

HALL BOUNCED FROM OFFICE

Too Closely Connected With Oregon Land Thieves

HENEY WILL CONDUCT PROSECUTION

Attorney General Moody Recommended the Removal of Hall and the President Did It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—President Roosevelt today removed from office United States District Attorney John H. Hall of Portland, Or. This action was taken upon the recommendation of Attorney General Moody as the result of charges in connection with the land cases now being prosecuted by the government in that state. Yesterday the prosecution of the cases was taken out of Hall's hands and placed in the hands of Special Prosecutor Henev.

Looks Bad for Hermann.

PORTLAND, Dec. 31.—The grand jury will return indictments this afternoon probably against one or more prominent men accused of complicity in the land frauds. Hall who was removed by the president said: "I know nothing of the reason for my removal. I did not know there were any charges against me. I have not shielded any one. I have been charged with something I have had no opportunity to meet or explain."

OBLIGATIONS ARE UPHELD

SUPREME COURT DECIDES TAXPAYERS CANNOT ATTACK SCHOOL BOOK CONTRACTS.

Directors May Only Add Studies That Do Not Interfere With Uniform Course.

OLYMPIA, Dec. 31.—Seven cases arising out of alleged infringements of the contracts awarded by the state board of education in 1900, for the supplying of a uniform system of text books to the school districts of the state, have been decided by the supreme court.

All the actions originated in Thurston county. The directors of the Olympia school district adopted a supplemental course of study, and selected in addition to the books prescribed in the state course of study a number of books for use in addition thereto, and in some instances replaced the contract books with others.

The contracts that had been entered into with various publishers were for the period beginning September 1, 1900, and extending for five years. These publishers brought separate actions to enjoin the Olympia district from departing from the prescribed course of study, alleging that such acts impaired the profits arising from their contract with the state.

District Alleged Fraud.

In the lower court the district attacked the validity of the publishers' contract on the alleged ground that it had been secured through fraud. The district, lost in this particular, the lower court holding that it had no power to attack the contract.

The district then induced a number of taxpayers to intervene and attack the contracts on the same ground, but the petitions of the intervenors were denied on the ground that their interests were not such as entitled them to maintain an action of that character. The effect of the decision was that the state was the only party that could attack the validity of the contract.

The district, however, set up an affirmative defense, alleging that the contracts between the state and the publishers had not been impaired by the adoption of a supplemental course of study. The district was successful in this defense in suits brought by Harr Wagner, publisher of the New Pacific Geography; Eaton & Co., publishers of New Era History; and the Westland Publishing company, publishers of "Why We Vote" and

St. John's Writing Tablets. The supreme court affirms the judgments in the actions brought by Harr Wagner and the Westland Publishing company, but holds that the acts of the district impaired the contract of Eaton & Co., and reverses the judgment.

Rand, McNally & Co., publishers of "Lights to Literature" and New Century Readerfi won against the district in the lower court, and this judgment is affirmed.

Validity Not Passed Upon.

The other three opinions were on the intervention of taxpayers, and the lower court's judgment in dismissing them is affirmed.

While the decisions uphold the contracts entered into with the publishers by the state board, their validity in a true sense, is not passed upon. In two of the cases actions for damages would probably lie against the district, but it is believed the publishers will be content to let the matter rest. Neither side gains a signal victory, the gist of the opinions being that the district of taxpayers cannot attack the validity of the contracts, and that the directors of the district have the power to fix a course of study to the extent that the course of study does not interfere with existing obligations entered into by the state in behalf of the district.

TEDDY'S RECEPTION.

Everything in Readiness for the Annual Event at White House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31.—The White House has been placed in readiness for the president's New Year reception, which will be held on Monday. The president and Mrs. Roosevelt will be assisted in receiving by Miss Alice Roosevelt and the ladies of the cabinet. Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, has entirely recovered from his recent illness and as head of the diplomatic corps will lead the line of guests. In accordance with the iron-bound rules of precedence the diplomatic corps will be followed in turn by the members of congress, officers of the army and navy, heads of departments and minor officials of the federal and district government. Included in the line also will be many visitors who are here from various parts of the country to attend the convention next week of the American Forest congress.

DAVE HILL RETIRES.

Ratifies the Vote of People on November 8.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 31.—David B. Hill today announced his retirement from the leadership of the democratic party of the Empire state and his return to private life.

