

SLAP ROOSEVELT ON BOTH WRISTS

House Committee Also Holds Its Nose High in the Air at Him.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—Declaring the language of Roosevelt in his annual message referring to the secret service, unjustified, Representative Perkins of New York, chairman of the committee appointed to consider a plan of action, today presented a report recommending that the secret service portion of the message be ignored.

for an explanation of the alleged insult to the house be ignored as not responsive. The committee's report created a sensation. It declared Roosevelt's suggestion that restriction of the secret service was made because members of the house did not wish to be investigated was unwarranted, and that the language in the president's annual report must be judged according to accepted interpretation of the English language.

LAUNDRY TRUST WILL FIGHT LABOR

That the Spokane laundry trust intends to make a hard fight against legislation in the interest of laundry employees is indicated in a circular letter which was sent out by A. J. Reise of this city to legislators.

The subterfuge to be adopted in a fight against labor leaders is the claim that these leaders are merely pretending interest in wage earners to serve their own purposes and ambitions.

A bill limiting the hours of work for female employes in any laundry, hotel or restaurant to eight hours, is to be introduced. The existing law limits the hours to 10.

Another law limits working hours underground in mines to eight hours.

Reise in this circular sets forth that female workers and coal miners are being used as a wedge by the leaders to secure legislative sympathy, the real purpose being to bring about an eight hour day for all laborers by legal statute, which they have not been able to accomplish by ordinary methods.

Here is a sample of the "argument" used in the circular: It is claimed that the cheaper British Columbia labor is already sending coal into United States markets, notwithstanding the tariff and if the hours of labor are decreased from 10 to eight, another handicap will be placed on home labor.

Poor John Chinaman is another argument being used in this instance to show why the working hours of women should not be decreased. Reise makes the claim that Chinese and Japanese are competing against white laundries, which makes it necessary to employ women and work them at least 10 hours a day.

It is inferred if the law is passed women laundry workers must step down and give way to oriental labor. It is not stated in positive terms that the white laundries will hire orientals, but it carries that inference.

For the purpose evidently of bolstering up the courage of those the laundry trust have framed to fight for them, this paragraph is included:

"Needless to say, the demand for this class of short-sighted legislation comes from so-called leaders who conspicuously failed to demonstrate their ability to make good threats against candidates in the recent national and state elections."

Reise is connected with the Spokane laundry.

CARELESSNESS COST A LIFE

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 8.—Investigation today indicates that carelessness of the yard crew, and not the work of train wreckers, was responsible for the accident in which Edward Stuart, fireman, was killed, and two injured last night when a Great Northern passenger train struck an open switch.

The engine and baggage car plunged into Bellingham bay and the trestle was wrecked. John Daly, who was clinging to a pile in five feet of frigid water when rescued, is suffering from a mutilated leg. He was brought ashore in a rowboat by passengers. George L. Rhodes, mail clerk, suffered a broken shoulder. The smoking car went off the rails but remained on the trestle.

JUST WHAT YOU'D NOTICE

Some snow fell in Spokane today. It remained on the ground long enough to be noticed.

PYRES LIGHT RUINS

Dead at Messina and Reggio Burned by Thousand in Huge Pits.

ROME, Jan. 8.—Thousands of bodies are being burned daily in huge pits at Messina and Reggio. Archbishop Darrigo of the destroyed cathedral at Messina is conducting rites over the dead.

The work of clearing away the ruins will start soon. The Italian government has intimated that it does not need any more battleships on the scene.

Reports from Reggio, Messina and throughout the stricken district say relief work is gaining headway, but there is still much suffering.

OLD SOLDIER HAS VANISHED

Clinton E. Hughey, 62 years old and a member of the G. A. R., is being sought by the Spokane police at the request of the head of the police department of Milwaukee, Wis., who is acting on behalf of the old man's niece.

Hughey has been a resident of this city for the last 30 years, according to the communication. He has recently paid a visit to his eastern relatives, among whom is a niece residing in Milwaukee. He left the Minnesota city with the intention of going to St. Paul, but shortly afterwards wrote a letter from Spokane to his niece, telling her that he was in trouble and needed \$50. Nothing has been heard from him since.

Only one Hughey, and that one W. L. Hughey, is recorded in the Spokane directory.

