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## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES AT THE ACADEMY

### Musical and Drama are Highly Appreciated by Large Audience

## GREAT NORTHERN TO CONTINUE WORK

### EXTENSION OF WESTERN LINES WILL NOT BE STOPPED SAYS PRESIDENT HILL.

Placed Order for 150 Miles of New Road in Oregon.

ST. PAUL, June 16.—Wall street with its lack of confidence and its desire to save a dollar up wherever it can, is to be blamed for the policy of retrenchment adopted by some of the railroads, according to Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern. He took a further rap at Wall street by saying: "It hasn't faith in anything."

He denied, emphatically, the report that the Great Northern has started to curtail and said that he does not know of an order that has been issued by the company to take men off new construction work under way.

"It doesn't look as if we are going to retrench, does it?" he asked, "when on the visit of John F. Stevens here a couple of days ago we placed an order for rails for 150 miles of new road in Oregon and rails for other stretches of new lines."

"Are you letting up on any other new work?" was asked. "I haven't seen an order laying off any men on our line," he replied.

"We are going ahead with the work just as we did before. Of course, we have not started on work for next year yet. It is too early for that."

"You must remember that this is the time of year when the railroads generally let off a large number of men. These men working on the railroad are needed for the harvest and we let them go. We could use more men," said Mr. Hill.

"While it is true that you are not laying off men are not the other hands letting them go? The Northern Pacific for instance," it was suggested.

"Oh, that is a New York institution," he replied. "Wall street saves a dollar wherever it can. The Great Northern is a St. Paul institution. There is every indication that we will have an excellent crop in the north-west this year, so why should we let men go?" he asked. "Of course, if the crop should not be so good as it promises the situation could be changed. In 90 days we can tell more about it. For the present we are hopeful that we will not have to retrench. We are watching and waiting."

Denial is made by the Minneapolis and St. Louis road, the Iowa Central and Soo line that they are included in the retrenchment policy of northwestern railroads.

## AIR COMMITTEE TO HOLD MEETING

### Attendance of Business Men is Requested to Discuss the Matter.

The members of the fair committee visited Spokane yesterday in the interest of the proposed Keotelan county fair which is to be held in this city the coming fall. They had a conference with Manager Coogrove of the Interstate Fair association, also with James McClain, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and arranged with Mr. Coogrove to come to this city and attend a meeting of the committee at the Commercial club tomorrow evening. It is the desire of the committee to secure a large attendance of business men at the meeting. The fair proposition will be discussed by Mr. Coogrove and others and every business man interested in the meeting.

The Academy commencement exercises were held last evening and the program was probably one of the best of its kind ever given in this city and the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Academy deserve all the congratulations that they received last evening and today, in the arranging of such a truly magnificent entertainment.

It is almost impossible to say that one number was superior to another for each and every one who took part in the event did their best and showed the excellent training they had received.

The exercises were opened by a stirring march, being played by Misses Brennan, Kennedy, Schermanson and McCarthy at the piano and Misses E. C. Chalney and Sullivan, violins. Then followed instrumental, vocal and a recitatorial prelude that were all excellently given, especially the singing of Angelus by the chorus which was composed of Misses Wright, G. and E. Burman, Schermanson, Kennedy, McCarthy, E. and M. Chalney, I. and D. Sullivan, Smith, White, Mann, McDonald, Young, Mason and Messrs. Mogg, McCarthy and Charboneau and Miss Ila Chalney played the accompaniment. The violin duet by Irene Sullivan and Emily Chalney was very well received as was also their violin solos. After the musical numbers and the prelude recitation, which was ably handled by Charles McCarthy, had been rendered and each having been greeted with great applause, the beautiful drama "Vera's Vow" was ably presented by ten girls, they being Pearl Wright, Dora Sullivan, Katherine Kennedy, Sigrid Schermanson, Katherine Mason, Dorothy Young, Emily Chalney, Leila Smith and Evelyn and Grace Brennan.

