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SCHMITZ IS ANXIOUS TO MAKE PLEA

(Scripps News Association)

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Apparently determined to secure an immediate trial, Mayor Schmitz, accompanied by his attorney, Metcalf, appeared before Judge Dunne this morning and filed a written demand for an opportunity to plead to five indictments in case they were separate from the cases of his co-defendant, Abe Rusf. The matter was taken under advisement.

The examination of witnesses in the Rusf case was then resumed. Grand Juror Greenbaum, was questioned by Attorney Ach, who is representing Rusf, as to whether he was prejudiced against the defendant by reading newspapers. The witness denied that he had been influenced. It is evidently the intention of the defense to examine all grand jurors in an effort to secure a delay of time to prevent the grand jury from proceeding with the work of returning more indictments.

DISSATISFIED WITH DUNNE

Mayor Schmitz, thru his attorneys, today filed a petition with Judge Graham, asking the transfer of his cases from Judge Dunne's court to some other department, on the ground that he could not get a speedy and impartial trial. Graham consented and will hear the arguments on the petition at nine tomorrow.

ON HUNTING TRIP

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 27.—The President and his family left at eleven twenty today for Pine Knot where they remain until Monday. The boys will hunt during that time.

WALTER CLARK IS DEAD

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 27.—Walter Appleton Clark, aged thirty-one, and who has won fame for his illustrations, died this morning.

HONORING IRISH ATHLETES

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 27.—There will be a big demonstration in the Grand Central Palace tonight when Irish societies in the city, to the number of over one hundred, will assemble at a banquet to be given in honor of Martin Sheridan and John Flanagan, the athletes, who won so many prizes during the past season. Numerous trophies will be presented to them by the various societies.

GAS PIPE THUG MAY GET REHEARING

(Scripps News Association)
San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Judge Cook announced this morning that he would not pronounce sentence upon Louis Dabner, the convicted gaspipe thug, until the verdict had been returned. The court has offered to hear testimony showing extenuating circumstances.

FLAGMAN IS MISSING

(Scripps News Association)
Seattle, Dec. 27.—William Guion the motorman on the passenger train which was wrecked yesterday by a head-on collision with a gravel train and was fatally injured, died this morning. Flagman Foss whom the company believes to be responsible for the accident, is still missing.

JEFFRIES WANTS MORE MONEY

(Scripps News Association)
Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—Jim Jeffries today emphatically denies that he had accepted an offer of a \$50,000 purse from some Rhyolite fight promoters for a fight with Squires of Australia. He said he would positively not entertain any proposition for less than \$50,000.

MEXICAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

(Scripps News Association)
Detroit, Dec. 26.—Felipe Jauragu, aged twenty-two, a Mexican rebel and refugee whose parents live near the city of Mexico is probably fatally injured by three bullets in his breast, fired by himself.—Letters say he suicided because of love he bore for a girl in St. Louis and who, it is said to have rejected him.

RAILROADS WAGE BILL

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 26.—It is estimated that the American railroads will pay during the current fiscal year \$1,052,000,000 in wages, the highest in the history of the country, while the amount, owing to existing construction in all directions, will largely increase annually.

PUBLIC RECEPTION TO BE HELD TOMORROW EVENING

To be Given in Honor of Judges Robert Eakin and Thomas H. Crawford

A public reception will be given in the parlors of the La Grande Commercial Club tomorrow evening in honor of retiring Judge Robert Eakin and his successor Judge Thomas H. Crawford, whose term of office begins January first.

It is the intention to have everything informal. There will be appropriate addresses interspersed with music followed by light refreshments. Remember there will be no invitations. The public generally is extended this opportunity to express their appreciation of the excellent services of a public servant who has so faithfully served the citizens of this county in an official capacity during the past eleven years and who as a public spirited citizen has always stood for the highest possible citizenship during a residence of over thirty years.

And also to cordially greet another honored and respected citizen, who by

voice and pen has stood shoulder to shoulder with the wonderful development of Union county. As a result of this long and successful record as a leading member of the bar, he has been commissioned by the Governor of this state to preside as judge of the eighth judicial district, a position which requires a carefully trained legal mind, backed by a naturally inherited and cultivated desire to mete out justice. Such are the accepted qualities of Judge Crawford as accredited to him by his neighbors and friends, hundreds of whom have been intimately acquainted with him for more than a quarter of a century, covering the period of his residence in this county.

The reception commences at 8 o'clock. The occasion is such as to require only an opportunity for the public to generously respond.

EASTERN STAR INSTALLATION

OFFICERS INSTALLED

Mrs. May Noyes, W. M.; Dr. M. K. Hall, W. P.; Mrs. Mary Forrest, A. M.; Miss Mary Warnick, Sec.; Mrs. Emma Grady, Treasurer; Mrs. Lulu Norris, Cond.; Mrs. Rachael Worstell, Ass. Cond.; Miss Pauline Lederle, Ada; Mrs. Victoria Stillwell, Ruth; Mrs. Gertrude Swaney, Esther; Miss Ada Fowler, Martha; Mrs. Emma Watts, Electa; Mrs. Marie Jackson, Chap; Miss Edna Hunter, Marshal; Mrs. Nellie Nail, Organist; Mrs. May Bav, Warder; Mr. Avery Harrison, Sentinel.

The installation of the new officers of Hope Chapter, No. 15, Order of Eastern Star, which took place last evening and which partook of a semi public nature certainly will be recorded as one of the leading social functions of the year.

