

PHILANDER C. KNOX SAYS IT IS A LIE

Denial of a Statement by Lawyers of the Merger Company

That He Had Privately Said He Was in Favor of a Modification of the Decree and Gave Contrary Instructions for Public Effect—He Adds That His Instructions Are Sufficient Proof of His Earnestness in His Belief That the Northern Securities Is a Guilty Corporation.

Washington, D. C., April 18.—The department of justice today gave out the following: "The intimation in a dispatch from St. Paul, made by one of the counsel for the Northern Securities company, that the attorney general had privately expressed himself as willing to have the decree in the Northern Securities case modified temporarily, or suspended, and instructed the United States attorney to the contrary merely for public effect, is utterly without foundation.

The attorney general has consistently and unalterably held that the decree enjoins the violation of a penal statute and that to mitigate or suspend it in any respect would amount to a license to continue to violate the law. The instruction to the United States attorney reflects on its face that positiveness with which this view will be maintained before the court, and the reported statement by counsel for defendants is beyond all the facts and proprieties of the case.

PORTO RICAN MAN WHO HAS BEEN LEARNING

Like Many American Municipal Magistrates He Over Steps

Mayaguez, P. R., April 18.—Mateo Fajardo, the mayor of Mayaguez, who was arrested yesterday charged with municipal fraud, was released today on bail. He started immediately for San Juan, traveling by carriage over that part of the route where there are no railroads. He should reach San Juan tomorrow morning. The police telegraphed to all seacoast towns through which Fajardo will pass that means be taken to prevent his escape by water. Fajardo's bond had been reduced from \$30,000 to \$15,000. There are three charges of embezzlement against him for the amounts of \$5,000, \$700 and \$3,000.

THE MAYOR TURNED BACK

San Juan, P. R., April 18.—Jose Barbo, leader of the republican party, telegraphed today and intercepted Mayor Fajardo, who was on his way to this city. Fajardo thereupon returned to Mayaguez. Pending further investigation, he was not removed from office today. The organ here of the republican party in its issue today says that Senator Barbo, who is a member of the executive committee, will resign at this council meeting called for tonight.

THE ACRE COUNTRY.

Brazilians and Bolivians Gathering in a Menacing Manner.

Rio Janiero, April 18.—General Pando, president of Bolivia, at the head of 500 men, recently left Ribera Alta on the frontier of Acre, and marched in the direction of the Acre territory, the title to which is in dispute between Bolivia and Brazil. A Brazilian emissary left Ribera Alta to warn the Brazilians. The Bolivians whose advance guard is at Empress, have been notified by the Brazilian commander that they must not advance beyond Albuca, on the right bank of the river.

FLOUR AND WHEAT.

The Miller's Claim of an Unjust Discrimination.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 18.—The flour mill and wheat situation in Minneapolis and the northwest is more complex today than it has been since the shut down of the mills. The millers stick to their original explanation, an unjust discrimination on tariffs between Duluth and Buffalo against flour and favoring wheat, which was the real cause of a big loss to them.

THE WAY OPENED.

Ogden, Utah, April 18.—After five days' work the obstruction caused at the east end of the Aspen tunnel by four landslides on April 13 and 14 has been cleared away, and regular trains have resumed over the Union Pacific. Hitherto through trains to and from the east have been going via Pocatello. The track was covered by the four slides to an average depth of thirty feet and extending over 800 feet in length. The first train through was No. 4, leaving Ogden last evening.

TO WATCH THE BALKANS.

Valetta, Island of Malta, April 18.—The British battleship Victorious, which had been ordered to sail for Greece, owing to the threatening aspect of affairs in the Balkans, sailed during the night for Volos, Greece. The naval review and other ceremonies planned for today in honor of the visit of King Edward to Malta, were countermanded in consequence of the bad weather prevailing.

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WENT BACK TO OLD CONDITIONS.

The Strike Against the American Company Ended.

New York, April 18.—The strike of the iron workers against the American Bridge company was settled today at the conference between representatives of the union, President Buchanan, of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron workers, and Superintendent Laughlin of the American Bridge company.

It is understood that the agreement provides that the men shall return to work on the conditions that prevailed before the strike and continue to work under these conditions until May 1. Schedules of hours and wages for next year are to be made between the locals and representatives of the American Bridge company in the different cities. In case of failure to agree, the whole is to be referred to an arbitration board. It is understood that the strike will be called off as soon as the company shall have discharged the non-union men now employed by it.

