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THE "LIE" GIVEN BY ROOSEVELT TO PATRONAGE CHARGE

In an Interview to the Boston Transcript He Says That He Is Not Attempting to Aid Taft as His Preference.

FOULKE'S CONTENTION IS
SUBSTANTIATED BY PAPER

The Transcript Attempts to Show That Charges Made Against President Are False—Indiana Situation.

In the light of the controversy which has arisen between William Dudley Foulke of this city and the Indianapolis Star, as to whether or not federal patronage is being given to aid the candidacy of Taft, the investigation of the question by the Boston Transcript, is particularly interesting as it further strengthens Foulke's contentions. The Transcript's article is inspired by the attacks that have been made on Roosevelt by the Indianapolis paper. The article deals particularly with the Indiana situation wherein it is asserted District Attorney Keating is working in actively for Fairbanks. The article in question reads:

Washington, Jan. 22.—"It is an unqualified lie."

"This is the reply of President Roosevelt to the charge that he is using the federal offices to bring about the nomination of William H. Taft for the presidency. It is contained in a letter written to a close friend in Indiana; it has been repeated to those who have been to the White House in search of the facts. From time to time in these dispatches the statement has been made that Secretary Taft would prefer to forfeit the nomination for the presidency rather than receive it through the use of federal patronage. His views on this point are in absolute harmony with the well-known attitude of President Roosevelt, who long before he entered the White House was a champion of civil service reform.

"It is about time that the public heard some facts on the subject. It was in search of the facts that the Boston Transcript's correspondent called on the president, and the substance of the information obtained, information which is a matter of official record, will be set forth in this dispatch. What the Transcript correspondent learned and the facts he obtained will be given to any honest and sane-minded man who goes to the White House. The president, however, will not waste his time discussing the matter with 'materially dishonest politicians or intellectually dishonest cranks.'

Several newspapers have printed the stories that federal patronage is used to aid Taft, but their charges are not sustained by a scrutiny of evidence, nor can any be produced. Those acquainted with the facts unhesitatingly challenge any newspaper bringing the charge to cite a single instance of the use of federal offices to nominate Mr. Taft or of the coercion of officeholders in his behalf. The only coercion with which the president can be charged is the step he took to prevent any officeholder from working or advocating his re-nomination for a third term. Although the issuance of his circular letter to this effect was a violation of the civil service law the president deliberately did this in the belief that he was justified in preventing his own appointees to office from putting him in a false light by urging his re-nomination after he had declined to accept a third term. That letter was addressed to the cabinet and made public Dec. 10 by order of the president. It was as follows:

I have been informed that certain officeholders in your department are proposing to go to the national convention as delegates in favor of re-nominating me for the presidency, or are proposing to procure my endorsement for such re-nomination by state conventions. That must not be. I wish you to inform such officers as you may find it advisable or necessary to inform in order to carry out the spirit of this instruction that such advocacy of my re-nomination or acceptance of an election as delegate for that purpose will be regarded as a serious violation of official propriety and will be dealt with accordingly.

It is possible that in issuing this circular letter the president was not acting in strict accordance with the provisions of the civil service law, which declare, first that no official is under any obligation to render any political service and will not be prejudiced for refusing to do so; and, second, that no person in the service has any right to use his authority or influence to coerce the action of any person or body.

What are the facts about the federal officeholders in Indiana? So far as the administration is aware, the United States district attorney of that state, Mr. Keating, is the chief worker on behalf of the Fairbanks canvass.

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Co-ed Debater Causes Consternation in Ranks of Eastern Collegians



Consternation has been caused in the ranks of collegiate debaters by an action of Cornell University in selecting Miss Elizabeth E. Cook, whose picture is here shown, to represent her for the championship in oratory in the Triangular League to which Columbia, Cornell and Pennsylvania are members. The students of Columbia have protested against Miss Cook being included among the debaters because she is a woman.

DEVOTION TO FATHER SHOWN BY GIRL

She Had Epidermis Taken From Body for Him.

Lorain, O., Jan. 27.—Pretty Jessie McGuire, aged 17 years, displayed her parental love today by submitting to an operation that may save her father's life. Last July her father, John McGuire, was badly burned and efforts to graft skin taken from another part of his body failed and it was necessary to graft another person's skin upon the wound. The young lady volunteered to part with the skin necessary and today she was put upon the operating table and enough skin to cover the palm of a hand was removed from her thigh and grafted upon her father's wound.

