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BRYAN BLUFFS OPPONENTS AT THE CAPITAL

Democratic Leaders Who Would Sidetrack Him Fail to Speak Out

Nebraskan Easily Disposes of One Statesman Who Offered Advice

Declares That He Is Not in Washington to Consult as to Presidency

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL
WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—It looks new as though William Jennings Bryan has got the democratic leaders who want to sidetrack him thoroughly bluffed. He has been in Washington two days, and of all the democratic statesmen who were loudly declaring before his arrival that they were going to tell him he must step aside, only one has had the courage to speak his piece. Bryan easily disposed of the lone adviser and is today the complete master of the situation here.

Representative Lassiter of Virginia says he intimated to Bryan that the party ought to nominate a fresh candidate. He further says that Bryan was not visibly impressed by this advice.

"I am convinced," said Lassiter today, "that Bryan intends to stay in the field as a candidate."

Bryan went to the capitol this morning and told democrats what he thought they ought to do. They did not do the same with him.

MEETS SENATORS AT DINNER

Half of the democratic members of the senate dined tonight with Bryan at Senator Newland's house, and the other half will take dinner tomorrow night at the same place.

Senator Newland has arranged for a similar dinner tomorrow evening, when the other half of the democratic senators will be invited. The invited guests tonight were Senators Bacon, Bailey, Bryan, Bankhead, Clarke, Clay, Culberson, Daniel, Jefferson Davis, Foster, Frazier, Johnston, Latimer and McCreaty. Senator Bailey of Texas was not present.

Many telegrams have been received by Bryan from friends all over the country, all of them saying, "Stand pat."

TWO "BILLS" AT CAPITOL

After receiving many callers in his room at the Metropolitan hotel, Bryan went to the capitol and remained there until 4 p. m. Just after the house convened a friend rushed up and announced that no matter what happened the next president was in the building.

"How do you know that?" asked Bryan.

"Taft is in the house shaking hands with everybody," said his informant.

"You mean, then, that the next president will be named Bill?" said Bryan.

Another enthusiast rushed up just then and said Taft was not only in the house, but was in the democratic cloakroom.

"Go tell him I say to shiny on his own side," said the Nebraskan.

NOT FOR CONSULTATION

Asked by some one to name his choice for a running mate, in the event of his nomination at Denver, Bryan laughingly replied: "I shan't tell. That's too bold a question."

To the newspaperman Bryan said: "You may say that my coming to Washington was not to consult any man or set of men as to whether I ought to be a candidate for the nomination. I have not put that question to any man, nor shall I. The people, not individuals, have the sole right to decide that point. I am not here to solicit support for myself as a possible presidential candidate. I never solicit individual support. I never ask any man to vote for me."

"In the past when I was before the people as a candidate, my efforts to obtain votes have been confined to statements of my views."

TAFT TALKS OF JAPANESE

Says the Tokyo Exposition Will Be Beneficial

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The appearance of Secretary Taft before the house committee on industrial arts and exhibitions today, in support of an appropriation for the Seattle exposition in 1909, was the signal for a demonstration in his honor. The proceedings were interrupted when he entered the room by hand clapping and thumping on the tables. The congressional delegation from Washington, as well as the delegation of businessmen and officials from that state, also were present and pleaded for an appropriation for the exposition.

Taft thought that on account of the Philippines' finances the government

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Killing Comes as Result of a Quarrel Over Trespassing Livestock

VISALIA, Jan. 27.—In a quarrel over trespassing of stock, J. P. Pawley, a prominent rancher residing in the southeast end of this county, was shot and fatally wounded this evening by W. F. Cord, a neighboring farmer. District Attorney McFadden and Sheriff Collins left at once in an automobile in a race with death to reach Pawley in time to obtain a dying statement. A telephone message later announced his death, but whether the officers reached the scene in time is not known. Following the shooting Cord went to Porterville and surrendered to officers and will be brought to the county jail here tomorrow morning.

ALIENIST GIVES JEROME SHOCK IN TESTIMONY

"Manic-Depressive" Insanity Is Cause of Thaw's Acts, Says Physician

Justice Dowling Asks Keen Questions on This New Factor in Case

May Free Thaw or Send Him to Asylum Despite Not Guilty Verdict

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The fate of Harry Thaw will be in the hands of the jury by Wednesday night, it was declared at the criminal courts building this afternoon. Martin W. Littleton, chief counsel for the prisoner, was ready to finish his case by tonight, and rebuttal proceedings to be brought tomorrow by District Attorney Jerome promise to be brief. Among the witnesses to be called will be Abraham Hummel, the lawyer now serving a sentence on Blackwells island, who testified at the first trial. In summing up, Littleton will take half a day and Jerome will not consume any more time. Then will come the judge's charge and the wait for the verdict.

