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IN THE NEAR FUTURE



In the new state criminal code it is provided that there shall be no curtains in saloon windows or doors. Cartoonist Renfro has given us herewith a glimpse into the time when this law shall go into effect. He believes that some of us will wear masks and false whiskers so that we may drop in for our toddy without fear of detection.

LEGISLATURE HAS REALLY ACCOMPLISHED MUCH

MANY MEASURES OF IMPORTANCE ARE PASSED.

Noted for Codification of Laws on Various Topics.

BY T. J. DILLON.
OLYMPIA, March 8.—The Eleventh legislature, in so far as measures of statewide interests are concerned, is a thing of the past. But two measures, the road bill and the insurance code, remain for consideration. If for nothing else, the Eleventh legislative assembly will be noted for the codification of laws on various topics, a gigantic work, for which the legislature receives official credit, whereas in reality the labor was performed by various tollsome commissions, the identity of which was never generally known.

New Laws Codified.
These codes are the criminal code, military, educational and horticultural. Combined they make a deal of law, the full importance of which will not be realized for some time. Candor compels the statement that whatever good or bad there may be in these codes cannot be laid to the credit or discredit of the legislators. The criminal code was the only one that received anything like adequate consideration, the merits of the others being taken for granted. The task was too big.

Probably one of the big things done by the legislature that has already dropped from the minds of men was the election of a United States senator. It was a purely formal matter, and interested no one except possibly Mr. Jones himself.

Hanson's Hard Work.
The earlier period of the session was in continual excitement by reason of the anti-liquor activities of Ole Hanson. His race track bill, which raised so much racket, was passed with ease, although the emergency clause was stricken. The bitterest and longest fight, of course, was over the local option question, a fight ended so recently that its details are still prominent in the public eye.

For the first time since their organization as territories, Washington and Oregon have come to an agreement relative to the fishing laws to be obeyed on the Columbia. Representatives of the Oregon legislature met Washington legislators at Seattle and agreed on a Columbia river fishing code, which was passed by both legislatures. This ends a disagreement that in years past has risen to the seriousness of duels and state militia.

Fish Trust Doomed.
Other laws were passed governing the taking of salmon in Puget sound waters. The fish trust made its biennial attempt to crush the gill netters out of existence, and all but succeeded. The house passed the bill, but its purpose was frustrated by the senators to encompass its defeat. Six new superior judges were created, King, Pierce, Spokane and Chehalis counties each getting one and the counties in the southwestern corner of the state getting two. This advanced the political for-

CUTE LITTLE STORY OF CUTE LITTLE DOLLIES

Twenty-four little dollies, all dressed up in the finest of lingerie and other furnishings, usually worn by the elite of the fair sex, are to be deported from Seattle. No, they haven't committed any crime, nor are they in any way to blame for the disgraceful manner in which they are heartlessly packed in a hot, stuffy box, all piled in rows one above another, and the chinks filled with cotton. They are only ordinary dollies that were made by some kind but unthoughtful soul in Seattle to the Story Kindergarten, at Kobe, Japan. Each little baby had a string around its neck with a name attached, showing to whom it was to be presented upon arrival. Now, just because the thoughtless sender failed to put the required stamps on the box sufficient to carry them to the land of the big red sun, they are being sent to Washington, D. C., and there sold to the highest bidder—as slaves, perhaps. The dainty little postal clerk-ess at the Seattle office, in the dead letter division, has a warm little heart beating beneath the snowy white waist, and she felt more keenly, perhaps, than anyone else

lines of a considerable number of persons. Two new members have been added to the supreme court, and the court divided into two departments, which will expedite the accumulated work.

The Great Surprise.
Perhaps the greatest surprise of the session was the passage of the woman suffrage bill. The bill will permit the voters of the state to express their sentiments on the question at the next election in the shape of a proposal to amend the constitution.

The state has one new county by reason of the activities of the legislature, that of Grant, which was carved out of a section of Douglas.

The powers of the railroad commissioners were extended so as to include telegraph and telephone companies. Nurses and embalmers secured official recognition of their callings and are now under state control, the same as barbers, dentists or doctors.

