

WHITLA LAD PICKS OUT BOTH CAPTORS

Mrs. Whitla's Sister Goes Into Hysterics When Woman's Description Is Given Her.

HIDDEN MOTIVE IN CASE?

Police Probe Recent Developments in Kidnaping and Find Much Unexplained—Both Prisoners Keep Silent.

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station, but was not allowed to see the prisoners. He was informed that the only identification desired was that which the boy could make. The chief told Mr. Whitla that if he did not care to make the identification in the usual manner, he could return to Sharon and the prisoners would be prosecuted here on the charge of blackmail.

Whitla then agreed to have Willie see the woman and the man. An hour later Mr. and Mrs. Whitla and their children appeared.

Boyle was a little pale and nervous. There was a faint smile upon his lips and he was seated before the party, which formed a semi-circle in front of him. Chief Kohler asked Willie if he had ever seen the man before.

"Sure," said Willie, brightly. "Why, that is the man I left Sharon with. He took me to Cleveland, then to Ashland and back to Cleveland. He had a mustache when I first saw him at the schoolhouse, but he must have cut it off later. This is the way he looked when I last saw him in Cleveland."

Woman Greets Boy.

Boyle was taken back to his cell and then the woman was brought in. She was defiant and haughty. Her only remark upon indignation was when she first saw Willie. Then she smiled.

Immediately Willie walks up to her and, extending his hand, said:

"How do you do?"

"Hello, Willie," the woman replied, as she placed her hand upon his head and caressed him for an instant.

The boy was asked several questions by the Chief of Police.

"Yes, I know her," he said. "She was the nurse who took care of me in Cleveland. She told me I was sick and in a hospital. I saw her a whole lot, as she was with me most all the time."

No Recognition Noted.

Notwithstanding the woman's former assertion that there would be a sensation when she was identified, or when Whitla saw her, she and Willie looked at one another without outward evidence of recognition. After leaving the police station Whitla would not discuss the woman.

County Prosecutor Cline, who is in charge of the grand jury, said that while he could not say what the grand jury would do, the man and woman could be held in Ohio on the charge of blackmail. The grand jury was taking up the matter merely as a precaution, as there were no present intentions of prosecuting the prisoners here.

Ohio May Take Case.

"It would be better if they were tried in Pennsylvania, as the laws in that state are much more severe; the extreme penalty for kidnaping is life imprisonment," the prosecutor said. "That is what they deserve if guilty. For that reason they will be taken to Sharon for trial first. If for any reason they escape punishment there, they cannot escape entirely, as we could arrest them and try them on the charge of blackmail. We shall watch the case closely."

While the grand jury was examining Whitla the boy remained in the witness room with his mother.

"I had a good time, because they were nice to me," said the boy. "The hardest part was when the man made me walk five miles near home. After that we rode on trains. He gave me candy and lots of good things to eat. I didn't like being in the house so much, but they said I was sick. The first time I saw the woman was at the house where they kept me. She was dressed like a nurse."

OTHER ARRESTS EXPECTED

Sharon People Believe New Sensation Will Be Sprung.

SHARON, Pa., March 24.—Believing that the most interesting part of the story of the kidnaping of Willie Whitla is yet to come, the people of Sharon are waiting in eager expectancy the conclusion of the identification of the persons arrested at Cleveland. That other heads of the two who are now charged with the crime are implicated in it is doubted by few here, and the discovery of the others in the case promises a sensation when the facts become known.

That there would be an effort to prevent making public the names of those involved in the case was surmised today by reason of activity in certain lines, but the probability is that the parties in custody will not be permitted to withhold the names of other persons implicated when the case comes to trial.

MYSTERIOUS RUMORS IN CASE

General Belief in Sharon That Whitla Will Protect Kidnapers.

SHARON, Pa., March 24.—Important sensational developments concerning the Whitla case are expected to occur at any minute. Rumor has it that the woman is personally known to the entire Whitla family and that efforts will be made to have the prosecution stopped. It is reported that the woman responsible for the kidnaping knows the Whitlas and is acquainted with their affairs. It is also rumored that they will not prosecute her.

Water Power Company Elects.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—The officers of the Washington Water Power Company, which own the power in the Spokane River at the falls, have been elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, M. Richards; first vice-president, D. L. Huntington; second vice-president, A. B. Campbell; secretary, H. L. Bleeker; treasurer, H. E. Perks; assistant treasurer, C. Douglas. Eastern stockholders are in the city this week inspecting the properties of the company, which include street railways, interurban lines, electric lighting and power plants.

PENDLETON ACADEMY GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM.



BEGINNING AT THE TOP AND READING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT—PROFESSOR GREENWALD, COACH; MISS M'HEYNOLDS, GENE ANDERSON, MAMIE ROGERS, NOVA NORVELL, ANNA TOPP, SADIE YOUNG AND FLORENCE LEHIGH.

