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BATH TUB TRUST FIRMS INDICTED

Federal Grand Jury Charges Members Secured Control of Eighty-Five Per Cent of Output.

ALLEGED TO BE ILLEGAL COMBINE

Sixteen Companies and Thirty-Two Individuals Are Involved.

LICENSES TERMED SUBTERFUGE

Officials Assert Defendants Disguised Methods by Patent Rights.

WAYMAN'S TESTIMONY VALUABLE

Licenser of Alleged Combination Gets Immunity from Criminal Proceedings — Sherman Law Basis of Prosecution.

DETROIT, Dec. 6.—The anti-trust campaign of Attorney General Wickersham shifted to Detroit this week, with the result that indictments were returned by the federal grand jury today against sixteen firms and thirty-two individuals, alleged to have secured control of 85 per cent of the annual output of enameled ironware bathtubs, sinks, lavoratories, etc., in the United States.

The criminal proceedings grew out ofa suit to dissolve the alleged combination begun by the government in the federal court at Baltimore, hearings being held in Chicago, Pittsburg and New York within the last forty days.

The evidence was presented to the grand jury by Edwin P. Grosvenor, special assistant to the attorney general; United States District Attorney Frank H. Watson of Detroit and Jose Carling, special agent of the Department of Justice. Secret hearings began yesterday and nothing was given out until the indictments were handed down this afternoon. It was charged that as the result of a ten days' meeting at Mt. Clemens, Mich., last April, a fund of $7,000 was subscribed to set in motion a plan that resulted in giving the defendants control of sixteen manufacturers and nearly 600 jobebrs, representing an output of approximately $10,000,000 a year.

Ten Count sAgainst Firms.

The two indictments against each defendant contain six and four counts, respectively, and charge that the defendants, controlling 85 per cent of the annual output, combined to restrain the trade of manufacturers and jobbers of plumbing supplies by refusing to sell to the jobbers handling the goods of so-called independents, by the fixing of resale prices, by the division of the United States into eleven zones and refusing to sell to jobbers who would not maintain the resale prices. It is charged that the effect of these resale prices is to make the price the same throughout the United States and to eliminate competition of jobbers as well as of manufacturers.

The indictments also charge that the defendants compelled the jobbers to enter into uniform contracts and that all the defendants refused to sell to any jobber unless he would sign such a contract.

The government officials took the ground that the evidence taken in the civil suit established that the defendants attempted to disguise their combination by the subterfuge of purchasing the patents on certain tools and licensing certain firms to use these tools.

Wayman's Testimony Important.

The government places great weight upon the testimony of Edwin L. Wayman of Pittsburg, who is described as the licenser of the alleged combination and whose testimony already given in the civil suit has given him immunity from criminal proceedings.

The government charges that Wayman obtained $7,000 from the Peoples State bank of Detroit by giving 100 shares of the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing company as security and that in using this fund to purchase several patents, $5,000 went back to the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing company for patents that it is alleged to have turned over to the combination. Wayman is not a voluntary witness.

The government chargts that Wayman collected $5 per day for each furnace from each of the sixteen defendant firms, some of which had as many as eighty furnaces and that after two months these firms that did not violate the agreement were to receive a rebate of 80 per cent of this contribution. Wayman's collections, it is alleged, ran as high as $700 per day.

The defendants against whom indictments were found today will be required to appear at once in the United States court here and give bonds for their appearance.

List of Defendant Firms.

Both the civil suit brought at Baltimore and the criminal proceedings begun here have been instituted under the Sherman anti-trust law. The defendant firms in the criminal proceedings are:

Standard Sanitary Manufacturing company, Pittsburg, Pa.; A. Wesikittel & Sons company, Baltimore; the Barnes Manufacturing company, Mansfield, O.; the Cahill Iron works, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Colwell Lead company, New York City; the Day-Ward company, Warren, O.; the Humphreys Manufacturing company, Mansfield, O.; Korner Manufacturing company, Pittsburg, Pa.; the J. L. Mott iron works, New York City; McVay & Walker, Brad-dock, Pa.; the McClrum-Howell company, New York; the National Sanitary Manufacturing company, Salem, O.; Union Sanitary Manufacturing company, Noblesville, Ind.; L. Wolff Manufacturing company, Chicago, Ill.; Wheeling Enameled Iron company, Wheeling, W. Va.; United States Sanitary Manufacturing company, Pittsburg, Pa.