ROCKEFELLER LAYS OFF ITALIANS

He Does This to Five Home Labor Employment.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Jan. 27.—Owing to the large number of unemployed persons in this vicinity, John D. Rockefeller has given orders to his superintendents that the hundreds of Italians working on his estate, be laid off and local men given employment. Rockefeller has been appealed to by the ministers and the wives of husbands out of employment. Times have been harder here than usual this winter and over 200 men with families have been out of work. The Italians laid off left town. Many of them will go back to Italy.

In addition to giving men employment, Mr. Rockefeller has given them permission to go into his woods and cut wood.

RIFLED MAIL WAGON.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 27.—Two white men held up a mail wagon on the street here last night and rifled it of its contents. They escaped.

Two and Two Make Four

Not today or tomorrow alone, but all the time. And that is the way with a Classified Advertisement—it works for you all the time. Turn to page seven and see how Palladium Classified Advertisements are working for others—then get **WILEY** and put them to work for yourself.

MEAT INSPECTION ORDINANCE IS NOT VALID, SAYS JESSUP

First Arguments in the Case To Test Law's Constitutionality Were Heard Today and Charges Were Made.

TECHNICALITIES CAUSE OF
ILLEGALITY IT IS CLAIMED

In Reply to Points Made by Attorney C. B. Hunt, City Attorney T. J. Study Cried "Tommyrot."

In the city court this morning, Wilfred Jessup argued before Judge Converse that the meat inspection ordinance was invalid because Mayor Schillinger and City Clerk Taggart had not complied with the state law in placing this ordinance on the ordinance record and the minutes of the city council. Mr. Jessup appeared in court as attorney for C. B. Hunt, a Main street grocer, who was arrested last week for violating the ordinance by selling uninspected sausage.

City Attorney T. J. Study said that Jessup's argument was "tommyrot" and that he was resorting to technicalities to save his client from conviction on the charge for which he was arrested. Further hearing of the case will probably take place Wednesday afternoon.

In the defendant's plea in abatement it is set forth that the action brought by the city against Mr. Hunt was premature. The plea points out that the city clerk did not first attest and sign the ordinance before presenting it to the mayor and that there is no record of the time this presentation was made. The defense also charges that the city clerk has not attested to the ordinance as it appears on the minutes of the city council. It is also maintained that the record of ordinances does not show that the meat inspection ordinance includes the signature of the mayor, his name appearing on the ordinance in typewriting, which was done by the city clerk.

Mr. Study argued that the things complained of by Mr. Jessup were not required by law. He stated that the original ordinance as presented to and passed by the city council bore the signature of the presiding officer, Mayor Schillinger, and that this was all that was necessary to make the law effective. Mr. Study also argued that the city clerk had placed, by the authority of Dr. Schillinger, the mayor's signature in typewriting to the ordinance as it appears on the record of ordinances and the minutes of the city council.

WITH HEAD CRUSHED HE WILL RECOVER

James Compton May Survive Unusual Accident.

New Castle, Ind., Jan. 27.—James Compton, superintendent of a shovel handle factory here, who was crushed by a heavy log falling across his head and chest last Wednesday night, will recover from the injuries sustained. Internal injuries were feared, but they have not developed, and his physicians are now hopeful of his recovery. His head was badly crushed and he is still in a serious condition. Mr. Compton is well known in Knights of Pythias circles.

CONSCIENCE HURT DURING TEN YEARS

Man Then Decides to Pay for Stolen Suspenders.

York, Pa., January 27.—A man about twenty-five years of age walked into the store of C. S. Lamotte, at Red Lion, and laying a half-dollar upon the counter, said that the money was paying for a pair of suspenders which he had stolen from Lamotte's store ten years ago, when it was located in another part of the town. The man said that he had never ceased to worry over his deed since the day of the theft. The storekeeper did not recognize the man, nor had he any recollection of a pair of suspenders having been stolen.

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

INDIANA—Tuesday fair, slowly rising temperature.

OHIO—Fair Tuesday except snow flurries in the northwest section.

EUROPE WITNESSES TELL WHAT THEY KNOW OF THAW CASE

Physicians Who Cared for the Defendant During Different Periods Spent in European Cities, Good Witnesses.

