

## SENATOR MORGAN AGAIN FLAYS PRES'T ROOSEVELT

### Venerable Son of Alabama, Unmindful of Weight of Years, Once More Rebukes Administration For Its Attitude in Panama Deal—Withering Denunciation.

### Senator Declares That Panama Had no Right to Appoint "Vanilla Bean" Minister to This Country and Characterizes Such Action as a Grotesque Affair.

before the enterprise had gone far, and thus accomplished the purpose of the trans-continental railroads in preventing the construction of any canal.

Discussing the President's message, he said the chief executive had failed to execute the "Spooner law because it was distasteful to him," and declared that he had not succeeded in formulating any satisfactory excuse for his course. He predicted that the time would come when Cuba would "clip the threads that restrain her and bind her to us and again float off into the sea of liberty." In such an effort, he continued, Cuba might find a friend in Germany, which might follow our example and create a state of independence in a night and then annex it with sunrise. No doubt there would be fighting, for who, he asked, "is more eager to fight than Emperor William or our own strenuous President?"

One for the "Bean."

He spoke of the negotiation of the Panama canal treaty as a grotesque act and declared that Panama had "no more right to appoint a minister to the United States than that country had to consecrate a saint."

So far as the concession made to Cuba in this bill is concerned, he said it would not be regarded by the Cubans in anything but a serious light whatever the result may be.

"The Cubans will not," he said, "regard it as a ludicrous act in a French vaudeville, but will accept it seriously." Mr. Morgan said that Cuba would do well to give careful heed to our purpose in the legislation under consideration. They should not follow the old adage not to look a gift horse in the mouth, for in this case, "the gift horse is a bronco which greets them with a whinny and may send them away with a kick."

Returning to the Panama situation, Mr. Morgan said that the United States is practically at war with Colombia as the result of the fact that the President had fallen into a trap.

He was endeavoring, he said, to prevent the senate from falling into this same trap. He referred again to M. Bureau-Varilla, and reviewed that man's history, as a contractor on the old Panama canal said to be had contracted wisely and well, and had left the isthmus a rich man. Mr. Morgan said that his whole purpose was to warn the senate against ratifying a treaty, the negotiation of which he characterized as a "most wretched, a mostobnoxious and a most horrible transaction."

Notwithstanding this was the case the senator continued, the senate sleeps over this breach of the Monroe doctrine, while the president of France and the President of the United States stand over the recumbent figure and sing in unison their solemn and satisfied amen.

He then proceeded to say that only yesterday he met a great Democrat who "had a place in our affairs only second in importance to the presidency, and had made a name for himself in diplomacy (evidently meaning former Secretary of State Olney), who had bowed his head as he said 'for the first time in my life I have to confess that I am ashamed of the attitude of my country.'"

Mr. Morgan, again averting to Cuba, said: "Our relations with that island ought to remain as they are so far as our economic interests are concerned, or they ought to be adjusted as a state."

Mr. Morgan stopped speaking at 4:10 and the senate went into executive session and ten minutes later adjourned.

**SUB-COMMITTEES APPOINTED.**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—The house ways and means committee today appointed the following sub-committees:

On customs, customs districts and

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## SENATOR MORGAN.



## COLONEL DUDLEY NO FURTHER NEWS TESTIFIES IN WOOD CASE OF RUSSIAN SQUADRON

Washington, Dec. 9.—When the senate committee on military affairs resumed its investigation of the Wood case today Colonel Edgar Dudley, professor of law and history at West Point Military Academy, who was judge advocate general at Havana during General Wood's administration as governor general, appeared to supplement testimony given yesterday. He submitted a copy of an opinion rendered in Havana at the request of General Wood, concerning the application of the *Jai Alai* company or a concession to operate an amusement amphitheatre. This opinion declared that the concession should not be granted on the ground that it would be a violation of the Foraker amendment.

General Tasker H. Bliss was then recalled.

General Bliss said in reply to questions that he strongly opposed the concession without payment of duty of the silver service purchased in New York by the *Jai Alai*. He received mandatory instructions from General Wood to admit the silver service, however, and obeyed them.

Alexander Frye, who was commissioner of education in Cuba under General Wood has been summoned to testify before the committee.

London, Dec. 10.—No further news has been received here showing that the reported arrival of a Russian squadron at Shanulpho has significance. The names of the vessels which have arrived at Shanulpho are not given.

Dispatches to the Daily Telegraph from Tokyo and Nagasaki, under date of Wednesday do not even mention the arrival of the squadron at the Cuban port. The Telegraph's correspondents state that the situation has undergone no change except for an increase in the tension due to the protracted negotiations. They also report that the Japanese government is buying war materials abroad.

