ASKS RULING ON ISLANDS' STATUS

New York Attorney-General Wants to Know if the Philippines Are in the United States.

ALBANY (N. Y.), June 23.—Deputy Attorney-General Graham appeared before Justice Fitts in the Supreme Court to-day and asked the Court to determine whether the Philippine islands were a part of the United States within the meaning of the insurance law of the State or Territory which makes it compulsory for foreign insurance companies to make a deposit with the State Superintendent of Insurance of this State for the protection of their policy holders in the United States.

The Baloiz Insurance Company of Switzerland wishes to withdraw its deposit of $200,000 from this State on the ground that it has ceased to write insurance in the continental United States, but Superintendent Kelsey of the State Insurance Department has refused to permit such withdrawal, as the company is still doing business in the Philippine islands. The Supreme Court of the United States held that the Philippines are not a foreign country within the meaning of certain of the United States statutes, and that they are not within the United States within certain other provisions of law, but the State courts have not passed on this question as applied to the statutes of this State.

BRING SUIT FOR MILLION DOLLARS

Fresno Newspaper Man Seeks to Recover Property Deeded Away by Grandfather.

LOS ANGELES, June 23.—In the hope of proving title to and gaining possession of $1,000,000 worth of real and personal property in Los Angeles, Chicago, Catalina Island, Kern, Placer and Shasta counties, Frank D. Haddock, formerly a Fresno newspaper man, and Mrs. Sarah Haddock Whitsett, his sister, have brought a sensational suit in the Superior Court of this county against their step-grandmother, Mrs. Cynthia Willett Haddock, widow of the late millionaire, Charles G. Haddock of Chicago.

Frank Haddock and Mrs. Whitsett allege that after the death of his first wife (their grandmother) Charles Haddock fell into the snares of Chicago spirit mediums, who, under the guise of "the directing hand," told him to deed away $1,000,000 worth of city and urban property and personal effects.

The defendants to the suit deny flatly the charges, and gainsay the blood relationship of the plaintiffs to the dead millionaire.

MAKE ROOSEVELT INITIAL MEMBER

Pacific Coast Bear Club Invites President to Come West in October.

RENO (Nev.), June 23. — Governor John Sparks, as president of the newly organized and incorporated Pacific Coast Bear Club, has forwarded to President Roosevelt certificate No. 1 of membership in the club, and a cordial invitation to join the members in a forthcoming bear hunt on the club's preserves in Lassen county, Cal., next October.

Sparks, who is a Democrat, says in his letter:

"Addressing you in your private capacity, and not as President of the United States, and recognizing your forceful interest in the preservation of game and forests, we tender this certificate of membership and invitation to join in a bear hunt which will be the greatest ever seen. We hope you will meet with us as a lover of hunting sports."

The Pacific Coast Bear Club claims to have the largest and least disturbed habitat of the bear within the United States.

SAYS BETTES IS A GAY DECEIVER

TACOMA (Wash.), June 23.—Private detectives are tracing A. Bettes, a railroad contractor, who eloped several days ago with Mrs. Harper, wife of a local florist. Harper makes no complaint, but Mrs. Molly Houser declares that Bettes obtained jewelry and several hundred dollars from her by promising to marry her as soon as he could obtain a divorce.

Mrs. Houser told her story yesterday to the police. She met Bettes last summer and soon afterward gave him money with which to go to Boston on a business trip. Three weeks later he wrote for more money with which to get home and she sent it. Bettes and Mrs. Harper are believed to have gone to San Francisco.

TAKES POISON WHEN WIFE DESERTS HIM.

PORTLAND (Or.), June 23.—Elmer Cox of Fresno went into a drug store yesterday and bought some poison. He swallowed a portion of it, but it was taken away from him before he had taken a fatal dose. He is now at the Good Samaritan Hospital. His wife left him in Fresno, and is now with the Mendall Music Company at the Heilig Theater, appearing here as Kittie Egan. Cox followed her to Portland and attempted to effect a reconciliation. His failure caused him to attempt to end his life.

GOVERNMENT MUST ACT AS MAIL CARRIER.

REDDING, June 23.—For the third time the Government has rejected bids for carrying mail from Redding to Weaverville. The postal authorities may be compelled to put on an automobile line to carry on the service. The only bidder was Volner Fox, who owns the toll road between the points named. The bid was three times higher than the present contract.

CARNEGIE MAKES GIFT TO SOUTHERN COLLEGE.

LOS ANGELES, June 23.—Andrew Carnegie has given $25,000 to the University of Southern California. The gift was announced by President George T. Bovard at the commencement exercises of the university.

UNEARTHS ELECTION FRAUDS.

