

TAFT'S BROTHER TO BE CALLED IN RE INQUIRY

Cincinnati to Be Suspend to Appear Before House Committee in Charge

Search for Missing Papers in Paymaster's Case Begun by Legislators

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati, brother of President Taft will be subpoenaed to appear before the house committee on expenditures in the war department, to testify in the investigation of the case of Paymaster Beecher B. Ray, the army officer who virtually is being investigated on a charge of political activity. An attempt to keep secret the fact that Charles P. Taft would be subpoenaed was made by the committee when it met in executive session tonight to decide upon this latest move.

Search for missing papers in the case of Major Beecher B. Ray, U. S. A., paymaster at Chicago, has been begun by the house committee on expenditures in the war department.

That there have disappeared from the war department certain documents and correspondence relating to charges against Ray when he was paymaster in the Philippines, Chairman Helm and other members of the committee are satisfied and to find the originals is their intention.

The committee today, after conferring with Adjutant General Ainsworth, retired, learned that copies of some of the missing papers, if not all of them, were in existence. This development caused a stir in the committee, and later it was reported that in the Ray case certain persons attached to the war department had carefully kept copies of correspondence, anticipating that the originals might be spirited away.

CHEMICAL REVISION IS FOUGHT BY REPUBLICANS

Say Democrats Have Changed Front Completely

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The democratic tariff revision, the second of the bills to be brought in by the house leaders in the tariff program of the present session, is being opposed by a severe fire today in the opening debate upon its provisions.

Republicans attacked it as a complete change of front on the part of the democrats and as an increase of tariff upon many articles of general use by the people. Representative Harrison of New York, taking the lead in defense of the bill, declared that the tariff would not affect the price charged to consumers.

Republican Leader Mann attacked the bill in a speech warmly seconded by the republican side. Representative Longworth of Ohio declared the democrats had abandoned all their former declarations by accepting a report of the tariff board as an aid in making the revision, and by fixing specific duties upon chemical products instead of adhering to the ad valorem method generally advocated by democratic leaders.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT VALID, BELIEVES HYATT

Free Textbook Plan Held Not in Danger

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 19.—The announcement that representatives of the California Teachers' association had reached the conclusion that the proposed free textbook amendment is of doubtful validity is not causing much worry in the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction Hyatt.

Hyatt, when asked concerning the report from San Francisco that legal experts had advised the California Teachers' association that the validity of the textbook amendment is doubtful, said: "I know of nothing which would in any way cast a doubt as to the validity of the proposed amendment, which will be submitted to the people for approval. So far as the records show, all action upon the so-called Shanahan resolution, submitting the question to the people, was regular."

CAPITAL POKER GAME RECEIVES DEATH BLOW

"No More of It," Says Woman Hotel Owner

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 19.—The poker game which has been a part of the Hotel Land since the completion of the new hotel, and was one of the features of the old State House hotel before, is no more.

Mrs. Nettie Evans, niece of the late William Land, to whom Land bequeathed a nine-tenths interest in the hotel, will have no more of it. The order to abolish it was issued today. The poker game has been a fixture at the hotel since Land bought it. Mrs. Evans received a communication today declaring that the game was operated on a percentage basis, which is against the law, and at once terminated the lease of the man who has been in charge of the game.

CAVITE NAVY YARD IS ON GOVERNMENT LAND

Supreme Court Denies Riparian Right to Manila Company

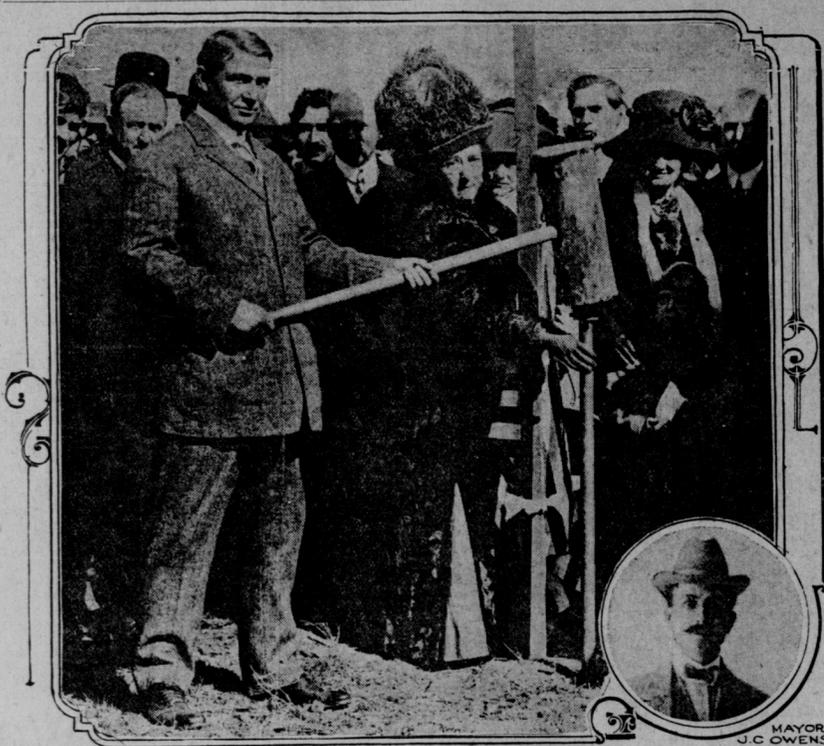
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Title to the land on which the Cavite navy yard in the Philippine islands was for the most part constructed belongs to the United States, according to a decision today by the supreme court.

