

INDICTMENTS ARE ISSUED IN SHEAVES

Tell Story Only Equal to That of Tweed Ring.

RUEF HAS LARGEST SHARE

Other Revelations Involve Millionaire Magnates of Wall Street.

RUEF RAPIDLY WEAKENS

Schmitz Will Call on Harriman for Help in Distress.

BOARD OF WORKS IS NEXT

Astonishing Condition Exists There. How Henny and Burns Used Slight Leverage to Lift Lid From Festering Mass.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—(Special.)—Sixty-five indictments were filed by the grand jury today against Abs Ruef and 16 against T. V. Halsey, of the Pacific States Telephone Company. They all charge bribery. Assistant District Attorney Henny and Federal Agent Burns assert that it is only a beginning.

The total amount represented in the indictments is \$21,720. When to this is added the amount which went to Ruef and Schmitz, the total will reach \$1,000,000 in five deals exposed today.

Involve New York Magnates. There are more deals of which the public has small conception. They include not only local magnates, but men who have made names in New York, who have trafficked for special private gains in San Francisco for their corporations. It is understood that a power in Wall street who recently testified before the Interstate Commerce Commission will be given an opportunity to defend himself.

Ruef Vainly Tries to Jest. Ruef presented a sorry figure in his room at the St. Francis Hotel tonight. He tried to jest.

How Money Was Divided. In the overhead trolley deal, Ruef, according to Mr. Burns, was given \$485,000 by the United Railroads, of which the political boss is alleged to have divided \$31,000. Of this amount \$4000 is said to have been given to each of 14 Supervisors, two received \$10,000 each and one \$15,000. In the restricting of boxing permits to the big four of the fight trust, the indictments charge that \$200 was given to each of 18 Supervisors or a total of \$3600, although a fund of \$20,000 was said to have been collected for Ruef.

Schmitz Calls for Harriman's Aid. Mayor Schmitz, when informed of the exposures, hurried to the home of William F. Herrin, chief counsel of the Southern Pacific, with whom he held an extended conference. Then he returned to his home and was closeted with his attorneys far into the night. He refused to make a statement, speaking in a voice remarkable for its composure.

Double Cross on Telephone Lines. The most sensational testimony to come to the grand jury was that of E. T. Pimmer, former auditor of the Pacific States Telephone Company. The witness told the grand jury that he had received orders from Manager Louis Glass, of the company, to pass as correct the accounts of Theodore Halsey. It was brought out through other witnesses that Halsey had rented apartments in the Mills building in April of last year and had taken the Supervisors there and had given them \$2000 apiece. Ten officials were thus purchased. It was brought out also that these Supervisors later made out to the Home Telephone Company and granted the franchise which they had been paid to withhold.

Other Indictments Kept Secret. Henny After Big Bribe-givers. SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—The long-looked-for indictments in the municipal graft cases were returned tonight. Shortly before 6 o'clock the grand jury filed with Presiding Judge Coffey, of the Superior Court, 75 indictments, charging bribery, which were found on evidence presented to the grand jury after six months' probing into the municipal affairs of this city by Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Henny and Secret Service Agent William J. Burns, and which reveal an amazing story of graft and corruption, that surpasses the hoodlum cases of St. Louis, ranks with the Minnesota expose, and is only eclipsed in the amount of money passed, but not in its ramifications and organization, by the famous Tweed ring of New York.

RUEF AND HALSEY ACCUSED

Of the indictments returned today 65 are against Abraham Ruef, for years the political boss of San Francisco, charging him with bribing the Board of Supervisors to grant franchises to the United Railroads, the Home Telephone Company, the San Francisco Gas & Electric Company and the so-called prizefighting "trust." Ten are against T. V. Halsey, ex-general agent of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, who is charged with having bribed the Supervisors not to grant a franchise to the rival company. One indictment against Ruef and four more against Halsey, which, it is understood, were also returned today, were not filed in open court.

Several more indictments, the exact number and against what persons Mr. Henny and Mr. Burns refuse to divulge, until the accused parties have been arrested, were returned by the grand jury but not filed. Mr. Henny and Mr. Burns not even trusting the secret file.

Cases Against Ruef. Of the 65 counts of bribery against Ruef, 17 are in connection with the granting of the overhead trolley franchise to the United Railroads immediately after the disaster of last April; 15 are based upon the money alleged to have been spent by the gas company to secure a 55-cent gas rate as against a 75-cent rate; 12 refer to the passing of money by the Home Telephone Company to obtain a franchise for a bid of \$25,000, which, it has been declared, was worth at least \$1,000,000; and 18 indictments are based upon the alleged bribing of the Supervisors by Ruef to grant high permits on the city, which is composed of Eddie Grancy, Morris Levy, James Coffroth and Willis Britt.

Ruef Acted as Broker. The money in all these cases is alleged to have been handled by Ruef, who according to Mr. Henny and Mr. Burns, was the agent and broker between the public service corporations and the Board of Supervisors and a sort of general distributing agent for all who desired privileges from the Supervisors.