THE INDICTED SMUGGLERS.

Warrants for Arrest of the Porto Rican Notables.

San Juan, Porto Rico, April 18.—As a result of the grand jury yesterday in finding eight indictments, following the investigation of smuggling charges, it is unofficially reported that warrants have been issued for the arrest of Captain (surgeon) Lowndes, United States navy; Captain Crabbs, United States army; Robert Gless, an engineer; Benjamin Butler, former Supervisor of elections, and Paymaster Merritt.

Mr. Butler demanded in open court to know whether he was indicted and the judge replied in the affirmative. He furnished \$1,000 bail.

WEST VIRGINIA LAUNCHED.

Newport News, April 18.—The new United States armored cruiser West Virginia was successfully launched at the Newport News ship building yard today in the presence of a throng of 25,000 people. A street pageant, including military and artillery detachments, marines and sailors of the German cruiser Gazelle participated, preceded the launching. Miss Kathleen Vaughn White, eldest daughter of Governor Albert B. White of West Virginia, christened the warship.

DENIAL OF BETROTHAL.

London, April 18.—The Associated Press has been requested by Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy, to say that there is absolutely no foundation for the statement published in New York of his daughter's engagement to Lord Howard De Walden.

JEALOUS GERMANS ABOUT OUR NAVY

Which Passed Kiel and Put in at Marseilles.

Berlin, April 18.—The German press does not distinguish between the visit of the United States European squadron to Marseilles and the programme planned for the United States North Atlantic squadron, on behalf of which the American government declined an invitation to visit Kiel during the coming regatta there. Therefore some wonder is expressed as to why "special honors are shown the French press by the American navy, immediately following the refusal of the German emperor's request." One or two papers express themselves bitterly on the subject and say the Germans "do not miss much in not having a sight of the American ships."

COULDN'T DO IT.

Didn't Know the Food She Used Lacked Building Material.

Proper food brought a woman and her child out of sickness into health. A lady living in Madison, Wis., relates her experience, which certainly is interesting:

She says: "For about 15 months I was an invalid and a part of that time caring for a little baby girl. Different physicians said I had heart trouble, torpid liver, nervous prostration and female trouble. Finally I was sent down to Chicago to my uncle, a good old physician. He said the difficulty all came from my not being able to build up from the kind of food I had been using.

"I had run down from 120 pounds to 85 and had about made up my mind I would never get well. He put me on a diet of Grape-Nuts with good cream and graham crackers, a little state bread when I wanted it, and butter, but no meat and no medicine.

"In two months I got so I could sleep sound where before I used to walk the floor all night. My sick feelings left me and I began to get well. I weaned the baby but she was very sickly and puny. The doctor said it would be a wonder if we ever raised her. Grape-Nuts had done so much for me I concluded to put her on the food, and got a coffee mill to grind it in and gave it to her with good cream. She picked up very quickly and began to gain flesh and strength. Now she has a round, ruddy face, is perfectly healthy, outdoors all day and hungry all the time. I am grateful to the makers of the food that has saved my life and given strength and health to my little girl." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

FOUR FIGURE BILLS FLOATING AROUND

Obscuring the Views of Missouri Legislature

Three of the Bills Were Used in the Senate and the Other for Influencing Legislation in the House. Information Given Out by a Preacher.

St. Louis, Mo., April 18.—Trace of four more \$1,000 bills was obtained in the evidence presented today. It is stated that three of these bills were used in connection with the Alum legislation in the senate and the fourth in influencing text book legislation in the house. This information will be transmitted to Attorney General Crow at Jefferson City and the indictments will be found there.

Among the witnesses today was Rev. Clayton S. Brooks, pastor of the Christian church at Jefferson City, who began the broodle crusade by declaring from the pulpit that bribery was rampant in the Missouri legislature. Rev. Mr. Brooks further astounded his audience by declaring that he knew a man to whom a \$1,000 bill had been paid for legislative influence.

Right on the basis of this came the charge of Speaker Whitenton on the floor of the house that money had been used to defeat the text book bill. The grand jury investigation simultaneously in Jefferson City and St. Louis resulted.

While Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee is believed to be in Chicago, nothing more was learned today as to his exact whereabouts. Both Mrs. Lee, his wife, and Robert E. Lee, his brother, declare that Mr. Lee is away simply for a needed rest, and that after he has sufficiently recuperated he will return to St. Louis.

