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SHONTS GETS BIG PAY

Chairman of Canal Work Before Senate Committee.

ROOSEVELT GAVE HIM SPECIAL POWER

Passage Executive Consists of Only Two Members Since Wallace Reassigned—Shonks Still President of Clover Leaf Road.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—That he draws \$12,000 annually from the Clover Leaf route as president was admitted by Theodore F. Shonks, chairman of the isthmian canal commission. His statement may have an important bearing on the canal investigation. Mr. Shonks was called by the senate inter-oceanic canal committee to make a general statement of all matters over which he exercises control. He was asked to state his former employment. He said that he had been president of the Clover Leaf route. He says that he does not give any time to the management of the road, but that reports are sent to him, and frequently officials of the road come to Washington to consult with him.

After getting into the record the fact that Mr. Shonks receives \$30,000 a year from the United States as chairman of the commission was allowed to proceed. It was stated by members of the committee, however, that when they take up the question of reviewing salaries Mr. Shonks' case will be met. Mr. Shonks, in interesting testimony, admitted that the commission had paid for the importation of women into the canal zone, the women being the families of laborers from Martinique, and that there is no way for the government to recover its money.

Mr. Shonks expressed the opinion that the canal commission should feed its laborers, but said several older men in the isthmian service believed in the contract system. Prices for all foodstuffs were high when the present commission took hold of affairs on the isthmus, said Mr. Shonks. "No matter how the canal is built," he said, "there are two things over which the United States should always exercise control—the government of the zone and the sanitation."

Mr. Shonks said he did not believe Mr. Wallace's experiments had delayed sanitary work. No trouble was experienced in getting plenty of Martinique and Jamaican laborers, but there had been difficulty in getting the best class of labor, according to Mr. Shonks.

Senator Gorman asked concerning the demand for the importation of women, and the witness replied that this had been brought about by the assurance that better laborers could be obtained if their families were taken to the isthmus. Mr. Stevens was said by Mr. Shonks to have been responsible for the importation of families, but Mr. Shonks said he had later approved his action. It appeared that the canal commission paid \$7 a head for the importation of these women, and Senator Gorman asked in what manner this money was recovered. "We don't get it back. It is gratuity," said Mr. Shonks.

Mr. Shonks said that after the bids were scheduled and brought to him he approved the transactions without submitting them to the other members of the commission. He said he was given authority to do this by President Roosevelt's order. Senator Gorman asked if the executive committee had daily sessions.

"There are only two members now," said Mr. Shonks, "Governor Magoon, who is on the isthmus, and myself. There has been no third member since the resignation of Mr. Wallace."

"Have you called the attention of the president to the vacancy?" asked Senator Gorman.

"Oh, I think he knows that Wallace has resigned," was the response, and it created merriment.

"I suppose you are embarrassed frequently by having to act on these business matters alone?" asked Senator Gorman, and the members of the committee and Mr. Shonks again laughed.

Missing Girl at Upper Potomac.

UPPER POTOMAC, W. Va., Jan. 27.—Columbus Pugh of this place claims to have located Miss Maud Haynes, aged twelve, who, according to a newspaper dispatch, mysteriously disappeared from her home at Oakland, Pa., about the middle of December, 1905.

Cardinal Gotti Better.

ROME, Jan. 27.—Cardinal Gotti, prefect of the congregation of the propaganda, who is ill with pneumonia, is reported to be slightly improved, but it is thought that he will not be able to resume his duties. There is much discussion as to who will succeed him.

Senate Favors Statehood Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The senate committee on territories has agreed to report favorably the statehood bill as passed by the house. Some minor amendments have been made to the bill.

Double Suicide at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27.—With every crevice in their sleeping apartment tightly plugged and with the illuminating gas turned on full, W. A. Sewell and Leo T. Livingston, both of Baltimore and long time friends, were found asphyxiated in their room in a boarding house here. The death of the two men was reported by the police as "supposed suicide." Sewell, it is said, was tired of life, and Livingston was an unmitigated victim of Sewell's decision to commit suicide. Sewell had been out of work for some time and had been despondent over his failure to obtain employment.

