

SUVERIC HAS ROUGH TRIP

Weir Steamer Reached Outer Wharf Yesterday After a Stormy Voyage from Far East

Strong head gales and high seas delayed the steamer Suveric, Capt. Cowley, of the Weir line, which reached the outer wharf yesterday from Manila and was ported of the Orient after a run of nineteen days from Yokohama. Two days before the liner reached the Straits a high sea swept over the bridge, carrying away the telegraph, and drenching the navigating officers, and four days before that the wireless aeriels were swept away during a strong blow, and the wireless room was flooded.

When the Suveric was at Kobe on her way from Manila the ship's company was placed in quarantine by the Japanese at Wada point, owing to the death of one of the Chinese crew from smallpox. The crew had to submit to vaccination, and were given a sulphur bath. Wireless operator Taylor took a fancy to the kimono issued while the clothing of the crew was in the retort undergoing fumigation, and parcelled it up to walk away with it when a little brown policeman grabbed him. Some explanations were made, the officer having presumed that he had been presented with the garment.

At Yokohama a celebration was held by the Chinese crew. They learned from compatriots on the steamer Mongolia that it "now belong proper flosser" to take off their pigtails. The cutting of queues is now the fashion on the China coast, and on the steamer Mongolia the crew boycotted a Chinese, who refused to take off his hair. The others refused to sail with him, and the man with the queue was given the option of parting with his pigtail or his job.

The steamer Kumeric, of the same line, was sighted in the inland sea, the Suveric passing within fifty feet of her sister liner in Kuroshima strait. The Kumeric was badly battered on the outward trip. The wireless house being flooded and wrecked, the apparatus being destroyed, and aeriels were carried away, and considerable damage was done to the decks by high seas, which pounded the vessel.

The Suveric brought 4,881 tons of general cargo, including 9,560 bales of hemp from the Philippines. The bulk of the cargo was for overland points. The cargo landed at the outer wharf, consisted mostly of naval stores brought from Hongkong consigned to H. M. S. Algerine. The shipment included some teak wood for use in making repairs to the sloop-of-war.

HOW ADMIRAL SAH MADE HIS ESCAPE

Suveric Brings Story of Incident in the Yangtze During the Revolutionary Strife

An interesting story of how Admiral Sah made his escape from the Yangtze when the fleet went over to the Republicans was brought by the steamer Suveric. Admiral Sah was uncertain as to his course, although a revolutionary at heart, but he was unwilling to accept command under General Li Yuan Hung then, and wanted to remain neutral. This did not suit the rebel authorities at Kluksiang, and discussion ensued as to whether it was advisable for them to remove Sah's head. He was known to be a friend of General Li, and the leaders went to him again and asked him to lead his fleet into action against the Imperials. He gave his word, and the Kukiang general then lost his temper and issued instructions to kill Sah. He learned of this, and sent a note to the captain of H. M. S. Britomart then lying off Kluksiang, with the result that a pinnace was sent over to take him, and his baggage on the Britomart, where he slept that night. Meanwhile the captains of the Chinese ships were ordered ashore. The general of the revolutionary forces invited them to dinner. Two went, the third slipped overboard, and was not seen again, presumably having escaped. The other two were never heard of after the revolution. Admiral Sah on the steamer Tatum, and a passage was booked for him secretly on the steamer Tatum. The captain was asked by the British consul if he would let a Chinese gentleman use his cabin, and there Admiral Sah remained, his identity unknown to those on board, who discussed with him at times the revolution, and one old Chinese said he considered Admiral Sah foolish not to accept General Li's offer. Sah agreed blandly. He arrived safely at Shanghai, and is no longer in danger, having come out on the side of the Republic. Had he not been taken under the protection of the British flag Sah would be a memory now.

MANY KILLED BY GIANT BLAST

Premature Discharge Causes Explosion of Powder Set in 64 Holes at Construction Work on Rainy Lake

FORT FRANCIS, Ont. Feb. 9.—A terrific explosion took place about noon today at the construction works of Johnson and Carney's camp, on an island in Rainy lake, eight miles from here, when 13 men were killed outright and six injured. There are still some of the men unaccounted for.