These, perhaps, are the more important measures passed, although there have been many of interest to some particular class, trade, section or profession. Not all of these have been signed by the governor, but most of them have received his approval.

POLICE OFFICERS IN A PISTOL DUEL

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 8.—By U. P.—Sergt. Patrick E. Kennedy was perhaps fatally wounded last night by Patrolman James J. Maguire, who shot him three times. Kennedy was near his home, when Maguire took him to task for remarks which he charged against him. Kennedy beat Maguire with his club, and the latter fired.

TOUCHES CHORDS IN HEART OF NEAT LITTLE WOMAN CLERK AND ALMOST HARTENED NEWS-PAPERMAN.

The joy and pleasure that some tiny, yellow, squint-eyed children were missing over in the realm of the milked.

"It's a shame the little dears must be deprived of these dollies that they would enjoy so much. I feel just like a criminal in sending them on to Washington, where they will be buried beneath hundreds of other pieces of mail matter. But it is my duty; I can't even pay the extra postage required, because the sender has neglected to make a Washington declaration, which is required on all foreign mail."

Numbers of the men clerks had their attention called to the little dollies, but failed to note any "human interest" in their non-delivery. Hundreds of packages are sent to Washington every week—why should they send a man over a bunch of dollies that could be bought in any Seattle store?

But the girl—she's just a slip of a little woman—knows of the sunshine that these dollies would bring to the hearts of the children for whom they were intended, and, knowing that they would never be delivered, she had hard work keeping the lump from welling up in her throat.

Maybe she has been a child herself once, and had a dolly of her own.

INTERESTING OLD PAPER OWNED BY WALTER CASWELL

Walter H. Caswell, of 1509 First av., has in his possession one of the most interesting curios in Seattle—a copy of the *Winona Daily Republican*, published on Saturday, July 27th, 1861, and containing a full account of the entire battle of Bull Run, and the consequent flight, which has gone down in history as one of the worst catastrophes in human records.

Besides the interest attaching to the paper as a curiosity, it is valuable for the very reason that it contains this description, which is given by an eye witness in a striking and vivid manner. It contains a column marked "Latest News From the Front," and another message describing the lay of the land at Manassas; a description of the mobilization of rebel troops in Missouri, and other live stories of the day, which make the reading of it like a slip back into the terrible war days. The description of the battle between the Zouaves and the Black Troop of the rebel cavalry is the finest that we have ever read of this most dramatic episode of a great battle.

MRS. SHORROCK DIES

Mrs. Frances B. Shorrock, wife of P. Shorrock, president of the Northwest Trust & Safe Deposit Co., died at the family home, 434 W. Highland Drive, yesterday morning. Her funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of Mrs. J. M. Wilson with officiate. Interment will be made in Pleasant cemetery.

NICHOLS AND SCHLIVELY CHARGED WITH GRAFTING SUM OF \$25,000

START FIGHT IN A LOCAL THEATRE

TWO HUSBANDS OF A WOMAN MIX IT.

Police Called to Show House to Quell the Row.

Just as the orchestra at Pantages theater was playing "Love Me and the World is Mine" yesterday afternoon, Mr. Walter Buchanan espied his former wife clinging to the arm of Mr. John Snopavich, and the spectacle made him red.

Mr. Buchanan pawed the air. And Mr. Buchanan waded through the crowd in order to get a good look at the new husband.

Now, it seems that Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan were divorced last May. Three children had blessed the union, the oldest of which is a boy 16 years old. Last December the former Mrs. Buchanan became Mrs. John Snopavich. The eldest son of the former union was with the party yesterday afternoon when Mr. Buchanan steamed ahead at full speed.

The Fight Begins.
Snopavich was peacefully leaving the theater when he saw Buchanan bearing down hard on his port quarter. Accounts of who struck the first blow were sadly at variance in police court this morning. Husband and ex-husband accused each other of striking the first blow. From all accounts it was a very merry-go. Mr. Snopavich is said to have festively tried to claw out one of Mr. Buchanan's eyes. His aim was poor, however, and he only succeeded in scraping a small handful of epidermis from Mr. Buchanan's starboard cheek. Blood being thicker than water, Buchanan's son turned to right merrily and is said to have taken several severe swats at his father.