VAUGHN WON TEN MILE SPIN.

All World's Records For Motor Cars on Grand Beach.

ORMOND, Fla., Jan. 27.—During the great automobile tournament on the beach here the ten mile middleweight championship was won by Vaughn in 7 minutes. Cedric was second in 7 minutes and 50 seconds. Vaughn is driving the cars which Henry was expected to run before he was disqualified.

All world's records for the kilometer and for the mile were broken. The new figures place the mile for cars of all powers at 18:23 seconds and for the kilometer at 12:35 seconds. Both new records were made by Fred Marriot, driving the cigar shaped steamer.

Louis Chevrolet lowered the mile figures for gasoline cars only to 30:35 seconds, driving the 200 horsepower car formerly in charge of the recalcitrant Hemery. The same driver lowered the kilometer record for gasoline cars only to 19:25 seconds.

The middleweight car record for the kilometer was lowered by Vaughn to 22 seconds, and the middleweight record for the mile was brought down to 40:35 seconds.

The ten mile Corinthian handicap was won by J. N. Harding, gasoline car, forty-five horsepower, three eights 48:45 seconds; second, S. B. Stevens, gasoline car, eighty horsepower, time, 9 minutes 42:45 seconds; third, James L. Brees, gasoline car, thirty-five horsepower; time, 10 minutes 50:25 seconds. Reeves was distanced.

Schoolboy Makes a Record.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—In the annual indoor meet of the Columbia University Athletic Association in Madison Square Garden last night Melville Shepard, a schoolboy from Brown Preparatory school, Philadelphia, running with the colors of the Irish American Athletic club of this city, established a new running record of 4:25 1/5 for the mile. This marks a new indoor running record.

Public Won on Cicely.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 27.—Three favorites and three long shots came across first at Ascot. The public won heavily on Cicely in the third race, coupled in the betting with Lady Huron. The price was forced down from 12 to 1 to 5 to 1. Halton, at 12 to 1, in the first race, was the longest priced winner of the day.

Three Favorites Won at City Park.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 27.—Bosnian, Orly II, and Pat Butler were the winning favorites at City Park. Royal Legend and Brush Up, both well backed, could not stand the pace in their respective races. Falling Raincloud stumbled after the seventh jump in the steeplechase and unsated Jockey Fred.

Topgallant Handicap.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27.—The Topgallant handicap was won by Ruby and Salable, the former winning by a neck at Oakland. Princess Titania, the even money choice, was the first to succumb, and the best she could do was to get show money from Rome.

Soldiers Defeated Colgate.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Jan. 27.—Company F defeated the Colgate college basketball team at the state armory last night by a score of 54 to 24.

Central Vermont Express Wrecked.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 27.—The New England States limited, an express from Boston for Montreal, was wrecked last night at Bolton, Vt., by running into a switch which is thought to have been opened with malicious intent. Six cars left the rails and were practically demolished, but none of the passengers or trainmen was seriously hurt, although a number of persons received severe injuries.

Washington in Accord With France.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—At a late hour last night the French embassy had received no advice regarding the decision of the Paris government as to Venezuela. This government has given assurances that neither a boycott of Venezuelan products nor a naval demonstration will in any way modify the confidence of the United States in the sincerity of the assurance of France regarding compliance with the Monroe doctrine.

Error Will Be Rectified.

WARSAW, Jan. 27.—Colonel Prosovski, chief of the gendarmes at Pensa, east Russia, has been informed by the local revolutionary organization that the recent murder of Colonel Lisovski, commanding the Seventy-eighth infantry division, was a blunder. He had been mistaken for Colonel Prosovski. The organization has now notified the latter that the error will shortly be rectified.

With Full Military Honors.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—General Joseph Wheeler will be buried in Arlington cemetery with full military honors. The tentative programme provides that the funeral shall be held at St. John's Episcopal church here Monday afternoon, and an escort consisting of troops from all branches of the service will accompany the body to the cemetery.

Killed Trying to Protect Wife.