The chapter for years has held an enviable position among the similar Masonic organizations of the state, by the interest and zeal of its officers and members. Whatever the Eastern Star undertakes its success is a foregone conclusion.

To begin with, the ritual and floor work of the order certainly is second to none and the various figures, drills and marches executed, by the natural graces of the gentler sex, augmented by beautiful flowing, bright colored robes bedecked with sparkling regalia and jewels of office presents a scene that must be seen to be appreciated.

The entire beautiful ceremony of installation was thoroughly memorized.

there was no fumbling of a ritual or losing the place.

Mrs. Schilke, the installing officer was the recipient of many compliments for the meritorious carrying out of her part as was also her able assistant, Miss Ona Pennington, as marshal.

During the interim between ceremony and the banquet Mr. Sherwood Williams rendered a pleasing solo, as did also the quartet consisting of the Mesdames Forrest and Neil and C. E. and Geo. Cochran and piano solos by the Misses Gertrude Ralston and Florence McCall.

AT THE BANQUET

Covers had been spread for a hundred and fifty and every seat was occupied. Dr. M. K. Hall acted as toast master and his success in that line added greatly to the success of the evening. Attorney Chas. E. Cochran responded to "Our Sisters", a lovely subject and one which the orator did full credit. "Our Brothers" was assigned to Attorney Turner Oliver, who certainly took advantage of not a few of the brothers in pointing out how strong the fraternal ties are embedded within their hearts. "Masonry as an Educator" gave T. A. Rinehart full scope for him to demonstrate what an important part in the development of the ages that masonry had been identified with Attorney Geo. Cochran's remarks on "Masonry in the Orient" was complete with much of interest.

It was, well considerably after midnight, when good night was finally said and the members of the Eastern Star added another star to their reputation as royal entertainers.

MOBILE JACKSON AND KANSAS CITY ROAD

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 27.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Mobile Jackson and Kansas City railroad, today, it was decided to create a second mortgage to secure \$5,000,000 5% short term bonds. The mortgage will also cover the Gulf and Chicago road, and the shareholders of the latter company will meet tomorrow to authorize the mortgage.

RUSSIAN CONSUL SUICIDES

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago, Dec. 27.—Colonel Degermann, the Russian Consul to this city, was found dead in his bed this morning. People were attracted by a pistol shot, but it was some time before it was decided that the deed was suicidal. He has worried over private matters, a settlement of which was announced in dispatches which came too late.

YAQUIS ON WAR PATH

(Scripps News Association)
Negales, Ariz. Dec. 27.—Over a hundred Yaquis are on the war path near Valencia. Details of killing are slowly coming and say that eleven Mexicans and one American have been killed.

POPULAR PRINCESS ENGAGED

(Scripps News Association)
Berlin Dec. 27.—Princess Alexandra Victoria, of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Glücksburg, has been betrothed to August William, the fourth son of the Emperor.

JEWISH EXHIBITION FOR THE HAGUE

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 27.—A project is on foot to hold an international Jewish exhibition at the Hague during the dedication of the Carnegie Peace Palace. It is intended to have an exhibition rare documents pertaining to the Jewish peoples and proving the part they took in developing civilization. There will also be many works of art and other evidences of Jewish activity and progress in industry and literature. The leading Jews in the United States are about to take the matter up and render all assistance in their power.

ENGLISH CRICKETERS FOR THE U. S.

(Scripps News Association)
London, Dec. 27.—Mr. J. R. Mason, Captain of the Kent County Cricket Club, has received a communication from the Associated Cricket Clubs of Philadelphia U. S. A. inviting him to take a team to the states during the coming seasons to play matches in Philadelphia, New York and other cities. Mr. Mason has spoken to the captains of several leading clubs and all favor the idea of accepting the invitation. A strong team will probably be sent.

ROBBERS GET BOODLE

(Scripps News Association)
Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—Robbers broke open a safe in the post office in Glendale, a suburb, at midnight and stole \$1000 worth of registers and \$400 cases and all the stamps. They then stole a horse and buggy and escaped.

TELLER WENT WRONG

(Scripps News Association)
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—William C. Anderson, the paying teller of the first National Bank, this morning pleaded guilty to embezzlement of nine thousand dollars. He was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary.

TO PUNISH RACE RIOT INSTIGATORS

(Scripps News Association)
Jackson, Miss., Dec. 27.—Dispatches from Kemper county says that the power of the state of Mississippi will be directed to the punishment of the whites, who are responsible for the race riots the past Christmas. Attorney Curry finds that the trouble was caused by hoodlums and outlaws who openly violated the laws of God, man and decency. There is no excuse for men burning the houses and killing negroes who were in no way in sympathy with the negroes connected with the outrages. The mob element of the whites is fleeing toward Alabama.

Scoba, Miss. Dec. 26.—The governor of this state with three companies of infantry have arrived this morning. All is quiet and there is nothing for the soldiers to do.

CHINA'S STARVING MILLIONS

(Scripps News Association)
London, Dec. 27.—At a meeting of philanthropists in Exeter Hall to-day at which Lord Rosse presided, it was announced that \$1,240,000 had been subscribed to the Chinese Famine Relief Fund. It was stated by Rev. Mr. Poirin, of the China Missionary Society, that upwards of twenty-millions natives were on the verge of starvation in the provinces of Kuen Len and Signan.

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