Somewhat peevish because Snopavich, all same Shrylock, tried to exact a pound of flesh, Mr. Buchanan drew forth his trusty dirk and it prodded Mr. Snopavich in the hip one neat little prod. Mrs. Snopavich sided with her latest husband, and is said to have cut in with a few hefty wallops.

All Were Arrested.
In the meantime ushers and attaches of the theatre did their best to quell the uprising but did not succeed in a great measure.

But Patrolmen Miles and Boughton came in a hurry, and all was soon under control. The men were taken to the city jail, where he of the corrugated countenance and he of the sliced lip nursed their bruised flesh and feelings and telephoned for bail.

The scene shifted to the police court this morning. As neither husband nor ex-husband would admit starting the scrap, Police Judge Gordon was up a stump and assessed a fine of \$10 each. Which was paid.

RAVES OF MURDER

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—By U. P.—While Private Alexander Glass, of Troop B, Fifth cavalry, lies raving in the Presidio hospital ward for the insane, the authorities here today are endeavoring to ascertain his connection, if any, with the famous murder of Jennie Boscheiter, in Paterson, N. J., several years ago.

Glass continually refers to the killing of the Paterson factory girl, and from random sentences appears to have more than a cursory knowledge of the crime which sent several wealthy young men to the New Jersey penitentiary.

Several days ago Glass showed symptoms of insanity, and was placed in the ward. He eluded the attendants and plunged through a heavy glass enclosed veranda, but beyond a few cuts was not seriously hurt. He was then confined in a strait-jacket and bound to an iron bed with straps, but succeeded in gnawing one of his wrists free. When his hands were secured with new thongs, Glass became violent and began raving about Pteron and the murder of Miss Boscheiter.

FORMER SEATTLE MINISTER A HERO AT CHURCH FIRE

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 8.—By U. P.—Just as the evening services were ending last night at the Smithfield St. Methodist church flames broke out from the switchboard near the new \$7,000 organ. Rev. Fletcher L. Wharton, formerly of Seattle, with his clothes burning, directed the congregation to leave the church. He prevented any panic and as the last member of the congregation left the vestry he himself went into the opening and his blazing clothes were extinguished. The organ was ruined and the church badly damaged.

PASS THE DRIFT BARRIER BILL

Members of the lower house at Olympia should not consider their work to be done until they pass the bill which has already passed the senate, appropriating \$50,000 for drift barriers in the White river, where it left its old channel and broke into the Stuck river.

To the absence of drift barriers at this point is due the annual floods in the Duwamish and Puyallup river valleys. Jams of drift wood and logs form there, backing up the water in the White river until it overflows the banks and sweeps along over the fertile farm lands.

It is estimated that the flood of 1906 alone did \$500,000 of damage in the Duwamish and Puyallup river valleys, and when to this is added the losses of other years the aggregate is a large sum.

A comparatively small appropriation by the legislature will go a long way toward stopping this annual damage to one of the richest agricultural districts of the state, and the state will get the money back in the increased taxable value of the property affected.

The senate has done its duty in passing this bill, and it remains for the house to concur in the measure before it can become a law and the improvement be ordered and begun. The danger is that, in the hurry of the last four days of the session, the house will neglect the bill; a danger which must be guarded against, as the measure is far too important to the Duwamish and Puyallup valleys to be neglected.

ALLEGED SWINDLER IS ARRESTED IN DES MOINES

JOSEPH HERMAN SAID TO HAVE VICTIMIZED MANY IN COAST CITIES.

