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GRAFT CHARGE BUSINESS MEN AGAINST AN OFFICER ANNOUNCE PLANS

INSPECTOR M'CANN OF CHICAGO POLICE FORCE INDICTED BY GRAND JURY.

REPRESENTATIVES OF HAMILTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VISIT MISSOULA.

MALFEASANCE IN OFFICE FOR PERMANENT EXHIBIT

For Protection of Vice of All Descriptions It is Alleged That a Regular System of Toll Taking Has Been Maintained—Four Others Indicted—One a Millionaire.

Sid Ward and Secretary Irwin Hold Conference With Superintendent Rapelle in Regard to Leasing of Lots Belonging to Railroad—Wish to Build Home for Organization.

Chicago, July 24.—Police Inspector Edward C. McCann was indicted today charged with malfeasance in office. In the alleged collection of "protection" money from illegal West Side tendorlin residents. McCann's predicament was foreshadowed yesterday, when an indictment was returned against Detective Sergeant Jeremiah Griffin, alleged to have confessed as to details of the alleged "graft" and M. A. Sanchez, who is charged with the collection of money on the pretext that he would secure protection.

Yesterday morning Sid Ward, a member of the executive committee of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce and W. C. Irwin, secretary of the organization, came to Missoula, making the trip in Mr. Ward's automobile. The two bitter Root boosters made the trip for the special purpose of holding a conference with Superintendent Rapelle of the Rocky Mountain division, to discuss with him a matter of great importance to the Apple town and its new chamber of commerce. Between the Northern Pacific's depot there and the Hamilton hotel are two lots, the property of the railroad. These lots are vacant, but it has been promised by the corporation that owns them that they shall be converted into a park. Yesterday's conference brought out a proposition from Hamilton to the railroad, whereby the city will undertake to park the lots, providing a lease is granted by the Northern Pacific.

Plan New Building.

It is the plan of the chamber of commerce to put up a building on the two lots, to erect a structure that shall serve as a permanent home for the organization and shall contain an exhibit of the Bitter Root valley, its products and its resources. Mr. Rapelle received the delegation of yesterday very graciously and it is considered probable that the lease will be granted, although nothing official has as yet been announced and it is necessary to take the matter up with higher officials of the road.

A bright young man from the east one who has been in the west long enough to catch its spirit and its push, is Mr. Irwin, the newly appointed secretary of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce. He came to Montana from Chicago, where he had been in business, lured by reports sent back by a relative who had located in the valley. He brings to his new position a wealth of experience in practical business and he has already shown that his brain is filled with good ideas. He is a young man, but not too young, as he is reported to be the best of the many who boost the valley and Montana.

Mr. Irwin and Mr. Ward will return to Hamilton this afternoon.

PUGET SOUND MEETS RATE.

Seattle, July 24.—The Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound road today announced a reduction of lumber rates from Montana points to points in the middle west, similar to those ordered by the interstate commerce commission in the case of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific.

MINER GOES INSANE.

Special to The Daily Missoulian. Wallace, July 24.—J. Chapman, a miner at Mullan, suddenly went insane in the lobby of a hotel there this morning and began breaking the furniture and yelling with all the power of his lungs. Two police officers and bystanders overpowered him.

NO RECOURSE FOR UNCLE SAM'S MEN

Washington, July 24.—Injured by a rolling log, mistreated, as he alleges, by a physician under government contract to treat him at the Good Samaritan hospital in Washington state, and claiming reimbursement as the result of such mistreatment, Ole B. Surost, an Okanogan reclamation service employe at Concanony, today was advised that he had no redress from the government.

"A person who enters into a contract with the United States which provides for the performance of a service by one of its agents must be presumed to do so in recognition of the well known rule of law that the United States is not liable for the negligence of its employes," holds the comptroller of the treasury.

PLEASANT HOMECOMING



REGISTRATION GROWS MUCH HEAVIER DAILY

YESTERDAY'S TOTAL, 2,937, FOURTH LARGEST OF PERIOD.—GRAND TOTAL 25,673.

