

## INLAND WATERWAYS BOARD

Commission Meets in Washington to Consider Many Important Matters.

## PERMANENT ORGANIZATION IS MADE

Rivers and Harbors, Irrigation, Swamp Land Redemption and Other Questions Will Be Subject of Investigation.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The inland waterways commission recently appointed by the president to make a general investigation into the question of the improvement of rivers and harbors, the utilization of swamp lands, etc., held its first meeting today in the committee room of the U. S. department of commerce.

The commission is composed of Senator Warren G. Harding, former Republican National Bankhead of Alabama, General Mackenzie of the army, F. H. Newell, chief engineer of the reclamation service, Gifford Pinchot, United States forester, and Herbert Smith, commissioner of corporations.

The commission immediately began general consideration of the important matters before it, with a view to laying out a plan for future work. It is expected that the commission will be in session in this city for about a week.

## Commission May Visit West.

The commission decided definitely to make visits of inspection to the Mississippi river and the great lakes and probably the Mississippi will be visited in the near future. It is not probable, however, that much personal inspection will be made in other localities. The decision showed a tendency on the part of the commission to consider the subjects involved along the broadest lines and in pursuance of this plan there will be a general inquiry into the subject of the improvement of the rivers and harbors, the utilization of swamp lands and all other general subjects connected with the inland water system of the country.

## TAMMANY DESIRES HARMONY

Conference Held to End Trouble Between Mayor McEllan and Democratic Society.

NEW YORK, April 29.—An end to the contest for control of Tammany hall between Mayor McEllan and Charles F. Murphy was announced today, following a conference between Timothy D. Sullivan and Corporation Counsel William B. Ellis, the latter of whom represented the mayor.

Mr. Sullivan, after the conference, gave out a statement in which he said the mayor will be left free to appoint the highest class of men he can find for city offices, but that the city will advise against the appointment of men inimical to the democratic organization or its leaders. Mr. Sullivan, he said, agreed that only efficient men should be retained in or appointed to city offices. The mayor will recognize the rights of its leaders to control the democratic organization and will ask that the organization give him its support in his efforts to solve the great municipal problems which confront him, Mr. Sullivan said. In that way it was hoped, he added, to eradicate the lines between the organization and the administration.

Mayor McEllan tonight discussed his feelings with Tammany as follows: "I have made no deal and I have authorized the making of no deal which alters my position in any way. It is and shall be my ambition to give to the city the best administration that it is possible for me to give it and factional politics will not be permitted to interfere."

"I take back nothing that I have said concerning the management of the democratic organization. If the elements that constitute Tammany Hall will permit me to do so, I will be for harmony. For a political peace which is so useful to my party in the city, the state and the nation, I shall go as far forward as any man, but not one step backward."

## QUICK MAY DAY IN PARIS

Fears of Extensive Labor Trouble in French Capital Have Disappeared.

PARIS, April 29.—The fears of extensive trouble in connection with May day labor demonstrations have disappeared so far as Paris is concerned. The authorities have decided it will not be necessary to bring additional troops here. Last year's disruption of troops and police will be repeated Wednesday. Meetings of workers will be permitted, but no street processions. Several of the more violent socialist agitators already have been arrested.

Dispatches from the provinces indicate that the government's energetic measures to preserve order at all hazards have dampened the ardor of the labor organization.

## The Story of a Medicine.

Its name—Golden Medical Discovery—was suggested by one of its most important and valuable ingredients—Golden Seal root.

Nearly forty years ago, Dr. Pierce discovered that for colds, influenza, a certain degree of constantly maintained heat and with the aid of apparatus and appliances designed for that purpose, extract from one most valuable native medicinal root, the Golden Seal, was found to be much better than the use of alcohol, so generally employed. So the now world-famous "Golden Medical Discovery," for the cure of weak stomach, indigestion, or dyspepsia, torpid liver, or biliousness and kindred derangements was first made, as it ever since has been, without a particle of alcohol in its make-up.

A glance at the full list of its ingredients, printed on every bottle-wrapper, will show that it is made from the most valuable medicinal roots found growing in our American forests. All these ingredients have received the strongest endorsement from the highest medical authorities in the world.

A little book of these endorsements has been compiled by Dr. R. W. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., and will be mailed free on any asking same by postal card, or letter addressed to the Doctor as above. From these endorsements, copied from standard medical books of all the different schools of practice, it will be found that the ingredients composing the "Golden Medical Discovery" are of the highest quality, and also for the cure of all catarrhal, bronchial and throat affections, accompanied with catarrhal discharges, hoarseness, sore throat, lingering, or hang-over coughs, and all those wasting affections which, if not promptly and properly treated are liable to terminate in consumption. Take Dr. Pierce's Discovery in time and persevere in its use until you give it a fair trial and it is not likely to disappoint. Too much cannot be expected of it. It will not perform miracles. It will not cure consumption in its advanced stages. No medicine will. It will cure the affections that lead up to consumption, if taken in time.