THEY SAY THAT INSANITY
WAS PLAINLY MANIFEST.

Dr. Wells Famous London Physician Says Thaw Ordered Thirty Tons of Ice to Be Placed Around His Room.

New York, Jan. 27.—The European witnesses, Dr. Russell Wells of London, Dr. Burton Browne of London, formerly of Rome, Dr. Maurice Gauja, of Paris and Lillian McBride, a nurse, were in court this morning when the Thaw trial was resumed. Dr. Wells and Miss McBride attended the defendant in 1889, when he suffered a fit of mental aberration and removed him to a sanitarium in London. Thaw then declared he was burning up and placed an order for thirty tons of ice to be packed around his room. Dr. Wells is a leading physician of London. Dr. Browne attended Thaw during the outbreak in Rome and Dr. Gauja when he attempted suicide in Paris. Dr. John Bingham, the Thaw family physician at Pittsburg, was the first witness. He attended Thaw after the age of three. He was very nervous and slept little. He said he saw him in his cell in the Tombs. He there considered his conduct irrational. Dr. Wells testified that when he called to see Thaw in London he was greatly excited, danced around and howled madly. He sent him to an asylum. His conduct there was that of a maniac. After seven days he was better. The doctor called it acute insanity.

Miss McBride corroborated Dr. Wells' testimony, saying Thaw acted irrationally. Dr. Browne, who attended Thaw in Rome in 1902, said the defendant suffered from mania. Dr. Gauja said he attended Thaw at his hotel in Paris where he thought him poisoned. He used a stomach pump and Thaw improved. Attorney Littleton began reading a hypothetical question which included all signs of insanity brought out by the defense from the birth of Thaw to the present. An adjournment was taken to permit Littleton to include the testimony of the foreign witnesses in defense.

The Thaw trial today entered upon its fourth and probably its last week. The speed with which the present hearing has moved, as compared to the trial of a year ago, which stretched over a period of 12 weeks, is little short of remarkable.

District Attorney has assumed something of an air of mystery as to the scope of the testimony he will offer in rebuttal of the showing of insanity made by the defense, but it is said he will make an effort to bring up in court some of the secret records of the commission in lunacy which inquired into Thaw's condition last March, and which pronounced him capable of intelligently discussing with his counsel. The records of the commission were sealed by order of Justice Fitzgerald, who appointed the board solely for the purpose of advising the court as to Thaw's mental condition, and this fact may prove a stumbling block to the district attorney.

CREDITORS WERE NOT SATISFIED

Because the creditors of the firm of Quigley and Babylon, pharmacists, refused to accept a settlement of 60 cents on the dollar when this firm went into the hands of a receiver a petition to be declared bankrupt was filed by the concern. Today arguments on this petition were heard before Clay C. Hunt, of New Castle, federal referee of bankruptcy, and Mr. Hunt declared the firm insolvent and will make this report to the federal court at Indianapolis.

HOW HARRY THAW SHOT AND KILLED STANFORD WHITE ON THE MADISON SQUARE ROOF GARDEN.



This is a sketch showing the shooting of Stanford White by Harry K. Thaw on the Roof Garden of Madison Square Garden, as it developed in the testimony given in the trial of Thaw now in progress.

MRS. WILLIAM THAW IS NOW VERY FEEBLE.



So feeble is the health of Mrs. William Thaw that she is unable to confer to the courtroom, where her son is being tried for the murder of Stanford White without assistance. The sketch shows her assisted by her nurse, as she went into court recently.

SWORN STATEMENT NOW IN HANDS OF THE PROSECUTION

Asserted That Mrs. Earl DuBoise of Connersville, Swore To Statement Incriminating Relative.

GRAND JURY MAY BE
CALLED TO SIT SOON.

No Evidence Has Yet Been Secured to Substantiate the Statements Made by Woman, Incriminating Relative.

The mission of Prosecutor Jessup and Sheriff Meredith to Connersville Saturday, for the purpose of securing evidence in the Lucy murder case proved to be a successful one. These officials returned to Richmond with a sworn statement made by Mrs. Ralph DuBoise in which she charges that Earl DuBoise confessed to her that Philpott, Sturges and himself were implicated in the murder of the aged Milton recluse.

This statement is regarded as sufficient evidence to have the case referred to the grand jury and it is stated that the court will call the grand jury to meet the first part of next month.

