

"SQUEALER" IN GAMBLING EXPOSE SHOT BY THUGS

Death to All Those Who Divulge Inside History of New York Gambling Alarms Officials

New York, July 31.—"Death to every 'squealer' is believed today to be the policy decided upon by the underworld to prevent exposure of the details of the scandal, resulting in the murder of Rosenthal, declared evident today through the murder of James Verella, who was killed in his resort the Cafe Dante, for alleged betrayal of 'Dago Frank' Cirofici, one of the slayers now under arrest. Four men entered Verella's place, denounced him as a 'squealer,' and shot him to death, promising before they left that the same fate would be dealt to all 'squealers' who gave evidence in connection with the gambling scandal. William Lorenzo and Albert Contentio are arrested for the Verella killing and are being sweated.

Immunity for Becker, the alleged plotter of the murder, is today declared probable if Becker will expose the details of the alleged police grafting and expose the men higher up who shared in the plunder which it is said aggregated two million yearly.

District Attorney Whitman is anxious to get these 'higher ups' and especially a civilian who is reported to have distributed the graft money, three high police officials and a state senator, all of whom were named in their confessions by 'Bald Jack' Rose, Becker's chief collector, Har-

Vallon and 'Eridgie' Webber, the trio who declare that Becker plotted and forced them to arrange for the killing of Rosenthal.

In addition investigations are being made by Mayor Gaynor and the board of aldermen with the police and the grand jury continued today its probe of the murder scandal.

The plans are to trace to the highest beneficiary, 'the slush fund,' the collection of which Rose described.

District Attorney Whitman is holding aloof from all other investigations and with the Burns detectives is devoting every effort to keep secret the facts he has learned until he can land in his net some of the big fish who, Rose says, have profited by the alliance between the police and the underworld.

Becker is still defiant, and protesting his innocence today and preparing a defense. He says he can prove that Rose, Webber and Vallon entered into a plot to 'job' him.

Both Lorenzo and Contentio deny they killed Verella because he was a 'squealer.' They say they were drinking in Verella's cafe, and became noisy and that Verella attacked them with a revolver. They assert that another man seized the weapon and shot Verella and fled. The story is quoted by the police.

MURDER THEORY REVIVED.

Doreas Snodgrass May Not Have Been a Suicide as Thought.

Catskill, N. Y., July 31.—That Doreas Snodgrass, the Mount Vernon nurse, whose body was found in Catskill creek after being mysteriously missing for several days, may have been the victim of foul play, is indicated today in a report returned by Dr. Rooney of Albany, after a post-mortem examination. Although Dr. Rooney admit that death was due to drowning, he maintains that the shallowness of the water in which the body was found proves that Miss Snodgrass was unconscious and inert

when placed in the creek. District Attorney Wilbur has ordered a thorough investigation of the case today, and startling developments are expected.

STAND CHANGES HANDS.

La Grande News Company Buys Out Postoffice Stand.

Mrs. Combs has sold her news and fruit stand to the La Grande News Co. which will take possession on August first. J. G. Morris will have the management of the stand and will continue to make it an attractive and accommodating news and fruit headquarters.

ROALD AMUNDSEN.

Discoverer of the South Pole Now Lecturing on His Exploit



DARROW ENDS HIS TESTIMONY

CROSS EXAMINATION BEGUN AT NOON.

"Double Crossing" of Darrow by Harrington Pictured.

Los Angeles, July 31.—His full denial of the bribery of the jurors in the McNamara case, completed by direct examination, Darrow today was taken in hand by the prosecution and cross-examination begun. It is expected that it will be one of the most severe in the history of the California courts.

The end of Darrow's direct examination came at 11:30 this morning. Its conclusion was a full resume of the way in which John R. Harrington, the Chicago attorney, had broken bread in his house as a guest for the greater part of November, 1911, while he was betraying every alleged fact he gained to Oscar Lawlor, special prosecutor of the department of justice, who was head of the attempt to send Darrow's clients, the McNamaras, to the gallows.

Wilson Says Rumor is Lie

ALLEGED WITHDRAWAL OF CLUB APPLICATION DENIED.

FEARED BLACKBALL?