Ker & Co. of Manila claimed title to 27 acres on which structures valued at \$500,000 had been erected. The company's claim was based on the assumption that land formed by deposit along the seashore belonged to the owner of the land bordering the sea. The court held that such newly formed land belonged to the government.

POLICY IS ANNULLLED BY CRIMINAL'S EXECUTION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Execution on the gallows annuls the criminal's life insurance policies, according to the supreme court, which today held that the four infant children of James S. McCue, once mayor of Charlottesville, Va., who was executed in 1905 for wife murder, were not entitled to \$15,000 insurance money from the Northwestern Mutual Life of Milwaukee.

Crowds Gather to See First Stake Driven for Inner Harbor



Colonel Thomas H. Rees, U. S. A., helping drive first stake in Richmond inner harbor survey. At his left are the three women's club presidents, Mrs. C. S. Gibson, Mrs. W. V. Butterfield and Mrs. T. T. Cramer, who subsequently swung the mallet in driving the stake. Below is a portrait of the mayor of Richmond.

MISFORTUNE CAUSE OF COUNT'S DEATH

Letters Prove That Austrian Nobleman Deliberately Planned Suicide

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 19.—"Unfortunate circumstances force me to commit suicide," were the last words of a letter found by the body of Count Rainier Palfy, an Austrian nobleman, 35 years old, in a room at a hotel late today.

Opium poisoning caused death. Palfy registered three weeks ago as P. M. Rainier, San Francisco, took the drug Saturday and had been dead two days when the door of his room was opened. Letters prove that the suicide was deliberately planned. In one addressed to George B. Tallaferro, San Antonio, Tex., Palfy's assets and liabilities are listed and the request made that his estate go to Mrs. Anna B. Fullerton, San Antonio. Instruction is given that decedent's brother, Count Andor Palfy, Komaroni H. Austro-Hungary, be notified. The other letter was directed to Mrs. Fullerton.

Count Palfy was accompanied by a woman who registered as his wife, but she remained only two days. Palfy frequented the poolrooms for several weeks, and his losses are said to have been large.

DEATH SITS AT WHEEL WHEN BOYS JOY RIDE

Two Oxnard Youths Fatally Hurt in Wreck

OXNARD, Feb. 19.—Half an hour after George Terry had taken his father's automobile out to give three boy companions a joy ride today, the big machine was wrecked at Camarillo and two of the boys fatally injured. John Fox, son of a wealthy rancher at Los Posas, was scalped and probably will die. Young Terry's body was crushed under the machine, which turned turtle. William Brown, the other two boys, escaped with slight injuries.

FRANK KAUKI'S RECOVERY BELIEVED TO BE CERTAIN

FRESNO, Feb. 19.—Frank Kauke, city attorney, who sustained a concussion of the brain yesterday afternoon in an automobile accident, in which his fiancée, Miss Mattie Lowden, was killed, regained consciousness this morning and his physician says that his recovery is almost certain. The tragedy resulted when the machine, driven by Kauke, dashed into the street curbing in the heart of the residence district as Kauke attempted to avoid running into a machine going in the opposite direction.

GOVERNOR JOHNSON IS DUE BACK HOME MARCH 1

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 19.—Concerning the report that Governor Johnson is expected to remain in the east for several weeks, it was announced today at his office in the capitol that in all probability the governor will return about March 1. Recently the governor was under treatment by a throat specialist, and messages to his office indicate that the ailment has entirely disappeared.

Army Orders

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Army orders: First Lieutenant Oscar W. Hoop, Twelfth Infantry, is relieved from duty with the Sixth Infantry and will proceed to join his regiment. The leave of absence granted First Lieutenant Joseph D. Park, Eighth Cavalry, is extended one month and 10 days. The following transfers are ordered, to take effect this date: First Lieutenant George W. Biegler, from the Fourteenth Cavalry to the Eighth Cavalry; First Lieutenant Joseph D. Park, from the Eighth Cavalry to the Fourteenth Cavalry. Captain W. Goff Caples, corps of engineers, will proceed March 1 to Washington, D. C., for duty. Colonel John C. Gresham, Cavalry, is relieved from attachment to the Fourteenth Cavalry and attached to the Second Cavalry.

Santa Fe Excursion Rates
On February 20, 21 and 22 the Santa Fe will sell round trip excursion tickets at fare and one-third between all stations in California where the one way fare does not exceed \$15.00, final return limit February 23, account Washington's birthday. 673 Market Street, San Francisco. Telephone Kearny 318; Home 3874.

