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## PRISON LIFE DEVELOPED YOUTH'S GENIUS

John Carter, Who Won Freedom From Penitentiary by His Poems, Tells Story of His Career

FIRST TASTE OF LIBERTY UNLOCKS SEALED LIPS

Simply Told Tale of a Lad's Struggle Against the World Makes Dramatic Narrative

HUNGRY BOY STOLE TO GET MONEY FOR A MEAL

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

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**S**T. PAUL, Minn., April 18.—John Carter told his life story to a Call correspondent this evening immediately after he was liberated from the Minnesota state penitentiary, when he had returned to freedom in body as in spirit, as he said in his poem which he wrote yesterday in his cell.

He told the story after what was his longest day in prison, though he left there at 5:20 p. m. The board of pardons Saturday commuted his 10 year sentence to terminate today, the prisoner's twenty-fourth birthday. He had served 4 years and 10 months.

**Waiting for Pardon**

Carter, who had spent a sleepless night, was expecting the receipt of the commutation papers at an early hour, but the time dragged on as it had never dragged before when hour after hour passed and the papers did not come. They had been given to J. A. Preus, secretary to the pardon board and executive clerk to the governor, but Preus did not start from the capitol until 1 o'clock. It is an hour's ride by streetcar to the prison at Stillwater.

After Preus arrived there were what seemed to be an endless number of formalities to be attended to, and Carter, who then had donned a black sack suit in place of the gray check garb he had worn so long, waited. There were no friends with him save the warden, who has been a good one to him, and several newspapermen he had come to know quite well in the last week since the outside world became interested in the young poet. The warden wanted Preus to see the new prison, which is in course of construction.

**Again a Free Man**

"Do you want to come along?" the warden asked Carter. Did he want to go? Did he, who had not seen beyond the prison walls for nearly five years, want to go? He needed no second invitation. So the three got into the warden's automobile and they sped out through the "strange, kind world," and the sun smiled down upon him. The new prison, however, interested him less than it did Preus.

It was 5:20 p. m. when Carter, Preus and two newspapermen boarded a car for St. Paul. The hour's ride was across rolling, partly wooded country in which the green early grass was dotted by untimely snows along the shores of pretty lakes. Carter stood on the rear platform of the car and smoked and answered briefly what his inquisitive companion asked him. He volunteered no comment.

**Tells Story of His Life**

In the city he went first to the office of former Judge John W. Willis, who worked so hard to get him free, but the judge had gone home to dinner, so Carter dined in a restaurant and there told for the first time the facts of his eventful life, his school days in England, in college, in a London bank, his journey to America in search of health, his unhappy experiences on a Canadian farm, his unsuccessful search for permanent employment in Winnipeg, his desperate experiment of bumming his way to "the states," his crime and the exciting events that followed, his prison life and the development of the talents that have distinguished him.

"It's rather hard for me to look back across the years," he said, "and retrace events that seem so very remote. Everything and everybody conspired to force me into drinking. My father, who died when I was 3, was a bank cashier; my grandfather, by whom I was adopted, was a manager, as was his father before him. Nevertheless, my education at a preparatory school and at Weymouth college was classical

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## Prison Poet Tells Story of His Life For the First Time

John Carter, whose real name is not known, but who is said to be the son of a prominent literary family of England, was sentenced to ten years in the Minnesota penitentiary for stealing \$24. During his imprisonment he wrote much poetry, which the editors of many eastern publications eagerly accepted. Eastern literary men not only became interested in his verse but became interested in his unfortunate predicament. Robert Underwood Johnson, editor of the Century magazine, personally wrote a letter to the state board of pardons asking for a remission of his sentence, not only on account of the merit of his poetry, but from the manly tone in which his letters were couched. Others joined Johnson in the appeal for clemency, and on Saturday Carter was pardoned after having served nearly five years in prison. Every effort has been made to discover Carter's real name and the identity of his family, but thus far without success. Today Carter tells his story to the readers of The Call.