## HABEAS CORPUS FOR TATE

Attorney Says Alleged Burglar Is Illegally Held in Chicago by Police.

CHICAGO, April 29.—Attorney Charles E. Heston, representing Edward Tate, who was arrested here Saturday and who is wanted in Peoria on a charge of burglary, went before Judge Ben M. Smith today and asked leave to file a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of Tate. Permission was granted and the writ was made returnable May 1.

In the petition it is averred that Tate is illegally held by the police and that he has been held a prisoner more than twenty-four hours without having had a hearing in court. The writ is directed against Chief of Police Shippy.

After a conference today between Superintendent of Police Shippy and Chief of Police Wilson of Peoria it was decided not to send Tate to Peoria to stand trial for opening the safe of the Peoria school board, but to try him in Chicago on the charge of robbing a house. Superintendent Shippy says the case here is a good one. In the event of Tate's acquittal he will be returned to Joliet for violating his parole.

## BOND ROBBERY INTERESTING

Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars May Have Been Taken by W. O. Douglas.

NEW YORK, April 29.—The big bond robbery, in which the Trust Company of America was the victim, continues an absorbing subject in the financial circles where every development is eagerly scrutinized.

The robbery, at first put down as a \$500,000 affair, has steadily grown until today it appears that securities aggregating \$800,000 in value have been taken by William O. Douglas, the bond clerk now under arrest. These figures are reached as the result of an interview given by a member of the executive committee of the trust company, who said that it took \$150,000 to replace the securities hypothecated to brokers for loans by O. M. Bennett, who is under arrest in connection with the robbery, and that the securities were pledged for less than one-third of their value. He also said that it was \$500,000, and not \$500,000, worth of securities that were hidden in Broker Bennett's bed at the Manhattan club.

Taken at the executive committee's own figuring, that Douglas and Bennett realized only a part—less than a third on the average—of the \$800,000. The fact that the trust company has lost on the outstanding securities represents a value of nearly \$500,000. Adding the \$300,000 found in the bed of Bennett makes \$800,000. What has become of the money Douglas and Bennett took is still a mystery.

The trustee who talked yesterday said that he was of the opinion that much of this had been lost in speculation.

## LUMBER DEALERS ON TRIAL

Federal Court Will Hear Cases Seven Men Accused in Oklahoma.

GUTHRIE, Okla., April 29.—The cases of seven Oklahoma lumber dealers under indictment for alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust laws were called here today in the United States district court.

For years Oklahoma lumbermen are alleged to have maintained a pool and to have arbitrarily fixed the retail price of lumber. Indictments were found repeatedly in territorial courts, but territorial laws were found inadequate and it was never possible to secure a conviction. The cases today are the first of this character in Oklahoma to come to trial in a federal court.

## WYOMING SHEEP CAMP RAIDED

Outfit on Trapper Creek Destroyed and 700 Animals Killed by Masked Men.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 29.—An explosion of dynamite at John Linn's sheep camp on Trapper creek, Big Horn county, last night killed 700 sheep and completely destroyed camp wagons and other possessions of the camp. The story of the outrage was told today by a herder, who said that a band of masked men raided the camp, and after binding him securely, arranged for the work of destruction. A similar attack was made upon a sheep camp in the Trapper creek section two years ago.

## NEGRO SHOOT AND IS KILLED

Georgia Man Wounded and Assassinant Is Killed by Alabama White Men.

COLUMBUS, Ga., April 29.—D. B. Mitchell, a Columbus traveling man, was shot in the arm at Pitts View, Ala., today by a negro named Ebb Calhoun. Calhoun later was shot and killed by a number of white men, seven or eight participating. The sheriff and a posse have gone to Pitts View.

The trouble was started by Calhoun's son running against a white woman.

## FIRE RECORD.

Connecticut Paper Factory.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., April 29.—Fire destroyed the Tait & Bone Paper company's plant in North Bridgeport. Loss about \$25,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

## Announcements of the Theaters.

At the Burwood. After Saturday night he goes to Kansas City. The regular professional actor will give at the theater this afternoon, "Why Smith Left Home," being the bill.

A special matinee will be given by Ruth Grey at the Lyric theater this afternoon for the benefit of the Lyric matinee is very popular. Miss Grey always puts forth her best efforts at these performances.

