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FORAKER TALKS ON BROWNSVILLE

Last Desperate Argument for Discharged Soldiers Heard By Crowd of Session

DOUGHTY OHIO SENATOR

Declares President Has Prejudged Case Altogether-- Hits Gen. Garlington

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, April 14.—The audience that listened to Senator Foraker today was significant of the interest in the Brownsville matter. It was without exception the largest audience that has assembled in the galleries of either house this session and one of the largest that has listened to a congressional address in years. A large number of colored people gathered to hear their champion.

Senator Foraker's speech was made under the most remarkable circumstances. For many months he has devoted his days and nights to the Brownsville episode. His health has suffered greatly and his wife and family saw him go to the senate today with great apprehension for his health.

The speech included an exhaustive review of the whole affair, the senator taking the position that the discharged men were innocent of "shooting up" the town, and that to permit them to reenlist now would be but adding insult to injury. In referring to the senate investigation, from the testimony of which Senator Foraker freely quoted, he said its purpose had not been to embarrass the president nor anybody else, nor to make political capital for anybody. Referring to the charge that conspiracy existed among the soldiers to conceal the names of the real perpetrators, Senator Foraker asserted it was impossible for such a squad of soldiers to plan and execute such a conspiracy without many, if not all, the other members of the battalion having knowledge which, if disclosed, would identify the particular individuals who participated in the shooting.

President Has Prejudged Case, Senator Foraker made it clear he believed the president unfit to pass upon the question whether these men are eligible for restoration to the army, for the reason that he had prejudged the case.

He denounced the unprecedented methods that had been followed by the administration in attempting to prove the soldiers guilty of crime. For the third time, he said, they had been subjected to accusative testimony and summoned to appear and prove their innocence. It was a violation of the practice, he said, that had been obeyed since the beginning of common law. He reflected sharply on General Garlington and others sent by the war department to learn the facts.

Of Major Blockson, with reference to the charge that the negroes broke open the gunlocks, he said: "Only a man so blinded with prejudice and egotism as to be incapable of weighing conduct intelligently could be guilty of reaching conclusions so utterly absurd."

Senator Foraker took up the matter of reenlistment. He said the important thing now for congress to afford relief to those that had suffered disgrace, loss and hardship. He pointed out that apparently no one appreciated this more keenly than the president, and he cited the language of the president showing he had materially modified his position until he finally urged extension for a year's time for reinstatement of the discharged troops.

Taking up the two bills for reinstatement, Senator Foraker pointed out the difference between his own bill and that of Senator Warner. The Warner bill requires to men to prove their innocence to the satisfaction of the president; the Foraker bill allows all to reenlist who take an oath that they had no part in the affray.

"The bill offered by the senator from Missouri is most extraordinary in another respect," said Mr. Foraker. "I venture to claim it is with-

New York's Democratic Convention Will Be Hot

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, April 14.—In the throes of violent internal dissensions, the democratic state convention assembled at noon today at Carnegie hall to choose four delegates to the national democratic convention in Denver. Bitter warfare, which started yesterday afternoon when Senator Patrick H. McCarren received a court order compelling the convention to seat his delegates, continued until the very opening of the assemblage and then flickered and smoldered beneath the surface. There was a meeting of the democratic state committee this morning, just preceding the calling of the convention to order, to carry out the plans outlined last night when the committee met.

Rumors were rife this morning, and it was hinted that unseated delegates would bolt and assemble to choose their own representatives. There was serious contention over the platform, whether Bryan should be endorsed or whether the delegates should go uncommitted. The state as framed long before the opening of the doors contained the following as national delegates: William J. Connors, Charles F. Murphy, John B. Stanchfield and

Lewis Nixon. Senator McCarren is firm in his declaration that he will fight against sending Bryan delegates to Denver. Every argument to dissuade him from this course has failed. It was pointed out to him that while the national convention would likely be a Bryan organization, the New York delegation ought to be in line. Still he remained obdurate. From the apparent unrest on the convention floor immediately after the opening, it was declared it might require until Thursday for all the work to be completed. Numerous contests have arisen, and the sensational move of McCarren has caused questions to arise which require tactful attention.

The anti-McCarren men mapped out an elaborate program during their all-night conference for action today. It was decided to go into court and ask another judge to vacate the order granted yesterday. McCarren's sole aim has been to prevent the committee on contested seats from considering the position of his delegates. The move made by McCarren initiates a new precedent in New York politics. It was the first time the

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HUGHES WON'T SAY YES OR NO

But Friends Declare He'll Fight Racetrack Gambling to Last Ditch

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Albany, N. Y., April 14.—Gov. Hughes today refused to deny or affirm the story that if gambling should be permitted at the races at Aqueduct Wednesday he would call out the militia to suppress it. The governor believes the sentiment of the people of the state is thoroughly aroused by his crusade for the reform bills, and his friends say he will fight the opposition to the last ditch. He has already made one trip through the state and is planning another. Since the defeat of the bills he has received many requests to make speeches.