Individual Defendants.

The individual defendants are:

Theodore A. Ahrens, Francis J. Torrance, E. L. Dawes and W. A. Miller, respectively president, first and second vice presidents and treasurer of the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing company; C. M. Voegele and T. E. Barnes, president and secretary of the Barnes Manufacturing company; Frank H. Caldwell and J. J. Mahoney, vice president of the Cahill Iron works; Jesse T. Bourjea and Burt O. Tilden, president and secretary of the Colwell Lead company; W. G. Winfield and A. C. Ward, vice president and vice president of the Day-Ward company; S. M. Ford and Reid Chandler, president and secretary of the Humphreys Manufacturing company; J. A. Fraser-heim, president and treasurer of the Kerner Manufacturing company; Jordan L. Mott and Max Gosser, president and secretary of the J. L. Mott iron works; Thomas Walker and Alex C. Walker, president and director of McVay & Walker; Lloyd C. McClrum and Howard T. Gates, president and secretary of the McClrum-Howell company; Frank H. Herron and D. W. Lapsley, president and secretary of the National Sanitary Manufacturing company; L. C. Huesman and P. V. Brigham, president and secretary of the Union Sanitary Manufacturing company; Charles F. Arroit and A. H. Cline, Jr., president and secretary of the United States Sanitary Manufacturing company; Anton Wesskittel, president of A. Weisskittel & Sons company; Ludwig Wolff and Herman M. Heinsohn, president and secretary of the L. Wolff Manufacturing company; J. F.

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Snow Storm Raging Along Atlantic Coast and in Ohio Valley

Disturbance Extends from Virginia to New England, Reaching Inland to Ohio and Kentucky.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—A blizzard swept along the Atlantic seaboard and over the lower lake region today. Twelve degrees below zero at Canton, N. Y., was the lowest temperature recorded.

The storm centered over the lower Chesapeake bay this morning, and rain, snow or sleet fell over the entire country from Virginia northeast and through the New England states. A high northeaster roused the Atlantic ocean, and four ocean steamships which crept into port this morning had to anchor in the lower bay because of the blinding snow. Shipping was held in port until better weather.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 6.—One of the heaviest snows for many years fell in this section of Kentucky last night and early today. The fall in the mountains was two feet, while the lowlands were covered with ten inches of snow. Business in the mountain districts is entirely suspended.

GALLIPOLIS, O., Dec. 6.—Twelve inches of snow fell in this section last night, which is the heaviest for ten years. In this city street cars were put out of commission. Railroads report trains delayed.

Terrazas Elected Head of Chihuahua

State Congress Meets and Selects Leading Man to Take Charge of Affairs of State.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., Dec. 5.—(Via El Paso, Dec. 6.)—The state congress met today and elected Alberto Terrazas acting governor of Chihuahua state, to succeed Jose Maria Sanchez.

General Luis Terrazas, father of the new governor, owns a third of the land in the state and has always been the power behind the throne.

General Hernandez today assumed control of this military zone, succeeding General Plata.

Government troops which left here Saturday camped at San Isabel today. Six hundred of the enemy are reported fifteen miles away, at San Andres, and government forces have been made into detachments to reconnoiter in force.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 6.—Alberto Terrazas, the new governor of Chihuahua state, is a brother of the wife of Enrique Creel, Mexican minister of foreign affairs, who was himself governor of Chihuahua until he became a cabinet officer. The father of Alberto Terrazas held the position of governor prior to Creel's election. Alberto Terrazas is president of the Juarez Jockey club.

