

HOUSE REBUKES THE PRESIDENT

CRITICISES HIM, THEN TABLES PART OF THE SECRET SERVICE MESSAGE

BY AN OVERWHELMING VOTE

Will Decline to Consider Any Communication Which Is Not Respectful and Mindful of Dignity of Body.

Washington, D. C.—After having made him the target all day for criticism, with here and there words of commendation, the house of representatives Friday night by a vote of 212 to 35 rebuked the president by tabling so much of his messages as reflected on members of congress in connection with his recommendations regarding the secret service detectives and also declaring it to be the sense of the house that they shall decline to consider any communication from any source which is not in its own judgment respectful.

With feelings of outraged dignity and pride on the part of many of its members, the house gave itself up entirely to a discussion of one of the most momentous questions that ever came before it—its functions as a legislative body—in contradistinction to those of the executive branch of the government.

As had been forecasted, the report of the special committee appointed to deal with the language in the president's annual message and in his special message of last Monday bearing on the secret service affecting members of congress was submitted and it was used as the basis for some of the most earnest and vigorous speeches ever heard in the historic chamber. The house was in no mood to treat the subject otherwise than seriously, although in the remarks which were made the references to the president almost invariably were couched in parliamentary language. Nor was the president without his supporters.

PUTS TILLMAN IN TIGHT PLACE

Secret Service Report Mixes Him in Oregon Land Deal—Wanted Nine Quarter Sections Reserved.

Washington, D. C.—President Roosevelt on Friday night made public the details of investigations by post-office inspectors and secret service agents of Senator Tillman's connection with an alleged "land grab" in Oregon. The president undertakes to show that Mr. Tillman used his influence as a senator in an effort to force the government to compel a railroad corporation to relinquish its control of land grants from the United States in order that he and his family and his secretary, J. B. Knight, might profit through the purchase of some of the land; that the senator used his government franking privilege in numerous instances for the conduct of private business.

The communication to Senator Hale is of nearly 3,000 words and in addition there are appended numerous exhibits, including copies of letters written by Senator Tillman and his agent, William E. Lee, showing that they did make an effort to secure several quarter sections of the Oregon land, and the reports of the postoffice inspectors who investigated the transactions of the land agents. It was through this investigation that the alleged interest of Senator Tillman was brought to light, and fatefully, it appears that it was at his instigation the inquiry was begun.

PROGRESS SAFE AND STEADY

So Says Dun's Weekly Review of Trade.

New York City.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Credit and confidence are again established on a firmer basis at the opening of the new year than at any time in the past 15 months. Progress is steady and naturally slow, but is along very safe and satisfactory lines. The statement of commercial failures issued this week clearly shows a gradual wearing away of the effects of the financial pressure of the early months of last year and this necessarily improves underlying conditions. While conservatism still characterizes operations in many markets, the development is along safe lines. Changes in prices this week are not significant, but generally in the direction of fairness. Employment in mills and factories is steadily maintained and advanced, with no disposition to lower the high wage scales previously prevailing.

Iron and steel mills continue well occupied on business previously booked, and new orders are constantly being placed.

Turkish Farmers Suffering.

Constantinople, Turkey.—The distress in Anatolia because of the failure of the crops has reached an acute phase in the districts of Erzerum, Yozgad, Kaisarieh and Mardin. Hundreds of persons are actually starving.

New York Has Given Half Million.

New York City.—The local relief fund for the Italian earthquake sufferers is nearing the half million mark. The fund was increased by more than \$20,000 Friday, bringing the total up to about \$475,000.

NIGHT RIDERS FOUND GUILTY

SIX OF FIRST DEGREE MURDER, TWO OF SECOND DEGREE.

Defendants Take Verdict Calmly, as Conviction Was Expected—Soldiers Surround Court House.

