

THE U. S. A. FIGHTING MCKENNA

At Last the Opposition Has Been Located.

CHIEF OFFICERS TAKE ACTION.

Appeal to Councils Pointing Out Their Duty to Protest.

OPPOSED TO REFORM IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.

The Administration Finds No Favor at All in the Eyes of the Order.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—President Echols and Secretary Palmer today issued a special address to the councils of the American Protective Association. The address says it is the duty of the association to protest to the President against Attorney-General McKenna's elevation to the Supreme Court bench, asserts that the Government departments are being Romanized and Romanists given more than half the offices in certain departments, declares against the President's latest extension of the civil service, and urges all members to write to their Senators and Representatives in opposition to the appointment of any money at the present session of Congress to sectarian purposes.

RATHER LATE PROTESTING.

The Boston Transcript Scores the Oregon Lawyers Who Objected to McKenna's Appointment.

BOSTON, Dec. 6.—The Transcript tonight publishes the following editorial: "A small section of the bench and bar in Oregon has invested itself with some notoriety by its protest against the proposed appointment of Attorney-General McKenna to be one of the Justices of the United States Supreme Court. The names of several United States Judges and about fifty members of the Oregon bar are among the signatures, while among the names of those who are in opposition to the appointment is that of George H. Williams, better known to the country twenty odd years ago by the sobriquet of 'Laudauer.' Williams, whom even President Grant, with his toy for the time being, once won good will, found he could not afford to step in his Cabinet.

"There is a well-grounded suspicion that these gentlemen are not stating their objections in this protest. The ostensible ground on which it is based is that a seat on the Supreme Bench ought to be held only by one who in learning, intellectual ability and determined character has shown himself to be among the few most eminent of the legal profession, and capable of executing the great trust placed upon him, and of maintaining the character for ability and independence which has made the name of the Court of the United States one of the first, if not the very first, of the tribunals of the world. That contention is perfectly sound, but is it honest and genuine? Can these gentlemen of the far Northwest demonstrate that Judge McKenna does not answer these requirements to a reasonable degree? If he does not, then their protest is suspiciously late.

MR. CHAPMAN'S PROTEST.

The Layman Sends to Senator Perkins His Charges Against Judge McKenna.

William S. Chapman, the chief opponent of Judge McKenna, last night sent a protest against his confirmation to Senator Perkins. It begins by reciting that, inasmuch as the Senator has pronounced the Judge's life "an open book," he invites him to peer at it a little closer in his judicial phases. The humor and sarcasm are not in his own way, but in that which the bottom reason, of course it would have to do with another one for recess parade. The Oregon manifesto is suspicious and if no more specific or better established charges can be presented, Judge McKenna should be in no way prejudiced by it."

Byron Waters—The power of appointment to the Supreme Court has been given to the President and the Senate, and it seems to me a great many people are talking on the subject who are not qualified to do so. The fact has been one of great renown throughout the world. Its standing should be maintained. I believe in Judge McKenna as a very nice man, and I like him.

The opposition for the most part comes from men whose ideas of the dignity of the Supreme Court have been drasmy and exalted beyond reasonable requirements of everyday life. These are still looking for some genius like Taney or Marshall to rise from the shadows of the past. While they do not denounce Judge McKenna, they intimate that the President ought to appoint the greatest of living lawyers to the place, Judge McKenna's warmest friends do not make such a claim in his behalf.

The following opinions give a fair idea of the views of the majority of the lawyers of San Francisco:

M. M. Esteé—I have known Judge McKenna ever since he began the practice of the law. I remember very well that I tried a case with him many years ago, when he was just starting. I thought him to be a sound and capable practitioner and an industrious, hard worker. He was diligent and had been before him often in the United States Circuit Court. In addition to this I have known him politically. With this experience I say that I believe him to be, first, a pure man, and second, a very good lawyer. He has not made and will not make mistakes as a jurist. All judges make errors. I cannot understand what prompts his judicial brethren to take action against him, because I cannot be denied that he has fulfilled all his obligations well, as a Judge, as Congressman for three terms and now as a Senator. He is a man of strong sense and a lawyer of good average ability. The bar of the country would be glad to have him as a judicial genius are dangerous men.

