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PERRY

Former First Assistant Postmaster General Testifies in Machen Case.

FOLLOWS HIS SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE

Both Admit that There is Much Done of Which They Have Little Knowledge but Formally Approve.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.-Robert J Wynne, first assistant postmaster general who was on the stand when court adjourned canal treaty giving to the United States of Poinsett, in the state of Arkansas, to over on Wednesday today continued his partial jurisdiction over the harbors of testimony in the postal trial.

On cross-examination by Mr. Kumler, he witness said he did not know whether Groff fasteners were attached to rural free meet with any opposition from the Redelivery letter boxes or not. There were public of Panama. The republican memmany things connected with the Postoffice bers of the committee are inclined to favor department he said that he knew nothing a few minor amendments to the treaty, about. "I am trying to learn," Mr. Wynne if for the only purpose of bringing about sarcastically remarked, "and am doing the ratifications of the convention by the conbest I can." Mr. Wynne was plied with stitutional convention of the new republic state of Washington, the privileges of the He discussed the government of Panama. questions calculated to test his knowledge and thus meet and dispose of one of the act of June 10, 1880, governing the immediof a number of details of the rural free vigorously fought contentions of the demdelivery system, but they were met with a ocrats that the treaty has not been ratifrank "I don't know," the witness adding fied by a tangible form of government. that wherever he wanted certain informa- The amendment adopted by the comtion he would send to the free delivery mittee provides that the United States division for it and get it. He could not shall have the right to dredge and improve the details of his office. Further question- this government shall have control of the ing brought forth the statement by Mr. harbors for this purpose and for making Wynne that the basis for the honest fur- them suitable for all conditions of comnishing of supplies for the Postoffice de- merce. partment originated in the requisition for the postmasters of the country. Asked to describe what was meant by office routine, as applied to contracts. Mr. Wynne said est," said the witness, "and had no interest in the contract it would be routine. But if he was dishonest he would follow everything up and see that the contractor got

the full benefit of the service." Concerning the influence of senators and representatives in postal affairs, Mr. Wynne said that congressman have com plained of slowness in establishing free delivery routes, "but," he added, "I have no recollection of any complaint from any congressman of any failure to furnish sup-He declared that the representations of congressman have been entirely

Suspected Machen Early.

Mr. Wynne said that in December, 1902, e had a keen suspicion of Machen and ceased to rely upon him, although he admitted that on January 17 following he had attended the banquet of the Ohio society in New York as Machen's guest, adding, however, that he went under "quite a strain of feeling." The invitation, he thought, had been extended early in De-

The witness was asked by Mr. Maddox for the defense, to identify an order of the department, dated February 5, 1903, addressed to Groff Bros. After scrutinizing the paper Mr. Wynne declared that it had been signed in his name with a rubber "Improperly signed, of course," he remarked, but he said he did not put the signature there himself. As a further test of the scrutiny which Mr. Wynne gave to requisitions Mr. Maddox asked him if he signed orders for 31,000 fasteners, involving an expenditure of \$30,000 or \$40,000, without knowing the difference between them and a locomotive.

The witness promptly replied "yes," saying that his scrutiny was sometimes short and rapid and at other times very ex-

On recross-examination Wynne said that right to use a rubber stamp. He said he had left one of these stamps in Machen's division, but not after December, 1902, with his knowledge or consent.

Perry Heath on Stand.

Perry 8. Heath, former first assistant postmaster general, then took the stand. He testified to his service in the depart ment from March, 1897, to July, 1900, and said he knew of the Groff fastener, which had been adopted and was in use when he entered the office. The practice of the office in the matter of the purchase of supplies, he said, was continued after he entered upon his duties.

He was shown an order for fasteners with his name attached and promptly said: "That's my name and my signature, but I see it is signed with a rubber stamp." The stamp, he said, was used only for formal matters and it had not been his practice to rubber stamp a document calling for the expenditure of money. He said that without his attention being particularly called to a requisition from Machen's division he would pass it in a formal manner. He declared that he never saw either of the Groffs until he came into the courtroom and that he did not remember ever having attached his signature with the rubber stamp to the order for fasteners in question.

On cross-examination Mr. Heath led through a long line of questioning, the fact being brought out that in Machen's division subordinates prepared certain papers for Machen's initials.

Attorney Douglass objected to the admission of papers such as had been offered in evidence, saying the government had not even laid the foundation for its charge of conspiracy.

Demands Proof of Conspiracy.