The indictments against Halsey charge the agent of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company with bribing 14 members of the Board of Supervisors to fix the rival company a franchise. Judge Coffey fixed the bail at \$10,000 on each indictment, or a total of \$650,000 for Ruef and \$100,000 for Halsey. The latter is a brother-in-law of the late John I. Sabin, ex-president of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, later at the head of the telephone system in Chicago, and a brother-in-law of Louis Glass, president of the Philippine Telephone Company. Halsey has been for some time in Manila, installing the system in the islands. He has been under surveillance for several days and extradition papers will be applied for as soon as he has been taken into custody. Orders have been cabled for his arrest.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC ENTERS PORTLAND

Trains Will Come In on O.R. & N. Tracks.

CONTRACTS ARE SIGNED HERE

Freight Service From East via Spokane to Begin May 1.

PASSENGER TRAINS LATER

Will Give This City Shortest Route to St. Paul, Second Short Line to Chicago, and a Competitor for Hill and Harriman Systems.

PORTLAND'S NEW ROUTE TO EAST.

Canadian Pacific Railway will run freight trains into Portland commencing May 1. Passenger equipment will be put on within a short time thereafter. Contracts were signed yesterday with the O. R. & N. allowing the Canadian line the use of the Harriman tracks between Spokane and Portland.

This will give Portland the shortest direct line to St. Paul of any city in the Pacific Northwest. The new road into Portland will have equal mileage to Chicago with that of the Union Pacific. Through Pullman cars will be operated to St. Paul and through freight carried to all Canadian points, St. Paul and the East and the Atlantic seaboard.

Portland will gain largely by the entrance of the new line, adding a competing route to both the Harriman and Hill systems.

Canadian Pacific trains will be running into Portland May 1. Contracts were signed up here yesterday by traffic officials of the Canadian road with R. B. Miller, general freight agent for the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, allowing the use of tracks from Spokane to Portland. The Canadian Pacific now reaches Spokane from the C. P. R.'s main line at the Canadian boundary.

Freight service from Portland to all points in Canada, as well as to the Atlantic seaboard, will be started May 1 by the new traffic arrangement. Passenger trains will be put on at a later date. Through passenger service is promised from Portland to St. Paul.

The use of the O. R. & N. tracks by Canadian Pacific equipment was arranged for recently at a conference between Vice-President G. M. Bosworth of the Canadian line and Traffic Director J. C. Stubbs of the Harriman system. This meeting was held in Chicago a short time ago.

MAY DODGE DEATH TO ENTER ASYLUM

Thaw's Worst Terror May Be Realized.

JEROME'S STARTLING MOVE

Declares Prisoner Insane and Trial Is Stopped.

LUNACY COMMISSION NEXT

Effort to Introduce Hamilton's Evidence Culminates in Dramatic Scene—Both Sides to Produce Insanity Evidence Today.



Frank S. Dietrich, appointed United States Judge for Idaho.

NEW YORK, March 20.—The blow of which Harry Kendall Thaw has been in terror ever since the murder of Stanford White fell today. District Attorney Jerome did not make a formal application for the appointment of a commission in lunacy, but in an impassioned speech he appealed to the conscience of the court, declaring that as Thaw sits daily in court he is incapable of advising his counsel and is believed by every one who has watched and who comes into contact with him to be insane.

Mr. Jerome asserted that his own assistants were convinced, when they had considered all the facts in connection with the case, that Thaw was of unbalanced mind. Mr. Jerome dramatically accused the counsel for the defense of concealing the testimony which, if presented to the court, would make the continuance of the trial a crime.

Mr. Jerome pleaded that Justice Fitzgerald dismissed the jury until Friday morning and adjourned court until 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, when he will consider what evidence either side has to offer and decide whether the trial shall go on or whether a commission in lunacy shall be appointed to pass upon Thaw's present mental condition.

Dramatic and Exciting. The scenes attending the adjournment of court shortly after 1 o'clock were dramatic and exciting. Thaw's counsel seemed taken utterly by surprise. This was expected to be the last day of the trial except for the summing up before the jury. Soon after the three-cornered discussion among Justice Fitzgerald, Mr. Jerome and Mr. Delmas began, Thaw's five other attorneys gathered one by one around the Judge's desk and for a time seemed intent upon denying what the court had termed the charges of unprofessional conduct brought against them by the prosecuting officer.

Thaw in Utter Dejection. Thaw, dejected, pale and dispirited, sat at his counsel table. He flushed crimson as one by one his attorneys left him to rally to the support of Mr. Delmas, who, however, amid the proceedings, was suspended by John E. Gleason. Thaw bit his nails, opened and closed his hands nervously, and finally sank down in his chair in an attitude of utter dejection.

Hamilton Brings Climax. The climax of the nine-week trial was precipitated by the action of the defense in calling to the stand Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton, the alienist, who was first called into the case by Thaw's original lawyers, Black, Olcott, Gruber & Bonyngt, but who was dismissed, to-

WHERE PILGRIMS FOUGHT INDIANS

Churches Which Were Used as Forts.

