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CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resumes of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

An earth slide buried a work train and 25 men near St. Alphonse, Quebec, and nearly all were killed.

W. J. Bryan has returned to New York from South America, where he has been studying sociological conditions.

The condition of Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) is slightly improved, but still serious. Heart trouble is the cause.

A stenographer who wrote letters for Roosevelt in Naples says he expects to be the next president of the United States.

The books of the United States Steel corporation were thrown open to the public and show that the largest stockholders are Hollanders.

American workmen have been shut out of the works of the Pressed Steel Car company at Schoenville, Pa., and serious trouble is imminent.

With banners aloft, fiery orator, and occupying a procession of taxicabs nearly a mile long, the suffragists in convention in Washington, D. C., moved on Capitol Hill and presented to congress 400,000 individual demands for votes for women.

Not a dynamite cracker nor a cap pistol nor "snaps in the grass" will be sold in Washington, D. C., the coming Fourth. Instead, there will be band concerts, athletic contests, boat races and all kinds of outdoor sports, while the citizens' committee sets off the fireworks.

A workman at the new Mt. Tabor reservoir in Portland attempted to replace a driving chain on a concrete mixer which had jumped off the concrete wheel, when his clothing caught in the cog and his arm was drawn in and crushed. A fellow workman cut the mangled flesh loose with his jack-knife while others supported the suffering victim, who was then rushed to a hospital on the opposite side of town, nearly five miles.

Three men robbed a California train and then escaped in a launch on Suivan bay.

An Oklahoma farmer was swindled out of \$2,000 on a fake horse race at San Francisco.

President Taft is confident that the \$30,000,000 irrigation bill will pass both houses.

It is reported from many cities that moving picture shows are seriously interfering with the saloon business.

A fierce wind storm in Southern states cut 17 lives and property damage amounting to many hundred thousands.

President Taft, speaking at a banquet in Washington, said one term as president of the United States is enough.

The supreme court of Louisiana has been called upon to define "what is a negro," and the decision is being waited for with great interest by many states.

A woman in Snyder, Texas, started the fire with coal oil, and she and her infant daughter and 14-year old sister were burned to death by the explosion which followed.

Passengers and crew of the steamer Santa Clara, wrecked off the California coast, were all saved, and the steamer herself has been pulled off the rocks and is being towed into port.

The wife of a prominent coffee merchant at Los Angeles has finally been recognized as the "mysterious girl at the ringside" who has attended many prizefights in that city, disguised in men's clothing.

A 65-pound woman has been jailed in San Francisco for exhibiting herself as a freak.

A Kansas tornado swept a creek dry for nearly a mile, tore up telephone poles and carried a cow and calf 200 yards.

A mission at Chungking, China, was destroyed by rioters because Chinese officials had cornered the rice supply for export.

A forger was arrested in San Francisco for trying to pass a worthless check signed with the name of John D. Rockefeller.

A 13-year old girl in Pittsburg committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid because she was not getting along well in school.

It is believed that various large railroads have been robbed by swindlers of several million dollars. Thorough investigation is being made.

President Taft spoke before the National Woman Suffrage convention in Washington, and was hissed when he gave his opinion on woman suffrage.

Lawyer Seth F. Crews, of Chicago, was given \$5,000 by the Circuit court for advising Sarah Peterson that it would be legal for her to marry John R. Smith, a wealthy mine owner, on his deathbed. Miss Peterson married Mr. Smith and he died almost immediately afterward. When his estate was probated she fell heir to \$350,000.

THREE MASKED MEN ROB CALIFORNIA TRAIN.

Benicia, Cal., April 18.—After looting the mail and baggage cars of overland train No. 1, between this place and Goodyear, at 12:30 o'clock this morning, three masked men, who escaped on the engine of the train to Suivan bay are being pursued by a sheriff's posse, through byways in a steam launch.

The robbers had planned the hold-up carefully and had a boat secreted in the marshes when they abandoned the engine at Cygnus.

The train was stopped by a lantern signal as it slowed down on the approach to Goodyear. As the engine came to a stop, two men leaped aboard, one from each side, and covered the engineer with revolvers. An instant later the third appeared and covered the fireman.

One of the men stood guard over the engineer and fireman while the other two entered the express car.

No estimate of the amount taken can be had, but it is believed that the robbery netted several hundred dollars. There were ten coaches in the train, and the robbers locked each one as they passed through, leaving the passengers captive while they rifled the other cars.