The Seattle authorities have been advised of the arrest in Chicago of Joseph Herman, an alleged swindler, formerly traveling salesman of the Southern Distillery company of New York. Herman was apprehended in Des Moines and was taken to Chicago, where he is being held. Herman is a prepossessing young fellow in appearance, and is the son of wealthy parents in New York, but he went wrong while on a visit to the Pacific coast, and when he started to return to the East after the principal coast cities, he left a lot of mourners behind him. His scheme was to sell saloonmen and liquor

ARMY HEADQUARTERS MAY COME TO SEATTLE

STRONG LIKELIHOOD THAT ALL OFFICERS WILL BE MOVED FROM VANCOUVER.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—By U. P.—There is a strong likelihood that army headquarters will be removed from Vancouver Barracks, Wash., to Seattle.

General Bell, chief of staff, and members of his staff, have the question of removal under consideration. The idea is strongly backed by officers of the department of the Columbia. Rep. Ellis of Washington, who has discussed the matter with General Bell, declared today that the latter said he favored the change for the reason, in particular, that the headquarters should be more centrally located than they are at present. It is generally understood here in army circles that the movement will be ordered, perhaps in the near future.

GO DOWN AT SEA

ENGLAND TO HELP POOR.
LONDON, March 8.—On the strength of a report recently made to the English ministry by a commission appointed four years ago to investigate methods and devise improvements in the country's system of caring for its dependent poor, the liberal party leaders in parliament today began the drafting of a new code of laws for the care of those in the community who must rely upon others for assistance or support.

WOMAN STARTS POSSE AFTER HOLD-UP MEN

LOS ANGELES, March 8.—By U. P.—Joe Jola and Bert Carter, alleged highwaymen, are in jail today, after a running pistol battle with a posse last night.

The capture of the men was due to the quick wit of Mrs. Thomas Ereston, who saw from the window of her home the two men hold up and rob a third. She promptly telephoned to the police, who organized a posse, and, after a hot pursuit, during which a dozen shots were exchanged, overtook and arrested Jola and Carter.

Idaho Legislature Adjourns

BOISE, Idaho, March 8.—After a continuous session of nearly 36 hours, the Idaho legislature adjourned at midnight last night. The clocks in both the senate and the house were stopped.

Captain of Police Killed.

CITY OF MEXICO, March 8.—Feliciano Fortuna, captain of police of Vera Cruz, died from the effects of a knife wound inflicted recently by a woman member of gang of bandits which Fortuna and a posse were pursuing, according to a dispatch received here today.

STATESBORO, Ga., March 8.—By U. P.—While her husband was a prisoner on the charge of murder, Mrs. Joseph Woods was burned to death yesterday while bathing one of her children before an open fire. Her dress was ignited, and she ran into the yard and expired.

ENGAGED IN HARD SET CEMENT BUT SENATE VOTES AGAINST AN INQUIRY.

Paulhamus Makes Charge of Blackmail Against Officials.

BY T. J. DILLON.
OLYMPIA, March 8.—The senate this morning, after one of the most dramatic sessions in its history, by a vote of 21 to 21, defeated a resolution demanding an investigation into the affairs of the particular reference to the insurance department, as conducted by Sam H. Nichols, present secretary of state, and John H. Schively.

The resolution was offered by Paulhamus of Pierce county, who said that both Nichols and Schively had taken over \$25,000 from insurance companies for which they have made no accounting to the state.

That this was barefaced blackmail was openly charged on the floor. Schively was named as a highwayman who went into the insurance offices and told the officers of the companies to stand and deliver.

The resolution would have carried had it not been that it included all state officers. Both Nichols and King would have voted to investigate the insurance department, but would not vote to probe into other. Booth, as chairman of the senate committee on insurance, declared with much heat that this insurance scandal was the rottenest in the history of the state, and he characterized the Schively extortions as pure and simple blackmail.

Paulhamus, four times on the floor, referred to Schively as a blackmailing scoundrel.

Ruth of Thurston came down from the president's chair and pleaded for Schively, asserting that the newspapers were alone responsible for the charges. The senators favoring the investigation originally had a promise of 23 votes to support it. They lost two under cover and gained two votes, but Nichols and Booth deserted and the resolution was lost. Paulhamus changed his vote so that the resolution will be reconsidered tomorrow.

