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FIERY ATTACK

Senator Dilliver Defies Administration to Chase Insurgents Out.

ASSAILS THE TARIFF

The Insurgent Leader of the Senate Slashes President Taft, Senator Aldrich and Speaker Cannon for Faults of the Party—Essentially a Challenge to the Administration.

From the lips of Senator Dilliver, of Iowa, the battle cry of the "insurgent" Republicans was sounded on the floor of the Senate the other day. In a speech which bristled with defiance to President Taft, Senator Aldrich, Speaker Cannon and all the other champions of the inroads of predatory wealth, the great Western lawmaker sounded the call for a new Republican crusade against fake tariff revision, against the greed and oppression of monopoly and against the false leaders of the party to which Abraham Lincoln, its founder, gave his heart and soul and finally his life. Not in years has there been a speech of such power and eloquence on either floor of Congress and during the three hours which the thundering Iowa held the floor, the dumfounded regulars sat cowering in their places, scarcely one of them leaving the Senate chamber.

"Last year witnessed two important hoaxes perpetrated on the American people," said Dilliver. "The discovery of the North Pole by Dr. Cook and the revision of the tariff downward by Senator Aldrich."

This was the starting point of his attack on the Republican "stand-patters" and he kept at it vigorously from beginning to end. Dilliver declared that he spoke as a Republican, as a guarantor of the Republican faith, and he defied his enemies to drive him and those who stood with him from the party. The speech was an open and ringing declaration of war on the dominance of commercialism in politics and public life.

It was essentially a challenge to the Administration, the Aldrich and Cannon, to a fight to the death. In his denunciation of the humbug and false pretense of the Payne-Aldrich revision of the tariff, the Western senator went further than in any of his previous attacks on that measure. He hurled defiance, mingled with scorn, at the President, telling him he would welcome deliverance from the yoke of patronage. "I taunting him with the utter inconsistencies of his various speeches on the tariff and other subjects. He also referred with withering scorn to the attacks of Speaker Cannon on the progressives and the insurgents. In closing he solemnly devoted himself to the fight against monopoly and tariff.

In concluding Senator Dilliver said: "I propose to tell not only what has gone on in Congress last year in connection with the tariff, but also what is now going on to prevent members following their own dictates of conscience. I am through with tariff revision as accomplished by those interests to which it primarily belongs. I shall stand on the floor of Congress and fight it just as long as Iowa returns me to Washington, and I shall do it as a Republican. I don't care for my political fate. I have tolled for the public 25 years and I do not propose that my remaining years shall be given up to a dull consent to these conspiracies which would rob the people to multiply private wealth. This is a government of the many and for the many, not of the few and for the few."

MAY YET FIGHT.

Ecuador and Peru May Engage in War Presently.

It was rumored, says a dispatch from Lima, Peru, Friday, that the attempted mediation between Peru and Ecuador had failed owing to the conditions imposed by Ecuador as a basis for the peace negotiations. Both countries began several days ago the withdrawal from the frontier of the troops which had been massed when an outbreak of hostilities was believed to be imminent.

The withdrawal was in accordance with the insistence of the mediating powers when the United States, Brazil and Argentina undertook to act jointly in arbitrating the boundary dispute between the two republics.

Elections Confirmed.

The election of Representatives Legare, Patterson and Lever, all Democrats, representing, respectively, the first, second and seventh congressional districts in South Carolina, was Thursday confirmed by the house election committee number three. The committee's action follows hearing of the contests of A. P. Pringle, a negro, Isaac C. Myers and R. H. Richardson, all Republicans, for the three seats respectively.

Four Chinese Drowned.

As the British Steamer Highland Moorach was proceeding down the Schupkill river Friday, bound for Auckland, New Zealand, seven members of the Chinese crew leaved overboard in an endeavor to escape. Four were drowned and the other three were captured.

Cut in Wages Causes Murder.

Matt Reussen shot and killed Joe Studier, of Amsterdam, N. Y., foreman of the Winston Button works, in La Crosse, Wis., because his wages were reduced. Reussen is under arrest and admits his guilt.