After completing the work they returned to the engine, where their companion still stood guard over the trainmen, and ordered the engineer to uncouple the engine. He was then ordered, with the fireman, to "beat it," and as the men ran back toward the rear of the train, one of the robbers pulled the throttle wide open and the engine shot at top speed through Goodyear.

A posse was quickly organized at Goodyear and Benicia and a short time later the abandoned engine was found a few miles farther ahead at Suivan bay. A rancher living nearby had seen three men and it was learned a short time later that the men had escaped in a launch.

WARSHIPS WARN JAPAN.

British Journal Sees Hidden Meaning in Voyage of Squadron.

London, April 18.—While one section of European opinion urges Mr. Roosevelt to discuss with William and Edward an international understanding for the limitation of armaments, another cynically suggests that, if they will bring the matter up for his consideration, more may be accomplished.

The implication is, as one prominent journal sees the situation, that Mr. Roosevelt has done as much as either of the monarchs to stimulate the appetite for fleets.

Interest in this matter is heightened by Washington dispatches today that forebadow another around-the-world cruise by American battleships, these vessels heading east from Hampton Roads instead of south.

"If the cruise is taken," comments one week-end observer, "any tyro will be able to see the connection between it and the readjustments of the Washington-Tokyo treaty and that famous final clause of article II.

"There is going to be tension between the United States and Japan when the latter presses for the privileges of naturalization and suffrage, not to mention easier immigration conditions, and Uncle Sam recalls the pacifying influence of his war dogs two years ago."

Hope is expressed that at the New York dinner to Lord Kitchener, who is thought to have "made a hit with the Americans by telling the Australians to found a military school like West Point," the guest will emphasize the value of a "lasting entente between our fleet and theirs."

Kitchener at Academy.

West Point, N. Y., April 18.—At his own request the visit of Field Marshal Lord Kitchener here today was unmarked by ceremony. After a luncheon at the residence of Colonel Hugh L. Scott, the superintendent, he passed the afternoon viewing the academy and studying its methods. Lord Kitchener came here accompanied by W. Butler Duncan, Jr., of New York, and was met by Superintendent Scott at the railroad station. The visitor watched the usual inspection and review of the cadet corps.

"Siamese" Twins from Philippines.

San Francisco, April 18.—Two Samar twins, joined together by the merest ligament, and who promise to be rivals for the fame gained by the Siamese twins, are in San Francisco today. The two children, both boys, arrived here yesterday from the Philippines, in charge of R. L. Louis, who will exhibit them throughout the United States. The infants seem to get along peacefully, although they occasionally have a spat.

Operators Will Arbitrate.

Washington, April 18.—The strike which has threatened a strike of telegraphers on the Southern railway has been compromised. Chairman Martin A. Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce commission, said today all disputed points except the question of wages and representation have been settled. These will be arbitrated by the Erdman act.

Eight Nightriders Fined.

Cincinnati, April 18.—Eight of the alleged nightriders of the Grant county, Kentucky, on trial in the United States district court at Covington, Ky. Tuesday were found guilty by a jury today and were fined \$100 each. Three others were acquitted. Fine ranging from \$100 to \$1,000 were assessed by Judge Cochran, who released the men on their own recognizance pending an appeal.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

RAILROADS RACE ACROSS STATE

\$110,000 TO BUILD DAM.

Hill and Harriman Interests Rushing to Coos Bay Country.

Burns—That the Harriman and Hill interests will run a harder race across the state in building from east to west than that now on in heading south through the Deschutes river canyon is becoming apparent. The contest, it is believed, will be the most exciting ever pulled off in the history of western railroad construction.

That the Hill interests will push through to completion with all possible haste a line from Boise, Idaho, to Coos Bay, or some point in the Willamette Valley having connection with Portland by means of the Oregon Electric, is now practically settled in the minds of men speculating on the state's future railroad operations, and it is known that since the Hill interests began to display interest in the same section of the state, the Harriman people, too, have become very active. Surveying parties have been busy for some time stretching lines with a view of finding the most feasible route from east to west across the state, and it is said that no small portion of the proposed road has already been staked out.