PORTLAND (Or.), June 23. — The Grand Jury, which has been investigating election frauds in this county, returned six indictments, and others are expected. The alleged frauds occurred in Sellwood precinct, where it is ascertained that several hundred votes more were cast than there are registered voters in that precinct. Arrests will follow.

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MEMBERS OF IDORA PARK OPERA COMPANY

SCENE FROM THE MASCOT IDORA PARK OAKLAND.

The opera company organized by Managers Harry Bishop and Will Greenbaum for the summer season at Idora Park has proved a great success, and the opinion of all who have witnessed the performance is that it is by far the best local operatic organization in the past decade. With Paul Steindorff directing the musical end, Ferris Hartman as stage director and with a company of ambitious artists performances are being given that go with a dash and style quite exceptional with stock organizations.

The accompanying picture was taken after the matinee Saturday. One can readily recognize the old favorites, Arthur Cunningham, Ferris Hartman and Joe Fogarty, while the newcomers are Eugene Weiner, Hope Mayne, Sybil Page and Georgia Knowlton.

Commencing to-morrow (Monday) night the organization will appear in a superb production of that jolly and tuneful light opera, "Olivette." The work has not been given here for many years, but the music is of that high class of operatic composition that never grows old, and with greatest pleasure will be welcomed the strains of "When Balmy Garlic Scents the Air," "The Torpedo and the Whale," "Bob Up Serenely," "The Farandole" and many other gems.

The choral and orchestral ensembles are particularly effective in this work.

The open air skating rink at this park is proving a great success, and lovers of the sport appreciate skating on a perfect floor free from the dust and unpleasantness of a heated, overcrowded room.

Manager Greenbaum promises some fine musical treats in the near future, including such works as "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," "Bohemian Girl," "Pirates of Penzance" and "Robin Hood."

At Ye Liberty Playhouse, Oakland, Manager Bishop's stock company will appear in that clever piece of satirical humor, "A Temperance Town," by Charles Hoyt. The farces by this playwright never seem to grow old, and one sees them again and again with the greatest enjoyment. The cast will include Franklyn Underwood, Landers Stevens, Frank McVicars, Elmer Booth, Frances Slosson, Madeline Maxwell, Georgie Cooper and others, and L. R. Stockwell will assume the role of the town drunkard, a part in which he has never been equaled and in which the author declared he had never been approached.

The following week "Mizpah" will be given a revival, with the well-known leading woman of Frohman's forces, Katherine Grey, as Esther. Miss Grey is a Californian, and will receive a hearty and enthusiastic welcome from many old schoolmates who knew her as popular Kitty Best.

SEEK TO REACH SPANISH KING

Suspicious Characters Are Arrested by the Police in La Granja.

LA GRANJA (Spain), June 23.—At the moment King Alfonso and Queen Victoria arrived here from the theater in their automobile last night a well-dressed individual evaded the guards and sought to intercept the royal couple. He was arrested and gave the name of Jose Maria of Madrid. When the prisoner was searched papers of a suspicious nature and considerable money were found.

An Italian who was acting in a strange manner was also arrested. He claimed that he was on his way to Bilbao, looking for work, but he was unable to account for his presence in this unfrequented place where the King and Queen are spending their honeymoon.

The authorities have adopted extreme vigilance owing to the reports that a number of dangerous anarchists are on their way to Spain and a rigid inspection has been established at the frontier. Nevertheless the King and Queen spearately leave the palace unaccompanied and take walks in the parks.

SENATE CONFIRMS SOME NOMINATIONS

WASHINGTON, June 23.—The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations:

Huntington Wilson of New York to succeed Mr. Peirce in the State Department.

Samuel R. Whitall to be placed on the retired list of the Army with the rank of Brigadier-General.

United States Consuls-General—William Haywood of the District of Columbia, at Seoul, Corea; Church Howe of Nebraska, at Montreal; Gabriel Ble Ravendal of South Dakota, at Beirut, Turkey; William D. Straight of New York, at Moukden, China.

United States Consuls—Julien H. Arnold of California, at Tamsui, Formosa; Augustus G. Seyfert of Pennsylvania, at Durango, Mexico.

United States Marshals—Leo V. Youngworth, for the Southern district of California; Charles T. Elliott, for the Northern district of California.

RAISED TO THE RANK OF CONSUL-GENERAL

CHICAGO, June 23.—George Birkhoff Jr., who for twenty years has been Consul for the Netherlands in Chicago, has been raised to the rank of Consul-General. Notification to that effect was conveyed by a telegram received by Birkhoff from the Dutch Minister in Washington. The promotion is a recognition of the services rendered by Birkhoff to the Dutch Government. He was appointed Consul in 1885 by the Queen's father, King William III, and has twice been decorated, once by the Queen in 1894 and by the Grand Duke of Luxemburg in 1895.

