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SALARY LIST OF COMPANY IS EXPOSED

President McCurdy Receives \$150,000 per Year for his Services.

ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY IS EXPENDED

Another day of Sensational Developments Passed by the Committee.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Closing a week every day of which has produced a sensation that has stirred the country, the special legislative committee investigating the methods of insurance companies adjourned today until Tuesday of next week.

In today's testimony the sensational development was when Mr. Hughes demanded the pay roll of the executive officers of the Mutual Life Insurance company. This was produced and showed the salaries of these officers since 1877. For the year 1904 President McCurdy received \$150,000, two vice-presidents were paid \$50,000 each; a second vice-president \$17,500; the third vice-president \$10,000, and the general manager \$25,000, who this year will receive \$30,000 and the treasurer \$50,000. Robert McCurdy, the general manager, said he never knew the salary of his father until today, when he heard it read in the committee room. He thought, however, that there should be no limit to the salary of such positions because they should be in accordance with the accumulations of the company.

When asked if it was any benefit to the policy holder to increase the president's salary, Mr. McCurdy said he thought the trustees should consider that when they increased the president's salary. No increase, however, had ever been considered when he was present at the trustee's meetings.

Earlier in the day when Mr. McCurdy was on the stand, Mr. Hughes tried to bring out why C. H. Raymond & Company, and the partners in that firm received larger emoluments for the business than any other agency.

Mr. McCurdy said he did not know what Mr. Thebaud received from the business and had never talked with him about his personal affairs. He said it was a "large reward for large achievements, and that all businesses of large magnitude were built upon that principle."

"Don't you think you could get Mr. Thebaud's services for \$100,000?" Mr. Hughes asked.

"I suppose so if he didn't have a contract. Lawyer Beck, of the Mutual's counsel here stepped forward and said: "If it be related to officers of an insurance company is a crime, President Roosevelt will have to modify his race suicide theory."

"It is not a crime," retorted Senator Armstrong, chairman of the investigating committee, "it is merely ridiculous."

COAL WORKERS IN IMMINENT DANGER

(By Associated Press.)
PUEBLO, Colo., Oct. 6.—A defective electrical generator started a destructive fire at the Fremont coal mine, near Florence, Colo., today. All the buildings including the shaft house, were destroyed. Fifty men were working in the mine at the time when the fire started. All of the men were rescued.

POISON SUSPECTED.
SPENCER, N. C., Oct. 6.—A mild sensation has resulted from developments following the death of Mrs. Robert J. Osey which occurred at her home near Salisbury one week ago. It is now believed that the deceased was poisoned and the death resulted therefrom. The body is to be examined and the stomach examined for poison. It is not known who is supposed to have administered the deadly dose.

GAYNOR AND GREENE WILL BE BROUGHT BACK INTO THE UNITED STATES TODAY

(By Associated Press.)
MONTREAL, Que., Oct. 6.—The last legal step in the Gaynor-Greene case, so far as the courts of Canada are concerned, was taken today and tomorrow the United States marshals will start with the two prisoners for Savannah, Ga., where they will be placed on trial for alleged embezzlement and conspiracy to defraud the United States government, on indictments secured in 1899.

HARVEY JORDAN MAKES APPEAL TO PLANTERS

He Says By Holding Cotton Two Weeks Fight for High Prices Can be Won.

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 6.—President Harvie Jordan of the Southern Cotton Association, today issued an open letter to the farmers of the South in which he urges them to hold their cotton for at least two weeks. He states that if the farmers of the South stand together for two weeks and hold their cotton they will win the fight against those who are endeavoring to depress the price of the staple. In his letter President Jordan refers to the advice of Former Vice-President Peters, of Texas, to sell cotton.

President Jordan closes his letter to the farmers with a strong appeal to "stand together and resist to the last, every attempt to break the present organization of the producers to secure fair prices for their staple."

WORKMEN BURIED IN A LANDSLIDE

Tons of Slate and Earth Crash Down Upon Quarry Men and Entomb ten.

(By Associated Press.)
GRANVILLE, N. Y., Oct. 6.—Ten men met death instantly at the quarry of the Vermont Slate company today when about 100 feet of the west bank crashed down without warning, burying the victims under hundreds of tons of slate and loose earth. Five bodies were recovered but it is doubtful whether the others can be reached before next week. The dead, with the exception of John G. Williams, president and treasurer of the company, are all Hungarians.