Lyman I. Mowry—I have practiced a great deal in the Federal courts and before Judge McKenna. I have always found him equal to the occasion, though I have often lost the cases he heard. He is in every way honest and able, and I do not believe that any man could prove him an ignorant or a corrupt judge.

M. V. Hyde—My business has been very largely in the Federal courts, and I have had occasion to test Judge McKenna thoroughly. He is a clear-headed and honest lawyer and a good Judge.

Charles L. Patton—McKenna has a clean record, and I feel sure from what I have seen of him and heard of his reputation that he will make a good Justice. He is a man who is appointed to the position on the Supreme bench.

John F. Richards—The opposition developed to Judge McKenna on this coast is not only an outrage upon a faithful and competent man and officer, but it is an act of folly as well. I do not believe that any man could learn to appreciate their own people the quicker the rest of the country will have a better opinion of his ability and general worth as a man and judicial officer. He is a man of fine mind and principle. He is most persevering and industrious in his work. He is never satisfied with a case until he has thoroughly exhausted the subject of his inquiry. While the rest of the country is in the country I think you will find that they made their reputations after they attained high positions in the law before they were appointed. I think it shows a great many dogs in search of a few bones.

Colonel J. F. Smith—I can speak from a good, fair experience before Judge McKenna, and I take pleasure in saying that he is as honest and competent a Judge as I know. He has always appeared to me as a man, honest and clear headed in all he does. Above all else, he will patiently listen to any lawyer, and does not assume at the outset that he is so wise that no one can give him any information.

Hon. J. F. Carpenter—He is honest, able enough for the place, and he ought to be and will be confirmed if the President appoints him. I regret to see this fight against a good man.

Horace G. Platt—I have seen great deal of McKenna on the bench, and I have a good opinion of his abilities. He will prove an honor to the bench and the State, and I am glad to see that he will be the man to lead the opposition will be able to cut any figure, and I am glad it will not.

J. J. Lennon—McKenna is a good man. I have watched him very closely and have been interested in his work. That he is a thoroughly honorable man nobody will deny. It is well known to lawyers that he is competent. We never heard otherwise during all the years of his incumbency and the kick comes too late.

H. K. Wiley—I have watched his record since 1876, and I am sure he is an able and competent man. This is not my opinion only, but that of many good lawyers I have met. The fight against one of our brethren is a disgrace and it will hurt the coast.

Joseph K. Hawkins—It seems to me that McKenna is an able man. I base my opinion on his general reputation at the bar and on the reading of some of his decisions. I have never appeared before him in many cases, but it seems to me he will be a fairly good and possibly a great Judge on the Federal bench.

Edgar D. Peixoto—The coast is entitled to the place and I feel sure that McKenna is as good a man as is likely to be appointed. He has a good record as a Congressman and as a Judge. It is a disgrace that he has been attacked by people west of the Rocky Mountains.

Senator Eugene Bert—He is not the greatest jurist in the United States, and I say this with all respect to his ability. I am for McKenna, however, because he is an able and conscientious lawyer. I think he will do for the place, and I believe when I say this much I have paid him a compliment. Brilliant men make bad Judges. McKenna has an analytical mind and will make a good Judge.

Hall McAllister—Judge McKenna is well fitted to discharge the duties of the position. Garrett W. McEweny—All that I care to say about McKenna is qualified to fill the place.

William F. Booth—I am of the opinion that McKenna is a good man for the place. He is certainly as well fitted to hold the position as others who hold it, and I can't see but that he will be the man to lead the opposition will be able to cut any figure, and I am glad it will not.

James M. Allen—I do not care to express myself in the matter. I am a good friend of Judge McKenna and I believe that he would be thought to be from a friendly standpoint, and not an opinion emanating from a desire to be in my eyes so far as McKenna is concerned as a member of the Judiciary.