The story is that of a royal court and Queen Benita has gathered a large number of the royal ladies of the court about her and she tells them that she is going to the shrine at Bellfontaine, France, and give thanks for her regained health. She tells the ladies that she has made her will for she says she may possibly not return, but that the will is to be locked in an iron box and must not be opened until eight days have elapsed after the report of her death. She also gives affectionate parting advice to a number of the ladies and especially her daughter, Vera, but Pompilia, her niece, treats her advice with scorn.

Some time had passed when a report reached the royal home that Queen Benita was dead, so the scornful Pompilia decided to trample on the wishes of the beloved queen and make herself queen instead of Vera, whom the queen desired should succeed her. Pompilia with the aid of the expert writing ability of Dolente, who could imitate the queen's hand writing, substituted a new and fraudulent will in the iron box for the legal one, which named Vera queen, the new will named Pompilia as the ruler.

Vera, who had been in a corner of the room, while Pompilia and Dolente were changing the wills, was asleep from exhaustion over mourning for her mother, suddenly awoke and saw the ladies and Pompilia sed but Dolente stayed and asked for Vera's pardon as she said she wrote the fraudulent will at the command of Pompilia and Vera granted it and Dolente then departed to distant lands. Vera took a vow that she would never tell who it was that tampered with the wills and thus subjected themselves to a penalty of death.

Prudentia entering discovers that the iron box has been opened and as the eight days had not elapsed she considers it a great offense and naturally blames Vera who is the only

one in the room, of being the offender.

A conference is held on the eighth day by the royal ladies and they open the iron box and after considerable discussion decide that the will that designates Pompilia as queen is the legal one and that the other which names Vera is false. Pompilia is then crowned queen and she sentences Vera to death.

One year later queen Pompilia is holding a thanksgiving meeting for her happy and successful reign during the year which is attended by all the royal ladies when to the consternation of the queen Dolente, whom they had almost forgotten, enters and proceeds to expose the unlawful reigning queen. Vera, who was supposed to be dead, but who made her escape by the help of one of the ladies, enters and asks Dolente to keep quiet for her sake, but this she refuses to do and tells the assembly how Pompilia was reigning through the medium of the fraudulent will which she denies strongly, declaring that Dolente is mad.

The ladies are in a state of bewilderment when it is increased by the arrival of Queen Benita, who tells of her appointed successor and accuses the dethroning of the haughty Pompilia. Benita sentences her to death, but Vera intercedes and finally she suspends the sentence. Vera is then crowned queen and they all swear allegiance to her.

Pearl Wright was exceptionally fine as Benita, she grasping the full

powers of the part at all times; Katherine Kennedy as Dolente, gave a superb delineation of an easily influenced lady and she seemed to act as though it was a daily occurrence with her. Dora Sullivan pleased the audience with her admirable acting of the haughty lady and queen and Secret Schermanson as the queen's daughter was good and she was well received and thus one could take each and every one who helped make this beautiful drama so strongly appreciated and say without exaggeration that she did her part well.

### Diplomas for Graduates.

The Academy of the Immaculate Heart of Mary held the final exercises in honor of Sigrid M. Schermanson and Charles D. McCarthy, the 1910 graduates, this morning at the Catholic church.

The academy students marched to the church in a body, where they attended high mass and listened to the great baccalaureate address of Rev. Father Purcell, after which he presented the graduates with their diplomas.

Rev. Fr. James Kelley of Sandpoint graced the office of master of ceremonies with a great deal of dignity and others who took part in the observance of high mass and the other exercises were Rev. Father Metz of Untonata, Wash., Rev. Prior Berthold, O. S. B., Cottonwood, Idaho, and Rev. Father Bonora, of Wallace.