Tuesday afternoon the grand jury will temporarily adjourn to enable Circuit Attorney Folk to present the cases against persons indicted here on charges of bribery in connection with the Suburban bill in the house of delegates.

SOME INDICTMENTS.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 18.—The Cole county grand jury tonight returned four indictments, three presumably against state senators for alleged acceptance of bribes in connection with the alum bill legislation. Strict secrecy is maintained, and definite information as to the indictments cannot be obtained. But by deduction it is believed that one indictment is against a St. Louis senator, two against senators living outside of St. Louis and the fourth against some one living in Jefferson City.

This makes seven indictments so far issued by the grand jury. After the indictments were returned the grand jury adjourned to April 27 to permit Circuit Judge Hazel, who convened the body to hold court in Morgan county, Attorney General Crow said tonight that he felt confident the indictments would stick, as they were issued on strong evidence.

GOES UP FOR LIFE.

Woman Convicted of Poisoning Her Husband.

David City, Neb., April 18.—Mrs. Lena Lillie, convicted of the murder last October of her husband, a grain broker, was today denied a new trial. Evidence was offered by the attorneys for the defense that tended to prove perjury on the part of two jurors. Judge Good, however, after he had heard the arguments today, overruled the action for another trial. The jury recommended life imprisonment.

WEATHER TODAY.

Washington, D. C., April 18.—Forecast: New Mexico and Arizona—Fair Sunday and Monday.

BASE BALL RESULTS IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis, Mo., April 18.—National League:

R. H. E.	
St. Louis.....	4 6 7
Chicago.....	5 5 4
Batteries—Sanders and Ryan; Menefee and Kling.	
At Philadelphia—	
R. H. E.	
Boston.....	4 13 4
Philadelphia.....	8 11 3
Batteries—Platt, Malarky and Kittridge; Dugleby and Rot.	
At New York—	
R. H. E.	
New York.....	6 10 4
Brooklyn.....	1 10 2
Batteries—McFinnity and Breshahan; Evans and McManus.	
At Cincinnati—	
R. H. E.	
Cincinnati.....	4 8 3
Pittsburg.....	5 11 2
Batteries—Poole and Peltz; Wilhelm and Phelps.	

COLLEGE BAMES.

At Washington—Harvard, 3; Georgetown, 0.

At West Point—West Point, 18; Dickinson, 1.

At Annapolis—Pennsylvania State, 1; Navy, 0.

At Princeton—Layfayette, 7; Princeton, 1.

DOMESTIC INFELICITY.

In the Official Family of Governor of Colorado.

Denver, Col., April 18.—The Times this evening prints the statement that before Governor Peabody left for the east he was tendered the resignations of Adjutant Sherman Bell and Colonel James H. Brown, who were regarded as the governor's personal representatives at Colorado City during the recent strike of the the smelter employees.

Both gentlemen were out of the city today but the story was practically confirmed by friends who claim to be informed regarding the matter. It is understood that differences had arisen between the officers and the governor, but the exact nature of the trouble was not learned. The resignations do not take effect until after the return of the governor from St. Louis and the reception of President Roosevelt at the state house.

MANHATTAN AGREEMENT.

New York, April 18.—After a conference between President Mahon of the National Federation of Street Railway employees and the officials of the Manhattan elevated roads today it was announced that they had reached an agreement satisfactory to both and that it would be submitted to a mass meeting of the employes on Monday. The agreement, however, is for an increase in wages but does not concede the nine-hour day demanded by the men.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Reliance and Constitution May Try Speed.

Bristol, P. L., April 18.—With the Reliance more than half rigged and the Constitution on her way to New London to complete final preparations for her trial spin, there is a prospect that these two yachts may come together for a short bout a week from today.

PRESIDENT'S SILENCE.

Cimbar, Mont., April 18.—Secretary Lieb received word today from the president, who is at Norris, out of reach of communication. Unless the president should send a messenger over the snow bound trails to Fort Yellowstone, no word will be received from him until his return from Geyser lake next Wednesday.

A FENCING BOUT.

Annapolis, Md., April 18.—The Cornell fencing team defeated the navy today by a score of six bouts to three.

COLLEGE SHOOTING.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 18.—The Princeton shooting team defeated the University of Pennsylvania five at the Clear View Gun club grounds today by the score of 229 to 211.

GOVERNOR TAYLOR MAKES DENIAL

He Knows None of the People in the State of Kentucky.