Old-Time Fend Between Wilson and Smith Said to Be Responsible.

Sea Girt, July 31.—Governor Wilson today ridiculed the published reports that he had applied for membership in the Manhattan club of New York city and withdrew his name when he learned that friends of Jas. Smith, Jr., had planned to blackball the application. He denied he applied for membership.

Smith and Wilson are bitter political enemies, Smith never having forgiven Wilson for his efforts in behalf of Senator Martine when Smith was a candidate for the senatorial nomination.

It is reported today that Wilson favors two vice chairmen of the national democratic committee and that William McAdoo of New York and Senator Gore of Oklahoma are to be named.

Council Meets Tonight.

The city fathers will meet in council assembled this evening. Several matters of importance will be considered.

HAINES LEADS IDAHO PRIMARY

PROBABLE REPUBLICANS HAVE CHOSEN HIM.

Hawley and Borah Each ReNominated Without Opposition.

Boise, July 31.—John M. Haines, of Boise was probably nominated for governor in the republican ticket in yesterday's primaries. It will not be definitely known until tomorrow. Paul Clagstone of Acton is second. Clagstone carried every county in northern Idaho. Haines and Morrison broke even in southwestern Idaho and the result depends on the southeast.

Borah had no opposition for re-nomination, and Hawley was unopposed among the democrats. Congressman French re-nominated. Smith, a standpatter, was probably nominated for the other seat in congress. The democratic nominees for congress are P. W. Mitchell of Lewiston and Edgar M. Pugmire of Bear Lake county.

Connecticut Third Party.

New Haven, Conn., July 30.—A convention of the Roosevelt adherents in Connecticut assembled in this city today for the purpose, as stated in the call, of selecting delegates to the Chicago convention and nominating presidential electors and a full ticket for the state.

FIRST WHEAT BROUGHT TO ALICEL GRAIN ELEVATORS

Combine-harvested wheat is making its appearance in the elevators of the county. Tom Ruckman of Alicel carries the distinction of harvesting the first wheat and bringing it to the Kiddle warehouse at Alicel. The combine was started just prior to the rainstorm but sufficient quantities were cut and threshed, combine fashion, to justify a haul to the granaries. The grain yielded well, is of high quality and foreruns a banner harvest in 1912.

It was not sold, hence no price is established for Grande Ronde wheat up to date, but was sent to the ware-

THIRD JUDGE FACES CHARGE OF CORRUPTION

GEORGIA JUDGE IS ACCUSED BY A CLIENT.

HELD UP BANKRUPTCY

PROCEEDINGS 13 YEARS

Affair Similar in Many Respects to That of Hanford Charges, Bop up in Georgia Where United States Judge Is Called "Petitcoat Pensioner Venal and Corrupt."

Macon, Ga., July 31.—The probability of a third United States judge facing impeachment charges on grounds alleged to be not unlike those in the cases of Hanford and Archbald, became known today when it was intimated that Judge Emory Speer for the Southern district of Georgia will probably be compelled to defend his action declaring former Mayor Huff of Macon in contempt of court for writing a letter assailing Speer's record on the bench.

Friends of Huff today stated the latter intended to present charges of such a nature against Speer as would warrant congress ordering an investigation.

When Huff's letter reached Judge Speer, he ordered Huff arrested. The Huff state has been in court for 13 years on bankruptcy proceedings and in his letter Huff said that as Speer had been inactive 13 years, he proposed to get justice. In his letter Huff referred to Speer as a "petitcoat pensioner and a venal and corrupt judge."

HORSE DIES IN HARNESS.

Something Common in the Overheated

East But Unusual Here.

Yesterday while at work on the I. Zundell place east of Fruitdale one of the horses dropped dead in the harness. This seldom occurs in this part of the country, but in the east where the animals are subjected to the willing heat of the sun, it is a common occurrence.

Young Peoples' Social.

This evening the Methodist young people will hold their regular monthly social meeting at the church. These gatherings are greatly appreciated by all who attend, and everyone is invited to enjoy them.

Railroaders vs. Clerks.

This evening the Railroaders will contend against the clerks according to the regular schedule of the Twilight league. Game called promptly at 6:30.

