

SHERMAN IS EXONERATED ENTIRELY

SPECIAL COMMITTEE RENDERS REPORT, FINDING VICE PRESIDENT NOT GUILTY.

SENATOR GORE SATISFIED

Investigation Into the Charges Made by Senator From Oklahoma Are Summed Up by Special Congressional Committee—Full Details of Findings Submitted.

Sulphur, Okla., Aug. 20.—The select committee appointed by the house of representatives to investigate Indian land affairs and the so-called McMurray contracts, and which also has been investigating the Gore bribery charges, tonight issued the following statement:

"The committee has heard and carefully considered all of the testimony submitted and is unanimous in the opinion that there is and was no warrant for any person to use the names of Vice President Sherman and Senator Charles Curtis in connection with any improper relation with any Indian contract whatever."

This is the opinion of the committee after hearing scores of witnesses, who appeared following the testimony of Senator Gore. Senator Gore declared he had been approached by Jake L. Hamon and that Hamon, acting in the interest of J. F. McMurray, had offered him (Senator Gore) \$25,000 or \$50,000 as a bribe to promote in congress the contracts by which McMurray was to receive 10 per cent attorneys' fees on the sale of \$20,000,000 worth of Indian lands.

Senator Testifies. The senator testified that Hamon mentioned Senator Curtis and Vice President Sherman as being "interested" in the deal. Mr. Sherman was named as the man "higher up." Hamon on the stand denied he had ever said anything about the contracts to Gore.

The committee's report was signed by representatives Charles Burke, South Dakota; C. H. Miller, Minnesota; E. W. Saunders, Virginia; J. H. Stephens, Texas; and Philip P. Campbell, Kansas. In giving its decision today the committee announced it had received from Senator Gore a statement relative to Vice President Sherman and Senator Curtis and that the committee "commended Senator Gore's statement." This statement from Senator Gore, which was read and inserted in the official record of the investigation, was as follows, in part:

Committee Report. "To the Investigating Committee: I feel in duty and in honor bound to make the following statement, also in consideration of common justice to the parties concerned. Neither the name of Vice President Sherman nor Senator Curtis was mentioned by me on the floor of the United States senate. That the name of either of these parties was alluded to by Mr. Hamon was steadfastly withheld from the public until this investigation began.

"No public mention of their names was ever made, either directly or indirectly, by me until I was required and obliged to do so, testifying as a witness under oath and detailing the conversation which occurred between Mr. Hamon and myself. I then made formal protest against introducing their names, but the committee, in the proper pursuit of its duties, required me to make a full answer without reservation.

Looking for Truth. "Their names were disclosed not with any view to incriminating them, nor with any view of suggesting guilt, but merely in order that the truth, and the whole truth, might be related with reference to the details of the conversation in question."

Hamilton People Invest in Darby. Darby, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Charles Tallent, A. E. Rooney and Frank Davis, all of Hamilton, were in Darby the past week and purchased lots in the new addition. The lots in the new addition are being rapidly snapped up by out-of-town people taking advantage of the reasonable terms under which they are being sold. Darby people are glad to see people from Hamilton purchase the lots, as it only assures the local residents that their faith in the future of the town is well based.

