

WHY HE IS STARTING ROLE

Causes Arrest of Prominent Los Angeles Man for Blackmail.

ADMITS HE IS EX-CONVICT

Served Term in San Quentin, but Asserts Innocence—Letters From Owens Accuse Him of Buying Mrs. Owens' Wife.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 6.—A distinct sensation has been caused by the arrest of Dr. J. S. Owens, a physician, with offices in the Hotel Ramona, on charges of blackmail, preferred by J. Whyte Evans, a millionaire and former president of the United Railways Company of Portland. Dr. Owens is the divorced wife of Mrs. Evans. Mr. Owens charged that for 20 years Owens, by innumerable ingenious methods, has been extorting blackmail from him. The total sum secured has been about \$30,000, according to Mr. Evans. Owens is in jail in default of \$4000 bail.

The sensation centers around Mrs. Owens, who is an extremely attractive woman. She is the daughter of C. H. Hance, City Treasurer of Los Angeles. Formerly, she was a professional singer and under the name of Miss Hance Owens acquired considerable fame. In his letters to Mr. Evans, which the latter makes public, Owens speaks of the stealing of his wife by Mr. Evans and of the purchase price.

Evans Is Ex-Convict.

The letters form a series of startling allegations, chief of which is one that Mr. Evans is an ex-convict and a deserter of two former wives and children.

Mr. Evans is said to have served a sentence of two years in San Quentin for embezzlement. The alleged crime was committed 20 years ago. Regarding his incarceration, Mr. Evans was quoted in an interview today as follows:

"I served the sentence, but I was innocent of any crime. I pleaded guilty to the charge against me upon advice of counsel. While I was entirely innocent, the circumstances were so strong against me, and I thought it was the best I could do."

The alleged embezzlement was committed in San Francisco. Mr. Evans says a friend sent him to his home for \$500 from his wife, which he wished for gambling. The money was lost and the friend, to clear himself, had Mr. Evans arrested for embezzlement, and the latter never turned the money over to him.

Owens' Demand for Money.

One letter from Owens demands that \$5000 be paid him immediately to settle certain claims which he says he has on Mr. Evans, and threatening exposure of various dark chapters in Mr. Evans' past life if this amount is not forthcoming. This letter was written February 28, 1906, at Los Angeles, and sent to Mr. Evans at Portland.

Mr. Evans in an interview said that owing to the nature of some of the deals in which he was interested as president of the United Railways, it was absolutely necessary that no scandal arise and consequently he paid Owens money to keep him quiet. After leaving the United Railways, Mr. Evans says he came to Los Angeles with the avowed intention of ending this persecution and of sending Owens to the penitentiary. He says that there is nothing in his past life that he is not willing to lay bare to the world and that the time has come to stop the rascally work of his persecutor.

Owens appeared greatly surprised when arrested, and was taken to jail in spite of his protestations that it was "no place for a gentleman."

Says Evans Bought His Wife.

One of the letters from Owens accuses Mr. Evans of buying the former's wife by his attorney for \$25,000. Mr. Evans says he bought the fine clothes and the money to satisfy her costly tastes that Owens could not. This was after a trip to Mexico, where Mr. Evans had evidently made a stake. One of the letters from Owens explains this by stating the fact that Mr. Evans piloted an absconding cashier into the city.

Denies All Owens' Charges.

Mr. Evans denies everything alleged in the letters of Dr. Owens but the fact of his jail sentence, and says that he never felt so happy as he has since he started the suit. He says:

"I have this fellow Owens \$20,000 in cash in the last three years and every cent of it was extorted. He had a sword hanging over me and made me sweat blood."

residence property on Willamette Heights and only a week ago went to Los Angeles to visit his wife, who has preceded him for a visit to her parents, City Treasurer and Mrs. C. H. Hance, of that city. It could not be learned last night whether Mr. Evans expects to return to Portland when the suit in which he is interested at Los Angeles is ended.

A HUMORIST IN TROUBLE

Experiments With Angora Goats on a New England Farm.

