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STRENGTHENS HILL'S HAND NO VOTE ON SHIP BILL

Pacific Deal a Good Thing for Him. Attempt to Get Agreement With Democrats.

ST. PAUL ANXIOUS NOW YOUNGER MEN OBJECT

Must Move or Be Left Out of Trans-continental Deals. They Threaten to Filibuster on Their Own Account.

BURLINGTON AND NOR. PACIFIC VOTE NEXT WEEK WAS HOPED FOR

Consolidation Is Now Rumored—The Wabash-Lackawanna Deal. Changes for Chippewa Timber and Park Legislation Are Not Good.

From a Staff Correspondent. Chicago, Feb. 9.—The announcement of the deal between the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific came as a surprise to the general public. Even many of the prominent ones in high financial circles were given no warning of that interesting bit of news.

Out of this announcement has come a new line of gossip as to what the St. Paul will do. The impression here is that the deal has strengthened Mr. Hill's chances of getting the St. Paul, if he wants it, and for the following reason:

The Union Pacific now has a route from Atlantic to Pacific. The St. Paul will see that it will have to hustle if it is to profit from a satisfactory combination. Its only hope of a transcontinental connection now is with the Northern Pacific or the Great Northern, or both.

May Have to Come to Hill. It is the opinion in prominent circles here that Mr. Hill has made a point as a result of the Pacific deal, and that while there was apparent disposition on the part of the St. Paul to demand of Mr. Hill more than he was willing to give in the recent negotiations for control or traffic agreement, the St. Paul will now rather have to seek Mr. Hill.

There is so much combination talk in the air that all the great trunk lines of the west may be said to be for sale or subject to new moves in combination deals. Rumors go so far as to affect the Rock Island and the Burlington systems, and since the deal of the two Pacifics the public is less ready to scoff at any reasonable proposition.

The Wabash Deal. The Lackawanna is now put down as pretty certain to have the Wabash. Through trains have been running over the Lackawanna and Wabash into St. Louis, and with profitable results. It is said. And now the Wabash has bought the Kansas City & Excelsior Springs road, which gives it direct entrance into Kansas City.

The Union Pacific is supposed to be friendly to this whole deal, because the Vanderbilt interests are strong in all these securities. The Union Pacific would thus be strengthened further by having a friendly road connecting at Kansas City. In effect there would be another transcontinental line via Kansas City.

Hill Expected to Do Something. The expectation is that Mr. Hill will have an announcement to make before long. No one here believes that he will not keep his end up in combination deals. He is credited with having the Erie, and with lacking only the link between Minneapolis and Chicago. There is something going on with Great Western, but no one seems to be clear as to just what it is. Other rumors have it that the Hill connection will be by the Wisconsin Central. The argument against this latter rumor is that the mileage is too long, that he will desire a shorter route than either can give. And so leaders in Chicago are looking for a Great Northern deal with the St. Paul. It may develop, of course, that Mr. Hill knows better what he wants than does the public, in which event he may do something along the combination line that has not as yet been suggested.

N. P. AND THE BURLINGTON

The Gossips Now Have These Systems Paired Off.

The latest rumor of railroad consolidation has it that the Northern Pacific and the Burlington are to operate under the "community of ownership" plan. The Burlington system has thus far been left out of the various transcontinental deals, but there is no apparent reason why it should not play an important part in the gigantic combinations which are being effected in Wall street through the manipulation of stocks.

It is pointed out that the Northern Pacific and the Burlington already have a track arrangement covering several hundred miles of line. The Burlington now hauls Northern Pacific cars from Kansas City to Billings, Mont., and the Northern Pacific hauls Burlington cars from Billings to the Pacific coast. The interchange of business is very close as the Burlington operates its own solid passenger trains through to Portland. As a further evidence of the traffic arrangement under which the two roads are operating, it is only necessary to quote the last circular, or time table, of the "Burlington Route," which says:

"The building of our new line from Brush, Col., to Alliance, Neb., opens up a new transcontinental route by way of Denver and Billings to Helena, Butte, Spokane and the northern Pacific coast. As a traffic arrangement becomes plausible. While the St. Paul has a vast system covering thousands of miles of territory in several states, the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy can make the same boast. It has a network of lines in Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Wyoming, South Dakota and Montana. It offers an excellent Chicago line, with dozens of feeders extending through many states, to the Northern Pacific at Minneapolis and St. Paul, and would thus offset any advantage which the Great Northern might have obtained by its control of the St. Paul.

MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE

PAULSON CONVICTED AT ALMA

Death of Mary Seidon to Be Avenged—Robbery and Arson Also Shown.

La Crosse, Wis., Feb. 9.—The jury in the Erick Peterson murder case at Alma, Wis., brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. Paulson was charged with murdering Mary Seidon, the 16-year-old daughter of Thomas Seidon, at Pepin, Wis., June 16, 1898. He robbed the house of \$300 and then set fire to it.

CONDEMNED THE KAISER. Berlin, Feb. 9.—The announcement of the conferring of the Order of the Black Eagle on Field Marshal Earl Roberts by Emperor William has aroused irritation among the public and the newspapers. The Kreuz Zeitung, one of the most loyal and most serious political organs, fears a misunderstanding between the emperor and the nation.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, it is noted, "says he was hazed good and strong at West Point, being tossed in a blanket, doused with cold water and otherwise reminded of his utter unworthiness."



THE UNACCOMMODATING BRITISH LION.

LIKE A BRYAN TOUR

Crowds at Every Station to See Mrs. Nation Pass Through.

DES MOINES HAS HER TO-DAY

She Says She Is Not Certain Whether She Will Do Any Smashing.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 9.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, the Kansas temperance crusader, arrived here to-day after being greeted by crowds at every station from Atlantic to Des Moines. In this city fully 1,000 people were at the depot.

Delegations from the local W. C. T. U. and the State Anti-Saloon league were there to greet Mrs. Nation's services in smashing drug stores. Mrs. Nation declared that she left her hatchet at Topeka.

"It may be," she added, "that I will not do any smashing in Des Moines, but there is no certainty of that. I do just what God calls on me to do. I shall remain in Des Moines over Sunday. I shall certainly visit the saloons during the day, peacefully I hope, but if the threats of the keepers of these places to kill me are put into effect, then I am ready to die in Des Moines."

Be Good and Smash. At Casey, Iowa, there were calls for a speech. Mrs. Nation went to the platform and said:

"My Dear Sisters and Brothers—I hope that you each will take a rock and throw it through the window of any saloon you may find in your town. This crusade has only started, and with proper push it will be a grand success. I hope to meet you in heaven. Not be good and crush the saloon."

At Anita, Dexter, Earlham and Valley Junction, Mrs. Nation made short addresses, telling each crowd to pick up stones if they could not find any hatchets and "bump the saloons on the head."

This afternoon hundreds of people gathered at Mrs. Nation's hotel to shake her hand.

The Biggest Devil. When her attention was called to a statement by the mayor of Chicago regarding her trip to that city, Mrs. Nation said:

"Mayor Harrison would better mind his own business. My present plan is not to smash any more saloons, but to continue the crusade and arouse sentiment for the temperance cause. I shall call upon Mayor Harrison and give him a few pointers how he betrays the cash he took when he went into office. I think he is the biggest devil in the land."

NO WELCOME FOR CARRIE

Rankin, Her Agent, Coolly Received at Clinton.

Special to The Journal. Clinton, Iowa, Feb. 9.—It has been definitely settled that Mrs. Carrie Nation will not visit Clinton, at least not with the consent of local temperance people. Her advance agent, A. C. Rankin, was here a few days ago and tried to make arrangements for her appearance, but the ministers with whom he conferred were fearful of the results should she attempt to make a raid in the face of 10,000 law-abiding Germans who have no patience with such performances. When the ministers turned down the proposition, Mr. Rankin attempted to find some party prohibitionists, but was informed there were none. He looked up the records and found that only thirteen persons voted the prohibition ticket last fall.

The petition for enforcement of the mulct law has been circulated and is filed with the county auditor. It contains over 400 more names than is required. The temperance people assisted in getting the petition. The board will act as soon as possible and by April or sooner, Clinton will have saloons running under the mulct law, the first of the river cities to make an attempt to observe the law.

