

SCHMITZ FREE, RUEF HIS FRIEND

Grafting Mayor Released After Reconciliation With His Former Ally.

AFFECTING SCENE IN JAIL

Will Stand Together in Trials. Heney and Langdon File Voluminous Affidavits Showing Ruef Violated His Contract.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—(Special.)—In the lonesome hours of the long day and the dim light of the corridors of the County Jail, the old love has returned, and Schmitz and Ruef have pledged anew the bond that cemented them in the days of their ascendancy.

"Gene, I have wronged you," he said, and he wiggled a tear out of his eye, "but it's all over now. I'm with you to the end."

Since this confidential talk Ruef and Schmitz have met daily and have made plans to stand together through the rest of the graft trials.

The decision of the Supreme Court leaves Schmitz free from the taint of conviction, with 24 indictments for bribery against him.

SCHMITZ AGAIN WITH FAMILY Extortion Charges Dismissed and He Talks of Vindication.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—After being in custody for nine months ex-Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz was released early tonight after putting up an additional bond of \$150,000, and tonight is with his family.

All of the additional extortion charges upon which he was indicted have been dismissed by Judge Lawrence and Dunne and will not be tried upon them.

Many of his old friends were present at the time of his release tonight, and to them the ex-Mayor talked of his pleasure at being a free man again.

Judge Dunne, however, being of the opinion that the objection on which the demurrer was allowed may be avoided in a new indictment, directed that the case against the ex-Mayor be submitted to another grand jury.

Campbell, Moran & Drew, John J. Barrett and Judge C. H. Fairall, the array of counsel for Schmitz, were extremely active all day.

Mr. Heney's affidavit will be followed tomorrow by the filing of one by William J. Burns, the special agent in the prosecution, who had charge of the investigation and gathering of evidence in the bribery-graft cases.

Mr. Langdon, in his affidavit, besides declaring that Ruef was promised full immunity or that Drs. Jacob Nieto and Bernard Kaplan had been caused to approach Ruef and influence him to give what was known in regard to the bribery of the Supervisors through the

request of the prosecution, as those two gentlemen aver in affidavits, declares that Ruef broke the contract, a copy of which is on file with the court, and was still "traitorous to the state he had debauched and whose laws he had defied," and that instead of trying to make reparation for the wrong he had done, "was endeavoring not only to save himself from the punishment he so richly deserved but also was endeavoring to make certain the escape from punishment of his co-defendants."

Mr. Langdon denies that the prosecution promised Ruef that his plea of guilty to the extortion charge would be withdrawn, and adds the interesting statement that Ruef stated to him "that he, Ruef, was one of the ablest lawyers in the state, and that, while it would not do for him to appear as an attorney of record in the prosecution of the graft cases, yet he ought to be admitted to the most intimate confidence of the prosecution, and that he would be of the greatest assistance in shaping its policy and determining the mode of procedure in the graft cases."

Heney's Mammoth Affidavit. The affidavit of Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Heney was not filed until 5 o'clock tonight. It is perhaps the most voluminous affidavit ever filed in a criminal case in any court in this city.

Mr. Heney, like Mr. Langdon, denies that Ruef was promised full immunity, and declares that Ruef failed to live up to a single pledge. The immunity contract runs like a thread through the entire narrative.

Conditions of the Promise. That Ruef was never promised complete immunity from punishment, but was given to understand he must accept sentence for extortion.

That Ruef himself prepared a draft of a proposed immunity contract, which Mr. Heney absolutely refused to sign.

That the midnight meeting with Judges Lawlor and Dunne was suggested by Rabi Nieto and that no promise to dismiss cases against Ruef was exacted from either jurist.

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Decorated China--Sp'l Sale

German china, prettily decorated and pressed glass-ware, at half regular value. Two bargain tables filled with useful articles. The following are examples:

- 8-in. Salad or Berry Bowls, special, each 10c
9-inch Cake Plates priced at only, each 8c
6-inch handled Olive Dishes, each 8c
Cream Pitchers, one-pint size, each 8c

OLD'S WORTHMAN & KING MAIL ORDERS VERY CAREFULLY FILLED FIFTH WASHINGTON SIXTH STREETS

Libbey Cut Glass--Sp'l Sale

The finest Cut Glass in the world, in our Third-Floor China and Glassware Shops.