TRIED TO CARRY FIGURES IN HEAD

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Mobile, Ala., April 14.—Assistant Clerk G. Conway Penny, of the city clerk's office, was last night placed under arrest by the police, charged with the embezzlement of \$2,418.09 of the city's funds. Penny, while not making a confession, admitted there had been "mistakes" made in his accounts, saying he had tried to carry the different items in his head and in that manner his accounts had become mixed. Penny was placed under a bond of \$500 and at midnight was released from custody. Penny has served as assistant clerk in the city clerk's office since 1903. He is 29 years old, married, and the father of two children.

SEVEN HORSES BURN IN CONCORD FIRE

(Special to The Evening Times.) Concord, April 14.—The stable of John Masco Wood was burned about 2 o'clock Sunday morning with the contents, including feed stuff and seven horses. This is a heavy loss to Mr. Wood, as he had no insurance.

Confesses He's a Poisoner.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Chicago, Ill., April 14.—Francisco Ricciozzi today confessed to the police that he had bought the arsenical preparation and flour that killed Mary Hendon, four years old, and made other members of the family sick. He admitted he was wanted in New England for two murders, in one of which a man was poisoned that his wife might elope with the murderer.

BRYAN AND GRAY CLASH AT DOVER

Followers of Silver Tongue From Kent County Fighting Ironclad Instructions

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Dover, Del., April 14.—With the Gray men in control of everything except Kent county, two-thirds of which is for Bryan, the democratic state committee, sitting here on the eve of today's state convention, adjourned in a fiasco as to the phraseology of the Gray instructions. Bryan's friends made a stiff fight against "first, last and all the time" instructions, holding that their men must have representation on the Denver delegation and be at liberty to flee to the Bryan firing line after the first few ballots.

RATE MOTION IS TURNED DOWN

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, April 14.—The interstate commerce commission today in the case of Al G. Field against the Southern Railway company and others, decided by Commissioner Harlan, held that the commission had no authority under the act to regulate commerce to require carriers to establish special fares, based on less than the normal passenger-mile revenue, for the use of passengers on special occasions or for special purposes. On that ground, and also on the ground that the legal right of carriers to issue party-rate tickets and confine their use to theatrical companies has been fully considered by the commission, this complaint for an order requiring the defendants to reestablish such party rates was dismissed on motion of the commission.

Blow to Theatrical Companies.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Chicago, April 14.—After several weeks' correspondence, the interstate commerce commission has ruled that theatrical advance agents may not figure in the concessions made on free baggage. It has been customary for many years for the railroads to allow one baggage car free with every party of 25 or more persons. This is a very valuable concession to theatrical companies, as it saves money that must have been paid for excess baggage. To secure this free baggage car it is customary for the railroad companies to figure as members of the party the advance agents.

THAW DIVORCE EVIDENCE SOON

Depositions Will Be Taken of Witnesses From Harry's Home City

LAWYERS FOR EVELYN

Present Order for This Step Before Supreme Court Justice in New York

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, April 14.—Attorneys interested in the divorce proceedings commenced by Evelyn Nesbit Thaw to have her marriage to Harry K. Thaw annulled announced before Judge Hendricks in P. O. 11 of the supreme court an order as to the depositions taken from Pittsburg witnesses.

Among those from whom testimony is sought is J. Denniston Lyon, a Pittsburg banker and a relative of Thaw's and John Deane, a Kitzing, formerly of Pittsburg. Dr. Gingham has been the family physician for the Thaws for many years, and during Harry's trial he was one of the witnesses.

The evidence of J. Denniston Lyon is looked upon as being the



Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. This painting of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw by Harrington Mann is the most talked of picture in Europe. The painting was placed in the Exhibition of Fair Women in the New Gallery in London, where it created no end of jealousy and protest on the part of others whose pictures were exhibited.

most important. Mr. Lyon arranged the financial settlement, it is said, between the Thaws and the Earl of Yarmouth when Miss Alice Thaw was married, and he has had more to do with Harry's financial measures since the latter attained his majority. The order calls for the appointment of Judge Josiah Cohen, of the Allegheny county bench, to take the testimony.

CONGRESS ASKED TO VOTE SHIPS

President Sends Special Message Urging Need of Four More Boats of War

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, April 14.—3:45 p. m. The president sent a special message to congress today urging that it provide for four battleships.