## Start on Farmers' Institute.

STURGEON, S. D., April 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The first move to start farmer institute work in the new country west of the Missouri was made today, when Prof. Cole and Wheaton left here for Hayes and Midland, where they will lecture. While out they will also look over the country with a view of locating one of the experimental farms provided for by the last legislative session.

## CLAUS SPRECKLES ON RUEF

Sugar King Turned Out for Prosecution Predicts Doom of Grifters.

## WANTS NINE HUNDRED YEARS FOR ABE

Says San Francisco Will Be Bigger Than Ever—Fears No Trouble with the Japanese on Coast.

"Abe Ruef ought to get 900 years in the penitentiary. I think there can be no doubt of his conviction."

Such was the remark of Claus Spreckles, the world-famous sugar king and father of J. D. Spreckles, who put up the coin for the prosecution of Ruef, Schmitt and other San Francisco grafters. Mr. Spreckles, who had plans laid for a modern subterranean power street railway system when the calamity of April 18, 1906, befell the city by the bay.

Mr. Spreckles, with Mrs. Spreckles and companion, Miss Joffe, arrived in Omaha Monday evening on the Overland Limited from San Francisco, enroute to Europe, where they will spend the summer. The party travels in Mr. Spreckles private car and proceeded in it via the Northwestern to New York. They will sail May 14 for Europe.

"I am just on the trip for my health," said Mr. Spreckles. "I am getting pretty well along in years; I will be 75 years old June 8. I have been suffering with rheumatic troubles in my lower limbs for about two years and the trip to Europe will do me good. Still, I do not like to think of leaving even the time it will take us for our visit. I want to be doing something, not that I want the money, but I have been a pretty busy man and it worries me to be idle."

## City Rapidly Recovering

San Francisco is rapidly recovering from the disaster of a year ago. The earthquake did not hurt us much; it was the fire. The city is rebuilding rapidly, but we are much handicapped for want of material. We cannot get it as fast as we need it. What we most need is structural iron, lime and such building material, and that we have to get from the east. San Francisco has not lost any of its commercial supremacy by the disaster, only delayed a little. But then the San Francisco people are builders. The city has suffered many great fires and come out better after each one. The trip to San Francisco will be better and more beautiful than ever. Our people are full of impatient energy. But that's the way with California."

"They had not secured the entire jury for the Ruef trial when we left. It is slow work getting that jury. But they will get one and I do not think there will be any doubt of his conviction. He ought to get 900 years. He has been a great drawback to San Francisco. We do not need such men there. Public sentiment is very strong against him. It is the difficulty in getting a jury to try him. But they will get one."

## Fears Nothing from Japs.

"The Japanese question is much overdrawn in San Francisco. I do not anticipate any trouble from Japanese immigration, neither do I think they are going to be so much of a nuisance to San Francisco. Of course, they are coming in there pretty thick. The Chinese are better workers than the Japs; the Chinese will work, but the Japs have a little of the bighead. I am not looking for any trouble with them. We are pretty well able to take care of ourselves and I guess we can handle the Japanese question without any war. I have not been to the Sandwich islands since last summer, and I did not notice then that the Japs were coming in in any very threatening numbers."

"I arrived in San Francisco first in 1856 and was there during the vigilance committee days. Those were thrilling days. I was a member of the vigilance committee. That committee had to be organized for the safety of the city. I saw Corey and Casey hanged from a window on Sacramento street. They murdered James King William, the editor of the San Francisco Evening Bulletin. Mr. William had excited the anger of the thugs and he was shot down on the street like a dog by Corey and Casey. The start of the vigilance committee, and the committee did good work in ridding the coast of the gamblers, murderers and thieves. The spirit of the old vigilantes still prevails in California."

## Abiding Faith in Golden West.

Mr. Spreckles bears his years with the vigor of a man thirty years his junior. He has an abiding faith in California and is eloquent in its praise and hope for its future. He is a man of rather small stature, ruddy-faced and wears a full gray beard. He speaks with a decided German accent and is willing to talk freely upon almost any subject. Mr. Spreckles is a fine looking, motherly woman of a distinct German cast and is intensely devoted to her husband. They refer to each other as mamma and papa and are simple, plain folk, cordial and pleasing in their conversation.

## FCX MAKES MISTAKE IN MAN

Now Says It Was Officer Herald Who Used Abusive Language Toward Him.

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners held its regular meeting Monday night, with all members present and Mayor Harrison in the chair, and a considerable amount of routine business was transacted. Harry D. Fox, who had charged that Officer Devereese had used vile and abusive language toward him on the night of April 20, without provocation, appeared before the board and said he had another guess coming. He apologized to that official, explaining that he was mistaken in the man. He said that since filing the charges against Devereese he had learned that the man who had insulted him was Officer Herald, and he withdrew his charges against Devereese and filed a similar complaint against Herald. That officer was sent for and told the board he had one witness he wished to be present at his trial.

