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GOVERNOR WILSON HAS A QUIET DAY

Nominee Has Charcoal Portrait Made for Use in the Campaign

TALKS FURTHER ON PLATFORM

Wilson Touches on Planks Which He Failed to Mention in His Speech of Acceptance—Callers at Headquarters.

New York, Aug. 8.—Governor Woodrow Wilson sat for three hours today in a studio while an artist drew a charcoal portrait of him which will be used for campaign purposes.

The Governor met the newspaper correspondents tonight at a local hotel and was asked concerning those planks in the Baltimore platform which he did not mention in his speech of acceptance.

"Omissions did not mean opposition," explained the Governor. "The things omitted did not happen to come in my theme."

With respect to the navy, the Governor indicated that discussion of the subject at the present time might be construed as an assumption on his part of the privilege of directing the House of Representatives. He indicated that he would take up in his future speeches the navy question as well as other subjects not touched on in yesterday's speech.

Telegrams lauding Governor Wilson's speech of acceptance were given to National headquarters today from many prominent Democrats, including William J. Bryan, Speaker of the House, Senator Marshall, Senator Kern, of Indiana; Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia; Mayor Fitzgerald, of Boston; Norman Mack, Governor of New York; Carter Harrison, Mayor of Chicago; and Governor O'Neal, of Alabama.

Norman E. Mack, formerly National chairman, called on the new National Chairman William F. McCombs today and promised to visit National headquarters as often as possible within the next three weeks and render assistance on conditions in connection with the campaign.

Mr. McCombs today met a number of the National committeemen from States regarded as doubtful. He will continue to have conferences in the next few days with committeemen, who are expected to bring detailed information on conditions in their respective States. Among callers at National headquarters today were National Committeeman Thomas Taggart, of Indiana; Martin J. Wade, of Iowa; Charles Boeschenstein, of Illinois; E. O. Wood, of Michigan; Senator Watson, of West Virginia; State Chairman W. L. Virginia, of Ohio, and E. C. Shields, of Michigan.

THREE PERSONS KILLED

And Spectator Drops Dead When Engine Leaps Track

Boston, Mass., August 8.—Two men and a passenger were killed and a spectator fell dead and 40 or more passengers were injured shortly before noon today by the derailing of a passenger train on the Plymouth division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad in Dorchester.

The dead are: William R. Tirrell, engineer, South Braintree.

Frank Campbell, fireman, Cohasset.

Mrs. Frank Jenkins, passenger, Atlantic.

Michael Daly, spectator, Dorchester.

The train, made up of a locomotive, three passenger coaches and a baggage car was rushing along at 25 miles an hour when the locomotive jumped the rails on a sharp curve. Two of the passenger cars followed the engine off the rails.

The locomotive plunged off into a marsh and half buried itself. The remainder of the train carried two of the passenger cars over the engine, with the third passenger car and baggage car remaining on the rails.

The bodies of the engineer and fireman were found buried deep in the debris. Mrs. Jenkins was scalded by steam so severely that she died soon after removal to Grace Hospital.

MOORE CONVENTION

Democrats Assemble at Carthage and Name Their Ticket

Carthage, N. C., Aug. 7.—The Democratic convention yesterday nominated Henry A. Page for the State Legislature; D. A. Blue for sheriff; J. C. B. Muse for register of deeds; J. E. Matheson for treasurer; N. A. McWhorter, W. G. Carter and H. P. McWhorter for county commissioners.

Resolutions favoring the Torrens land title system, two terms for county officers, fee system for county officers and legalized primary for county were tabled.

Attend the Ninth at Number Nine, this the Ninth Day of August. Platt & Haar.

GENERAL LEGONTE PERISHES IN FIRE

President of Hayti Loses Life When His Palace Is Destroyed

CASUALTY LIST NUMBERS 400

National Palace Destroyed by Explosion—Which Was Probably Accidental—May Have Been Plot Against President

Port au Prince, Hayti, Aug. 8.—The National palace was blown up by a powder explosion and burned to the ground today and the President of the Republic of Hayti, Gen. Cincinnatus Leconte perished. Members of his family, who were awakened by the terrific shock, found themselves almost surrounded by flames, but managed to make their way to safety.

The first explosion was followed by others when the fire reached the cellars of the palace, where a great quantity of ammunition was stored. So great was the force of the explosions that a number of small cannon, fragments of iron and shells were thrown for great distances in all directions.