Chicago Inter Ocean.

It is refreshing to find that there is one man, at least, who can and does approach the chief magistrate with a complaint in anything but a complaining mood. Even though this man has several grievances against one of the departments of the government, he has also the good taste to present them in a manner not only respectful but entertaining to the responsible head of the Government.

In an evil hour this person applied to the Angora Bureau of the Agricultural Department for information as to the breeding, culture and care of Angora goats. In response to his request the Department sent to him, so he says, a handsome printed pamphlet containing among other things beautiful half-tone engravings of spacious landscapes. The "before and after" series of pictures contained in the pamphlet particularly held his attention. He says, in his communication to the President:

"Before Goating" shows a dense jungle, suggesting the average New Hampshire picture. "One Year After Goating" shows the same land producing a valuable crop of bean poles. "Two Years After Goating" shows a lawn suitable for golf links. Owing, as he did, a New England farm, the omnivorous appetite of the Angoras, as described by the Department, led him to believe, he alleges, that their introduction to his place might effect a saving of blasting powder, the chief source of expense attending the pursuit of agriculture in that part of the country. However, following the advice franked to him from the capital, he "produced a flock at considerable cost. The result of the first interview of my dog and the buck caused me to name the latter 'Owl' in view of the fact that of race suicide, I think, would receive your approval. The does, on the other hand, neglect their kids so shamelessly that I fear they belong to a female goat club."

He was determined, however, to leave nothing undone that might in any way conduce toward the comfort of his herd and the success of the enterprise. With this impulse inspiring him, he says:

"I enclosed the flock with a fence highly recommended to me by a steel and wire company. I now suspect that this company may be a trust and should be investigated. The goats began by thrusting their heads through the upper part of the fence, where they hung by their horns. When tired of this they went through, under and over the fence."

Now, there are men who at this point would lose their calmness and proceed to criticize the conduct of one Mr. Roosevelt's department chiefs, but this man continues in the same tranquil spirit:

"I make no complaint that they ate a valuable rose garden belonging to a neighbor; but their conduct in my own vegetable garden entitles me to relief. When I suggested their rapidity of movement might prompt ideas to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in connection with its Chicago-New York fast train. If interested, it can obtain the flock on easy terms, not necessitating a new bond issue."

KING'S JOKE ABOUT KELLY

Sends Bogus Bulletin Kelly Won Race to Be Run Today.

Portland athletic circles were startled yesterday afternoon by the report posted on the bulletin board at Schiller's cigar store to the effect that Dan Kelly had won the 100-yard dash at the Jamestown Exposition, and had covered the distance in 9.25 seconds, which is better than his recent record. The report was the result of a practical joke perpetrated by Jack King, who had been arguing the probable outcome of the Jamestown events with several University of Oregon students.

The Oregon men swore by Kelly and, finding that he could not win the argument and failing to secure a bet, King left the crowd and a few minutes later telephoned Schiller, stating that it was the Portland Stock Exchange and that a private wire had been received announcing that Kelly had won in 9.25. The news tickled the Oregon rosters immensely and Schiller lost no time placing the announcement on his bulletin board. King came around a few minutes later and was asked for an opinion on the result of the supposed race. He announced that he did not believe it and that he was not betting. Just before some of the varsity men were about to hurry home and get some money, some one tipped the information that Kelly was not to run until Saturday, as he was a senior, and the victim of the "joke" made all haste in getting out of sight.

President H. H. Holtz of the Pacific Northwest Amateur Athletic Union was in Portland and heard the rumor. While he hoped it was true, he could hardly believe it, and came to the Oregonian office to have it confirmed. Mr. Holtz will be in Portland for several days, but refused to state whether his mission had anything to do with the recent controversy over Kelly's starting.

Dan Kelly will run at Jamestown today, and whether he will equal or beat his world's record will be known tonight.

The Schoolmaster.

In Switzerland there are no women school teachers. All at once, and they are considered great men. There are laws to protect their dignity, and among the laws are the following articles:

"It is a fine to call the teacher bald-headed.

