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MAIL CARS LOOTED

Bandits Get \$16,000 in Great Northern Hold-up

TRACED BACK TO SPOKANE

Wreck on Northern Pacific Injures 30 Passengers—Hotel at Noted Resort Destroyed.

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That the bandits are ex-convicts who planned to loot the Oriental Limited on the night of December 2 is the opinion of a Walla Walla penitentiary guard, who saw the trio on a Seattle street two days ago. The bandits stopped the train and, climbing into the cab of the engine, ordered the fireman to uncouple the express car, which contained a shipment of \$20,000 from Spokane. The fireman failed to obey instructions, and the bandits rode away with the engine and two mail cars. After proceeding a short distance, the robbers brought the engine to a stop and then rifled the registered mail.

Fatal Wreck on N. P. R. R. WARGO, N. D., Dec. 10.—Thirty passengers were injured and one man is reported to have died to death as a result of the wreck of the North Coast Limited, on the Northern Pacific railroad, one mile east of McKenzie, last night. Six coaches overturned when the train was running at the rate of 30 miles an hour. Spreading rails are said to have been the cause.

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FIND RUEF GUILTY

Jury Agrees After Session of Nearly 25 Hours

THOUGHT THEY WOULD HANG

Third Trial of Notorious San Francisco Boss Commenced 106 Days Ago

Special to the Evening Review. SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Dec. 10.—AFTER BEING OUT SINCE 3:35 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, THE JURY IN THE CASE OF ABRAHAM RUEF, CHARGED WITH BRIBERY, RETURNED A VERDICT OF GUILTY AT 4:15 THIS AFTERNOON. THE VERDICT CAME AS A TREMENDOUS SURPRISE TO BOTH SIDES, A DISAGREEMENT HAVING BEEN EXPECTED IN VIEW OF THE LONG DELIBERATIONS.

Immediately after the reading of the verdict, the court remanded Ruef to jail, under double guard. He will receive sentence probably on Saturday morning. The penalty for his crime is imprisonment from one to ten years.

One of the most remarkable trials in the history of California ends with this verdict. In the summer of 1906, a grand jury, after hearing the confession of 16 members of the Board of Supervisors, returned scores of indictments, charging bribery against the Supervisors, against Mayor E. E. Schmitz, against Ruef, then recognized as the political head of the administration, and against officials of the street railway, the gas and electric company, two telephone companies, a realty company and a quartet of prize-fight promoters.

Two Previous Ruef Trials. In addition to several trials, in which the alleged associates of Ruef figured as defendants, Ruef himself has twice appeared to answer one of the scores of indictments pending against him.

In the first case, wherein Ruef was charged with extorting money from the proprietor of a French restaurant, the defendant pleaded guilty, at the same time protesting his innocence. The case was afterwards reversed by the higher courts. In the second trial, upon a charge of having bribed Supervisors in the application of the Parkside Realty Company for a trolley franchise, the jury disagreed after many hours of deliberation.

The third case was upon an indictment charging Ruef with bribing ex-Supervisor John J. Furey. It was commenced on August 26, and therefore has been in progress 105 days, of which 70 were actual court days. The jury was not completed until November 6, when the trial was 72 days old. The record now contains 3200 pages and over 1,000,000 words, shows that 1450 talesmen were summoned, of whom 446 were actually examined.

Ruef's Attorneys are Arrested. Shortly after the trial commenced Frank J. Murphy and Adolph Newburg, two of the attorneys engaged in the case, were arrested.

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