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ALLDS FOUND GUILTY BY THE SENATE

Of Accepting Bribe of \$1000 From the Bridge Interests

HE HAS RESIGNED

Capital Crowded With Buzzing Groups and Galleries Overflowed With Interested Crowd—Senator Allds Resigned Before the Voting Began, His Resignation Furnishing a Preliminary Sensation—Resigned on Advice of Counsel—Some Held That Since He Was Out of the Jurisdiction of the Senate it Had Nothing Further to Do With the Case.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Albany, N. Y., March 29—State Senator Jotham P. Allds, of Chenango county, was found guilty today by a vote of 10 to 9 in the senate of accepting a \$1,000 bribe from the bridge interests in 1901. The verdict followed his resignation from the senate and marks the end of the hearing of the charge preferred by Senator Benn Conger, which has extended over seven weeks, revealing many side lights of a startling nature on the condition in the legislature nine years ago.

Much Interest In Proceedings. Albany, N. Y., March 29—The state capital was wrought to a state of tense excitement when the climax was reached today in the senate inquiry into the bribe-taking charge against Senator Allds. Long before the senate assembled for regular business the capitol was crowded with buzzing groups and it was plain that when the senate should turn itself into a committee of the whole and vote on the charges preferred by Senator Ben Conger, the attendance would be a record-breaker.

It was announced today that many others besides Senator Brackett would avail themselves of the opportunity of explaining their votes and this feature of the last hearing in the case was one of the chief drawing cards.

The influence of the national administration and the republican leaders of the country in the contest for the control of the republican party in New York—of which the Allds case has come to be regarded as a part—is shown, according to prominent friends and foes of Allds, in the bill introduced last night by Assembly-

SITUATION ABOUT FIERY VOLCANO

(By Cable to The Times) Catania, March 29—Another heavy storm brought suffering to the 5,000 homeless from the towns, hamlets, and open country about Mt. Etna today. Terrific explosions are accompanying the renewed eruption and the situation today is worse than when the fury of the phenomenon first abated. The authorities made every preparation to rush the abandonment of endangered villages. At times, however, the flow of lava was diminished, and these fluctuations brought renewed hope of the end of the eruption.

Fully 75,000 spectators, hundreds of them tourists, who hurried here especially for the spectacle, viewed the mountain today. Special trains circled the volcano, every car crowded to capacity. Wagon roads are crowded with automobiles, as well as more old-fashioned vehicles and pedestrians.

For the foreigners, the wonderful display of forces has been turned into a circus. Among the natives, however, there has been no abatement of terror. In every town religious processions are held almost hourly.

There is little fertile land between the crest of Etna and Catania remaining; a great path of lava has wiped out some of Sicily's most beautiful estates.

THE NEW RULES COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



The new Rules Committee of the House of Representatives, which has just entered upon its work at Washington, after a history making epoch in the House, the finality of which was the ejection of Speaker Cannon from membership in the most important sub-body of Congress. The Republicans on the new committee which was selected by the House after both parties had canvassed are: Dalzell of Pennsylvania, chairman; W. I. Smith of Iowa, Fasset of New York, Boutell of Illinois, S. C. Smith of California, and Lawrence of Massachusetts. The Democrats are: Clark of Missouri, Underwood of Alabama, Dixon of Indiana, and Fitzgerald of New York. The reason why there are no "Insurgent" Republicans on the committee is because that small but effective body decided that as Republicans they had no good reason for staying out of the Republican caucus

that nominated the Republican six. Of course they were snubbed under. On the floor of the House, however, if they find the new Rules Committee reveals any phase of "Anonism" not to their liking, they will combine with the Democrats.

man Charles A. Dana, of New York, calling for a general investigation of alleged corruption in the legislature. This bill, the third with the same intent, has the backing, it is declared, of Herbert Parsons, ex-chairman of the New York county committee and his successor, spokesman of the national administration, Lloyd Griscom. Women crowded the senate gallery today. Hundreds of requests for seats had to be turned down. Jotham P. Allds, accused by Senator Benn Conger of accepting a \$1,000 bribe, presented his resignation today before balloting was begun by the senate as a committee of the whole on his guilt or innocence. The announcement of Allds' action (Continued on Page Six.)