KETCHEL HAS \$10,000 BREACH OF PROMISE

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 8.—Stanley Ketchel, middleweight world's champion, is defendant in a \$10,000 breach of promise suit started by Elizabeth Houman of this city. Ketchel was arrested today and furnished bail.

The girl says he promised to marry her last January. The engagement was broken last July. She is the daughter of a workingman and is 19 years old.

CLUMSY BURGLAR SCORCHES TOWN

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 8.—Benbow, a small town near Alton, Ill., was almost doomed this morning by fire started by burglars overturning a lamp in a residence. Five persons were injured in a burning hotel. The telephone exchange was burned. The fire was finally controlled with a loss of \$10,000.

MOTHER TAKES CHARGE OF CHILD

Mrs. Mae Jones, 918 Second avenue, today won first blood in the habeas corpus proceedings against her husband, A. C. Jones of Chicago, for the possession of their son, Burton Immel Jones, aged 18 months. Judge Hinkle authorized the mother to take possession of the babe, which has been at the juvenile detention rooms, and take it to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Immel, until Monday morning, on the deposit of a bond for \$500, which was expected to be put up this afternoon.

An ill-advised love affair is at the bottom of the trouble of the Joneses. Mrs. Jones is 22 and her husband is 46. Two and a half years ago they met at Pontiac, Ill., where the girl lived and Jones was introduced to her as a detective of high standing at Chicago. Jones paid much attention to the girl, who was greatly impressed with the romance of his profession and fell deeply in love with him. She says she was warned by her parents and friends to let Jones alone, but thought she knew best and left her home to marry him, over the protest of her parents.

She went to Chicago and was married in a flat fitted up by Jones, and all went well for a time. Mrs. Jones says she learned that Jones had been married twice before, but had been divorced both times, and had a son who never visited him and who was older than Mrs. Jones herself.

Jones, the wife says, had only one detective case of any importance after they were married, and devoted most of his time to bookmaking and playing the races. She says his sportive tendencies developed to such an extent that he mortgaged her diamond ring and tried to mortgage her piano when she left him suddenly last September.

Mrs. Jones says she will sue for divorce as soon as she has been in the state of Washington one year. Her husband, she says, cannot sue for desertion under the Illinois law until two years after she has left the state.

At the hearing next Monday Jones' attorneys will move for a continuance in the case for one month to enable him to return to Chicago and take some depositions connected with his right to take the child. The purpose of these depositions, it is believed, is to show that Mrs. Jones is not a proper person to be entrusted with the rearing of the youngster.

STOCKMEN GET SLOW START

ANNUAL CONVENTION DELAYED TILL THIS AFTERNOON BY SNOW DOWN IN BUNCH GRASS COUNTRY.

The Washington Livestock association was unable to start its two days' session this morning, as planned, owing to the failure of members except about six to show up at the assembly room of the chamber of commerce. According to F. H. Gehlke, secretary, the members have not reached the city yet. The session was postponed until a large enough gathering for business has assembled this afternoon.

General matters pertaining to stock are to be discussed.

A. J. Splawn of North Yakima, who is president of the organization, will not be here on account of sickness. E. F. Benson, vice president, Prosser; F. M. Rothrock, treasurer, Spokane, will attend.

This occasion is the fifth annual convention. Mayor Moore is to deliver a welcoming address. Professor E. E. Elliot of Pullman, Professor R. E. French of Moscow, Dr. C. W. Deming, head of federal meat inspection in Spokane; Paul Cragstone, the young Idaho millionaire ranch; Dr. S. B. Nelson, state veterinary, and chamber of commerce officials will probably deliver addresses.

PUGH TO MAKE NEXT MOVE IN HORTON CASE

Prospect That No Further Prosecution Will Develop.

The prosecuting attorney's office will not take up the further prosecution of Charles E. Horton until after the new prosecutor, Fred Pugh, takes charge of the office next Monday. The further action of the state will be determined by Mr. Pugh, who is at present in Olympia attending the sessions of the commission codifying the criminal laws of the state.

It is generally believed that the prosecution of Horton will end with his acquittal in the Holley-Mason case, for the reason that the handicaps encountered by the state in the late trial would also present themselves in the other cases against Horton.

The question of the disposition of the \$2,000 put up by Horton to reimburse City Treasurer Eggleston for the shortage in the city water office probably will be settled without litigation. Horton and Sheldon were under bond to the city treasurer, and so long as there is a shortage claimed it will be incumbent upon them or their bondsmen to protect the treasurer. The city will lose nothing.

