

BANKER'S MISTAKE CASE QUESTIONS

Warrant is Issued for F. N. Myers, President of Defunct Bank at Mount Scott.

ITALIAN DEALINGS QUEER

Man Not Yet Arrested and May Be Gone From Portland—A. B. Ferrera Uncovers Peculiar Transactions With Countrymen.

In a warrant issued from the District Attorney's office, F. N. Myers, president of the Mount Scott Bank, now in the hands of a receiver, is charged with accepting a deposit in a bank not licensed to transact business.

Subscribers to Meet. A meeting of the subscribers to stock in this bank, together with those who made deposits in the institution, will be held tonight in the hall.

Inquiry into the record of Myers shows that he has operated extensively in Portland and Western Oregon as a bank promoter.

They organized several small banks, among them in addition to the Mount Scott Bank being the Scandinavian and the Italian-American, both of this city, also banks at Beaverton and Banks, Washington County.

When the Mount Scott Bank failed and receivers were placed in charge, A. B. Ferrera and others, who had been interested in the Italian-American Bank, were apprised that the condition of that institution was such that it should be closed.

Further inquiry by Ferrera ascertained the fact that Myers had caused to be printed a number of business cards for the bank, showing Ferrera to be president.

Myers proceeded to sell to unsuspecting Italians and others stock in the bank, depositing in the aggregate to about 100 persons approximately \$50,000 of stock.

Several of these notes have been disposed of by Myers, although the notes were given only in payment of stock in the bank.

Although warned repeatedly by State Bank Examiner Wright not to undertake any banking business until a state license had been obtained, Myers evidently accepted deposits, the amount not being known.

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FINAL EFFORT BEGUN TO REOPEN ABRAHAM RUEF CASE



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SNAPSHOT OF RUEF AS HE APPEARED ON HIS WAY TO PENITENTIARY, WITH MUSTACHE MISSING AND GUARDED BY DEPUTIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—Attorneys for Abraham Ruef, former political boss, now serving a sentence of 14 years in San Quentin Penitentiary for bribery, appeared before the State Supreme Court today with a petition asking the court to rehear its order vacating the order to hear an appeal from the decision of the First District Court of appeals, which sustained the judgment of the trial court.

The petition consists of 92 pages, chiefly devoted to an argument that, since the Supreme Court is empowered to correct the errors of lower tribunals, it has the power to rectify any technical mistakes it may have made itself. It is argued in the petition that, through no fault of the defendant, he was deprived of his constitutional right to have his case heard by the failure of the court to provide a substitute for a Justice, who was absent temporarily from the state.

It is contended that the absence of Justice Henshaw was in no wise the fault of the defendant and that the failure of the order for a rehearing to become operative on this account should not be permitted to stand in the way of a nunc pro tunc order of the court providing that a petition for a rehearing be again presented without prejudice to either the people or the defendant.

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Captain Bailey and Patrolman Klingel. They found 25 men around a table on which was \$174 and captured five of the men. The previous night they captured six Chinese gamblers at 75 1/2 North Fourth street.

WOMAN ADMITS NAME

TELEGRAMS ONLY ADD TO MOSCOW FAIR SEX MYSTERY.

Prisoner Tells Maiden Gnomes, but Refuses to Say What Initials Are—Expert to Examine.

MOSCOW, Idaho, March 18.—(Special.)—The mysterious woman, who was arrested in the administration building at the University of Idaho by Sheriff Brown, and charged with insanity, Wednesday, is yet in custody.

While she has persisted in calling herself Mrs. Charles Williston, of London, Canada, and yesterday refused to receive a telegram from Chicago addressed to A. M. Hunt, she admitted today that her maiden name was Hunt, but would not tell for what the initials stand.

The other telegram was from George Hunt and dated Chicago, and addressed to Sheriff Brown, and stated: "I will come to Moscow if necessary, or send ticket for her return. She is not insane."

Doctors Rea and Adair and Judge Morgardet, with the attorneys interested in the case, are to examine the prisoner's sanity, with the result that all agreed she gave much evidence of refinement and education. An effort is being made to get Dr. Givens, superintendent of the asylum at Orofino, to come as an expert on the case.

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ARMY GROWS

Men Beseech Mayor of Socialist City for Work.

SEIDEL NOW POWERLESS

Mayor of Milwaukee, by Rescinding Improvements and Holding Down Expenses Swells Number of Unemployed to 20,000.

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confessed "he" was a girl, that she was 22 years of age and that she ran away from home in New York four years ago.

