

PINCHOT TO SEE OLD CHIEF

Roosevelt and Deposed Chief Forester Are Expected to Meet at Naples

MEETING ASKED BY A CABLE FROM KHARTUM

Absence From Ballinger Investigation Excused on Ground of Much Needed Rest

AVOIDS APPEARANCE OF DIRECT SLAP AT TAFT

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Washington today woke up to the fact that Gifford Pinchot, whom President Taft recently removed from the position of chief forester of the United States, was on the ocean, already four days out on the steamer President Grant, on his way to meet former President Roosevelt, probably at Naples.

Pinchot is due at Hamburg Monday; Colonel Roosevelt is to arrive at Naples the following Saturday.

The widely current rumor here is that Pinchot goes to meet the returning traveler in compliance with a summons received by cable Friday. Nobody in a position to know would either confirm or deny this part of the story. There is no disposition to deny that Pinchot's principal errand abroad is to meet Roosevelt.

Root Involved in Rumors

It is to be taken for granted the former president will receive from the deposed chief forester, with whom he was on peculiarly intimate terms, his first direct information bearing on the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy from any of the principals in that dispute.

It was rumored here today that Senator Root, a member of the investigating committee and secretary of state in the Roosevelt cabinet, had written to Roosevelt at Khartum on the subject.

Senator Root would not talk about the matter, and no confirmation of the rumor was obtainable from any other source. If it were true, it might afford at least a partial reason for the supposed cablegram to Pinchot.

Pinchot's friends here scoff at the suggestion that he would quit the investigation of the controversy in which he is so deeply concerned on the eve of Secretary Ballinger's testimony in order to seek an uninvited interview with the former president.

Slap at Administration?

On the other hand, those who know Roosevelt say that he is too good a politician not to realize that to give Pinchot an unsought hearing before he had had an opportunity to discuss the matter with President Taft or some member of his political family would be generally regarded as a direct slap at an administration he would naturally feel bound to support.

Pinchot slipped away from Washington quietly Friday evening and next day sailed from New York for Europe. His absence on Saturday from the Ballinger-Pinchot hearing, at which he has been a constant attendant, attracted little attention, though he had not intimated to his associates that he intended to go away for a long trip.

Trip Undertaken Suddenly

Thomas R. Shipp, secretary of the National Conservation association, of which Pinchot is president, said today that the former forester had gone to Europe for a "much needed vacation." He said that Pinchot's side of the case had practically all been presented, and he felt it was an opportune time for him to go away.

He admitted that Pinchot had made up his mind about the trip rather suddenly, but he professed to know nothing of the reported Roosevelt-Pinchot meeting. He did not attempt to deny that Pinchot might see his former chief before he returned to the United States.

Feels Need of Vacation

Later Mr. Shipp issued the following formal statement:

Mr. Pinchot sailed for Europe on the President Grant of the Hamburg-American line last Saturday afternoon. He will go to Copenhagen, Denmark, where he will visit his sister, Lady Johnston. Mr. Pinchot has been working hard and felt that a vacation for a while would do him good. I do not know when he will return. He has engagements in the United States early in May.

The only address Pinchot left behind him at his Washington residence was Copenhagen, and a large number of letters and telegrams are being forwarded to him there in care of his sister.

The former forester's mother accompanied him to New York, but remained there at the home of her other son, Amos R. Pinchot. His private secretary remained behind. He also declared that Pinchot was simply going

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HEALDSBURG, March 22.—Deputy Sheriff Henry Lencioni and a deputy game commissioner for Sonoma county, while out in the mountain districts with Deputy Game Commissioner A. F. Lea seeking violators of the game laws, had the misfortune to have his horse fall on him yesterday and badly crush his right leg and knee. Lencioni will be laid up for several weeks. Lea assisted his injured companion home, where medical attention was secured.	