A. C. Shaw, one of the attorneys for Horton, says Horton has said nothing to him about making any demand for the return of the money put up with the city treasurer. Horton himself last night stated that he had nothing to say

on this question until after he learned what action the state intended taking as to the other cases against him. He stated that a number of the items turned in by the experts as shortages were not such, as could be shown by indisputable evidence. Some of these items represented bills that had been cancelled by the city council, and others had been compromised and only partial payments made on them. Yet these items are charged up in full on the experts' report.

Sheldon, who was jointly concerned with Horton in the affairs of the water office, has not advanced a penny to make up the shortage claimed by the experts for the city. Sheldon was summoned by Horton as a witness, but never appeared. He is well fixed financially, and able to make good his share of the alleged shortage, but is "standing pat" on the payment of it. The \$1300 difference between the amount paid by Horton and the total of the shortage reported by the experts was paid by Eggleston himself.

The jury that heard the Horton case were convinced that there was a shortage in the water office, but could not tell from the evidence who got the money.

This was the chief stumbling block with the jury, the absence of proof that Horton got the specific item with which he was charged. The failure of the city to make a complete investigation of the treasurer's office gave the defense a loophole in the breastworks of the state on which they turned their heavy guns.

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OFFICER KILLED BY SOLDIER

PROBABLY FATALLY WOUNDS ONE ASSAILANT AND HURTS TWO OTHERS IN SAN FRANCISCO FIGHT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Three soldiers, one fatally shot, are in custody of the police, suspected of being concerned in the death of Police Sergeant Anton J. Noleing, who was shot to death in the red light district at 2 o'clock this morning. He attempted to arrest a soldier and two companions who were wrecking a house on Commercial street.

The sergeant was knocked down and his revolver taken from him. While he was scuffling with two men, the third fired, killing Noleing.

Thomas Jordan and Richard O'Connor, privates of the coast artillery at Fort Baker, were arrested.

The slain officer's assailants fled in the darkness. Later Jordan and O'Connor were brought to the Central hospital to be treated for bruises apparently received in a fight. Later the unidentified soldier, suffering from a shot wound, was brought to the hospital. He is unconscious and will probably die.

Reports from local offices of the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific have it that so far the trains are less than three quarters of an hour late. At the end of the snowfall danger of washouts in the hilly sections will develop more trouble for the railroad and traveling public.

WILL REBUILD RUINED CITIES

ROME, Jan. 8.—The chamber of deputies, which convened today, will probably vote for the rebuilding of Messina and Reggio. Commissioners will be sent to San Francisco and the Japanese cities that have profited by experience in rebuilding after earthquakes.

TO ASK STATE FOR \$25,000

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DESIRES APPROPRIATION FOR SECURING TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY OF ENTIRE STATE.

A state appropriation of \$25,000 to be devoted to securing a topographical survey is to be worked for by the Spokane chamber of commerce. It is expected that should the state evince sufficient interest to appropriate \$25,000 for

CALLS HARRIMAN BIGGEST GRAFTER

NOOSE ENDS PRAYER

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Jan. 8.—"The sacred heart of Jesus have mercy on my soul."

As the noose slipped about his neck on the scaffold at the penitentiary at 10 o'clock this morning Thomas P. Fallon, wife murderer, spoke these words in a firm voice. Twelve minutes later he was dead.

Fallon prayed audibly as he marched from the cell to the scaffold. He killed his faithless wife four years ago. All records in the case were destroyed by the earthquake, causing long delay.

NEW MENACE FROM AIRSHIP

WILBUR WRIGHT NOW ACCUSED OF FLYING AWAY WITH THE HEART OF ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—Wilbur Wright, champion aviator of the world, is named as co-respondent by Lieutenant Goujarde of the Cuirassiers, stationed at Champaign, in a divorce petition filed today.

Mme. Goujarde is an enthusiastic aeroplanist. She was present during many flights made at Lamars by Wright in his wonderful flying machine.

GAMBLERS FINED \$50 AND COSTS

Fines of \$50 and costs each were assessed this afternoon by Justice Mann of the police court against R. H. Diehl and S. Bergman, convicted on charges of having conducted a gambling house. Diehl and Bergman were operating in rooms 3 and 4 of the Seattle lodging house at 917 1/2 Sprague avenue under the name of the Pioneer Farmers' & Mechanics' club.

