

GRAFT IN PITTSBURG

Six Men in Public Safety Said to Have Left MORE DISCLOSURES ARE PEOPLE SURPRISED BY THE SCOPE AND EXTENT OF DEVELOPMENTS NINE MEN ARE UNDER ARREST

They Include Seven Members of the Council and Two Bankers. LATER ARE FORCED TO RESIGN

President and Cashier of German National Bank Pending Investigation—Heavy Fall Resulted by Accused.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22.—Late this afternoon reports are in circulation that owing to an alleged "leak in the public safety department of Pittsburgh" a number of officials said to be still here have left the city as a result of the disclosures in connection with the graft scandal.

Edwin T. McLaughlin, captain of detectives, whose resignation was demanded, when asked for a statement regarding his dismissal said: "There is nothing criminal against me."

Late today the government officials denied that at a conference earlier in the afternoon the graft scandal had been considered in any form.

Following the sensational arrests here last night of seven councilmen and two bankers on charges of alleged corruption in conducting the public affairs of this city it is estimated today that even more startling developments will transpire soon.

The people are surprised almost beyond description at the suddenness of the arrest of the nine men. During the night and early today there was apparently no word for those interested in the alleged scandal.

The nine defendants and their attorneys and friends held as many conferences for the purpose of discussing the matter, while the officials of the " Voters' League, who worked up the charges, together with prominent attorneys and high municipal officials of the city, also held a meeting at which, it is said, plans were perfected for the arrest of other men alleged to be implicated in the bribery scandal.

According to the best information obtainable today it is possible the municipal scandal in San Francisco, which is being carried on, is more extensive than anything that has ever occurred in any city.

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Table with columns for dates (1908-1909) and various categories (STK, BON, etc.)

DOMESTIC

Sensational developments in the Pittsburgh bribery scandal have resulted in the departure of a number of persons suspected of complicity in the bribery.

FOREIGN

President Castro may be impeached, according to a statement from Caracas. He is charged with complicity in the plot to assassinate Acting President Gomez.

WERRASKA

Archbishop Ireland was received by Pope Pius in audience yesterday. Two men whom Lincoln police sought to extradite from Sioux City on a charge of larceny are residing in the order.

LOCAL

Federal court restrains Water board from invading company office and telling consumers of the proposed new rates for water.

SPORT

Winter gossip of the ball players and other amateur sports.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Live stock markets. Grain markets. Markets of OCEAN STEAMERS.

MILLERS COMPLAIN OF RATES

Minnesota Men Allege Great Northern Discriminates in Charge East to Seaboard.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Lee McNeely Goes to a South Dakota Trust Company as Secretary.

COST OF THROUGH TRAFFIC

A. P. Tallaferra Says Roads Pay Most to Secure It.

LOCAL BUSINESS IS CHEAPER

Handled in Less Expensive Manner in Every Department—State's Evidence in Missouri Rate Case.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—The state today began the introduction of evidence to support its side in the Missouri rate case, which has been dragging along here in the United States district court before Judge Smith McPherson.

The first witness called by the state was A. P. Tallaferra, who is connected with a New York firm of expert accountants, and who has been in charge of the state's investigation into the earnings and expenses of various railroads.

Mr. Tallaferra, in direct opposition to the view of witnesses introduced by the defendants, declared the relative cost to the railroad companies per passenger mile was less for state than for interstate traffic. The witnesses who had preceded the state's witness were unanimous in their statements that the state traffic was relatively the more expensive.

SOUTH EXTENDS GLAD HAND

Host of Invitations Pour in Upon President-elect Which He Cannot Accept.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 22.—President-elect Taft's many evidences of unusual interest in the south, such as his campaign trip through southern states, his several addresses on the subject of the south's right to participate in the affairs of the government, climaxed by his address before the North Carolina society at its recent New York dinner, has awakened what seems to be a universal desire on the part of southern states and cities to play host to the president-elect.

WORK ON THE PANAMA CANAL

Secretary of Commission Tells What Amount of Dirt Has Been Moved.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The Panama canal will be opened January 1, 1914, according to an official communication received yesterday by the California promotion committee from Joseph Buckline Bishop, secretary of the canal commission.

WINTER OFFICIALLY BEGINS

Residents of Alaska Notified by Telegram of Exact Moment Sun Started North.

PROVING THE REIGN OF TERROR

State Shows Effect of Night Riders Upon Communist Facts About Conspiracy.

LABOR CONTEMPT CASE TODAY

Judge Wright Will Deliver Opinion in Proceedings Affecting Coppen, Morrison and Mitchell.



From The New York World.

WILLIAM H. NEWMAN RETIRES

President of New York Central Ends Railroad Career of Forty Years.