## INSANE MAN WITH GUN AFTER PRESIDENT TAFT

### Was Stopped by the Doorkeeper to the President's Private Office

## GLOOM PERVADES JEFFRIES CAMP

### FIGHT FANS AND FRIENDS ARE AT SEA OVER THE ACTION OF GOV. GILLETTE.

### Legal Battle May be Started to Determine Status of Case.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 16.—That a legal battle which may determine the fate of the Jeffries-Johnson fight may be unnecessary on account of the outcome of the smaller legal battle over the Langford-Kaufman contest is a possibility, facing the sporting world. Governor Gillette's order to Attorney General Webb to apply his instructions to the Langford-Kaufman encounter may bring affairs to a climax quickly. The fight is scheduled for Saturday, so the authorities must be quick making a decision as it will cover the same points as the Jeffries-Johnson fight. The case will probably be settled by the outcome. Gleason and Rickard, the promoters of the "big scrap, conferred for a long time last night in an animated discussion. They really believe the fight will come off, asserting that there is no law to prevent the fight.

### Jeffries Is Grouch.

HOWARDENNE, Cal., June 16.—Jeffries got on an indignant grouch today, but yesterday he was in the best of spirits until he heard of the governor's action, when his spirits dropped. It is problematical what he will do. He threatens to quit the training until the matter is definitely decided. The camp is generally disconsolate today and it may be that the fight will go to Reno as Rickard got a permit there two months ago in anticipation of opposition in California.

### Why Governor Interfered.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., June 16.—The gossip here is that Governor Gillette took steps to stop the Jeffries-Johnson fight to save the Panama-Pacific exposition to San Francisco. New Orleans and other claimants were making capital out of the Paris of America conditions which they claim exists in San Francisco.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—Armed with a .38 calibre revolver, James Stricklen, a miner from Cumberland, Md., attempted to reach President Taft today and almost succeeded in passing the guards into the president's private office before being stopped. Strickland's actions did not arouse suspicion when he entered and spoke to the guard. He said that he had an appointment with the president and reached the doorkeeper, who noticed his excited condition as he was about to turn the door knob and stopped him. Sergeant of Detectives Dalrymple arrested the man and took him to the police station, where he is held pending an examination as to his sanity.

Investigation has developed the fact that Stricklen was once an inmate of an asylum and there is but little doubt that he is now insane.

## MAY SOON HAVE TWO NEW SUPREME COURT JUDGES

### Moody and Harlan Said to Contemplate Retirement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—There probably will be two retirements of associate justices of the United States supreme court within a few months.

In compliance with the request of William Henry Moody of Massachusetts a bill was introduced in the two houses of congress today granting him the salary of his office provided he shall resign within six months.

James S. Harlan of Chicago, member of the interstate commerce commission, probably will be appointed a circuit judge upon the commerce court, which will be created by the pending railroad legislation. If his appointment be made Mr. Harlan's father, John Marshall Harlan, will retire as associate justice of the supreme court.

To one of these vacancies, probably that which the resignation of Associate Justice Moody will cause, it is expected that President Taft will carry out his cherished purpose to appoint Lloyd W. Bowers of Chicago, now solicitor general of the United States. Attorney General George W. Wickorham and Secretary of War Jacob M. Dickinson are considered for the other vacancy.

## FLOODS DEVASTATE MANY EUROPEAN VALLEYS

### Death List Will Reach Several Hundred and Property Loss Is Heavy

BERLIN, Germany, June 16.—The river Amer is falling today in the Oberammergau district making rescue work easier. It is believed that 150 persons were drowned in the valley where the flood was worst.

### Flood Devastates Hungary.

BUDA PEST, Hungary, June 16.—The latest reports state that at least 80 persons were drowned when the Neva river flooded the countryside. The property loss was enormous and it is hard to estimate the amount at this time.

### Landslide Kills Many.

BERNE, Switzerland, June 16.—The towns of Seyrich, Atdorf, Lacorne, Bas and others were partially inundated by the flood. A landslide in the vicinity of Lacorne caused the death of eleven persons, mostly children, who were caught in the slide. They were in a factory at Atdorf when the slide struck the building and it collapsed before any could escape.

### Drowns 400 in Serbia.

BELGRADE, Serbia, June 16.—In the Moravia river valley twenty towns were inundated by the flood. King Peter is personally heading the relief work. Thousands of people are marooned on small islands in the valley or on rafts and it is estimated that at least 400 have been drowned. The loss to property is heavy, many people are left destitute and much suffering and want will follow.