He demanded that the government now produce its evidence of conspiracy and conspiracy to defraud, so as to connect Machen with specific knowledge of the transactions referred to. After some further argument the defense scored when the court decided that the evidence was not competent at this

Cross-examined by Mr. Douglass, Mr. Heath said that after an article had been adopted by the department and its price fixed, and it had become a standard article of supply, the signing of requisitions would be a matter of routine. He was unable to say for how long a time before he came into the office the Groff fastener had been regarded as standard. He admitted that on the face of some of the documents shown him the reduction in the price of the fasteners from \$1.50 to \$1.25 each was a voluntary and spontaneous act of Machen's. He then detailed the rapid growth of the rural free delivery service, and said he regarded Machen as a very competent man.

"He was the very father of the system, was he not?" Mr. Douglass asked. "At least one of them," the witness re

On redfrect examination Mr. Heath said that Muchen did not have the right to establish the standard of an article or its price without consultation with the first assistant postmaster general, nor would any clerk have that right. He added that he did not remember ever having any other device or any other proposition involving fasteners brought to his attention during his

During the examination the witness said that had a new fastener been adopted after the Groff fastener was made standard the

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HEATH ON STAND | latter would have been displaced and Mr. Heath was then excused, and former First Assistant Postmaster General John son took the stand. He had, he said, no Senator Teller Oproses the Doctrine of recollection of any conversation with Machen regarding the Groff fastener. The

witness had not concluded his testimon;

when court adjourned for the day. WIDENS UNITED STATES LINES Senate Committee Desires More Power on Isthmus in Connection

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.-The senate committee on foreign relations today adopted an amendment to the Panama Colon and Panama in order to protect the

with Canal.

shipping interests of this country. The amendment, it is believed, will not

Connecticut Bank Resumes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 .- The Windham County National bank of Danielsonville that certain matters were routine for him, Danielson, Coun., which closed its doors but not for the official who had made the on December 22 by direction of the state contract. 'If the official was entirely hon- court and for which a temporary receiver was appointed today, was authorized by the comptroller of the currency to resume business. This action is taken upon the report of Ellis Pepper, receiver, appointed by the comptroller, who finds that the bank is entirely solvent and its capital unimpaired.

> Traveling men should remember that on the second and third floors above the beautiful Auditorium restaurant. 316 South Fifteenth street, will be found twelve as he had done. beautiful rooms as you ever saw. Hot and cold water. Bath and tollet rooms on each floor. Opening January 20th.

Announcements of the Theaters James J. Corbett and the other features of this week's bill will give their last two performances, matinee and night, today at

the Orpheum. Al Filson and Miss Lee Errol, presenting their new playette, "The Black Cat," will be the headline attraction for the week commencing Sunday. The seven other features are well varied. La Carmontella will be seen in a novel transformation act. Contortion is her salient specialty. Unique comedy acrobatics will be contributed by the two Rozinos. Zizka and King are exponents of magic. Marsh and Sartella will have a skit called "Sis' Courtship." Werden and Gladdish render beautifully illustrated ballads. Rag pictures, originated with great rapidity from scraps from a the kinodrome pictures will be new and timely.

This afternoon and evening "The Sultan of Sulu" will be given again at the Boyd. This successful musical satire has again proved its popularity in Omaha, for it has been drawing great crowds since its opening. Its long stay in New York resulted in many improvements, not the least of which has been the advance in the methods used by Frank Moulan in his characterization of Ki-Ram. A matinee and evening performance on Sunday concludes the engagement.

On Monday evening John Drew opens a short engagement of two nights at the Boyd, presenting "The Second in Command."

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Nat M. Wills and his big company, in 'A Son of Rest," close their engagement at the Krug theater tonight. The attraction at the Krug for the first half of next week, opening Sunday matinee, will be "The Minister's Daughter," one of the heaviest of the melo-dramatic bits of the

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Snow for Some Sections, with Fair and Cold Wave Bearing Down on Middle West.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 .- Forecast: For Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota-Fair and colder Saturday; Sunday, fair and warmer in west portion. For Iowa-Fair Saturday, except

east portion; Sunday, fair, For Indiana-Snow in northern rain in southern portion, colder Saturday; Sunday, fair, fresh to brisk northwest winds. For Illinois-Snow in northern, rain in southern portion, colder Saturday; Sunday,

fair, fresh to brisk northwest winds. For Missouri-Fair and colder Saturday, except rain in southeast portion; Sunday,

For Wyoming-Fair Saturday and Sunday.

