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LOS ANGELES SWINDLER WAS FORMERLY HERE

J. K. Fronk, Wanted for Check Kiting, Was S. P. Ticket Agent.

ACCOUNTS JUGGLED

Was Discharged for Discrepancies and Obtained Transportation to St. Paul by Fraud.

J. K. Fronk, the Los Angeles check kiter, whose operations resulted in the swindling of eight California banks out of sums totaling \$387,000, and for whom an international search is now being made, was a former resident of Roseburg, it was learned today, and was discharged from the employ of the Southern Pacific company in June of 1907 when discrepancies in his accounts attracted the attention of superior officers.

Fronk came to Roseburg in May of 1907 and was given a position as night ticket clerk at the S. P. station. He is described as having been a young man of exceptionally pleasing personality, a dapper dresser and an interesting acquaintance. He was accepted in some of the best families of the city and was a member of the society set during the short time that he was in Roseburg.

According to L. R. Moore, who was station agent at that time, Fronk was an exceptionally good clerk, insofar as efficiency was concerned. He was quick and alert and gave much attention to the details of his work.

During the middle of June attention was directed to his accounts, it is said, by the discovery that tickets were missing from a reserve supply. The proper sequence of the numbered tickets was broken which caused a check to be made of the reserve stock, which resulted in the discovery that a number of tickets and stubs were missing.

Fronk, it is stated, acknowledged the shortage and forfeited his pay check, and his father, who was at that time in charge of the station at Albany, agreed to make up the balance, amounting to approximately \$200.

Further investigations revealed that many patrons had been overcharged or short charged and that tickets had been sold and the stubs not entered, so that defalcations were believed to have amounted to three or four hundred dollars.

The following day Fronk disappeared, and a few days later the local office received an inquiry from Portland headquarters asking where the man had obtained his transportation to St. Paul. It was stated by the superintendent's office that he had a ticket over the Northern Pacific line, and the local office was asked to make a check of its stock to locate the ticket.

A check was made but failed to reveal any discrepancies, as suspected by the head offices, but subsequently the method of obtaining this transportation was discovered.

Fronk had apparently planned his departure some time in advance. During the San Francisco earthquake and fire which had occurred a comparatively short time before, the stock of tickets at the S. P. headquarters was destroyed. This made necessary a skeleton ticket form, which was sent out to all larger offices doing a coupon business. These tickets had blank coupons and stubs which the agents could fill out, giving the destination for which the ticket was purchased.

Fronk had filled out two of these tickets for St. Paul, one for himself and one for a boomer brakeman who went with him. The ticket stubs, however, were made out differently. The tickets provided transportation over the S. P. line to Portland and the Northern Pacific to St. Paul. The stubs provided transportation over the S. P. line to Portland and over the Northern Pacific to Kalama, Washington. The fare was paid on both tickets to Kalama, and as the money paid and the ticket stubs corresponded the records in the local office were regular, and it was not until the original tickets were returned for comparison 60 days later that the trick was discovered.

According to those who knew the man he returned to Roseburg about two years later, broke and hungry. He went to Albany where he again obtained employment with the S. P. company, using an assumed name. He was soon discharged but later went to Red Bluff and was employed again under (Continued on page 2.)

APOSTLE PAUL HAD STENOGRAPHER WHO WROTE SHORTHAND

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The Apostle Paul had a stenographer who took down his letters in shorthand, Henry O. Lloyd, of the University of Chicago, declared in a thesis today. This fact, he said, was revealed through recent studies of the Greek papyri bearing the original scriptures.

The writing of shorthand in those days was as definitely established trade, Lloyd's thesis shows, evidenced through a contract of 155 A. D. in which a next-magistrate of Oxyrhynchus appointed his slave to be a shorthand writer.

ANDY SMITH, BEAR FOOTBALL COACH, PNEUMONIA VICTIM

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8.—Andy Smith, coach of the University of California football team, died this morning at the University of Pennsylvania hospital of pulmonary abscess following bronchial pneumonia.

Smith came east from California to attend the Pennsylvania-Cornell football game on Thanksgiving day and was stricken while at a hotel.