The cause of the explosion was a premature discharge of one of the holes charged with dynamite. A gang of men under Foreman Thomas Casey had sunk 64 holes at a uniform depth of 22 feet. One of the charges in the holes was not properly prepared, and it was while this charge was being taken out that it was set off, the concussion immediately causing the other sixty-three charges to explode.

The men were hurled into the air with tons of rock and debris. So great was the explosion that large pieces of rock half the size of a small house were upheaved, while the foreman, who must have been standing over one of the holes was blown into the air for 150 feet, his body landing near the Canadian Northern railway line with both legs blown off, and terribly disfigured. The other men were badly bruised and in some cases almost every bone was broken in their bodies.

Declares For Reciprocity

REGINA, Sask., Feb. 9.—The legislature of Saskatchewan, by a vote of 27 to 12, approved of reciprocal trade relations with the United States.

Falsely Accused
LONDON, Feb. 10.—Two further shifts towards the restoration of Paisley Abbey were announced last night at Paisley, one of £40,000 from Robert Allison, and the restoration of the great central tower, and one of \$10,000 from A. F. Craig, of Paisley, and his wife, for the building of the cloisters. The latter part of the work is to be dedicated to the memory of Mr. Craig's father, J. Stewart Clark, of Dundas Castle, and his sisters, recently gave £150,000 for the restoration of the choir, and only a small amount is now needed to complete the scheme.

Dynamite Conspiracy
INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 9.—"No developments in the dynamiting conspiracy cases were expected early next week," said U. S. District Attorney Mil-

ler today in discussing the plan for the arrest of the 10 or more men under indictment, but whose names are being withheld. "No arrests will be attempted in individual cases unless it is arranged to take all the indicted men into custody on one day." Mr. Miller said the amount of bond each defendant would be required to furnish for appearance here on March 12 would not be disclosed until after the arrests.

WILL ADVANCE ON THE CAPITAL

Must Observe Neutrality

TOKIO, Feb. 10.—The Nationalists in the Japanese Diet yesterday put up a strong plea for the acquisition of further interests in China by Japan, urging that the present was an excellent opportunity.

Viscount Uchida, the foreign minister, in reply declared that everything possible had been done.

The government, he said, had extended assistance to Japanese who were seeking to acquire interests in China, but that policy now would have to be abandoned, otherwise it might lead to trouble over the question of neutrality.

MAN SLASHED IN STORE STREET ROW

With Whole Side of Face Laid Open by Razor Cut Victim Runs to Douglas Street Seeking Aid

Slashed across the left side of the head until the entire face was laid open, Veto, an Italian, lies at St. Joseph's hospital in a weak condition through loss of blood. His alleged assailant, Farrell, a fellow countryman, is held at the police station on a charge of wounding. He, too, bears a gash over the left eye. The cutting, which was effected by a razor said to be Parrell's property, started in a row between the two just after they had left the barroom at the Ship inn saloon, Wharf street, about 10 o'clock last evening.

At the police station Parrell, in broken English, accused the other of having attempted to rob him and he accused a third Italian, Melusi, also under arrest, of having held him while Veto attempted to get the money.

When Emil Dorea, son of the proprietor of the saloon, heard the noise and rushed out, he picked up a blood-stained razor on the sidewalk which was drenched with blood. The police patrol was summoned, but in the meantime Veto ran along to Yates street and thence as far as Douglas, his clothing being saturated in blood, every step being marked on the roadway. A crowd followed him, but no one attempted to assist him until Constable Ireland came along and took him to Dr. Fraser's office, where first aid was administered and thence to the hospital, which he reached in a state of collapse.

In the meantime Parrell ran along Wharf street and up to View street, where he was arrested by Constable Littlefield who noticed his bloody condition. A number of foreigners in the saloon at the time the patrol wagon was taken into custody.

At the police station he took nearly an hour before any intelligent story of the incident could be secured from the excited foreigners.

If Barrell's story of Veto's attempt to rob him be true, the latter failed in his purpose, for Parrell had some \$87 on his person when searched. Veto's face is laid open from the top of the left ear to the point of the chin.

Loan for Republic
LONDON, Feb. 10.—The newspapers in Peking report that Willard Straight, acting on behalf of an American group of financiers, is concluding the details for a \$5,000,000 loan to the revolutionists in Nanking, taking as security the Canton-Hankow railway, says a dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Peking.