"It is a fine to make fun of his coat.

"It is a fine to laugh when he takes snuff.

"It is a fine to giggle if he falls down.

"It is a fine to say that he is not a good teacher.

"It is a fine to laugh if he mislays his glasses.

"Any pupil who may draw an absurd picture on the blackboard and write the words: 'Our Teacher underneath' may be sent to jail for three days."

Fighting the Gypsy Moth.

Boston Transcript.

It is costing Massachusetts \$1,000,000 a year to fight the gypsy moth. This includes public appropriations, state and local, and expenses incurred by individuals in the warfare. This estimate does not take into account the loss through the destruction of trees in the great wooded areas, which is heavy economically and not less serious aesthetically.

Giacomo Puccini has decided to compose the music to an opera based on the life of Marie Antoinette. The libretto will be prepared by Ilka Schumann.

Store Closed All Day Monday—New Fall Goods Now on Display in All Departments

The Pure Food Law of the United States Govt. Guarantees the Purity of All Drugs Sold by the

"OWL" DRUGSTORE

Lowest Prices in Oregon on Drugs, Toilet Articles, Standard Remedies

Established 1850—FIFTY-SEVEN YEARS IN BUSINESS—Established 1850

Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Good Merchandise Only—Quality Considered Our Prices Are Always the Lowest

THE VICTOR

Talking Machine, \$1 Down, \$1 a Week

Come in and Hear the New Records at our Victor Hall

For Today, Saturday, We Announce An Extraordinary Sale of An Importer's Overstock of Leather Goods At Record Low Prices



THIS is no ordinary occasion. It offers hundreds of articles in Leather Goods at the lowest prices ever quoted at the beginning of the season. Do not fail to see the display. Warning—only a few of many items. Be early.

\$2.25 and \$3.00 Purses \$1.98
Coin Purses, with outside pockets, \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$3.00 values, sale price..... **\$1.98**

\$2.00 and \$2.25 Bags \$1.48
New Brown and Black and Tan Bags with side pockets, coin purses, with new chain handles and double strap handles, \$2.00, \$2.25 values..... **\$1.48**

75c Card Cases 25c
Men's Card Cases in seal leather and walrus, 75c value..... **25c**

75c and \$1 Bill Books 40c
Men's Bill Books in walrus and seal leather, 75c and \$1.00 value..... **40c**

\$1, \$1.25 Collar Bags 55c
Men's Collar Bags in brown and tan leather, \$1.00 and \$1.25 value, each..... **55c**

\$1, \$1.25 Card Cases 69c
Men's Card Cases in pin seal, matched seal and walrus leather, \$1.00 and \$1.25 value..... **69c**

\$1, \$1.25 Collar Bags 79c
Men's Collar Bags in brown and tan, \$1.25, \$1.50 value..... **79c**

Horn Back Bags \$3.98
New Horn Back Alligator Bags, with fancy Alligator trimmings, sale price..... **\$3.98**

Ladies' Handbags \$1.25
Ladies' Hand Bags in brown, tan and black, with gilt and gun metal trimmings, side pockets, strap books and vanity purses, new Fall styles..... **\$1.25**

\$9.00 Suit Cases \$6.98
Real Cowhide Leather Suit Case, with riveted corners, patent locks and bolts, straps, etc., \$9.00 value..... **\$6.98**

\$8.00 Suit Cases \$5.98
Bellows Suit Case in 24 and 26 in., extra large size straps all around, patent locks and bolts, \$8.00 value..... **\$5.98**

New Leather Belts 50c
New Black and White Leather Belts with gilt and leather buckles, plain and crushed leather..... **50c**

Steel Studded Belts 65c
New Steel Studded Elastic Belts, brown and black and tan, endless variety..... **65c**

White Wash Belts for 10c
Lot of odds and ends in White Wash Belts, pearl buckles, etc..... **10c**

25c Borax 12c lb.