His Golden Bears have gained nationwide fame. In 1920 he developed one of the greatest eleven in the country and his team defeated Ohio State in a post-season game at Pasadena 20 to 0.

Under Smith's coaching, California did not lose a game for five seasons, although being tied several times. The long consecutive record was broken the past fall by the Olympic Club of San Francisco and the University of Washington and Stanford also won from Smith's Bears.

He was recently offered a new four-year contract by California, calling for \$12,500 a season, which he intended to sign.

Andy was married after he went to the coast but was divorced several years ago.

WOMAN BAD CHECK ARTIST, ONCE HELD HERE, IS INSANE

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Jan. 8.—Evelyn Rosenkrantz, who is serving her term in prison here after being confined in San Quentin in 1923, when she was convicted of forgery and sentenced to serve six years, was found insane by a superior court jury here yesterday and committed to the Napa State Hospital.

Prior to her last conviction she had been convicted twice on the charges of forgery and passing worthless checks. She was charged with removing a mortgaged automobile in Seattle and she was involved in passing bad checks in Roseburg, Oregon. In 1922 she was arrested in Los Angeles on charges of obtaining money under false pretense.

Mrs. Rosenkrantz mentioned in the advance dispatch, was arrested in Roseburg in 1922, charged with passing worthless checks. The information upon which she was arrested came from Astoria, but the case was settled here and she was released and immediately left for California. Within a few hours after her departure word was received by the local sheriff's office that other worthless checks had been passed, and it was ascertained that she had been released and was on her way back to Roseburg, but was arrested a short time later in California.

HEAVY RAIN CAUSES BIG FLOODS IN MEXICO

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NOGALES, Ariz., Jan. 8.—Hundreds of families have been made homeless by floods of the last week in the state of Nayarit, Mexico, but no loss of life has been reported. It is stated in a special dispatch from Tepic, capital of Nayarit, received at noon today by the Noyales Herald.

NEGRESS SUES FOR RIGHT TO BUY PROPERTY

Appeals to Supreme Court From Decree Upholding City Ordinance.

WASHINGTON IS SCENE

National Capital Residence District Involved and Other Cities Also Await Result.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The question of race segregation in cities was argued before the supreme court today in a case involving the enforceability of contracts made among property owners to restrict the sale and use of their property.

The case originated in the national capital. The property involved, which the owner sought to sell to a negro woman, is on S street, in what a few years ago was an exclusive white residential section. The homes of Herbert Hoover and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson are on the same street only six blocks away.

Owners of the property in the block in dispute made a formal contract in 1921, for a period of 21 years, none would sell to a negro. About a year later, however, one of the parties to the contract, Mrs. Irene Hand Corrigan, agreed to sell her house to Mrs. Helen Curtis and the other property owners in the block were given an injunction against the sale on the ground that Mrs. Curtis is of negro blood. The lower court held the contract valid and enforceable sweeping aside contentions that constitutional guarantees of race and equality had been violated.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People joined with the others in appealing the case to the highest court, Louis Marshall, counsel for Mrs. Curtis, contended that agreements among white property owners not to sell to negroes was an entering wedge of a "Ku Klux Klan program."

The moment there is a differentiation in our courts between white and black, Catholic and Protestant, Jew and non-Jew," he said, "hatred and passions will inevitably be aroused."

Nineteen cities throughout the United States, including Los Angeles, according to counsel for the appellants, are materially interested in the outcome of the case.

REDUCTION OF COURT EXPENSES IS PLANNED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—Possible methods of relieving taxpayers of the burden of court expenses by reducing trial costs and increasing litigation fees were discussed by circuit judges of the state today at their annual judicial meeting here.

Albert Ridgeway, executive secretary of the judicial council presented resolutions adopted at a preliminary meeting of the judicial council.

These cited the necessity of decreasing trial costs and called upon the judges to give serious consideration to the problem. Statistics on court costs were given.