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## ALDRICH WILL CAST OFF TOGA AND RETIRE

Senator Declares That He Will Not Seek Re-election Because of Ill Health

Scoffs at Suggestion That He Has Been Driven to Private Life by Criticism

**W**ASHINGTON, April 18.—Senator Aldrich authorized the announcement tonight that he would positively retire at the expiration of his present term on March 3, 1911.

This announcement was made to a representative of the Associated Press who met the senator upon his return to Washington from Rhode Island, where he had been in consultation with his political associates.

"I have decided not to be a candidate again," said the Senator. "Since something of my plans have leaked out already I would be glad to have you make that statement."

### Determined to Retire

Aldrich talked freely of his determination to retire. Ill health alone dictated his decision, he said. During his services in the civil war he had a long siege of typhoid fever and as a result of that illness he has suffered periodically with intestinal trouble. These discomforts have manifested themselves when he has worked particularly hard and have caused him considerable worry.

After talking the situation over with members of his family the senator went to Rhode Island last Friday to make the necessary arrangements. He wanted to confer with his republican associates and to insure a republican succeeding him.

"And there is no doubt of the result," he said. "The party leaders have canvassed the situation and a republican will take my place. All of my associates in the state are as confident as I on that score."

### Aldrich's Ambition

It is a well known fact it has been the ambition of Aldrich to crown his legislative career with a thorough reform of the currency system of the government. It was with that end in view that he became the moving spirit in the national monetary commission. "I would retire from congress with the greatest reluctance if it were not for the thought that I can continue with the national monetary commission," said the senator.

It was suggested the democrats may carry the next house of representatives. He said even in such event the work of the monetary commission would proceed just the same and he felt the democrats were just as much interested in the subject as the republicans.

### Friends Will Intercede

It is expected that tremendous pressure will be exerted to induce Aldrich to change his mind, but it is certain it will be without effect. His leadership has been so bitterly attacked, especially during and since the enactment of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law, it will be said in some quarters, that he decided to leave the senate because of this opposition.

"Have you considered that phase of the question?" he was asked. Aldrich laughed.

"Oh, of course, some folk will say I was forced out," he said, "but I don't think any one who knows me will believe it."

In view of the hard fight Senator Hale is having in Maine, where his reelection is opposed by Judge Powers, rumors were heard that he might not care to serve another term. Some of his colleagues said when Aldrich leaves the senate Hale would not want to stay. No confirmation could be had of these rumors, however. His close friends unite in the declaration he is not the man to retire under fire.

### When He Became Senator

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 18.—Senator Aldrich has held his seat in the senate since 1881, when one of the arguments used against his election was that he was too young for the office. He was then not quite 40.

Neither General Brayton nor any other prominent republican was willing tonight to discuss the question of a probable successor to Senator Aldrich.

Among those who have been mentioned since the report of Aldrich's retirement became current are Governor Abram J. Fother, former Governor George H. Utter and Colonel Samuel P. Colt.

### FRENCH AVIATOR TAKES AN INVOLUNTARY BATH

**Rougier's Aerial Horse Bucks and "Ditches" Rider**

NICE, France, April 18.—M. Rougier, the French aviator, had a narrow escape from death today, when his aeroplane fell into the sea. The aeronaut said that the rudder suddenly failed and the machine dropped like a stone. It struck the water with considerable force and sank almost immediately.

Rougier became entangled in a stay, but succeeded in breaking it and rose to the surface. He kept himself afloat until taken into a boat.

## MAN HUNT IS CONTINUED ROBBERS' CAPTURE ASSURED

The abandoned cabin about a mile east of Martinez where the bandits made their headquarters for some days before they robbed the train, the scene of the pursuit and two of the Contra Costa officers who are on the trail of the outlaws.



CONSTABLE CH. PALMER



SHERIFF R. R. VEALE

## WATER TRUST NEAR AFFIRMS GARFIELD

Pleds for Co-operation of State and Federal Governments in Conservation

DENVER, April 18.—Declaring all the elements which go to make up a water trust are in existence today, and the tendency toward such centralization is growing stronger, former Secretary of the Interior James R. Garfield tonight made a strong plea before the Colorado conservation commission for co-operation between the federal and state governments in the conservation of water power resources.

