

# SENATOR TELLER DEFENDS THE RICH

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REPLIED TO SENATOR STONE.

Who Declared West and South Were  
Persecuted Against in Matter  
Of Government Deposits.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Senator Teller of Missouri today presented statistics of government deposits in national banks to show that the distribution of money during the recent currency stringency was not "equitable," as contended by the law governing the treasury department. He declared that the west and south were discriminated against, while New York and Boston were favored. His speech was on his resolution pending in the senate, directing a committee to investigate and report these transactions.

Mr. Teller declared that the treasury department had in three and one-half months placed \$47,000,000 in the hands of New York. "In order that they might loan it out," and St. Louis bankers had told him that while their money was out of their reach in the New York banks they had gone to that city and had bought currency there, paying from 1 1/2 to 2 per cent for it.

"Three per cent was paid," declared Senator Teller.

Senator Teller, upon the conclusion of Mr. Stone's speech, said he believed the financial trouble had resulted from the banking system of the country and had not grown out of the administration of law.

"It is possible," he said, "that the treasury department did not distribute the money in proportion either to the banking capital or population, but there was one storm center of the whole trouble. We did not need any money in the west, Colorado did not need money, although it is stated that Colorado had \$11,000,000 in New York. If

true, that was their own fault, as there were other reserve cities in which they might have kept their funds. The question before the department was how it could best serve the public interest in the distribution of this money.

"In my judgment," the Colorado senator declared, "the secretary of the treasury could not have served the country better than by putting the money in New York city. There were 12 or 15 trust companies there that were in condition to go to the wall. They needed the money.

"The banks came to their relief. If they had failed there would have been a failure of banks practically all over the country. The people in the west had as much interest in maintaining the integrity of these trust companies as the people in New York.

"This is the age of criticism of people who have money. They have been charged with having brought on this panic. Some of the rich men of this country who have been paraded in the magazines as people who have put up practically their entire capital to tide over possible panic. One man put up \$1,000,000. Some of these rich men could have made a great deal of money by letting the banks fail.

The senate then proceeded to consider the criminal code bill, and at 4:14 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

## A FALSE TRUSTEE.

Atty. F. A. Berlin Admits Obtaining  
From Hite Estate.

San Francisco, Jan. 23.—Atty. F. A. Berlin, one-time stock broker, who admitted in Judge Coffey's department of the superior court that he had obtained \$100,000 from the Hite estate, of which he was executor, was arraigned before Police Judge Conlan this morning on a charge of felonious embezzlement. At the instance of the prosecution the case was continued until Jan. 28, for preliminary examination.

Berlin is still in custody, having been unable to furnish the \$2,000 cash bail fixed by the court.

## SOUTHERN OBSERVATORY.

Superintendence of Work Offered to R.  
H. Tucker of Lick Observatory.

San Jose, Cal., Jan. 24.—The superintendence of the work at the proposed southern observatory of the Carnegie institute has been offered to Astronomer R. H. Tucker, of the Lick observatory. It is expected that three years will be required for the plan, which will include the stars that are too far south to be measured at the observatory. The observatory will be located either in New Zealand, South America or South Africa.

# A REVOLUTION NIPPED IN THE BUD

Abortive Attempt to Overthrow  
The Portuguese Monarchy  
Comes to Naught.

INTENDED TO HAVE REPUBLIC.

Conspirators Proposed to Take Advan-  
tage of Festivities—Many Offi-  
cers Under Suspicion.

Lisbon, Jan. 23.—(By courier to Badajoz), Spain, Jan. 23.—An abortive attempt to overthrow the monarchy and proclaim Portugal a republic was nipped in the bud last night by the prompt action of the government. The plot was organized by a small group of advanced Republicans. As near as can be ascertained, the plan was to assassinate Premier Franco and then depend for success upon street risings, supported by secret Republican and labor organizations armed with bombs and revolvers.

The conspirators intended to take advantage of various festivities to carry out the coup d'etat. The royal family were at Villa Viçosa, celebrating the Duke of Abruzzi. Most of the army and navy officers who were in the city were attending a gala performance at the theater, while many of the chief functionaries of state were present at a magnificent ball at one of the legations.

The police discovered what was in the wind early in the evening and surrounded a house where the ringleaders in the plot were conferring. When they broke in the doors the lights were extinguished and in the confusion that followed most of the conspirators managed to make their escape. Several of them were captured, however, including the leader, Joao Chagas, a Republican journalist, who was prominent in the Republican revolt of 1891; Franca Borges, editor of the Mundo, and a merchant named Grondella. A case of revolvers and bombs was found in the cellar.

A general alarm was immediately sent out, and while the prisoners were being taken to jail troops began to appear from all directions. A squadron of cavalry was placed around Premier Franco's house and the night passed without further incident.