George N. Williams—Judge McKenna is the man for the place. I had occasion to observe him on the bench when he first entered on the discharge of his duties. His position was as follows: as he did Judge Sawyer, whose standing as a jurist was exceedingly high, Mr. McKenna shows remarkable aptitude for the judicial position. If he succeeds, Judge Field will undoubtedly acquit himself creditably and be a useful member to the court.

George K. Wells—California is becoming notorious for the jealousy which exists among the members of the legal profession. It is not to jump upon any man proposed for a high office. I consider Judge McKenna a very competent and capable gentleman. I do not think that there is a man in the State who is a greater credit to the State than Stephen J. Field. Such men are a great find, but he is learning fast, and is a conscientious, upright man. He is a good lawyer, and in time may make a great one.

Charles E. Wilson—I think the marked tendency of our politicians to interfere with the advancement of their fellow-citizens should be severely deprecated. It is apparently decided that Judge McKenna is the best man for the position, and I consider the actions of those who are opposing him to be in bad taste. I believe in Judge McKenna as a competent, the interference of the law should be justifiable and proper, but he is neither of these. I believe he would make an honest, efficient Supreme Justice. I had the selection of a United States Supreme Justice I probably would not name McKenna, but there is not a man in California whose elevation would not cause some dissatisfaction. There are men in the profession whom I believe to be great lawyers, but I do not think he would be a discredit to the State.

AUSTRIA'S TROUBLES INCREASE

Hungary to Oppose a Renewal of the Compact.

TO STRIKE FOR HER FREEDOM.

Francis Kossuth Will Lead in the Struggle for Independence.

BOHEMIA ALSO REMAINS TURBULENT.

Czechs Makes Demands That the Government is Opposed to Granting.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

BUDA PEST, Dec. 6.—In the lower house of the Hungarian Parliament today a bill was introduced by Baron Banffy, the Premier, prolonging for a year the Ausgleich or compact between Hun-

HAYTI IS COMPELLED TO YIELD

An Ultimatum Taken by Two German War-ships.

ONLY EIGHT HOURS' GRACE GIVEN.

Consternation Caused at Port au Prince by the Demand.

FOREIGNERS FLEE TO SHIPS IN THE HARBOR.

Giving Way to Superior Force, the Little Republic Agrees to Pay the Indemnity.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Dec. 6.—The trouble of the arrest and imprisonment of Herr Lueders, reached a crisis to-day. The German cruisers entered the port dur-

the position taken by his Government, namely, that it stood ready to pay cheerfully any proper indemnity, provided it had the opportunity to demonstrate whether this indemnity was properly collectable.

The Minister said he had received no advices from Hayti since last Friday, when the reported approach of two German naval cadet schoolships caused rumors that they were men-of-war coming to blockade the island. It was predicted by the Minister that great excitement would follow the approach of the German vessels, but he had no reason to fear that the stability of the Government was endangered.

Advices to the State Department indicate that the situation in Port-au-Prince and Hayti generally is one of great commotion, but no reference is made to any threats against the Government.

DEATH STRIKES SUDDENLY.

Dr. H. R. Bulson Succumbs to Pneumonia at His Home in Stockton.

STOCKTON, Dec. 6.—Dr. H. R. Bulson, one of the best-known physicians in this county, died suddenly last evening. He had been confined but a few days with pneumonia, and his recovery was looked for. Yesterday he grew worse shortly after the dinner hour and soon was dead. Dr. Bulson was for many years the superintendent of the county hospital here. He was the father of Dr. C. K. Bulson, prominent at one time in military circles and who succeeded him in the hospital.

James G. Enright Dead.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 6.—James G. Enright, formerly a well-known business man of this city, died suddenly in San Francisco about 4 o'clock this morning of heart disease. He was a pioneer of this county, and for a number of years conducted a large machine-shop on the corner of First and William streets. About twelve years ago he became interested in the Sierra Lumber Company and removed to San Francisco, where he had since resided. He returned to his home there last evening from Reading in apparently good health. He was 62 years of age and a native of Massachusetts. A widow and a son survive him.