**COSTLY BLAZE.**

Bufford, Ga., Dec. 9.—Fire tonight destroyed the Bona-Alton harness factory. Loss \$100,000, insurance \$60,000.

**STUDENTS APOLOGIZE.**

Madison, Ind., Dec. 9.—Members of the Hanover college sophomore class today sent an apology to President Fisher and the faculty, for holding their party contrary to rules, in the college building. The order of suspension was then revoked. The other classes have not affected a reinstatement of suspended members, but expect a settlement.

## COLOMBIANS LOOK ASKANCE AT THE TREATY

Bogota, Dec. 7. via Colon, Dec. 9.—A prominent and well informed politician, who is close to the government, when questioned today by the Associated Press correspondent, declined to give any expression of opinion concerning the ratification of the canal treaty by the government of the Republic of Panama. The following expression of the attitude of the Colombian government, however, is authoritative, the strict censorship preventing fuller report.

"The statement issued by United States Secretary of State May in explanation of the violent happenings on the Isthmus of Panama, has produced a most unfortunate and disastrous impression in political and diplomatic circles here, by reason of its contradictions and its lack of sincerity and logical arguments."

"The Bogota press has answered Secretary Hay's statement in the most unflattering manner. The central government is aching and will continue to act with dignity and honor, but it has been decided to combat the independence of the Isthmus of Panama without cessation. Americans here continue to enjoy complete security despite the indignation of the people."

**AND DENMARK TOO!**

Washington, Dec. 9.—M. Bureau Varilla, the minister of Panama, has received information that the government of Denmark has recognized the new republic.

**TAKING NO CHANCES.**

Muncie, Ind., Dec. 9.—A pretty young woman, who came into the office of County Clerk Mansfield, followed by a bashful young man, and asked for a marriage license yesterday, insisted on paying \$2.50 for the document, notwithstanding she was told that the regular price is but \$2.

"Two dollars is too cheap for it and besides I was always told that \$2.50 is the price, and I don't want to run any risks," she remarked, as she put down two silver dollars and a fifty-cent piece on the counter.

**ROETGEN MEN MEET**

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—The annual meeting of the Roetgen society was held here today, a number of prominent medical men attending. The general topic of discussion was the possibilities of the x-ray in medical science. Among the speakers today were Dr. A. W. Price, Cleveland and Dr. Wm. Kraush, of Memphis.

**STANDARD OIL GOES UP TO PAY FOR ROCKEFELLER'S XMAS GIFTS**

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 9.—The Standard and Producers and Refiners Oil companies today advanced the quotation of Pennsylvania oil 2 cents, bringing the price up to \$1.29, the highest since May, 1895. Tiona, Corning and New Castle were also advanced 2 cents, while the lower grades were put up 1 cent. The gradual decrease in production, necessitating the drawing in stocks is said to be responsible for the advance.

Operators have confidently expected the advance and predict \$2 oil in the near future. Very little new territory is being discovered.

The Standard Oil company today makes the following quotations: Pennsylvania \$1.29, Tiona \$2.05, Corning \$1.29, New Castle \$1.27, North Lima \$1.28, South Lima \$1.23, Indiana \$1.23, White Ohio \$1.25, Somerset \$1.23, Ragland 6 cents.

**LAND FRAUD CASES.**

Portland, Ore., Dec. 9.—Judge Bellinger in the circuit court today overruled the demurrers in the land grant fraud cases, and Horatio A. McKinley, S. A. D. Pater, Marie L. Ware, Guy Joff and Emma L. Watson, under indictment by the grand jury, charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States, will be brought to trial.

**NOBODY HURT.**

Madrid, Dec. 9.—King Alfonso left for Lisbon this evening.

## "ATLANTA" IS ON LOOKOUT FOR BIG GAME

Colon, Dec. 9.—The United States cruiser Atlanta is still patrolling the eastern coast of San Blas, and keeping a lookout for an attempt of any Colombian troops to make a landing on the isthmus. The Atlanta is also endeavoring to ascertain if the Indians know anything of the movements of troops from the interior across the frontier and is also seeking information concerning the alleged concentration of Colombian troops at the mouth of Atrato river, being in Colombian territory. The Atlanta, of course, could not interfere with any movements of Colombian troops there.

The report brought to Laguayra, by the French steamer Versailles, from Savannah to the effect that Colombian steamships have landed 1,100 men near the mouth of the Atrato river to open a way over the Darien mountains to the isthmus, cannot be confirmed here.