COATESVILLE, Pa., Jan. 27.—While endeavoring to protect his wife from attack Boyd Carpenter was shot and killed by unknown assassins. His wife was also shot and is not expected to recover.

Cuba Honors Gomez.

HAVANA, Jan. 27.—Both houses of congress passed an appropriation of \$5,000 for the publication of an elaborate work recording incidents in the life of General Maximo Gomez.

HAPGOOD NOT GUILTY

Collier's Attack on "Fads and Fancies" Justified.

MANN DENOUNCED AS BLACKMAILER

Justice Deuel, said Jerome, Violated the Law and Goes Forth With Ruined Reputation and His Good Name Lost.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—After being out five minutes the jury in the Hapgood criminal libel suit brought in a verdict of not guilty.

The verdict means that the jury believed Collier's Weekly was justified in charging Town Topics with blackmail and Justice Joseph M. Deuel with being one of its editors.

Colonel Mann appeared stunned by the verdict. Justice Deuel was not in court.

District Attorney Jerome in summing up for the prosecution pleaded only that Deuel's connection with blackmail by Town Topics had not been shown.

Deuel denounced Town Topics as a vile sheet which should be suppressed. He referred to Colonel Mann as "this old

blackmailer" and spoke of his deprecations on pocketbooks. He denounced Wooster and Wayne and Irving, Mann's agents.

He admitted that Justice Deuel had violated the law in serving Town Topics and declared that whatever the result of the trial Deuel would go forth with a ruined reputation and his good name lost.

"But," he pleaded, "because this old man violated his oath don't think he is a blackmailer."

A verdict of not guilty in this case means that the jurors believed Hapgood was justified when he said Deuel was an editor of a "journal whose business was printing scandal about persons not cowardly enough to pay for silence."

There has been much curiosity as to what Jerome would say under the peculiar conditions confronting him. He did not leave his hearers long in doubt.

"For two weeks," he began, "we have been wandering through vanity fair, witnessing exhibitions of humor, weakness and folly and in some instances of human degradation, but you must be bound only by the facts."

"I am not here to whitewash any one or to protect any one or to misrepresent any one. I will not disguise from you the utter loathing and contempt I feel for some of the witnesses whom I myself have introduced."

"I might be criticised for appearing here in this role were it not that the theory of our law brings me before you to prosecute one of the best friends I have on earth for doing something which, in my private judgment, he was entirely justified in doing and something which if I had been in his place I would probably have done with more vigor and with more eloquence than he used."

"I will concede," said the district attorney, "that Justice Deuel did wrong and violated the statute when he served Town Topics. It has not been shown that he neglected his judicial duties, but he violated all the proprieties. He did not serve this sheet as a counsel, but he carried on a business, and in that he violated the statute, and I will not ask you to believe otherwise."

"Nothing that has been said—there is nothing that has been written—could justify a thing which has caused so much misery and suffering and shame in this community that, had it been printed west of the Appalachian mountains or south of the Mason and Dixon line, its editor would not have lived forty-eight hours."

"We do not claim Mr. Hapgood was actuated by malice or corrupt motives. You can take it from me that the state concedes that Mr. Hapgood in publishing this matter was actuated by good motives and that he believed he was serving the morals of the community when he wrote it. So all you have now to consider is whether in fact it was written on reasonable grounds. If you decide, on the evidence that he wrote the truth or wrote it on a reasonable ground you must acquit him."

It is said that the district attorney will lay the facts brought out by the trial before the grand jury with a view to securing indictments for blackmail. The contemplated investigation will be sweeping, including all who have in any way participated in extortion through scandal or other forms of blackmail.

Mr. Jerome would not talk for publication.

RETURNED "FADS AND FANCIES."