NEW THERMOMETER WILL REGISTER 1800 DEGREES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) LYNN, Mass., Jan. 8.—A thermometer capable of registering a temperature of more than 1800 degrees Fahrenheit has been developed in the Thomson research laboratory of the General Electric Company here, it was announced today. Instead of glass, which would not melt at a much lower temperature, fused quartz was used for the stem and bulb of the new instrument. Mercury which would boil and explode at such a heat was eliminated and gallium, one of the newer metals, was used.

GOV. HUNTER WANTED

A large delegation of Days Creek residents appeared before the county court today with a request for an appropriation from the county treasury for the appointment of a government pre-emptory animal hunter.

Days Creek residents state that they have recently been counted as being dissatisfied with the federal hunter plan, and deny that such is the case. Their losses have been greatly reduced, they state, and the system has proven very satisfactory.

WILL DOUBLE STATE PRISON FLAX PLANT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SALEM, Ore., Jan. 8.—The flax plant at the state penitentiary will be doubled during the 1926 season, according to conclusions reached in a conference at the prison yesterday, attended by representatives from the Governor's office, the prison and the New Oregon Linen Mills, Inc.

The retting capacity of the plant is to be doubled, and if necessary, the scutching capacity will be doubled. The state expects to contract for 2500 acres of flax from Marion and Polk county farmers.

If favorable reports are received concerning experiments with an artificial process of drying retted flax, now being employed in Canada, John Quinlan, superintendent of the flax industry at the prison, will make a trip there to investigate.

In order to meet the demand of the farmers for seed a night force will be set to work at once at the prison at reclaiming the seed and dividing it into first, second and third grades. This is to the end that every farmer contracting his crop to the state shall plant early. The scutching plant at the Oregon penitentiary already the largest in the world.

COOLIDGE'S 80 YEAR OLD UNCLE TO GO ON STAGE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BOSTON, Jan. 8.—John Wilder, of Plymouth, Vt., 80 years old, and the latest aspirant to fiddling championship honors, boasts of something more than 66 years of playing on his 100 year old violin—he is an uncle of President Coolidge.

The rugged old Vermont, who used to play "Old Zip Coon" for the future president when the latter was a youth in Plymouth, is here today to fill a theatrical engagement. In addition he plans to compete with any fiddler not younger than 60 years for the old time championship of New England.

Wilder did not know if his illustrious nephew knew about his plans. "Don't know whether he'll like my playing or not," he confided to reporters. "He never was much of a hand to bother about his relations' affairs."

As to his championship claims: "Don't claim to be any champion. Never said I could beat anybody. Don't know until I try."

He spoke with a characteristic twang and an equally characteristic brevity.

It is his first visit to Boston and the first long trip he has ever made.

Wilder hasn't fiddled in public for twenty years, he said, and for that reason was uncertain today of the outcome of his theatrical engagement.

"I don't expect to do much playing, but I'll do the best I can," he said.

THREE BASKET BALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED TONIGHT

Three games of basket ball will be played tonight at the Roseburg high school, this triple-header offering an enjoyable evening of sport for the fans of the city.

The Oakland high school boys and girls teams will meet the two Roseburg teams, the first game starting at 7:15 p. m. The Oakland teams are reported to be quite fast and an interesting game is anticipated. The third game will be played between the Eugene Comets and the Roseburg married men's team.

NORTHWEST CANNERS NAME B. E. MALLING PRESIDENT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 8.—B. E. Malling of Hillsboro, Oregon, was elected president, D. J. Matthews, Everett, first vice president and H. C. Frost, Portland, second vice president of the Northwest Canners association at the closing session of its annual convention here last night.

The following were named trustees: J. O. Holt, Eugene; H. F. Davidson, Portland; C. K. McMillin, Bellingham; C. J. Clear, Vancouver; W. J. Vary, Puyallup; C. B. Kile, Yakima; C. Rickander, Everett; Wash.; W. P. McAdams, Seattle and Ira Hutchings, Corvallis.

W. C. T. U. WILL HOLD DEPARTMENTAL INSTITUTE

The County Women's Christian Temperance Union, will hold a departmental institute on Thursday, January 14 in the M. E. Church, south, opening at ten o'clock.