For a time a great panic prevailed and the military authorities took charge of the situation. The explosions occurred shortly after 3 o'clock in the morning and within an hour, when the fire was under control, the palace was extinguished, the structure was a mass of ruins from which it will be impossible to recover the body of the President.

The cause of the explosion of the powder magazine has not been ascertained. At a joint meeting of the Chamber and Senate this afternoon, Gen. Tancrede Auguste, Senator and ex-minister of public works, was named as President.

News Received in Washington. Washington, Aug. 8.—The Haitian minister to Washington, Solon Menos, today received from his government confirmation of the palace explosion and the killing of the President. The explosion was accidental and resulted from a fire in the powder magazine, his advisers said.

The death of President Leconte came just as the relations between Santo Domingo and Haiti were strained almost to the breaking point. The Dominicans regarded him as the moving spirit in the revolutionary movement now in progress in their own country, and the prospect of a leader in an invading Haitian army now assembling on the border. Whether there was a plot against Leconte's life or whether he was a victim of the extraordinary precaution he had adopted for his own protection, has not been learned. He kept a large store of arms and ammunition near his palace where they could be immediately available for his own use in case of an uprising. A cablegram to the State Department from American Minister Furniss, stated simply that the President was killed this morning at 3 o'clock by an explosion of magazines which destroyed the palace.

Haitian Minister Menos had a long despatch conveying the same information. It added that the President's family was saved and that the President's body had not been recovered. There was a fire preceding and following the explosion. Owing to the flames an attempt was made to enter the palace ruins in search of the President's body.

Minister Menos scouts the idea that the explosion was the work of persons with malicious intent, and says he believes it was purely an accident. At the instance of the State Department, Assistant Secretary Winthrop ordered the gunboat Nashville from Guantanamo to Port au Prince, a day's run, to look after foreign interests in case disturbance should follow.

WIRELESS TO GIRDLE GLOBE.

British Propose to Spend \$3,000,000 on Circuit of Stations.

London, Aug. 7.—The House of Commons today adjourned till October 7th. Except for a break of a few days at Easter and again at Whitsuntide, the House has been in session for just seven months.

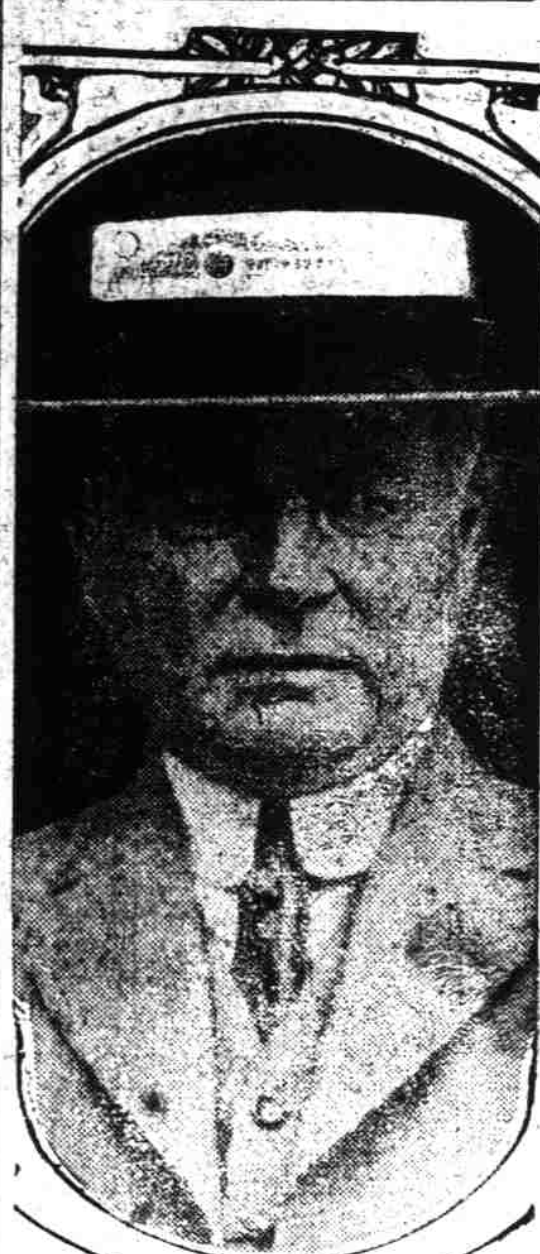
Before the adjournment Herbert L. Samuel, postmaster general, explained the British government's contract with the Marconi Company, which provides that the British government shall supply the company with \$3,000,000 for the building of five great wireless stations, Australia to supply 500,000 for another station, and the whole to form a wireless circuit around the globe.