According to information so far given out by men closely in touch with railroad construction people, it appears evident that the Harriman line will be built from Vale westward by way of Burns, which route, it is understood, will also be followed by the Hill people. The recent transfer of the large holdings of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Military Road company to a syndicate of Minnesota capitalists, who will throw it open to settlement without delay, is expected to be followed by an early announcement from James J. Hill to the effect that the holdings will be given transportation facilities as soon as a line can be built, the survey of which, it is believed, will practically parallel the line of the old wagon road its entire distance.

BANKS OF RIVER CAN GAVE.

War Department Refuses to Heed Prayer of Dwellers in Lane.

Washington—The war department has definitely refused to assist in preventing the washing away of the banks of the Willamette between Eugene and Harrisburg. Citizens, through Senator Chamberlain, asked the department to do this on the ground that the government built the dikes that caused the higher water which had caused great destruction upon adjoining lands at each freshet.

Chief of Engineers Marshall referred the matter to Major McIndoe, at Portland, who upon examination reports: "Giving in was in progress before the dikes were built and in our opinion the dikes are not responsible primarily for this caving in. The project to prevent it would be enormously expensive and not justified by the needs of navigation on the river. Work done for that purpose would be solely for the protection of private property and is therefore not recommended."

Plan Model Dairy for Klamath.

Klamath Falls.—Klamath county is to have one of the finest dairy ranches in Oregon, according to the plans of John Ellis and W. L. Albright. It is to be located in the big Albright-Ellis ranch, about seven miles from Fort Klamath. When the ranch is in readiness to receive the herd, Mr. Ellis will go to the middle west, where he will select the stock that is to compose it. He has decided on the purchase of Guernseys and Holsteins, believing that these will best meet the conditions of climate and the demands of the markets.

Land Office at Vale.

Vale.—Bruce R. Kester, an agent of the government, is in Vale for the purpose of recommending a suitable location for the land office, which will be opened here in accordance with the recent act of congress creating a new land district, with the office at Vale. It is not the intention of the government to erect a building, but to lease a portion of a building, which will accommodate the offices and equipment for the new office.

Complaints of Shipment.

Salem—H. Grebe, of Portland, has filed a complaint with the railroad commission, in which he sets forth that a large consignment of seed peas shipped from Pullman, Wash., to Condon, Or., March 21, has never reached its destination. Mr. Grebe also complains of excessive freight charges on the O. R. & N. from Portland to Condon, and delays in delivery have caused him much damage.

Yearling Sheep Bring \$5.

Hoppper—R. F. Rieckel shipped 25 carloads of sheep from this city and 20 carloads from Echo the first of last week. The sheep are yearlings, and were purchased from Morrow County sheepmen at prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$5 per head. There were about 14,000 sheep in the shipment.

Poultry Plant Near Medford.

Medford—C. H. H. will give your friends a chance to come to the coast and p off at Houlton.

Details furnished by HAD CHADIMA, AGENT

or H. M. ADAMS G. F. & P. A.

Portland Oregon

Will Store Enough Water to Irrigate 20,000 Acres in Umatilla.

Pendleton—The projected dam across the Umatilla river at Coe for the purpose of conserving flood waters of winter to be used in reclaiming 20,000 acres contained in the Furnish-Coe project west of Pendleton is to be constructed this summer. The contract has been signed and bonds given for commencement of work within 30 days and completion by October 1. The Eschbach-Bruce company of Seattle has been awarded the contract.

Although the dam was projected several months ago, and though concrete cores had been constructed from bedrock to the surface of the ground, no work has been done for several months and many were of the opinion that the project had been abandoned. The original plans of the Furnish-Coe project were for reclaiming land principally by winter, spring and early fall irrigation. Three dry seasons in succession convinced the promoters that it would be well to provide for emergencies, and the dam plan was adopted. The dam will be 50 feet high, 1,170 feet long, 270 feet wide at base, and 20 feet wide at top, and will cost \$110,000. It will form a reservoir covering 240 acres and containing a supply sufficient to irrigate the entire project for 60 days.

Owing to the large number of other reclamation projects, it will be necessary to arrange for normal flow of the river at all seasons of the year. The spillway will also be capable of handling the largest floods and will have a capacity of 50,000 second feet, or twice as much water as has ever passed down the river.

ALL RAIL LINE TO NEWPORT.