Members and friends are asked to bring a well filled basket. Husbands are especially invited to lunch and hear the after dinner speeches. There will be a number of out of town speakers. Watch for program later.

ARIZONA SLAYER DIES ON GALLOWES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) ARIZONA STATE PRISON, FLORENCE, Ariz., Jan. 8.—William A. Lawrence, 27, of Muskogee, Okla., was hanged this morning for the murder of a Phoenix, Arizona, policeman last February.

Before stepping on the trap, Lawrence made a short statement declaring he was "not guilty," and then asked several people who were present to witness the execution, to kneel with him in a seven-minute silent prayer.

The warden of the prison said Lawrence was the bravest man he had ever seen go to the gallows. Up until a few minutes before going to the death chamber, Lawrence remained in his cell, playing a guitar and singing a Spanish love song. He was 27 years old yesterday.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 8.—Tyrus Clark, 28, slayer of a Sulphur Springs banker, and Aaron Harris, negro, slayer of Deputy Sheriff Scott Streeter, were electrocuted here at daybreak this morning.

JAPS RUSH ENVOY WHO REFUSES RIGHT OF WAY TO PRINCE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) TOKYO, Jan. 8.—Brazilian ambassador R. De Lima Sylvia and his wife narrowly escaped being mobbed this morning when they attempted to cross a street near the Akasaka palace in front of the regent, Crown Prince Hirohito, who was returning from a military parade.

The crowd, angered at the violation of imperial sanctity, charged both the ambassador and his wife. Police rushed to them, whereupon officials asserted the ambassador, who had been in the city for several days, had been ordered to leave the country. He had been ordered to leave the country, he said, but he had no relatives, direct or indirect with Windisch-Graetz for several years past.

Police have obtained, they claim, full admission from Ladislav Zerov, an employee of the government newspaper, that the "spurious" map were printed with the aid of three pressmen and two mechanics, all of whom have been arrested.

An official note says that the investigation into the counterfeiting conspiracy, having been rewarded with definite results, Count Beihien, the premier, called on regent Horthy and gave him an account of the present status of the case. The note adds that the regent expressed satisfaction and said he hoped, in the interests of the country, the investigation by the authorities would be crowned by complete success.

RUSSIAN ENVOYS ORDERED TO DRESS SELVES PROPERLY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BERLIN, Jan. 8.—The Russian embassy here has received a copy of a circular letter composed at Soviet headquarters in Moscow admonishing all of the Soviet diplomatic representatives abroad to devote more attention to their general personal appearance and show less untidiness in their dress. The representatives are instructed to adapt themselves to the customs of the country in which they are stationed and says that they should make it a point to wear silk hats and dress suits in the evening.

The Troutdale bank was held up December 16 and the Scotts Mills bank December 24. Theft of automobiles used by the robbers of these banks, and similarly in operations, caused the officers to suspect the trio, whose homes are in and near Oregon City.

KOZER ANNOUNCES RULINGS ON STATE AUTOMOBILE LAW

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—Secretary of State Kozier announced at a meeting of legal auto dealers here that the operation of the certificate of title law will be simplified by acceptance of an affidavit in lieu of signatures in the case of repossessed cars.

A certificate will also be granted on proof of ownership since 1924, he said.

These rulings greatly lessened the objections of dealers to the law, which has forced them to spend much time and money in effort to trace involved ownerships of used cars and to get signatures in the case of repossessed cars.

Kozier also announced that his department would not be through issuing licenses until February 15. The rule making a certificate of title prerequisite to issuance of a license is the reason for the delay.

Owners can be arrested for failure to have a receipt for application for a 1926 license before that time, but not for failure to display plates, he said.

The ruling as to affidavits, the dealers declare, will save 150,000 court action, otherwise necessary to prove title.

PLOT TO PLACE HUNGARIAN THRONE FAILS

Huge Issue of Counterfeit Money Was to Have Paid Expenses of Coup.