"I AM NOT GUILTY"

McNAUGHTON DECLARES HE IS INNOCENT.

Declares He Did Not Poison Fed Flanders, and Says "Mrs. Flanders is a Good Woman."

Fear that he would be lynched drove Dr. W. J. McNaughton from Emanuel County, Georgia, to Augusta, where he was placed under arrest charged with the murder of Paul Flanders, of that county. This statement was made Thursday by the accused physician, as handcuffed he was brought to the Chatham county jail at Savannah, for safe keeping until time for his trial at Swainsboro, Ga.

"I am not guilty of killing Fed Flanders," he said. "Mrs. Flanders is a good woman, and I am not to blame for anything they charge me with."

He refused to go in details about his relationship with the Flanders family, but it is stipulated that he will not be taken back to Swainsboro until his trial comes off. He is a large man and apparently regards his imprisonment coolly. He surprised the officers who had him in charge by taking his wrists from the handcuffs here and informed the officer that the cuffs "were not worth a cent."

Before bringing the prisoner to Savannah Sheriff Fields telephoned Swainsboro that he was being taken there, in order to avoid any trouble between Augusta and Savannah.

HUNG BY HIS TEETH.

Carnival Performer in Deadly Peril Over Niagara's Gorge.

The first international carnival at Niagara Falls came near producing another tragedy in the gorge below the falls. Oscar Williams, a steep-jack, essayed a trip across the gorge on a wire hung at the base of the cataract, sustaining his weight by his teeth. Trouble began when he left the American side and when he started up the incline toward the Canadian shore he came to a stop and swung back to the middle of the wire, which cleared the water by 125 feet. There he hung for 45 minutes or until his men rigged up a pulley and sent it out. Hand over hand the man descended to the Maid of the Mist, which had taken its position under him. During the day an unidentified man jumped into the rapids above Luna Falls and was swept over the falls. Luna falls never gives up her dead.

MINISTER'S NOSE PUNCHED.

He Called a Man a Liar and Got the Worse of an Argument.

"If a minister says you are a liar, punch him on the nose," was the advice that Municipal Judge Gemmill, of Chicago, Ill., gave to Michael Weiss and then discharged the prisoner who had been arrested on the charge of disturbing an open air religious meeting. The Rev. Perry Gim, his proboscis swollen and red, appeared as the prosecutor and complained that Weiss had crowded his face with fists while the evangelist was exhorting him to lead a better life.

"He called me a liar," pleaded Weiss.

"Any preacher that calls a man a liar isn't fit to preach the Gospel," ruled the court. "He did just right in punching you, Mr. Gim, and he is discharged."

DETAIL DISTURBANCES.

Trouble Between Catholics and Baptists in Rome Discussed.

Details of the escape of a party of American Baptist clergymen from the hands of a superstitious mob at Avellino, says a dispatch from Rome laid before Premier Luzzatti on Thursday by James P. Stuart, of St. Louis, who was sent by the American board of Baptist missions to Italy to investigate the Baptist mission in this country and who returned a few days ago from the privileges of Avellino.

Mr. Stuart reported to the premier that the situation in the district was very serious owing to the struggle between the Catholics and Baptists.

On the night of the earthquake he and his companions, he said, were brutally attacked. The populace seemed to attribute the earthquake to the presence of the Baptists and a crowd numbering into the thousands set upon the Americans with the avowed intention of hanging them.

Minister Elopes.

The Rev. Joseph Walsh, pastor of the Washington Methodist church near Poughkeepsie, N. Y., eloped with Miss Maggie Burness, daughter of John Burnett, of Wappinger's Falls, N. Y., last week. They made their run in an automobile while the young woman's father was away from home.

To Death Rather Than Altar.

Miss Minnie Wentz committed suicide in a coal bin in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Annie Genzer, in New York city, on the day she was to have obtained her license to wed Ludwig Reichold. The cause for her act is a mystery.

Youngest Yegg Under Arrest.

Post office inspectors in Denver, Colo., have taken charge of a 12-year-old Mexican youth who broke a safe in Palmerlee, N. M. He is the youngest safe-cracker ever arrested in America.