Election Contests Filed in Missouri

Four Democratic State Officers Who Were Defeated Making Effort to Hold On.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 6.—Four democratic candidates for state offices, who were defeated in the November election, served their republican opponents with contest papers today.

P. C. Timmonds and Judge James B. Gantt, served papers on John Kennish and J. C. Brown, who were elected justices of the supreme court. Howard A. Glass and Thomas M. Bradbury, served papers on W. P. Evans and Frank A. Wightman, who were elected state superintendent of public schools and railroad and warehouse commissioner, respectively.

DEFENSE ENDS IN MOORE CASE

Three Doctors Testify that They Consider Slayer of C. E. Gibson Insane.

VINCENNES, Ind., Dec. 6.—Just before noon today the defense in the trial of Menlo E. Moore, for the murder of Charles E. Gibson, rested and the state began its rebuttal.

Winslow H. Cochran testified that Gibson did not strike or run into Moore just previous to the shooting. On cross-examination the witness admitted he bumped into someone just before the shots were fired. Cochran was Gibson's companion when the shooting occurred.

Dr. B. B. Griffith, Dr. William H. Davenport and Dr. Thomas J. McGowen testified that they considered Moore of unsound mind at the time of the shooting.

ST. JOE CAR MEN MAY STRIKE

Demands of Union Employes Are Refused and Vote Will Be Taken Tonight.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 6.—The management of the St. Joseph Street Railway company, at a conference last night, refused to accede to the demands of its union employes, and a meeting of the carmen will be held at 1 o'clock tomorrow morning, when all are off duty, to decide whether or not to strike. The union carmen demand that all differences be submitted to an arbitration committee and the company has refused. Fred Fay of Detroit, Mich., national organizer of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes of America, is conducting the negotiations for the carmen.

INSPECT JAIL OF THE LAND BARONS

United States Attorney and Special Examiner Make Trip to Hastings to See Quarters.

WILL DENY TALE OF LUXURY

Decline to Talk on Returning to Omaha Last Evening.

MUST REPORT TO CAPITAL FIRST

Sheriff Gets Assurance "Everything All Right."

RICH PRISONERS HEAR MUSIC

Singing of "Coon Songs" by Fellow Prisoner Results in Liberal Tip from Comstock and Richards.

United States Attorney Frank S. Howell went to Hastings yesterday to make an investigation of the physical environment of Messrs. Comstock, Richards, Triplett and Jameson, the land barons. Accompanying him was a special agent of the Department of Justice at Washington, who was sent by Attorney General Wickersham.

The investigation came about because Hastings people appealed to the attorney general to have one made.

Will Deny Tale of Luxury.

Mr. Howell, on returning last evening, declined at the present time to make any statement, owing to the fact, stated by him, that he felt that he Deparment of Justice should be the first to receive information coming from him. Advices from Hastings are to the effect that the federal inspection will result in a report that the story of sybaritic repast and sumptuous furnishings is false.

The special agent told Sheriff McCleary at Hastings he "found everything all right."

Who the agent of the Department of Justice is was not learned in Hastings; neither was it learned last night in Omaha, although the agent himself was seen by newspaper men. A detailed report of the facts as found by the government inspector, specially detailed, may be given out here any time.

Attorney Howell and the special examiner were in the jail about an hour making an inventory of the furnishings and talking with the prisoners. As a result of the inspection the sheriff expects the government to send him a set of rules specifying exactly how the prisoners shall be treated. Kaichi Mishima, the Japanese chef the ranchmen epectxed to prepare their meals, is here from Denver, but the sheriff says he has not yet been permitted to send any meals to his masters in the jail.

The singing of coon songs by John Daugherty, a state prisoner, has been added to the amusement of the prisoners for which they tip him liberally.

Howell Planned Inspection Himself.