Just what statements have been made by Philpott, Sturges and DuBoise since being placed in custody are not definitely known. Saturday Chief Bailey hinted that Sturges and DuBoise had given some information which was of value to the state. Today another official stated that the three accused men had up to the present time refused to admit that they knew any thing about the crime.

John F. Robbins, the well known criminal lawyer, has been retained to defend Philpott, Sturges and DuBoise. This morning he had a long talk, the nature of which he did not disclose, with Sturges and DuBoise at the city jail.

Prosecutor Jessup has but little to say in regards to the case but he is confident that the murderers of Joseph Lucy are now in custody. He was asked today if he had been able to secure any evidence which would substantiate the statement made by Mrs. Ralph DuBoise. He replied that he had not. "Do you think that you will be able to secure this evidence?" he was asked. "I do," was his reply.

MEETINGS CONTINUE.

Evangelistic meeting this evening at Grace M. E. church at 7:30.

CONTRACT FOR THE Y. M. C. A. BUILDING WAS LET TODAY

Caldwell & Drake of Columbus, Ind., Will Erect Young Men's Home for \$49,850, Which Is Considered Low.

NINE CONTRACTORS
GAVE BIDS ON THE WORK

Firm Securing Contract Will Be Required to Give Bond To the Amount of Fifty Per Cent of Its Bid.

Today the building committee of the Y. M. C. A. awarded the contract for the erection of the new building to the contracting firm of Caldwell & Drake, Columbus, Ind. This firm submitted a bid of \$49,850, which was the lowest of the nine received. The bids were opened Saturday, but at that time complications arose which prevented the committee from letting the contract until today. All the firms asking for the contract were represented here Saturday and there were a number of representatives of sub-contract bidders in attendance. Each bid was accompanied by a certified check of 2 per cent of the amount of the bid. This was to guarantee that the respective bidders would stand by the proposals they submitted.

After the bids were opened and compared with the specifications, referring to the same, they were arranged in order and read aloud to all of the representatives of the bidding firms as follows:

Caldwell & Drake, Columbus, Ind., \$49,850.00.
W. P. Jungelaus Co., Indianapolis, \$50,500.00.
J. F. Bender Bros. Co., Hamilton, O., \$50,880.00.
Z. Benfield & Son, Richmond, \$51,800.00.
T. H. Harrison & Co., Indianapolis, \$52,370.00.
Wolf & Ewing, Indianapolis, \$52,675.00.
P. R. Smith & Sons, Lewisville, Ind., \$53,400.00.
Bedford Stone Construction Co., Indianapolis, \$54,000.00.
W. F. Hendryx, Richmond, \$54,237.00.

The average of the bids is \$52,205.00. Caldwell & Drake is a large and reliable company and they will probably begin work on the building next month. Their bid is lower than the architect's estimate and much lower than could be made last fall on account of the decline in building materials. The bid does not include the electric wiring, plumbing and heating contracts and furnishing. The building committee hopes to be able to let these contracts within the estimates or lower.

The committee required Caldwell and Drake to give to the amount of 50 per cent of their bid for the faithful performance of the contract. The building is to be complete and delivered to the committee September 1, 1908. The committee requires the contractors to employ Richmond labor and give preference to the Richmond sub-contractors, any of which bids the committee will be glad to receive at once. Materials will be gotten on the ground as soon as possible.

MINISTERS TO AID IN TUBERCULOSIS FIGHT

Will Land Support to Present Agitation.

An interesting meeting of the Ministerial Association was held this morning. Dr. C. S. Bond spoke on the fight that is being waged against tuberculosis and he asked the ministers to cooperate with the physicians in this fight. This they promised to do. The Rev. Mr. Howard extended to the ministers on behalf of the Commercial club, an invitation to hear an address which will be given before that body Tuesday evening by Mr. Bynum, of Indianapolis.

JACK LONDON IS NOW IN AMERICA

Delays a Seven-year Trip Around the World.

San Francisco, Jan. 27.—Jack London, the author, who left here last May on a seven-year trip around the world, to procure material for another literary work and for whose safety fears have been entertained, returned to this city today on the steamship Mariposa, from Tahiti.

London is accompanied by his wife, and says that he has come back to attend to some business matters. He will leave again on the Mariposa on February 1. The Snark, the fifty-foot boat in which London is making his trip, was left at Ahiti for repairs.