MAKES REPORT

Boyd-Brock Case Now With Governor Ansel For Decision.

TESTIMONY REVIEWED

Assistant Adjutant General William T. Brock Exonerated of Political Charges.—It Is Thought that the Office Will Be Made an Appointive One in the Next Few Years.

The court of inquiry sitting Friday night exonerated William T. Brock, the assistant adjutant general, of the charge of acting a political traitor to J. C. Boyd, the adjutant general, but condemned his actions in several instances with reference to the filing of expense accounts and his expenses incident to the inspections of the State militia during the past several years.

The court in its report severely criticized the general system of filing expense accounts as practiced by Col. Brock.

All of the testimony taken by the court is reviewed in detail. The court reached no decision as to what steps should be taken, but simply reported the facts in the case.

It is left with Gov. Ansel as to what action will be taken. Gov. Ansel instructed the members of the courts to make the report public. Gov. Ansel will no doubt make some announcement when he returns to the State.

As to Col. Brock's expenses while in Columbia during the period of inspection, the court holds that by no rule can this charge to the State be justified.

With reference to the letter of General Boyd, in which he charged that Col. Brock "has wantonly wasted the State's money," it is held by the court that the evidence fails to disclose any criminal intent on the part of Col. Brock, but "that he was unfortunately ignorant of the responsibility and carelessness and extravagant in his administration of the trust."

In reviewing the mileage book charges as to the number of mileage books used by Col. Brock, the court says: "It appears to the court that the public business did not demand so much travel on the part of the accused officer."

Concerning the filing of expense accounts by Col. Brock with the comptroller general, the court says: "If such has been the custom of the office it is to be condemned, but we fail to see wherein this can justify Col. Brock in filing in the office of the comptroller general accounts containing items which were false and which he knew to be false at the time."

The members of the court who were appointed by Gov. Ansel are: William Jones, brigadier general; Col. William W. Lewis, of the First regiment, Col. Edwin R. Cox, of the Second regiment and Col. Julius E. Cogswell of the Third regiment. Gen. Jones was the president of the court and Col. Cogswell was the recorder.

The court was to have met Friday morning at 9 o'clock. It was unable to attend, so the session was postponed until 9 o'clock Friday night.

Several weeks ago Adj. Gen. Boyd announced that he would not offer for reelection. Following this announcement W. T. Brock, the assistant adjutant general, announced his intention of entering the race for adjutant general.

For several days there was nothing said concerning the situation in the adjutant general's office. G. N. Boyd went to Charleston and Orangeburg. When he returned he was very bitter toward Col. Brock and issued a statement to the press in which he charged that his assistant had acted as a political traitor.

When the first statement was issued Col. Brock was making the annual inspection of the State militia. He immediately directed a letter to Gov. Ansel, asking that he appoint a court of inquiry to investigate the charges of Adjutant General Boyd. Ansel took the matter under advisement and did not appoint that court at that time.

While Gov. Ansel was considering the matter of appointing a court of inquiry, Adj. Gen. Boyd went to him with a statement as to the itemized expense account of Col. Brock.

Later Gen. Boyd issued a statement in which he charged Col. Brock with wasting the money of the State while making the annual inspections of the State militia during the past four years. Several other charges were made in the letter. Gen. Boyd in an unofficial way called upon Gov. Ansel to appoint a court of inquiry to investigate the expense accounts of Col. Brock. Again Gov. Ansel took this charge under advisement in an unofficial way.

In the meantime Col. Brock completed the inspection of the State militia and returned to Columbia. Before Gen. Boyd made public his charges, Col. Brock went to Governor Ansel and asked if a paper had not been filed with him by Gen. Boyd. Gov. Ansel explained the charges of Gen. Boyd as to the expense account. To Gov. Ansel Col. Brock gave a satisfactory explanation.

PLACED UNDER ARREST

OFFICERS OF UNITED WIRELESS COMPANY IN TOILS.

Charged With Fraudulent Use of United States Mails.—President Wilson Released on Bond.