## GOOD SHIP OMAHA ENROUTE

Boat Coming North with Oldest Pilot on the River at the Helm.

Piloted by the oldest pilot on the Missouri river, Captain "Lora," is expected to arrive at this port about Friday. The boat left St. Louis last Tuesday with 600 pieces of freight for Kansas City and Omaha. Upon arrival at Omaha the boat will be taken in tow by a tugboat, having a capacity of 2,000 passengers. The boat will tie up at Walnut Grove, near East Omaha, and the plan is to begin the excursion season on May 15. The barge which floats behind the Omaha is 128 feet long and of thirty-foot beam. A large ball room will be provided for excursions. Captain S. H. Gregory is in charge and Captain Massa is pilot. When the boat goes into commission at Omaha it will be under the management of the Omaha Steamboat Excursion company. During the season athletic exhibitions will be given across from Gibson station.

## Kirk's Jap Rose Toilet and Bath Soap

It is transparent—so clear you can read through it. All grocers and druggists sell it.

## Dentist Killed by Street Car

NEW YORK, April 29.—Dr. Roy L. Pruitt, a dentist who is believed to have come here from Aurora, was killed by a street car in New York City yesterday.

Dr. Pruitt was walking on the sidewalk when he was struck by a street car. He was taken to a hospital, but died shortly after. Several letters postmarked Aurora, Ill., were found in the dead man's pockets. One of the letters was signed "Ma," another "Your Loving Wife, Jennie."

## PURE FOOD

and the kind which makes digestion easy—

## Grape-Nuts

If you have stomach trouble try eating Grape-Nuts for 10 days.

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Attorney Van Dusen, for the defense, subjected Dennison to a close cross-examination, lasting several hours. The latter part of his cross-examination related to his statements of expense submitted to Frank Sherrill. He said one of these statements was for \$4,700, expended partly in getting Sherrill out of the penitentiary. One item was \$2,500, given to G. H. McMillan, a Cedar Rapids newspaper man, for assisting in securing the parole of Sherrill. Dennison admitted he had used the name E. W. Blunt while visiting the penitentiary at Fort Madison, but denied he had ever used the name at any other time or place.

Frank Williams, an ex-convict from Case county, testified to seeing Sherrill and Dennison make out the expense account which was to be submitted to Sherrill's mother for the purpose of getting money from his father's estate. Dennison testified he had let Sherrill have the sum of money mentioned in the expense account with the understanding Sherrill had \$1,500 and interest coming from the estate. Williams' testimony corroborated that of Dennison regarding the statement.

## THURSTONS GIVE STAG PARTY

Number of Guests Expected to Become Members of the Company.

The members of the Thurston Rifles gave a stag party Monday night at their army in the Eagles' hall in honor of a large number of prospective members. The evening was spent in singing, recitation, and story telling marked the program of the evening. Major William Baehr presiding as toastmaster. Refreshments and cigars were served during the entertainment.

An order to remove the dead animal from the street was issued by the health commissioner. The work is to be under the direction of the health commissioner.

## In connection with this new garbage contract, Health Commissioner Connell will have introduced an ordinance requiring citizens to keep their garbage separated from rubbish and to provide suitable receptacles for the purpose. Dr. Connell believes that when the citizens realize their garbage will be removed free there will not be much kicking on his proposed regulation.

James Whelan was granted the dead animal contract for three years. This contract will provide that Mr. Whelan shall remove all dead animals without cost to the city. Licenses for Peddlers. An ordinance to provide for the licensing of persons who sell wares on street corners was recommended for passage. A rate of \$2 per day or \$10 per week was mentioned in the ordinance and medicine agents were prohibited altogether.

## DIAMONDS—Foster, 19th and Harney.

Missouri Murderer Loses Appeal. WASHINGTON, April 29.—The supreme court of the United States today affirmed the decision of the supreme court of Missouri in the appeal of William Spangh, Jr., under sentence of death in Reynolds county, Missouri, on the charge of murdering Sheriff Polk in Iron county, Missouri, while resisting arrest. It was alleged in Spangh's interest that the sheriff of Reynolds county had been killed by the defendant, who was charged with the murder of Sheriff Polk in Iron county, Missouri, while resisting arrest. It was alleged in Spangh's interest that the sheriff of Reynolds county had been killed by the defendant, who was charged with the murder of Sheriff Polk in Iron county, Missouri, while resisting arrest.

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