The United States gunboat Bancroft is today to patrol the western end of the San Blas coast in co-operation with the Atlanta.

**J. P. MORGAN AND OTHERS FILE BRIEFS**

Washington, Dec. 9.—A brief in behalf of Messrs. J. P. Morgan, Robert Landon and Daniel S. Lamont, applicants, with others in the case of the United States vs. the Northern Securities company, was filed in the United States Supreme court today by Attorney Francis Stetson and David Wilcox. They claim that the so-called merger was entirely lawful, and say: "These transactions have consisted merely in the organization of a lawful corporation of New Jersey and in the sale thereof by the owners of property lawfully salable. All acts done in relation to the organization of the Northern Securities company and to its purchase by it of the shares of stock of the railway companies, and the sale thereof by the owners were expressly authorized by law. The legal effect of the transaction has been that the owner of the stock in one of the railway companies has sold the same to the securities company, and as received therefor stock of the securities company, which company owns the stock not merely of one of the railway companies, but of the stock of both. So that each individual who has transferred his property to the securities company has obtained therefor something entirely different, namely, an interest in a company holding stock of the other railway company as well. It is manifest that in the fullest possible sense this constitutes a sale of the property."

**THIEF CAPTURES TRAY OF DIAMONDS**

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 9.—An unknown man hurled a stone through the window of the E. H. Kostkamp jewelry company tonight, seized a tray of diamond rings valued at \$6,000 and escaped. Two clerks gave chase and fired shots, but the man ran into a nearby alley and escaped.

Later the police arrested Samuel E. Kendrick, a laborer, and Thos. Treasurer, his brother-in-law, on suspicion.

**SNOW IN NEW YORK**

New York, Dec. 9.—The heavy snow storm that prevailed over northern New York today has turned into a blinding blizzard and extends over the entire Catskill mountain region. At Saratoga Lake in the Adirondacks, from 8 to 10 inches of snow fell. Interruption of traffic is reported at various points.

**PRESBYTERIANS AIM TO BRING ABOUT CHURCH UNITY**

New York, Dec. 9.—The joint committee of representatives of four branches of the Presbyterian faith met here today to discuss the question of church unity in accordance with a resolution passed by the general synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church, at Philadelphia last year.

The delegation appointed by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church of the United States of America consisted of the Rev. Drs. William Henry Roberts, of Philadelphia; Robert E. Coyle, of Denver; Moderator of the General Assembly Charles A. Dicker, of Philadelphia; Benjamin H. Hartley, of Laporte, Ind.; Douglas P. Putnam, of Princeton, Ind.; and Elders, Wilcox Merle Smith, of New York; Elsie H. Perkins, of Baltimore; Edwin S. Wells

**CALIFORNIA MOB PLAYFULLY JUGGLED WITH BIG HEALTHY CLUBS**

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 9.—Armed with clubs, a mob of about fifty strikers from the Royal mine at Hobson turned back forty strike breakers who were under armed escort today, near Millerton, and ordered them out of the vicinity. The order was quickly obeyed. More trouble is expected.

**Four Small Children Burned to Death as They Slept**

Manchester, Conn., Dec. 9.—A message from North Conventry, a small village about 16 miles from here, states that while Fred. Olds, a farmer, and his wife were visiting friends tonight, his house caught fire and four small children who had been left in bed were burned to death.

## FATHER WHO KILLED HIS SON GETS VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 9.—In the Superior court here tonight a jury returned a verdict of voluntary manslaughter against H. H. Burton, a man who was on trial for killing his 17 year old son. The killing occurred in this city September 5, 1902.

The father alleged that the son cursed him and threatened to kill him and that before he knew what he was doing he had drawn his knife and stabbed the boy to death. James Burton, another son, was a prosecuting witness in the case.

## Deputies and Clerks Have Little Surprise Party

Trinidad, Colo., Dec. 9.—While a number of deputies and clerks were driving from Berwyn to Tobacco, at 1 o'clock this afternoon, they were fired on by several men hid behind rocks, and the deputies and clerks jumped from the wagon and returned the fire.