Prominent Merchant Dead.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Frank H. Cooper, formerly vice president of the great mercantile house of Seigel, Cooper & Company of New York and Chicago, died today at New Rochelle, N. Y., of paralysis.

RITCHIE LOSES SUITS.

Cannot Recover From State for Extra Services.

OLYMPIA, Dec. 31.—The superior court of Thurston county has entered a judgment dismissing two actions brought by W. A. Ritchie, architect of the capitol annex, against the state. One of these suits was to recover \$1400 for designing the furniture for the legislative halls. Mr. Ritchie presented a bill to the last legislature for this work, but it was disallowed. The other action was to recover \$1500 for preparing plans for alterations in the building decided upon subsequent to the adoption of Mr. Ritchie's designs for the structure.

The Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat, \$1.13 1/4 @ \$1.14; corn, 45 1/4 @ 45 1/2; oats, 31 1/2.

ENDED IN A DRAW

Mullen and Queenan Go Ten Rounds at Pendleton.

The ten-round boxing bout at Pendleton last night by Perry Queenan and Barney Mullen was decided by the referee as a draw. According to reports received from Pendleton today the fight was a very tame one and at no time did the men mix up to any great degree. There was only a small crowd that witnessed the mill and most of them claim that it was very tame.

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♦ MAYOR WILLIAMS INDICTED. ♦

♦ PORTLAND, Dec. 31.—The county grand jury has voted an indictment against Mayor G. H. Williams, who is charged with malfeasance in office. The charges are based upon the failure of the mayor to enforce the laws in permitting gambling.

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BISHOP'S WIFE TALKS A LITTLE

She Speaks of Letters Written by Irvine

SAYS THEY ARE SENSATIONAL

The Bishop Is Only Awaiting the Proper Time to Pulverize His Enemies.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., Dec. 31.—Sensational developments in the Talbot-Irvine scandal are promised as the result of letters in the possession of Bishop Talbot. This statement was made by Mrs. Talbot: "The bishop is keeping silent, awaiting what he regards as the proper time to speak. I have repeatedly urged him to make public the letters of Dr. Irvine and give the public the true version of the matter. This is so different from the things printed as to be surprising. The bishop will produce those letters at the proper time."

Mrs. Elliott Talks Too.

HUNTINGTON, Pa., Dec. 31.—"Who is Dr. Irvine, that he should cast brutal insinuations at me?" indignantly asked Mrs. Emma D. Elliott, of this place, addressing an interviewer at her home here. Then she proceeded as follows to tell what would happen if she had a real defender by saying:

"If my father, General Robert Desha, were alive, he would horsewhip the man who has stopped to insult a defenseless woman and to couple her name with that of a dignitary of the church he should love and respect, not hold up to the gaze of a curious public, ever willing to believe the worst, especially if there is a woman in the case.

"Poor Bishop Talbot; how annoyed he must be. He is a good, honorable man and it is perfectly ridiculous that his name should be coupled with mine in order to do us both injustice. Why, I am a grandmother and I have three grown-up sons. Is it not perfectly absurd?"

"Yes, Bishop Talbot is a friend of ours, and a dear, good, true one. He was the best friend Dr. Irvine had until Dr. Irvine became so nasty that even a saint could not endure him. Dr. Irvine is a tricky, dangerous man, and I confess that I am afraid of him." Concerning her earlier marriage, Mrs. Elliott added: "I see they say I was married to a James Anderson on the European plan. First it was James Alexander, and now it is James Anderson. I want to say that I never knew a man by either name, and surely did not marry them. I do not know what they mean by a marriage on the European plan."

GIRL CASHIER IS ROBBED

IS BOUND AND GAGED WHILE FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS IS TAKEN FROM HER.

She Is Released by Night Watchman, Who Is Arrested for Robbery—Confesses.

ELKHART, Ind., Dec. 31.—Last night Miss Belle Reynolds, bookkeeper for the Warren Hill department store, was bound, gagged and then robbed of \$1500. An hour later Paul Krohn, night watchman, released Miss Reynolds and was himself accused of the robbery. He confessed and was placed under arrest.

MITCHELL AND HERMANN INDICTED

PORTLAND, Dec. 31.—Both Senator Mitchell and Congressman Hermann were indicted by the federal grand jury this afternoon for connection with the land frauds.

