

DISTRIBUTION OF PEOPLE'S MONEY WORRIES SOLONS

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE IS FACING PROBLEM

DIVISION OF PATRONAGE BE CAUSE OF CONTENTION

Otherwise Cut and Dried Program Will Call for Harmony—All Have Friends Who Want Names on Payroll

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 4.—Aside from the formal opening of the legislature today at noon and the organization of the two branches according to program, the most important problem before the law makers were the questions of how to distribute the patronage and in what form the \$1000 appropriated for each member shall be paid.

The senate has solved the former by allotting to Republican senators \$15 a day after taking out of the whole sum of \$600 daily the salaries of constitutional officers and giving the president of the body the disposal of \$22 and the nine Democrats \$10 a day.

In the assembly, however, the patronage issue is still paramount. A caucus lasting from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock this evening failed to reach the desired conclusion.

At a meeting of the Republicans this morning before the assembly was called to order, a committee headed by A. M. Drew of Fresno, was appointed to deal with the question, with instructions to fill the most important posts and then divide a scheme for the equitable distribution of the remainder.

At this afternoon's caucus, however, the committee's recommendations were not fancied by about half of the members, one side favoring the allotment of \$6 and the other one of \$8 a day to each Republican.

Friends Want Money, Too As every legislator has from two to five friends eager to get themselves enrolled on the assembly payroll, and these would-be attaches are clamoring for the fulfillment of promises, the question has become more serious than the members had anticipated.

Adjournment of the caucus held this afternoon was taken until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, when it is probable the special committee will be able to make a supplemental report enabling the caucus to arrive at an understanding before the next session of the assembly.

There was little delay in getting down to business after the two houses were called to order shortly after 12 o'clock.

The new members were sworn in without a hitch and the officers were quickly elected. Following are the men who will have charge of affairs in the Senate—President, Hon. Edward I. Wolfe of San Francisco; secretary, Lewis Hilborn; sergeant-at-arms, Louis Martin; chaplain, Father H. H. Wyman of San Francisco.

Assembly—Speaker, P. A. Stanton of Los Angeles; speaker pro tem, George M. Perine, San Francisco; chief clerk, C. H. Lloyd; minute clerk, H. F. Harper; sergeant-at-arms, John Stafford.

Two Predict Good Results Both Lieutenant Governor Porter and Speaker Stanton, in their addresses before the bodies over which they are to preside, predicted a session of unusually good results in the way of legislation.

The conservative estimates tonight place the probable length of the session at eighty days.

This has always been a delicate problem in the past, as the members receive only \$8 a day for sixty days, at the end of which period, if their labors were unfinished, they were at liberty to adjourn or serve until paid.

Under the new arrangement, however, with \$1000 for each member a session of 100 days will give them \$100 a day, and for this reason it is believed the solons will not be in a great hurry to return to their homes.

NOVELIST ACCUSED OF COMPLICITY IN SLAYING OF ANNIS

THORNTON HAINS DESCRIBES CRIME

TALKS SO FAST LAWYERS ARE BAFLED

Father of Two Men Accused Jointly of Murder Also Is Witness—Wife's Letter Read



T. JENKINS HAINS

FLUSHING, L. I., Jan. 4.—Thornton J. Hains took the witness stand today in his own defense on the charge that he was a principal with his brother in the killing of William E. Annis, and in a snappy manner related, under counsel's interrogations, the story of his life and Capt. Hains' marital troubles that led to the slaying of Annis.

Sometimes the defendant made his answers before the district attorney could enter objections to the line of interrogation.

When recess was taken he had told of the sudden appearance of Capt. Hains at his home on the Sunday in N. Y. and of the excitement the captain was laboring under because of what his wife had told him concerning Annis.

THE NEWS SUMMARY

FORECAST

For Los Angeles and vicinity: Cloudy Tuesday, probably showers; light north wind, changing to southwest. Maximum temperature yesterday, 68 degrees; minimum, 46 degrees.

LOCAL Los Angeles contributes liberally to fund for struck Italian strikers already \$5000 more.

Grand jury holds secret session, but no witnesses are examined at morning session.

Penion board of fire department grants half pay to retired lieutenant and denies application for allowance made by widow.

Relief train breaks down and confuses and had to be towed to the city.

California legislative convenes at Sacramento and cut-and-dried program is begun with no enrollment except for distribution of patronage and problem of supplying jobs for many hangers-on.