The contract was the subject of severe attack recently, and in reply to this Mr. Samuel said the British government was unable to undertake the construction of wireless stations itself and the Marconi Company was the only concern possessing the necessary experience and plant to carry out the scheme.

Debate on the question was postponed until next session.

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\$4.00 Ladies' Pumps and Oxfords \$8.15 at Hewlett & Price's. \*\*



NORMAN E. MACK. Former National Chairman Who Called on Wm. F. McCombs Yesterday, and Pledged His Best Efforts to Coming Campaign.

CONGRESSIONAL HIGH JINKS

The Dog Days Club Holds Operatic Meeting to Commiserate on Prolonged Session and Troubled Political Times

Washington, August 8.—Kicking four feet and four inches "Uncle Joe" Cannon handily won the feature event of the Congressional Olympiad at a quiet little session of the Dog Days Club last night on the outskirts of the capital.

The whole business leaked out today. But it was said there were other high jinks and that among the best of them was Uncle Joe playing Old Black Joe on a violin without the E and G strings.

The performances of the former Speaker of the House, remarkable as they were, formed only part of a programme provided by Representative Henry DeForest, of Schenectady, N. Y., for 35 Republicans and Democrats who gathered to commiserate on the prolonged session of Congress and the troubled political times.

"Although you would not suspect it," said Mr. DeForest to his guests, "there sits concealed behind a bush the greatest warbler and whistler of this or any other age, and he will now oblige. Professor—something new." And from the care free and happy face of Minority Leader James R. Mann there filtered through an iron grey beard, "Every Body's Doin' It."

"Early in life," said Representative Ned Taylor, of Columbus, Ohio, when dragged into the arena, "there was some question whether I should become a statesman or an opera singer. Modesty forbids that I dwell on what I have done in Congress, but here goes for some opera." Whereupon Trovatore, Cavalieri Rusticanna, Casey Would Waltz and other selections brought forth 35 votes in the negative.

Representative Michael Conroy, of New York, contributed "Peggy Carey" and "Kathleen Mauverneen" and he was interrupted by Representative Michael Driscoll's stentorian demands to be "put off at Buffalo."

The meeting place was in dry territory in Maryland. Last night it was said the Montgomery constabulary had gone to Baltimore to buy a teething ring for the baby. The dinner was over when former Speaker Cannon's proposal that Jefferson Levy, of New York, take the entire membership of Congress to Monticello, Va., a week from Sunday was carried with a roar.

Representative E. W. Townsend, one of the contributors to the feast of song, was hushed in the midst of his effort and commanded instead to write another "Chimmie Fadden."

TO USE BIPLANE IN WAR GAME.

New Aeroplane Meets Government's Quick-Climbing Requirement.

Marblehead, Mass., Aug. 7.—A new war aeroplane may play an important part in the campaign maneuvers in Connecticut. Lieut. Kirtland and Arnold, of the United States Army, today asked Washington for permission to fly the new aeroplane from Marblehead to Bridgeport, Conn., to participate in the war game.

The aeroplane today succeeded in overcoming the difficult quick-climbing specifications in the government's new contract. Phillips Page, the aviator, drove the biplane, weighing a ton, to an altitude of 2,050 feet in 10 minutes. The government required that an aeroplane reach an altitude of 2,000 feet in 10 minutes, with this weight. Lieut. Kirtland was in charge of the test.

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HOUSE EXPEDITES LOT OF BUSINESS

Passes Deficiency Bill and Agrees to Many Conference Reports

URNS DOWN PENSION REPORT

Notice Is Served on Senate That the House Will Not Accept Bristow-Lodge Sugar Bill—Patent Bill Reported

Washington, August 8.—The House today showed what it could do in the way of expediting business by passing the General Deficiency Appropriation bill carrying \$6,182,838; agreeing to the conference reports on the agricultural and legislative, executive and judicial bills and declining to agree to the conference report on the invalid pension appropriation measure.

The latter, which carries upward of \$160,000,000 contained a provision for the abolishment of the 18 pension agencies scattered throughout the country, which the Senate refused to accept. The bill was sent back to the Senate with an almost unanimous vote that the provision be accepted.