COUNCILMEN AT \$50 EACH, WITH GLUT IN MARKET

Nine More of Pittsburgh's Former Officials Admit That They Sold Themselves

One Thought That He Was Worth a Dime More Than the Price Offered

PITTSBURGH, March 22.—Nine more former members of councils before the district attorney today confessed their guilt in accepting money for their votes while members of the municipal bodies, and from Judge R. S. Fraser received the immunity bath of a suspended sentence.

When the grand jury adjourned for the day just before 5 o'clock, it had returned no indictments, although it had listened for hours to developments in the bribery scandal even more sensational than those brought out yesterday. Men admitted selling their honor for from \$50 up.

John F. Klein was before the grand jury the greater part of the day and continued his narrative of councilmanic graft. Klein recounted some of his experiences in handing out the money to the councilmen.

Demand the Dime

"There was one fellow," he said, "who was a daisy—a regular Shylock for the dough. In the South Seventh street business I handed him \$81. He looked at me for a full minute and then yelled like a stuck pig for the extra 10 cents. You know, \$81.10 was the standard price in that deal. Well, he got the 10 cents all right."

District Attorney Blakeley, as soon as the councilmen bribe askers have been rounded up, will go after the bribe givers. These are said to be bank officials whose names have never heretofore been mentioned in connection with the graft probe of the last two years.

Promise Bankers the Bath

The "tip" has been passed to these bankers that they may come under the "immunity" proposition extended by the district attorney, but as they have thus far failed to avail themselves of the opportunity, it is reported that some bombshells will be dropped into the social structure of Pittsburgh when county detectives "turn the money changers" out of "their own temples" and bring them before the bar of justice.

There is a feeling that what has been accomplished thus far is but a scratching of the surface. What one hour may develop, no one is able to foresee. Even the district attorney is frank in his expression that he "can't tell what will happen."

Twenty have confessed, 37 have been indicted but have not yet confessed, and 16 have been implicated but have not yet been indicted. It is said at the district attorney's office that before the grand jury is dismissed fully 100 persons will be implicated. These will include not only the bribed but the bribers.

Confession or Cell

Yesterday and today Klein, still in the district attorney's office, worked the telephone overtime trying to get William Brand, former president of common councils, to come forward and tell his story. Brand was to have gone to the penitentiary, but his incarceration was deferred, partly because of the illness of a daughter and partly in the hope that he would confess.

Klein also telephoned Joseph C. Wasson, who entered the penitentiary Monday. Wasson was permitted to answer the telephone by Warden John Francis. When the district attorney appeared unexpectedly at his office tonight he announced that he had received a complete statement from Wasson.

"It covers more in detail than that of Klein and names some big ones," he said.

Wasson will appear in court tomorrow and recite his story to the grand jury.

The crowd could not suppress a laugh when William Frederick testified that he had carried \$100 around in his hip pocket for a week before he knew it was there. He said that it had been placed in his pocket during the councilmanic ball game at Neville island in July, 1908.

KAHN EXPECTS MONEY FOR NEW SUBTREASURY

Representatives of San Francisco to Be Heard This Week

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The committee on public buildings and grounds will grant a hearing to Congressmen Hayes and Kahn and H. H. Taylor and Edgar Palmer, representatives of San Francisco mercantile organizations, one day this week in regard to the new subtreasury for San Francisco.

Congressman Kahn is very much elated over the outlook for getting a large appropriation for the subtreasury. He says that he feels sure that the public buildings bill will contain an appropriation large enough to start work on the building and authorize its continuance.

Members of the public buildings committee say, however, that there will be no more new projects included in the bill.