TOGO IN TOKIO IS VERY BUSY

He Declines Public Reception in His Honor

HE IS HOLDING CONFERENCES

British Cruisers Are Sent Out to Watch Admiral Rojestvensky's Baltic Fleet.

TOKIO, Dec. 31.—Admiral Togo has declined the offer of a reception in his honor by the municipality, pleading that he is too busy. He intends to devote his time in Tokio to a conference with the naval general staff. The admiral today attended general services for the officers and men killed at Port Arthur. He read their eulogy.

To Head Off Baltic Fleet.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 31.—The British warships Cadmus and Torch sailed under sealed orders today. It is believed they are going to Marshall island in connection with the possibility of Admiral Rojestvensky's attempting to coal there.

The Sevastopol Destroyed.

CHEFOO, Dec. 31.—A heavy storm at Port Arthur has completed the destruction of the Sevastopol. The other damaged Russian warships also suffered severely.

Casualties at Pigeon Bay.

CHEFOO, Dec. 31.—It is reported that in the recent attack on the Russian positions between Pigeon bay and Port Arthur the Japanese lost 1000 killed and wounded. At one of these positions the Russians lost 250 men. Among the killed was a Russian major general.

ALL QUIET AT FOLSOM.

Penitentiary Officials Investigating the Recent Break.

FOLSOM, Cal., Dec. 31.—The convicts at the prison were at work again today. All excitement attendant on the incident of Thursday has subsided. The officials now find time for investigation and it is probable that some information leading to the unearthing of the entire plot will be gained. Kelly and Queyaba, convicts badly shot, are resting easy, but are not out of danger. Guard Jolly's recovery is certain. Captain Murphy continues to improve. Queyaba was erroneously reported dead yesterday.

To Try Knickerbocker Officer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The trial of the officers of the Knickerbocker Steamship company in connection with the Slocum disaster was today set for March 10, by the United States district court.

HUSBAND AND WIFE KILLED

THE MAN IN A DRUNKEN FRENZY HELD WIFE ON RAILROAD.

An Illinois Central Train Runs Over Them and Cuts Them to Pieces.

CRAONDALE, Ill., Dec. 31.—While in a drunken frenzy A. R. Hemphill today held his wife on the tracks of the Illinois Central in front of an approaching express. Both were cut to pieces.

THE MT. CUTLERY MYSTERY.

New Evidence That Confirms Theory of Detectives.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Dec. 31.—What is believed to be the most important clue yet unearthed in the Mount Cutler murder mystery was made public today by the police. Former City Surveyor H. I. Reed, while going up North Cheyenne canon December 8 with a party of surveyors he saw a man carrying a bundle of clothing wrapped in a paper and acting in a suspicious manner. The end of the bundle was open and showed a

blue garment, the sort that Mrs. Bouten is supposed to have worn when murdered. The description of the man does not fit the description of Bouten's companion, Milton Franklin. The police are still tracing the movements of Franklin.

Abandon Bouten Theory.

DENVER, Dec. 31.—The receipt of a half dozen telegrams and letters from a southern city whose name the police refuse to divulge, has thrown new light on the Mount Cutler murder tragedy. The police have practically abandoned the theory that the murdered woman was Bessie Bouten, but they positively refuse to give out any word regarding the new developments until an arrest is made, which may be in a few days.

LAWSON STANDS PAT.

He Promises to Startle the World Next Monday.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—"I have not let up in my battle against the Standard Oil-Rogers crowd and I don't intend to," said Thomas W. Lawson today. "Next Monday evening I will publish a statement that will jar Wall street to its very foundations. The Standard Oil and its allies have had fair warning. Let them watch out for the article. A rude awakening is in store for those who imagine the end is in sight."

BIG FIRE IN CHICAGO.

Six Firemen Injured—The Loss is Very Heavy.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Fire this morning destroyed the building at 156 Van Buren occupied by the Peninsular Stove Co., and the two buildings adjoining occupied by the Cash Mymers' Union and Zeno Gum Co. A falling wall crushed six cottages, the tenants barely escaping.

Six firemen were injured by flying bricks when the wall fell. Two were so seriously injured that they were removed to a hospital. The loss will reach \$750,000.

NO BAIL TO BE ALLOWED NANN

DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEROME

OBJECTS TO FIXING OF ANY BOND.

He Says a Third Trial Will Certainly Take Place in Due Time—Hope for Conviction.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—District Attorney Jerome said this morning: "Nann Patterson will be tried again. Meantime no bail will be accepted. This is final."