PENDLETON, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—This was the first year the Academy has ever put out a girls' team and not a member of the squad had ever played before this year. They made a good showing, though their schedule included only games with experienced teams and resulted in a season of defeats.

TWO MILES A MINUTE EASY

WONDERFUL AUTO RECORD IS MADE IN FLORIDA.

Second Day of Daytona Beach Races Sees Many New Speed Marks Placed on File.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., March 24.—A fast course, large attendance, a stiff southern breeze blowing up the course and the shattering of world's records in automobile, motor cycle and bicycle events characterized the second day's racing.

The half-mile bicycle race, flying start, was won by Fogler in 0:47 1-2, with Mitten and Root second and third. In a five-mile motor cycle record trial Walter Goerke made the distance in 3:30 1-5, a new world's record.

The first heat in the invitation race for five miles, in which Robertson, De Palma and Fitzpatrick were entered, was won by the huge Benz, driven by Robertson, in 2:45 1-5, breaking the world's record for gasoline cars, held by Lancia in a 100-horsepower Fiat, of 2:43 2-5.

The two-mile Southern handicap, with five cars entered, was won by Augustus Gojean in a Pope-Hartford, James McLaughlin, in a Cleveland, was second; George Robertson, Locomobile, third. No time was taken.

Bruce Brown, the amateur, at the wheel of the Benz, driving the Fiat cycle, had a thrilling race at ten miles. Benz won in the wonderful time of 5:14 2-5. The previous world's straight-away ten-mile record was 6:15, held by Arthur McDonald in a 90-horsepower Daimler.

In a two-mile bicycle race, open, Fogler won in the fast time of 2:45 1-5, lowering the two-mile straight record.

SLOSSON LEADS AT BILLIARDS

Defeats Cutler, of Boston, and Plays Expert Game Throughout.

NEW YORK, March 24.—George Slosson, of this city, outplayed A. G. Cutler, of Boston, in tonight's game of the international 15.2 billiard championship at Madison Square Garden.

Slosson had an opportunity of equaling Sutton's average of 100 in his fifth inning, but, after scoring 150 with 45 to go for the game, he failed on a difficult two-cushion shot.

On his 12th shot in the eighth inning the local man had the fouries frozen, and decided to have the balls spotted. He played the break a bit wide, but a lucky kiss gave him the count, and after a general laugh, in which Cutler joined, the "student" ran out the game with an unfinished run of 29. Score:

Slosson, 500; average, 62 4-5; high runs, 23, 150 and 38. Cutler, 50; average, 7 1-2.

Calvin Demarest, of Chicago, showed plenty of class in the fourth game of the international series this afternoon.

In 21 innings he defeated Harry P. Kline, of Philadelphia, 500 to 267.

The score: Demarest, 500; average, 23 17-21; high runs, 116, 83 and 73. Kline, 267; average, 13 7-20; high runs, 55, 33 and 29.

SIEVER SIGNED BY ABERDEEN

Southpaw With Wonderful Record Has Been Purchased.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Edwin Siever, a fast southpaw slaban, has been signed by the Aberdeen management. Siever comes from Indianapolis, of the American Association, where he helped win the pennant last year, and his release has been purchased outright at a handsome figure.

The new man was formerly a member of the Detroit team in the American League, but was farmed last season to the Indianapolis club, where he made a wonderful record. Out of the 20 games he pitched for Indianapolis, he won 13 and had a batting average of .345 and a fielding average of .389.

PAPER CHASE FOR AMATEURS

Hunt Club to Give Less Experienced Riders Chance.

The amateur paper chase of the Portland Hunt Club, which was scheduled for last Saturday, but was postponed because of the inclement weather, will be run next Saturday. This event is to be held in order that many of the less experienced

members of the club may be afforded an opportunity to go over a regular route in easy fashion.

The amateur course will comprise the usual number of jumps, but the riders who are chary about taking the hurdles will be allowed to circle the barriers. Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose M. Cronin will act as hares for the occasion, and they have selected a route which starts at Mount Zion, through Tualatin Valley to the site of the new hunt club property on the line of the Oregon Electric. The start will be made at 2 o'clock and all riders are urged to be on hand promptly.

Wrestle Two Hours to Draw.

WATERLOO, Iowa, March 24.—Chris Peterson, of Seattle, champion of the Pacific Coast, and Dan McLeod, once champion of the world, wrestled one hour and fifty-five minutes tonight without a fall. The match was declared a draw.

ZELAYA IS PINNED DOWN

KNOX NEAR SETTLEMENT WITH NICARAGUAN RULER.

Will Soon Declare Position in Embry Dispute While Warships Prevent War.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Predictions in responsibility quarters today indicated that the controversy with Nicaragua over the Embry claim would within a short time resolve itself into a single question. Just what this would be was not disclosed, but it is believed to have reference to the manner and by whom the amount of damages to be awarded the company, resulting from the annulment of the concession by Nicaragua would be determined.