LEFT HER HATCHET AT HOME

Mrs. Nation Delivers a Temperate Lecture at Kansas City.

New York Sun Special Service. Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 9.—A bright-eyed, happy-faced, motherly-looking woman wearing an old brown veil instead of a hat, arrived yesterday and jumped into the arms of her two brothers, J. V. and Charles Moore of this city. She was greeted by a small crowd of admirers and curiosity seekers and went immediately across the street to a hotel, where she met the newspaper men.

"I like newspaper men," were among her first words. "I need them in my business. They are indispensable as my hatchet." Mrs. Nation announced that she would not attempt to demolish any "joints" while here but she would probably go across the line into Kansas City, Kansas, where the "joints" flourish and where the "joints" are waiting for her with hatchets of their own. Mrs. Nation said that the Lord seemed to want her to take a nap the other day and that was why she quit smashing the "joints" of Topeka. She said she had taken pity on the "joints" and would give them a little more time to see the error of their ways.

HALT ON PENSIONS

Mr. Tillman Will Not Let Another Bill Pass the Senate.

HOUSE HAS NOT PASSED HIS BILL

It Is for a Mexican War Veteran, a Confederate-Conger Resurrection Passed.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The passage by the senate of a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to Stacy H. Cogswell of Indiana, induced Mr. Tillman of South Carolina to introduce a resolution to prevent the senate bill granting a pension to a Mexican war veteran who lived in South Carolina during the civil war and was in sympathy with the Confederacy.

"Is the war over or is it not?" demanded Mr. Tillman. "Let us find out whether it is or not. I swear by the Almighty God that I will not let another pension bill pass the senate until this old man gets justice."

The Berry resolution calling on the president for information whether the American minister to China has joined with the representatives of other powers in demanding the execution of Prince Tuan and other Chinese officials was adopted without debate.

IN COLLISION

Omaha's Limited Chicago Train Wrecked Near Spooner, Wis.

Special to The Journal. Shell Lake, Wis., Feb. 9.—The Omaha's limited Chicago train was wrecked near Spooner, north of here, at 10 o'clock this morning.

The train ran into a freight and three or four passenger cars were broken up. Latest reports from the scene say no one was hurt. All traffic is delayed.

THE WU INCIDENT CLOSED

CHINESE MINISTER EXPLAINS

He Assures the State Department That He Did Not Mean to Criticize the Government.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The incident growing out of Minister Wu's criticism of General Otis in his letter to the Society of Genevieve is probably closed satisfactorily. Minister Wu has disavowed to the state department any intention of criticizing the government of the United States.

General Otis said of the incident: "The funny thing about it is that it is true. The Chinamen came pilging over to the Philippines in such numbers that the Philippine merchants got scared and rushed to me, beseeching me to keep the Chinese out altogether. I had to do something to keep the peace with the Philippine merchants, so I let in those already aboard vessels in the harbor and kept all the rest out."

I thought Minister Wu wrote a very nice letter. It never occurred to me and does not now, that he meant to insult me or sneer at the president. It would have been embarrassing to him to make a speech at a dinner in my honor after the protest which his duty compelled to make against the exclusion by me of his countrymen from the Philippines.

I alone was responsible for the enforcement of the exclusion law, and it was done as a war measure. There has always been friction between the Chinese and the natives of General Otis said of the incident: "The Chinese massacre. It was necessary for the protection of the Chinese themselves, as well as to placate the natives, to exclude them."

I have nothing to explain in this matter. My sentiments as to the action of this distinguished military commander is excluding General Otis said of the incident: "The matter of record officially and personally. As a gentleman, dealing frankly with my friends, I declined the invitation for the good and sufficient reasons expressed."

London.—The latest report is that the king's race horses in training are to be leased to the Duke of Devonshire. The idea creates widespread satisfaction, as the Duke of Devonshire is one of the most honorable and honored supporters of the turf.

