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three years ago what warrant have the people that he will not repeat them? In the words of the World, it is difficult to see how the president can justify his acts in this case, unless it be that he shall claim the stress of necessity, and even then can honorable men agree with him?

CIVIL SERVICE JUDGES

THE National Prison association, in session in Chicago, has taken up again the great wrong, so thoroughly interwoven in American jurisprudence, of permitting wealthy men all the power of their money in staying off due punishment for crime. The wrong is hoary with age in all civilized countries, but reaches its greatest power in free America.

District and appellate state courts are in worse plight, for they are mainly presided over by men who have won the political ascendancy of the hour, and are necessarily, whether with cause or not, in suspicion before the people. The machinery of our courts is so easy in manipulation that one dishonest official can defeat the law, and money will buy such a man under obtaining conditions.

As a result of these and many other weaknesses in our legal system, scores of wealthy criminals have escaped just punishment where like cases of poor men have resulted in prompt imprisonment. In fact, the aim of many absconders has been proved to have been to steal enough to meet all possible demands of a trial and then have something left for themselves.

It is not apparent, however, just how the case can be reached and remedied by legislation. If a man charged with crime has millions of money no law can keep him from using it in his defense, so long as he keeps within the law in his methods; and really such use of his money is not what is aimed at as wrong, but the delays and subterfuges and technicalities which adept lawyers can and do spring on courts, and the far-fetched constructions often placed on simple statements of fact by the courts themselves, the latter often working the gravest wrong on the people, in the guise of law.

It is true the fees for testimony and witness attendance, etc., are heavy and cannot be paid by a poor man, but as the cure would involve the taking away from the rich man of the power of self-defense, or the assuming by the state of the expense for the poor man, it would seem to be impossible from either viewpoint.

One thing is clearly possible and would be welcomed in all quarters, and that is a species of civil service for all judges of all courts, state and national. This obtains in continental countries, and the wrongs complained of by the commission are at a minimum there.

All our judges elected for life, after a keen competitive examination, would give us a nearly ideal judiciary, and as each man felt his position secure against political attack he would rise to the dignity of his office and stamp out the petty fogging that now disgraces our courts daily.

Mr. Harriman's visit to Mr. Roosevelt was the result of a conference between George B. Cortelyou, Mr. Roosevelt's personally appointed chairman of the Republican national committee; Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of that committee; and Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., Mr. Harriman's personal and political friend, then chairman of the Republican state committee.

"No matter who arranged the interview, Mr. Harriman visited Mr. Roosevelt eleven days before the election. He took with him Mr. Odell's final canvases of the state, showing the situation in every county. The next day he returned to New York and began raising a \$260,000 campaign fund. Every dollar of it came from men who must have known Mr. Harriman's interview with the president. Every one of these men was seeking favor of the administration in one form or another."

It is not necessary to state that The Herald is not an apologist for E. H. Harriman in any sense, but it is a supporter of the right and truth in any man, especially when he is attacked by the president of the United States, and on a matter so shameful as the wholesale purchase of the vote of a great state. E. H. Harriman claimed President Roosevelt invited him to the conference that resulted in the above collection, and the president denied the statement, intimating Harriman was a liar. In view of the World's expose it will be interesting to note the president's course.

The World is a great and wealthy corporation and amenable to suit for libel and able to pay damages, and it is hardly likely such a journal would make such a charge unless the fullest proofs were at hand to substantiate it. If the charge is true, as the World says it is, what must be thought and said of President Roosevelt's part in the matter? How must it look to his admirers to see him "in cahoots" with Depew, Harriman, Hazen Hyde, H. H. Rogers, J. P. Morgan and other noted trust magnates just before his own election, and maneuvering for a "dough bag" from them to carry his own state in his own favor? His most bitter political opponent would never have thought of inventing so mean an act and attributing it to him, yet here it is in cold type, with all the shameful trimmings, and "What is he going to do about it?"

When approached by a Washington Star reporter on the subject, Depew said, "Oh, it's ancient history now!" and so, in a measure it is, but what are the people to expect in the coming bitter fight, when all the powers of corporate and Republican trickery shall be leagued to defeat the people a year from next November?

If Roosevelt stooped to such base tricks—doubly base in the light of subsequent law which outlawed them—

NEW SAN FRANCISCO

THE proposed grand dinner to be given in the new Palace hotel in San Francisco two years from now, planned to include the president and cabinet and all the governors of states and their staffs, is a ray of light in the darkened sky of that city which the people hall with delight. So common and so often are things derogatory of her said and done that something of a helpful nature is a decidedly welcome interposition.

But those who hold the welfare of San Francisco at heart have much more than the Palace hotel to build before the plan of the great feast can be considered complete. They must build municipal character, and must begin to do it now! No president or governor would feel honored by an invitation to existing San Francisco, and all that curses her now must be got rid of forever. The work must begin in preparing for the November election, and all men must sink party and personality in the great political fumigating the city is doing for. Graft prosecution must be pushed to the bitter end, and all its victims locked in jails; partisanship must cease that this may be done, and all men should center on Langdon as an expression of public will in support of civic righteousness.