Famous 20-Mule-Team Borax, regular 25c lb.; Owl cut rate..... **12c**
15c 20-Mule-Team Borax, Owl cut rate..... **7c**
7c 20-Mule-Team Borax, cut rate..... **3c**

Dodds' Kidney Pills, regular 50c, Owl cut rate..... **30c**
Abbott's Saline Laxative, regular 50c, Owl cut rate..... **37c**
Dandruff, regular \$1 size, Owl cut rate..... **65c**
Paine's Celery Compound, regular \$1.00 size, Owl cut rate..... **69c**
Pyramid Pile Cure, regular \$1.00, Owl cut rate..... **60c**
Quinine Pills, 10-gr., 100 to bottle, regular 50c, Owl cut rate..... **35c**
Kilmer's Heart Cure, regular \$1.00 size, Owl cut rate..... **59c**
Wynett's Violey Salts, regular \$1.25, Owl cut rate..... **79c**
Marchand's Peroxide, regular 50c, Owl cut rate..... **35c**
Cuticura Resolvent, regular 50c, Owl cut rate..... **33c**

Sale of Boxed Papers

Odd lots of the best styles. Each lot of limited quantity, so be early and save money.

25c Paper..... **7c** 35c Paper..... **22c**
20c Paper..... **12c** \$1.00 box, containing 30c Paper..... **three quires and one 35c Paper..... **18c** 50c Paper..... **28c****

\$1.50-2 Fall Bags \$1

An infinite variety of new Fall Bags—Vanity, "Flurry" Butties, Langtry and Regent bags—some with back straps, fancy chain handles, top straps, inside coin purses, in brown, tan, black and green. Regular \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 values..... **\$1.00**

Two for 25c

Two for 25c Music Sale

Standard American Airs:
Blossom
My Mississippi Missus Misses Me
Say Fay
Won't Your Mamma Let You Come Out and Play? (Child's Song)
I'll Keep a Warm Spot in My Heart for You
Dreaming
Smart Set Dance Album

85c Waistings at 49c

The greatest opening of season dry goods bargains—50 yards of Plaid Wool Waistings in beautiful combinations of colors; regularly 75c and 85c yard..... **49c**

Today's Notion Sales

25c Sapolin Stovepolish Enamel for..... **15c**
10c Emaline Stove Paste, special..... **8c**
10c Enamel Liquid Stove Polish for..... **10c**
15c Bone Hairpins, regular \$1 size, for..... **10c**
15c T. M. Shoe Polish, sale special..... **10c**
10c Pitts Pomade Metal Polish, special..... **7c**
10c Old Dutch Chamber Sals, for..... **5c**
25c pkg. Gold Dust, the twins work..... **15c**
15c Electro Silicon Silver Polish for..... **8c**
10c Old Dutch Chamber Sals, for..... **5c**
3c Box Toothbrushes, TWO boxes for..... **5c**
25c Nickel Towel Rings, sale..... **15c**
25c Chinese Ironing Wax with handles, 3 for..... **5c**
75c Houchin's Ideal Alcohol Stoves for..... **50c**
25c Bone Hair Pins, large size, crimped and straight, 3 on card, for..... **15c**
50c and 75c Scissors, assorted sizes, for..... **19c**

Fairy Soap 3c Cake

Castle Soap, white, mottled and gray, cake..... **3c**
Violet, White Rose and all other odors, cakes in box for..... **19c**
1000 Imported Tooth Brushes, each..... **12c**
German Polishing Cloth for silver..... **12c**
35c-40c best grade Japanese Nail Brushes..... **19c**
25c Espes's Cream, sale..... **14c**
25c Benzoin and Almond Lotion..... **19c**
25c Liquid Tooth Wash, sale..... **14c**

39c Croat Collars for 22c

Croat Collars, made in all color plaids, checks, polka dots and some in plain white lawn, regular 35c value, special for..... **22c**
The new "Embroiderette" Ladies' Handkerchief, regular 10c value, special for..... **5c**

CROOKS ROB TRAIN

Passengers on Rock Island Are Plundered in Sleep.