A telegram sent from Hastings Monday started the investigation, although Mr. Howell had prepared to go of his own initiation. The Hastings telegram was as follows:

"HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 6, 1910—Attorney General Wickersham, Washington, D. C.; Dear Sir: The transfer of Messrs. Comstock, Richards, Triplett and Jamison, federal prisoners, cattle barons, from Omaha to sedve their time of imprisonment in the county jail in this city with accredited luxuries and special conveniences their cells are reported to be provided with is a subject of wide comment, making their punishment appear more as a farce and a joke, with more or less indignation consequent there to."

This was signed by F. A. Watkins, a Hastings newspaper man.

Wickersham's Reply.

In reply the following telegram was received from the legal department of the government:

"WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—F. A. Watkins: I have sent a special agent to investigate and report to me concerning matter referred to in your telegram. Signed,

"GEORGE W. WICKERSHAM."

Mr. Comstock expressed himself in Hastings yesterday as disgusted and greatly worried over the fact that "There is someone continually skulking about the home of his family." He said that if the annoyances continued it would be necessary for his family to move elsewhere.

Jameson and Triplett were interviewed and appeared ready to converse on any subject, but Mr. Richards, the man who last arrived at the jail, appears not yet to have become accustomed to the jail and jail life and he was of such an elusive disposition that it was not possible to interview him.

GIRL GIVES LIFE FOR DOG

Clothes of Young Woman Catch Fire While She is Ministering to Wounded Pet.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Inattention to her own safety while concerned for the well-being of her pet collie dog cost Miss Ellen E. Francis of East Quogue, L. I., her life today. The young woman brought the animal in the house to extract a piece of wire from its foot. While intent on the operation she failed to notice that she had neglected to close the open grate fire in the room. Her dress ignited and she was burned to death.

Boy High Financier Has Merry Career in New York

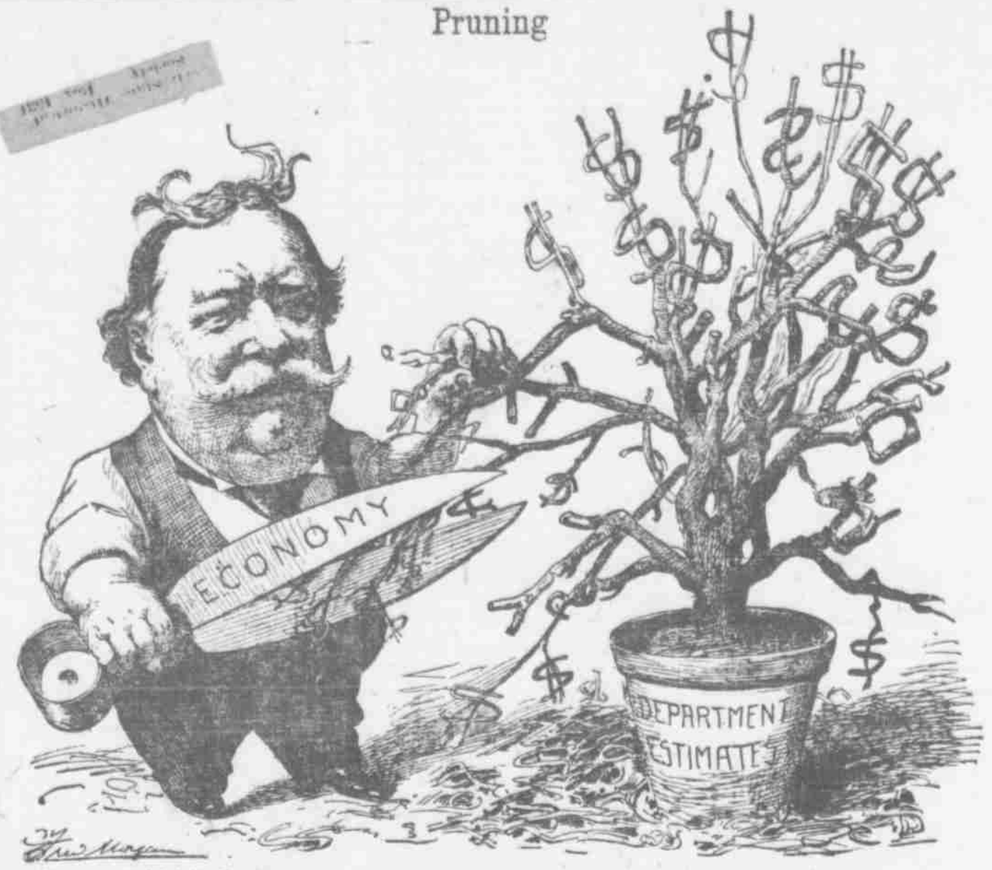
NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Through the complaints of angry creditors here it became known today that on the Saturday before the National Horse show opened, Robert E. Davie, the Boston boy financier, who is being sought on a charge of larceny, entered a coach and four he did not own for the classic Arrowhead cup.