From papers captured, it was evident that the conspiracy was badly organized and premature. The leader has always been an active revolutionist. After the revolt in 1891 he escaped to Brazil, and subsequently, being pardoned by amnesty, returned to Portugal.

As the details of the plot are in the hands of the police, other arrests are expected.

Premier Franco has established a rigorous censorship, so that news of the conspiracy may not be leaked abroad. Outside of Lisbon no disturbances are reported.

The peaceful section of the Republicans, headed by Bernardino Machado, apparently is in no way implicated in the affair.

The government organ, Diario Illustrado, this morning printed a warning that agitators against public order would be treated as criminals and enemies of society.

By tonight about 40 conspirators had been arrested. The police have secured evidence of another revolt, planned to take place Jan. 31, the anniversary of the Republican revolt at Oporto, if last night's plans failed.

The general political situation is marked by increasing activity on the part of the Republicans and Miguelites. Senator Miguel has announced that his program includes the recognition of parliament's right of assemblage, abolition of death penalty and all excesses of absolutism. Owing to the political situation, the premium on gold is rising rapidly.

The Diario Popular prints a sensational article to the effect that many officers in the Lisbon garrison are under suspicion of being implicated in the conspiracy to overthrow the government.

## THE SLUTTER MURDER.

Ole Nordell Arrested and Charged  
With the Crime.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 23.—A special to the Miner from Lewistown, Mont., says Sheriff Edward Martin and party returned early this morning, bringing Ole Nordell as a prisoner. The result of the coroner's inquest over the slaying of Mrs. Fred Sluter and her four children, whose charred bodies were found in the ruins of their little ranch home on the Musselshell a few days ago, was to the effect that five had been murdered by some person unknown, and recommending that Nordell be held for the crime.

The prisoner was seen at the county jail and declined to discuss the case. His first request after being locked up was to have Atty. J. O. Hantoon sent to him immediately. It appears that immediately upon his arrest his place was searched and in a storeroom which was locked up a pair of overalls damp with kerosene and blood-stained were found. His undergarments in the same place, but his suspenders and his overalls. The officers are certain that kerosene was freely used in the Sluter home after the widow and the children had been slain.

Mrs. Sluter kept her supply of coal oil in a storeroom separate from the little home. It was not touched by the flames. The door was kept closed by a leather strap which had been broken, and every drop of oil was gone from the place. The feeling against Nordell is so bitter along the Musselshell, that, but for the arrival of the officers, he undoubtedly would have been lynched.

## NEVADA MINERS' UNION.

Formed to Displace W. F. M., It Is  
Growing Rapidly.

Goldfield, Nev., Jan. 23.—The Nevada Miners' union recently chartered to displace the Western Federation of Miners in Nevada yesterday, in Goldfield in particular, it is said, acquiring a strong membership, and is receiving the moral support of the Mine Operators' association. Within the last few days several large operators have, it is claimed, applied to the new union for miners to work their properties and, it is said, there will be a difficulty in providing employment at the prevailing scale of wages to all miners who sign the membership roll.

## CHICAGO'S UNEMPLOYED.

Plans for Raising \$100,000 for Their  
Relief.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Plans to raise a fund of \$100,000 for the relief of the unemployed in Chicago were made at a meeting of 24 of the most prominent men of this city yesterday.

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large clubs, commercial organizations and charitable associations. Before the meeting adjourned several thousand dollars were pledged and work of organization will be taken up at once.

David R. Forgan, president of the Chicago association of commerce, called the meeting and is temporary chairman of the general committee. All the money secured will be dispensed through existing charitable organizations.

The speakers who appeared before the committee estimated the number of the unemployed in Chicago at between 40,000 and 60,000.

## CONSULAR BUREAU.

Natl Business League Wants It Trans-  
ferred to Department of Commerce.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—A resolution recommending the transfer of the consular bureau from the state department to that of commerce and labor was adopted at a meeting of the executive committee of the National Business League of America, held here yesterday. It will be sent to Congress.

According to the members of the committee it is believed that the change would promote the industries and domestic and foreign commerce of the United States.

## LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS.

Brotherhood Will Hold Annual Con-  
vention in San Antonio Jan. 29.

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 24.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers will hold its annual convention at San Antonio on Jan. 29, 30 and 31. It is probable that several thousand delegates from more than 700 lodges in various parts of the country will be in attendance. The local auxiliary organization will also attend the convention.

## FORAKER WILL FIGHT.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 23.—Senator Foraker said tonight that the fight for delegates to the Republican national convention will be continued even though some of his best known supporters have been reported to have deserted him. This statement was made because of the report that former Lieut. Gov. Harding, once a personal friend of Foraker, had announced himself in favor of Secy. Taft, although heretofore strongly supporting Senator Foraker for the nomination.