United States postoffice inspectors raided the handsome Broadway offices of the United Wireless Telegraph Company Thursday and caused the arrest of Christopher C. Wilson, the president of the company; Samuel S. Bozart, first vice president, and William W. Tompkins, president of the New York Selling Agency, which officers of the wireless company, who was formerly his finance agent, but has ceased to represent them.

Chief Inspector Meyers gave out a formal statement in which he charges that although the company has been running at a loss, the price of its shares has been advanced by manipulation to fictitious values, and that individual officers of the company have sold out their stock to the general public at a profit estimated in one instance at between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 with other instances in proportion.

Wilson was released on \$25,000 bail and Bogaarty \$10,000 bail, for appearance on July 12, when a further hearing will be held before a New York City federal commissioner.

Tompkins was arrested at his farm near Mahopac Falls, N. Y., and brought to New York city for arraignment. He could not find the \$10,000 bail required, and spent the night in the Tombs.

"The complaint on which the warrants were issued is drawn under the federal criminal code, on information of Carter H. Keene, a postoffice inspector, who deposes that the grounds of his belief are official investigations made by him, information obtained by him from the books of the United Wireless Telegraph company, and the inspection of letters and envelopes sent by the post-office establishment of the United States through the United States mails."

MET WITH MISHAP.

Hose Wagon Team Overturns While Making Practice Run.

While practicing Thursday afternoon for the tournament in Sumner, the light racing hose wagon, which the members of the Columbia fire company's team were using was overturned. Although strapped to the wagon seat, W. H. Sloane, the driver, escaped with a few bruises. None of the members of the team were on the wagon at the time. The horse, a borrowed animal, bolted and swerved into Washington street. The shafts broke with strain and the wagon turned completely over with Sloane underneath it. The wagon was lifted off of him and he was found to be practically unhurt.

PELLAGRA VICTIM SUICIDES.

Deranged Woman Jumps Into Mill Pond After Taking Poison.

Becoming deranged as a result of pellagra, Mrs. J. E. Pilgrim, aged 55 years, committed suicide Wednesday morning by drinking laudanum and jumping into a pond at the Pendleton cotton mills. A week ago Mrs. Pilgrim inquired of her husband where the pond was deepest and when she was missed from home a search was made and her body was found in the spot declared to be the deepest. On the bank of the pond was found an empty bottle that had contained laudanum. Mrs. Pilgrim is survived by her husband and several children.

Lieut. Returns Money.

It is announced that the \$232.10, which Lieut. C. R. Bennett, of the United States army, borrowed from Col. W. T. Brock, has been returned and is placed to the credit of the department in the treasurer's office. This matter played quite a part in the proceedings before the court of inquiry. Col. Brock testified that he loaned Lieut. Bennett this money as Mr. Bennett needed the cash to go on the annual inspection tour this year. The court of inquiry has not yet rendered its decision.

Jailed by Negro Magistrate.

At Aniston, Ala., Thursday for the first time since reconstruction days two white men have been convicted before a negro magistrate. Buck O'Dell and Eugene Wade were arrested in Hobsonville, a negro town, on the charge of violating the prohibition laws. Each pleaded guilty at the trial before Mayor Addison Snow, a negro, and could not pay the fine so they were sent to jail.

Bunion Kills a Fireman.

As the result of having a bunion on his right foot treated five weeks ago Peter Margon, a fireman, aged 60 years, and in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Altoona (Pa.) shops, died last week of blood poison and gangrene caused his death.

important matter brought out was the lax business system of the office of adjutant and inspector general. It is very probable that the office of adjutant general will be made an appointive one. This opinion has been expressed freely in military circles of the State and since the situation in the adjutant general's office has been so thoroughly aired, and the people have been shown just how the office is run, it is expected that within the next two years the militia of the State will ask that the legislature make the office appointive.

JEALOUSY THE CAUSE

MURDERED LOVER BEFORE PERMITTING DESERTION.

Crime Alleged to Have Been Accidental Due to Habit of Playing With a Loaded Revolver.