With J. H. Coulter of Boston on the box and Morris Howlett, one of the best known whips in the country, beside him, he took second place in competition against Alfred Vanderbilt and Paul Sorg. Not content with that he protested the winning Sorg entry, and the whole matter went before the judges, who finally ruled that the protest of the Ayreshire farm, under whose name Davie's entry was made in the official catalogue, was unfounded and confirmed Paul Sorg in first place.

The coach and four are the property of Coulter, who innocently agreed to drive for Davie for a snug consideration and all expenses. Neither has been paid and the New York police said today that in their belief Davie has gone to Mexico.

These details came out today through counsel for George Watson, another well known horse dealer, Davie appeared at his stables early in November and sought to buy a handsome pair for $4,500. He tendered a check, but Watson refused to make delivery until he heard from the bank. It came back marked "no funds." Later Davie appeared in a $2,500 touring car which Watson accepted in exchange for "Ayreshire Queen," a valuable mare. On the appearance of the Boston dealer who sold the car to Davie, Watson learned that it had been paid for in part only, and that the dealers held a mortgage to secure the balance. The machine has been restored to the owners and Watson has got his mare back.

Pruning



From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

LIBERALS AGAIN IN FRONT

Election of Redmondites Gives Coalitionists Majority.

SEATS CAPTURED IN SUNDERLAND

Two Men Defeated Year Ago in This Constituency Are Returned by Good Pluralities.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—The return of a further list of unopposed Redmondites this afternoon sent the coalitionists again to the front with a total of 131 seats in the new parliament, against 128 now held by the unionists.

The state of the parties as named is as follows:

Government Coalition—Liberals, 90; Irish nationalists, 25; labor members, 16. Total, 131.

Opposition—Unionists, 128.

John Sharp Higham of the Sowerby division of York was the sole liberal returned unopposed today. Among the nationalists rechosen without contest were John Dillon of Mayo and William H. K. Redmond of Clare. Among the unionists unopposed were Sir Charles A. Cripps, Wicombe division of Buckinghamshire; James William Lowther, speaker of the House of Commons, of Cumberland, and Ernest Gardner of Berkshire.

The prminent features in today's early returns in the parliamentary elections was the capture of Sunderland by the coalition parties. T. Hamar Greenwood, the Canadian liberal, who returns to the House of Commons after an absence of less than a year, and Frank Goldstone, the laborite, turned out the two unionist members, S. Storey, independent tariff reformer, and J. Knott, who were elected last January by majorities of 741 and 1,212, respectively.

The polling took place in Sunderland yesterday, but the results were not announced until today. Greenwood received a majority of 1,697, and Goldstone had a margin of 991 votes.

The turn over is attributed in part at least to the bitterness of the boilermakers in the Sunderland district, who were locked out some months before.

The results in Newcastle-on-Tyne were also made known for the first time today. They show no change, E. Shortt, liberal, being returned by a majority of 3,684, and W. Hudson, laborite, being re-elected with 3,532 votes to spare. In the preceding election the liberal and laborite majorities over the unionists were 4,712 and 4,174, respectively.

Among the unopposed returned was John Dillon, nationalist member for the east division of Mayo.

New Trial Asked for Weighers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—A motion was made today for a new trial in the case of Charles D. Drew and Charles H. Wardell, the boss custom weighers convicted last September of having taken money from Arbuckle Bros. for the false weighing of sugar.