THE RICHMOND ROBBERY.

Men Are Supposed to Have Taken Loot to Washington.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Richmond, Va., March 29—Chief Harrison, of the Washington division of postoffice inspectors and several assistants are still working on the robbery of the Richmond postoffice yesterday morning. The latest estimate places the loot secured at \$85,000.

It is now learned that the robbers hauled their booty to the basement of a nearby hotel which they had rented under the pretense of displaying an assortment of toys and after repacking it into two huge trunks and are supposed to have left Richmond at 4:50 o'clock, carrying the trunks as baggage to Washington. It is said the inspectors have the numbers of the railroad checks but the clue was lost in Washington. One of the men is described as being stoutly built and about five feet six inches tall with a red face. The police refuse to give their exact description for fear of embarrassing them in their work. The night clerk at the wagon drove up to the side entrance hotel yesterday morning before 3 and 4 o'clock but he suspected nothing until after the report of the robbery.

CLUE TO ROBBERY.

Inspector Says Clue to Richmond Robbery Has Been Discovered.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 29—The postoffice inspection division received a long distance telephone message from District Inspector Harrison this morning from Richmond, Va., saying that a strong clue has been discovered, and is being followed up. No information was given by Inspector Harrison beyond saying that the clue is being vigorously followed up. Nothing is known here of the two trunks said to have contained the stolen stamps, and reported to have been shipped from Richmond to Washington.

THE ENGLISH FIGHT

Parliament Reassembled Today and Fight is On

Fight to Curb the Power of the Lords is on in Earnest—May be the Beginning of the End of the Asquith Government—No Financial Program.

(By Cable to The Times) London, March 29—Parliament reassembled today after the Easter recess and the struggle to curb the power of the lords—revolutionary in importance—reached its crucial phase. At the same time, according to general opinion, the Asquith government began its last stage in power, and the forcing of another general election was predicted as the outcome of the next few weeks.

The first steps on the program of the commons today was ultimatum from Premier Asquith demanding that the government's resolutions abolishing the lords veto on financial legislation.

BRIBERY CHARGED IN PERCY ELECTION

Jackson, Miss., March 29—The grand jury today indicted L. C. Dulaney, accused of having resorted to bribery in behalf of United States Senator Leroy Percy in the recent fight for the United States senatorship in which Percy beat ex-Governor Vardaman. The grand jury refused to indict Theodore G. Bilbo, whose testimony that he had accepted money from Dulaney brought on the exposure. Dulaney was arrested and gave bond in the sum of \$5,000. He declared that he will demand a full probing of the charges before the legislature and also an immediate trial in the circuit court. His attorney is Hon. Ben R. Wells, one of the best known criminal lawyers in the state.

Bilbo today made his first public statement, declaring that his acceptance of money was part of a plot to lead on the adherents of Percy, whom he believed to be using unfair means. He explains his failure to make the charges public when the senatorial fight was on by declaring that feeling was so bitter he feared personal difficulties. Bilbo says that, convinced undue influences was being used against Vardaman, he planned a trap with W. H. Potter, the Rev. S. B. Culpepper, President Clarke of the Newton Memorial College, T. P. Barr, a merchant, and others. He led Dulaney on, he says, and agreed to take \$1,000, but could not induce Dulaney to pass it where he had (Dr. Culpepper) hidden. After he took the money, Bilbo says, he turned part of it over to Culpepper, who retained it till it was surrendered to the county authorities.

THE INSURANCE CASE

Kingsley Says Buckley Wanted Bribe Money

He Refused to Pay the \$3,000 Asked For and Senate Reversed its Position on Bill—Buckley Said Albany Was Not a Sunday School.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, March 29—The charge that the republican members of the state senate so completely did the bidding of William H. Buckley in matters of insurance legislation that they completely reversed their vote after a party caucus and reversed legislation after a bribe of \$3,000 for six votes, was refused was made today before State Superintendent of Insurance Hotchkiss by Darwin P. Kingsley, president of the New York (Continued on Page Five.)