DEATH LOSS EXAGGERATED

Baku, Feb. 9.—The great fire which broke out here a few days ago has been extinguished. Ten factories, five stores and 25,000,000 pounds of naphtha were destroyed. The loss exceeds 5,000,000 roubles. The report that 500 persons had lost their lives was exaggerated. About thirty bodies have been found. One hundred persons are missing, and 150 were injured.

STATE WILL PROSECUTE

Case at Wichita May Be Serious for Mrs. Nation.

New York Sun Special Service. Wichita, Kan., Feb. 9.—The trial of Mrs. Carrie Nation for smashing three saloons in Wichita has been set for the March term of court. Ex-County Attorney Amidon, who has been retained by the state to prosecute Mrs. Nation, says the state will take charge of the prosecution and the saloonists will be only witnesses.

The mayor of nearwater, a small town near here, has appealed for protection from one Mrs. Smith and six women, who have threatened to demolish all the saloons in that place. County Attorney Conroy says they will have to stand the attack or tie the women.

ORIGINAL SALOON SMASHER

Flickertail Woman Said to Antedate Mrs. Nation by Ten Years.

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 9.—Mrs. Carrie Nation is not the originator of the saloon smashing plan. About ten years ago a woman who lived at Hatton in Traill county in this state, got into the habit of smashing saloons, somewhat as Mrs. Nation is doing with her hatchet.

The saloons at Hatton refused to close up and the woman organized a band. All the members were given hatchets and hammers and raised a saloon. After smashing everything the woman found a farmer in a drunken stupor and hit him in the head with a hatchet. The blow resulted in the fellow's death, but on the trial for killing him the jury acquitted the saloon exterminator.

SALOONKEEPER BUYS RATS

He Thinks They Will Protect Him From Mrs. Nation.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 9.—E. Romani, an Italian saloonkeeper of Des Moines, has purchased fifty rats and mice and placed them in cages under the counter of his saloon. He declares that he will turn them loose if Mrs. Nation enters his saloon.

The bartenders' union of Des Moines announced that it would meet Mrs. Nation at the train with a brass band and escort her through the principal streets.

TICE Poured 'EM OUT

Meekling, S. D., Drunkist Spills His Liquors at Behest of Women.

Special to The Journal. Vermillion, S. D., Feb. 9.—Temperance women of Meekling warned Tice, druggist, that if he did not throw away his liquor they would do it for him.

He took them at their word and emptied into the street all the whisky and other intoxicants. The women stood around and celebrated the destruction with singing and praying.

About \$300 worth of liquors was destroyed. Baku, Feb. 9.—The great fire which broke out here a few days ago has been extinguished. Ten factories, five stores and 25,000,000 pounds of naphtha were destroyed. The loss exceeds 5,000,000 roubles. The report that 500 persons had lost their lives was exaggerated. About thirty bodies have been found. One hundred persons are missing, and 150 were injured.

A CRIME'S STORY TOLD IN COURT

First Testimony in Hamilton Case This Morning ---County Attorney Boardman's Impressive Opening Address.

Hamilton's Alleged Confession---Can It Be Used?---Indications as to the State's Trial Strategy.

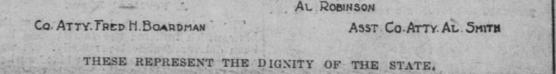
Frank H. Hamilton is now on trial for his life. The court would brook no delay in the case and the defendant's fight for liberty commenced sharply at 10 o'clock this morning. What will the verdict be? Is the question which the public, now following the case with an almost breathless interest, is asking. Will it be acquittal, will it be imprisonment or will it be death? Few there are who think Hamilton's fate will be the extreme penalty. Even those who concede that conviction of murder in the first degree, as charged in the indictment, is possible, do not look for capital punishment. Life imprisonment or a term of years in prison, they say, will be imposed by the court.

The man whom it concerns the most is going through all the terrible suspense, bent on showing that all in the room at the time were so much under the influence of liquor that they are incompetent witnesses and their testimony unreliable.

Six relatives of Leonard Day occupied conspicuous seats in the courtroom. Mrs. Renie Merritt, dressed in deepest mourning; a sad-faced, careworn woman, sat back of Al J. Smith, assistant county attorney. She is Leonard Day's aunt, a sister of Mrs. Day. Leonard's uncle, Al Robinson, sat by her side.