House conferees on the sugar tariff bill, led by Representative Underwood, have agreed to the Senate conferees that they will under no circumstances accept the Bristow-Lodge sugar bill passed two weeks ago by the Senate. "The measure is not a Democratic measure," said Representative Underwood, "and does not meet the ideas of the House as to what a genuine revision of the sugar tariff should be."

It became apparent today that there was little chance of an agreement upon a compromise sugar measure, and that efforts to bring about an agreement on the excise tax bill in line with the plans of the Democratic Progressive alliance in the Senate might prove ineffectual.

The Oldfield bill, framed to revise the patent laws so they will meet the recent patent monopoly decision of the Supreme Court was reported to the House today. The measure aims to set aside the decision which in favor of an inventor the right to stipulate the kind of materials used or sold in connection with a patented device. The committee also has attempted to prevent the suppression of patented devices sold to manufacturers by inventors. The ability of manufacturers to withhold an invention from the market is said to have restrained competition.

Referring to the Supreme Court decision the committee says that under the argument advanced by the vendors of patented articles, a commission merchant could fix the price of eggs by distributing them in a patented carton, or the pork packer could fix the price of pork by putting it in a patented container which could be retailed.

It also says that the logic, if carried further, would fix the price of a shave given in a patented barber chair.

OUTLINES

General LeConte, President of Hayti, perished yesterday in a fire which destroyed the National palace, the fire being caused by an explosion of a powder magazine. Four hundred people were killed or injured.

Governor Wilson spent a quiet day yesterday, having his portrait drawn in New York for campaign purposes. Last night he talked with reporters about the Democratic platform and touched on several planks which he failed to say anything about in his speech of acceptance.

Col. Roosevelt and Gov. Johnson, Progressive candidates for President and Vice President, respectively, left Chicago for their homes yesterday, and the National committee began the work of launching the campaign.

The Senate late last night, after granting further important concessions to American shipping in amendments to the Panama Canal bill, reached an agreement to take a final vote on the measure today.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has been instrumental in securing evidence of police graft in New York and has turned it over to the district attorney in addition to promising to finance a thorough investigation.

Three were killed and a spectator dropped dead, and 40 persons were injured yesterday by the derailing of a passenger train on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad at Dorchester, Mass.

The House yesterday showed what it could do in expediting business by passing the General Deficiency bill; agreeing to conference reports on agricultural and legislative, executive and judicial bills, and declining to agree to conference report on invalid pension appropriation measure. Money on call steady 2 5/8 to 2 7/8; ruling rate 2 7/8. Spot cotton closed quiet. Flour steady, with good business. Wheat, spot strong; new red 1.07 1/2 c.i.f. track and No. 2 red 1.09 1/4 f.o.b. afloat at five Corn, spot firm; export \$2 3/4 f.o.b. afloat in Oats, spot unsettled. Turpentine quiet. Rosin steady.



W. R. STUBBS. AMERICAN PRESS ASSN.

Topeka, Kas., August 8.—Although United States Senator Charles Curtis, has, upon the face of returns, up to late tonight a popular majority of between four and five thousand votes, he probably has lost in his fight for re-nomination for his seat in the Senate. Governor W. R. Stubbs, his opponent, according to tonight's returns, has 90 legislative districts out of 165 and in the State and as Senators are nominated under the Kansas law by a plurality of legislative districts Stubbs seems to have won.

PROGRESSIVES PLAN BATTLE

Nominees Leave for Home and National Committee Begins Work of Launching Campaign—Geo. W. Perkins in Charge

Chicago, August 9.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and Governor Johnson, of California, nominees of the new Progressive party for President and Vice President, departed for their homes today after seeing the Progressive National Committee take first steps for opening of the campaign.

Colonel Roosevelt, accompanied by a cousin, and Lyman Abbott, Jr., left the city at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon on the 20th Century Limited for New York. A cheering throng of admirers bade the Colonel farewell at the station.

Governor Johnson, accompanied by several members of the California delegation, departed for San Francisco tonight. He was in conference with members of the National Committee until a half hour before his train started.

United States Senator Joseph M. Dixon, of Montana, chairman of the Progressive National Committee, tonight said that the committee would remain in Chicago for several days to perfect plans for the campaign.

The plans thus far adopted embrace a scheme for five or more division bureaus in various parts of the country, each to be conducted by a vice chairman.