Garfield pointed out the dangers of monopolization of the water power sites of the country, and declared that if a "water power trust" was not already in actual existence, all of the elements going to make up such a trust are present, and the tendency toward such centralization growing stronger every day.

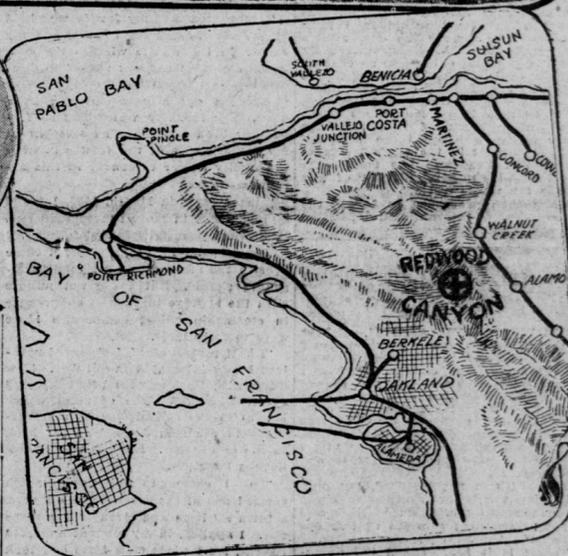
Garfield defended the course of former President Roosevelt, making use of a broad executive authority to make withdrawals of water power sites. He said:

"During those periods when the chief executive acted upon the broad conception of their power, the people's interest and the public welfare have been better safeguarded and protected than during periods when the opposite prevailed. The narrow interpretation is the one that private interests and special privileges find best suited to their purposes."

By the wise exercise of executive power and the enforcement of the law President Roosevelt stopped dealing in the public domain and the waste of natural resources.

Garfield was preceded by Governor John F. Shafroth, who, at the morning session of the meeting, declared in unqualified terms for control of the water power resources by state governments, except in so far as national interference is necessary to protect national interests.

At the morning session letters were read from Phillip P. Wells, counselor of the national conservation commission, upholding Garfield's position, and from Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger, upholding Governor Shafroth's stand. Wells' letter was in answer to a request for a statement sent to Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester. This letter reached Washington too late to be forwarded to Pinchot in Europe, and it is understood Wells was speaking for Pinchot.



## ORGANIZE TO FIGHT THE WHITE PLAGUE IS TEDDY COMING TO BE CANDIDATE?

Twelve California Public Welfare Societies Affiliate to Wage the Campaign

Woman Who Wrote Roosevelt's Letters Abroad Makes Sensational Statements

SACRAMENTO, April 18.—The most far reaching public health organization launched west of the Rockies was perfected here today when 12 of the leading California public welfare societies met and adopted articles of affiliation.

The new body is known as the California public health league and its main purpose will be to influence public opinion and the state and municipal bodies in favor of better health laws and facilities for stamping out tuberculosis and other diseases and to endeavor to raise funds to provide hospitals for indigent patients.

A. Bonheim of Sacramento was elected president. The other officers are: Dr. F. C. Mattison, first vice president, Pasadena; Miss Elizabeth Ashe, second vice president, San Francisco; Dr. George Aiken, third vice president, Fresno; Dr. W. F. Snow, secretary of the state board of health, secretary and treasurer.

The league will fight tuberculosis in co-operation with the state board of health.

### BALLINGER'S AX HITS SIX SPECIAL AGENTS

Men Who Opposed Secretary Are Dismissed

PORTLAND, April 18.—Six more special agents of the interior department have been dropped from the local land office. Horace T. Jones, who was conspicuous for his antagonism of Secretary of the Interior Ballinger in the present congressional hearing, leads the list and is followed in private life by W. K. West, Bruce Kester and J. H. Carnahan of Portland and R. E. Gerry of Seattle.

Lack of funds is given as the cause for removal.