For Colorado-Fair Saturday and colder in east portion; Sunday, fair, Special Forecast-Storm warnings are displayed on the Pacific coast from San Francisco northward. Cold wave warnings have been issued for Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, eastern Nebraska, North Dakota and central and eastern South Dakota.

Local Record, OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU. OMAHA, Jan. 15.—Official record of tem-perature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three

1903: Normal temperature Normal temperature 16
Excess for the day 21
Total excess since March 1, 1903. 207
Normal precipitation 22 inch
Deficiency for the day 20 inch
Total rainfall since March 1 32 24 inches
Excess since March 1 181 22 inches
Deficiency for cor. period. 1903. 90 inch
Deficiency for cor. period. 1902. 6.47 inches

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Report from Stations at 7 P. M.

35 44 .00 32 40 T 32 48 .00 30 42 .00 30 38 .00 32 42 .00 Cheyenne, clear Salt Lake City, part cloudy

DEBATE GORMAN RESOLUTION

Might Makes Right.

POONER'S REPLY OCCASIONS LAUGHTER

Intimates that Republican Form Government in Panama is at Heart Equal to that in Colorado.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.-The senate today passed a bill authorizing the county construct a bridge across the St. Francis river. Other bills passed: Creating a port of delivery at Salt Lake

City, Utah. Establishing an Indian agricultural school at Wahpeton, N. D. Providing a depot for the revenue cutter service in the harbor at Oakland, Cal. Extending to the ports of Spokane, Bellingham, Blaine, Sumas and Nelson, in the ate transportation of dutlable merchandise

without appraisement. The Gorman Panama resolution was then laid before the senate. Before anyone was of government in Colorado. ecognized to speak on the resolution Mr. Gorman offered a number of amendments, positively give personal attention to all the harbors at Panama and Colon and striking out the word "intervention" wherever it appears, thus modifying the resolution so as to make it an inquiry of the president concerning the use of Amer-

> Panama. Mr. Cullon, in view of the amendments, FIND FIRE IN WAR VESSEL vithdrew his motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations and said he was willing to have it voted upon. Mr. Lodge, however, asked to have the solution as amended printed and lie over for another day, and that order was made. Mr. Teller then addressed the senate on he canal question, saying that he believed the subject should be treated from a nonpartisan standpoint. He thought, however, that whenever the president transcended his duty the fact should be

pointed out. In the present instance he did not doubt the good intentions of the president, but he was distrustful of his wisdom in what

He had no complaint to make against Panama, for he thought the people of that country had the right to enter upon a revindependently of the mother country, and he cited many instances and quoted a number of authorities in support of this position. There should be no interference so long as there was a likelihood of the success of the parent state.

Questions American Right.

This rule, Mr. Teller declared, had not been met in Panama. He did not believe the revolution could have been sustained rag bag, will be shown by the Auers and for a day without the support of the United States. He also took the position that there never should have been any armed interference by the United States in Colombla's affairs, even under the treaty, except

the isthmus, the latter interrupted to say that he had been misunderstood, and desired to explain. He said he had meant to say that it would have been preferable for the United States to tell Colombia to get off the isthmus entirely than for the United States to pursue there the methods of sneakthief and maintain the attitude of a bully.

Question of Necessity.

In response to a suggestion made by Mr. Teller, Mr. Spooner interrupted to say that by the treaty of 1846 Colombia was bound to maintain the perpetual right of the United States to passage across the isthmus and he argued that that right remains even though Colombia does not stand behind it. Mr. Teller admitted that any right the United States had under Colombia, it still had under Panama if Panama was an established power. He then asked for an opinion from the Wisconsin senator concerning "the new theory of international eminent domain," and the latter replied that he had not yet been able to give his assent to that doctrine, which, as he understood it, meant that when a weak nation had what a strong nation needed, the latter might take it by means of arms if necessary. Yet it must be remembered that right-of-way of one landowner over the land owned by another person is a right recognized by the Continuing, he said: world.

of necessity, are we to say that there is not an international way of necessity where the interests of the world are concerned? There were interruptions at this point which caused Mr. Tillman to remark that

"It takes a great many doctrines to bring

about the birth of this baby." "I'll try to take care of my own babies, sponded Mr. Spooner, "and when I cannot do that I will ask some member of my own family to do so.

This editoquy caused a general outburst of laughter. After it had subsided Mr. Spooner continued his statement, saving that he was willing to confess that he had not reached a connection in his own mind. "I am not willing to concede the right of international eminent domain, but I can't find it in my beart to deny it."