G. Warson, a farmer who was in the place at the time it was raided by Officers Miller and Downey, stated that a friend came to him on the street, handed him a card and told him to go up and play cards, that the card would make him a member. A whole gambling outfit was found in the house, and Warson admitted that he had played draw poker in the place with one of the defendants.

RAILROAD MEN'S TROUBLES BEGIN

Traffic on every railway running into Spokane is impeded by snowfall of the past several days. No. 7 on the O. R. & N., from the east, is expected in Spokane 12 hours late today. Other trains on that road between here and Portland are already running five or six hours behind time.

Dispatches from Montana state that both the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railroads are storm bound in a wide sweep of territory of the Dakotas. Montana is in the grip of a severe blizzard and railroad traffic throughout that unfortunate state is badly congested.

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TRIPLE COMBINE AGAINST AUSTRIA

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 8.—A telegraphic exchange of notes is reported to have occurred today between Russia, France and England, in which these powers mutually pledge themselves to take a resolute stand against Austria's attitude in the Balkans.

C. P. TRAINS DAY LATE

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 8.—Trains on the Canadian Pacific from the east are running exactly one day late, owing to severe weather in the mountains. In Vancouver the coldest weather so far is six above zero.

Heney Blames Him for Corruption of San Francisco.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—"Harriman, through control of the Southern Pacific, is responsible for graft in San Francisco."

"He wants to control everything he can lay his hands on." So declared Francis Heney today. He says he has nothing to retract concerning anything he has said about Harriman. Heney leaves tonight for San Francisco.

BEAUTIFUL STAR OF THE NEWEST POPULAR OPERA



ARLETTE DORGERE

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Arlette Dorgere, the celebrated French vaudeville artist, has been engaged by Manager George Edwards to play the leading part in his new play, "The Dollar Princess," which is the rage in Austria and Germany just now.

The plot turns on the eccentricities of an American millionaire, who is president of an oil trust and whose unique idea is only to have titled European aristocrats for his household servants. An English noblewoman is his daughter's lady's maid, a duke is his butler, and a French viscount his chef.

GO HOME, DAN AND BE HAPPY

FORTUNE WAITING FOR MURPHY, WHO HAS BEEN FREQUENTLY HERE AND BELIEVED TO BE CRAZY.

Daniel, Murphy, there's a fortune awaiting you in Sacramento, Cal.

This information, which will undoubtedly be happily received by Dan, who left his Sacramento home about 10 years ago, has been received by the Spokane police in a communication from Chief of Police John E. Sullivan, Sacramento.

The Dan Murphy in question is believed by the Spokane police to be the same man who, on three different occasions, has been under arrest in this city and who was finally picked up and sent to the county jail, suspected of insanity. He was discharged from the county jail here December 13, 1908, after physicians had declared his mental condition O. K. Since that time he has not been seen by the police. According to the communication received from Chief Sullivan, Murphy is now about 29 years of age. He was heard from by his relatives from time to time throughout the north and the east, but for the last three years not a word has been received from him. His mother recently died and left him considerable money.

CHICKEN MEETING TONIGHT

The Inland Empire Poultry & Pet Stock association will hold its regular meeting tonight at the Blair Business college to further the arrangements for the poultry and pet stock show to begin here January 26. All poultry breeders are requested to be present.

PFISTER APPEALS CASE.

The Pfister Co. has taken an appeal to the supreme court in the case of Josephine Meza, the Spanish singer who recovered a jury

ANOTHER RURAL TELEPHONE LINE

Denton M. Crow made application with the county commissioners today for a franchise for a pole line along rural route No. 8 on Moran prairie, on which he proposes to string wires for heat, light, power and telephone service for the farmers along the route. He will get power from the Inland.

BILLY SUNDAY WON'T BE THERE

Billy Sunday declines to take part in the theatrical benefit for earthquake sufferers in Italy January 15. Sunday was asked to make a short address on a program containing theatrical attractions.

In view of his attitude toward theaters, Sunday said he could not appear, but he would have a collection taken at the tabernacle for the earthquake relief fund.

WATER FOR GREENE ADDITION

J. H. Tilsley, president of the Capital Land Co., which recently purchased Greene's addition from J. W. Greene, today petitioned the city council to grant right to lay water mains within the addition under supervision of the city. The company will pay all expense, then turn the system over to the city, to be reimbursed without interest from the revenue the city will derive from the system.