With the arrival of several hundred people from Butte and Anaconda, along with many others from all over the nation, the business of registration for yesterday was rather heavy, but the notaries did not do all the business, as many of the homecomers thronged the stores of the city and made themselves at home. Yesterday's total, 2,937, is the fourth largest of the registration period thus far passed, the only three days that showed larger totals being July 15, 19 and 20, the first named day being the opening one.

Thus far the grand total of registrations for the first nine days is 25,673, and if the present rate is kept up the final grand total promises to reach the 60,000 mark. There remain 10 days in which intending homecomers may register for the reservation lands, and from all indications the rush from now to the end will be greater than ever before. The railroad people state that several special trains are scheduled to arrive in this city within the next 10 days, and they will bring their full quota of registrants.

Grand Total.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Registrations. Grand total 25,673.

Yesterday's Total. The number of registrations received by each notary public yesterday is as follows:

Table listing notaries and their registration counts for the previous day.

More Spokane Notaries.

Spokane, July 24.—Eight additional notaries were appointed in Spokane today to take applications for land registration. The estimated number of registrations at Spokane today is 4,000; at Coeur d'Alene, 5,000; at Missoula, 3,000, and at Kalispell, 1,700.

BLACK HANDS CONVICTED.

Winnipeg, July 24.—After a sensational trial at Fort Frances, the Italian, Francisco Tono, Bissant and Diastri, were sentenced to five years each in the penitentiary for Black Hand work. The evidence showed that branches were flourishing in Duluth, Hibbing and Ironwood, as well as in Canada. A blood-curdling oath was taken over a two-foot-long knife by members of the society.

NO COUNCIL MEETING CALLED FOR MONDAY

There will be no special meeting of the city council Monday night to consider the question of retail liquor licenses or any other question unless there is a radical change in conditions since last night. Mayor Logan said to The Missoulian last night: "It is not correct that I have called a special meeting for Monday night. I stated early in the week the conditions under which I would call such a meeting but these conditions have not been complied with and I have not called any meeting. I have also stated that, under any conditions, I would not call a meeting unless I knew all the afternoon were to be present and tonight I am informed that one member of the council will be out of town Monday; so there would be no meeting anyway. But, as I have said, other conditions which I imposed have not been met and I see now no reason why I should call a meeting. Unless something occurs which I cannot now foresee, there will be no meeting of the city council Monday night."

MORAL WAVE STRIKES NEW HEAD OF POLICE

COMMISSIONER BAKER CAUSES ARREST OF SALOME DANCER DRASTIC ACTION PROMISED.

New York, July 24.—Gertrude Hoffman, the dancer, was arraigned in police court today and paroled until next Tuesday, when the court will take up the question whether or not her performance at a local theater is "indecent, suggestive and immoral, and offensive to public decency," as the complaint charged. The arrest of Miss Hoffman, the Salome dancer, marks the beginning of a campaign against questionable theatrical productions by the new police head, Commissioner Baker. It became known today that the order for the arrest came from Commissioner Baker himself. Other arrests are to be made, says the commissioner, unless certain performances particularly the dances now given in the city are decidedly reformed.

"I am going to take drastic action," said the commissioner today, "and owners, lessees and managers must obey the law." Mr. Baker said that he did not order Miss Hoffman's arrest until after he had sent six persons to see her dance and later saw the dance himself. He and the others agreed, he said, that the exhibition was improper. Court developments today showed that the charge in the Hoffman case hinges on the definition of "rights." "I will let the show go on," said Police Magistrate Steiner, "provided the young woman wears tights." Miss Hoffman protested that she did wear tights, but their knee length was what caused Police criticism.

BISHOP CARROLL WILL PRESIDE.

Helena, July 24.—The annual meeting of the Catholic Educational association of the diocese of Helena will take place next week at St. Helena school in this city, beginning July 27. The teachers of Anaconda, Missoula and Butte will be in attendance. The meeting will be conducted by J. H. Haaven, district superintendent of the New York public schools. Bishop J. P. Carroll will preside.