Dastardly Firebugs Set Great Blaze In Chelsea?

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Chelsea, Mass., April 14.—The Chelsea police and Massachusetts state authorities are rigidly probing today the startling theory held by Mayor Beck and other Chelsea officials and citizens that firebugs are responsible for the great fire which swept away millions of dollars worth of property in that city, caused at least five deaths, and made 10,000 people homeless.

That even while the conflagration raged through the city Sunday afternoon and night and thousands fled for their lives, leaving their property to the mercy of the flames, funds were at work in the burning district, starting new fires to set at naught the efforts of the firemen to quench the flames, is the belief of Mayor Beck.

Today the mayor declared he has been told by a friend, a prominent merchant whose honor is unquestioned, that he saw one of these incendiaries applying the torch.

Today attacked Chelsea presents a scene of devastation not often paralleled. With a third of its thickly-populated territory a mass of ruins, guarded by the state militia against looters, thousands of its citizens ruined and homeless, facing deprivation and want, many of them insupportably clad, there is urgent need of the aid which has been so generously offered by sister cities of the commonwealth. Chelsea's greatest need is money to give it a new start in its plans for regeneration.

The mayors of cities proffering aid to Mayor Beck, of Chelsea, have been told that money would be the best form of assistance, and funds are being solicited from representative organizations. While the estimated loss by the fire amounted to \$10,000,000, according to the insurance companies, the total insurance loss is \$4,500,000. The state insurance department places the loss at \$4,500,000.

The insurance men say that only 70 or 80 per cent of the property in the burned district was insured. If the estimates be correct, the total property loss from the fire will be over \$19,000,000. In such a conflagration, however, allowance must be made for re-insurance, which may amount to a large sum. The liability is so evenly divided among the companies that none of them will be seriously affected. There is, among the underwriters, a spirit of hope different from that usually manifested after a big fire. Assurance is given that all losses will be promptly paid in cash.

Within the portals of the North Grove street morgue are the bodies of three persons who met death in the great fire, two of the bodies being those of women, while the third is badly charred but the sex is indistinguishable. The bodies are unclaimed. It is believed that within the smoldering ruins there are still more bodies, and a thorough search will be instituted.

RAILROAD MAN IS SEEKING WIFE

Takes Unique Means to Save Job--Belongs to Church and Doesn't Drink

(By Leased Wire to The Times) St. Louis, April 14.—"Dave" Henchen, of Salem, Ill., wants a wife. He is advertising for one, a "bachelor girl" preferred. "Owing to the slack of business and the panic over the country," the advertisement says, "the C. and E. I. R.R., by which I am employed, is reducing the force and giving married men the preference, and I have a better chance of holding my job by getting married."

Henchen "is twenty-three years old, does not drink, smoke or chew, and belongs to the church." His salary is \$50 a month.

Bad Floods in China.

(By Cable to The Times.) Shanghai, April 14.—Over 2,000 persons have been drowned in destructive floods in the province of Hopeh. A thousand junks with many aboard have been sunk.

SEN. THURSTON ON THE STAND

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, April 14.—When the Lilley investigating committee met today former Senator John M. Thurston, of Nebraska, counsel for the Lake Submarine Boat company, was called to the stand. "I have received the impression," he said, "that there is a sentiment that the Lake company had instigated the introduction of the Lilley resolution for an investigation of the Electric Torpedo Boat company. So far as I am concerned, I had no knowledge that the resolution was to be put in. If I had known it I would probably have discouraged it, because of the fear that such an investigation might injure the chances of an appropriation for submarines for the navy."

Trying to Beat Hobson.

Birmingham, Ala., April 14.—Aroused because they consider Captain R. P. Hobson inimical to the interests of W. J. Bryan, the democrats of the sixth Alabama district are coaching W. A. Davis, of Jasper, a prominent lawyer, to make the race against Capt. Hobson for congress.

Sherry's Wife Wants Divorce.

New York, April 14.—Papers have been served on Louis Sherry, the noted Fifth Avenue restaurateur, in a suit for divorce by his wife, who asks \$100,000 temporary alimony and counsel fees and \$500 a month.

KIERNAN-COGAN COMES TUESDAY

Raleigh Government Veteran Will Wed Talented Young Woman

(Special to The Times.) Boston, Mass., April 14.—One of the most fashionable of the spring weddings to occur in Greater Boston is announced for Tuesday next, when Miss Helen M. Cogan, of Somerville, and Dr. James A. Kiernan, government veterinarian, with headquarters at Raleigh, will wed. The wedding will take place at St. John's church, in the fashionable college city of Cambridge, near the university grounds. Society buds from Boston and surrounding places will act as flower girls and notables from all over Greater Boston will attend. Miss Helen Cogan was for several years one of the instructors at the Albion A. Perry school, in Somerville, and is considered one of the prettiest young women in this section. She is extremely talented. Dr. Kiernan is well and favorably known here.