A mayor should be elected who can look any ward heeler in the eye and tell him to go to Tophet; who can apply the rules of business to the affairs of the city and pay no heed to strikes on the one hand or corporations on the other; who can and will order the dismissal of any tricky official the minute he sees it necessary, and who will build for a city fit to entertain the chosen rulers of the land. There are many such men in San Francisco, and if her people are loyal to her best interests now is the time to select one of them and unite on him for the test in November.

That there is grave need for this action is seen in the threatened coalition between grafters and their moneyed supporters, union laborites and the floating populace that look only for spoils, even at the cost of the life blood of the city. These elements, solidified by money, can and will rob the good people of control, if not diligently fought, and if these elements win all the Palace hotels in the world could not claim the presence of good men to grace them.

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HAWAIIAN BELLES SEE LOS ANGELES

NINE, WITH CHAPERON, ARE "DOING" THE STATE

Colds They Contracted in San Francisco Will Be Banished by Southern California's Matchless Climate

Nine of the prettiest girls of Hawaii arrived in Los Angeles yesterday from Honolulu for a ten days' stay, making their headquarters at Hotel Hayward.

Mrs. Edythe Weathered, Honolulu, leads the party, which includes Misses Daisy Todd, Heester Lemon, Caille Lucas, Lillian Munden, Harrie Saffrey, Rose Aloiau, Emma Rose, Katie Sadler and Bernice Dwight.

They are all college graduates, and the courtesy of a California trip was extended to the privileged ones by the Honolulu Evening Bulletin.

So far the party has toured Northern California. Mrs. Weathered said yesterday: "We are having a delightful time here. In the north we were treated with numerous surprises of California courtesy."

"The girls have been doing nicely ever since they left home, with the exception of colds they contracted in San Francisco, where they went about evenings without their wraps. They were advised to put them on, but forgot. You know they are so accustomed to going about in Honolulu in the evening, where the climate is balmy and never too hot and never too cold, but just right."

Off trips will be made to Ontario, Redlands, Riverside, San Bernardino and the beach and mountain resorts generally.

Yesterday the girls spent a delightful afternoon touring the city in automobiles.

BABE CLUNG TO MOTHER RUSHING FROM HUSBAND

Barney Blum Refuses to Explain Why His Wife Flew, Bruised and Torn, and is Fined \$25

Refusing to explain how his wife's face came to be covered with blood when she ran from her apartments to seek protection of neighbors, Barney Blum, proprietor of the Turkish bath establishment at 132 East Fourth street, paid a \$25 fine imposed yesterday morning by Judge Frederickson and hurried from the court room.

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ARE WEDDED ON LAUNCH FAR FROM SHORE LINE

COUPLE LEGALLY EVADE AN INTERLOCUTORY DECREE

Obliging Skipper of Craft Ties Nuptial Knot Off Point Firmin, After Which the Principals Vanish

Word was received in Los Angeles yesterday of the marriage at high sea of William Roberts and Bertha Hooper, which took place Sunday morning about five miles south and east of Point Firmin on the San Pedro launch Marion, Capt. Scott officiating.

Having carried out their hearts' desire on the lonely deep these enterprising young people vanished purposely. They boarded a San Pedro car for Los Angeles, but alighted at Gardena, being transferred to Redondo.

They propose to spend their honeymoon undisturbed, evidently. At the county court house it was found that the records bore out the fact that Bertha Hooper had been granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from John F. Hooper August 1.

If these are the same principals their novel marriage was doubtless contracted outside of the state limit.

MIGNONETTE

Careless of heights where bolder blossoms stalk, To faint a flaming or inviting hue, Nightly it kneels beside my lowly walk— And prays me evening memories of you. —Alma War in Appleton's Magazine.

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AMUSEMENTS

BELASCO THEATER
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The Mills of the Gods
An audience that tested the seating capacity of the Belasco last night voted this the best play of the entire season. The great trial scene in the first act was a sensation—over the lawyers in the audience imagined themselves in court—the succeeding scenes called forth curtain call after curtain call. Nothing like THE MILLS OF THE GODS! Has come to a Los Angeles stage for many and many a day. It's a modern story, right down to the minute—one of those big plays that are proving the supremacy of the American dramatist.

MASON OPERA HOUSE
Tonight, Tomorrow Night—Special Matinee Tomorrow
Engagement of the talented actress, JESSIE BUSLEY, in THE BISHOP'S CARRIAGE
Dramatized by Channing Pollock from Miriam Michelson's novel, and supported by an unequalled company of players. Direction of Liebler & Co. Prices: 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50.

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Just as was expected, "THE DAIRY FARM" has proven itself the biggest hit in town this week. You simply can't miss this glorious country play with its quaint characters, its horses and cows and sheep and chickens. Don't fail to see Henry Stockbridge and his acting calf. It's a play that fairly teems with good things. There's the country Christmas party, the midwinter snow storm, the patriotic rally for Fremont, the dainty, hoop-skirted girls of half century ago, Harry Mestayer and his horse and country wagon, Henry Stockbridge and his song hit, "No Wedding Bells for Me," and a thousand other things to make an evening of perfect pleasure.

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