## GUTHRIE TO REMAIN CAPITAL OF OKLAHOMA

### Cannot be Removed Until 1918 According to Court Ruling.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., June 16.—Holding that the enabling act imposed a condition on the state that the capital should remain at Guthrie until the year 1913, Judge Huston today in the district court overruled Governor Haskell's demurrer to the injunction restraining him from removing the state records to this city and it looks now as though Guthrie will remain the capital until 1913 in spite of the overwhelming vote at the recent election in favor of this city.

## JURY DISAGREES IN BOOTLEGGING CASE

### Forrest Best Arrested on Perjury Charge and Geo. Roberts Gets a Fine of \$750.

The jury in the case of the state of Idaho against Ned Williams of this city for alleged bootlegging could not reach an agreement and was discharged this afternoon at two o'clock. They stood nine for conviction and three for acquittal. County Attorney Potts immediately began the impending of a new jury to retry the case. The discharged jury had been trying to reach a verdict since early last evening.

County Attorney Potts filed a perjury charge against Forrest Best this afternoon and he appeared before Probate Judge Egbers and was released on a bond of \$500 and his hearing was set for 7:30 tomorrow evening. Best was one of the state's witnesses in the Ned Williams case and was in the room when Beavers says he bought the whiskey and Best, who was expected to make a strong witness for the state, testified that Williams did not sell the liquor.

George Roberts of Harrison against whom there were four charges for alleged bootlegging, pleaded guilty today to the charges and was fined \$250 on each of the three charges and the fourth was suspended pending good behavior.

## UNITED WIRELESS PROMOTERS JAILED

### UNLOADED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN STOCK ON PUBLIC AT BIG PROFIT.

### Postoffice Inspectors Raid New York Office.

NEW YORK, June 16.—Postoffice inspectors raided the handsome Broadway offices of the United Wireless Telegraph company last evening and caused the arrest of Christopher C. Wilson, president of the company; Samuel B. Bogart, first vice-president, and William W. Tompkins, president of the New York Selling agency, which officers of the wireless company say, was formerly their fiscal agent, but ceased to represent them.

Chief Inspector Mayer subsequently gave out a statement in which he charges that although the company has been running at a loss the price of its shares have been advanced by manipulation to fictitious values, and that 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.

Wilson was released on \$25,000 bail and Bogart in \$10,000 bail for appearance on July 12, when a further hearing will be held before a federal commissioner. Tompkins was arrested at his farm near Mahopae Falls, N. Y., and brought here for arraignment. He could not find \$10,000 bail and spent the night in the Tombs.

The specific instance of alleged fraudulent use of the mails is given as the mailing of a letter on March 2, 1910, to Michael O'Brien of Waterbury, Conn.

Shareholders Number 25,000. "There are 25,000 shareholders of the company throughout the country," said Inspector Mayer in his statement, "many of whom have placed their savings in the stock of the company through false representations made by its officers."

"The real assets of the company consist of land stations, patents, manufacturing plants and real estate of all kinds and appear to be worth at a conservative estimate about \$400,000, or an actual value of two cents a share. Two million shares have been issued at a par value of \$10, but the stock has recently been put up to \$50 a share."

Foreclosed Finance. The inspector says the company was originally incorporated as the Amalgamated Wireless Securities company in 1904. In 1906 it took over the assets and business of the defunct American De Forest Wireless Telegraph company, which was then running at a loss, exchanging therefor its own securities on a 10 for 1 basis.

At this time, says the inspector's statement, when officers of the De Forest company were secretly conspiring to abandon it and hence the stockholders a mass of worthless securities, its stock had been forced to an alleged value of \$13.50 a share, or \$3.50 above par.

"Another item in the statement sent out to stockholders was patents and patent rights. The affairs of the company were recently audited by a firm of licensed accountants, who placed the book value of all patents at \$20,223.

"The officers of the company have sold to the public thousands of shares, claiming all the while that they were holding their own shares and putting the money received from the public into the plants of the

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