Sure of Abdication
SHANGHAI, Feb. 9.—Tang Shao Yi, the representative of the Panama canal, today declared that he was confident that the abdication of the throne would be an accomplished fact before February 18. There appears to be less confidence now than there hitherto has been that Yuan Shi Kai will be selected for the presidency of the republic. On the other hand the name of General Li Yuan Heng, the present vice-president, is mentioned, and it is possible that he may be eventually selected.

The draft of the proposed Magna Charta of the new Chinese republic has been completed by Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the minister of justice in the republican cabinet, and now awaits the approval of the senate. The document provides for a provisional term of five years, but the senate probably will make his term only one year. It is thought that a compromise may be reached on the question of the future capital of China. President Sun Yat Sen, however, asserts positively that Nanking will be selected, although he admits that an agreement may be made to keep Peking provisionally as the nominal capital.

Despotic outpost fighting continues in many places, but the reports say the casualties are small. Tang Shao Yi declared positively today that there would be no more serious fighting.

AFFAIRS OF CANAL

Secretary Stimson and Chief Engineer Goethals to Appear Before House Committee

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Colonel Goethals, chief engineer of the Panama canal, was in conference today with Secretary Stimson concerning canal legislation now pending before congress, and to appear Monday before the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce.

It has been tentatively necessary, by President Taft, Secretary Stimson and Col. Goethals that the present congress fix toll rates to be charged on vessels passing through the canal, in order that the maritime interests of the world might be prepared for the opening of the waterway. It is also being suggested that provisions be made for some permanent form of government for the zone and for the selection from among the large army of workers here of a force of skilled employes to operate it.

NAVAL STRENGTH

Mr. Winston Churchill in Speech at Glasgow Refers to British and German Armaments

GLASGOW, Scotland, Feb. 9.—Winston Spencer Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, attended a luncheon arranged by the Clyde Navigation Trust and in a speech painted a rosy picture of the preparedness of the British navy to meet all eventualities. Mr. Churchill spoke at some length on the subject of German and British sea rivalry, taking the view that while naval power was necessary to the existence of Great Britain, it was a luxury for Germany.

Touching on the subject of the representative naval armaments in the two countries, Mr. Churchill said there was no need for excitement or panic. Great Britain had the situation well in hand and there was no chance whatever of her being ever taken in by naval strength.

ENGLISH WORKMEN ARE DISSATISFIED

London Paper Calls Attention to Danger of Many Stopping Work on Account of Conditions—Plague of Tramps

In a little corner of the Lincolnshire woods lives the Rev. G. Hall, rector of Ruckland, known as the Romany Rashai, or Gypsy parson. He has become quite an apostle to the gypsy tribe, and his black sheep are thoroughly won the confidence of these nomads. In whose manners and customs he is a past master. He speaks the old Romany tongue, and on his visits to fairs and encampments almost adopts gypsy attire, so that more than once his unconventional appearance has caused him to be mistaken for the real thing.

An enthusiastic member of the Gypsy Lore Society, he is to be seen squatting in a ring of swarthy Romany folk around their firm on Espom Downs or on the breezy fells of Yorkshire sampling the mysterious contents of their black stockpots, in order to gather news of the fast disappearing lore and traditional tales of the Romany folk, of whom he is able to recount numberless racy stories.

Famine Relief

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The American National Red Cross Society today sent \$2000 to the famine sufferers in China. This makes a total of \$5000 dispatched to the stricken empire.

St. Petersburg
ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 9.—Helioculture, the reactionary priest, who recently while under a sentence of exile mysteriously disappeared, has returned to St. Petersburg, and started for the Florida-Steicheff monastery, where he was ordered to pass his term of exile. This statement is printed today in the Novoye Vremya.

AGREEING TO MODIFICATIONS

Yuan Shi Kai, After Consultation with Dowager Empress, Accepts Most of Proposals from Republicans

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Times says the news has been received in London that Premier Yuan Shi Kai, after having consulted with the dowager empress, has agreed to most of the modifications made by the Nanking government to Yuan's proposals for the abdication of the emperor.