Ties Ordered by Corvallis & Eastern to Skirt Yacuba Bay With Road. Corvallis—Beach travelers going to Newport, on the Oregon coast, this summer will in all probability not have to put up with the annoyance of transferring from train to ferry at Yacuba, as has been the necessity in the past. The Corvallis & Eastern Railroad company has decided to extend its road from Yacuba, its present terminus, to Newport, the track to skirt the beach of the crescent shaped bay. The news states that the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad company has entered into a contract with the Yacuba Bay Lumber company, at Toledo, for 7,500 railroad ties, which number will be sufficient to cover the stretch between Yacuba and Newport, a distance of about three and a half miles.

Whitaker Well Shows Oil.

Dallas—Drilling has been resumed at the Whitaker oil well. The machinery is again running on full time. The drill is hammering away in a stratum of hard rock, with a strong showing of oil and a constantly increasing flow of natural gas. For the last two weeks drilling operations have been practically suspended to give the workmen an opportunity to put down several hundred feet of 3-inch casing. Rapid progress will now be made.

Motor Carries Mail.

Brownsville—Mail service on the motor between this city and Albany has been inaugurated, and henceforth Brownsville will receive four train mails each day, except Sunday, when there will be but two.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices—Bluestem, 93 @95c; club, 88@90c; red Russian, 86 @87c; barley, 95c.

Railway—Feed and brewing, \$23.50 @ 24.50 per ton.

Corn—Whole, \$34; cracked, \$35 ton.

Hay—Track prices—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@21; alfalfa, \$16.50 @ 17.50; grain hay, \$17@18.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$27@28.50 ton.

Fresh Fruits—Strawberries, Florin, \$2.50 @ 3 per crate; apples, \$1 @ 2.50 box; cranberries, \$8 @ 9 barrel.

Potatoes—Carload buying prices: Oregon, 40 @ 50c per hundred; new California, 6c per pound; sweet potatoes, 3 @ 4c.

Vegetables—Asparagus, 3 @ 5c; cabbage, 1 @ 1 1/2c per pound; head lettuce, 60 @ 75c per dozen; hothouse lettuce, 60 @ 81c box; green onions, 15c dozen; radishes, 30c per dozen; rhubarb, 3c pound; spinach, 1 1/2c per box; sprouts, 9c per pound; turnips, 1c per sack; rutabagas, \$1 @ 1.25; carrots, 85c @ \$1; beets, \$1 @ 1.25; parsnips, 50 @ 75c.

Onions—Oregon, \$1.75 per hundred.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 39c; fancy outside creamery, 32 @ 33c per pound; store, 20c. Butter fat prices average 1 1/2c per pound under regular butter prices.

Pork—Fancy, 13 @ 13 1/2c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 10 @ 11c per pound.

Lamb—Fancy, 12c per pound.

RECEIVES KINGLY HONORS.

Emperor Francis Joseph Greets Roosevelt in Splendor.

Vienna, April 16.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt was received at the Austrian capital today in a manner almost like that accorded a reigning sovereign.

The punctilious Austrian court, the most ceremonious of Europe, had arranged the programme and left nothing undone that could emphasize the unprecedented honor being paid the visiting American.

As a special mark of his personal esteem, the aged emperor-king, Francis Joseph, received Colonel Roosevelt in his private apartments at the imposing Hofburg palace, instead of in the regular audience chamber.

The monarch, who was attired in an imperial uniform, was extremely gracious to the American and kept him in conversation for 35 minutes.

What interested subjects they found to discuss were not made public, as they were alone, and Colonel Roosevelt naturally has declined to reveal the slightest detail of the conversation.

Emperor Francis Joseph intends personally to return Mr. Roosevelt's call on him. Such an honor as a return visit from the emperor is only extended to reigning sovereigns.

For Colonel Roosevelt the call on the emperor was only the main feature of a busy day, which began immediately after he reached his hotel this morning with a breakfast with Henry White, ex-American ambassador to France, who had not been in Vienna since he began his diplomatic career here 27 years ago under President Taft's father, who was then American minister.

The day included an official visit last night to Count von Aehrenthal, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, a call of courtesy on Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir apparent to the throne, at Belvedere palace, a visit to the tombs of the Hapsburgs, where, under the guidance of a Capuchin monk, with a lighted taper in his hand, he laid wreaths on the tombs of Empress Elizabeth and Crown Prince Rudolph; a tour of inspection of the Spanish riding school, founded by Charles VIII, and of the Imperial Hussar barracks; a reception by the American journalists and a dinner given in his honor at the foreign office tonight by Count von Aehrenthal.

Yet, after the long day, when Colonel Roosevelt returned to his hotel tonight, he mounted the stairs two at a time.