The proposition was placed before the committee by George W. Perkins, of New York. Originally Mr. Perkins' motion named New York, Chicago, Boston, Atlanta and San Francisco as the locations for the division bureaus. This was eliminated, however, and the matter was left to the executive committee, which Chairman Dixon was authorized to appoint. Senator Dixon named George W. Perkins as chairman of this executive committee.

DAMAGE BY ARMY WORM

More Than \$5,000,000 Destruction Due To The Pest

Washington, August 8.—More than \$5,000,000 damage was done to crops in the South last month by the army worms, according to unofficial estimates of the Department of Agriculture. Whether the season's second brood of insects, already appearing in South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia and other States, will increase this loss, is of much concern to government experts. All the means at the department's disposal are being used to meet the emergency.

Reports to the department say the army worms, at some places, half a foot deep on railroad tracks have stopped trains. The loss is placed at \$1,000,000 in Georgia, while in Arkansas 20 per cent of the corn and 10 per cent of the cotton planted have been destroyed.

Losses also have been great in Tennessee, the Carolinas, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. In some of these, particularly Louisiana, they exceed the million mark. Corn, cotton, sugar cane and rice crops from Louisiana to the Atlantic have been affected.

BETTING ODDS FAVOR WILSON

Roosevelt, 6 to 1; Taft, 2 to 1, and Wilson 1 to 3

New York, August 8.—While there were no actual wagers made in Wall Street today there were some significant quotations in the generally accepted odds.

The "books" against the candidates was as follows: Against Roosevelt, 6 to 1; against Taft, 2 to 1; against Wilson, 1 to 3.

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SENATE VOTES ON CANAL BILL TODAY

Agreed Late Last Night to Take a Final Vote This Afternoon

AMENDMENTS OF IMPORTANCE

Invitation Given Foreign Built Ships Owned by Americans, to Register as American Vessels—Railroad Control.

Washington, Aug. 8.—Agreement was reached by the Senate late tonight to take a final vote on the Panama Canal administration bill and all amendments to it not later than 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Further important concessions to American shipping were made by the Senate today through amendments to the Panama Canal bill. The free toll provision to American coastwise ships, endorsed by the Senate last night, was supplemented today by a qualified free toll provision for American vessels engaged in the foreign trade.

A still more important amendment adopted by the Senate holds out practically an unlimited invitation to foreign built ships owned by Americans to hoist the American flag and register as American vessels. This amendment, offered by Senator Williams and adopted by a large vote, would authorize American owners of foreign built ships now compelled to sail under foreign flags, to bring their vessels under American registry, provided they engage only in foreign trade.

The Senate worked tonight on the railroad control feature of the canal. Senator Bristow opposed the plan of railroad controlled vessels suggested by the Senate committee, and urged the adoption of the plan passed by the House, which would give the Interstate Commerce Commission jurisdiction.

One important restriction was placed upon the Williams free ship amendment by the Senate committee, and it provides that no foreign built ship admitted to American registry should be allowed to participate in mail carrying contracts unless it was constructed with particular reference to speedy and economical conversion into an auxiliary mail ship.

A somewhat similar restriction was made upon the granting of the free toll privilege to American vessels engaged in foreign trade. The provision adopted by the Senate specifies that owners of vessels engaged in foreign trade must agree to sell their ships to the United States in time of war or other emergencies in order to be exempt from the payment of tolls when passing through the canal.

MONTICELLO PLAN GAINS.

Senate Resolution for Commission Made Privileged by House.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Mrs. Martin W. Littleton, wife of the New York Congressman, today won another victory in her movement looking to government purchase of Monticello, her home with every acre of its strength.

Monticello, near Charlottesville, now owned by Congressman Jefferson Levy, of New York City.

She obtained a ruling from the Rules Committee of the House making privileged a resolution for the appointment of a commission to negotiate the acquisition of the historic Jefferson home. This means the resolution can be called up at any time in the House for consideration. The House Library Committee has already reported favorably for the resolution.

Congressman Levy, owner of Monticello, told the Rules Committee bluntly that the estate was not for sale, that every nook and corner of it is dear to his heart and that it is well cared for and not falling into decay.

He said he intended to oppose any step looking to the government acquisition of Monticello, unless Mrs. Littleton now suggests, in view of Mr. Levy's refusal to sell the estate, that it can be acquired by the government under right of domain proceedings.

FIFTY KILLED AND 200 INJURED.

Seven-Hour Massacre of Christians Follows Bomb Explosion.

