

CHARGES AGAINST DIST. ATTY. GREGG

Made by the Defense in the Muskogee Town Lot Fraud Cases.

FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON.

Judge Marshall Refused to Act on Petition Which Asked That Gregg Do Not Prosecute.

Tulsa, Okla., May 18.—Charges against Dist. Atty. Gregg, made today by the defense in the Muskogee town lot fraud cases, were forwarded to the department of justice at Washington on the suggestion of Judge Marshall, who is hearing the case.

Judge Marshall refused to act on the petition of the defense, asking that Gregg be prevented from trying the case.

The petition alleged that improper influences had been brought to bear on the grand jury that was dismissed last Saturday as the result of charges made by Mr. Gregg. The court assigned the following reasons for its refusal to grant Gregg's charges against the discharged jury he regarded as vague and indefinite.

The court had paid no attention to the charges in Gregg's motion, but had discharged the grand jury because the government had a right to change a grand jury at its pleasure.

Charges against Gregg should be filed with the department of justice. Sensational allegations concerning the official conduct of Sylvester R. Rush, special assistant to the attorney general, and United States Dist. Atty. Gregg of the Northern district of Oklahoma, are made in two petitions filed in the federal court here this afternoon in connection with the Muskogee town lot fraud cases.

One of the petitions is signed by certain members of the grand jury that was discharged last Saturday by Judge John A. Marshall upon motion of Dist. Atty. Gregg, who asserted that the jury had been subjected to improper influences.

This petition refutes this charge and, in turn, makes serious charges against both Messrs. Gregg and Rush. It alleges misconduct before the jury, efforts to intimidate and coerce the jury to return indictments against Gov. Charles N. Haskell and the other defendants regardless of and contrary to proof presented, and petitions the court to investigate the juror's allegations.

The defendants also filed a response to the motion of Dist. Atty. Gregg, disputing the charges of improper influence. This response alleges misconduct upon the part of Gregg, asserting that he has used the Tulsa World, of which he is stated to be part owner, to mould sentiment and prejudice the court and grand jury against the defendants; that he stated that he was after Haskell and assistants, and that no one else would be prosecuted; that he stated to Mr. Allen of Muskogee that he was a personal enemy of William T. Hitchens and would send him to the penitentiary at all hazards; that Gregg's partners in the Tulsa World had stated to a prominent merchant of Tulsa that it was a political prosecution started by William R. Hearst, the New York editor, and by Theodore Roosevelt against Gov. Haskell. The allegations are urged to prove their claim that Gregg and other persons who conduct the present prosecution before the grand jury.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL ACTS.

Washington, May 18.—After receiving a long telegram sent yesterday by Henry E. Asp, counsel for the defendants in the Oklahoma land fraud cases, to Senator Curtis of Kansas, and forwarded by the latter to the department of justice, Atty.-Gen. Wickham today decided to not suspend further proceedings in those cases pending the receipt of testimony in support of charges alleging improper influence on the part of the government counsel having the direction of the cases before the grand jury.

In commenting upon the matter, Mr. Wickham said that the government attorneys were faithfully and efficiently performing their duties, and that at this long range he would not interfere with their efforts.

Mr. Asp's telegram makes charges against Mr. Gregg, Mr. Rush, special prosecutor of the department of justice, and Mr. Mott, special attorney for the Creek Indians.

PLATINUM LOWER.

New York, May 18.—The price of platinum has decreased from \$24 an ounce to \$22. It is used in mountings for heavy stones. The discovery of new deposits of the rare metal is credited with the decrease in price.