Indianapolis, April 18.—A. S. Taylor, ex-governor of Kentucky, who lives here, against whom a great deal of the evidence in the trial of James B. Howard at Frankfort, Ky., for the murder of Governor Goebel, is directed, says in an interview that so far as he remembers he never met Howard and did not know him while governor of Kentucky. He also says that he does not, so far as he knows, know Frank C. Reil, who gave evidence on Wednesday, charging him with being responsible for the murder of Goebel.

He also says that he did know Henry Youtsey, but not intimately, and that he did not even know what position Youtsey occupied around the state house, and never conferred with him on any matter.

SHORT LIVED LIBERTY

Denver, Colo., April 18.—"Cherokee Bill" Smith, who escaped from a guard at the county hospital this morning, was captured by police and detectives at the home of Ebenezer Brown, on the north side tonight. He had wandered around during the day among saloons on the west side and this evening asked the privilege of sleeping at the Brown home, offering to pay for his lodging. The request was granted.

After he was gone to bed, Brown reported his presence to the police and a detail was sent to capture Smith, which was accomplished without resistance.

Smith was unarmed and in a very weak condition physically. He is now confined in a cell at the police station. Smith is awaiting trial by the United States court on a charge of robbing the postoffice at Carlton, Colo. During the chase for him several months ago in southeastern Colorado, Sheriff Tate of Otero county was killed.

ATTEMPTED BLACKMAIL.

Paris, April 18.—M. Besson, editor of The Petit Dauphinois of Grenoble, who charged Edgar Combes, the premier's son, with having offered through an intermediary to secure for the monks of the Grande Chartreuse authorization to remain in France on the payment of \$200,000, of which \$20,000 would be given to M. Besson as his commission for transaction was questioned on the subject today by Magistrate Valle.

TONTO RESERVOIR PRACTICALLY ASSURED

Government for It---Decision Rests With the People

Secretary Hitchcock's Officially Stated by Director Walcott in an Address to the Board of Governors of the Water Users' Association—Reservoir Plans Endorsed, and the Association's Articles of Incorporation Approved—No Amendments Will Be Considered Unless Presented by the Association—Government Must Have the Security Already Provided—It's Up to the Land Owners.

Yesterday was the "proudest day in the annals of Phoenix' history, for it brought the assurance from an official source that the storage reservoir at the Tonto site on the Salt river will be built, and at the earliest possible moment, if the plan heretofore formulated by the Water Users' Association is carried out. What means for this city and this valley there is no need to relate at this time, for it has been the subject of countless newspaper articles heretofore and will be the text of volumes yet to be written. Sufficient to know that the crisis is passed, that the realization of the hopes and ambitions of years is definitely settled; that an expanding and a glorious future remains in which there will be ample time to talk about it.

In conformity with the announcement made yesterday, the board of governors of the Water Users' association, leaders of the so-called minority stockholders of the association and representatives of the press met yesterday morning at the rooms of the association and heard from the lips of Charles D. Walcott, director of the geological survey, the conclusion arrived at by the secretary of the interior, that the Tonto site met his approval from an engineering standpoint, that the articles of incorporation of the Salt River Valley Water Users' association also met his approval, that Director Walcott is authorized to secure rights enabling construction, and that if assurance can be given that the government will be reimbursed for its expenditure, construction will begin in the near future.

The meeting was called to order by President Foster of the association, who wasted neither time nor words in stating its object and presenting Mr. Walcott. Though the assemblage was a small one, limited only by the invitation and the capacity of the room, no audience ever gave a man closer attention or listened with more anxious expectation, there was a feeling that his words depended on the immediate prosperity of thirty thousand people, the future prosperity of a countless number. And while his message of salvation was anticipated in the mind of each one present, none would permit himself to be assured till the words had been spoken. Mr. Walcott, addressing himself at once to the matter in hand, spoke as follows:

"Mr. Chairman, and Gentlemen: As you are all perfectly aware, for the past ten years the geological survey has been interested in the water supply of the west. Through its hydrographic division it has been making investigations and obtaining data as to the water and the feasibility of increasing the supply for irrigation. Shortly after the reclamation act was passed the secretary of the interior began through the survey the investigation of various reclamation and storage projects throughout the seventeen states and territories mentioned in the bill. That investigation was begun early in July last.

DIRECTOR WALCOTT'S STATEMENT.

"I do not recall the date now, but about a month ago, I should say, five plans were submitted to the secretary for his approval. One of those projects was the Salt river reservoir. The secretary approved the recommendation that the reservoir on the Salt river be looked into further with a view to its construction.

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