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$1,655,518 IN TAFT FUND FOR CAMPAIGN OF 1908; BANKS GAVE GOOD SHARE

But No Money From the Trusts Was Accepted, Hitchcock Tells Senators.

LAW WAS AGAINST THAT.

Still, Steel Men Chipped in, and Maybe the Banks Were Linked With Corporations.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—Postmaster-General Frank H. Hitchcock to-day told the Senate committee investigating campaign contributions of 1904 and 1908 that the records of the fund used in President Taft's election as filed in Albany, N. Y., were absolutely correct and that he could not supplement these reports by testimony.

Mr. Hitchcock said the total collected through various agencies of the committee in 1908 was $1,655,518.27. Of this amount $620,159 was collected in various States and handled by the local State committees. The latter sum never was turned into the treasury of the Republican National Committee, although that committee kept account of it.

Mr. Hitchcock promised to furnish the investigating committee with copies of the financial records of the campaign.

No contribution was received from a corporation, Mr. Hitchcock said, because Congress has just passed a law prohibiting it. He told of the only near contribution he could remember having rejected.

POWDER TRUST HEAD WANTED TO CONTRIBUTE.

It was offered by Gen. T. Coleman du Pont of Delaware, then a member of the Republican Executive Committee, actively assisting in the management of the campaign, and amounted to $50,000.

"He turned it over to the treasurer, George R. Sheldon," began Mr. Hitchcock. "When I learned of it, I sent for Mr. Du Pont and told him that I did not think we could accept it because the Government had a civil suit against a corporation in which he was interested. I instructed the treasurer to return it and he did so."

Mr. Hitchcock insisted that, with the exception of about twenty-five, all the contributions were below $5,000.

"We figured that the more persons we could get to invest the more interest they would take in the success of the venture," explained the former Chairman.

BANKS AND MEN CONNECTED WITH TRUSTS CHIPPED IN.

Among those who gave large contributions were: Charles P. Taft, brother of President Taft, who contributed $50,000; William Nelson Cromwell, $25,000 Mr. and Mrs. Lars Anderson, $25,000; Andrew Carnegie, $20,000; William Smith Cochran, $15,000; Frank Munsey, $10,000; Whitelaw Reid, $10,000; M. C. Borden, $10,000, and Gen. Corbin, for a number of persons, $10,000.

During the examination Mr. Hitchcock remembered that a number of banks contributed $5,000 each and that they might have been interested in corporations, but he thought at any rate that was a small contribution for them.

"Did the Tobacco Trust contribute?" inquired Senator Paynter.

"No, sir."

"Any of its stockholders?"

"Not to my knowledge. I am not especially familiar with the stockholders. I know by name those chiefly interested and I do not have any knowledge of such contributions being received."

"Any from stockholders of the Steel Corporation?"

"I believe some of the men I have mentioned as contributing at the opening of the campaign are interested in it. I think Mr. Frank Munsey is."

"And Mr. Cochran?" suggested Senator Oliver.

"Yes, sir."

Senator Paynter asked Mr. Hitchcock if he were acquainted with any of the stockholders of the International Harvester Company.

He said he knew the McCormicks, Frank Munsey, George Perkins and Clarence S. Funk.

So far as Mr. Hitchcock knew, neither Perkins, Funk nor the McCormicks contributed.

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ETHEL CONRAD, OF STOKES CASE FAME, WHO WAS FOUND DRUGGED.

TIED AND DRUGGED, ETHEL CONRAD IS FOUND ON ROAD

Young Woman in Stokes Case Discovered Unconscious on Washington Heights.

Ethel Conrad, one of the "Shooting Stars" who, with Lillian Graham, gained temporary fame a year ago by shooting W. E. D. Stokes in the legs, was found tied with a nine-foot length of clothesline, gagged with a handkerchief and semi-conscious, lying on a ledge of rock near One Hundred and Eighty-first street and Fort Washington avenue at 5 o'clock this morning.

It was not until Lillian Graham hurried to the Washington Heights Hospital that the Conrad girl, who had been sparring with two detectives for two hours after she was taken there in an effort to conceal her identity, admitted who she was. Miss Graham in leaving the hospital made vague reference to "threatening letters" which both she and Ethel Conrad had received since the conclusion of their trial.

Miss Graham also said that her friend Ethel, who had visited her last night, had left for home at 8.30 o'clock and had subsequently telephoned to her at 9.30, saying that she was at home. The Conrad girl persisted in her tale to the detectives that she had left Miss Graham's apartments near 1 o'clock.