FOR MONTANA CITIES.

Special to The Daily Missoulian. Washington, July 24.—Senator Carter has introduced bills appropriating \$125,000 for a government building at Livingston, where a site has already been purchased, and \$115,000 for a site and building at Bozeman.

SPOKANE DELEGATES CHOSEN BY ALLEN

Helena, July 24.—The following delegates to the National Irrigation congress to be held at Spokane August 9-14 inclusive, were appointed today by Lieutenant Governor Allen, president of the Montana Development League: Miles Romney, Hamilton; William Lindsay, Glendive; J. E. Morse, Dillon; Dr. W. X. Sudduth, Billings, and T. M. Everett, Harlow.

CHOLERA IS SPREADING.

Berlin, July 24.—Cholera appears to have spread to various Russian Baltic ports, and a quarantine has been applied to all German points of arrival from the Baltic.

ENTIRE WEEK DEVOTED TO HIDES DEADLY BOLTS STRIKE FOUR TIMES

CONFEREES SAY THEY WILL BE FREE BUT STATEMENT IS NOT OFFICIAL.

PECULIAR AND FATAL FREAK OF LIGHTNING IN A UTAH TOWN.

WILL WORK ON SUNDAY

To Spend the Sabbath Day Wrestling With the Knotty Problems That Confront Them—Forecast Made of Settlement of Question of Oil, Hides, Lumber, Coal and Print Paper.

ONE HOUSE THE TARGET

Residence of John H. Singleton Struck Four Times Within Few Minutes—Mrs. Singleton Killed Outright—Singleton and Little Son Rendered Unconscious and Neighbor Injured.

Washington, July 24.—The hide question was settled and unsettled today and while there seems little doubt that eventually hides will fall among the unprotected articles on the tariff bill, the contest over the schedule cannot be regarded as closed. With the conferees adjourned for luncheon, several of them said that it had been decided that hides should go on the free list. Tonight the same conferees declare that hides will be free, but that the question has not been decided officially.

None of the questions made prominent throughout the country by President Taft's interest in them has been adjusted, although the conferees have been in strict executive session since noon yesterday. The adjournment tonight was until 10 o'clock tomorrow. The conferees expect to spend a large part of Sunday wrestling with these problems. The indications are tonight that the conferees rates upon the important question still in dispute will be settled as follows:

Hides and oil free; lumber, rough, \$1.25 a 1,000 feet, with proportionate differentials; coal, 45 cents a ton, without the house reciprocal conditions; iron ore, 15 cents a ton; print paper, \$3.75 a ton. Practically one full week has been occupied by the conferees in an effort to settle these questions. Most of the time has been devoted to hides. This subject was complicated by reason of statements coming from boot and shoe interests that they were ready to agree to substantial reductions in the duties on leather goods if hides were put on the free list. These interests apparently felt sure that there could be no reduction on boots and shoes below 15 per cent ad valorem, the house rate.

President Taft stated to a number of his callers that he would insist upon a reduction to at least 10 per cent ad valorem with proportionate decreases in the rates on other leather goods. This further complicated the situation. Reports reached the conference room late today that Speaker Cannon and Parliamentarian Hinds had decided it would be impossible for the conferees to adopt a rate on boots and shoes lower than the rate adopted by either branch of congress.

Advocates of protected hides declared that there must be a proportionate reduction on leather to offset the abolition of the duty on hides if their votes were to be counted upon to adopt the conference report. This statement came from such men as Senator Warren and Senator Smoot. They said similar views were held by others, including Senators Carter and Heyburn. As a result of the declaration by the men interested in protected hides, which amounted almost to an ultimatum, some of those who are looking for an early adjustment of the tariff differences were filled with consternation.

Some of the western senators already are said to be greatly dissatisfied with the action taken by the conferees in decreasing senate rates on lead and its products. It was stated that it would take very little to induce them to vote against the conference report. Senator Aldrich was of the opinion that the conferees could reduce rates below those fixed by either house without the adoption of a concurrent resolution. However, a canvass will be made of the two bodies to ascertain whether a concurrent resolution conferring jurisdiction to lower rates below those fixed by either house could be adopted.