CATTLE MEN BEFORE FOOD COMMITTEE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, March 29—Murdo McKenzie, of Trinidad, Col., known as one of the cattle kings of the west, was the witness this morning before the senate committee on the high cost of living. He has his ranches in Texas, South Dakota and Canada, and last year handled nearly 10,000 head of cattle. "For a number of years," he said, "prices varied but little. Last year corn fed cattle were scarce, so the price went up, and along with it the price of range fed cattle. The cause of the scarcity was the high price of corn. That was one of the causes of the increase in price of everything that the cattlemen purchased. It cost more to raise cattle. Another cause was railroad discrimination, and the scarcity of cars at the time they were needed. "Another cause," he declared, "was because many young cattle and calves were being killed." He said hides had gone up since the tariff law was enacted, notwithstanding the removal of the duty, and they would have gone up fifteen percent more but for the removal of the duty.

THE SAYLER CASE.

Mrs. Sayler on Verge of Collapse—State Will Close This Week.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Watseka, Ill., March 29—Mrs. Lucy Sayler, accused of conspiracy with Dr. W. H. Miller and her father, John C. Grunden, in the death of her husband, Banker J. Byron Sayler, appeared on the verge of nervous collapse as she was led into the court room today. She seemed to be borne up principally by the affectionate solicitation of her daughter, Golda, who is using every effort to bring vindication for her mother. State's Attorney Pallisard announced today that the state would close this week with less than one-third of the witnesses subpoenaed by the prosecution examined. The others will be reserved for rebuttal.

THE WOLTERS CASE

Almost Ready to Confess The Crime

Man Accused of Enticing a Young Girl From Her Home and Murdering Her Says He Will Tell All About It Tomorrow—Strong Evidence Against Him.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, March 29—Albert W. Wolter, accused of strangling and burning 15-year-old Ruth Wheeler in his apartments at 221 East Seventy-fifth street, broke down completely today, after 48 hours of third degree torture. "Give me until tomorrow," he cried in his cell in the Tombs, "and I will tell all. I want to be sure that Katie forgives me. I love her and as soon as she writes that she cares for me in the same old way I will tell everything."

Wolter's collapse followed his receipt of a letter from Katie Mueller, his sweetheart, who is held as a material witness against him. In it was this sentence: "I did not believe you would commit such a terrible crime. If you want me to forgive you, tell the truth. I am suffering in prison for you."

The girl's letter was inspired by his love for her. Inspector Titus tried to draw out a confession, but Wolter cried, "No, tomorrow."

The inspector was impressed by Wolter's stolidity and the feeling displayed by him.

He said: "I believe that when Wolter tells the truth about the murder of Ruth Wheeler he will admit also he has committed similar murders before. I am sure such a cold-blooded assassin must have had experience in this line of work. He is not crazy, but a devil in human form."

Toppling a mass of damaging new evidence with the statement of the young woman clerk who sold him his paint on the day of the tragedy, and thus, they claim, completely smashing the alibi he has labored so hard to set up, the police today declare there is no longer any doubt that Wolter killed little Ruth Wheeler and burned her body.

Wolter, in his many statements to detectives and reporters, has insisted all along that he bought the paint for use on his fireplace on Thursday morning, the day Ruth Wheeler was killed. In direct contradiction of this the young woman who sold him the paint, an employe of a Harlem cheap store, located after long search, says he bought the paint in the afternoon.

Detective Devine, of the East Sixty-seventh street station, found the young woman who sold the paint. "I remember the sale perfectly and fully identified Wolter's photograph. There could be no doubt," she said, "about the time of the sale." From this statement the police are convinced Wolter killed the girl in the morning and sought the paint in the afternoon to remove traces of the crime.