SEN. THURSTON ON THE STAND TROOPS GUARD STRIKE BREAKERS

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Pensacola, Fla., April 14.—The 40 strikebreakers from New York were this morning moved from the police station to the huts of the Pensacola Electric company, under protection of troops. Four additional companies reached the city this morning. Two companies are now stationed at the carbarns, but so far no demonstration on the part of the strikers or their sympathizers has occurred.

FIVE JURORS IN BOX LAST NIGHT

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, April 14.—Five jurors had been selected and sworn in when court adjourned last night in the quo warranto proceedings to oust Mayor George B. McClellan from office.

Justice John Lambert, of Buffalo, who presided, sustained the reputation he won in the Molleux trial for business-like ways of ruling out legal quibbles.

Governor Says He's Unbiased.

Lexington, Ky., April 14.—A. E. Wilson announced today that, although petitions have been sent from all over the country, signed by over half a million people, asking a pardon for Caleb Powers, they will have no weight when he gives his decision on the pardon application.

SAN DIEGO SEES THE BIG FLEET

American Battleship Squadron Runs Into California Harbor at 2 This Afternoon

NAVAL BOYS ON TIME

After Longest Cruise Ever Undertaken By Bluejackets of Uncle Sam's Navy

(By Leased Wire to The Times) San Diego, Cal., April 14.—While the cry was not "Sail ho" this morning, when up from the misty horizon curled a wreath of black smoke, the shout that swept across the bay and echoed and resounded through the holiday-dressed town of San Diego, meant the same thing.

The fleet had arrived—all sixteen battleships, in clock-working order, sneaked into view through the morning mist.

Then San Diego let loose. The ships were not in sight—just the smoke, and here and there a dim outline of funnels and conning towers—but the enthusiasm of the city was strained to the breaking point and the mere sighting of the floating forts was the signal for the greatest chorus of bells and sirens to be heard anywhere.

The bay, to one suddenly arrived in sight of it, seemed like a great fountain garden, with colored plants growing from the water. Hundreds and hundreds of craft, with all colors set, hurried in different directions, puffing and busy to show those aboard a good time and maneuvering for vantage points to see and welcome the fleet.

Two o'clock was the hour set for the arrival, and 2 o'clock it was when, with a precision that would have justified years of practice instead of a first visit, the great ships swung into the city, every one in just the exact position marked out for it, and hove to.

Above the noise of screaming whistles and the roaring of salutes rattled the anchor chains. Down went the anchors fore and aft, the tide steadied the vessels, and the American fleet was again in home waters, after having practically completed the greatest cruise in naval history.

Within five minutes after the anchors of the Connecticut settled in the mud, Rear Admiral Thomas was surrounded by the reception committee. The advance guard of the staff received the Californians on the quarter deck. The admiral heard the formal welcome to the fleet in his quarters below.

POOR HUNGARIAN OFFICERS.

Found Dead Today, After Poverty and Hunger.

(By Cable to The Times.) Buda-Pest, April 14.—Majors Nicholas and Paul Von Palkovich, members of an aristocratic but impoverished Hungarian family and officers in the imperial army, were found dead today in the suite they occupied as living quarters. Each had been shot in the brain. They had evidently planned to die together, one killing the other and then committing suicide.

In letters left by each they told of their struggle; how they were burdened with debt, and how both were hopelessly in love with the same woman.

DELEGATES APPOINTED TO CHARITY CONFERENCE

Gov. Glenn today appointed delegates to the national conference of charities and corrections, which will be held at Richmond, Va., May 5-13. The delegates are: Miss Daisy Denison, Rev. R. S. Stephenson, Mr. J. S. Mann, Rev. J. N. Cole, Raleigh; Mr. Chas. A. Webb, Asheville; Mr. J. H. Weddington, Charlotte; Dr. J. H. McNeill, Hope Mills; Mr. E. F. Aydelott, Elizabeth City; Col. W. J. Hicks, Oxford; Mr. Archibald Johnson, Thomasville, and Mr. John C. Scarborough, Murrefreesboro.

Julia Still Sick Over Scandal.

(Special to The Evening Times.) New York, April 14.—Owing to the scandal of the Karl Von Hornmann divorce case, in which her name has appeared in the legal papers, Julia Marlowe, the distinguished actress, has been stricken with a general nervous breakdown and has been completely isolated at the Hotel Plaza in the hope she may recover sufficiently to fill her engagement to open the Atlantic City theatre Thursday evening.