Thornton J. Hains, noted novelist writer, takes stand in own defense on charge of aiding in murder of William Annis, and tells vivid story of events preceding fatal shooting.

Relief train full of injured wrecked near Messina; five killed.

MIRTH CAUSED BY PRESIDENT'S LAST MESSAGE

ROOSEVELT EXPLAINS HIS RECENT CRITICISMS

SECRET SERVICE CHARGES AGAIN THRESHED OUT

Lively Interest Manifest and Much Merriment Is Evoked as Secretary Reads Special Document

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Unusual attention was paid in the house of representatives today to the reading of a message from the president replying to a resolution of that body calling on him for explanation of the intimation in his annual message that members of congress were afraid to be investigated by the secret service.

The galleries were packed. The president's specific reference to certain speeches by Messrs. Tawney of Minnesota, Smith of Kentucky and Fitzgerald of New York, when the operations of the secret service were up for discussion, called a storm of laughter.

The speaker several times vigorously rapped for order.

When the reading had been concluded, Mr. Perkins of New York, chairman of the special committee, which originally considered the matter, moved that the message be referred to that committee.

"Is an amendment in order to that motion?" inquired Mr. Griggs in a loud voice.

"Then," said Mr. Griggs, "I move that this message be returned to the president."

"Oh, no," shouted several of Mr. Griggs' Democratic colleagues.

Mr. Perkins insisted the message should go to the special committee, and Mr. Griggs withdrew his motion, saying he took that action at the request of his party leaders.

The message was referred. Members of the committee mentioned in the message declined to make any public reply.

"I have no comment to make at this time," said Mr. Fitzgerald. "Whether I comment I desire to make will be from my place on the floor as a member of congress."

Walter L. Smith of Iowa said he would make a speech in reference to the mention of his name, but that he would not rise to a question of personal privilege, believing that such would recognize the right of the speaker to the floor.

The president's message said: "I have made no charges of corruption against any member of the house in any manner or by any means of the present house. If I had proof of such corruption affecting any member of the house in any manner or by any means of the present house, I would have brought it up in the house at the time I have been present."

"On the contrary I have always not only deplored but vigorously resented the practice of indiscriminate attack upon congressmen in the press, and I have always been ready to denounce it as unwarranted and unwarranted."

Senator Perkins' friends have opened headquarters at a local hotel, with George Patton of San Francisco in charge, but it is generally conceded that unless something unforeseen happens there will be little opposition to the selection of Perkins.

Scenes in Sicily and Map Showing Section Where Thousands Perished by Earthquake



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IN AUTO, PURSUES CAR THAT HIT MAN, DETAINS MOTORMAN

CONTRACTOR STOPS TROLLEY AFTER ACCIDENT

B. F. Ford Investigates Cause of Injury to Employee by Compelling Crew to Return to Victim

B. F. Ford, a contractor of 204 Byrne building, pursued an out-bound Pasadena short line car yesterday; overtook it after a chase of several blocks; drove his automobile on the track, and when the car came to a stop a few inches from him, alighted and fatally injured the motorman.

The accident occurred in the afternoon, Car No. 322, in charge of Motorman J. H. Roth and Conductor William Knight, while running at a rapid rate of speed struck Waldon, who was stooping near the track engaged in leveling the ground, which was being prepared for paving.

Ford and his superintendent witnessed the accident. When the former saw the car was not going to stop he jumped into his automobile, standing nearby, and chased the car. He overtook it just beyond the bridge, and his signals were not regarded.

The police ambulance arrived and Waldon, bleeding from the left ear, and with a long cut in his head, was hurried to the receiving hospital.

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BERKELEY, Jan. 4.—Near death from starvation, Edward Kippie, who stood high in Masonic circles, was found this morning in a vacant house in West Berkeley by two boys. He was removed in an ambulance, but died on the way to a hospital.

GAS 'TRUST' LOSES 80-CENT RATE CASE IN HIGHER COURT

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF LAW ENFORCING STIPULATED PRICE NOT CONSIDERED, STATUTE APPARENTLY DEEMED CONFISCATORY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—In an opinion of Justice Peckham which was unanimously concurred in by the entire court, the supreme court of the United States today reversed the decision of the federal circuit court for the southern district of New York, granting an injunction against the enforcement of the 80-cent gas law, and thus according a complete victory to New York's big so-called "gas trust."