Mrs. Eliza Robinson, alias Liddie Corson, is under arrest in Pennsylvania. Walter Harvey with whom she had been living for several weeks following her desertion of her husband. The woman is laboring under great excitement.

She weeps constantly and asks to see her victim. She declares the killing of her lover was accidental, but witness declares that it occurred after Harvey had announced his intention of leaving the house she was keeping.

Mrs. Robinson is a woman twenty seven years of age and has had many admirers. Several years ago she was married, but recently she has not lived with her husband. Her latest catch was Walter Harvey, aged 22 years. She and Harvey rented a house in Pennsylvania and were living together as man and wife, she keeping the house and he working in the DuPont Powder Mills.

On the evening of the murder it is said Harvey announced he was going with his companion and was to leave. The woman sat at the supper and after the meal called young Harvey upstairs. Loud words followed and two pistol shots ended the life of the young man. One passed through his heart and the other through his brain.

Mrs. Robinson declares the shooting was accidental and when asked why she had a revolver declared that she and Harvey frequently played with the weapon, but she didn't know it was loaded.

MEDICINE MAN SHOT.

Old Chief Took Summary Vengeance on Helpless "Doctor."

Death in quick succession of three bucks and four Indian squaws in an Indian camp on the desert near the Nevada and California state lines, sealed the fate of an aged medicine man. He escaped the fate of the father of the squaws who happens to be the chief of the camp.

Recently several Indians became ill and the medicine man was called. All his herb medicines and oils on the sun proved worthless and one after the other the sick persons died. The old chief brooded over the deaths and decided the medicine man must die. He was shot by the old chief, assisted by several young bucks.

CONDEMNED NEGRO ESCAPES.

All in Readiness for His Execution He Escaped.

All preparations had been made to hang George Fields, a negro, at West Palm Beach, Fla., Friday. The scaffold was erected, the rope had been tested and the witnesses invited. The only thing lacking was the negro. He escaped from jail at St. Augustine Thursday night, where he had been held for safe keeping. In the meantime, not knowing of the escape, Gov. Gilchrist wired a respite of a week pending investigation into newly discovered evidence in the case. The negro escaped by overpowering a deputy during a religious service being conducted in preparation for his death.

MAN AND GIRL DROWNED.

Dog Causes Boat to Capsize in Swan Lake, Near Seattle.

Albert Needles, 30 years old, at attorney of Topopala, Nevada, and Miss Blanche Gorman, the 14-year-old daughter of Richard Gorman, of Orilla, Washington, were drowned Friday in Swan lake, several miles of Seattle, Wash., when a boat in which they were riding was capsized by a dog they had taken in with them. Miss Alice Moohan, aged 18, was also in the boat, but managed to reach shore after being thrown into the water. The lake is very deep and the bodies have not been recovered.

Attempts Suicide.

Leaving a note in which he declared that "the wages of sin is death," Horace G. Noon, aged 16, who registered at an Atlanta hotel from New York city, but who claims that his home is in the state of Washington, attempted to commit suicide Friday afternoon in his room at the hotel by shooting. He is in a serious condition at a hospital.

Bomb Bursts at Warsaw.

A bomb was exploded with fatal results in a squad of gardemes at the Gorzisk station on the Vienna railroad, thirty miles from Warsaw, Russia, Poland, Friday. One of the gardemes was killed and four received mortal wounds. The bomb thrower was arrested.

Chinaman Arrested.

Seventeen Chinamen, believed to have been smuggled into this country from Mexico, were found by immigration officers at San Marcial, Tex., Friday, hidden in a box car loaded with hay. They will be held pending an investigation.

Convicted of Assault.

Gregorio Sain, the Italian arrested at Grandi Fla., last week, charged with attempted criminal assault upon Miss Elvora, a wealthy spinster near that place, was convicted in the criminal court at Deland, and sentenced to twenty years at hard labor in the State penitentiary.

GOOD PROSPECTS

Speculation As to Control of the Next House of Representatives.

FROM DEMOCRATIC VIEW

Practically Admitted that Republicans are Thoroughly Routed.—Dominant Party not Expected to Make Gains in the South. May Lose.