Union City, Tenn.—With a verdict of guilty in varying degrees, the jury in the Night Rider trials reported Thursday night. The 12 men found Garrett Johnson, Tid Burton, Boy Ransom, Fred Pinion, Arthur Cloar and Sam Applewhite guilty of murder in the first degree with mitigating circumstances, and Bud Morris and Bob H. Huffman, the other defendants, guilty of murder in the second degree and fixed their punishment at 20 years in the penitentiary. The punishment of the six first named defendants was left to the court and may be death or life imprisonment. The defense filed a motion for a new trial, which was set for hearing Saturday and will be overruled, as indicated by the court, when a sentence will be pronounced.

Court was convened at 8 p. m. and the jury sent word that it would be able to report shortly. The balliff called for the county physician. Juror Rosson was in a state of collapse and needed attention. It was half an hour before Rosson was revived, the jury filed in and six deputies were summoned to carry in the bed upon which the sick juror lay.

The defendants took the verdict with calmness, as they had been expecting it since the closing of the arguments. Bob Huffman, one of the men to escape with 20 years, is the man who, according to the confession of Frank Fehring, fired the shot which killed Capt. Ranken as he was being drawn up by the rope.

When the jury's readiness to report was announced, the military quietly surrounded the court house and a detail of soldiers with revolver holsters open was deployed around the walls of the court room, but there was no demonstration. The prisoners were handcuffed and under military escort taken to prison. The verdict is considered a compromise one, and no trouble is feared by the authorities.

MURDER MYSTERY UNSOLVED

Not Known Whose Body Was Burned in Church Stove—Minister and Another Missing.

Port Huron, Mich.—The identity of the person who was stabbed to death Tuesday evening in the little country church at Rattle Run near Columbus in St. Clair county and that of the murderer are as much a mystery as they were Wednesday when Myron Brown, who entered the building to seek shelter from the storm, was horrified to find the interior of the house of worship drenched with human blood from end to end. The dismembered body of the victim, found in one of the heating stoves of the church, was too badly burned to afford any satisfactory clues as to the identity of the victim. But Rev. J. H. Carmichael, the pastor of the church, and Gideon Browning, who lived near the pastor at the neighboring town of Adair, are both missing from their homes and it is regarded as a certainty that one of the two is the victim of the murder. Every effort is being made to apprehend the other in order to clear up the mystery.

Reports were in circulation at St. Clair Thursday that a stranger resembling Rev. Carmichael had crossed the river to Courtright, Ont., early Thursday on the St. Clair ferry. Frank Carrier says the stranger offered him \$2 if he would land him on the Canada shore.

In support of the theory that the clergyman left his home Tuesday prepared to flee from the country it is pointed out that no one has found the suit case that it is known he took with him Tuesday morning from Adair. Another point in favor of this theory is that Detectives Baker and Fenton of Detroit, who searched the minister's house, reported that a considerable portion of his wardrobe was missing. In support of the theory that Gideon Browning was the victim, a necktie pin found with the body has been positively identified as Browning's property.

"Not Guilty," Verdict in Erb Case.

Media, Pa.—Mrs. M. Florence Erb, wife of Capt. J. Clayton Erb, who was well known in political circles all over Pennsylvania, and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Bels., who were charged with the sensational murder of Capt. Erb on the night of October 6, 1908, Thursday walked from the Delaware county court house free women. After the jury had been out nearly 18 hours it brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of each woman, both of whom had been charged separately and jointly with shooting the captain. Thus ends a trial during which much scandalous evidence was brought out, some of which did not reach the reading public.

Started Fire with Gasoline: Two Dead.

Greentown, Ind.—Gasoline used to start a fire in a stove nearly wiped out the family of William Wilcots here Thursday. David Wilcots was instantly killed, his mother fatally hurt and two brothers, Morton and Harrison, badly burned.

Castro Rapidly Improving.

Berlin.—Gen. Cipriano Castro is improving rapidly from his operation. He was able to converse Thursday for a considerable time with his wife and others.