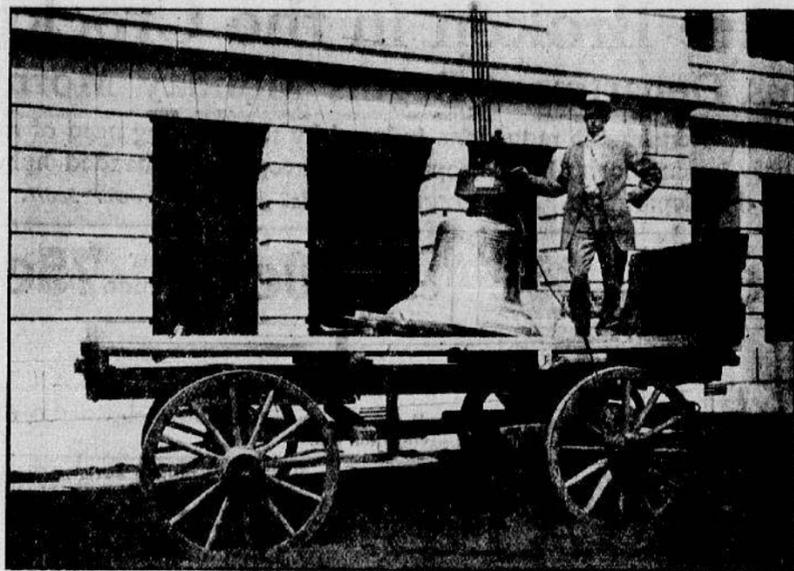
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No Council Meeting. Hamilton, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The council meeting which was scheduled for last Monday evening did not materialize as no quorum was present. The meeting was postponed until Monday evening, August 22.

Attachment Filed. Hamilton, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—An attachment against W. T. Pinkerton of Stevensville has been filed in the district court by the Stevensville Mercantile company.

Lewis May Not Go. Stevensville, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—O. E. Lewis of the Bitter Root Valley bank has received communication from Governor Norris notifying him of his appointment as a delegate to the National Irrigation congress to be held at Pueblo, Colo., convening September 28, 1910. Mr. Lewis does not know at this time whether it will be possible for him to attend the congress.

THE BIG COURTHOUSE CLOCK WILL BE READY WEDNESDAY



FRANK BORG AND THE BIG CLOCK BELL.

By Wednesday Frank Borg says the big clock in the courthouse tower will be installed and will be marking off the hours to every point of the compass. It has been a pretty big job. The big bell which is shown in the cut above weighs 2100 pounds and it took exactly a week to raise it from the wagon up to its place in the tower. But it is up now, and in place, and the big clock frame, weighing itself a little better than 900 pounds, is ready to connect with it. It is certain that by no later than Wednesday everything will be in shape. The four dials will be white and will be covered with brown glass to do away with the reflection of the sun. At night they will be illuminated by electric lights, which will be connected with the clock-work so that they will go on and off automatically. It will give the final touch to the completed courthouse and make it all that could be expected.

PICKPOCKET JAILED FAST BUTTE TEAM AUTOMOBILISTS END LONG RIDE

NIMBLE-FINGERED GENTLEMAN IS CAUGHT WITH GOODS IN STEVENSVILLE. M. J. B. COFFEES TO PLAY IN HAMILTON TODAY AND PARTY TRAVELS FROM CHICAGO TO HAMILTON IN BUZZ CART—ONE ACCIDENT.

Stevensville, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—A stranger, who was seen in this town for the first time yesterday, was arrested this morning at the Stevensville hotel by a deputy sheriff and the town marshal, for pilfering \$60 from the pocket of a local laborer. The man's name had not been ascertained this morning. He came to town yesterday and made the acquaintance of the laborer, who had been in town for several days with a roll accumulated while working for a rancher a short distance from town. According to the victim's story he was touched by his friend while the pair was on its way from the depot to town last evening. He was lodged in the city bastille to await examination.

Hamilton, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The M. J. B. Coffee team of the Butte City league will be in Hamilton on Sunday and Monday for games with the local aggregation. This team is one of the strong teams of the Copper city and should make it interesting for the locals. "Ike" Nelson, catcher for the Hamilton team last season, is doing the bookkeeping for the Coffees and is hitting at a fast clip, being second in the league, while he leads the league in stolen bases. Frank Lochner, the Bonner lumberjack pitcher, will probably be on the mound for Hammond's men on Sunday, while Gebau will do the tossing on Monday. The Sunday game will be called at 3:30, and the Monday game at 5:30 o'clock.