AUTOMOBILES MUST NOT VIOLATE LAWS

RUNNING AT EXCESSIVE SPEED MUST STOP.

Aldermen Instruct Police to Watch Motor Cars and See That Ordinance is Obeyed.

The speeding of automobiles was given considerable attention at the meeting of the board of aldermen last night and it is likely that any owners of horseless carriages who have been violating the city's ordinance on the subject will have to reform or pay a heavy fine. Alderman Randolph started the ball rolling by asking that the automobile ordinance be read. He then asked the Chief of Police if he had any complaints of violations of the ordinance and what steps he had taken in consequence.

Chief Bernard said it was very difficult to secure a conviction under the ordinance for the reason that persons who complained of violations were unwilling to swear that the automobile in question was exceeding the rate set—12 miles per hour. He sent patrolmen to various parts of the city many times, he said, to see if excessive speeding could not be detected but was unsuccessful in securing material for a case in court in each instance. He said it was a hard matter to tell whether or not an automobile is exceeding the limit if it is running but slightly more than 12 miles per hour.

Everyone agreed that there was much running of motor cars at excessive rates of speed and that steps must be taken to correct this state of affairs and a resolution was adopted instructing the chief of police to see that the law is enforced. The law provides that outside of the fire limits the speed of automobile shall not exceed 12 miles per hour; inside of fire limits, 8 miles per hour; when turning corners, 6 miles per hour, and when running across the square, 3 miles per hour.

PARTLY CLOUDY.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Forecast for Saturday and Sunday: North Carolina—Partly cloudy Saturday; rain at night or Sunday; increasing north-east winds.

REPUBLICANS DECLARE FOR A REVISION

Massachusetts State Convention Scene of Unusual Party Action.

ROOSEVELT'S IDEA ENDORSED HEARTILY

But one Dissenting Vote to Resolution, Organized Opposition Being Absent

(By Associated Press.)
BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 6.—With only one voice raised in opposition the Republicans of Massachusetts in State convention today declared for a revision of the tariff. Contrary to expectations the radical wing of the party, under the leadership of Eugene Foss of Boston, did not offer a substitute for the plank in the platform relating to the tariff, although in a speech to the delegates Mr. Foss declared that the revision of the tariff favored in the State platform was not sufficiently wide in its scope.

The platform as adopted demands legislation "to prevent all unjust discrimination in the form of railway rebates." It declares for the "maintenance of the policy of protection and approval of the position taken by our senators and representatives at the last session of congress in favor of present action and we urge that they should continue to press upon their party associates in congress from other States the wisdom of a consideration of the tariff for the purpose of revision and readjustment."

The department of commerce and labor is urged to investigate the question of child labor with the object of its uniform prohibition on a basis not lower than that of the present Massachusetts law. Where the election franchise in any State "has Emittled representation in congress and in the electoral college should be proportionally reduced as directed by the Constitution of the United States."

FINED FOR ASSAULT.

Constable James arrested Arnold Greenlee for assault on Julia Alexander. Magistrate Williams gave Greenlee \$1 and costs. Julia Alexander caused the arrest of Addie Greenlee for larceny, but could show no good cause and was required to pay the costs herself.

RAILWAY CLERK STRUCK BLIND IN AN INSTANT

Mind Becomes a Blank and Sight is Lost Without Second's Warning.

(Special to The Citizen.)
SPENCER, N. C., Oct. 6.—James A. Reeves, a clerk of the Southern Railway offices here, went suddenly blind today in Charlotte where he had gone for medical attention. He left here yesterday and strove to take treatment for his eyes but with some time before treatment could be obtained. It is also believed that a blood vessel has been ruptured causing blindness, together with mental alteration. His condition is said to be serious, his mind being a blank. His misfortune came without a moment's warning.

YOUNG PHYSICIAN HELD FOR MURDER

Mysterious Death of Girl Causes Investigation and Arrest of the Doctor.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Oct. 6.—Dr. Oliver H. Hart, a young physician residing in the suburb of Rogers Park, is in the custody of the police pending further investigation of the death of Irene Klokow, 10 years old, which occurred yesterday in the residence of the physician.

