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TFLLS TALE OF CRIME

St. Louis "Bookie" Con- fesses to Bribery.

St. Louis, Oct. 4.—In a written confession today, Charles F. Kelly, former speaker of the St. Louis house of delegates during the "hoodie combine" days, relates the story of that combine. In course of this confession Kelly says: "I know from my own knowledge that bribery has been going on in the municipal assembly of St. Louis for twenty five years. Hardly a bill was passed by that body in the last quarter of a century unless paid for. We did not fear exposure, and punishment for the reason we believed no one would dare to do it. In case of attack we knew most of the politicians and many of the large financiers of St. Louis would be with us. When the present prosecutor (Circuit Attorney Folk) is meant here) commenced war on us, we tried to intimidate him by threats of assassination. When this had no effect we decided to start a newspaper and libel him so severely that it would take up his time with libel prosecutions, or if it did not his influence would be weakened or destroyed. Labels were deliberately made up for the purpose of affecting public sentiment. This plan was not only participated in by members of the house of delegates under indictment for bootlegging but by prominent financiers of St. Louis who feared exposure. Among ourselves we had a high code of morals. It was considered extremely dishonest for a member of the combine to accept bootleg money without dividing it amongst his fellows.

Alex Lindsay left this morning for England, Ireland and Scotland where he will do mission work for the Mormon church. He expects to return within three years.

There are Others

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 4.—Lexington experiences its first Sunday under the blue law regime. Only a few milk wagons attempted to run, and their drivers were arrested. Most of the population drank coffee without cream. Families whose sick children were deprived of milk complained bitterly, and threatened suits for damages. Ice wagons did not attempt to run. Late this afternoon the solicitor decided that both have the right to run and the drivers were released. Only about 30 people were arrested for violating the Sunday law. Two hundred had announced their continuing business, but they decided when they started to open and saw the police that they had better keep closed.

Drug stores were permitted to sell medicine on prescription, but this did not pay to keep clerks, and all drug stores closed. The only places open were hotels, livery stables and newspaper offices, the latter two classes having secured injunctions.

Ex-Alderman U B Lowry tonight announced his intention of filing a \$10,000 damage suit against those responsible for stopping milk wagons. Lowry has two sick children who subsist mainly on milk, and his wagon failed to arrive. At the milk depot he was unable to buy milk.

Bound to Railroad Track

Atlanta Ga., Oct. 4.—Gagged and bound with ropes to the railroad track, Clara Typan, aged 9 years, was found last evening just in time to save her from death under engine wheels.

When she regained consciousness she told of being beaten and outraged by a negro. The girl may die. Police are at work on the case.

Hoar's Son

Worcester, Mass Oct. 4.—The republican convention of the Third congressional district today nominated Rockwood Hoar, son of the late Senator Hoar, by acclamation for representative.

Exhibit Hall

M L Causey who is soliciting for Exhibit Hall among the farmers is meeting with good success as follows: J L Caviness \$20; D McDonald \$10; P McDonald \$10; J H Morton \$10; C O Pennington \$10 T B Johnson \$5 Walter P. Iree \$20.

KUROPATKIN MAY BE DEPOSED

Nicholas Nicholasivitch, Grand Duke, May Succeed Him as Commander in Chief

St. Petersburg, Oct. 4.—Emperor Nicholas returned from St. Petersburg today from the south and the Associated Press learns from high authority of the appointment of a commander in chief will be announced within 48 hours. While General Kuropatkin's friends still insist that he be appointed members of the emperor's entourage express no doubt that grand duke Nicholas Nicholasivitch will be chosen.

Official advices from the front today report all quiet along the whole line of the opposing armies. The war office apparently does not anticipate any fighting on a large scale in the immediate future. Russian scouts however may give increasing importance to flanking movement under Oku and also may contain possibilities of a big surprise.

Shoots Her Assaulter

Observer Special

Portland Oct. 4.—In protecting herself from the murderous attack of an infuriated and jealous crazed man Ruth Osborn today fired three shots into the body of John Thim causing wounds from which it is feared the injured man will die.

The shooting occurred in a lodging house on Third street in the room occupied by Mrs. Osborn.

The wounded man is 67 years of age and a tailor by trade. Mrs. Osborn came to Portland from Spokane about four months ago. Three months ago she met Thim who infatuated with her Mrs. Osborn promised to marry him but according to her statement broke the engagement when Thim began drinking and started to abuse her. For the past week the two have been having trouble daily.

Murder and Suicide

Portland, Oct. 4.—Because he was jealous of his rival's growing business Adrian Gaudron a gunsmith and cutter aged 77, shot and fatally wounded P Serge Kissel, also an aged man at the latter's place of business today. Gaudron then blew out his own brains.

Circuit Court,

The grand jury are very busy and witnesses may be seen going in and out at all times. It is expected that returns on a few of the cases may be submitted at any time.

The jury in the case of the Stevens Lithograph Co vs the Farmers & Trad-Bank brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$224.00.

This forenoon was taken up in the selection of a jury in the case of John Wood, who is suing the sugar factory for damages to the extent of \$500 for not furnishing amount of best pulp as per alleged contract.

Just before adjournment for the noon hour Judge Eakin heard the arguments in the demurrer to the complaint in the case of Mrs Webb vs. J K Romig. The point in the demurrer is of considerable interest as to the responsibility of property owners with reference to injuries resulting from defective walks. It is already settled that the city is not liable but the officials are in case of neglect of duty. The case now before the court the plaintiff is trying to hold the owner of the abutting property responsible and the contention of the defendant is that the city or officers and not the abutting owner is responsible for damages.