SPENDS A NIGHT IN A PRISON CELL

W. A. Chapman of Petaluma Arrested for Alleged Embezzlement.

Accused of Having Misappropriated Funds of the Cotati Land Company.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 6.—W. A. Chapman, the well-known superintendent of the Cotati Land Company, was arrested and lodged in jail here this afternoon on a charge of embezzling the funds of the corporation. The arrest was made on complaint of W. D. Page, one of the stockholders of the company. The specific charge upon which the warrant was issued was for the misappropriation of \$179,800, although it is claimed that the aggregate will reach several thousands. Chapman's friends indignantly deny that he is guilty of any crime, and the majority of the people here are loth to believe that the charge is true. This afternoon Chapman was admitted to bail with Fred Wickersham and Lyman Green of Petaluma as sureties, although he slept in the jail last night, refusing to ask for assistance.

Chapman's home is in Petaluma, and for several years he has been well known to most of the residents of this city, and his pleasant and engaging manners made him many warm friends among all classes. He occupied a prominent position socially and in a business way, not only in this county, but in San Francisco and Oakland as well.

Gale on the Oregon Coast.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 6.—Another heavy gale has been raging here and on the coast all day. At 11 o'clock this morning, just as the Government wire to the cape tent down, a report was received that the wind was blowing eighty miles an hour and the glass registered the lowest for the season. No ships have arrived or departed since the State of California came in.

Off to Northern Gold Fields.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 6.—What is the beginning of the winter and spring rush to Alaska is now on the way on the steamer Elder, which arrived from Portland this morning with fifty-five passengers and a large freight list. Sixteen passengers joined the ship here. A report was received that the steamer and many tons were refused. The Elder will leave to-morrow if the storm permits.

PERSONNEL BOARD COMPLETES ITS WORK

Majority and Minority Reports Will Be Submitted to Secretary Long.

Objection Made to Certain Provisions for the Reorganization of the Navy.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—A Washington special to the Herald says: The personnel board completed its labors to-day and majority and minority reports will be submitted to-morrow to Secretary Long. Captain A. S. Crowninshield, Captain A. H. McCormick and Chief Engineer G. H. Kearney form the minority. I understand they are principally opposed to the method of "selection out" embodied in the majority bill.

The majority bill amalgamates the line and engineer corps and makes the number of the officers of the new line 1020. Of these 16 will be rear-admirals, 70 captains, 112 commanders, 170 lieutenant-commanders, 300 lieutenants and 330 lieutenants junior grade and ensigns. Naval details shall be selected from four years of the Naval Academy and will be graduated as ensigns and be available for duty in either line or engineer corps. Should ten vacancies not occur naturally in the list of captains during the year a board of rear-admirals will examine such officers as they may deem desirable, and on their recommendation such officers will be retired with the rank and pay of the next highest grade. Not more than five captains can be selected out. Sixteen vacancies must occur in the rank of commanders, not more than four of which are subject to selection; twenty-five in the grade of lieutenant-commander, not more than four of which may be brought about by selection, and thirty-five in the grade of lieutenant. The bill provides that officers of the navy shall receive army pay.

Secretary Long will transmit a report to Congress in a few days.

RALLY OF AGED MRS. MCKINLEY

An Agreeable Surprise to the Children at the Bedside.

RECOGNIZED BY THE DYING WOMAN.

Nourishment Administered for the First Time in Several Days.

PRESIDENT RETURNING TO CANTON.

Upon His Arrival It Is Hoped His Mother Will Be Able to Recognize Him.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

CANTON, Dec. 7.—At 1:15 A. M. Mrs. McKinley seemed even weaker than an hour ago, although there was no more marked indication of the coming dissolution. She may live till morning, but it now seems doubtful.

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 6.—There was an agreeable surprise to the children and friends gathered about the bedside of Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley this afternoon. She regained consciousness sufficiently to recognize not only her children, but to extend greeting to them, to her aged sister, Mrs. Osborne, Charles Miller and to others who were near.