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

DANVILLE, Ill., April 18.—"When Roosevelt reaches New York Taft will be pleased to have an automobile run over him," concluded a letter written by Mrs. Lella Love Brown to her father, Judge Love of this city. Mrs. Brown is accompanying Doctor Dorsey of Chicago on a tour of the world, acting as his stenographer.

During Roosevelt's stay in Naples she wrote 55 letters to the former president's dictation in which he freely discussed the political situation in the United States. She makes no direct statement, but by innuendo she leaves the inference to be drawn that Roosevelt is coming home to become again a candidate for the presidency.

Only a part of the letter is allowed to be made public. Her father says that if its entire contents were known there would be a great sensation. Mrs. Brown says in part:

"I have written a number of letters for Roosevelt, which, if their contents were known, would create quite a sensation in America. But I can say this: The belief here is that Taft has been foolish to throw away the last shred of public confidence by publicly acknowledging, as he has in several speeches of late, his inability to cope with the situation and his discouragement therefor."

"There are many things in the Roosevelt letters of both interest and importance about which I must keep silent."

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY SON—Ukiah, April 18.—Reece Clow of Bonville was seriously wounded this morning by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. Clow was sitting in the kitchen of his residence, while in an adjoining room his son was cleaning the gun, which was not supposed to be loaded. In some manner it was discharged. The charge of shot passed through an lath partition and into Clow's left hip.

## TRAIL OF THE BANDITS LEADS TO HILLS

Relentless Search Is Prosecuted All Day by the County and the Railroad Officials

POSITIVE THUGS ARE IN HIDING IN MOUNTAINS

All Clues Uncovered Strengthen the Conjecture That a Third Man Was in the Gang

EVERY AVENUE OF ESCAPE BEING CLOSELY GUARDED

### The Day's Developments in the Hunt for Robbers

Search for the two fugitive bandits centers about Redwood canyon, 15 miles from Martinez in the direction of Oakland.

Two men, corresponding in description to the two train robbers, visit a store at Walnut Creek and a horse is stolen immediately afterward.

Deputy Sheriff John Birmingham of Contra Costa county, with a posse, conducts a day long search through the Contra Costa valleys, in which the robbers are believed to still be hiding.

Search for the supposed third robber is continued on the north side of Suisun bay by P. J. Kindelon and a posse of railroad detectives on a private train.

Sheriff Veale prepares to investigate report that two men have been keeping a horse in a vacant stable on the Sky ranch near Alhambra, five miles from Martinez for the last 24 hours.

Two suspects captured Sunday at Benicia are seen by Engineer Marsh of the train which was robbed and are being held for further investigation.

Further search of the robbers' cabin at Bullhead point reveals a dozen dynamite fuses, copper caps and dynamite, together with all the paraphernalia for handling the explosive.

Finger prints of the bandits are found on articles left in their cabin and are taken by Director Frank H. de Pue of the state bureau of identification for examination.

Sheriff Veale and posse left Martinez late last night on the special train in the direction of San Francisco and are believed to have learned of a new and important clue.

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

MARTINEZ, April 18.—Though posses of armed deputies have threatened the valleys and canyons of nearly all Contra Costa county today on the man hunt for the bandits who held up and robbed the east-bound China and Japan fast mail train of the Southern Pacific near Benicia Saturday night, the desperadoes are still at large.

Of one thing the officers in charge of the search now feel confident: They have become convinced that the two men who perpetrated the daring hold-up have not been able to make their way out of the mountainous country surrounding Martinez and are hiding somewhere in the hills within 20 miles or less of this place.

### Searches for Third Man

P. J. Kindelon, chief of the secret service of the western division of the Southern Pacific, is equally certain that the supposed third bandit in the case actually exists and confined his attentions today to a search for this third man among the sloughs and tule wastes of the Solano county side of the bay.

All of Kindelon's investigations today went to confirm the belief that following the robbery Saturday night a confederate of the two actual robbers took charge of the engine which was uncoupled from the train and ran it up the line past Suisun in a successful