100,000 MEN READY

Archduke Albrecht, Chosen for King, Denies Any Connection With Alleged Agent.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BUDAPEST, Jan. 8.—More than 100,000 men are said by investigators to have been available for the coup d'etat which was to have placed Archduke Albrecht on the Hungarian throne. Regulars of the national army to the number of 37,000, controlled by Admiral Horthy, the regent, 25,000 police, gendarmes and customs officers and about 40,000 fascists comprised the body.

It is claimed that regent Horthy was fully in sympathy with the movement and willing to relinquish the regency in order that Albrecht might ascend the throne without hindrance.

The latest facts in the situation seem to tend to show that Prince Ludwig Windisch-Graetz, among the conspirators in the 30,000,000, 000 French franc counterfeiting plot, did not act entirely from political motives. It has been stated that the money obtained from floating the spurious notes was to have been used in furthering the ambitions of Archduke Albrecht to secure the crown of Hungary. Albrecht has issued a disclaimer, declaring that he has had no relations, direct or indirect with Windisch-Graetz for several years past.

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MEN ARRESTED IN REDDING ROBBED 2 OREGON BANKS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—The sheriff's office here announced today that three men under arrest at Redding, Cal., have been identified through photographs as members of a gang which held up banks at Troutdale and Scotts Mills, Ore., in December.

The men under arrest, John and Norman Moore and Joe Billings, were held at the California city charged with transporting a stolen automobile across the state line.

When officers here were advised of their arrest they linked the trio with a chain of circumstances connected with the two bank robberies, and obtained photographs of the men from Oregon City.

Chief Criminal Deputy Sheriff H. Christopherson announced today that the cashiers of the two banks had identified the photographs as those of men involved in the holdups.

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TOD MORGAN BEATS CAMPAGNO IN 7TH

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—Tod Morgan, junior lightweight title holder, scored a technical knockout over Sammy Campagno, of San Francisco, in the seventh round of the main event of last night's boxing card. Morgan completely outclassed the Frisco boy.

In a fast 10-round semi-windup Tommy O'Brien, local bantamweight, took a close decision over Bud Davies, of Vancouver, B. C.

ITALIANS HOWL VALENTINO PLAY OFF THE SCREEN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BERGAMO, Italy, Jan. 8.—Rudolph Valentino's film, "Monaca di Monza," was howled off the screen in a cinema theater here last night. The demonstration is attributed to the feeling aroused by the Italian actor's recent application for American citizenship.

A movement to boycott Valentino's films in Rome recently brought personal orders from Premier Mussolini that they were not to be interfered with.

PARIS EXPECTING HEAVY DAMAGE AS SEINE IS RISING

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PARIS, Jan. 8.—The River Seine continues to rise. Provided there is no rain during the interval, and there is every probability that there will be, the river is expected to cease its upward trend Sunday.

Workers are busily engaged in making cement and sand bar barricades at all vulnerable points along the quays. These, however, cannot prevent flooding by infiltration of places in the city at a lower level than the water. The outlook consequently is regarded with anxiety by the population in such quarters.

The situation in the suburbs, both up and down stream, is growing graver. While the water mark is well below previous record levels, the damage undoubtedly will be far greater than that of previous floods, for thousands of houses have been built on the banks of the river since 1870, most of them after the war when the housing problem became acute.

AMSTERDAM, Holland, Jan. 8.—A dyke on the Yssel River near Zeijl, in the province of Overijssel, is reported to have burst this morning, the water rushing over Oldenboek, to the Polder, (part of the Zuiderzee) and threatening several villages.

CALIFORNIA BANK HELD UP; BOOTY TOTALS \$19,000

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 8.—Four bandits held up the First National Bank at Pleasanton, south of here, today and escaped with \$12,000 in coin and currency and \$7,000 in non-negotiable bonds after blowing open the safe.

Three of the robbers entered the bank and compelled the three employees, one of them a girl bookkeeper to lie on the floor. They then blew open the safe.

After scooping the contents of the safe into bags they joined the fourth bandit, stationed on the outside as a lookout. All then jumped into a small car and headed toward Livermore at top speed. A shotgun squad soon took up the trail.