Says Doctrine is Dangerous.

Mr. Teller took issue with the president's declaration that the course pursued in Panama had been in the interest of "colective civilization." That, he said was a dangerous doctrine, and was just such a doctrine as Russia might appeal to if she should attempt to crush Japan. The doctrine was not American. It was contrary to all the best traditions of this country It was the doctrine that might makes right declaring it to be unrepublican in form, and was interrupted by Mr. Spooner, who said that it had been "a mooted question as to whether, there is a republican form

"If," responded Mr. Teller, "there is not a republican form of government in Colorado, there is a republican administration there. When Mr. Teller ceased speaking the sen-

ate passed a large number of pension bills lean military forces in the istimus of and at 4:22 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

Spontaneous Combustion in Conl Runker of Gloncester Reported from Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON, Jan 15 -Cantain Dunlan, commandant of the naval station at San Juan, Porto Rico, cables the Navy department under date of today, as follows: Fire in forward coal bunker of the Gloucester this morning. Spontaneous Gloucester this morning. combustion. No damage.

EVENTS ON RUNNING TRACKS

Francisco Races Run in a Fog and in Los Angeles Golden Rule is a Winner.

olution Indeed, he thought if he had lived in Panama he would have been a rebel himself. This right of the Panamanians did not, however, alter the duty of the United States to remain neutral. He laid down the rule that there should be recognition of a new state coming into existence by secession only when the new power had established its capacity to maintain its status independently of the mother country, and a prize by winning at odds of 21 to 1. Re-

a prize by winning at odds of 2 to 1. Results:

First race. Futurity course: Algaretta won, My Surprise second, Rosebud third. Time: 1.104.

Second race, eleven-sixteenths of a mile, selling: The Cure won. Lastig second, Scherzo third. Time: 1.274.

Third race. Futurity course, selling: Cousin Carrie won. Mount McGregor second, Rustle Girl third. Time: 1.11.

Fourth race, six furlongs, handicap: Gold Money won. Fossil second, Rockaway third. Time: 1.124.

Fifth race, mile and an eighth. selling: Fille D'Or won. Expedient second, Augue third. Time: 1.55.

Sixth race, one mile, selling: Nigrette won. Telephone second, Avenger third. Time: 1.394.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—Results:

der won, Time: 1:30 NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15.—Results: First race, selling, six furlongs: Travers won, Amorous second, John Coulter third. Time: 1:20%. Second race, one mile: Pettijohn won. nd race, one mile: Pettijohn won, al Woolsey second, Bodul third. 141. Cardinal Time: 1:41.
Third race, mile and a sixteenth: Gustus won, Mauser second, Lampoon third, Time:

1:48.
Fourth race, seven furiongs, handicap:
Lew Dorsey won, Invincible second,
Boaster third. Time: 1:29%.
Fifth race, mile and twenty yards, selling: Annie Max won, Ethel Wheat second, Mynher third. Time: 1:48.
Sixth race, mile and twenty yards, selling: Compass won, Burke Cochran second,
Khaki third. Time: 1:43%.

Tigers, 36; Crescents, 14.

The Young Men's Christian Association Tigers completely outclassed the Crescents in a fast game of basket ball last night. The score was close in the first half, standing 14 to 10 in favor of the Tigers. The Tigers then ran away with their opponents in the second half. The feature of the game was Krelle throwing ten goals from fouls. Lineup:

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Gus Miller. Right Forward. Frankfurt
H. Hansen. Left Forward. Ryan
Frankfurt Swanson Referee: A. Hansen. Umpire: Bexton.

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The Answer of the Retail Grocers' Association:

In one of our Omaha dailies of Wednesday there appeared a seven inch column curio with the heading: "A Voice From Abroad."

The article was a rehash of reasons given by the San Francisco Retail Grocers' Association, why Trading Stamps are an evil. Investigation proves that the article was handed to the Omaha paper as an advertisement by authority of the Reiall Grocers Association. Therefore, we consider it as their answer to our challenge published some weeks ago, and we shall take the liberty of replying to it in full. We are only sorry that this publication was not put before the people at the time that we paid for the lovely blank space in the papers and offered it to the Retail Grocers' Association gratis. However, it is better late than never and the long delay would indicate that the Retail Grocers' have given careful study to their reasons and have put before the people the best they can

We will answer reason number one today, and the others, five in number, from day to day. Reason number one reads as follows:

"Trading Stamps are NEVER given away." They cost retail mercha his 50 cents per hundred. No honest m an can continue giving \$1.05 for \$1.00."