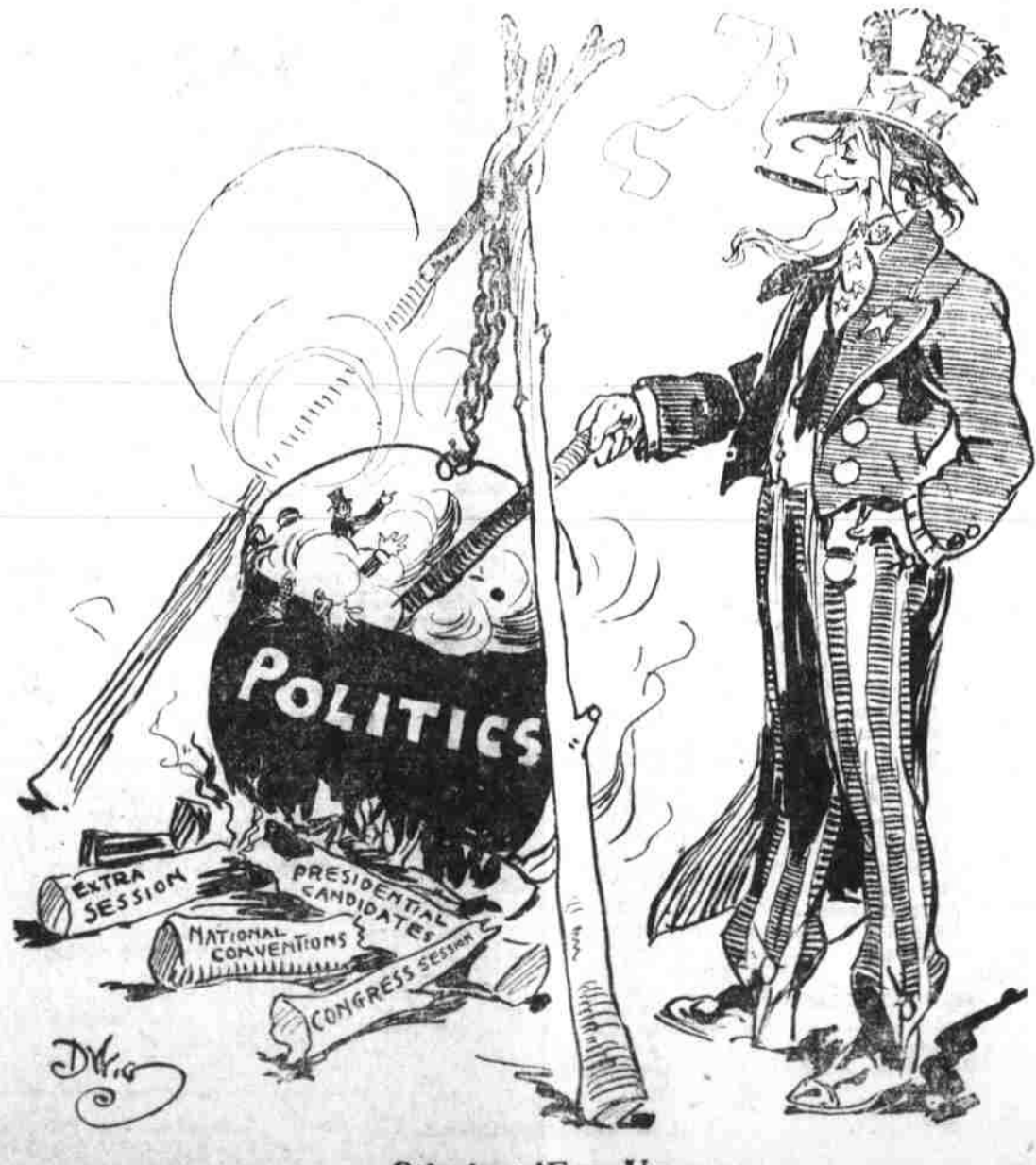
The shooting continued at intervals for 20 minutes, though no one was injured. Sheriff Clark and posse were preparing to leave for the scene on a special train when word was received that reinforcements of guards had arrived from Tobacco about half a mile away, and the ambush party fled. No arrests were made.

## GIGANTIC MERGER OF TELEPHONE COMPANIES MAY BE NEXT MOVE

Chicago, Dec. 9.—A move to merge the independent telephone companies into the Independent Telephone Association was started at a meeting of that organization. The plan is to organize the different companies into one corporation, but to operate each company in its respective territory on the same basis as at present. Such an organization would involve millions of dollars worth of property in all parts of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan and Wisconsin.

A committee was appointed by the chairman of the convention to learn what could be done along the line of consolidation.

While the discussion of extending connecting lines to Chicago was in progress excitement was caused by the declaration of one of the delegates that a representative of the opposition company was in the hall. The outsider was summarily ejected by the sergeant-at-arms.



Stirring 'Em Up.