Another accuser of Wolter has come forward in the person of Miss Minnie Theime, of Elizabeth, N. J. Miss Theime says Wolter made a vicious attack upon her in the parlor of her home in September, 1908, after she had been on an evening's outing with him. She and her mother, who rushed to her aid, she says, finally overpowered him and drove him from the house.

Wolter's composure and bravado suddenly gave way when he learned that Kate Mueller, his sweetheart, had told the police of finding him on his knees at the fireplace several times in the middle of Thursday night, and had given all other information in her possession. The finding of Ruth Wheeler's umbrella in the new department rented by Wolter and his companion in East 105th street was another damaging piece of evidence secured against Wolter.

GUARD FOR CARUSO.

Secretary and Three Detectives Accompany Him to Prevent Black Hand Outrage.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Boston, Mass., March 29—Constantly guarded by his secretary and three detectives for fear of "black hand" attempts on his life, Enrico Caruso, the tenor, who is filling an engagement with the Metropolitan Opera Company here, took only short strolls about town. The bodyguard never left Caruso for a second and in the down-town streets they were particularly vigilant. Caruso himself did not seem to be particularly worried but the management were taking no chances.

PLOMINE POISONING.

Glen Lyon, Pa., March 29—Two are dead and three dying as the result of plomine poisoning here. Anthony Marian, the second to die, succumbed today. His wife, brother, and sister-in-law cannot recover.

GUARD ABOUT ROOSEVELT INCREASED

Nationalists Hold Secret Meeting After Roosevelt Speech Yesterday

TO LEAVE TOMORROW

The Secret Guard About the ex-President Increased and Extreme Precautions Taken to Protect Him Because of Activity of the Nationalists—His Speech Yesterday Not Well Received by Radical Egyptians—Program for Today Includes Tour of the Bazaars—Will Leave For Alexander Tomorrow and Embark for Naples.

(By Cable to The Times.) Cairo, Egypt, March 29—The secret guard about Theodore Roosevelt was increased today and extreme precautions taken to protect him. It was learned by the authorities that after the speech delivered yesterday at the University for the former president, denouncing the nationalists, a secret meeting was held by the radical element of that party in Cairo.

Although the Egyptian praise Roosevelt during in defying the nationalists so soon after the assassination of Premier Bouthos Pasha, who was killed by a fanatic student, feeling among the native nationalists is running high against him.

One of the most influential of the native papers, however, the *Moyad*, publishing the speech in full, comments favorably on it and declares the address will do much for peace in Egypt. In spite of the storm he has aroused, Mr. Roosevelt today planned a tour of the bazaars incognito. There was little possibility of his escaping recognition, however, and whenever he ventured from his rooms in Shepherd's Hotel he was closely watched by police. The large force of guards about the hotel was maintained in his absence also.

Much of the day was given over to preparations for the departure for Alexandria, whence the Roosevelt party leaves tomorrow for Naples.

Mr. Roosevelt, however, took luncheon with Prince Pritzfeld Wiedeburg who was first secretary to the German embassy at Washington when Mr. Roosevelt was in the white house.

Nationalist Demonstration.

(By Cable to The Times) London, March 29—A news agency dispatch received from Cairo says that this evening several thousand nationalists made hostile demonstrations in front of Shepherd's Hotel, where Theodore Roosevelt has been staying while in Cairo. The nationalists are at fever-heat over the formation (Continued on Page Seven.)

WILL INVESTIGATE MAGAZINE CHARGES

Washington, March 29—At the opening of the session today Representative Sterling, of Illinois, from the judiciary committee, reported a resolution directing the appointment of a select committee of five members to investigate the charges reflecting on Representative Stevenson, of Minnesota in his official capacity and on the membership of the house generally, which charges appeared in a magazine purporting to be issued by the Merchant Marine League of the United States. The charges in effect are that Mr. Stevenson and other members have been improperly influenced against the ship subsidy bill. They were referred to the house by Representative Stevenson on March 3, in discussing a question of personal privilege. He introduced at the same time a resolution calling for an investigation of the charges.

In the original resolution the speaker was directed to appoint the select committee to make the investigation, but as reported today the speaker is not mentioned.