She also said that after she fainted, following the attack made upon her by a "dark man with a mustache," the first flicker of returning consciousness she felt was the falling of rain upon her face.

A watchman for the C. K. G. Billings estate, who is known by the name of "Pop" Bailey and the driver of a milk wagon, discovered the girl. Though it had rained heavily early in the morning her clothing was not wet except where she lay on the rock. Her hands and feet were securely bound with a single piece of clothesline and a handkerchief was tied as a gag in her mouth with a heavy piece of string. Near at hand was a four-ounce bottle, empty but smelling of chloroform.

A tall man with a black mustache had followed her. She remembered only tasting and smelling something sweet which was held to her nose and then consciousness left her.

The girl's statement that she lived in "Apartment No. 22 opposite a red brick church" led the investigators to the Jessica apartments at No. 726 West One Hundred and Eighty-first street. There, in the apartment of that number, they found Mrs. Charles Nagle, the mother of Ethel Conrad, who said that her daughter had gone to visit Lillian Graham on the night before and had not returned.

Mrs. Nagle went to the hospital and completed the identification.

TAFT WILL NOT DIVIDE ELECTORS WITH ROOSEVELT

Chas. D. Hilles, Here to Open Campaign, Says There Will Be No Compromise.

HE SEES BOSS BARNES.

Authorizes the Opening of Office in the Times Building To-Morrow.

Charles D. Hilles, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, to-day formally opened the Taft national campaign in New York. After numerous conferences at the Hotel Manhattan, beginning with William Barnes jr. and continuing down the line until most of the Old Guard stalwarts had paid their respects, the young manager of the President's cause authorized the opening of offices in the Times Building to-morrow, and stated that permanent officers and committees of the National Committee will be chosen Friday.

In an extended interview Mr. Hilles stated that the suggestion of Congressman Rees of Kansas looking to the withdrawal of President Taft and Col. Roosevelt from the race had not gone very far.

"In fact," said Mr. Hilles humorously, "the Colonel halted any serious consideration of the matter by stating there was a conspiracy on foot to retire him from public life."

Regarding the move put forward by William Flinn in Pennsylvania, ex-Gov. Stokes in New Jersey and George Gaither in Maryland, to place the same names of the Presidential Electors on both the Republican and Bull Moose tickets, Mr. Hilles became serious.

"Even this early in the campaign I think that any such proposal will be resisted to the limit," he said. "There will be no compromise in the matter. I believe such a proposition is opposed to the spirit and letter of the law in the different States."

HIGH PLACE WILL BE GIVEN BOSS BARNES.

Mr. Hilles has been duly impressed by the dominating personality of Boss Barnes. He said the Albany overlord will be on either the Advisory or Executive Committee, but could not state which. It has been the custom, Mr. Hilles said, to build the Executive Committee of members of the National Committee. The Advisory Committee may include one or two National Committeemen, but will largely be composed of outsiders. Regarding the selection of a treasurer, Mr. Hilles professed the densest kind of ignorance.

He could not say whether President Taft had expressed a preference for Otto Bannard or John Wanamaker. Charles G. Dawes and David R. Forgan of Chicago are also mentioned. Then there is John Hays Hammond, whom many old line Republicans want appointed, and also E. F. Swinney of Kansas City. The place is believed to be between Messrs. Bannard and Hammond.

Mr. Hilles is a likable young man, tall, solemn and pleasing mannered. He has earnest blue eyes that look at you squarely and sharply. He is not of the loud, blatant type of political manager. He speaks differentially, even politely of T. R., whom he calls the "Colonel," talks frankly of wealthy matters—about the weightiest problem any young man may assume is the election of President Taft—and answers questions with sincerity sufficient to give his words the stamp of truth.

He stated that he came to New York to prepare the way for the coming of the sub-committee of the National Committee and that he would meet many of the leading Taft men here during to-day and to-morrow.

HIS ROOMS UNDER THOSE OF THE BULL MOOSERS.

Above Mr. Hilles's three-room suite on the eleventh floor of the Hotel Manhattan are the quarters of the financiers of the Bull Moose movement. As the President's genial secretary discussed freely his plans the feet of George W. Perkins, Senator Dixon and others of the Moosemen were discussing the Roosevelt campaign on the floor above.