- Heart pattern Olive Dishes, worth \$3.50 each, for special values \$2.75
Star pattern Olive Dishes, worth \$3 each, for special values \$2.25
6-inch Vases, worth \$5.50 each, special \$4.25
7-inch Vases, worth \$3.60 each, \$2.85

This Is Art Department Week



A special display in the windows and in the department---on the second floor---of goods that appeal to fancy needle workers and women fond of dainty art linen and home embellishments.

They are shown in white or colored materials and stamped in all the new designs, including the latest novelty, "Lazy Daisy" embroidery.

OUR MISS BERNARD IS BACK FROM NEW YORK BRINGING WITH HER HUNDREDS OF THE NEWEST STYLE CREATIONS

Exclusive Tailored Hats

In brave array the advance guard of 1908 millinery styles are grouped to welcome you in our millinery Section today.

Castle, Fiske and others. Popular prices will be served and the music of savings will be heard all day.

TRIMMED HATS \$3, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$9.50 and up



Umbrellas \$1.97

These have good fast color taffeta covers and novelty handles. Men's or women's sizes. Mounted on strong frames.

Men's Underwear in natural wool, Spring weight. Shirts and drawers in all sizes.

Men's Wool Hose, medium weight. Natural gray or oxford color. An exceptionally good value.

Coat Sweaters for men, in plain colors or with fancy colored borders; cardinal, navy, gray or white.

Suits \$17.50 and \$18.50

Decidedly stunning costumes for surprisingly small sums. Women's and misses' sizes in the jauntiest and nattiest models possible to design or produce, just received by express and ready for display.



RATES TO SUIT TIMES

GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT LUCE GIVES TESTIMONY.

Says Southern Pacific Made Special Rates to Meet Competition, Favoring Raw Materials.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—The first session of the investigation by the Board of State Railroad Commissioners into the practice of granting special rates by the Southern Pacific Company to favored shippers was devoted today to the examination of G. W. Luce, general freight agent.

Luce testified that he was chiefly responsible for fixing special rates, that they were granted to meet competition, and that they were graduated for commodities, unfinished products that were to be manufactured being given unusual privileges.

Luce was not permitted to testify before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Franklin K. Lane last October on the ground that his examination would preclude the possibility of a criminal prosecution and would prejudice the interests of the Department of Justice.

UNITED RAILWAYS IN TROUBLE

Westinghouse Receiver Enjoins Other Creditors From Suing.

PITTSBURG, March 10.—The receivers of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company were today authorized by United States Circuit Judge Young to enjoin other creditors of the United Railways Company of San Francisco in the adjustment of their claims against the California Company.

The petition states that the United Railways Company has a floating debt of about \$2,000,000, and that unless some arrangement is made to meet this, it will be forced into the hands of a receiver.

Asks for Another Receiver. HOUSTON, Tex., March 10.—An ancillary bill was filed today in the Federal court, asking a receivership on behalf of the Mercantile Trust Company, of Boston, against the International & Great Northern Railroad.

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KING'S ARRIVAL WAS QUIET

WARMLY GREETED BY PEOPLE OF BARCELONA.

City Decorated With Flags and Bunting and Flowers--Staying at Home of Captain-General.

BARCELONA, Spain, March 10.—King Alfonso, who left Madrid last night, arrived in this city this morning. He has taken up his residence at the home of General Linares, Captain-General of Catalonia, where he will stay during his visit here.

The royal train drew into the station at 9 o'clock and its arrival was announced by the firing of salutes from the Austrian and Spanish warships in the harbor.

As the King emerged from the station, accompanied by General Linares, and the members of his personal suite in brilliant uniforms, he was warmly greeted.

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STUCK IN SNOWDRIFT.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 10.—Information received here tonight was to the effect that the American car in the New York-to-Paris race, was stuck in a snowdrift near Hanna, Wyo., 100 miles west of here.

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