Colonel Roosevelt used the imperial court carriage placed at his disposal by Emperor Francis Joseph until his official calls had ended. Then he discarded it for an automobile.

He enjoyed the exhibition at the riding school, where the celebrated Lippizan breed of horses, a mixture of Spanish and Arab blood, performed the daintiest of evolutions, dancing a quadrille and finally coming onto the platform where Colonel Roosevelt sat and circling his chair so close that their hoofs almost touched his feet. But, as Colonel Roosevelt remarked afterwards: "These are only society horses."

A clattering charge of the Magyar body guard, who constitute the emperor's hussars, across the parade grounds of the barracks, on the contrary, stirred him to real enthusiasm and after the evolutions he made a detailed inspection of the stables, horse hospitals, etc., volleying questions at the officers who accompanied him.

Huge Timber Deal is Made.

New Westminster, B. C., April 16.—The Canadian Western Lumber company, composed of Eastern Canadian and American lumbermen, has purchased for \$20,000,000 all the property of the Fraser River Lumber company. This property is mostly timber land on Vancouver island, and includes the tract purchased recently from the Weyerhaeuser Lumber company for \$4,000,000. The new company possesses the largest area of merchantable timber under one ownership in the world.

Slide Buries Score Men.

St. Alphonse, Quebec, April 16.—An immense landslide, started by a blast of dynamite, today carried a score of men down the side of a steep hill and buried the construction camp of the Haha Bay railway under tons of earth and rock. Not a workman in the camp escaped, and almost every one of the gang working on the hill was injured. Up to a late hour a rescue party had taken out eight dead, including Ladislav Gagne, of St. Joseph, Quebec, chief engineer in charge of the works. Seven are missing.

Mark Twain Holds Own.

Redding, Conn., April 16.—Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) who arrived at his country home here last night, fatigued from his long journey from Bermuda and very ill, passed a comfortable night and it was said this morning his general condition was encouraging. It was declared by his attending physicians that Mr. Clemens had passed a comfortable day, with no appreciable change, and was holding his own fairly well.

End of Car Strike Seen.

Philadelphia, April 16.—That the streetcar strike, which caused more or less disorder in this city for nine weeks, will end tomorrow, was the assertion made this afternoon by C. O. Pratt, the strike leader, and by others associated with him. The strikers will hold a mass meeting tomorrow afternoon, when a peace proposal will be laid before them for approval.

COAST STEAMER CALLS FOR HELP

Santa Clara Helpless With 61 Persons on Board.

Strikes Bar When Leaving Eureka, California for San Francisco, and Water Puts Out Fires.

Eureka, April 13.—Leaking badly and with the fires under boilers apparently extinguished by the inrush of water, but not until she had sent wireless messages for assistance, the steamer Santa Clara, of the North Pacific line, bound from Portland to San Francisco with 61 passengers and a crew of 25, is lying helpless a mile off Table Bluff, about four miles south of Humboldt bar. The boat is on her 13th round trip between the two points.

The tug Ranger, sent in response to the wireless call, is standing close by tonight and has a line to the crippled steamer.

A tremendous sea was running and when last seen the small boats which had left the Santa Clara, had not been able to get alongside the Ranger.

The Eureka lifesaving crew attempted to go to the aid of the steamer, but was unable to cross the bar. Another attempt will be made at 4 o'clock tomorrow morning, when it is hoped the sea will have subsided somewhat.

Among those on board the Santa Clara is C. A. Doe, one of the principal owners of the steamer, and father of C. P. Doe, general manager of the North Pacific Steamship Company. Captain Ned Parsons, who was formerly in command of the steamer Pomona and the Corona, both of which were lost, was one of the passengers.

This was the thirteenth round trip of the Santa Clara since the steamer became one of the vessels of the North Pacific Steamship Company's fleet, and the fact that today is the 13th day of the month is regarded as a bad omen by seafaring men, who have their superstitious beliefs.

The Santa Clara left Eureka at 2:05 this afternoon and proceeded south. When about four miles south of Table Bluff, those in the lighthouse and wireless station at the point saw the steamer turn around and start back. It was at this time that a wireless message came from the steamer to the local agent of the company, John Simpson, requesting that a tug be sent to her assistance.

Simpson replied by asking what the trouble was, and a wireless answer was received, stating that the Santa Clara struck heavily in crossing the bar and was leaking badly. Following that no further communication could be had with her. It is supposed that her seams opened, letting in enough water to put out the fires.