Mrs. J. M. Robinson, another aunt of the deceased, Mrs. A. R. Barber, her daughter, and Eugene Day, a cousin, were also present.

Fred H. George, the principal witness for the state, whose testimony will have an important bearing on the case, such as an important bearing on the case, and Charles E. Force, another important witness, came in quietly and were scarcely noticed among the throng which com-



THESE REPRESENT THE DIGNITY OF THE STATE. apparently as little worried as to the outcome as any one. He does not—has not allowed himself for a moment since his incarceration to fear that there can be other than one finale—his acquittal.

"There can be but one finish in this case," he said recently. "I am innocent and I must be exonerated."

State Shows Its Hand. In opening for the state this morning, County Attorney Boardman gave the first hint as to the evidence which the prosecution will most strongly rely upon in its attempt to convict Hamilton of murder outright.

"We will show you more," said Mr. Boardman to the jury. "that before Hamilton was advised by his attorney to keep

plately filled the big room, many being allowed to stand along the walls. Appearance of Caroline Slagle. Caroline Slagle, the young woman who has achieved so much notoriety in connection with the case—it being her words, spoken, as she says, almost in idle jest, which set the principals against each other, was not discovered in the room until the case had been resumed. She was dressed plainly but elegantly. In the expression of her face and in its pallor there was not an entire absence of indications of worry over her unfortunate part in this affair.

Few knew of her presence in the room at first, but it was gradually whispered about and she became the object of curious regard by every one who recognized her or had her pointed out.

When the county attorney's reference to her connection with the case, as revealed in the conversation between Hamilton and her when they came face to face for the first time, became too embarrassing for her and she quietly left the room.

Many prominent people did not hesitate to edge their way well up front to get a good view of what was going on. While others could see well enough, they heard little of the testimony.

Juror Raymond W. Health was much improved this morning. Le Gallienne to Be a Spectator. Richard Le Gallienne, the poet, will attend an American murder trial for the first time Monday. Mr. Le Gallienne expressed a desire to hear the trial a few days ago and his consent to bring him down to-day.

The state's case—if Mr. Boardman stated it in full—is looked upon by attorneys interested in the legal aspects of the case, as rather weak.

Among the witnesses present were ex-Detective Joe Lawrence, ex-Chief of Police Doyle and Charles Farris. Charles E. Force was on the stand in the afternoon.

The movements of Ray Evans during the different interrogations were brought out strongly on cross-examination by Mr. Penney.

An immense crowd was closely massed in the corridors outside the courtroom and overflowed on the stairway long before court opened at 10 o'clock this morning.

The state has closely guarded this significant bit of evidence, on which it will base its strongest claims for conviction—a link in the chain of evidence—should it prove admissible—on which the prisoner's life may hang.

A Fight Against Admission. The defense, it is understood, has fully prepared to meet the state on this vital point. It is said that Mr. Penney and Mr. Nye, defendant's counsel, are prepared to show conclusively to the satisfaction of both court and jury that no such evidence, uncorroborated, coming from the officer alone, will be admissible under the statutes.

The state is just as positive that the evidence will stand against any objection the defense may urge. Thus, a legal battle royal may be fought over the alleged confession and its admission in evidence.

The Intoxication Line. Mr. Penney's questioning of Ralph L. Gary, witness for the state, this morning, indicates also that the defense will attempt to disqualify leading witnesses on the ground of intoxication at the time of the stabbing. Mr. Penney is evidently

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DR. H. H. STAPLES CONSIDERS. The opening of the Hamilton trial proper, now that the jury has been secured, is certainly all the public has been waiting for. A detail of deputies had to fight hard for an opening when the jurors, headed by Deputy De Laittre, finally milled single file from their prison room to the scene of the trial. They tramped solemnly into the room, which was already well filled, and after them such few spectators as could find seats were admitted. The jurors looked well after a good night's rest. Caroline Slagle was in court for the first time. She sat first unmolested in the crowd, but when discovered became "the observed of the observers. She was not at all discomfited by the fusillade of looks. The courtroom was packed jam full when court convened. There were perhaps thirty women present. Among them was