During the morning Littleton placed before the jury additional evidence to show that the slayer of Stanford White was insane and should not be sent to the electric chair. The lawyer went so far in this direction that it seemed conclusive that every one connected with the defendant's side of the case had determined to send him to the asylum for the criminal insane at Matteawan, and it was difficult for a layman to predict any other termination of the second trial.

SURPRISE FOR JEROME

Then, before the hypothetical question of Attorney Littleton was read to the alienists, came a surprise that made District Attorney Jerome catch his breath and ask for time to meet this most remarkable form of insanity that was adduced as having been suffered by Thaw, that was afflicting him when he slew Stanford White and which may free him both from the death chair and any possibility of treatment in an insane asylum.

This is "manic-depressive" insanity, which Dr. Sidney Russell Wells of London held to be responsible for all of Thaw's acts. He described it as a threefold cycle embracing insanity of a violent type, during which the defendant might commit acts such as those of the most degenerate madmen, followed by a period of depression and acute melancholia, after which would come a period of perfect sanity.

Justice Dowling, seeing the full import of this testimony, questioned the alienist and his conferees at length. Through it Thaw may be declared insane and yet sane, may be saved from the death penalty and yet avoid the asylum for the insane.

FAILS TO BAIT EXPERTS

District Attorney Jerome disappointed a crowded courtroom when he refrained from his tactics of last year in baiting the expert witnesses for the defense, three of whom—Drs. Wagner, Evans and Jelliffe—declared that Thaw at the time he killed Stanford White was suffering from such a defect of reason as not to know the nature or quality of his act, or that the act was wrong. The prosecutor contented himself with drawing from the alienists the fact that last year they swore it was during a "brain storm" that Thaw committed the homicide. He also read from the affidavit made by Dr. Wagner before the lunacy commission of last year, giving conversations had with Thaw in court which tended to show that the defendant had a distinct recollection of occurrences on the roof garden immediately preceding the tragedy.

Justice Dowling made a most important inquiry of the alienists. He desired to know the exact nature of "manic-depressive" insanity and if the attacks were likely to recur. He also asked if a person suffering from this form of insanity would be likely to commit assaults.

He learned that it was a recurrent form of mental disorder, the attacks coming suddenly and without warning, a period of insanity being followed by a maniacal outburst, then by a period of complete depression and then by another lucid interval. It seemed that the presiding judge was securing information upon which to base judicial action in case of a verdict of not guilty on account of insanity or of a straight acquittal.

MAY NULLIFY ACQUITTAL

Even in this latter event it was pointed out that Justice Dowling would have the right to have Thaw committed for examination or liberate him under competent guardianship.

An English physician, one of the three men of medicine who testified

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SAYS KAISER'S THREAT SCARED M. DELCASSE

Socialist Paper Declares That William Was Ready to Invade Lorraine

Warning That Troops Would Be Sent Follows Negotiations With Great Britain

Former Foreign Minister Is Said to Have Been Accused by Rouvier

PARIS, Jan. 27.—The Action, a socialistic organ, today publishes a statement that M. Delcasse, the former French minister of foreign affairs, resigned office because the German emperor discovered that he was secretly negotiating an offensive and defensive alliance with Great Britain. When Emperor William learned of the treaty, according to this newspaper, he told the Italian ambassador at Berlin that on the day it was signed he would march German troops into Lorraine. This threat reached France, whereupon M. Rouvier, who then premier, accused M. Delcasse of carrying on

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Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, who became the bride of a Hungarian nobleman yesterday. The lower left portrait is that of the bridegroom, Count Laszlo Szechenyi, while on the right is a portrait of his father, Count Emmerict Szechenyi.