WORLD'S FAIR COMES HERE

San Francisco Selected for Exposition

DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED SANTA BARBARA MEETING

The following delegates attended the world's fair conference held yesterday in Santa Barbara:

O. H. MILLER, Auburn; E. G. TURNER, W. L. WOODWARD, W. J. MORTIMER, G. A. GRIESCHKE, H. S. HOWARD, HERBERT JONES, Berkeley; A. L. NICHOLS, Chico; O. H. MILLER, Colusa; AL. FEIGENBAUM, Eureka; GEORGE C. ROEDING, WILLIAM ROBERTSON, E. E. MANHEIM, FRANK H. SHORT, Fresno; WALTER G. FITZGERALD, Gilroy; WILLIAM PALMTAG, GRANT WELLS, Hollister; JAMES S. FRENCH, E. K. STROBRIDGE, WILLIAM P. GILBERT, Hayward; H. POLAND, Lompoc; C. L. DAY, F. C. ROBERTS, Long Beach; R. H. McKAIG, Los Gatos; J. K. OLIVER, B. F. WRIGHT, Monterey; HENRY G. TURNER, Modesto; E. H. COX, Madera; J. R. FOSTER, Marysville; WALLACE RUTHERFORD, S. H. WICKOFF, Napa; B. P. MILLER, WALTER S. MACKAY, I. H. CLAY, W. E. GIBSON, A. DENNISON, Alameda county; N. B. CRANE, Oroville; C. E. HUMBERT, R. N. LYNCH, JOHN L. CAMM, E. L. RANKIN, Petaluma; EDW. SIMPSON, Pacific Grove; W. B. ALLEN, Palo Alto; M. R. VAN WORMER, W. D. WOOD, Paso Robles; THEO. ZIEGLER, N. M. CARD, Pleasanton; B. E. MEYERS, Redwood City; O. H. MILLER, Red Bluff; GEORGE T. HUDSON, JOHN M. PERRY, ARTHUR H. WRIGHT, J. M. EDDY, Stockton; H. L. JUDD, EMMETT DUNN, H. R. BASHFORD, WILLIAM K. GERSTLE, JOHN BARNESON, CHARLES M. ELLIOTT, T. C. FRIEDLANDER, L. M. KING, GUSTAVE BRENNEN, San Francisco; S. M. CUTHBERTSON, H. H. McCEIG, Santa Clara county; A. L. CRANE, O. H. MILLER, EMIL STEINMAN, Sacramento; BRANSON E. MEYERS, South San Francisco; T. W. DIBBLEE, L. F. SINSHIMER, H. F. PINNELL, San Luis Obispo; P. E. ZABALA, CHARLES MELANDER, Salinas; DR. C. S. STODDARD, W. C. DAY, FRANK E. KELLOGG, Santa Barbara; D. A. WEBSTER, Santa Paula; H. A. VAN C. TORCHIANA, SAMUEL LEASK, FRED H. HOWE, Santa Cruz; DR. THOMAS MACLAY, W. F. PRICE, E. H. BROWN, Santa Rosa; JOHN BARNESON, San Mateo; W. D. NICHOLS, San Leandro; F. M. ELDRIDGE, Tulare; C. H. MILLER, Vallejo; J. A. LINSKOTT, O. D. STOESE, J. E. GARDNER, L. W. BUCKLEY, Watsonville; O. H. MILLER, Woodland; V. A. SCHELLER, T. C. BARNETT, J. T. BROOKS, San Jose; H. A. BLODGETT, Bakersfield; N. C. BLANCHARD, Hanford; C. H. WENTE, C. J. WETMORE, DR. F. L. SAVAGE, Livermore; W. W. MINES, E. D. SILENT, W. M. GARLAND, F. J. ZEEHANDELAR, W. G. KERCKHOFF, MAX MEYBERG, Los Angeles; E. A. YOUNG, THEODORE GIER, WILBER WALKER, Oakland; CHARLES A. NACE, K. MORRISON, A. B. FOLEY, Santa Clara; ARCHIBALD McNEIL, C. S. PREISKER, R. E. EASTON, Santa Maria; R. J. TAUSIG, Grass Valley; WILLIAM L. GERSTLE, Merced; WILLIAM L. GERSTLE, Madera; JAMES BISHOP, Nevada City; WILLIAM L. GERSTLE, Redding; A. W. SCOTT JR., San Rafael; ARTHUR E. HIOT, Visalia; WILLIAM L. GERSTLE, Weaverville.