The decision of the court did not deal with the constitutionality of the law enforcing an 80-cent rate, but left the inference that that question would depend on the fact as to whether the law before application had been sufficiently determined.

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RENO, Nev., Jan. 4.—A telegraphic warrant for the arrest of J. Harry McMillan, who achieved publicity recently as the millionaire miner fiancé of the actress, Edna Goodrich, now Nat Goodwin's bride, was issued today for service at Goldfield.

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CONGRESS DONATES FREELY FOR AID OF QUAKE SUFFERERS

UNITED STATES LEADS ALL NATIONS IN GENEROSITY OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR BENEFIT OF EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Bountiful provision for the earthquake sufferers of Italy was made by congress today.

In the house there was vigorous handclapping as the bill carrying the appropriation of \$800,000 was passed almost immediately after the reception in both houses of a message from the president calling attention to the calamity.

The president's signature was not affixed to the bill tonight as it did not reach him, but he will sign it tomorrow morning.

The fact that congress was adjourned for the holidays prevented earlier action, although by the president's direction supplies aboard the naval ships Celtic and Culgoa intended for the battleship fleet were ordered delivered as early as possible.

As the prime minister of Italy believes that the American battleship fleet will arrive at the scene of the disaster too late to be of much assistance, conferences are being held to rearrange their sailing program, as it is thought that their visit to several Italian ports will be ill-timed under the circumstances.

This is the most generous fund ever contributed by the American people for succor of sufferers on other lands and is to supplement the dispatch of the supply ships Celtic, from New York, and the Culgoa, from Port Said, for Messina, with their big cargoes of necessities of life, originally intended for the American fleet, diverted to the immediate use of the Italian victims.

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VATICAN OPENED TO INJURED AND PONTIFF WEEPS

1500 EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS AT PAPAL RESIDENCE

PLEA OF PROTESTANT GRANTED BY HIS HOLINESS

King and Queen Continue Work at Messina—Awful Scenes Unfold in Ruins of Wrecked City

ROME, Jan. 4.—The Universal Brotherhood spoken of by Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul was further emphasized in Rome today when upon the arrival of 1500 wounded from Messina and Reggio Mayor Nathan telephoned the Vatican, asking whether these unfortunates could be taken in there.

The Vatican replied in the affirmative and the wounded were received with open arms.

To realize fully what this incident signifies, it must be explained that Signor Nathan is not a Catholic and that he was at one time grand master of the Masons.

The first 120 of the wounded sent to the Vatican were received at the station by Monsignor Mistrali, sent by the pope.

The pope could not restrain his desire to bring them consolation, and sought them out. He passed through the basilica of St. Peter's over the arch connecting the basilica with the hospital.

Although he did not actually set foot on Italian territory, he in reality went outside the Vatican. The hospital, belonging to the pope, stands on Italian ground.

The pope's entrance into the hospital was the signal for an outburst of emotion not only on the part of the patients, but from the pope himself and the members of his staff.

Many of those who were not gravely wounded insisted upon jumping out of bed to kneel and kiss the pontiff's hand. The pope spoke consolingly to each unfortun.

King and Queen Devoled The king and queen of Italy today on board the battleship Regina Elena at Messina have given the noble example of devotion. The king, with some of his ministers at his side, has been directing the relief work, the king has found time to visit the field hospital and encourage his stricken subjects.

The queen has been passing fifteen hours a day beside the sick beds on the Regina Elena, aiding, consoling and encouraging.

The work of the work of rescue has fallen upon the sailors, foreigners as well as Italians, and all have done their duty nobly.

They hesitated before no danger, digging under tottering walls or entering the most unsafe shells when asked to do so by some frantic woman who had not lost all hope that husband or child was still alive.

The correspondent made two tours about the wrecked city, through streets piled twenty or thirty feet high with debris. It was a wilderness of ruin a mile wide and two miles long.

Beautifully situated villas in the foothills, hospitals, barracks and the university, all shared the common loss.

Two-thirds of the magnificent Rome cathedral, the pride of the city, in ruins, and little or nothing remains of the relics of Phoenician, Greek, Roman and Saracen architecture that marked the stages of the twenty-six centuries of Messina's tumultuous history.

Loss Irreparable The loss to the world will be irreparable.