President Declined Society Volume.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—An authoritative denial was made at the White House of the statement that President

Roosevelt lent his support to Colonel Mann's "Fads and Fancies" project. The following letter, dated Nov. 1, 1905, has been made public:

"The president directs me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter running as follows: 'Colonel Mann's compliments to the president and requests the honor of acceptance of the work "Fads and Fancies" for representation in which the president was pleased to give a photograph to Mrs. Hampton some three years ago and which is but just completed. The volume is sent by Adams' express today,' and to say that, as Mrs. Hampton has already publicly stated, the president did not give any photograph to her for publication in the work in question, and that he knew nothing of the book or of the fact that Mrs. Hampton wished the photograph for use therein. Under the circumstances the president cannot accept the book and it is accordingly returned to you herewith."

RUSSIAN TROOPS BUSY.

Revolutionists in Mountain District of Caucasus Hard to Subdue.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 27.—Railroad communication with the Caucasus has generally been restored. The revolutionists of Guria and Mingrelia are retiring to the mountains, obstinately resisting the advance of the troops. The revolutionists who were driven from Kviria rallied and fought a regular battle, advancing on the troops. Other severe encounters are reported. Several towns besides Kviria are in flames. The troops are said to be as fatigued as the firmness of the revolutionists, who have cavalry as well as infantry. Two companies of troops rescued at Kviria have been disarmed. The captain in command, Davidoff, has been killed.

A revolution has broken out in northern Caucasus. The mountaineers around Ekaterinodar have risen and are making frequent forays. A large detachment of Cossacks has been sent to restore order.

Advices from Ekaterinodar, south Russia, say that the inhabitants of several villages in that vicinity have been rioting and engaging in various excesses, making it necessary to employ artillery to subdue them. The troops captured a barricaded school in which the leading revolutionists had sought refuge.

The government has been relaxing its repressive measures since Jan. 22. Many of the persons arrested have been released, and the right of assembly will be restored. Father Gapon, who had been warned not to appear in St. Petersburg until Jan. 28, is returning to Russia.

Father and Lover in Long Race.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 27.—Lieutenant Edward Scharrer of Germany has arrived at Pasadena ahead of Adolphus Busch, the millionaire St. Louis brewer, who is racing across the continent as fast as steam can carry him. The ardent German was driven at once to the Busch home, where he was warmly received by Miss Wilhelmina Busch, with whom he recently eloped to Belleville, Ill. It is reported here that the two are to be married soon.

Untrue and Absurd.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Acting Governor Ide of the Philippines has sent the following telegram to Secretary of War Taft: "Natives much disturbed by cable stating Ambassador Wright has been authorized to negotiate sale of islands to Japan." Secretary Taft sent the following reply: "The cabled statement has not the slightest vestige of truth. It is not only untrue, but absurdly so."

After Iowa Insurance Graters.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 27.—Violation of law, extravagance, crookedness and graft were embodied in charges made by Senator Moishersky in the Iowa senate against life insurance companies of Iowa. Senator Moishersky's remarks were occasioned by the calling up of his resolution providing for the investigation of such companies doing business in the state.

Banquet to Mrs. McLean.

BOSTON, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Donald McLean of New York, president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, was the guest of honor at a banquet given by the Minutemen chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, of Boston, at the Hotel Brunswick last night. Mrs. Julia Ward Howe and General Nelson A. Miles were among those present.

Soldiers Mutiny at Vladivostok.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—According to advices received here, a mutiny has again broken out at Vladivostok. No details are available, the censorship being operative over press and private telegrams, but a report that general Selivloff, the commander of the army corps there, has been wounded is confirmed.

President Palmer Denies Report.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 27.—President Henry L. Palmer of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company made unequivocally the report from Nashville, Tenn., that his company had paid money for political purposes to influence legislation. He makes affidavit to this denial.

Deceatur Dismissed, Quits Academy.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 27.—The order dismissing Midshipman Stephen Deceatur, Jr., from the Naval academy was read out at dinner formation at the academy. He left the academy shortly after.

O'Connell Archbishop of Boston.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 27.—A cablegram to the church authorities here officially announced the appointment of Bishop O'Connell of this city to be archbishop coadjutor of Boston.

FIVE WENT CRAZY.

Valencia Gone to Pieces and Not a Woman Saved.