SYNDICATE MAY BUY HAGGIN GRANT

Representative of Capitalists Goes Over Property; Immediate Purchase Possible

For the purpose of investigating the famous Haggin grant, or Rancho del Paso, north of Sacramento, with a view to its possible purchase by a middle western syndicate, George W. Butler and J. E. Rogers of Minneapolis are in San Francisco, and negotiations for the sale of the vast holding may be closed within a few days.

Butler arrived in San Francisco Monday night and registered at the St. Francis hotel. In his party is Mrs. Joseph Woods of St. Paul, who is said to be interested in a company that is to be formed for colonization purposes. Frank Drum, the manager of the Tevis and Haggin estates, said yesterday that he had conferred with Butler and that the latter had been over the Rancho del Paso, but that negotiations had not been closed for the sale of the property.

The old Spanish grant, which is now the property of Millionaire James B. Haggin, is famous for its race horses. The property consists of 44,000 acres of rich bottom land lying north of the American river, and is one of the largest and most valuable single holdings left in California. The Tevis and Haggin holding of 500,000 acres in Kern county ranks it in size, however, being second only to the Miller & Lux holdings.

Two years ago the Haggin grant north of Sacramento was put on the market and there were several rumors of its sale. At that time it was valued at \$1,500,000, but the price now asked, it is said, is nearer \$2,500,000. Butler represents a syndicate of St. Paul capitalists, whose intention is said to be to subdivide the land into small tracts for settlement.

"I have met Butler," said Drum yesterday, "and he has gone over the Haggin grant, but no sale has as yet been agreed upon. In fact, no actual negotiations have been started, although we have discussed the matter. Several capitalists have visited the land at various times, but no sale has been made. Mr. Butler, I understand, represents a number of St. Paul and Minnesota people. Two years ago we quoted a price of \$1,500,000 for the holding, but the land may have increased greatly in value since then. I cannot say what it might be sold for at the present time."

HAVENS REFUSES TO DISCUSS SEPARATION

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

BERKELEY, March 22.—Harold Havens returned today from a business trip to Coalinga and Bakersfield. He refused to talk about the separation of his wife and himself.

VACCINATION LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Santa Cruz Superior Judge Declares Statute Is "Class Legislation"

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SANTA CRUZ, March 22.—In a sweeping decision handed down today, in which he denied the petition of the state board of health for a writ of mandate excluding from the public schools of Watsonville all scholars not vaccinated in compliance with the state law, Judge Lucas F. Smith declared the law unconstitutional. He held that the statute was contrary to the constitution because it exempted from its provisions all children attending private schools, together with all persons not attending any school, and for that reason it was class legislation.

"Such discriminating laws," says Judge Smith, "have been held to be unconstitutional and void by some of the most learned judges and courts in this country."

In the decision exception is taken to the point raised by Attorney J. E. Gardner for the state board that parents who do not believe in vaccination can send their children to private schools and thus avoid the consequences of the penal statute. Judge Smith said:

"It is an old and fundamental principle of justice that all criminal laws should operate alike upon all classes of people, whether they be rich or poor. A rich man could send his children to a private school, as suggested by the attorney for the state board of health, and thus avoid being arrested and punished under said penal statute, but should the poor man be punished as a criminal because he is unable to send his children to a private school and does not believe in vaccination, and for that reason his children be barred from attending the public schools? Such an interpretation of the two statutes would work a great injustice to a large class of people."

Smith holds that trustees are the sole judges as to when such a law should be enforced, and that they are perfectly right in not enforcing its provisions unless circumstances demand it, which they do not in this case, there being no epidemic.

U. S. AND CANADA HAVE AGREED ON TARIFF

Definite Statement Based on Private Information

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

DETROIT, March 22.—Private information received here by a prominent manufacturer tonight from Washington makes possible the definite statement that an amicable settlement has been arrived at between Canada and the United States over the tariff question. It may also be added that the agreement was reached at the recent Albany conference.