Athens, Greece, Aug. 7.—A massacre lasting seven hours followed the bomb explosion in the market place at Kotschana, 50 miles southwest of Athens, European Turkey, August 2nd, according to reliable information received here. Fifty Christians were killed and 200 seriously wounded by the Turks, who suspected them of having committed the bomb outrage by which about 50 persons were killed or injured.

All \$4.00 Men's Oxfords, \$3.15 at Hewlett & Price's. \*\*

FOR INDIAN SCHOOL

Washington, Aug. 8.—Fifty thousand dollars for Indian school buildings at Pembroke, N. C., was provided today in a bill by Senator Simmons which passed the Senate. It also appropriated \$10,000 for care of the buildings the first year after their erection.

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MILLIONAIRE TO AID PROSECUTION

John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Obtains Evidence of N. Y. Police Graft

TO FINANCE INVESTIGATION

Rockefeller's Attorney Denies That A Disorderly House Was Conducted for Purpose of Securing Evidence

New York, August 8.—The fact became known today that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has been instrumental in obtaining evidence of police graft which he has turned over to District Attorney Whitman for use in connection with the prosecutor's investigation of alleged corruption among high police officials that has grown out of the murder of Herman Rosenthal.

While Starr J. Murphy, Mr. Rockefeller's attorney, denied today the published report that the oil millionaire's son had been conducting a disorderly house for the purpose of obtaining evidence of blackmail against the police, he let it be known that Mr. Rockefeller, who was about a year ago foreman of the grand jury that investigated the white slave traffic, had placed in the hands of the district attorney information "bearing on the police situation."

"Mr. Rockefeller, having become interested in white slave matters while foreman of the special grand jury since been securing statistics with regard to the social evil," reads Mr. Murphy's statement, "whatever information was secured bearing on the police position has been placed at the disposal of the district attorney. The statement that Mr. Rockefeller or his representatives have been conducting a disorderly house is entirely without foundation."

This information, it was learned tonight, will be presented to the grand jury in connection with the rapidly increasing mass of similar evidence which the district attorney and his associates have unearthed since "Bald" Jack Rose made his first charges involving high police officials in gambling graft.

With the publication of the report that Mr. Rockefeller had been conducting a disorderly house for the purpose of trapping the police, it was reported today that a detective agency had been operating a gambling house for the same purpose. If this is so it is thus far news to Mr. Whitman, who has received no reports on the result that may have been obtained. As far as Mr. Rockefeller is concerned it was learned tonight that the young millionaire is prepared to furnish all the funds necessary to enable the district attorney to conduct a sweeping investigation designed to wipe out the alleged connection between the police and disorderly elements of the city.

"The Rockefeller evidence was given to me by Star J. Murphy, Mr. Rockefeller's personal representative," said District Attorney Whitman today.

"I was told by him that Mr. Rockefeller is interested in the developments of the Rosenthal case, and wants me to use, if possible, the evidence he has obtained in his private investigation."

I understand in a general way that a pretended disorderly house has been concerned and that it was conducted without Mr. Rockefeller's knowledge. I was told that Detective Rose, of Chicago, and other agents of Mr. Rockefeller had supplemented the information obtained in this manner by quiet work among real estate agents.

Mr. Whitman added that the information had come to him that a police inspector had received \$600 a month from a disorderly house. "This house, it is understood, was one of those investigated by Mr. Rockefeller's representative, Mr. Whitman said also that one of his assistants, James Reynolds, had been working with the Rockefeller agents for the past few months.

The possibility that the sealed doors of the so-called "system" might be opened wide, was strongly suggested tonight when it became known that counsel for Lieut. Becker, who is charged with investigating the murder of Rosenthal, had visited the district attorney today and discussed with him the question of leniency for his client.

Not long after Becker was arrested the district attorney made it known that the Lieutenant's only chance to escape efforts to convict him of murder in the first degree depended upon his willingness to tell all he knew about gambling graft. It was reported that after visiting his client and weighing all the evidence known to him pointing against him, the lawyer in his discussion with the district attorney today made some tentative suggestions of great interest.

The district attorney had before the grand jury today 16 witnesses, one of them being Lieut. Dominic Reilly, one of the strong arm squad raiders, who, it was learned, testified that New York City had been "wide open" for a year and a half. He was asked if he believed the police could close up the disorderly resorts and said that the best evidence of this was that there was not a gambling house in operation at the present time. Reilly, it was reported (Continued on Page Eight.)