A Washington correspondent of The News and Courier says as the present session of Congress nears its end there are better evidences day by day that the Republicans all over the country are thoroughly routed. There is not a better viewpoint in the world for political purposes than the national Capital, and from this place now one may get a fairly accurate view of the situation as it will appear when the next session of Congress is called to order in December. Will the Democrats have a majority in the House, if so, what will this majority be, and where will it come from?

Taking the Southern States first there has been a change for the better during the last two months. Not long ago it was believed by some that there might be Democratic loss in North Carolina, which already has three Republicans in the House. Virginia would further increase her Republican majority in the House because of local issues in that State. North Carolina will not increase her Republicans; Virginia may lose the one Republican she now has because of the fact that an aggressive fighter, Henry C. Stuart, is running against Slemp, and is knocking in the Slemp machine into bits on every stump in the Old Dominion; the older Slemp, father of the present Representative from the Ninth Virginia district, was a good Confederate soldier and did valiant service to his State during the war. He joined the Mohane forces and went to the bad politically, but managed to stay in Congress until he died. Then his son followed him.

In Maryland the situation is brightening up for the Democrats, and it is now said that the three Republicans may be reduced to one. So much for the Southern States. The others are all right, and if the caucus just taken gives them more representation the Democratic majority in the House hereafter will be still larger.

Congressman Garner, of Texas, as a "stunt whip" of the Democrats is feeling "wonderful" because we believe that we will win a great victory in the congressional elections this fall. On the other hand the Republicans are up in the air. For the first time in many years the Democrats in the House are united, while the Republicans are split into warring factions, which appear to be irreconcilable.

The prospect of victory has a tendency to cement the Democrats together, while the prospect of defeat seems to irritate the Republicans. Speaker Cannon's recent declaration that shooting was too good for the insurgents and that they ought to suffer the ignominious death of hanging, was not exactly like pouring oil on the troubled waters.

"Naturally, as the Democrats feel certain of electing the House, there has been much talk about who will be Speaker. There is no doubt that a very large majority of the present Democratic members, at least 90 per cent. of them, are for Champ Clark. The one who has his name will be the only one presented to the caucus. The country expects him to be elected if the Democrats have a majority in the next House.

Occasionally the Republicans start a story on its rounds that there is much opposition to him, and that the Democrats are badly split up on the Speakership question. Democrats have too much sense to pay much attention to these Republican fables of opposition to Mr. Clark. He has worked hard to unite the Democrats and has led them to several victories, though the Republicans had forty-seven majority at the beginning of this Congress and still have forty-three majority, and believe he ought to be rewarded with the Speakership.

Anyone who will take the trouble to scan the pages of the Congressional Record from day to day will find that it is full, packed, in fact, bulging from cover, with campaign promises. While it is true that the Democrats are taking about as much of this space as their Republican brethren, there is a difference in the matter presented and in the voice of expression. One is the Democratic member pounding his elbow out on the Republican across the chamber for putting the present tariff on the people; it is full of optimism, hope and good cheer. What is the other? A wall of despair and a frantic appeal to stand by the party.

As usual, the Republicans are going to get everything there is to be had and hit while the iron is hot. These speeches will not stop the Congress adjourn. For ten days after the adjournment in the Senate and House have fallen for the last time this session, and only janitors and caretakers are found in the places of the nation's lawmakers, the Record will be coming as usual. "Leave to print" for ten days has been granted, and judging by what has been done before, every possible form of campaign matter will be found within its covers. Members may put whatever they wish in the Record without the least fear of refutation or answer. These ten issues will be "home consumption" issues.

Up in the Northwest Indiana, Ohio

SESSION ALMOST OVER

CONGRESS PLANS TO ADJOURN WITHIN TEN DAYS.

Statehood Bill Passes the Senate.—Land Withdrawal Measure Passed. June 25 Set for Adjournment.

Congress is expected to adjourn on June 25, according to plans made public by Senate leaders, after consultations with House leaders, a careful canvass of both branches, and a revision of the Senate's legislative program. The plans perfected are as follows:

After remaining on the senate calendar for almost three months in a state of uncertainty as to its fate, the bill providing for the admission of the territories of New Mexico and Arizona to separate Statehood was taken up by the senate Thursday and passed after a debate consuming little more than two hours.