INSPECTOR COMING TO INSPECT BEACONS

Will Make Voyage on the Quadra—Sandheads Lightship Will be Moved

Mr. Macdonnell, inspector of lights and gas beacons, is now en route here from Ottawa, and is expected to reach Victoria about the middle of next week to make a tour of inspection in British Columbia waters. The government steamer Quadra, which is expected shortly from northern waters, will carry Mr. Macdonnell on his voyage of inspection.

The Sandheads lightship is shortly to be moved. The position of the acetylene gas beacon off the entrance to the Fraser river and the lightship's present position are to be reversed, and it is probable that a diaphone fog alarm will be placed on the lightship. The change will aid navigators considerably in making the entrance to the Fraser river, the changed position of the lightship giving them a better departure.

The material for the construction of the new lightship at Sherringham Point, for which Mr. Thomas Stedham, was awarded the contract, is now being assembled, and it is expected that a start will be made in building the vessel, tower in a few days.

The construction of the echo boards being placed at points in the Narrows at Vancouver to facilitate navigation there in foggy weather will be completed about February 25th.

TEES RETURNS FROM WEST COAST

Brought News of Drowning Accident at Holberg—Tofino Residents Object Removal of Telegraph Office

The steamer Tees, Capt. Gillam, of the C. P. R., reached port yesterday morning from Holberg and way ports of the west coast of Vancouver Island, and will sail again tonight for Clayoquot and way ports. Including a number of Indian deck passengers, the steamer brought 135 persons from coast ports and a small cargo, including 100 tons of pottery clay from the pits at Easy Creek, Kyoquot Sound.

News was brought of a drowning in the river near Holberg by the Tees. The name of the victim was not learned by those on board the steamer. He was one of the men employed on the road near the river, and was sent to remove a log which had jammed. He took a boat and was seen to step from this on the log, which turned, and he fell into the water, nothing being seen of him afterward.

From Tofino the steamer brought brought news of a public meeting held on February 3 to protest against the proposed removal of the telegraph office from Tofino to Stubbs Island.

It was pointed out that Stubbs Island possesses only a store, hotel and saloon, and is almost exclusively private property located a mile from the mainland. Tofino is the centre of population, having schoolhouse, customs house, life-saving station, store and machine shops, and is the port of entry. The following resolution was carried by a majority of 38 to 1:

"Whereas it is understood that the department of public works, Ottawa, has been requested to discontinue the telegraph office at Tofino, and remove the same to Stubbs Island, and whereas Tofino is the land terminal of the government telegraph line from Alberni; and whereas there are two channels of deep water between Stubbs Island and Tofino, necessitating the use of cables with four connections with the land wires, which renders these cables very liable to grounding. Therefore, demoralizing for an indefinite period, the whole telegraph system of Clayoquot district; and whereas Tofino is the centre of settlement on Clayoquot Sound, having a public wharf invariably used by the government and all other steamers when lying in port, a rural school with full attendance, a customs and shipping office, the life-saving station, and a public hall used for religious and social purposes; and whereas the residents of Lowe peninsula and Tofino, who contribute chiefly to the revenue derived from tolls in this district, would be materially affected and greatly inconvenienced by the change requested; and whereas the request of the owner of Stubbs Island to the federal government for telegraph connection with the mainland at Tofino had been favorably considered and generously granted him, notwithstanding that Stubbs Island is recognized private property; and whereas this privilege, and the convenience to this private owner, remains secure with him to this day.

Therefore, we, the undersigned, residents of Lowe peninsula, Tofino and Clayoquot Sound, in special meeting called this first day of February, 1912, do humbly request of the department of public works, Ottawa, through our representatives, Mr. Clements, M.P., that the telegraph office continue to remain at Tofino as heretofore, and further be resolved that copies of this petition be sent to the Dominion and provincial members for the district, the department of public works, Ottawa, the superintendent of telegraphs at Victoria, and to the press.

C. P. R. SCHEME HAS OPPOSITION

Proposed Route Map for Branch Line on North Side of Burrard Inlet is Discussed Before Minister

OTTAWA, Feb. 9.—Hon. F. Cochrane, minister of railways and canals, today heard arguments on the proposed route map in North Vancouver. In the end the matter stood over, the minister intimating that rights of municipalities must be protected.