PARIS BUNGO MAN DECAMPS

"COUNT" HAMON, BANKER, JOURNALIST, PROMOTER, FLEES FROM VICTIMS.

LIVED A GAY LIFE IN PAREE

Maintained Superb Establishment, Moved in Good Society, Dabbled in Various Enterprises and Finally Went Broke.

Paris, France.—"Count" Louis Hamon, formerly known in America and Europe as "Cheiro, the palmist," and before that as plain John Warner, is a fugitive from France, and the entire American and English colony is discussing one of the most meteoric and mysterious careers which ever dazzled Parisian society.

Hamon is charged with embezzlement, and his sumptuous offices, where he edited a newspaper called the American Register and conducted a bank and other enterprises, to which Americans loaned capital, are bare and empty, scores of creditors having descended and seized everything. The complainants against Hamon are Mrs. Julia P. Newell and Miss Josephine Pomeroy, formerly of New York, but now residents of Paris, who declare that they turned over to Hamon stocks to the market value of \$500,000, on which Hamon agreed to raise a loan through London banks of \$150,000. They allege that Hamon neither negotiated the loan nor returned the stocks, in consequence of which they began a criminal action against the Hamon bank, and Hamon fled to London.

Hamon had been a dashing figure in Paris since his arrival here six years ago. He lived in costly apartments in the Rue Du Bois Du Bologne. Since he arrived in Paris in 1902, when he transformed himself from "Cheiro, the palmist" to "Count Hamon," he has had easy access to society.

New York City.—The career in Paris of "Cheiro, the palmist" as "Count Hamon," otherwise John Warner, was in many ways matched by his sensational doings among society people in New York City eight years ago.

Here he amassed a fortune of many thousands of dollars, collected for the most part from society women in exchange for reading the past, present and future on their finely lined palms. Women prominent in social circles flocked to the office of Cheiro and he received \$5 for half an hour's palm reading.

URGES FEMALE NOMINATIONS

Gov. Hughes in His Annual Message Recommends Many Reforms.

Albany, N. Y.—Direct primary nominations and further strengthening of the laws for the protection of the purity of elections are chief among the recommendations in the annual message of Gov. Hughes presented to the legislature at its opening session Wednesday. Previous legislatures have failed to enact the legislation suggested and it is predicted that the proposed measures will result in a bitter legislative struggle.

Gov. Hughes recommends a system of direct nominations by all parties for all elective offices, other than those of presidential electors, filed at the November elections or at special elections called to fill vacancies in such offices; the adoption of a simplified form of ballot without the party column, in which the names of candidates for the respective offices shall appear but once grouped under the names of offices, a more effective system of forest fire patrol, license tax for the privilege of operating motor vehicles, expedition of the work on the barge canal improvement, proper supervision over the slaughtering of animals, inquiry into the questions relating to employees' liability, measures for the protection of the state's streams from pollution, increased hospital accommodations for patients afflicted with tuberculosis, extension of the public commissions law to include telephone and telegraph companies and a constitutional amendment to afford financial relief to New York City. The governor urges the strictest economy in the administration of state affairs.

The National Lawmakers.

Washington.—The postal savings bank bill was before the senate on the 6th. The senate also received two messages from the president, one recommending additional interstate commerce legislation and the other relating to the absorption by the United States Steel corporation of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Co. and passed several bills on the calendar. The only incident worthy of note in the proceedings of the house was a brief discussion of the forthcoming hunting trip of President Roosevelt.

