

to speak the whole truth, for the whole truth will surely be brought out.

"It is a notable fact that Senator Penrose confines his statements to allegations unsupported by legal proof. It is also worthy to note that Mr. Archbold does not produce any of the interesting documents that he has in his possession to establish the truth of his utterances. He quotes Mr. Bliss, who is no longer there to question the accuracy of his statements, but he does not produce any letters to or from Mr. Bliss, to or from Senator Penrose, to or from Mr. Babcock or to or from Mr. Roosevelt.

"Mr. Archbold's word needs documentary support. That fact has been proved heretofore, and Mr. Archbold has already been confounded by the evidence of his own letters and those of his agents and confederates in political life and public plunder.

"As a matter of fact various republican campaign committees solicited Standard Oil money and accepted Standard Oil money and employed Standard Oil money in the campaign of 1904 and various democrats received Standard Oil money then and later.

"Mr. Archbold has told part of the truth, but not all of it. Let him tell all of it and produce the interesting documents that encumber his files.

"Mr. Roosevelt, too, should tell of the visits of Mr. Rogers and Mr. Archbold to him in Washington; of Mr. Sibley's activity in bringing about these meetings; of the 'perfect understanding' that existed, and various other matters of interest and importance to the nation. All of these things will appear in due time, and Mr. Roosevelt might as well relate them now.

"It must be said of Mr. Roosevelt, however, that, although he received the financial and political support of

the Standard Oil company, he repudiated that institution after he was elected.

"In the same manner Mr. Wilson received the financial and political support of Senator Smith, of New Jersey, and repudiated him after election.

"Mr. Roosevelt can boast of a belated honesty, so why not be completely frank with the public and tell them the whole truth? Why should not Senator Penrose and Mr. Archbold and Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Sibley all tell the whole truth, particularly when they can be so confidently assured if they do not I will?"

## Washington News

Postmaster General Hitchcock has made an order prohibiting general mail delivery on Sunday. A Washington dispatch explains: Holders of lock boxes at first and second class postoffices will have access to them as usual. Mail for hotel guests and newspapers will be delivered to them through their lock boxes by the simple arrangement of having that mail sorted on the railway mail cars before it reaches its destination. The postmaster general's statement, in part, follows:

"By the proposed changes in the method of putting up mail in the offices of origin and in its handling on the railway mail trains, it is believed that a satisfactory distribution can be made in postoffices on Sundays with far less work than is now required."

Representative Henry George, jr., is seriously ill at his country home near New York City.

An Associated Press dispatch says: Announcement was made by Postmaster General Hitchcock that the postoffice department would be in readiness on January 1, 1913, to put into general operation the recently authorized parcels post system.

The postal express business, which must be organized within the next four months, will extend over more than a million miles of rural delivery and star routes and will cover in its various ramifications all systems of transportation of parcels now utilized by private express companies. The details of the parcels post system will be worked out by a series of committees composed of officers and experts of the department under the personal direction of Mr. Hitchcock.

"First of all," said Mr. Hitchcock, "must be prepared a classification of the articles that can be accepted for transportation by parcels post. The law admits to the mails practically all kinds of merchandise that can be transported safely, including products of the farm and garden as well as factory products providing such articles do not weigh more than eleven pounds nor exceed seventy-two inches in combined length and girth. The present equipment of the mail service is not adapted to the carriage of such merchandise, and, therefore, new equipment must be provided. It is likely we shall employ extensively campers similar to those used in foreign countries in handling parcels by mail."

Other problems include the printing of new stamps and a plan of identification for lost or damaged parcels.

President Taft ordered the dispatch of troops from Panama to Nicaragua and later rescinded the order. Five hundred marines are

in Nicaragua and it was believed that they would be strong enough to protect American interests there. A great rebellion is on and the worst sort of predictions are made.

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