Mr. Stevens is still making strong representations to Mr. Cochrane.

Control of Waterfront
At the outset Mr. Stevens protested against approval unless the rights of the people in the district affected were respected. In case a harbor commission is formed, he argued, provision should be made for the control of the railway distributing system by the commission, including the north shore. Any such commission should have the right to take over and control all the railways on the waterfront. He further contended that the C.P.R. should connect with the second Narrows bridge, and that all railways entering the city should have running rights over this line in North Vancouver guaranteed them, that street ends should be protected, that construction be commenced in six months and the line should be in operation in two years.

Mayor McNeill and Mr. Sheppard, clerk of North Vancouver, and Reeve May, of North Vancouver, representing the W. & Y. Railway, said that the department of railways had on file the agreement showing that the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge company, the W. & Y. Railway and the municipalities concerned had joined forces to build a bridge across the inlet. The approval of the proposed route map would endow the C.P.R. with the right to take over the ground that the stipulation that, the rights of the municipalities along the waterfront be protected. He also stated that the first company to build should grant running rights to other companies.

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THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT

Sentence on Vancouver Man Charged with Obstructing Police at Recent "Free Speech" Demonstration

JUDGE'S REMARKS ARE SIGNIFICANT

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 9.—"When the police are discharging their duty they will receive the support and protection of the courts. Persons who interfere with them or obstruct them in the discharge of their duties will do so at their peril, and will place themselves in the position of committing a serious offence, meriting a severe sentence. I will take into consideration the fact that the accused's misconduct occurred at one of the first of the recent disturbances in the city, and that he did not appreciate the nature of it. I will also take into consideration his good record and character as testified to. The sentence will be three months' imprisonment with hard labor."

In the county criminal court Judge McInnes this afternoon pronounced sentence upon George Nicholls, who was found guilty on the charge of obstructing the police, after a force under Sergeant McKee had ordered an assembly on Cordova street on the evening of January 20 to disperse.

Nicholls declared that he had not cried out after Sergeant McKee had commanded the crowd to disperse; "We'll put all the other speakers on the box." Several witnesses he called said they had not heard him make this remark, but the police swore positively that such words had been used by accused.

PLANT PATHOLOGIST

Department of Agriculture to Appoint Officer to Investigate Fruit Diseases

The provincial department of agriculture has decided to create a new and important office, the value of which will be at once conceded by all in touch with agricultural affairs, and appoint in the near future a plant pathologist, whose duty it will be to investigate all fruit diseases, which may hereafter make their appearance in this province. Provision for the salary of the new official will be made in the framing of the departmental estimates for the coming year.

FIRE LOSSES IN B. C.

Fire losses throughout British Columbia during the past week are roughly estimated at \$25,000, or \$15,000 with the deduction of all insurances. The most disastrous blaze of the week was that by which the Penitence Mercantile company's establishment was destroyed, this loss in dealing with which the bright water was much hampered by lack of water—involving a loss of \$18,000, with insurance of \$8500, distributed among the North British and Mercantile, Phoenix, Royal and Alliance companies. At Vancouver the new Cambie street bridge narrowly escaped destruction from a fire of mysterious origin, and at South Vancouver the dwelling houses of Messrs. J. Orb and F. Milneau were burned, with loss of \$3000. At Edmonds the home of Mr. Harry B. Vaughn was partially destroyed by fire occasioned by the explosion of a lamp, and at Princeton the homes of Mr. C. Schieler and Mr. R. Jackson were burned, there being no insurance on either of these.

ITALIANS STILL HAVE DIFFICULTY

Turks and Arabs Command So Much of Tripoli that Operations of Invaders are Greatly Hampered

TRIPOLI, Feb. 9.—The coasts of Tripoli and Cyrenaica still are commanded by the Turks and their Arab allies to such an extent that Italian action is greatly restricted. The Italian cruiser Cyta di Catania, which returned here today, reports that she bombarded seven small ports and Turkish camps near the shore, and that large numbers of armed Arabs were observed. At Misrata, about 150 miles east of here, the Arabs erect two small forts in which they took refuge during the bombardment. They also made shelters out of sand.

The Italian commanders are making preparations for more extended action.