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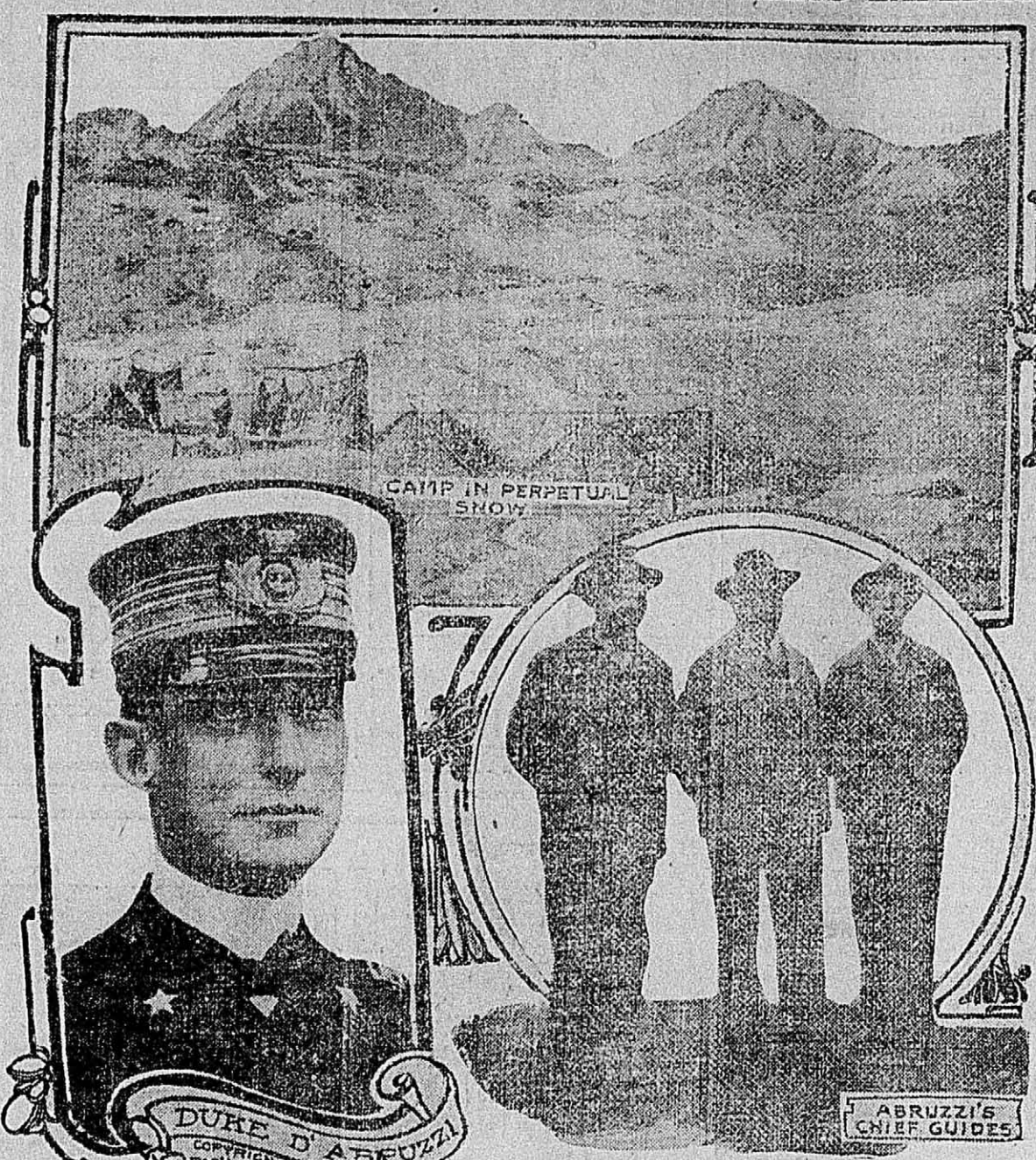
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MISS ELKINS' DESPONDENT SUITOR AND SCENES OF THE RECKLESS EXPEDITION



Ever since the engagement of Miss Katharine Elkins to Prince Louis of Savoy, duke of the Abruzzi, was broken off by the young woman because of the objections of the duke's royal relatives, reports have from time to time been printed in the European newspapers hinting at the utter despondency of the noted explorer. Even before the public knew that the engagement had been finally broken, the Italian papers announced that the duke was planning one of the most hazardous undertakings of his adventurous career—the climbing of the Karakoram, Himalaya, mountains. The expedition started from Italy on March 26, and on the arrival of the party at Bombay it was reported that the duke in a fit of despondency had attempted to shoot himself. The report said that the duke was displaying such utter recklessness and disregard for his life that his fellow explorers were in constant alarm for his safety and feared the expedition would prove a failure. It is the purpose of the duke to climb to the summit of the second highest mountain in the world, the mysterious Chogori, which lifts its peak, capped with eternal snow, to a height of 28,000 feet. The perils of such an undertaking are extremely hazardous under any circumstances, and even the experienced guides who have accompanied Prince Louis on many other perilous journeys have expressed fear that he never will return from the Himalayas. Those in the party besides the duke are Marquis Negrotto, Dr. Philippi, Vittorio Sella, Ernest Boreux, Emil Brocheret, Ermino Botta and Guides Joseph Petigax, Laurent Petigax and De Courmayeur. Joseph Petigax is the veteran guide who has accompanied the duke on nearly all of his expeditions. He is the middle man in the accompanying group, the man on the right being his son, Laurent. The photograph of the camp in the snow was taken during a previous exploration of Chogori, which failed.