Arizona Constitution Adopted.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 6.—The final stage of the constitutional convention was reached today when the portion of the constitution considered by the committee of the whole last night was adopted.

For Christmas.

The want ad pages are particularly interesting to Christmas shoppers.

Before you start out on your shopping tour today look over the column "For Christmas" on the first Want Ad page.

There you will find a large number of Omaha merchants who are offering suggestions of things which they have suitable for Christmas presents.

Many little things out of the ordinary are mentioned there. Look them over.

They will interest you and aid you in completing your purchases.

Mr. and Mrs. Deitz, Son and Daughter Plead Not Guilty

Defender of Cameron Dam Files Affidavits of Prejudice Against All Judges in State But Three.

HAYWARD, Wis., Dec. 6.—The case of John Dietz, his wife, Hattie, and son, Leslie, came up before Judge Wickham in the circuit court today. They pleaded not guilty to the charge of killing Deputy Sheriff Oscar Harp on October 8. The attorneys for the defense made an attempt to have the trial postponed until December 12, but the postponement was not granted.

The defense then filed affidavit of prejudice against Judge Wickham and all of the other judges in Wisconsin except those in the First and Thirteenth districts. Judge Wickham accepted the affidavit so far as it related to himself and ordered it filed.

USES MILK TO PUT OUT FIRE

South Dakota Farmer Saves Load of Household Goods by Unusual Means.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—A new and novel kind of a fire department is reported from Gregory county.

Fred Benty, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Benty, who reside on a homestead in that county, was taking home some household goods, consisting of mattresses and other articles which had been purchased at a sale on a farm some miles away. A fresh cow which also had been purchased at the sale was tied to the back of the wagon. Young Benty was walking along behind the cow when he discovered that the mattresses were on fire.

There was no water at hand, so hastily securing a bucket the boy hurriedly milked the cow and with the milk extinguished the fire, which for a time threatened to destroy the wagon and its contents.

MEAT PACKERS ASK FOR DELAY

Indicted Men Want Postponement of Criminal Case Until After Equity Case is Decided.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—Counsel representing the indicted meat packers today filed a petition in the federal district court asking that further prosecution of the charges made in the indictments be withheld until the disposal of the suit in equity filed last February before Judge Peter S. Grosscup in the United States circuit court.

The suit in equity asked the dissolution of the National Packing company, which the government charges is the so-called "Beef trust," and which is officered and directed by owners and officials of the three chief packing houses, the Armours, Swifts and Morrisses.

ARKANSAS GAINS ONE-FIFTH

Census Returns Show State Has Population of More Than Million and Half.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Population statistics of the thirteenth census issued today by the census bureau include figures for the following states:

Arkansas 1,574,449, an increase of 267,855, or 20 per cent over 1,311,564 in 1900.

The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 153,350, or 16.3 per cent.

South Carolina 1,515,400, an increase of 175,084, or 12.1 per cent over 1,340,316 in 1900.

The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 189,167, or 16.4 per cent.

FEATURES OF ESTIMATES

Some of the Items for Which Appropriations Are Asked.

MUCH BELOW THE LAST BUDGET

Secretary MacVeagh Sends in Special Abstract of Estimates for the Government's Uses for the Year 1912.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The estimates of appropriations required for every branch of the federal government in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912, aggregating $748,414,861, were submitted to congress today by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh. This total stands against estimates of $714,967,197 and appropriations of $666,294,813 for the current fiscal year, which included more than $16,000,000 for the census and $10,000,000 for postal and other deficiencies.

The estimates today were distributed as follows:

War department	$206,257,548
Interior department	180,151,875
Treasury department	141,599,997
Agriculture department	19,681,996
Navy Department	128,942,138
Commerce and Labor	16,276,709
District of Columbia	12,092,788
Legislative	12,426,906
Justice	10,915,576
State department	4,875,576
Independent offices, including Interstate Commerce commission	3,638,636
Postoffice department	1,027,490
Deficiency in postal revenue, no estimate yet.	
Executive	998,170
Territorial governments	202,150

What the Items Are.

