.; George Mahan, John C. Davis, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. Orville A. Olson, Axtell, Neb.; father and mother of two-year-old boy, who was injured and now in hospital; Rev. R. L. Melley, Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Mrs. Nancy J. Lewis, Ellington, Wis.; Clarence A. Gooding, Washington; John F. Williams, Clarks, Neb.; Mrs. Bertha Williams, Clarks, Neb., wife of John F. Williams; Rolly Earl Williams, Mildred Lucy Williams, Lulu Belle Williams, children of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Williams; a fourth child, Hubert V. Williams, five years old, was injured and is in hospital; A. A. Hamilton, Polo, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. William C. Kettle, Ashton, Neb.; Miss Mae Kettle, Miss Wauvita Kettle, Paul Kettle, children of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Kettle; Mrs. L. J. Ezell, Trenton, Neb., wife of L. J. Ezell, injured and in hospital; John P. Cregan, trespasser.

The condition of A. R. Roseau of Holdrege, Neb., and of W. O. Vlncek of Omaha is serious.

LID ON AT DEADWOOD.

Roulette Wheels Stopped and Saloons Closed at 11 O'clock.

Deadwood, S. D., Jan. 19.—Sheriff Plunkett and his deputies closed the twenty-three saloons of Deadwood at 11 o'clock last night while throngs of curious people followed the officers in their journey from saloon to saloon. The roulette wheels were stopped while members of the ministerial alliance stood on the sidewalk and watched the habitués of the saloons turned out on the streets. There was no disorder. The saloons everywhere evinced a willingness to comply with the order to close at 11 o'clock at night and all day Sunday.

TEXAS OIL COMPANY OUSTED.

Supreme Court Upholds Decision of Lower Court Imposing Big Fine.

The federal supreme court has confirmed the decree of the state courts of Texas imposing a fine of \$1,623,000 on the Waters-Pierce Oil company of St. Louis and ousting it from the state on the charge of violating the Texas anti-trust law.

Colonist Rates to California.

After lively discussion among western railroads for months, the reduced colonist rates to California for the coming spring have been made, the initiative being taken by the far western and California roads. A rate of \$25 from the Missouri river to the coast has finally been agreed upon, which is \$5 lower than the rate in effect last year.

Blizzard in the Dakotas.

With a blizzard raging in the Dakotas, the railroads are again experiencing serious difficulty in operating their trains on schedule time. The storm is particularly severe in South Dakota and southwestern Minnesota.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Small primary receipts and prospects of a liberal decrease for the week in the visible supply of wheat in this country caused a firm market for wheat here today. At the close prices were 1/4 to 1/8c higher for all deliveries than Saturday's final quotations. Corn and provisions closed firm, but oats were easy. Closing prices: Wheat—May, \$1.06 1/2; July, 97 1/2c. Corn—May, 61 1/2c; July, 61 1/2c. Oats—May, 51 1/2c; July, 45 1/2c. Pork—Jan., \$17.07 1/2; May, \$17.17 1/2. Lard—Jan., \$9.80; May, \$9.97 1/2. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.03 1/4 @ 1.05 1/2; No. 3 corn, 58 @ 58 1/2c; No. 3 white oats, 49 1/2 @ 51c.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Jan. 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,900; steady to stronger; native steers, \$4.00 @ 6.55; cows and heifers, \$3.00 @ 5.40; western steers, \$3.50 @ 5.80; Texas steers, \$2.00 @ 5.00; causers, \$2.00 @ 3.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.75 @ 5.35; calves, \$4.00 @ 8.25; bulls, stags, etc., \$2.00 @ 5.00. Hogs—Receipts, 6,800; 10c higher; heavy, \$6.10 @ 6.30; mixed, \$6.00 @ 6.10; light, \$5.75 @ 6.15; pigs, \$3.50 @ 5.50; bulk of sales, \$6.00 @ 6.15. Sheep—Receipts, 5,500; strong; yearlings, \$6.00 @ 6.35; wethers, \$5.00 @ 5.75; ewes, \$4.25 @ 5.25; lambs, \$6.50 @ 7.75.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Cattle—Receipts, 25,000; 10 @ 15c lower; steers, \$4.50 @ 7.50; cows, \$3.00 @ 5.50; heifers, \$3.00 @ 5.75; bulls, \$3.40 @ 3.80; calves, \$3.50 @ 10.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.50 @ 5.15. Hogs—Receipts, 45,000; 10 @ 15c higher; choice heavy shipping, \$6.40 @ 6.50; butchers, \$6.25 @ 6.45; light mixed, \$5.85 @ 6.00; choice light, \$6.00 @ 6.25; packing, \$5.95 @ 6.30; pigs, \$4.50 @ 5.50; bulk of sales, \$6.90 @ 6.35. Sheep—Receipts, 23,000; 10 @ 15c lower; sheep, \$4.00 @ 5.60; lambs, \$5.25 @ 7.75; yearlings, \$4.25 @ 5.00.