New Phones

- Main 368 Rev J F Day res
- 1241 A H Marquardt Tailor shop
- 1711 G M Robey res
- 383 A G Herman
- 1954 Ed Wright
- 1721 M McMurry
- 1298 L Zundel
- 2076 Mrs George Ackles
- 1418 John Sewell
- 381 C L Payne
- 1464 Wm Ash
- 1954 Ed Wright
- 48 Mrs R B Conliffe
- 1238 C A McOrary
- 1444 W W Kinzie
- 387 Leo Harlog
- 2101 T S Tilton
- 2101 H E Grady
- 1601 Harris Meat Market
- 1838 G H Powers res
- 569 E E Hewis
- 177 T H Boynton
- 2121 Dr M K Hall
- 1666 S F Andrew
- 1931 J O Bioe
- 736 W M Andie
- 1716 B Chanocy
- 1788 Mrs A M Kirk
- 1173 L Rayburn

PORT ARTHUR FIRM

Plenty of Amunition but a Scarcity of Food

St. Petersburg, Oct. 4.—News from Port Arthur states that forage is scarce but ammunition is plentiful. Clothing is lacking but store cloth is being made into garments by the women. The sanitary conditions are good and there are now thirty trained nurses for every thousand of sick and wounded. But 100 women and child ren not belonging to the military forces are in town. An effluvia from the dead left on the field has been blowing into town, the Russians forced the Chinese to collect the bodies, and throw them into the sea.

Chee Foo, Oct. 4.—The Russians estimate the total Japanese losses of the four days fighting at Port Arthur Sept. 19 to 22, at 20,000 men. An official report from General Stoessel says that the fighting was of an extremely severe character and after the retirement of the Japanese, General Stoessel issued the following proclamation:

"Glory, thanks to God, glory to our garrison, glory to Him in Sy-haff and Pogorsky, heroes all, thanks to our valiant volunteers who routed the enemy from their bases and destroyed them. God has permitted us to repulse the enemy. Praise to God!"

The fight referred to was the attack on a high hill which had been captured by the Japanese. General Stoessel called for volunteers among the soldiers and officers, who carried hand grenades and attacked the Japanese temporary fortifications driving the enemy from all their positions. Several mines were exploded during the battle causing severe losses to the Japanese.

Flood Destroys Bridge

Guthrie O T Oct. 4.—According to special dispatches to the state capital the South Canadian river is higher than it has been in forty years.

In many places the wagon and railroad bridges have been swept away. The rice is due to floods in Colorado. It is feared the loss in cotton and crops and bridges will be enormous. No loss of life is reported.

For Love Of Him

Salem, Or. Oct 4.—Mildred Bryant, aged 17, daughter of a prominent mill man of this city suicided last night with strychnine. She left a letter saying she loved Charles Pennell her father's partner but her parents objected to their marriage on account of her age.

PEACE MAKERS MEET

Advocates Gather from Many Places

Special to the Observer
Boston, Oct. 4.—Secretary of State John Hay representing the United States of America spoke the word of welcome this afternoon to the delegates of the International Peace Congress assembled here for the first formal meeting of the thirteenth annual convention. The meeting was held in Tremont. Before 9 o'clock the auditorium was jammed and streams of people were turned away from the entrances. Edwin D Mead chairman of the committee on organization of the peace congress after calling the meeting to order, said:

"If the press of the world would adopt the resolve, war would be no more the clang of arms would cease from the rising of the sun to its going down and we could fancy at last our ears, no longer stunned by the din of arms might hear the morning stars singing together and all the sons of God shouting for joy.

"These words are not mine but spoken at the International Peace Association meeting at St. Louis by Secretary of State John Hay and with those words ringing in our hearts we rejoice that the secretary of state is John Hay and that he is with us today"

Over Marbles

Mayking Ky Oct 4.—In a district school near the border of Virginia Wilson Cantrell 17 and Thomas Maggard 16 schoolmates had an altercation over a game of marbles.

Cantrell armed himself with a 38-caliber Colt revolver and when school was dismissed yesterday he shot young Maggard dead.

Cantrell fled, but was pursued by a posse and arrested this morning ten miles from the scene.

MAD MULLAH LOOTS VILLAGE

Aden Arabia Oct.—Mad Mullah is again on the warpath and is reported to have looted the village of Oxade, killing 500 people and capturing an enormous quantity of camels and sheep. He lately received a great quantity of rifles.

Flood Destroys Town

Las Vegas N M Oct 4.—Half the town of Watrous was destroyed by the flood and at least 12 persons were drowned. Among these were the three children of J E Stevens, Felix Villiers, his wife, two sisters and several children. O F Porter and J B Stevens escaped and have been brought here. They are in a critical condition. Many persons were rescued from trees and house-tops. The greatest damage was around the junction of Mors and Sapello creeks. The crusher, the great iron bridge and much track at Watrous were washed away.

New School Rule

A few days ago the dean at Reynolds hall announced there would be a general change in the table seating on Saturday evening. No one knew the method that would be used and all expressed considerable interest in the coming change.

Yesterday evening, at full 15 minutes before the usual time, the young men began filing into the dining hall. The seating was arranged by drawing. Each person drew a ticket on which was written the name of the table at which he should sit.

A surprise was given the football boys who were not permitted to draw for their seats, but were ushered to a separate table, known now as the Training Table for this they are very grateful.—Pendleton Oregonian

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