MUSKETS STACKED IN AISLES

Colonial Cemetery Robbed of Encroaching Sea.

OLD MARYLAND CHURCHES

Built of Brick Brought From England With Books Given by Queen Anne—Little Church Where Actors Are Married.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—(Special Correspondence.)—The old churches of New England are rich in stories that show the brave spirit of colonial days. The earliest edifices combined military features with the ecclesiastical and while the person preached with his own musket leaning against the pulpit, sentinels stood at the door ready to give warning of Indians. The lumberhouses of the men-warriors stood stacked in the center of the aisle, and the reserve supply of powder for the colony was stored in the loft overhead.

The law in New England required that all houses be built within a certain distance of the church, an arrangement that guaranteed mutual protection and brought all members of the town in reach of the drum-beats that summoned the men to church or to war.

Where Miles Standish Prayed. The Church of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Massachusetts, stands today on the site of the one where Miles Standish worshipped so long ago and up whose aisle he strode in his mud-stained, clothing only to see the lovely Priscilla, made the wife of John Alden. In the old church Roger Williams preached before he was sent away to a life of exile among the Indians, and from the same old church William Bradford went out with an exploring party one day to be caught in a storm in an Indian deer-trap. The old cemetery, where the dead were buried and where wheat was sown so that the Indians might not see how many of the congregation had died, has been robbed by the sea in its encroachments on the land. The site and name of this historic church date back to 1600.

Refuge of the Regicides. Centre Church at New Haven, Connecticut, was built by the Episcopalians in 1650, when bullets were used as legitimate currency and when drum-beats called the hours for matins and evensong. A new house was built in 1870, and here for awhile preached William Hooke, a man of stern religious convictions, who left the colony to become chaplain to Cromwell when the commonwealth supplanted the court of Charles in England. Hooke was the first man to suggest the founding of Yale College, giving his home-lot for the perpetual maintenance of a teaching officer or school-master. It has been used ever since as the home of the rectors or presidents of Yale.

This church was the one which had greatest sympathy for Cromwell, and here were supported and protected Whalley and Goffe, two of the regicides responsible for the death of Charles I. One James Davis also came to dwell in the town and attend the church, a peaceable, likable fellow about whom there was always an air of mystery. This was explained when he died, for he was none other than John Dixwell, the third regicide. When the present edifice was erected in 1814, it was necessary to extend over the graveyard, and there are now 120 graves in the crypt, among them being that of Benedict Arnold's first wife. The communion service still in use was given by Queen Anne.

Where Washington Worshipped. When Philadelphia was the capital of the United States the churches there had many conspicuous figures in their congregations. Washington and Adams went to worship in Christ Church, and for many years Benjamin Franklin had a pew there. Part of the church dates back to 1777, and part of the communion service now in use was given by good Queen Anne, the almoner to America, where communion services were concerned. The oldest church in the Quaker City is the Church of the Gloria Dei, generally known as Old Swedes Church, the present edifice having been dedicated in 1700. St. Peter's, completed in 1761, keeps guard over the dust of Commodore Deane in its churchyard, and at St. Paul's, a church almost as old, Edwin Forrest is buried.

Early Maryland Churches. St. Paul's, in Kent County, Maryland, has the same walls that were erected in 1718, though the church dates back to 1682, and the communion service is the same that was given by Colonel Thomas Smythe in 1695. At St. Luke's, Wye, an east-shore church, the records show an interest taken by members of the King's

APPEAL TO JUDGE'S CONSCIENCE

Mr. Delmas sought to have Mr. Jerome placing himself on record as formally applying for a lunacy commission, but the District Attorney would only repeat that he was calling the attention of the court to a matter which might appeal to his conscience.

Mr. Jerome said that Drs. Bingham and Deemar, two of the Thaw family physicians, had told him facts concerning epilepsy on both sides of the prisoner's family, but the defense had failed to bring out these matters in the testimony. He continued: "I believe that the state all the facts in my possession, and they are all in favor of the fact that the defendant is suffering from a disease called paranoia, the characteristics of which are insane delusions; that acting under these insane delusions, he killed Stanford White, but that within the legal definition of insanity he knew the nature and quality of his act and knew the act to be wrong."

Offers "Real Evidence." Justice Fitzgerald wanted to know if the alienists had informed the District Attorney of their opinions before answering the long hypothetical question in court. Mr. Jerome admitted that they had. The evidence he submitted to them had not been adduced in court, however, and he could not put it in the hypothetical question.

Mr. Jerome explained: "Now that they have put Dr. Hamilton on the stand, I have my first opportunity of laying before the court sworn testimony of a character which may demand the attention of the court. For the first time we have the real character of the facts, and I want it all to go in. Your honor will support me in the claim that ever since this trial began I have struggled to have the real facts brought before the court, and I have brought out all the facts with objections and legal restrictions everywhere."

Mr. Delmas replied that it was strange, if the District Attorney had so long possessed the information he was stating to the court, that he had persisted so long in prosecuting to his death a man

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HOW MUCH HIGHER WILL STAGE-MANAGER HENNEY GET THE CURTAIN?