PARIS TRAGEDY

Shooting Affair in One Lodging House Leads to Discovery of Corpse in Another

PARIS, Feb. 10.—One of the small lodging houses or hotels of Paris has been the scene of a murderous shooting affair, which had the surprising result of revealing a corpse in another lodging house, a good distance away. The shooting affair took place in the Rue de la Lune. The discovery of the corpse which followed was made in the Rue des Martyrs. How these two events were linked together is a mystery.

The first happened on Monday night. A servant girl in the lodging house was descending to her work when she met a man named Pierri, who had been on intimate terms with her. He fired two shots at her, and then fled. She fell down, gravely wounded, and was conveyed to a hospital. Pierri meanwhile returned, and went to a police station to give himself up. He was asked where he had his room. It was a mile away, in the Rue des Martyrs. The police said: "We shall go and search for him in custody, and when they entered his room in the Rue des Martyrs the corpse of a woman who had been strangled, and who had been dead forty-eight hours at least, was found on his bed. Pierri was, or appeared to be, dumbfounded. He said, "I left my room last Saturday, and never returned. I do not know how this corpse came into my room. I do not know who she is."

"The police were mystified at his statement, and have been trying to solve the riddle all day without success.

Nice Rossland boy scouts, who spent a bitterly cold night in the hills while engaged in search for Miss M. Bruce when she was lost last autumn, have received diplomas for plunk signed by H. R. H. the Governor-General as chief of scouts for this Dominion.

Constable Fewthill has been promoted to be chief of police at Penitence.

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Guest of Emperor
BERLIN, Feb. 9.—The German Emperor and Empress today gave luncheon at the imperial palace in honor of Viscount Haldane, the British secretary of state. Among those invited to meet Viscount Haldane were Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the imperial chancellor; Admiral Alfred von Tirpitz, minister of marine, and General Josiah von Heringen, minister of war. Lord Haldane's visit to Germany is to relieve the tension which has effected Anglo-German relations for some time past.

Nothing definite as to the nature of the discussions between the British statesman and his German conferees have been made known.

For World-Wide Entente
LONDON, Feb. 10.—The British government inquired of the Berlin government last December, according to the Daily News, whether Germany was willing to arrange a world-wide entente. Germany, the papers say, welcomed the proposal. The negotiations have continued since that time, and Viscount Haldane's visit to Berlin marks a crucial point in the discussion.

MRS. GREEN IN COURT

Richest Woman Charged by Lawyer With Attempting to Extort Money From W. R. Hearst

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Mrs. Hetty Green, known as the richest woman in the world, "attempted to extort money" from William Randolph Hearst, according to C. M. Bove, attorney for the editor, who obtained an order in court directing Mrs. Green to show cause why she should not be compelled to accept \$275,000 with interest up to last Monday in payment of a mortgage she held on Hearst properties. Mrs. Green, Bove stated, refused to cancel the mortgage until \$1,450 additional interest, which he said "the richest woman" claimed when Mr. Hearst's representatives called on her last Monday.

Today Bove withdrew the order, saying that Mrs. Green had "captivated" and turned over the mortgage for the amount named by Mr. Hearst.

Mrs. Green is quoted as saying: "The charge that I tried to extort money is absurd. I simply asked Mr. Hearst's representatives to wait till the return of my son, who was handling the business, and when they refused I asked dirty days' interest, to which I believed I was entitled to."

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NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Mrs. Hetty Green, known as the richest woman in the world, "attempted to extort money" from William Randolph Hearst, according to C. M. Bove, attorney for the editor, who obtained an order in court directing Mrs. Green to show cause why she should not be compelled to accept \$275,000 with interest up to last Monday in payment of a mortgage she held on Hearst properties. Mrs. Green, Bove stated, refused to cancel the mortgage until \$1,450 additional interest, which he said "the richest woman" claimed when Mr. Hearst's representatives called on her last Monday.

Today Bove withdrew the order, saying that Mrs. Green had "captivated" and turned over the mortgage for the amount named by Mr. Hearst.

Mrs. Green is quoted as saying: "The charge that I tried to extort money is absurd. I simply asked Mr. Hearst's representatives to wait till the return of my son, who was handling the business, and when they refused I asked dirty days' interest, to which I believed I was entitled to."

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