MINE WORKERS MEET.

Peace or War Will Be Decided at Indianapolis Convention.

Terms Reached Through Roosevelt Strike Commission No Longer Applicable to Miners' Conditions, They Declare—Agreement Ends March 31.

Whether the country is to have another coal strike or not will probably be decided at the convention of the United Mine Workers of America which began at Indianapolis Tuesday morning. The miners will again put forward the demands that have been rejected by the operators, they will be rejected by the latter, and the issue will be joined.

Demands of the Miners.

The demands of the miners read as follows: First.—That an agreement shall be negotiated between the representatives of the miners and the operators of the anthracite region and all disputes arising under the contract shall be adjusted as provided for in such agreement.

Second.—We demand the complete recognition of the United Mine Workers of America as a party to negotiate



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a wage contract and that the United Mine Workers of America shall be recognized in our right to provide any method we may adopt for the collection of revenues for the organization.

Third.—That we demand an eight-hour day with no reduction of wages.

Fourth.—That all coal shall be mined and paid for by the ton of 2,000 pounds.

Fifth.—That we demand a definite and more uniform scale of wages and prices for all classes of labor at all collieries in the anthracite region and that all employees paid less than \$1.50 per day shall receive a 10 per cent advance, and all employees paid more than \$1.50 and less than \$2 a day shall receive a 5 per cent advance.

Sixth.—That the system whereby a contract miner has more than one job or employs two or more laborers be abolished.

Seventh.—That the employers be required to issue uniform pay statements designating the name of the company, the name of the employee, the colliery where employed, the amount of wages and the class of work performed.

Eighth.—That the contract shall be made for the period of one year.

Agreement Ends March 31.

The officers of the miners' union, headed by the president, Thomas L. Lewis, the successor of John Mitchell, are insistent upon these demands. The leading operators have declared their firm intention not to grant them. As the working agreement between the unions and the operators expires on March 31 some basis of agreement must be reached at the present convention if peace is to be preserved in the anthracite industry.

The operators are willing to renew the agreement, which is the one made through the mediation of the Roosevelt strike commission five years ago, but the miners' leaders declare that changed conditions make a readjustment on more liberal terms to the workers necessary.

The result of the recent election among the union mine workers will be announced at the convention.

TANG SHAO YI BIDS US ADIEU.

Special Chinese Envoy Sails From New York for Europe.

Declaring his satisfaction with the results of his mission in America, Tang Shao Yi, special envoy of the Chinese government to the United States, sailed from New York for Europe Tuesday.

The visit of the distinguished Chinese man was ostensibly for the purpose of thanking the American government for the remission of part of the indemnity exacted for the Boxer outrages, but it is also believed that he made efforts to commit the Washington officials to a treaty of alliance with China. He has failed in his mission if the latter aim was his real purpose, but he showed no evidences of disappointment before leaving American shores.

The entire staff of Tang Shao Yi accompanies him to Europe. He will spend some time on the other side, paying the respects of his government to various courts and capitals before returning home.

HAINS ACQUITTED OF MURDER.

Verdict Given After Jury Was Considered Case 24 Hours.

After reviewing the evidence for twenty-four hours and taking fifteen ballots before all were agreed, the jury in the trial at Flushing, N. Y., of Thornton Jenkins Hains found the prisoner not guilty as a principal with his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., in the killing of William E. Annis. For the second time in his life Thornton Hains has been found not guilty of the charge of murder, he having been acquitted of murder in shooting a companion named Edward W. Hennigan in an open boat in Hampton Roads, seventeen years ago.

Thornton Hains had an affecting greeting with Captain Hains in the Long Island jail, where he hurried in a motor car after the verdict to bring his brother the news.

Rarely in any court of law has such a demonstration been witnessed as that which occurred when the jury made a thunderbolt. The packed courtroom of spectators rose as one man and cheered and applauded with such mighty vigor that the gavel falls of Justice Crane on his desk could not be heard. Before proceeding further Justice Crane ordered the trial chamber cleared and the spectators put out in the street. After telephoning his mother and father, Thornton was escorted to a hotel, while a throng of townspeople gave him a continuous greeting en route.