GUILTY OF ATTEMPTING TO IMPEDE JUSTICE.

Joseph Crow Convicted of Trying to Influence Grand Jurors With Railroad Passes.

OMAHA (Neb.), June 23.—The jury in the Federal Court to-day found Joseph Crow of Omaha guilty of attempting to impede justice while foreman of the Federal Grand Jury. Crow, who is a former Postmaster of Omaha and a former member of the Nebraska Legislature, was charged with attempting, while foreman of the Federal Grand Jury to prevent the indictment of Rev. G. W. Ware of Lead, S. D., who was some months ago convicted of conspiracy to defraud the Government through illegal land entries.

It was alleged that Crow tried to influence his fellow members of the Grand Jury by gifts of railroad passes. There were nine counts in the original indictment, but conviction was only secured on three of them.

BRYAN TALKS TO NORWEGIANS.

THONDHJEM, June 23.—The Norwegian-American delegates to the coronation of King Haakon held a meeting this afternoon in the Garden of the old Archbishop's palace, under the shadow of the cathedral, and invited William J. Bryan to address them. When Bryan appeared he was presented with American and Norwegian flags and the crowd cheered him. He made a brief speech.

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CLIFF HOUSE TO OPEN TO-DAY

Marks Another Step in the Return to Normal Conditions.

The Cliff House will open its doors to the public to-day for the first time since April 18th, and the event will be hailed as another step toward the return of normal conditions in San Francisco. The Cliff House has remained closed until the present time largely for the reason that the normal swarm of sightseers and pleasure seekers that lent a festive air to the cliff and beach resorts when the light-hearted city knew no woe and suffering has been conspicuously absent since the conflagration.

In the meantime Manager Wilkins has made a few needed repairs. One of the wild tales that spread itself over the country shortly after the earthquake told how the Cliff House had been tumbled into the sea by the big quake. As a matter of fact the historic roadhouse suffered less than $300 of damage. The damage was confined to a broken chimney or two and some cracked plaster, and the Cliff House stands as firmly on its rock foundation to-day as the day it was built.

The employes of the Cliff House were all suspended from duty immediately after the fire, but all have been ordered to report back for work, and Manager Wilkins announces a formal reopening of the resort for to-day with a full line of temperance devices to slake the thirst of the most exacting.

The Clement-street line, formerly the Sutro line, and the H-street line south of the Park are running, but it will probably be some time before the cliff line is operated, except by sightseeing cars.

HARRY MAXIM INJURED BY FALL AND MAY DIE.

Harry Maxim, a well-known figure of the old Tenderloin, suffered an accident on Friday night that may prove fatal. He was on an Ellis-street car, and, as a result of intoxication, lost his balance and fell backward, striking the cobbles with sufficient force to fracture the base of his skull. The accident happened at Oak and Stanyan streets, from where Police Sergeant Tobin, who was on the car, hurried the injured man to the Park Hospital, where he was examined by Dr. Lawlor and then transferred to the Central Hospital for treatment. Maxim is 70 years of age and has led a checkered career. Of late years he has passed his time among the dance halls, where he earned a precarious livelihood as a musician.

PLEA FOR STATE FAIR.

Manager Arthur R. Briggs of the California State Board of Trade issued a circular letter yesterday to the county boards of supervisors, members of commercial organizations and the manufacturers and producers throughout the State asking that they assist in making the State Agricultural Society's fair, to be held in Sacramento during the latter part of August, one of the best exhibitions ever held.

The letter tells that the exhibits will be carried free to the fair grounds and that all but perishable displays will be returned in excellent shape at the close of the exhibition.

KNOCKED DOWN BY AUTO.

Twelve-year-old Jesse B. Porter of 1913 Broadway, Alameda, in alighting from a westbound car at Sixth and Market streets yesterday stepped directly in front of a passing automobile. The boy was knocked down and his face and hands badly cut. He was accompanied by his father, who hurried him to the Central Emergency Hospital, where his injuries were dressed by Dr. Glover. S. Southworth, the chauffeur, was arrested on a battery charge.

SAYS MOTHER-IN-LAW IS CAUSE OF TROUBLE.

A case of too much mother-in-law has caused Maud Estella Simpson to sue Walter Scott Simpson, assistant traffic chief of the Western Union Telegraph Company, for a divorce on the grounds of cruelty. Mrs. Simpson's complaint, which was filed Friday, states that they were married in 1901, and since that time Simpson has compelled her to live with his mother, of whom he is in utter fear, and has positively refused to furnish her a home suitable to their station in life and in accordance to his means; that his mother frequently struck her and caused numerous quarrels between the young couple, and said that she would continue to cause them until she succeeded in getting them divorced.