When about one mile south of Table Bluff, and a mile off shore, the steamer dropped anchor. To those in the wireless station and lighthouse it was apparent that the vessel was badly crippled and could get no further.

The tug Ranger left Eureka at 4 o'clock and ran close enough to the Santa Clara to get a line on board. Shortly after 6 o'clock two small boats from the Santa Clara with passengers could be seen trying to get alongside the tug. Observers at Table Bluff also saw through their glasses a man fall overboard from the steamer, clinging for a time to the anchor chain and then disappear.

POPE CUTS OFF AMERICANS.

Archbishops Struck From List of Cardinalate Candidates.

Rome, April 13.—It is announced that the Pope has struck off from the list of candidates for the cardinalate all Americans, including the Archbishops of New York, St. Paul, Chicago and New Orleans, St. Paul, Chicago and New Orleans, St. Paul, Chicago and New Orleans.

The chancellor of the Vatican confirms this without volunteering an explanation.

The well-known American prelates affected by this action of Pope Pius are Archbishops John M. Farley, of New York; John Ireland, of St. Paul; James E. Quigley, Chicago; and James Blenk, of New Orleans, each or all of whom have several times been spoken of as candidates to the Pope's advisory council.

James Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, is the only American Catholic prelate now a cardinal.

Cody Resents Pennies.

Cody, Wyo., April 14.—Cody has a grievance and its against your Uncle Sam. The Government has forced pennies on Cody—a place which has no more use for pennies than Rome has for fags in January.

It has instructed its postmaster here to make change in pennies and the arrangement embarrasses business men. Nobody wants the penny and invariably its drifts to the bank and there it sticks.

Not until comparatively recently were dimes and nickels recognized as real money in Cody.

Airship May Be Seized.

New York, April 14.—An outfit of French aeroplanes may become Government property by seizure if litigation over them is not settled soon.

Attorneys for Louis Paulhan, the French aviator, said today that they had been notified that the four aeroplanes which Paulhan used in his rights on the Pacific Coast and in the West would be seized by the United States if they were not taken back to France by April 25.

6,500 Trainers Get Raise in Pay.

Seranton, Pa., April 14.—The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad company today announced a 6 per cent increase in wages to all employees operating between Hoboken and Buffalo, numbering about 6,500. The switchmen are given an increase of 3 cents an hour, 15 cents being affected.

FARMER FLEECED OF \$10,000

Washington Man Plays "Sure Thing" Races in San Francisco.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 13.—Louis Guilbert, aged 55, a rancher of Ellensburg, Wash., appealed to the police of Los Angeles today for assistance in recovering \$10,000 which he declared he had lost yesterday on a fake wire-tapping scheme in a poolroom in San Francisco. Not until Guilbert reached this city, in flight to escape arrest, as he supposed, did he learn that he had been bunked.

Guilbert arrived in San Francisco on April 4, according to his story, with some cash and a bank book showing the profit of \$10,000 in an Ellensburg bank—the proceeds of the sale of his ranch, which he had just consummated. He made the acquaintance of two men, who gave their names as Lane and McGuire. The latter took him to a place on Market street, which he describes as a poolroom.

There they made several wagers on the Emeryville races on different days, Lane and McGuire drawing down \$1500 as the winnings on a single bet. Guilbert was informed that his companions had won so persistently because they had "tapped" the wires to Emeryville and learned the result of races in advance of the poolrooms. He was let in on what was to be the final big clean-up.

The Ellensburg man drew upon his bank book for the entire \$10,000, while Lane and McGuire pretended in the meantime to place that sum for him in a single wager. Soon after he was told that he had won \$18,000, but that before drawing his winnings he would have to deposit the amount of the original bet.

Guilbert surrendered the \$10,000 to his companions. The latter engaged in a quarrel over the division of their own winnings, and while this dispute was in progress the place was raided by supposed detectives. Guilbert and the two confidence men escaped by a side door and the rancher was hurried to a ticket to Los Angeles on last night's Owl train. It was hurriedly arranged that he, Lane and McGuire should meet in Tucson, Ariz., and divide their profits.

The rancher became uneasy on the way down and confided in the train conductor. The latter advised him to return to San Francisco at once and inform the police. He was given the same advice at the local station and returned north tonight. In the meantime the San Francisco police were