The Specific Charges.
Following are the specific charges made in Paulhamus' resolutions:

That on April 16, 1907, Sam H. Nichols received from the Walla Walla Fire Insurance company \$500 for an examination, and that on July 29 of the same year, they again received \$200 from this company of which no accounting has been made to the state. The actual expenses for this examination could not have exceeded \$50.

That on July 31, 1907, Schively demanded that the Washington Hardware and Implement Dealers' Mutual Fire Insurance association of Spokane and the Western Live Stock association of the same city pay \$200 each for an examination, made in one day, and finally compromised on \$100 each. The necessary expense for these examinations could not have exceeded \$60.

That on August 1, 1907, Schively reported to examine the Guardian Life Insurance company of Seattle, charging a fee of \$50, whereas the actual expense could not have exceeded \$15.

That since 1905, Schively has made three examinations of the Seattle Fire and Marine Association Insurance company, charging \$200 for the first and \$50 for subsequent examinations, whereas the actual expense in each case could not have exceeded \$10.

That on December 22, 1906, Schively examined the Columbia Life and Trust company, of Portland, Ore., receiving \$150, whereas the necessary expenses could not have exceeded \$50.

That on October 1, 1906, Schively, as deputy insurance commissioner, drew his regular salary from the state; that on July 10, 1906, he was elected trustee and president of the Pacific Live Stock association, and from that time until October 2, he gave practically all his time and services to that company, receiving a salary of \$2,587.35. That during all this time the company was insolvent and Schively knew it.

That for four years Sam H. Nichols, as insurance commissioner, and John H. Schively, as deputy, collected from a large number of insurance companies, at least, money to cover expenses for examinations to be made in the future, which examinations have never been made.

That since his election as insurance commissioner, John H. Nichols has collected money to cover examinations to be hereafter made, such sum being arbitrary and not for the purpose of applying upon any expense account in connection with examination, but purely as arbitrary charges.

That there are more than 250 insurance companies doing business in the state, and that an arbitrary fee has been charged each of them each year since their entry into the state; that there were entered during the past two years, in addition to these companies, 87 other companies, who were charged \$200 each for examinations. That there were also entered 18 fraternal insurance societies.

Paulhamus' Charges.
Senator Paulhamus makes the following exacting demands in the final paragraph of his resolution: Upon information and belief, I charge that the said Sam H. Nichols and the said John H. Schively have collected and received, during the past two years, in addition to the above, a sum of money from insurance companies, a sum exceeding \$25,000 in excess of the actual requirements.

CLASSIFICATION OF "JAGS"

NEW YORK, March 8.—By U. P.—Magistrates in the night courts have classified "jags" which come before them for sentence and the penalty inflicted is in proportion to the condition of the prisoner. Magistrate Kernochan today explained that he grouped his cases thus:

"Stew" \$3 "stun" \$3 "stun" \$2 "jag" \$2 "trimming" or "noise effects" \$2, "piffle" \$1. In cases where these psychological conditions accrue on one's birthday, at a christening, wedding or wake, the fine is remitted.

The penalty for plain drunk scales as high as \$10, or six months in the workhouse.

ATTEMPT P. O. ROBBERY.

OGDEN, Utah, March 8.—By U. P.—That robbery was the object of those who started fire in the post-office building last night. The statement of the fire department of officials today. The fire was discovered before the flames had spread to any of the mail matter.

Fight Fire to Save Homes.

MILL VALLEY, Cal., March 8.—By U. P.—Despite the fact that heavy rains had soaked the foliage of the redwood trees in Blytheedale canyon near here, the residents of Mill Valley and vicinity spent the entire night fighting a forest fire which threatened the destruction of their homes.

HAS MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

John Purkypyle, motorman for the Seattle, Renton & Southern railway and proprietor of the Columbia City hotel, had a miraculous escape from death last night.

Purkypyle was breaking in a new man and was cleaning the window in the front of the car. He leaned over, and while doing so, the rod on which he was leaning gave way and he was thrown under the fender. He was dragged 300 feet before the car was brought to a stop. He was picked up unhurt except for a few scratches.