EIGHT YEARS IN PRESENT PLACE

Directors Accept His Resignation with Regret and Try to Get Him to Remain in an Advisory Capacity.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—After forty years of railroad service, eight of which was spent as head of the great New York Central system, William H. Newman today tendered his resignation as president of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad company.

PARDON FOR JOHN COLLINS

Topeka Young Man Convicted of Murder of His Father to Be Released Christmas Day.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 22.—Governor Hoch last afternoon pardoned John Collins, now serving a life sentence in the Kansas state penitentiary for the murder of his father, J. S. Collins, a well-to-do real estate and insurance man of this city, in May, 1898.

IRELAND RECEIVED BY POPE

Cardinal Receptions Given Archbishop of St. Paul by the Pontiff.

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Rome, Dec. 22.—The pope has fully recovered from his recent illness. He received Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul in private audience today, speaking cordially of the archbishop's last visit in 1896.

NO RADICAL CHANGE LIKELY

Present Session of Congress to Devote Attention Probably to Bank Examination Only.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Senators Aldrich and Teller and Representative Vreeland of New York will meet at the Plaza hotel, New York, on December 23 as a subcommittee of the national monetary commission. They will consult with financial authorities who have found it inconvenient to come to Washington during the regular sessions of the commission.

SPEAKERS AT TARIFF SESSION

Partial List of Those Who Will Meet at Indianapolis in February.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 22.—A partial list of those who will speak at the National Tariff conference in this city February 18 and 19 and 20 was given out today. Definite promises have been received from Senator Albert J. Beveridge of Indiana, Senator Albert B. Cummins of Iowa, Charles P. Neill, United States commissioner of labor, and James W. Van Cleave, president of the National Manufacturers' association.

HAINS PROTECTS BROTHER

Testimony in Trial at Flushing, N. J., Hains Gave This as Reason For His Act.

FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 22.—"When you know all the facts you will think differently. I came down to protect brother and would have shot anybody who interfered."

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HERDMAN MAKING SPEAKER

Omaha Man Behind the Candidacy of Clark of Richardson.

REGISTER FOR THE LOBBYISTS

New Law Compels All Such to Get Into the List and File a Statement of Expenses During the Session.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 22.—(Special).—R. E. Lee Herdman of Omaha, former clerk of the supreme court, is spending a good portion of his time these days in Lincoln, and a good portion of his time spent here is devoted to members of the legislature, who show up every few days looking for rooms or seats or who just come in. So far as the surface indications go Mr. R. E. Lee Herdman is supporting Ralph Clark of Richardson county for speaker of the house.

Douglas for Clark

Another section of the dope is that the Douglas delegation of nine members, one-fourth of enough to control the democratic caucus, is to be voted like sheep for Clark of Richardson. With nine votes Stocker of Douglas county could make a brave showing for the place with so many candidates in the field, but it has been given out that the Douglas delegation will make no fight for one of its own men, preferring to keep in good with the powers that be.

People Greatly Pleased

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Proclamation of New President

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Ready for Lobbyists

Deputy Secretary of State Addison Wall is preparing a docket for the registration of lobbyists who expect to be here this winter to influence legislation. This is in accordance with the anti-lobby law enacted by the last republican legislature. Under the provisions of this law every person who is interested and takes a hand in the passage or the indefinite postponement of any measure pending in the legislature must register his name with the secretary of state, saying what bills he is interested in. The influence legislation he may use the public press, printed briefs or in argument before committees and that way only. It is unlawful for the lobbyist to buttonhole the member or give him a talk in a dark corner.

PLOT TO KILL GOMEZ

Conspiracy to Assassinate Venezuelan Executive Hastens Crisis.

THINK CASTRO MIXED IN AFFAIR

Failure of Coup d'Etat Completes Downfall of Absent President.

GOMEZ TAKES EFFECTIVE ACTION

He Personally Arrests Two Men Appointed to Kill Him.

GOVERNMENT TO BE REORGANIZED

Special Diplomatic Agents to Be Sent to Europe to Negotiate Settlement of All International Difficulties.

PLOT TO KILL GOMEZ

There was a meeting Friday night of the plotters at the residence in Caracas of Garbieras Guzman, secretary general in the last Castro cabinet, and who was placed in charge of President Castro's personal business in Venezuela when the president left for Germany. The conspirators decided upon a coup d'etat. They determined to assassinate acting President Gomez, Jose de Jesus Paul, the foreign minister, General Leopoldo Barajas and other prominent men, seize the administration of the country and with the army terrorize and overthrow the government.

Conspiracy Quickly Frustrated

Early Saturday morning he went alone on foot to the barracks in Caracas, where a mutinous regiment under the command of President Castro's brother was quartered. With cool courage he entered the building and placed the revolver on the table under arrest. He showed the man's arms and called the guard. Torres Cardenas was seized and disarmed and hurried away to jail.

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