Stevensville, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Traveling all the way from Chicago by automobile, Frank Warner, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Manson, and her daughter, both of Christians, Pa., arrived in this city yesterday after a most enjoyable trip. The journey was made in a new Hildegarde automobile, one of the finest ever seen on our streets, and was marred by but one accident, a spring breaking in the neighborhood of Deer Lodge. The indicator registered a distance of 2,679 miles traveled when the car was stopped here. Mr. Warner left Stevensville last November for Cuba, where he spent the winter, returning in April to Pennsylvania, where he visited with relatives. At Chicago he purchased the automobile and, on his way to the Bitter Root, visited at places in Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado.

EASTERN TEACHERS VISIT BITTER ROOT

Hamilton, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—George C. Shultz, institute conductor and professor of mathematics at the State Normal school at Whitewater, Wis., accompanied by his daughter, Miss Ruth Shultz, a teacher in the schools of New York, arrived in Hamilton yesterday for an inspection of the fruit industry in the valley. Today they are at Charles Higgins' looking over the O. W. Kerr project. They will remain here until Monday, when they will continue their trip to Portland, Ore., returning east in time to resume their school duties.

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BITTER ROOTERS WED.

Hamilton, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Announcement has been made of the marriage in September of Miss Hazel Donson and Leroy Uhl, both of this city. Miss Donson is one of Hamilton's most popular young ladies and is a daughter of Mrs. E. E. Smith. Mr. Uhl is well known here, having been connected with local theaters, and is a son of Mrs. W. O. Fisk.

DOWLING IS READY TO BEGIN BUSINESS

Stevensville, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The new building constructed on Main Street by John Dowling will be occupied Monday by the owner with a large stock of general merchandise. The building is a fine one and is well suited to the needs of a general store. Mr. Dowling is not new in the business life of Stevensville, but has been associated with the Amos Buck Mercantile company and the Stevensville Mercantile company, besides operating a business of his own for several years. He will be assisted in his new business by his son, Lewis, and his daughter, Miss Minnie Dowling.

GOVERNORS TO ATTEND CONGRESS OF MINERS

Salt Lake City, Aug. 20.—By resolution the governors attending the conservation conference in this city accepted the invitation of Governor Gilbert of California to attend either personally or through personal representatives the session of the American mining congress at Los Angeles next month.

OUSTED FROM OFFICE

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 20.—Judge K. E. Wilcoxon, at Sigourney, has been ousted from an opinion contesting Thomas J. Phillips as mayor of Ottumwa, Iowa. At the trial of the mayor, held recently at Ottumwa, it is claimed by Attorney General Cesson, who prosecuted the hearing, that Mayor Phillips was guilty of willful neglect of duty in permitting resorts and gambling houses to run, and also that the mayor was intoxicated on April 30. Mayor Phillips's a leading democrat and was a candidate for governor on the democratic ticket some years ago.

MISSOULA IS CHOSEN NEXT CITY

THE MONTANA FEDERATION OF LABOR WILL MEET HERE NEXT YEAR.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

After Transacting Much Business Federation Adjourns, Following the Naming of Officers, M. M. Donoghue Being Re-Elected President—Details of Meeting at Great Falls.

Great Falls, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The convention of the Montana State Federation of Labor was brought to a close late this afternoon, the last few minutes being devoted to selecting a meeting place for next year, Billings, Anaconda and Missoula being proposed, the delegates from Missoula finally winning the plum.

The officers of the federation were elected at the morning session. M. M. Donoghue of Butte was re-elected president; H. O. Smith, Helena, vice president; O. M. Partelow of Butte, secretary-treasurer, the election of all being made by acclamation. The salary of President Donoghue was raised to \$40 per week, while that of Secretary Partelow was increased to \$25, both receiving an expense account while away from the headquarters.

Executive Committee. The executive committee was chosen as follows: Joseph E. Phillips, Helena; Harry E. Frenz, Great Falls; E. C. Shields, Butte; H. A. Denny, Anaconda; J. R. Froman, Missoula; Steve Ell, Sand Coulee; M. R. Nelson, Billings.

President Donoghue and Delegate McDonald of Billings were named as a committee to carry fraternal greetings to the United Mine Workers, which organization will meet at Billings next week. The secretary was instructed to correspond with central bodies throughout the state in regard to forming a political committee.