ADMIRAL DRAKE, PIRATE

When the "Golden Hind" Took \$720,000 From a Spaniard.

FIGHT WITH CONDUCTOR

After Picking Pockets at Lincoln, Neb., Thieves Board Train and Continue Work—Leap From the Train and Escape.

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 6.—Three armed crooks, who had picked the pockets of a number of Rock Island passengers at the station in Lincoln and attempted to continue their game on the train, engaged in a desperate encounter with Henry Duval, conductor on the Rocky Mountain Limited, near Alvo station, about 1 o'clock this morning.

After standing off Mr. Duval with a knife, the men leaped from the moving train over a low piece of track about eight miles west of Alvo and escaped in the darkness. Two Rock Island special agents have been sent to the vicinity of their escape with good descriptions of the men. The last heard from them they had not struck the trail of the robbers. Passengers had reported being robbed at Lincoln, and later Mr. Duval discovered the crooks attempting to rob men who were asleep. He tried to capture them, but in vain. The first reports were to the effect that the train had been held up.

Electrocuted While Fighting Fire.

FRESNO, Cal., Sept. 6.—Carl G. Penner, a callman in the local fire department, was electrocuted while fighting a fire which broke out in the Fresno

STRIKING OPERATORS SUED

REFUSE TO PAY TELEGRAPH BILL TO POSTAL COMPANY.

Charge That Messages Not Delivered Will Go Into Court—Strike Benefits Cause Trouble.

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—(Special).—A new phase in the strike of the commercial telegraphers developed today when the Postal Telegraph Company began suit against the union for the recovery of a debt of \$123.25. The bill is for messages sent by the union during the month of August. Payment was refused by officers of the union on the ground that the company had failed to send some of the messages.

One telegram sent to Hot Springs after the strike began was not delivered, according to the officers of the union. When the regular month's bill was presented Thursday the collector was asked to furnish some proof that the messages had been sent. The company decided it would furnish the proof in the Municipal Court September 11, on which date the suit will be heard.

The payment of strike benefits to some of the strikers and not to others has caused dissensions in the ranks, and the operators have appointed a committee of six members from each company to conduct an investigation of the financial condition of the union.

The companies assert that the strikers are continually and steadily breaking ranks, and that a number are returning to work each day.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Dr. Michael Beshear, Colorado.

TRINIDAD, Colo., Sept. 6.—Dr. Michael Beshear, one of the most prominent and popular men of Southern Colorado, died today of heart failure at the residence of his daughter, a short illness at the age of 74. He was born in Pennsylvania and was graduated from Ann Arbor University in 1853, being the last survivor of his class. He served as a surgeon in the Confederate army. Coming to Colo-

LEWIS WILLIAMS, COPPER KING.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 6.—Lewis Williams, known as "Don Lewis," father of Bisbee, who developed the great Copper Queen mine of Arizona, and founder of the town of Bisbee, died at his home in this city yesterday, of heart failure at the age of 73. He was a native of Wales and amassed large wealth in his mining operations in this country.

EAGLES BALLING FOR OFFICERS.

NORFOLK, Va., Sept. 6.—Balloting for the election of officers of the grand aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, was in progress today. The balloting is quite exciting, with much electioneering. The convention is considering the adoption of a universal uniform for the Uniformed Rank F. O. E.

PIONEER OF 1851, AGED 92.

WALLOWA, Or., Sept. 6.—Andrew McAlexander, Lane County pioneer of 1851 and superintendent of construction of the Oregon State University and the Sta-

STRIKEBREAKERS WORK AT ANTWERP.

ANTWERP, Sept. 6.—Work was resumed here today on all the steamers, where 4000 strikebreakers are employed.

TEA

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It may then produce dyspepsia, catarrh, and marked tendency to consumption, before causing eruptions, sores or swellings.

To get entirely rid of it take the great blood-purifier,

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In usual liquid form or in chocolate tablets known as Sarsatabs. 100 doses \$1.