The complaint winds up with the charge that Mrs. Simpson was practically made a slave of, and that since the fire Simpson has compelled her to live in a tent in Golden Gate Park with his mother and a "star boarder" of hers of many years' standing, who continued a star boarder in the tent and refused to be jarred loose even by the earthquake.

WANTS A RECEIVER FOR INVESTMENT COMPANY.

C. M. Willard has instituted a suit against the American Mutual Investment Company of San Francisco asking that the concern be declared insolvent and that a receiver be appointed. Willard & Dougherty of Oakland had $312 due them from the company and assigned the claim to Willard, and he believes that the company has no funds to meet its obligations save $700 outstanding indebtedness and $150,000 not yet due, together with $8000 in notes deposited in the State Treasury. There is $75,000 evidenced by notes and other written documents that were destroyed by the fire. It is also claimed by Willard that B. Warner Rice, the president of the company, has filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition.

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HORTON BARS OUT THE SHYLOCKS

Auditor Announces That After End of July Assignments of Salary Will Be Dishonored.

After two months of turmoil among municipal employes, the money brokers and himself, Auditor Horton issued the following letter to brokers Friday, which he hopes will settle his position in the matter:

You are hereby notified that commencing the 30th day of July, 1906, and thereafter, this office will refuse to accept or honor any and all assignments of demands payable out of the treasury of the city and county of San Francisco for salaries, wages, or compensation of deputies, clerks, assistants, laborers or employes in any office or department of the municipal government of the city and county of San Francisco.

After said date each and every properly indorsed demand will be delivered in person to such officer or other employe entitled thereto immediately after said demand is ready for such delivery.

At about the time the letter was being sent out, information reached the Auditor's office that M. M. Regensberger, who held most of the assignments of the city employes and, it was claimed by several, had fraudulently signed their names to the assignments, had died at his home of heart disease, brought about by nervousness and financial losses since the earthquake.

Horton claimed that he was anxious to take the stand he did long ago but the general complaint from the municipal employes who were in the habit of assigning their warrants was so strong that he postponed the action until the troubles in his office became unbearable and he decided to start in the new fiscal year without honoring assignments to money brokers.

His action, he claimed, was based on decisions handed down by Supreme Courts throughout the United States, that an unearned salary of a public official is unassignable and the assignment is void both in law and in equity as being against public policy.

All June assignments are to be honored by the Auditor, but after this month he will no longer act as a collector for the money brokers.

Dan Leary, who was in trouble with Regensberger over an assignment and was dismissed from the Auditor's office, has been reinstated.

OWNERS FORM TITLE CONCERN

Fourteen of the largest property owners in San Francisco incorporated Friday the Pacific Title Insurance Company, to establish titles to land under the land title act passed at the late session of the Legislature and to insure titles to real estate. The incorporators are N. D. Rideout, Harry L. Tevis, Edward H. Clark, Frank G. Drum, James L. Flood, W. C. Van Fleet, Garret W. McEnerney, James D. Phelan, John S. Drum, James E Walsh, William J. Dingee, Sidney M. Ehrman, Edward McGary and George H. Mastick. These parties have subscribed $132,500, and other property owners are to subscribe to the balance of the $500,000 of capital stock. It is proposed by this company to perfect every title in San Francisco so that they will be as good as before the records were destroyed, and to insure the titles if the owners desire.

FINED FOR VIOLATING FISH AND GAME LAWS.

Violators of the fish and game laws were punished by heavy fines during the past week, and the Wardens believe that substantial penalties of this character will lessen the number of offenders. Nels Wolfgang, a market fisherman, who has been operating a boat and net in the San Joaquin river, was fined $200 for catching striped bass with a net of less than 7½-inch mesh. Ena & Co., A. Trapini and C. Dondero, wholesale fish dealers, were each fined $150 for shipping striped bass of less than three pounds in weight outside of the State.

Arthur Carlo and Leonard Shinn, arrested for shooting doves in the closed season, were convicted and fined $25 each.

MILITIA RECEIVES INSURANCE.

The veterans of the National Guard of California held their regular monthly meeting at the residence of Past Commander Myers, 1625 Post street, and received notice that they had recovered insurance to the amount of $5000 on the First Regiment Armory, where they were formerly located and which was destroyed by fire. The insurance was in the London and Liverpool and Globe, and was paid in full three weeks after the fire, for which a vote of thanks was tendered to the company by the veterans. Speeches were made by several of the members and the officers for the coming year were elected. Commander, John E. Klein, vice-commander, General John A. Koster, National Guard of California; Adjutant, C. W. Radebold; Paymaster, O. Noltl.

LIBELS STEAMER.

The C. J. Hendry Company filed a libel in the United States District Court yesterday against the gasoline steamer Anvil for $729 72 due for material furnished.

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