The measure was called up by Senator Beveridge, chairman of the committee on territories, and was passed after speeches by Senators Beveridge, Frazier, Nelson, Hughes and Smoot. All the speeches were favorable to the creation of the two States, but the Democrats favored the house bill.

When the vote was reached there was a division on the senate substitute for the house bill, but with that amendment accepted, the senate voted solidly for the passage of the bill.

The senate substitute was adopted as an amendment to the house bill by a strictly party vote, the vote standing 42 to 19.

As passed the bill would provide for the admission of the two territories as States, but not until after a constitution had been adopted by each of them, approved by the president, and ratified by congress.

The action of the Senate in adopting the bill for the issuance of certificates of indebtedness to furnish money to complete reclamation projects as an amendment to the land withdrawal bill, caused Western Senators to express fear that it might encounter obstacles in conference. This fear was based upon statements that the House was opposed to the reclamation measure.

FIGHT NOT ALLOWED

Jeffries-Johnson Contest Under Ban of California's Executive.

Stirred to action by insistent protests from all parts of the State and Country, Gov. James N. Gillett Wednesday took steps to prevent the championship fight between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson, scheduled to be held in San Francisco on July 4.

In a letter to Attorney General U. S. Webb, the governor expressed his disapproval of prize fighting in unmeasured terms and directed that the aid of the courts be invoked to prevent the match. He concluded with a positive order that, in case of plea for a restraining order, he be granted and the fight be held, the attorney general proceeded to gather evidence and prosecute the principals and those interested in the fight for violation of the penal code of the State.

The governor declares that the supreme court of California has never defined a prize fight and suggests that an opportunity be given it to do so. This is taken as those interested to indicate the governor's intention to press his opposition to the end.

AUTO INTERRUPTS SHAVE.

It Leaps Through a Window and Struck a Lathered Man.

While getting a shave in Muncie, Ind., Conroy Dillany felt a sharp stinging sensation in his knee and when he came out from under the "boiler cloth" he was startled to see an automobile resting heavily against that part of his anatomy. One of the big lamps had just grazed the sitter's face and the wheel crazed his leg. The driver paid for the window and went away without leaving his name. The shop was in the basement of a Main street building and the auto had run over the curbing across the sidewalk and then through a double window.

Sentenced for Life.

Elnor-Koon, a negro, charged with murdering H. Johnson, another negro, at a hot supper near Cayce, Lexington county, on the night of February 12 last, was convicted of murder, with recommendation to mercy, and was sentenced to serve the remainder of his natural life at hard labor in the Penitentiary. The trial took place at Lexington Thursday.

Convicted of Murder.

Henry Lyles, a negro, was convicted in the general sessions court at Lexington Thursday for the murder of his wife, Shilla Lyles, on the 26th of January, this year, and was sentenced to serve the remainder of his life in the penitentiary.

and other States, the indications are becoming brighter every day for a magnificent Democratic victory. It is already settled that Beveridge is to go to Indiana and that will mean, in all probability, almost an entire solid Democratic delegation from that State in the House. The same reports are coming in from other sections. The Republicans from President Taft down are initiating the ground hog. They have come out and seen their shadow, and it looks like they must go back in two years. Really, that terrible tariff law haunts them day and night, and they can't get away from it.

TAKES ACTION

Department of Justice Asks Grocers Association to be Dissolved.

SERIOUS ALLEGATION

Alleges That It Constitutes a Combination and Conspiracy in Restraint of Trade. Officers and Members of Association Made Parties to Suit. Evidence to Substantiate Charges.

Another action under the Sherman anti-trust law was started by the department of justice Thursday at Washington, when Oliver D. Street, United States attorney for the northern district of Alabama, was instructed to file at Birmingham a petition against the Southern Wholesale Grocers association, its officers and members, alleging, that the association constitutes a combination and conspiracy in restraint of trade and asking that it be dissolved.