There are no striking features in this year's estimates. Among the items are:

Increase in the navy, $23,294,048, including $12,840,428 for construction and steam machinery and armor and armament in the proposed building program for 1912 and $3,000,000 for armor and vessels already authorized. For hulls and outfits of vessels and steam machinery of vessels heretofore authorized, $6,631,786 is asked; for submarine torpedo boats and subsurface destroyers, $456,934. An estimate of $531,000 is made because of two fleet colliers already authorized and it is pointed out that in order to construct a collier on the Pacific coast in the government yard congress must increase the limit of the cost of the second from $1,000,000 to $1,500,000.

A lump appropriation of $1,000,000 is asked to enable the secretary of the navy to establish at such places as he may deem necessary suitable depots for coal and other fuel for the supply of warships. The estimate for naval barracks and quarters in the Philippines is $600,000 in place of the present appropriation of $375,000, and $5,000 is estimated for wireless experiments in the Philippines to obtain a system having relation to the army, navy, Philippine government and the commercial community. For dummy guns and mortars for instruction of the coast artillery $300,000 is asked. For a torpedo station "near the Pacific coast" $25,000 is asked in addition to the $145,000 appropriated for this year.

There is a $100,000 increase for the Alaska-Canada boundary works and $87,000 for enforcement of the insecticide act. There are many items of appropriation needed for public works of various kinds, aggregating $28,848,399, civil, and $94,419,562 under War department.

Million for Denver.

The largest amounts for buildings are $1,000,000 for continuing the erection of the postoffice building at Denver, Colo.; $150,000 for a site and continuation of appraisers' building at Boston, Mass.; $550,000 for continuing New Orleans postoffice and court house construction, $1,250,000 for con-

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Judge Baldwin Returns Letters from Roosevelt

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 6.—Colonel Roosevelt has written to Governor-elect Baldwin several times since the election of November, it is understood, but the letters have been returned. There has been no definite adjustment of the controversy which arose over Colonel Roosevelt's criticism of Judge Baldwin's alleged attitude towards workingmen's compensation laws, but mutual friends are said to be trying to bring about a reconciliation.

Colonel Ullman, president of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce, has been in correspondence with Colonel Roosevelt, in order to pave the way for acceptance by Judge Baldwin of the invitation to address the chamber at its banquet next Tuesday, when Colonel Roosevelt will be the guest of honor.

It is said Judge Baldwin insists that a public statement must come from Colonel Roosevelt touching on the latter's speech at Concord, N. H., before direct communication will be considered. Pending a statement from Colonel Roosevelt, there is no acceptance by Judge Baldwin, of the invitation to the banquet as a guest and speaker.

It is also understood, Colonel Roosevelt need not expect any service of legal papers upon him, when he comes here, in a suit or alleged damages which Judge Baldwin during the campaign said he would bring against his critic unless there was a disavowal of the statements contained in the speech in question, which statements, the judge maintained are a reflection on his standing as a member of the bar.

CONGRESS HEARS TAFT'S MESSAGE

Annual Communication from Chief Executive Occupies the Time of Both Houses.

THREE NEW SENATORS SWORN IN

Lafayette Young Says He Will Do His Best.

WEBSTER VISITS PRESIDENT

Judge McHugh is Discussed in the Conference.

BANK GUARANTY CASES SOON

Counsel for Nebraska Have Not Settled Question as to Who Will Make Argument for Their Client.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Practically all the time in both houses of congress today was occupied in the reading of President Taft's message. In the senate three new senators were sworn in. They are Claude A. Swanson of Virginia, who succeeds the late John W. Daniel; Joseph M. Terrell of Georgia, successor to the late Senator A. S. Clay, and Lafayette Young of Iowa, who takes the seat made vacant by the death of Senator J. F. Dolliver.

In the house the message commanded the attention of the members to the exclusion of other business.