ZINC PARAGRAPH WILL BE REDRAFTED

Washington, May 18.—After considering for nearly two weeks the controversy between zinc producers and smelters, the committee on finance today decided to redraft the two paragraphs of the tariff bill concerning duties on zinc ore and pig zinc. Amendments were completed which will be introduced in the senate by Mr. Smoot.

Instead of making zinc ore and calamine dutiable at one cent per pound on the zinc contained therein, according to the amount of zinc they contain, are assessed proportionately. Zinc-bearing ore containing less than 20 per cent of zinc is made dutiable at one-quarter of a cent a pound on the zinc it contains; containing more than 20 and less than 30 per cent of zinc, one-half cent; between 30 and 35 per cent, three-quarters of a cent, and more than 35 per cent of zinc, one cent per pound. This amendment proposes considerable reduction over the rate as established by the house and reported originally from the senate finance committee. The rate on zinc in blocks or pigs is increased from one cent to 1 1/2 cents a pound, and the rate on pig zinc change is made on old and worn-out zinc, it only to be remanufactured, which is made dutiable at one cent per pound.

Senator Smoot will introduce an amendment which has the endorsement of the committee, redrafting the paragraph relating to cement. It makes no changes in the rate of 20 cents per ton on cement, plaster rock or gypsum, or the rates on ground or clinkered or pearl shell.

WILL ERECT TABLET TO GEN. PALMER'S MEMORY

Colorado Springs, Colo., May 18.—The survivors of the famous "Fighting Fifteenth" Pennsylvania cavalry which served with distinction throughout the civil war will erect a tablet in memory of Gen. William J. Palmer of Colorado Springs in a prominent place in Palmer hall, Colorado college. The tablet will be surrounded by the coat of arms of the regiment, a saddle surmounted by crossed sabres and will bear the following inscription: "In loving remembrance of General William J. Palmer of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania volunteer cavalry, by the survivors of the regiment, 1869."

KIRBY SUCCEEDS VAN CLEVE.

New York, May 18.—John Kirby, Jr., of Dayton, Ohio, was the unanimous choice of the nominating committee for president of the National Association of Manufacturers to succeed James W. Van Cleave of St. Louis at today's session of the convention of the association. President Van Cleave spoke in protest against the possibility of special legislation in favor of organized labor. The coming session of Congress would seem a particularly favorable time to the labor leaders for the urging of legislation to legalize picketing and boycotting. Mr. Van Cleave declared, because both parties would be particularly anxious to control the next house.

CALVIN HARRIS, INSANE. FOUND ON NEVADA DESERT

Reno, Nev., May 18.—Three posers in automobiles from Wonder, Nev., are searching the desert in the vicinity of Dixie Hot Springs, in an effort

to find Calvin Harris, a Chicago ninja man, who escaped from the authorities of Wonder, Saturday, in a demented condition.

Harris was picked up last Thursday by three prospectors, who found him wandering in the desert, his lips swollen from thirst, and almost starved. Suffering had driven him insane. He was brought to Wonder and cared for. He refused his nurses on Saturday and when last seen was many miles out on the desert. He had not been found at a late hour to night.

Harris is widely known among mining men of this state and is said to have made and lost a dozen fortunes. He had been prospecting when picked up by the first rescue party.

GERMAN SCARE GROWING RAPIDLY IN ENGLAND

London, May 18.—The German scare grows apace and no sooner is one wild rumor laid at rest than another arises to try the nerves of the English people. Last week there was the story of a big German liner filled with troops which it was alleged, had entered the Humber, surveyed the possibilities of making a landing and departed without being sighted by the British warships with which the North Sea is supposed to be closely dotted, while today Sir John Barlow, a Liberal member of the house of commons and a well-known merchant, startled the country with the sensational suggestion that the Germans have established a depot of arms containing 50,000 Mauser rifles in the center of London, together with 7,500 rounds of ammunition for the use of 50,000 trained German soldiers now employed in various capacities in England. As an evidence that Sir John attaches some credence to this remarkable story, he has notified War Secretary Haldane of his intention to question him concerning it in parliament.