## ALFONSO HAS NARROW ESCAPE.

Madrid, Jan. 23.—King Alfonso had a narrow escape from death while hunting today. A wild boar unexpectedly appeared and rushed at the king, who shot the animal. The king then dropped his gun and walked up to the boar, supposing that he had killed the animal, but it suddenly bounded up and flew furiously at the king, who was saved only by a prompt shot fired by one of the party into the animal's head. King Alfonso was unhurt.

## CONRAD'S HEALTH POOR.

New York, Jan. 23.—Heinrich Conrad, managing director of the Metropolitan opera company, has indicated that the condition of his health will not permit him to undertake the management of the company next season. Some of the directors of the company, which own the Metropolitan Opera House, have opened negotiations with Julio Gatti Casazza, director-general of the Scala at Milan, to accept the directorship of the Metropolitan opera company on the retirement of Mr. Conrad.

## WOMAN SUFFRAGE FAVORED BY UNITED MINE WORKERS.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 23.—The convention of the United Mine Workers of America adjourned at noon today until tomorrow morning. None of the committees were ready to report. The delegates were addressed by Miss Laura Gregg of Kansas, fraternal delegate from the National Woman Suffrage association. The delegates endorsed the movement by a rising vote. Pres. Mitchell announced that the credentials committee would take up this afternoon the claim of Patrick Dolan, former president of the Pittsburgh district miners, to be admitted as a delegate.

He has credentials from his local union at Reading, Pa.

It is considered probable that the convention will adjourn at a late hour, scale until after it has been determined whether the operators will meet the miners in joint conference Jan. 30. It is also considered probable that a joint wage conference may not follow the convention immediately and possibly may not be held in this city.

It is said by prominent miners that indications are that the operators are in no hurry for a wage settlement and are now adverse to the stimulation to the market that would attend uncertainty as to the future of the coal production in view of the fact that an open winter has cut down the demand for coal and the industrial depression has reduced the consumption of steam coal.

## FIRE IN DEER RIVER.

Grand Rapids, Minn., Jan. 23.—Fire at Deer River, Minn., 20 miles west of here, today destroyed a block and a half of the business portion of the town, causing a loss of \$100,000.

## SHAW SAYS, FACETIOUSLY, HE'LL TAKE ALL PLACES

Washington, Jan. 23.—Former Secy. of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw, who is in Washington to attend the White House reception tonight, paid his respects to the president today.

Mr. Shaw said for the first time in some years he was in town to take a day's complete rest from active participation. He said that he had been called upon to make answer to the following reports:

That he was a candidate for the presidency and vice presidency; that he was to become president of the Knickerbocker Trust company; that he was to run for governor of New York; that he was to take charge of the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City; that he was to reorganize and consolidate the United States mortgage and

Trust company, and the Windsor and Empire Trust company of New York.

"I have answered all of these reports in the affirmative and shall accept every position," laughingly remarked Mr. Shaw.

## NO REFLECTION ON JUDGE GROSSCUP INTENDED

Washington, Jan. 23.—In the supreme court of the United States today Attorney Crawford, Aldrich and McAuley, representing the petitioners for an appeal in the case of Thompson and others opposing the reorganization of the street railways of Chicago, filed a disclaimer of any intention to personally reflect on Judge Grosscup in their petition and asked the court to strike from its files the suggestions to that effect.

## AGREES TO ARMY PAY BILL.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The senate committee on military affairs today agreed upon a favorable report on Senator Warren's bill increasing the pay of the army.

## ARCAS KEYS.

At Washington No Attention Paid to  
Claim of Taylor Heirs.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Inquiry at the state department develops the fact that the Arcas Keys, in the Gulf of Mexico, the ownership of which, according

to a message from the City of Mexico, is in dispute, are not among those registered under the act of Congress at the department, and consequently no attention has been paid to the claims of ownership by the Taylor heirs.

## F. J. CONSTANTINE DEAD.

Man Who Killed Mrs. Louise Gentry  
Succeeded in Killing Himself.

Joliet, Ill., Jan. 23.—Frank J. Constantine, who killed Mrs. Louise Gentry in Chicago and attempted suicide last Saturday by throwing himself from a gallery of the prison, died tonight of his injury.

## BUTTE SAVINGS BANK.

Loan of \$200,000 to It to Put it on its  
Feet. Approved.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 24.—District Judge M. Bourque has approved a loan of \$200,000 by Edward Creighton Lorgey to the State Savings Bank, in order to enable the institution to resume business. Mr. Lorgey, who is a minor, takes the seven-story building recently erected by the bank for his new home as security for the loan. Mrs. Lorgey filed the petition for her son, who will be of age next April. He is a son of the founder of the bank. The State Savings bank was F. Augustus Heinze's financial institution in Montana and suspended payment at the time of the collapse of the United Copper corner.

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