Senator Dixon discussed the telegram he said President Taft had sent to Mayor Carter H. Harrison of Chicago

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SWARTZ IS ALIVE; TOO COWARDLY TO DIE, SAYS KINSMAN

Henry Alexander Declares Body in Hoboken Morgue Is Not That of Slayer.

SURE TO BE FOUND.

Does Not Know How to Take Care of Himself or Make a Living.

Henry Alexander, the brother-in-law of Nathan Swartz, was taken to Hoboken by Lieut. McKenna of the Central Office to-day to look at a body the Hoboken police believed was that of the slayer of Julia Connors. The young lawyer declared that the body was not that of his wife's kinsman.

The body had been recovered from the North River on Monday and was clad in a running suit such as Nathan Swartz often wore in gymnasium when he was trying to learn to be a prize-fighter. The body was that of a man about twenty-five years old and the measurements were those of the hunted man.

But when Alexander looked at the face he turned away.

"No," he said, "that is not Nathan. I was sure it was not when I heard of a body being here that looked like him. He did not kill himself. He is still alive. He is too much of a coward to kill himself. Why, he would yell like a baby at the merest scratch. While it would be better for all of us if he were dead I know he is not. He is skulking through the country somewhere near New York, and if the police will keep up the hunt they will soon find him. He does not know how to take care of himself. He does not know how to make a living."

The police are keeping a careful watch on all the morgues in this and nearby cities. The harbor squad has received orders to search the rivers and report at once the finding of a body that resembles the descriptions of Swartz.

An indictment charging Swartz with the murder of Julia Connors was filed by the Grand Jury to-day with Judge Mulqueen in Part I. of General Sessions.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

AT PITTSBURGH.

GIANTS— 2 0 0 3 0	—
PITTSBURGH— 0 0 0 0 0	0— 0

AT ST. LOUIS.

BROOKLYN— 2 0	—
ST. LOUIS— 0 0	—0

AT CHICAGO.

PHILADELPHIA— 0 2	—2
CHICAGO— 2 0	—

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

AT PHILADELPHIA.
FIRST GAME.

DETROIT— 0 4 2 0 1 0 6 0 0	—13
ATHLETICS— 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0	—1

AT BOSTON.
FIRST GAME.

CHICAGO— 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	—1
BOSTON— 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0

AT WASHINGTON.
FIRST GAME.

ST. LOUIS— 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	—0
WASHINGTON— 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	—1

Child Falls From Fire Escape.

Two-year-old Ellen Cassidy, at play on the fire escape on the third floor of her home, No. 637 Eleventh avenue, to-day, slipped and fell through the ladder opening to the street. She was taken to Roosevelt Hospital with concussion of the brain and possible internal injuries.

Widow of Murdered Gambler Who Accuses Police of Crime

MRS HERMAN ROSENTHAL

POLICE PERMITTED MURDER OF GAMBLER, SAYS WHITMAN

"Detective File Only Twelve Feet Away, Five Policemen Within 300 Feet of Shooting," Declares the Prosecutor.

District-Attorney Whitman to-day made this positive statement to The Evening World:

"I am not making war on the Police Department. I am not charging that the Police Department committed that crime, but I do charge that the police let the murder of Herman Rosenthal be committed and permitted the murderers to escape.

"Detective File was within twelve feet of the spot where the shooting occurred and made no effort to capture the men responsible for the killing and although he saw them all at close range he is unable to identify any of them. There were five policemen within three hundred feet of the spot where the killing occurred.

"I should have taken the furthest away policeman but fifteen seconds to reach the scene, and yet not one of them was there although some of them had but a few yards to move. I went all over the territory myself to make sure.

"They say that they pursued the touring car and saw it getting away from them. This is a lie. The taxicab taken by the police did not start until the touring car was out of sight. That I have absolute proof of.

DIDN'T START PURSUIT QUICK ENOUGH.

"They made no effort to start the taxi until the touring car containing the murderers was out of sight. The chauffeur, Hyman, told me so himself. You can't start a touring car at a forty-mile-an-hour clip. You must work up to it and in the time taken to start the car the assassins should have been captured.

"I charge that the police allowed the murder to be committed and allowed the murderers to escape. I have no quarrel with Mr. Waldo, but this is murder."

District-Attorney Whitman laid great stress on the word murder. He is thoroughly aroused over the shooting of Rosenthal and has been working until nearly daylight on the case. He was asked what he thought as to the probable guilt of the men whom the police were arresting as suspects in the killing.