Jurors stated that the first ballot stood 8 to 4 for acquittal. Jurors Hecker, Johnson, Richmond and Boeing voted for conviction of murder. Juror Boeing held out until the final ballot was taken.

Officials of the district attorney's office are quoted as saying that the verdict in this case probably means that Captain Hains will never be brought to trial and that he will be surrendered into the care of his family or the federal government.

OPEN SHOP AND FINISH FIGHT.

Action Decided on by Hat Manufacturers' Association.

The open shop and a fight to the finish was the action decided by the hat manufacturers' association at a meeting held in New York to discuss strike of hatters, which began Friday. An effect of the strike, according to the manufacturers, will be a rise in the price of hats, as the trouble occurred in the busy season.

President Samuel Mundheim said after the meeting that the number of strikers was between 15,000 and 20,000, but that there were many non-union hatters out of employment, and that eventually the places of the strikers would be filled.

Mr. Mundheim, in discussing the discontinuance of the union label by the manufacturers which participated in the strike, said: "The label is of no advantage to the manufacturers and, indeed, is not wanted. Very few people who buy hats notice whether the label is in it or not."

A statement issued by the manufacturers was, in effect, that there should be no stoppage of work until a final decision of arbitration had been rendered and that the union label should not be removed until due notice is given the manufacturers.

BUILDING MATERIALS FOR ITALY.

Lumber Laden Steamer Sails From Brooklyn for Messina.

Loaded with lumber and materials sufficient to construct 500 houses to shelter the homeless in stricken Messina, the steamer Eva sailed from the Brooklyn navy yard dock Monday afternoon for Italy.

Within two hours of the receipt on Saturday of the orders from Washington given at President Roosevelt's instance to purchase, load and ship building supplies to the devastated districts, Pay Inspector J. A. Mudd, the navy purchasing and disbursing officer here, had chartered the Eva and begun loading. Joists, beams, beveled pine siding, roofing tar paper, locks, belts, window glass, sashes and nails were assembled and rapidly loaded.

The houses to be constructed will be fifteen feet by twenty, and every second house will be divided by a partition into two rooms.

FIFTEEN YEARS FOR BANKER.

J. B. F. Rinehart Found Guilty and Sentenced to Once.

J. B. F. Rinehart, former vice president of the Farmers and Drivers National bank of Waynesboro, Pa., which institution failed over two years ago for \$2,000,000, was found guilty of wrecking the bank and was immediately sentenced to serve fifteen years in the penitentiary by United States Judge James S. Young at Pittsburgh.

Five Die in Kansas Wreck.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas flyer split a switch at Eagle, Kan., and was derailed. The engineer, John Cowden, is believed to have been killed, although his body has not been found. The engine ran into a string of bunk cars in which Italian laborers were stopping. Four of the Italians were killed and several were injured. The fireman, whose name is Weidich, was dangerously injured. His home is in Parsons.

British Steamer Wrecked.

The British steamer Eldra was wrecked off Amrum and is a total loss. It carried a crew of eighteen and it is believed that most of them perished while trying to make the shore, the boats being smashed by the heavy breakers. Several bodies have been washed up.

ROOSEVELT TO METHODISTS.

Makes Last Public Speech in Washington as President.

Introduced by Bishop Cranston as the "apostle of the square deal," President Roosevelt, in an address at the African diamond jubilee mass meeting in Washington, held Monday in the Metropolitan Memorial Methodist Episcopal church, which the late President McKinley attended, declared that he would not come before a Methodist gathering if he had not attempted to give the square deal.

"In addition to the square deal in our own country," he continued, "I want the Methodists and others to help me give the square deal to Japan. I will see to it that in doing this our own citizens are protected.

"You know I am not a mere sentimentalist. I am not in the least afraid of invoking the big stick if it is necessary, but I should be ashamed to invoke it unless it was necessary. I want to see the United States, while insisting on justice being done us, equally careful to do justice to others. The national government, by agreement with the Japanese government and through the spontaneous initiative of the Japanese government, has been able to complete a satisfactory solution of all possible difficulties, of all possible questions that could be at issue between our people and the Japanese people. It is only the federal government that can with wisdom and propriety deal with those questions, and I ask all good Americans to see to it that unwise men, foolish men, do not jeopardize to their own harm and the harm of their own locality, the arrangement that is now working out so satisfactorily to the governments of the United States and Japan."

The president declared that the Methodists of the country had been an inspiration to him during the years of his presidency. "In the churches which I have attended," he asserted, "and during the time between crises, I have found myself touching elbows almost constantly with members of the Methodist church." He referred to the fact that this was the last public speech which he would make in Washington as president of the United States.