It is the opinion of the police that a charge of murder will be lodged against Dr. Hart. The girl died in a bedroom of the Hart residence in which she had been locked for several hours. It is the opinion of the authorities, based on the facts disclosed at the inquest held today, that the girl was maltreated and then poisoned in an attempt to conceal the crime.

After finding that it was impossible for the child to recover, the physician swallowed morphine and lay in an unconscious condition all of last night and during the greater part of today. Late this afternoon he partially recovered and was brought to the city and locked up in the East Chicago avenue police station.

HAD ESCORT.

(By Associated Press.)
JACKSON, Miss., Oct. 6.—Maj.-Gen. T. R. Keester, in command of the Greenwood military company, reached here last evening, having in custody one of the negroes who shot a white man at Lumberton a few days ago. The negro was brought here under military escort to prevent lynching.

HUGHES GETS REPUBLICAN NOMINATION

Man Prominent in Insurance Investigation in Line for Big Office.

REFUSES TO TALK OF HIS LATEST HONORS

Laws for Protection of Life Insurance Holders Demanded in Platform.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Charles E. Hughes, principal counsel for the committee of the legislature to investigate insurance affairs, was tonight unanimously nominated as the candidate for mayor of New York by the Republican convention in Carnegie Hall. The other nominations were:

Richard Young, Brooklyn, for comptroller, and James L. Wells, of the Bronx, for president of the board of aldermen.

Former Lt.-Gov. Timothy L. Woodruff was chosen temporary chairman of the convention. Senator Page read the platform, which embraced a denunciation of the Democratic municipal administration, and affirmed the principle of non-partisanship in municipal affairs, and a demand for the passage by the next legislature of laws for the protection of life insurance policy holders and a more rigid official scrutinizing of life insurance companies, the control of future subways by the municipality, and the establishment of a municipal lighting plant.

Mr. Hughes was asked later if he had any statement to make for publication. "There's nothing just now," he said.

CHAPLAIN DIES.

(By Associated Press.)
KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 6.—Rev. W. H. Bates, who has been a member of the Holston conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, since 1864, died at his home here today. He was chaplain of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane here. He was 84 years old. Villa Knox, an opera singer of national reputation, was his daughter.

GOVERNMENT SAYS THE REPORTS ARE FALSE

Interesting Developments in Trial of Revenue Officer at Greensboro.

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 6.—A special to The Observer from Greensboro, N. C., says that at the trial in the federal court there today of the case of the United States vs. G. W. Samuels, a former revenue officer, charged with conspiracy, the government introduced testimony attacking the reports submitted by the defendant. Mr. West, of the treasury department at Washington, identified official reports filed by the defendant, regarding illicit distilleries destroyed, with reports, the government contends, are false.

The government, it is announced, purposes to show that the raids reported to the revenue bureau of the treasury department, were in reality never made.

Eighteen witnesses testified for the government at this afternoon's session and they were cross-examined by the defendant's counsel. The trial will be continued.

PEORIA BANK TO CLOSE ITS DOORS

Indictment of Ex-president and Discovery of Forgeries Puts It in Bad Shape.

(By Associated Press.)
PEORIA, Ill., Oct. 6.—At a meeting of the directors of the Peoria National Bank, late tonight, it was unanimously voted to close the doors of the institution and ask the comptroller to take charge. Since the indictment of N. C. Dougherty, until yesterday president of the bank, on many counts of forgery, hundreds of depositors have withdrawn their accounts and this caused the hasty action tonight.

WHITEMORE JURY UNABLE TO AGREE

MISTRIAL RESULTS IN IMPORTANT SUPERIOR COURT CASE.

Jury Stood Seven to Five for Defendant Wearing Greater Part of Its Deliberations.

The case of Dixon vs. the Southern railroad company progressed rapidly in the superior court yesterday and both sides rested their cases before an adjournment was taken. The argument will begin this morning and a verdict will probably be reached before evening.

After the jury in the cases of Whittemore vs. Whittemore and Shuford vs. Whittemore had been out about 26 hours, Judge McNeill yesterday discharged the men and declared a mistrial. The foreman said there was no chance apparently of an agreement being reached and Judge McNeill was unwilling to keep them longer, the men having been in court for more than a week. It was learned that upon the first ballot the jury stood 5 for the plaintiff and 7 for the defendant and that this division was maintained until yesterday afternoon when a ballot showed 6 for the plaintiff and 6 for the defendant.