"I think you will find it will be the same old story," replied Mr. Whitman. "A lot of men with unsavory records will be picked up and when we get down to brass tacks we will probably find that there is not a bit of evidence that will hold them on the charge. The responsibility for the whole matter lies with the policemen about the scene of the murder. They should have captured the assassins, but they made no effort to make arrests until the men were well out of sight.

POLICE TURNED IN SEVEN AUTO NUMBERS.

"Another thing that stands out prominently is the fact that the policemen turned in seven different automobile numbers, none of which was right. It remained for a passing stranger to get the right number, and he was treated rather unceremoniously when he offered the evidence.

"I am going right ahead with the gambling charges, and will summons before the Grand Jury all the witnesses who can testify as to any relations be-

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EAST SIDE GANGSTER, 'BOOB' WALKER, SOUGHT IN ROSENTHAL TRAGEDY

Army of Detectives Scour City After Release in $100 Bail of "Bridgie" Webber, Foe of Slain Gambler.

WHITMAN TO ACT ALONE, INDEPENDENT OF POLICE.

Says Department Has Failed, So He'll Put Facts Before the Grand Jury.

After the release on small bail of "Bridgie" Webber, the influential east side gambler who was arrested yesterday on the suspicion that he might know something of the plot which ended in the murder of Herman Rosenthal under the brilliant lights of the new Hotel Metropole in West Forty-third street early yesterday, the picked detectives who were assigned to the case showed great activity in looking for a man they called "Boob" Walker. They said they needed certain information which Walker had.

Walker is a follower of the fortunes of Webber. There is a legend on the east side that "Spanish Louis," who met violent death in East Eleventh street, was once ordered by Herman Rosenhal to kill Webber, and did break his jaw. Walker is said to have been in the neighborhood when "Spanish Louis" was shot and thrown in the gutter. Nobody was ever convicted of the murder of "Spanish Louis;" many persons of the underworld have claimed "the credit" of his murder.

As for Webber, his counsel A. T. Marshall, spoke up when Webber was taken before Coroner Feinberg and said his client had nothing to conceal and would aid the authorities at any time. Mr. Whitman accepted the promise as coming from Mr. Marshall and assented to nominal bail.

DENIES HE WAS ROSENTHAL'S ENEMY.

Webber, who had been treated by the police as though he was deeply involved in the killing of Rosenthal, walked out to the street from the Coroner's office and talked with apparent frankness.

"I was no enemy of Rosenthal," he said. "There was a story once that he told Spanish Louis to kill me. It may have been so, or it may have been all talk; I think it was talk. Anyway, Rosenthal and myself have been good friends of late. I lent him the money to pay his June rent. Would I want to see him killed? No.

"It is true that I was on the Sam Paul outing and that seven people at our poker table did not talk of anything else except Rosenthal's attack on Becker and the whole gambling game; there were remarks made about fixing him and getting him or squaring him. Some meant one thing and some meant another. But, so far as I am concerned, nobody had any idea he was to be killed.

"I was at the Metropole Tuesday morning about 1 o'clock and saw him there. I spoke to him—passed the time of day. I didn't sit down.

"I went out right after 1 o'clock and was back again at 3 o'clock after I had heard about Herman's being killed on the street. That's all I know."

Deputy Dougherty sent for Sam Paul this afternoon. Paul reached Headquarters at 5 o'clock, and was immediately closeted with Dougherty and Inspector Hughes.

FAILURE OF POLICE FORCES WHITMAN TO ACT.

District-Attorney Whitman issued a statement late this afternoon, rehearsing the circumstances of the murder, with especial relation to the actions of the police directly after the shooting. The statement came out immediately after Mr. Whitman had a not altogether pleasant conference with Deputy Commissioner Dougherty.

"I have no proof that the police were responsible for the murder of Rosenthal. I have not said so. My own personal opinions are of no public interest," he said in substance. "The circumstances at the time of the murder and thereafter are shocking to contemplate. The shocking failure of the police to do their duty has made the bringing of the criminals to justice most difficult.

"The death of Rosenthal makes an investigation of the charges he made very difficult. I have never promised to establish the connection of police corruption with criminal profit. The police having failed, it is now my duty to lay the whole matter before the Grand Jury, that justice may be done.

"With the police, we shall continue to co-operate in the matter of finding and bringing to punishment the murderers of Rosenthal."

MYSTERIOUS WOMAN'S STORY WEAKENED.

Great excitement was caused about the Criminal Courts Building this afternoon by the announcement that a young woman had gone before the Grand Jury and sworn that the gray automobile which had been hired out