The Boston will be manned by the following officers: Captain George S. Shepley, Lieutenant Commander J. Spear executive officer, and Lieutenant Blomberg drill master. They had charge of the drill last night.

COUNTRESS GIVES UP TITLE Former Wife of Austrian Nobleman Weds Rubber Company Employee.

NEWPORT, R. I., March 18.—In the presence of relatives and a few friends the Countess Margret Von Beroldingen and Samuel Norris, of Bristol, R. I., and Newport, were married today by Rev. George I. Locke, rector of St. Michael's Episcopal Church of Bristol.

The ceremony was performed at the Newport residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Joseph F. Stone. Little Margot Beroldingen, the Countess' daughter, acted as flower girl. Mr. and Mrs. Norris will reside in New York.

The bride is a daughter of Joseph F. Stone, a New York banker, and was the wife of Count Alexander Von Beroldingen, of Austria. Mr. Norris is secretary of the United States Rubber Company.

The extremes of temperature on the Sahara are such that while the day may be oppressively hot, at night it freezes.

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INSOLVENCY'S PLEA

Petition Is Granted in Case of Vancouver Bank.

RECEIVER DUE TOMORROW

Bond Placed at \$50,000 for Party Who Will Be Put in Charge of Washington City Institution's Finances.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 18.—(Special.)—W. P. Bell, State Attorney-General, acting for J. L. Mohundro, State Bank Examiner, tonight appeared before Judge Donald McMaster and petitioned the court to declare the Commercial Bank of Vancouver insolvent and that a receiver be appointed.

Evidence given by Mr. Mohundro and his deputy, G. K. Betts, to show that the bank is now insolvent. The books show that the loans made to Moore & Martin, contractors, who built St. Joseph's Hospital, amount to more than \$50,000, and the loans to the Central Manufacturing Company were \$12,000 to \$15,000, secured by about \$6000. The court has held that warrants owned by the bank to the extent of \$1100 were not good, and besides these losses there were several smaller accounts which are not considered good. The total losses aggregate \$70,000.

Judge Grants Petition. Judge McMaster granted the petition and took the matter of appointing a receiver under advisement until Monday morning. Myron B. Kies, who has taken over the bank since the 29 days at the County Auditor's office, has been recommended by the depositors' association to be appointed receiver. His bond will be \$50,000.

In speaking of the failure of the bank tonight, Mr. Mohundro said: "I sincerely believe that the depositors will be paid dollar for dollar if proper care is taken of the resources of the bank. It may take a year, or a year and a half to do it, but I believe it can be done."

The reason for the petition for a receiver was caused by my failure to find any one with sufficient capital to take over the bank for the 90 days allowed by law," he continued. "Had the real estate market been reasonably easy, enough securities could have been disposed of to have permitted the bank to reorganize and resume business. I found two persons, each willing to take over the bank, but their capital, \$100,000, could not be secured by them until July and August. It may be that you can yet take over the bank and its business."

"The account of Rector & Daly is well secured, and with care they will pay out in a reasonable time. The Swank & Co. account is more than secured."

Largest Account \$98,000. "The largest account, held by A. T. Aldrich, of Goldendale, and interests in which he is associated, amounts to the \$98,000. He has given securities well worth \$125,000. With Aldrich were his two sons, the Columbia Valley Realty Company, the Toppenish Livestock Company and another man."

"Since taking over the affairs of the bank I have sold real estate amounting to about \$100,000, and of which has been paid for, some being due this Fall and some later."

"The stockholders, who are liable to an assessment, have voluntarily given me securities amounting to nearly \$22,000 of their \$25,000 liability, as follows: H. C. Phillips, president, \$14,000; A. J. Cook, \$4400; Gilbert Daniels, cashier, \$1000; A. L. Miller, \$2500. The balance is owned by Army officers in the islands, and they have been notified. These securities will be held in escrow and will only be used in case it is necessary to keep the depositors from losing anything."

"Yes, some of the loans made were so large as to be absurd. I think that the largest loan should not have been more than \$15,000. The loss on account of Moore & Hardin is what really

crippled the bank. Could that have been made good the bank would be doing business today. The losses amount to about \$70,000, but the losses would be much greater if an attempt were made to realize on the securities at once."

Bank's Condition Out. The condition of the bank, as it will be turned over to the receiver Monday, is reported as follows:

Table with Resources and Liabilities columns. Resources include Loans and discounts, Stocks and bonds, Cash, etc. Liabilities include Capital stock, Surplus fund, Interest, etc.