MRS. BERLIN NOT ON GUEST LIST, BUT PAPA MACKAY WAS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Broadway and Fifth Avenue were equally curious today as to the reasons for the absence of Mrs. Irving Berlin from the wedding of Consuelo Vanderbilt to Earl E. T. Smith yesterday.

When Mrs. Berlin returned from Atlantic City a few days ago she said that she planned to attend the ceremony and had come to New York for that purpose. All day yesterday, however, she remained with her husband in their West 46th street apartment, guarded by Ivan, a huge Russian valet. Her name did not appear on the lists of guests given out at the Vanderbilt home.

Her father, Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph Company, who has not seen her since her marriage to the Broadway composer last Monday, when he expressed his disapproval, was present with other members of his family. He is an old friend of the Vanderbilts.

The Berliners reserved the presidential suite on the Leviathan leaving tomorrow, but doubt as to whether they will go abroad, has been expressed by the bride.

DIVORCEES TO TRY AGAIN

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 8.—Harry O. Pendergast, 53, and Mrs. Mary Pendergast, 45, both of Klamath Falls, Ore., obtained a license here today to remarry, making the third divorced couple to remarry here since last Thursday.

BIG DEFICIT IN RECLAMATION PROBABLE LOSS

Interior Department Asks Congress to Write Off Over 14 Millions.

OREGON IS AFFECTED

Impossibility of Winning Living From Soil That Won't Produce Is Recognized.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The writing off of \$14,317,150 as a deficit on 19 reclamation projects was recommended to congress today by the board of adjustment and survey of the interior department. The board also recommended that \$12,785,137 be estimated as a probable loss.

The losses were attributed to the construction of irrigation works on land naturally infertile, to inadequate water supply and to other causes.

Among the probable losses listed were Klamath project, Oregon and California, \$238,395, and Unatilla, Oregon, \$1,539,028.

The board of adjustment asserted that the welfare of the projects would be greatly promoted by the early disposition of its recommendations.

"Human lives," it said, "are being worn out unnecessarily in the futile attempts to win a living from lands, without productive value. These people, fighting against insurmountable odds, should receive immediate relief. An early settlement of all such matters will hasten the development of good feeling and constructive effort on the projects."

"The projects generally are in prosperous condition. The losses as indicated by this report are large, but we have felt that they would serve best by stating fully and frankly the condition brought to our attention."

Stanfield's Coin Bill. A bill which would authorize the coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of establishment of the Harding memorial park association was introduced today by Senator Stanfield, Republican, of Oregon. The coin would commemorate the dedication by the late President shortly before his death, of the old Oregon trail, at a point near Harding Memorial Park in Oregon.

I. R. Newton, Los Angeles, was appointed today as federal reserve agent and chairman of the board of the San Francisco reserve bank in succession to John Perin, who resigned recently, effective March 31, after a service of approximately 10 years.

Abolition of the railroad labor board and the creation instead of a federal board of mediation of five members is provided for in a bill introduced today by Chairman Watson of the senate interstate commerce commission at the request of representatives of the railroads and railroad labor organizations.

Colonel B. Frank Chatham was elected by Secretary Davis today to succeed the late Major-General William H. Hart as quartermaster general of the army.

OREGON FOX FARMERS ASK INSPECTION BEFORE SALE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 8.—Dr. O. A. Welch of Oregon City was elected president of the Oregon State Fox Breeders' association in a meeting held here today. He will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of S. B. Mason, who has moved out of the state.

E. A. Stratton, of the Mountain State Fox Farm of Lane county, was elected vice president to succeed Dr. Welch.

About 30 fox breeders of the state were present at the meeting. Reports at the session showed that there are 216 fox farms in Oregon at the present time, and that about 742 pair of foxes are at the farms.

An amendment was passed requiring that all foxes sold from farms of the members be inspected by an inspector of the American National Fox association.

SMALL POX IN TAMPA

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 8.—Leading newspapers today gave prominence to the small pox outbreak discrediting the petition of the local Klans that news of it be suppressed. The Tribune said the disease was brought here from other cities and there was no cause for alarm if people realized the necessity of vaccination. The city health department reported a total of 33 cases with no new ones today.