Auto Strikes Truck, 1 Dies

TELEPHONE OPERATOR IN OREGON HOTEL VICTIM.

COMPANION ESCAPES

Neck Broken and Skull Fractured When Portland Auto Hits Truck.

Portland, Ore., July 31.—The telephone operator at the Oregon hotel, Miss Dow, was fatally injured early today when an auto in which she was riding, struck a fruit wagon. She died on the way to the hospital. She was thrown from the car on her head fracturing the skull and breaking the neck. Karl V. Lively, a broker, was driving and R. L. Simmons, a druggist, was in the tonneau with Miss Dow but was uninjured.

BUYS FRUIT TRACTS.

Haines Man Purchases Two Small Fruit Tracts in Cove.

H. H. Little of Haines has just purchased two small orchards in Cove. Mr. Little is a newcomer to this country and is greatly pleased with the west. He was especially struck by the Grande Ronde valley, hence his purchases.

MAJOR BUTT'S CRIES ECHOED

APPEAL FOR HELP FOR TITANIC REACH SHORE.

In Bottle Message Signed "Major Butt" Appeals for Help.

Long Island, July 31.—A message picked from a bottle was found off shore today containing a purported message, the last words of Major Archibald Butt when the late aide to the president sank with the Titanic. It read:

"Help—Aboard raft—Titanic sinking—no food or water. Archibald Butt."

If true, the message throws more light on the heroic death of the late aide to President Taft. He was deemed to have gone down with or near the wrecked ship, but the letter indicates he was clinging to temporary rescue device in the shape of raft when overcome by hunger and privation.

MISS MABEL KELSO,



First woman wireless operator, over whom much dispute has arisen by the refusal of the wireless men to sanction her occupancy of a position.

TAFT ADVISED OF NOMINATION THURSDAY

REAR PORTICO OF THE WHITE HOUSE SCENE OF CEREMONY

INDIANA PROGRESSIVES MAKE A BIG PROGRAM.

Presidential Luncheon to Follow Official Notification of Taft's Nomination at Chicago—Maine Progressives Meet Today for State Convention at Portland.

Washington, D. C., July 31.—Men who will be prominent in the notification of President Taft of his re-nomination began to arrive in the capital today. Much public interest is manifested in the notification exercise which is scheduled to take place at the white house tomorrow forenoon. If the weather is favorable, Mr. Taft will receive the notification committee on the rear portico of the executive mansion, which overlooks the ellipse and down past the Washington monument on the Potomac. He will speak from the portico, with the committeemen grouped below him on the lawn. At the conclusion of the ceremonies the visitors will be the guests of the president at luncheon.

Maine Progressives Meet

Portland, Me., July 31.—The insurgent Republicans who carried Maine for Roosevelt last spring, rallied here for a state convention today to select delegates to attend the National Progressive convention at Chicago next week. According to the present plan the regular republican state ticket will be endorsed, but a new set of presidential electors will be nominated.

Indianapolis, Indiana, July 31:—

The nomination of a complete State ticket on a platform declaring for the woman suffrage, the initiative, referendum and recall, a minimum wage for women, the commission form of city government and the election of United States senators by direct vote is the programme mapped out for the Indiana State convention of the Progressive party to be held here tomorrow. The party hopes to persuade Albert J. Beveridge, former United States senator and an ardent Roosevelt man, to accept the nomination for governor. If Beveridge declines, the gubernatorial nomination may go to former Congressman Frederick Landis of Logansport or Horace C. Stillwell of Anderson.

California Moose Go East.

San Francisco, July 31.—Under the

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REBELS DEFEAT 1500 FEDERALS

FIRST REBEL VICTORY IN SOME TIME IS ATTAINED.

Mormon Homes Looted by Victorious Rebel Troops.

El Paso, Tex., July 31.—The first defeat suffered by the Mexican federals for some time, occurred when the rebels under General Salazar drove General Blanco's 1500 men into the mountains after a two day battle at Ojitos pass. The battle began Sunday.

This removes federal menace in the territory of western Chihuahua. The rebels today are looting the homes of Mormon colonists, abandoned in a general flight to the border.