YATES IS ASKED TO STAY

OVERWORK CAUSES RESIGNATION OF POSTMASTER.

HOOD RIVER CITIZENS Beg Official to Consider Reappointment—Petitions Are Signed Freely.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 18.—(Special.)—Overwork and inability to secure efficient clerical assistance is the explanation made by Postmaster Yates for his resignation. He has been in the department at Washington some ten days ago.

Citizens here were greatly surprised tonight to learn that Mr. Yates had offered his resignation. The first information came in a request from Representative Lafferty asking an expression through petition on which to base recommendation for a successor.

Mr. Yates has been postmaster since McKinley's first Administration and has been eminently popular with the patrons of the office. Petitions praying for Mr. Yates' reappointment were immediately put into circulation this afternoon by friends of the postmaster and every citizen to whom the petition has been presented has signed.

There are no other known applicants for the office. Mr. Yates said tonight: "On account of heavy work and impossibility to secure proper assistance I resigned. The action was hasty and without consulting friends. As yet I do not know whether I shall consider reappointment. I appreciate the petition, however, of friends in my behalf."

Some months ago Postmaster Yates was told to the sidewalk in an unprovoked assault by a youth of the town, who insisted he had a grievance against the postmaster because Mr. Yates had seen fit to make a change in the hours of duty of one of the women clerks.

JAPAN DRAWS NEAR MEXICO

Increasing Friendship Causes Comment in Mikado's Empire.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 18.—Japanese newspapers received by the Ningchow comment on the increasing friendship between Mexico and Japan. It is reported by vernacular papers that arrangements have been made for a visit to Japan by the son of President Diaz and suite in September next to return the visit to Mexico of Mr. Uchida, Japanese Ambassador to the United States.

The new Japanese battleship Settsu, a sister vessel of the Kawachi, launched last October, will be launched on March 30. The Settsu is a vessel of 20,000 tons, carrying 12 12-inch, 10 six-inch, three 4.7, 10 three-inch guns, with five torpedo tubes.

Chinese Gambling Game Raided. A Chinese gambling room at 87 Second street was raided last night by

HEIRESS LOSES \$3,000,000

Judge Denies Claims of Mrs. Maybelle Gilman Corey.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—(Special.)—With the signing of his name, Judge Thomas F. Graham, in the Superior Court today, dissipated the \$3,000,000 which Mrs. Maybelle Gilman Corey, wife of the ex-president of the United States Steel Corporation, recently announced in New York, just before she sailed for her new home in Paris, that she had fallen heir to.

With the same stroke of the pen the court annulled the claims of the former actress' brother, Monroe E. Gilman, of Oakland, and of his sisters, as heirs in share to the same wealth.

The court holds valid the assignments of the heirs of the late Charles Gilman to Attorney G. Deal of all of their right and title, if any they ever had, to a large acreage of Kern County oil lands, which in various suits against Deal they have sought to have set aside on the grounds that their signatures to the process of assignments were secured through fraud and misrepresentation.

The court finds that Deal was not guilty of fraud at the time he had the children of the late Charles Gilman sign over their interests in the property to him for considerations ranging from \$200 to \$550 each.

KANSAS PAPERS CURBED

Legislature Passes Law Regulating Political Articles.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 18.—(Special.)—A law of far-reaching political effectiveness passed in the closing hours of the Kansas Legislature. The bill prohibits the publication of unsigned political articles in newspapers, and no person is permitted to insert articles, which tend to injure any candidate for public office.

It has been charged that under a state-wide primary election law, only rich men, or those able to pay for newspaper space, could make a campaign for state office. The law is aimed at Governor Stubbs and others, who have used space in the newspapers of the state to promote their political interest.

There is a further provision which declares it to be unlawful for any person to pay the owner, editor, publisher or agent of a newspaper to induce him measured.

NAVY APPLICANT IS GIRL

Miss of 26 Confesses Sex When Ordered to Strip.

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AGED COUPLE DESTITUTE

Search for Husband's Sister in Portland is Fruitless.

A tale of devotion, ending in destitution, was unfolded in Portland yesterday, when Mr. and Mrs. Abner Harmond, aged 81 and 71 years, respectively, arrived in Portland from the East, searching for the husband's sister, Mrs. Emma Davis. The gray-haired couple have been in Portland several days, but have found no trace of Mrs. Davis.

Overfallen and sad, the old man and his wife applied to the Associated Charities for help. Any information regarding the whereabouts of his sister will be received at the Associated Charities office, Jefferson street, near 27th.