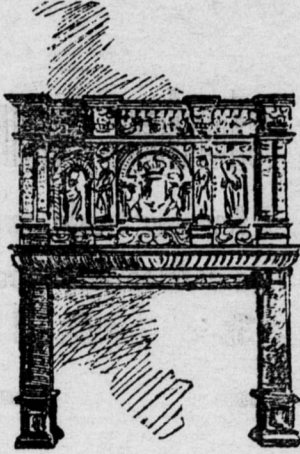
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"What is the trouble?" asked the wife of the brilliant essayist. "I have received an offer of \$300 from the editor of one of the magazines for a 2,000-word article on any subject I may choose, but there isn't a thing I can think of to write about. Every matter of any consequence seems recently to have been thoroughly gone over." "What's the matter with Napoleon?" "By jove! Of course. Why couldn't I have thought of him myself?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

LARGE 17TH CENTURY MANTEL

Jacobean Oak Carving from Old Mansion House, England.

New York.—Among art objects of unusual interest collected in the Charles galleries, at Fifth avenue and Twenty-fifth street, is a large mantel from the old Mansion house in Bristol, England. In 1833 this building was partly destroyed by fire. A portion of the banquet hall in which the mantel stood was saved, and this remarkable example of early English wood carving was among the objects untouched by the flames. Presumably in the ad-



Mantel from Mansion House, Bristol, England.

justment of insurance accounts it passed to the possession of the mayor, from whose descendants the Charles galleries purchased it.

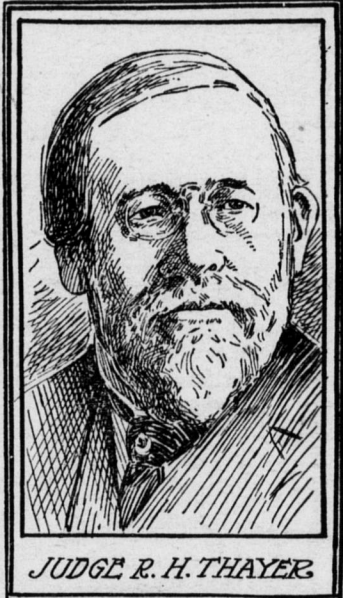
This mantel is nearly 10½ feet in height, with a width of nearly nine feet. It is of carved English oak, which from its age has acquired a beautiful gray tone. It dates from the period of James I., early in the seventeenth century, and has carved figures of James I. and Queen Anne and the royal coat of arms. Two caryatides, male and female, are medio-axial in character. The frieze is in a grapevine pattern familiar to collectors. While the technique is of the Jacobean period, there are many traces of Elizabethan influence in some of the details.

In the same galleries is a set of Louis XVI. furniture covered with Beauvais. It consists of a sofa and six chairs, and the set is valued at \$50,000. Two unusually large and beautiful Burgundian tapestries are remarkable for the vivacity of the figures and colors.

NEW AMERICAN JUDGE IN CHINA.

Judge R. H. Thayer Chosen to Succeed L. H. Wilfley.

Washington.—Judge Rufus H. Thayer has been chosen by the president to take the place at Shanghai just resigned by L. H. Wilfley of Missouri. Judge Wilfley was the first American sent to preside over the new court in China, and he promptly made himself unpopular by his rigid enforcement of the rules of practice. Charges



JUDGE R. H. THAYER

were made against him, but were disproved. After meeting them successfully, he resigned.

What He Forgot.

A party of young fellows on board a Cunarder caused some trouble to the captain and the rest of the crew by their pranks. For the want of something more foolish to do, one of them at last gave a large party, at which champagne was partaken of freely by all, especially by Brown, the host.

Next morning one of the number rose early. As he was leaving his berth he was approached by the steward.

"Beg pardon, sir, Mr. Brown would like to see you in his cabin."

The early riser went and found Brown with a wet towel round his head.

"Hullo, old chap; how are you?" he cried.

"Oh, I'm all right," said Brown. "I wasn't really drunk, you know, I remember everything that happened—that is, excepting, one thing. I say, old chap, who paid for the cab?"

He Knew.

Medium (after the seance)—Can any one tell me how spirits could have gotten into the room and moved the furniture when all the doors were locked?

Bright boy (raising his hand)—With skeleton keys.

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