COLLEGE PLACE NEWS.

Improvement Inaugurates Plan to Keep Streets Clean.

COLLEGE PLACE, Dec. 31.—A committee of the College Place Improvement Club is now engaged in mailing notices to all residents of the village that beginning January 1, 1905, all stock must be kept off the streets or the owners will be prosecuted for maintaining a public nuisance. At the next meeting of the club the improvement of streets and sidewalks will be the topic of consideration.

The public school teachers are now engaged in selecting a new set of books for the school library. As a result of the basket social of Christmas eve the teachers say they have over \$85 for this purpose.

Nicholas Oliver has just completed a new woven-wire fence around his property. He says that his next improvement will consist of an artesian well. He will locate it at the east end of his property. It is his intention to furnish water to neighbors at a reasonable fee.

A. J. Armstrong and wife have returned from an extended eastern trip. L. J. Hughes has been in attendance at the Spokane Teachers' association.

Frank Buckingham is preparing to enter upon the duties of constable. Frank Nichols, of the Nichols firm, will retire from business January 1, leaving his father and brother in charge.

Witnesses for Apostle Smoot.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 1.—United States Marshal Heywood returned today from Washington and commenced at noon serving the subpoenas issued by the defense in the Smoot investigation.

Arbitration With Spain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The Spanish minister and Secretary Hay today signed a new arbitration treaty between Spain and the United States.

DR. CHADWICK UNDER ARREST

Won't Go to Cleveland Without Extradition.

PROTESTS THAT HE IS INNOCENT

Until Today Had Perfect Faith in Wife's Innocence—Now Don't Know What to Think.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The Hamburg-American liner Pretoria having on board Dr. Chadwick and his daughter May, was sighted off Fire island at 3 o'clock this morning. Sheriff Barry of Cleveland, boarded a revenue cutter and met the Pretoria at quarantine. Dr. Chadwick was found by a newspaper man seated in his stateroom. He was asked if he knew that he was under indictment in Ohio. He said: "I know nothing about it." He then shut himself in his state room and refused to answer questions.

Dr. Chadwick was practically but not technically placed under arrest by Sheriff Barry who took him with his daughter to the Meyers hotel in Hoboken, N. J., where he consented to remain until Barry gathered his own effects in New York.

When informed by Sheriff Barry of the forgery charges Dr. Chadwick said: "All I know of the charge against me and Mrs. Chadwick is what I have seen in the newspapers. I know nothing of the utterance of this forgery. Up to the present moment I had believed my wife innocent of wrong doing." Then with a gasp he said, "I hardly know what to believe."

Miss Chadwick will be taken care of by relatives in New York for a few days, after which she will probably go to Jacksonville, Florida, where Dr. Chadwick is said to have a brother.

While Barry was absent in New York Lawyer Carpenter called on Chadwick. It was then announced that Chadwick would not leave for Cleveland on the 4:45 train. There is a possibility that he may insist on fighting extradition.

Dr. Chadwick decided to go to Cleveland at 4 o'clock. He took a closed carriage with Sheriff Barry for the Pennsylvania station.

Bail for Dr. Chadwick.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 31.—Judge Tilden in the criminal court today fixed bail for Dr. Chadwick at \$10,000. It is expected that Chadwick's friends will be ready with bail when the prisoner arrives.

Bail for Dr. Chadwick.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 31.—Attorney Daley has secured bail for Dr. Chadwick.

S. P. TRAIN WRECKED.

An Engineer Killed and a Number of Passengers Injured.

SUISUN, Cal., Dec. 31.—Southern Pacific passenger train No. 11 from Portland, due at San Francisco last night, but running as a special and being several hours behind time, ran into an open switch here early this morning, striking a gravel train on a siding. H. L. Peters, engineer of the passenger train, was instantly killed. A number of passengers were slightly bruised. Peters' home was in Oakland.

Advertising Chat

Persistence in doing a wrong thing never brought success and never will. Every merchant recognizes the fact that some method of advertising is necessary. The purpose of advertising is to sell goods and make money, and the form of publicity that doesn't do that is useless. A survey of the field shows that those who have been most successful in business have become so by advertising in the newspapers which reach the class of people to whom the goods appeal. The Evening Statesman, delivered daily into the majority of the homes of Walla Walla and surrounding countryside is a powerful advertising medium. Advertisers can always use it to advantage.