Army Engineers Guests Of Richmond at Ceremony

RICHMOND, Feb. 19.—A large concourse of people gathered at Ellis landing, foot of Tenth street, this morning, to witness the ceremony of driving the first stake in the United States survey of the inner harbor, which is to supplement the outer dockage of Richmond.

It was a big event in this city. Colonel Thomas H. Rees, United States engineer for the Pacific coast division, and Captain H. L. de Merritt, who is in actual charge of the survey under guests. Most of the prominent citizens and officials of Richmond were present.

The hour of the ceremony was 11 o'clock and at that time a long string of automobiles carrying the spectators sped to Ellis landing. Everybody wore "inner harbor" badges. D. W. McLaughlin, representing the Richmond Industrial commission, under the auspices of which the celebration was held, acted as master of ceremonies. He introduced Mayor J. C. Owens, who, as chief executive of the city, started the driving of the stake. The four foot rod of iron, with its suitably lettered brass cap, was driven close to the pole from which flew the stars and stripes, amidst frequent cheers from the large crowd.

An unique feature was the fact that the three presidents of the Richmond women's clubs, Mrs. W. V. Butterfield, Mrs. C. S. Gibson and Mrs. T. T. Cramer, assisted in the driving and swung the mallet vigorously. Luther D. Dimm, H. B. Kinney, Harry Ellis, Herbert F. Brown, Supervisor Charles J. Rihn, Martin J. Kelley, George Ellis, son of the pioneer who owned the landing, and the pioneers, John Nyström and Benjamin Boorman, helped drive the stake, which was well buried in the clay at the finish. It was made and presented to the city by the pipe and steel works here.

GENERAL HALL IS ARMY'S ADJUTANT

Absent Officer Automatically Succeeds Gen. Ainsworth; Will Retire in June

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Brigadier General William B. Hall automatically assumed the office of adjutant general upon the retirement of Major General Ainsworth, in the opinion of the officers of that department.

General Hall at present is somewhere in Italy or Egypt, engaged in missionary work. He is expected to return to Washington in April.

After General Hall's retirement in June a selection will be made by President Taft from among the colonels of the department to assume the office.

General Hall has been absent from Washington on leave for some time. He is said by his brother officers to be deeply religious, and it is reported that when he retires in June he possibly will devote his future to missionary work in the east.

General Hall is related to former Senator Blackburn of Kentucky.

ARMY AVIATOR HURT AS MACHINE 'TURNS TURTLE'

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 19.—Because he did not give the aeroplane he was driving the proper lateral pitch in landing at the army aviation camp late this afternoon, Lieutenant Kennedy was caught under the machine when it turned turtle, and two of his ribs were broken. Though rendered temporarily unconscious, he was not seriously hurt. The machine was damaged.

This morning from 9 o'clock to noon the beautiful natatorium of the Lurline Ocean Water Baths, Bush and Larkin streets, is reserved exclusively for women bathers.

CLOVERDALE FAIR TO OPEN TONIGHT

Many Elaborate Designs Will Be Displayed at Annual Citrus Exhibition

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
CLOVERDALE, Feb. 19.—The twentieth annual citrus fair will open here tomorrow evening, to continue through the week. The fair association pavilion has been decorated for the occasion under the direction of Director General George Cavalli.

Among the larger and more pretentious set pieces this year are the following:

- Remora seat, designed by Miss Fidella Furber for the Bank of Cloverdale.
- "Portals of the East," design of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Shipley, the work of four young women.
- Baseball diorama, with three crossed bats and a mammoth baseball, designed for the Cloverdale White Sox baseball team, which claims the championship of Mendocino and Sonoma counties.
- Leaving cup, design of Mrs. O. C. Williams.
- Handsome basket filled with citrus fruits, Mrs. William Caldwell Jr.
- Water dog, made of citrus fruits and displayed by Will Wilson and John Sink.
- "Garden Scene" display by Mrs. Charles E. Humbert. This is the largest design shown and will occupy a position in the center of the pavilion.
- Horseshoe, designed by the Cloverdale Union high school.
- Mammoth mortar and pestle, designed by the Cloverdale pharmacy.
- "The Village Blacksmith Shop," designed and entered by Lawrence Hulbert and Marion Hulbert.
- "The Egyptian Pyramid," entered by the Cloverdale Citrus Fair association (fifty boxes of oranges were used in its construction).
- "The Old Oaken Bucket," designed and entered by Robert Weston.
- Box kennel of citrus fruits, with a live fox terrier pup in it.
- "Light of Other Days," mammoth candle and candle stick of citrus fruits.

\$465,000 IS PAID FOR 2,800 ACRES OF LAND

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
STOCKTON, Feb. 19.—Two thousand eight hundred acres in the new reclamation district of Union Island were sold today for \$465,000.

E. J. Tobin of the Hibernia bank of San Francisco; F. F. de Lisle, a San Francisco realty operator, and F. J. Dietrich and George Letstner, Stockton realty dealers, are the buyers, the sellers being J. H. Adams of the Los Angeles bond house and J. E. O'Brien of San Francisco.

For the last three years the land has been producing a net income of \$18 an acre to its owners.

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