BECOMES BRIDE OF NOBLEMAN

Miss Gladys Vanderbilt and Count Laszlo Szechenyi Are Married

Fifth Avenue Home Surrounded by a Surging Crowd During the Ceremony

Police Draw Lines to Shut Out Persons Who Sought View of Couple

Altar Room Richly Decorated and Music Is One of the Pretty Features

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Gladys Vanderbilt, daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, was married to Count Laszlo Szechenyi, a young Hungarian nobleman, in the Fifth avenue home of Mrs. Vanderbilt, at noon today. The wedding probably was the most brilliant that has taken place in this city for several years. Although the number of guests was limited to about 350, mainly relatives and intimate friends of the two families, there were included Baron Hengelmuller von Hengervar, the Austrian ambassador to the United States; James Bryce, the British ambassador, and prominent members of New York society.

Outside of the Vanderbilt home a great crowd of the curious public gathered, hoping for a glimpse of the count and his bride and watching the arrival of the guests.

There was no disorder among this crowd, for the streets were patrolled and kept clear by a force of nearly 100 policemen.

POLICE CONTROL CROWDS

Police lines were drawn across Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets, between which two streets the house stands, and uninvited persons were not permitted on the Fifth avenue sidewalk in front of the house. They gathered in large numbers in the square in front of the Plaza hotel, but their curiosity was satisfied only by witnessing the arrival of the count and the guests.

Promptly at noon the wedding ceremony was performed in a large drawing room on the Fifth avenue side of the house, in which a bower of palms and arbor of orchids were constructed. Beneath the arbor a temporary altar was erected, and in front of this the ceremony was performed by Monsignor M. J. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's cathedral. The bride was escorted by her elder brother, Cornelius Vanderbilt, down the aisle, bordered with palms entwined with a great abundance of orchids at the altar.

The count was attended by his brother, Count Denys Szechenyi. The ceremony of giving the bride away was performed by Cornelius Vanderbilt.

CANTATA IS SUNG

Monsignor Lavelle was assisted by Rev. John Verne. The wedding chorus from Gault's cantata, "Ruth," was sung by 30 boys of the St. Patrick's choral choir, attired in surplices and red cassocks, accompanied by the organ and assisted by the cathedral small quartet.

The gown worn by the bride was of ivory satin with embroidery, point lace and garlands of orange blossoms. Her veil was of point lace, caught with sprays of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of orchids and gardenias. The bridesmaids were Miss Ruth Vanderbilt Twombly, her cousin, and Miss Dorothy Whitney, daughter of William C. Whitney. The bride was also attended by her little niece, Miss Flora Payne Whitney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney.

Among the ushers were Count Stefan Szechenyi and Count Paul Esterhazy. Immediately after the wedding

Jail Break Checked by Trust to Hurt Panama Discovery of Tunnel

Prisoners in San Jose Bastille Dig Hole Through Wall in Attempt to Escape

Tehuantepec Road's Agreement Cited to Show Possibility of Greater Combination

SAN JOSE, Jan. 27.—A carefully planned scheme which would have liberated every prisoner in the city jail here was frustrated by Night Captain Dave Campbell tonight just as they had tunneled to liberty through the prison walls.

Frank Faul, an electrician, was passing the city hall tonight when he heard some mortar fall from the brick wall from a point about 12 feet from the ground. He casually imparted the information to Thomas Leahan, secretary of the board of police commissioners, and the latter some time afterward dropped the information in a chance remark to Captain Campbell.

The latter's suspicions were aroused and he walked around to look at the point in the wall from where the mortar was said to have fallen. He was astonished to find an aperture almost large enough to admit a man. In the hole a pair of hands were visible rapidly enlarging it. Campbell hastily posted a guard on the outside of the wall, and as he entered the prison to investigate he heard Harry Baker Pridoux, charged with burglary and highway robbery and who was sitting inside of the door playing cards, emit a warning whistle. Campbell found the other prisoners in the cage apparently asleep, but Fred Jones, who is also charged with highway robbery and burglary, was covered with brick dust and mortar. A piece of a mudguard from a bicycle and a broken hinge were the tools with which the prisoners had penetrated a 16 inch wall.

PETALUMA POSTMASTER CHOSEN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The nomination of James E. Olmstead as postmaster at Petaluma has been sent to the senate.

Trust to Hurt Panama Canal Is Feared

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SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The danger of the formation of a transportation trust to put the Panama canal out of business is one of the things which will be suggested in a forthcoming opinion of the interstate commerce commission.

The Hawaiian-American steamship company is under suspicion of being the basis of this trust. Some recent investigations into the Tehuantepec railroad's operations in conjunction with the Hawaiian-American steamship company have led to remarkable conclusions.

It is intimated that there has been discovered evidence of an arrangement between this railroad and the steam-

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