SANTA BARBARA CONFERENCE UNITES IN NAMING THIS CITY AS SITE FOR BIG FESTIVAL

Los Angeles Leads Businessmen of State in Casting Vote in Favor of Metropolis

FAIR TO BENEFIT ENTIRE WEST

Kindness Toward San Diego Keynote of Convention When Southern City's Claims for 1915 Celebration Are Overruled

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY CONVENTION

"Resolved, That we, representatives of nearly all California commercial bodies, in the city of Santa Barbara, assembled, heartily endorse San Francisco as the site for holding the exposition, and call upon all counties, all cities and all the people of the state to unite in every effort to secure for San Francisco this exposition, which will bring no greater benefits to that city than will accrue to every city and county of the state and every city of every Pacific and western state, and the entire people of the west."

"Resolved, That we, the representatives of nearly all the commercial bodies of California, in meeting assembled in the city of Santa Barbara, do pledge ourselves to faithfully and unremittably labor to induce the government of the United States and the people of every state to aid and assist in holding in California, to celebrate the completion of the Panama canal, in 1915, the greatest international exposition the world has known."

From resolution adopted by commercial bodies at Santa Barbara.

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SANTA BARBARA, March 22.—Voicing the most kindly sentiments for San Diego, praising its pluck, its energy, and even its persistency, the world's fair conference decided without dissent this afternoon that the exposition of 1915 belonged to San Francisco. There was no bitterness. There was no malice.

"We admire San Diego's persistency," said C. C. Moore in behalf of San Francisco, "but, God knows, we condemn her judgment."

SAN FRANCISCO UNANIMOUSLY INDORSED

Those who had looked for a division that would reopen healing wounds of sectional differences were disappointed. When the name of San Diego was called in the roll of counties, and no representation answered for the ambitious community of the south, men from the north responded in sympathetic spirit for the absent delegation. San Diego and some of the neighbors remained away. But from Los Angeles north practically every county in California answered the summons and cast its ballot for San Francisco. William Garland, president of the Los Angeles realty board, brought the message from his city that 90 per cent of the people there advocated the claims of San Francisco.

Garland's speech was the most dramatic of the day. He faced the 125 delegates with several telegrams in his hand. The position of Los Angeles was in doubt. The chamber of commerce of that city, which had previously indorsed San Diego, sent no representative.

COMPROMISE WITH SAN DIEGO SUGGESTED

But Garland spoke for the other commercial bodies and pledged the city's aid to San Francisco's cause. Then he disclosed the contents of the telegrams. There had been an interchange of messages with San Diego at the last moment in the hope that a basis for a compromise might yet be found. On behalf of himself and his Los Angeles colleagues Garland had wired:

"Sincerely desiring to assist San Diego a compromise is suggested and delegates from Los Angeles propose a proportionate division of state appropriation based on respective amounts subscribed, San Francisco to advertise your enterprise, you to waive federal appropriation and recognition; fleets to assemble in San Diego according to the Kahn bill. Believe this is only way fair can be saved to California."

To this the San Diego exposition committee sent the following reply: "Impossible to consider compromise suggested. We have late advice from Washington which show conclusively that New Orleans has no possible chance for securing congressional aid or recognition at this session of congress. We are willing to submit to our people and believe that we can carry through a compromise which will give us a proportionate share of state and federal appropriations, with federal recognition and federal invitation to other countries to exhibit in either San Francisco or San Diego or both."

AID FOR SAN DIEGO

Although the state support, as expressed at today's conference, was assured San Francisco, steps are to be taken to offer assistance to San Diego in any enterprise it may undertake which will not injure the big exposition. A committee was named to act as a permanent body to advance the San Francisco project by treating further with San Diego, if necessary. This committee held a special session tonight and decided to acquaint San Diego with the result of today's conference and to inform the members of congress of the action taken today. On this special committee were placed: Frank Short of Fresno, chairman; Max Meyburg of Los Angeles, V. R. Scheller of San Jose, W. C. Day of Santa Barbara, I. H. Clay of Oakland, A. L. Nichols of