Both houses adjourned early until noon tomorrow.

"I am here to do the will of the people," said Senator Young, after his induction into office. "I wear no man's collar and whether I remain in the senate for a short or for a long period, I am going to do the best for the country that I know him. I can say, however, it feels good to be a senator of the United States."

Reading of Message.

Congress gave respectful attention to President Taft's message today, but there were comparatively few members who were willing to concede the probability of favorable action at the present session on many of the recommendations contained therein. This was in view of the fact that the session will close March 4.

The message was delivered to both houses by Secretary Latta soon after they convened at noon. Mr. Latta made his first appearance in the senate, arriving immediately after the announcement of the president's intention to communicate his views "in writing."

This announcement was made by Senator Cullom on behalf of himself and Senator Money, who constituted the senatorial committee to inform the president that the senate was prepared to receive recommendations from him. Almost immediately afterward Mr. Latta delivered the message to the house. The reading of the document, which was of unusual length, was begun at 12:19 p. m. in the senate. At first most of the senators listened attentively to the reading, but gradually this attention ceased on the part of most of them and those who remained in the chamber devoted themselves to printed copies before them. This also was the case in the house.

Webster at White House.

John L. Webster, at the special request of President Taft, called at the White House today, and it is understood discussed Judge W. D. McHugh for a place on the supreme bench. He also discussed with the president several other names that have been suggested for vacancies in that tribunal. Later, on the invitation of Attorney General Wickersham, Mr. Webster covered much of the same field he had before gone over with the president as to available material for the supreme court.

Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma bank guaranty cases, which have been invited for argument before the supreme court, will in all probability be reached tomorrow. Counsel for the state of Nebraska, so far as is known, have not settled the question as to who should make argument for their client, but it may be that upon request of Attorney General Mullen both Whedon and Albert will be heard, the time allotted to the side of the state being divided between them. Mr. Webster will present the bankers' side of the case, his associate, ex-Senator W. V. Allen, having decided to remain in Nebraska.

NOMINATIONS SENT TO SENATE

Several Hundred Recess Appointments Go In for Confirmation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Among several hundred nominations sent to the senate by the president today were those of John W. Garrett of Maryland, to be United States minister to Venezuela and Charles S. Wilson of Maine, to be secretary of embassy at Rome, Italy.

The nomination of Frederick W. Lehmann of Missouri to be solicitor-general also was sent in today.

Practically all the nominations were to cover recess appointments already announced.

Other nominations are:

John C. Ames, collector of customs of district of Chicago; Julius S. Starr, surveyor of customs for Peoria, Ill.; E. H. Randolph, United States attorney, western district of Louisiana; Alexander Dunnett, United States attorney, Vermont, and Jesse W. Bonner, auditor for Porto Rico.

BIG RED APPLES FOR CANNON

Prospective Speaker of House Presents Fruit to Present Speaker.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Representative Champ Clark, prospective speaker of the house, who presented President Taft with two luscious red apples a few days ago and then asked for the appointment of a Missouri man as an associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, today gave two apples of the same kind to Speaker Cannon. He said that he had no favors to ask of the present speaker, but merely desired to introduce the fruit of Pike county, Missouri.

Dentist Killed in a Fight.

GRAND PRAIRIE, Tex., Dec. 6.—During a fisticuff yesterday between Dr. O. B. Nicholson, a local dentist, and Hugh Foster, an 18-year-old youth, Nicholson was felled by a blow. In falling his neck was broken and he died within an hour.

Convict Accidentally Killed.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 6.—Frank W. Dowell, 26 years old, a convict at the state penitentiary at Lansing, was killed today while working in the prison mine. A heavy timber fell on him. He was serving a ten-year sentence for murder.

Foot Ball Player Dies of Injuries.

ENID, Okl., Dec. 6.—W. L. Eagon, a member of the Northwestern Normal foot ball team of Alva, Okl., died early today as the result of injuries sustained in a foot ball game last week. His home was at Watonga, Okl.