NINE SURVIVORS CROSS LONG TRAIL

Second Life Raft Found With Three Dead Bodies—Others Became Inmate and Perished in the Sea. Indians Found Two Dead.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 27.—With the finding of four more survivors of the Valencia disaster on Turret island, one of the archipelago in the center of Barkley sound, the total number of survivors accounted for reaches thirty-seven persons. The 117 other persons who were on the Valencia have undoubtedly perished, as the ship is known to have broken up. Not a woman was saved.

The City of Topeka has arrived at Port Townsend, Wash., with twenty-three survivors of whom eighteen were those rescued from a raft by the Topeka, the others five of the boat's crew which carried the first news of the accident to Canada.

The rescue party and nine survivors of the wrecked steamer Valencia who were at Darling creek telegraph hut reached Bamfield last night after a trying march over the almost impassable trail.

F. Connors, the survivor of the wreck who got lost on Turret island, was found last night. He was almost dead from exhaustion.

The steamer Salvor reported at Bamfield that she had picked up a raft from the Valencia off Turret island, upon which were three bodies, which have been identified as Wallace, a waiter, Nelson, third engineer, and an American marine from the United States battleship Concord.

Advices from Uclulet state that the ten men who left the Valencia on the second life raft drifted into Barkley sound. On arriving at a small island off Village island Wilson, third engineer, jumped overboard and in attempting to swim ashore was drowned. The remaining nine landed on Turret island. Before morning five went ashore and jumped into the water.

One man, Frank, a waiter, who was the strongest, started out through the bush for help and had not returned when the remaining three men were taken on board the launch Shamrock of Victoria after being found by Indians. These three are F. Hancock, chief cook; Max Stanlar, fireman, and George Long, fireman.

While the men were drifting on the life raft they saw the City of Topeka for a considerable time, but were unable to attract her attention. They saw Cape Beale light in the night and tried to make for it, using the oars. Among those on the raft who were drowned were Wilson, third engineer; Walter, a passenger; Wallace, steamer waiter, and a man of wars man on leave from the United States gunboat Concord, name unknown. It is believed Frank, the waiter, who is in the bush, will be found by Indians, who are looking for him.

Two bodies found on Turret island have been brought by Indians to Topeka.

The Valencia now lies submerged and broken five miles from Cape Beale. Only a portion of one mast rises above the water, and the fleet of steamers and tugs are now patrolling the coast in the hope of finding boats, rafts or wreckage still afloat with survivors.

Election Triumph Killed Him.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Thomas Higgins, who successfully contested North Galway against Colonel John Philip Nolan, was found dead in bed at his hotel at Tralee. The tragic occurrence is attributed to the excitement of the poll being acting on a weak heart. Mr. Higgins was one of the most militant Nationalists in the west of Ireland and had many conflicts with the police. He was imprisoned under the crimes act during Arthur J. Balfour's tenure of the chief secretaryship of Ireland.

Life Insurance Men Must Make Good.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 27.—State Treasurer Folk, who is insurance commissioner ex officio, made public replies of insurance companies to a circular letter recently issued by him. The letter asked regarding contributions for political campaign purposes and for influencing legislation. Mr. Folk announced that where replies indicated contributions for the purposes named he has notified the companies that restitution must be made.

Wedding Bids Are Out.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The president and Mrs. Roosevelt sent out the invitations to the wedding of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth at noon on Saturday, Feb. 17. It is said that the invitations are limited to the immediate family connections, a small official list and the intimate personal friends of Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth.

"Big Hawley's" Complaint.

BOSTON, Jan. 27.—Claiming that he is illegally detained in the state prison at Charlestown, William C. Woodward, otherwise known as "Big Hawley," with a well worn reputation as a swindler, has filed a petition through his counsel for a writ of habeas corpus in the United States district court here.

Berlillon System at Boston.

BOSTON, Jan. 27.—Chief Shaw of the Massachusetts police announced the adoption of the Berlillon system for the identification of criminals. State Detective Arthur Keating has been placed in charge of the work.

Weather Probabilities.

Rain; northeast winds.

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