Nourishment was given her about noon. It was soon after this that she manifested signs of returning consciousness. The first nourishment received for several days had a telling effect and she at once rallied. There is again stronger hope that she may recover sufficiently to survive until the President reaches her bedside to-morrow and perhaps to recognize him. It is not thought, however, that she will ever regain complete consciousness.

When the attending physician left Mrs. McKinley this evening it was with a feeling that she would survive the night, and possibly longer. She had taken no nourishment since early in the afternoon, and was not in quite as good condition as when she was last seen by those about her. But she sustained little net loss of strength during the day, and was resting in a quiet and seemingly natural condition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—President McKinley left Washington at 7:20 o'clock to-night to return to the bedside of his mother at Canton. With him went Mrs. McKinley, Miss Mabel McKinley, Miss Barber, Mrs. Abner McKinley, Assistant Secretary of State Day, A. J. Duncan, two maids and the steward of the White House. The party occupied the special Pullman Newport, which was attached to the rear of the regular Western express. According to schedule the train is due in Canton at 10 o'clock to-morrow, but upon receipt of unfavorable news from the city it may be rushed through on special time from any point beyond Baltimore.

DIRECTOR BARTLETT ABSENTS HIMSELF

Pleads Illness Pending the Los Angeles School Investigation.

Specific Charges of Extortion and Blackmail Filled Against Webb.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6.—The School Board investigation was resumed to-night before an audience of taxpayers that again packed the Council chamber in the City Hall. Director A. G. Bartlett, who has, directly and indirectly, been connected with the illegitimate transactions alleged against the members, was absent. He has been at the Elmore Hot Springs ever since the investigation commenced. He writes that he is quite ill.

There are many reasons why Director Bartlett should be present, as information regarding some piano deals made by the board is desired, Bartlett being a piano dealer.

A new sensation developed in the case to-day, Director Webb, who is accused of

being the directing mind in all of the ill-color and dishonest transactions indulged in by the board and its members, received an unsigned letter which informed him that a Times reporter named Trowbridge was in need of money, and that \$500 paid to him would estop all further revelations as to School Board rottenness.

This note was a bold faced attempt, it has since been learned, to buy the reputation of Reporter Trowbridge and, indirectly, to reflect on his employer. Trowbridge had taken an active part in the investigation. Detectives have been engaged to trace the author of the note.

With the opening of the investigation to-night specific charges were filed in writing against Director Webb, in which it was alleged that he had extorted and received \$50 from Janitor Cooper as the blood money paid for the privilege of retaining his position.

The first witness examined was Director Joseph F. Adams. He again told the story of the infamous job put up in the School Board to blackmail the employees of the department. He said that Webb had hypnotized him and inveigled him into the scheme. He swore that Webb was at the time of the scheme, he was in the middle and Building Superintendent Axtell was at the end. Webb was to get the money.

CATTLEMEN ORGANIZE.

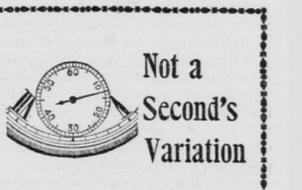
Monterey County Ranchers to Make War on Stock Thieves.

SALINAS, Dec. 6.—The cattlemen of Monterey have organized for their mutual protection the Cattlemen's Association of Monterey County. The general purposes for which this association has been formed is the advancement and protection of the cattle industry. For some time past stock-owners have been suffering from the depredations of cattle-thieves. The object of the association will be to offer rewards and engage detectives to stop this system of grand larceny. Funds for this work will be contributed by the members according to the number of animals each one owns.

Victims of a Runaway Disaster.

SALINAS, Dec. 6.—M. Soto and J. Barber, while traveling up this valley yesterday morning, had a serious runaway accident this side of Gonzales which nearly cost the one his life, while the other is badly bruised. Both men tried to jump, but from the top of the carriage Soto was turned over on its side. Soto was pinned between the carriage-box and the wheels and was dragged fully fifty yards. His clothing was torn from his body. He was badly bruised. Soto is in a precarious condition.

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