Iron ore was taken up at the afternoon session today, but the rate was not fixed. A report that the conferees had agreed upon a duty of 20 cents a ton was accepted as true by senators and representatives from states interested in the iron ore question.

NOT ONE JUROR SECURED.

San Francisco, July 24.—The first week devoted to the formation of the jury that will try Patrick Caihoun, president of the United Railroads on a second indictment, charging the offer of a bribe, ends today without the qualification of a single talsman. The general result of four days' effort is regarded as discouraging. Of the 400 citizens summoned, scarcely half appeared in court, and but 70 reached the stage of interrogation by the attorneys.

MADE NICE FLIGHT.

Washington, July 24.—Orville Wright remained aloft in his aeroplane 20 minutes and 30 seconds in a trial at Fort Myer late today. "He made a successful landing."

American Forks, Utah, July 24.—Within a few minutes last night four bolts of lightning struck the residence of John H. Singleton, killing his wife, May L. Singleton, aged 28 years, rendering himself and his son unconscious, and knocking down his brother and a neighbor, who came to their assistance. While Singleton and J. E. Farrell, his neighbor, are still in a serious condition, it is believed that they will recover. Dell Singleton, the brother, and the 4-year-old boy were severely shocked but are out of danger.

Singleton's son was sitting on the front porch when the first bolt struck the house. He gave a scream and Singleton rushed out, finding him lying on the porch unconscious. He carried him into the house and placed him in a tub of water to revive him. While he was bathing the boy the second bolt struck the house, and Singleton was hurled across the room. The boy received the second shock when his father did, and was again prostrated. When the second bolt struck the house was enveloped in a blue flame, which attracted the attention of neighbors. Mrs. Singleton, who was in the front room, rushed into the kitchen, where she found her husband lying unconscious on the floor and her son in the tub. She rushed to the front door to call for help. When she opened the front door the third bolt struck her, killing her instantly. She was thrown back into the room. Her clothes were torn from her body and her flesh was burned about her face, neck and chest. Singleton recovered sufficiently to stagger to the front room. He saw his wife lying on the floor and ran out into the street to call for help. He met his brother Dell and Farrell at the front gate. Everything was in darkness, and Dell Singleton carried a lantern. Dell Singleton was ahead and was knocked down and the lantern hurled several feet and demolished. Farrell, who was following close behind him, was knocked unconscious on the sidewalk. John H. Singleton escaped the fourth bolt with a slight shock and rushed to the neighbors for help.

Several persons came and Mrs. Singleton was carried out of the house to a neighbor's place. The boy was also removed and Farrell was assisted to his home. He was still unconscious this morning. Singleton became prostrated over the death of his wife and a physician was called to attend him. The house was shaken to its foundations by the bolts of lightning. Several windows were smashed by the jar.

SIX MONTHS BRIDE SHOOT DOWN HUSBAND

Portland, Ore., July 24.—Dr. Roy M. A. Collins, one of Portland's leading young physicians and surgeons, was shot and instantly killed by his wife, a bride of six months, at the residence of Major J. A. Sladen, 722 Planders street, at 8 o'clock this morning. The only motive advanced for the crime is that of temporary mental aberration, brought on by unrequited jealousy, impelling the woman to commit the deed. Mrs. Collins is alleged to have confessed the crime to Dr. Charles B. Frisbie, a friend of Dr. Collins, who was summoned immediately after the shooting. When Dr. Frisbie reached the scene Dr. Collins was dead. Mrs. Collins was arrested and taken to the city prison.

It appears that Mrs. Collins has for some time been insanely jealous of her husband, but so far as any of their intimate friends knew there was no foundation for her suspicions.

Mrs. Collins was formerly a Mrs. Van Winkle, and is of a prominent Portland family. Dr. and Mrs. Collins had just moved into the home of Major Sladen, which they were to occupy for the summer.