BREAK GROUND FOR A \$30,000 HOTEL

(Special to The Citizen.)
SPENCER, N. C., Oct. 6.—Ground was broken here today for a \$30,000 hotel building which is being erected by Dr. J. W. Young, of this place. The site is a handsome one, conveniently located, and the building will be of brick one hundred feet front and one hundred and twenty feet deep, three stories high, and will contain 100 rooms. In addition to the hotel office on the ground floor the building will accommodate two or more mercantile establishments. The name of the new hotel has not yet been determined, neither has the management been decided upon.

UNUSUAL SUIT FOR DAMAGES IS BEGUN AGAINST THE SOUTHERN IN SPENCER

(Special to The Citizen.)
SPENCER, N. C., Oct. 6.—Through their attorneys, Wright and Carlton, of this city, the heirs of the late J. S. Pender have instituted a novel suit against the Southern railway company for ten thousand dollars damages sustained in the death of Mr. Pender. The deceased was a painter by trade and a month ago while returning from his work at Albemarle to his home in Salisbury, died in the coach in which he was riding. His body was not discovered until after the coach had been placed on a siding on the yards, having reached Salisbury at a late hour last night. The plaintiffs claim that the defendant company should have removed Mr. Pender from the car when it was apparent that he was dangerously ill. The legal points at issue have never before been submitted to a North Carolina court.

PHYSICIAN IS ARRESTED FOR HIDING CASES

New Orleans Doctor did not Give Necessary Information to Officers.

NEGROES WANT VISIT FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ask That Part of his Time be Spent with Them During Stay in City.

YESTERDAY'S RECORD.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 6.—The fever report up to 6 p. m. today follows:
New cases 25
Total to date 3,147
Deaths 4
Total deaths to date 407
New recoveries 8
Cases under treatment 300
Cases discharged 2,540

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 6.—Comparatively little change characterized the yellow fever situation in New Orleans today, both the new cases and deaths striking the daily average for the past week.

A second charge against Dr. Sbarbaro for failing to report a fever case, was made today. Mrs. Duffy's home on St. Roch avenue, is said to have had a case for five days under Dr. Sbarbaro's treatment which had not been reported to the authorities. The marine hospital service is no longer printing the names of the doctors who report cases, the physicians requesting that the system be discontinued. Public criticism of the reporting of cases that turned out to be other than yellow fever is believed to be responsible for the objections of the doctors.

During his visit here the negro population desires a small portion of the president's time. When President McKinley came here, staying two days, he paid a visit to one of the colored educational institutions and the colored people hope to have President Roosevelt do the same thing.

Today the Southern Pacific placed at the disposal of Mayor Behrman the fine new steamer Comus, to be used by the president in making his trip over the harbor.

MISSISSIPPI REPORT.

Jackson, Miss., Oct. 6.—No new points of yellow fever infection have developed in the state during the past twenty-four hours and no suspicious cases are under observation at non-infected points. The official summary issued from the state board of health is as follows:

Vicksburg, 1 new case in city; 3 in country; one death; total cases to date 23, deaths 7. Under treatment 12. Hattiesburg, 2 cases, Mississippi City 2 new cases, Gulfport 2 new cases, Hamburg, 4 new cases, 2 deaths, 22 patients under treatment, Port Gibson, 5 new cases, no deaths; 9 patients discharged. No new infection developed at Harrison, and Scranton failed to report.

FEVER IN FLORIDA.

(By Associated Press.)
PENSACOLA, Oct. 6.—The official fever summary today is as follows:
New cases 16; total to date 219; deaths 2, total 37; discharged 79; under treatment 103.

Today's report shows little change in the fever situation. One of the new cases is the British vice-consul, Frederick Bona, who is in a very dangerous condition. Pears are entertained for his recovery. One of the deaths was that of a seaman on the Norwegian bark Cosmor. While the outlook is anything but bright, Dr. Porter and the health officials are putting up a strong fight and have not expressed any discouragement over the situation. They are meeting with some opposition on the part of a certain class of citizens who do not seem to be impressed with the danger of the situation. Fumigation and screening continues despite this opposition.



EXCITEMENT AMONG THE NATIVE S.
When the President's Personal Narrative of his recent hunting trip reaches Bear Gulch.