PANAMA CANAL HEARING IS ON.

Identity of Plaintiff in New York World Case Still in Doubt.

New York, Jan. 19.—The right of five employees of the New York World, subpoenaed to appear before the federal grand jury, to give information presumably concerning the publication of alleged libellous matter reflecting upon the integrity of the United States government, to ignore the said subpoenas on the ground that their issuance was an abuse of process was left undetermined at the close of the first day's hearing of the case in the United States circuit court here. After argument by United States District Attorney Henry L. Stimson, representing the government, and Delancey Nicoll and John M. Bowers, representing the World men, Judge Henry W. Ward gave both sides until this afternoon at 4 o'clock to submit briefs.

While the proceedings are believed to have been brought upon the initiative of President Roosevelt and in connection with the publication of a story alleging irregularities in connection with the purchase of the French Panama Canal company by the government, there is nothing in the subpoenas to indicate what the inquiry is about, who the complainant is and against whom the action is brought.

HEARST'S AGENT ARRESTED.

Governor Haskell Swears Out Warrant for Attorney MacReynolds.

Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 19.—On a warrant sworn out by Governor Haskell, charging conspiracy to defeat the governor, Scott MacReynolds, attorney and special agent for William R. Hearst, was arrested. Armed with a search warrant, also sworn to by Governor Haskell, MacReynolds' rooms at the lone hotel were searched by Sheriff John Mahoney and Orville T. Smith, private attorney to the governor, and a large amount of data and papers seized pertaining to the \$500,000 libel suit instituted by Haskell against Mr. Hearst.

MacReynolds immediately demanded of the county court, through his counsel, the whereabouts of his papers. They were found in the private office of the governor and taken over by Sheriff Mahoney at the court's orders.

MEETS TO BOOM TRADE.

National Board of Trade in Convention in Washington.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The national board of trade, an association of the commercial bodies of the United States, opened its thirty-ninth annual convention today in the Willard hotel. The national board of trade was organized June 5, 1863, in Philadelphia for the purpose of promoting the efficiency and extending the usefulness of the various boards of trade and other chartered bodies organized for general commercial purposes in the United States. It aims to secure unity and harmony of action in commercial usages, customs and laws and the advancement of commercial and industrial interests of the country at large.

Coal Rate Hearing at Denver.

Hearing on a series of complaints concerning alleged unfair rates and rules of railroads in regard to shipments of coal to eastern points, particularly Texas, Kansas and Nebraska, began at Denver, Monday, under the direction of Special Examiner Drayton.

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FRED MOLLING, Co. Treasurer.

Notice

Notice is hereby given that Box Butte county warrants register No. 1 to 89 can be paid and interest stops.—FRED MOLLING, treasurer.

The Alliance and Box Butte county Anti-Saloon Leagues will pay \$100.00 for the arrest and conviction of any person found illegally selling intoxicating liquors in Box Butte county, Nebraska. 51-1f

Ranch to Lease.

To lease, for from one to three years, the Hughes ranch, one mile southwest of Marsland. This ranch consists of eleven quarter sections, one half under irrigation. Good buildings, corrals, etc. For particulars, address Mrs. Mary Hughes, Marsland, Neb. 2-4

Stray Notice

TAKEN UP—October 21, 1908, by the undersigned on his premises, section 31, Twp 25, range 48, Box Butte county Nebraska. One red and white heifer, two years old and one red and white steer, two years old both branded J. E. WILSON, 1p Dec. 17-5-w* Alliance, Neb.

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LEGAL NOTICE

In the District Court of Box Butte county Nebraska, vs. Albert Miller and Ed. Perry Miller, partners doing business under the name and style of Albert Miller & Co., Defendants. vs. Cornelius B. Speaks, Plaintiff herein. Plaintiff herein, by and through the undersigned, the undersigned, the object and prayer of which are to recover judgment against the defendants in the sum of \$904.30, with interest thereon from October 15, 1908, due plaintiff from defendant, for potatoes sold and delivered by defendant to plaintiff at defendant's special instance and request. And that an order of attachment was issued in said case and property of the defendants, to-wit: About 1800 bushels of potatoes in bins 2, 3, 4 and 5, on west side of the potato cellar, known as the A. S. Miller cellar in the town of Hemingford, Box Butte county, Nebraska, were attached under said order of attachment. You and each of you are requested to answer said petition on or before the 1st day of February, 1909. CORNELIUS B. SPEAKS, Plaintiff. By Wright & Wright and W. Mitchell, his attorneys. 1p Dec 24 4t.