NO! Not if you want to squeeze 28 per cent out of your customers, as indicated by your official organ of December 19th, in which it is pointed out in a three page article that the retail grocer cannot do business on less than 28 per cent, and, therefore, cannot afford to give Trading Stamps.

NO! You can't give \$1.05 for \$1.00 if you buy on credit and expect the jobber to carry you year in and year out.

NO! You can't give \$1.05 for \$1.00 and run a credit business, as most

of you try to do. NO! You can't give big values if you buy in little quantities, but if you run your business on the close margin of expense that we do, if you buy in Bennett quantities and at Bennett costs, you can easily save your customer that 5 per cent. If you buy for cash and sell for cash, you can easily give the customer a 5 per cent discount on his purchases.

What better proof of all this do you want than the example of one of the leading lights of your Retail Grocers' Association, temporarily located in our neighborhood, who when we were making a special sale of Gas Roasted Coffee, on December 21st, last, sent around to buy six and ten can lots from us until he had bought in all nearly one hundred cans at Why did he do that? Isn't it as plain as day that there was a saving in

it for him the same as there was for our customers? If we buy in such quantities and at such terms as to enable us to offer bargains that tempt even the leaders of the Retail Grocers' Association to over-stock themselves, cannot we certainly buy cheap enough that we can afford to give the public their cash discount?

We think we can, and as long as we think so, it will be GREEN TRAD-ING STAMPS WITH ALL PURCHASES IN ALL DEPARTMENTS ALL THE TIME AT BENNETT'S We will answer your reason number two on Sunday MR. GROCER.

Big Alteration Sale in Our Ladies' Suit Department FLOOR. Ladies' Coats.

Saturday morning we will give you your choice of any coat in the house for \$12.50—coats that sold for \$25.00. \$28.50 \$30.00 and \$35.00. All coats go in this big sale Saturday—no coat reserved—all go in this great alteration rale 12.50 for

Children's Coats.

All of our fine quality of imported Kersey and Zibeline Coats for childred worth up to \$17.50 each, all go in this sale. Your choice while they Ladies' Suits.

Saturday we will put the knife in deep in our ladies' suits. We will give you three great specials. Do not miss this great opportunity of buying an up-to-date suit for much less than the cloth is worth.

Special No. 1. Venitians and pretty novelties that sold 7.75

Special No. 2. A beautiful assortment of elegant suits that sold as high as \$20.00- 11.45

Special No. 3. All of our very excellent new suits in blacks and colors, all the latest styles make, cut and trimmings that so'd as high as \$25.00—

Extra Special Wrappers.

Blankets Selling Very Cheap in the Big Alteration Sale. Extra heavy wool blankets in greys and tans, our regular \$3.7. quality-only, per pair.... 2.59

our fine wool blankets in greys, tans, fancies and whites-worth 5.95 Comforts. Extra heavy comforts, all stitched and quilted-worth \$1.00, All of our fine silkeline comforts that sold at \$1.15, \$1.25 and \$1.50-all 75c

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CURTAIN SCRIM-not over one piece (50 yards) to a customer-worth 10c a yard-at 21c CURTAIN SWISS-worth 20c, regular SILKOLINE-heavy piece of silkoline, some worth to 15c a yard-very good for comforts and almost all methods of draping-not over 25 yards to a customer-per yard

Grocery! Thursday we had the greatest coffee sale ever known in the Trans-Missouri country. This is a positive fact. If you had been in the crowd you would see how those thousands of cans we sold meant thousands of well satisfied

Saturday Money Savers

Large Jars Assorted Jam 10c [Coffee Roasted Daily Full Weight Milk, can...... 16c Grape-Nuts, pkg...... 16e B. F. Japan, Oolong, Gunpowder and Eng. Breakfast Teas, per lb., 28c Neutrita, with spoon, pkg...... 8c

Breakfast Cocds, \i-lb. can...... 13c Tea Siftings, per lb., ... Corn, 2-lb. can...... 16c Butter Received Every Day from Castile Soap, cake 256c the Best and Cleanest Dairys. Fresh Country Butter, per ib Bennett's Capitol Creamery, per Bluing, box 20 Wisconsin Cream Cheese, per 4b...124c Hand Cheese, each...... 2560 Neufchatel Cheese, each

Chocolate Menier, Main Floor. Bennett's Capitol Oats, Basement. Shredded Wheat with Cream, Basement

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