A committee of seven was appointed by the chair to meet another committee of seven of the Cascade trades and labor assembly for the purpose of ending the fight between the dual unions of Great Falls.

The executive committee met last evening and transacted much business. All of the delegates will leave for their homes tomorrow.

Plagues Missoulians. "Convention for Missoula, 1911. From an executive board. "MISSOULA DELEGATION" This was the word brought to Missoula that the Garden city was to have the next convention of the Montana State Federation of Labor. The bulletin, posted on the window of The Missoulian office, drew a big crowd and exclamations of pleasure were heard on every side.

"It is a great thing for Missoula," said President Williams of the Missoula Trades and Labor council. "It will bring some 600 delegates and as many more onlookers."

CASE POSTPONED. Hamilton, Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The trial of Walter H. White for the murder of his day-old son was postponed again yesterday, the case now being scheduled for October 17. The case was originally set for October 3, 1910.

New Pictures Monday Night at The Bijou

The Grand

SIMONS & SEARLES, Proprietors. Two evenings of moving pictures only, and four evenings of vaudeville at the Grand this week. Admission upstairs 5c; ground floor 10c. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday REFINED VAUDEVILLE PERFORMANCE EACH EVENING.

MARTINEZ & JEFFERSON Musical Skit. THE MILES QUARTETTE. Matinee Thursday, Friday and Saturday only. PRIZE MATINEE FRIDAY.

Month-End Sale You Can Find Bargains at the Crescent

The remaining days of August will be devoted to clearing the way for the new fall merchandise. Already the incoming supply is crowding the reserve stockroom. Now for your immediate wants.

Summer Gauze Underwear Reduced 20 Per Cent

We will reserve nothing; many styles and numbers; will serve for fall wear; garments for women and children. Children's black hose, in all sizes, 15c value, for the week, a pair 10c. School plaids for children, 36 inches wide, a splendid assortment, medium dark patterns, a yard, 50c and 75c. 35c zephyr gingham, 32 inches wide, in stripes, checks; complete assortment of patterns; the week, a yard, 19c.

Laces at Half Price

Insertions and lace edgings of embroidery, Vals, Normandies and Venice, on sale at ONE-HALF the regular marking; colors ecru and white.

Ribbon Sale

Ribbons, fancy and plain taffeta and satin, in all colors and black and white; values to 35c; for the week, yd., 15c.

Men's Suits Must All Go

Every man's suit bears a special price that makes it the best value ever purchased by any individual. The Crescent will not carry men's suits. On sale, not at a profit, but to find quick purchasers.

Men's Straw Hats at Half Price Men's Shoes at Half Price Men's Summer Underwear Greatly Reduced

The Crescent

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FREE!

Big basket of home-made candies to be given away absolutely free at The Isis Theater, Monday, Aug. 22 EXTRA BIG FEATURE "Ranch Life in the Great Southwest" Monday Night Other Pictures of interesting subjects and a beautiful illustrated song.

MISSOULIAN CLASS ADS BRING SATISFACTORY RESULTS

THE WEATHER

THE DESTRUCTION OF 7 AEROPLANES BY A TORNADO IN ILLINOIS SUGGESTS AEROLUS WREAKING A PERSONAL GRUDGE ON THE INVADERS OF HIS REALM. The weather yesterday was close and sultry and the smoke from the forest fires made it more so. The wind was not strong enough to roll the clouds of smoke away and the sun was not observed during the entire day. The following figures were given out by the local weather bureau: Minimum 47. At 6 a. m. 50. Thermometer 26.93. Barometer. At 6 p. m. 85. Thermometer 26.51. Barometer. Wind from the southwest.

NOTED ALLEGED CROOK HAS BEEN ARRESTED

El Paso, Aug. 20.—Fred D. Hill, arrested by the police to be a noted crook and swindler, was arrested here today, charged with passing fraudulent checks. Hill is said to be engaged in colonizing a tract of land in Mexico and to have received scores of checks from persons living in the middle west.