BROKEN BACK CURED.

New York, May 18.—Stephen Barno, whose back was broken on April 1, by a fall from a scaffold, will be able to leave the White Plains hospital this afternoon. In the fall of 20 feet several of the vertebrae in Barno's back were shattered and as a result the lower part of his legs was paralyzed. The doctors cut away the splintered

bones and his recovery since then has been remarkable. It is said to be one of the few cases on record where a man with a broken back has been completely cured.

ZIONIST COLONIZATION.

Jacob Schiff and Israel Zangwill Come Together on Plan.

New York, May 18.—Jacob H. Schiff, banker, and Israel Zangwill, author and head of the Jewish Territorialist organization, have come together in an effort to colonize in Mesopotamia as a compromise of the Zionist colonization plans in Palestine, according to news received by Jacob Fishman, editor of the Jewish Daily News of this city.

The invitation of Ahmed Riza Bey, president of the Turkish chamber of deputies under the new Young Turk's government, to create a Jewish state at Mesopotamia was taken under consideration. The Ica society, the largest and richest Jewish colonization organization in the world to which \$45,000,000 was left in trust by the late Baron de Hirsch, sent a geographical survey commission to investigate conditions. The preliminary reports showed that the land is most fertile and that irrigation is all that is needed to make it productive.

The Zionists readily accepted the scheme, for Mesopotamia is not far from Palestine.

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INCOME TAX WILL BE STORM CENTER

Democrats and "Progressive Republicans" Already Are Forming a Coalition.

VOTE WILL BE VERY CLOSE.

"Conservative Republicans" Claim That They Have Made Some Gains on the "Progressives."

Washington, May 18.—That there will be a sharp contest in the senate over the proposition to refer to the judiciary committee the amendment to the tariff bill, introduced by Senator Bailey, providing for an income tax, is indicated by a coalition of the Democrats and some of the "Progressive Republicans," which became known today.

The vote will be close, probably the closest that will occur in the making of the tariff bill.

The Democratic strength is 31 votes, all pledged to support the amendment. Mr. Bailey is counting upon 16 or 17 Republican votes for the amendment. Fifteen would be sufficient if the Democrats would vote solidly for the amendment.

On the other hand, the "Conservative Republicans" in charge of the tariff bill, say they have made some inroads upon the "Progressive" camp, and that upon the question of referring the subject of an income tax to the judiciary committee for a report at the next regular session they already have 45 votes pledged.

Until recently, the Democrats and "Progressive Republicans" were far apart over the form of the bill. Senators Cummins and Borah, who were the chief Republican advocates of the income tax, favored a graduated tax, and opposed a tax on corporations. As they surrendered these contentions, in order to get a vote, it was said today that an agreement would be reached upon the principal feature of the Bailey amendment.

The plan is to provide for a flat tax of 2 or 3 per cent upon individual and corporate incomes above \$5,000. In order that there shall be no double taxation, provision will be made for deductions where the tax upon corporations has been paid through the corporation itself.

CANADIAN EMIGRATION.

More People Come from Canada to U. S. Than Go There from U. S.

Chicago, May 18.—Despite the claims made by Canada of the immense immigration entering its borders from the United States and Europe, C. B. Schmidt, commissioner of immigration of the Rock Island-Prisco lines, has compiled figures showing that during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908, more people came into the United States from Canada than emigrated from this country to Canada. He obtained his figures from the reports of the commissioners of immigration of the United States and Canada.

During the year Mr. Schmidt finds that 68,860 left the United States for Canada, while 68,836 came from Canada to this country, a difference of 1,966 in favor of the United States.

WANTS UNCLE SAM TO BLOW UP ICEBERGS

New York, May 19.—Capt. Pollak of the steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which arrived here yesterday, reported the sighting of an iceberg 125 miles north of New York, and urged the United States government send out a special ship to blow up the iceberg for the purpose of keeping up with the traffic of transatlantic steamers.

Col. H. O. Perly of the medical corps, U. S. A., returned on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse from the Philippines, where he had served three years in the Mindanao district. Col. Perly said that the Philippines were improving both from a sanitary and a commercial point of view. He said that many of the soldiers who had finished their terms of enlistment had settled there and were raising hemp successfully.

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