Nicaragua feels that its latest proposition along this line should have full consideration in saving peace to the United States many other points. In a few days, it is believed, the course to be adopted by the State Department will be so far defined as to make it possible to issue a public statement, making clear the situation of this government.

So far as the belligerent attitude of President Zelaya is concerned, no serious fear is felt in Washington that there will be developments that will change the situation in Central America. The presence of American warships in the Gulf of Fonseca is regarded as an assurance that there is not apt to be any hostile demonstration against Salvador or others of Nicaragua's neighbors.

Having brought Mr. Gregory, the American charge d'affaires at Managua, to Panama on his way to this city for a conference, the armored cruiser Washington has sailed from Panama for Amoy, Honduras, where her officers are keeping an outlook on the Central American situation. On the north coast the cruiser Tacoma has left Porto Cortez, Honduras, for Ceiba and Truxillo.

ENOUGH TO DESTROY CITY

Explosives in Pedro Harbor Make Shipping Men Nervous.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., March 24.—Since Saturday last the towns of San Pedro, Francisco and Wilmington have been menaced by a danger not appreciated except by a few shipping men. When the steamer Coos Bay arrived from San Francisco Saturday night she brought as part cargo 1200 kegs of black powder, 600 cases of dynamite, one case of fulminate caps and two cases of fuse.

This heavy consignment of high explosives was discharged from the steamer to a lighter alongside the wharf, where it has remained awaiting reshipment to Mexico.

On the wharf is stored a large quantity of nitrate of soda, and in the immediate vicinity are located the oil storage tanks of the Union and Standard Oil Companies, holding 30,000 and 43,000 barrels, respectively.

Shipping men are beginning to display signs of nervousness, as in the event of accident there is enough explosive to destroy the city.

PHILLIPS WANTED CASH

He Got It—\$6000 in Cash, 6000 Round, Silver Dollars.

TACOMA, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Frank McCandless, a local real estate broker, bought a piece of property from Calvin Phillips & Co. Mr. Phillips is said to have refused to accept a check in payment. Thereupon the purchaser went to the bank, whispered to the cashier, and presently six men emerged, each with a big, clanking bag.

These wended their way to the office of Mr. Phillips and deposited the sacks on his desk, with the sigh of relief. Mr. Phillips sighed, too, but his sigh was not one of relief. It dawned on him when the sacks were emptied that Mr. McCandless had paid cash, his property—\$6000 in cash, 6000 round silver dollars. Then Mr. McCandless sighed, a sigh of satisfaction.

Runaway Hurts Three.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Grant Dean's team ran away near Lewesville, upsetting the rig on Miss Beesie Debolt and throwing out of the buggy both Mr. Dean and Miss Abbie Womeldorf. Dean's wrist was badly sprained and Miss Debolt was bruised.

It Saved His Leg.

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LOANS NOT SOUND

Defunct Bank Took Mining Stocks as Security.

DIRECTORS ALSO BORROWED

Charge Made That When Crash Came One Director Owed \$7000 and Two Mining Companies Were Heavy Debtors.

BAKER CITY, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Developments regarding the failure of the Stockmen & Traders' Bank at Prineville, are said to show that the bank had accepted mining securities for loans, and at the time of the failure, it is stated, two mining companies owed the institution heavily. There is also said to be indications that stockholders of the bank were permitted to borrow funds from the institution, and it is intimated that one director owes it in the neighborhood of \$7000.

The climax of the institution's career came through a suit filed against it by the Merchants' National Bank of Portland, its correspondent. There is a possibility, it is hinted, that payment of Grant County taxes had something to do with the bank's closing. The tax collector deposited it in a Canyon City bank. The weakened condition of the bank being unable to meet their paper, is said to have caused the failure.

J. R. Poland arrived in Baker City this morning on his way home from Portland, where he had been on business connected with the defunct bank. He was appointed receiver by the court. Mr. Poland said, as he boarded a Sumpter Valley train this morning, that as receiver of the bank, I am not at liberty to make explanations of any kind, nor to give any statements, other than that the bank, in my judgment, will pay dollar for dollar to all depositors and stockholders. There was but \$7000 call deposits and \$3000 on time certificates when the bank closed. The liabilities are in the neighborhood of \$30,000, while assets range far above that. There is some of which may be slow to realize on, but various things combined against it, and there was nothing to do but close up shop."

J. W. SCRIBER IS INDICTED

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and the withdrawing of the bank's funds on them constituted, if true, a felony.

How Bank Was Plundered.

It is further alleged in the indictments that these notes were, in fact, forged by Scriber outright, and used by him in a successful scheme to plunder the bank of its assets. The notes alleged to have been so forged are set out in the body of the indictments with the names of the supposed makers attached.

Another indictment charges Scriber with having made false and fraudulent affidavits before the officials whose duty it was to examine into the condition of the bank. It is alleged that Scriber swore falsely to the status of the bank's financial soundness, covering up fraudulently the real state of affairs, and convincing the examining officials by false oaths, affidavits and other culpable means that the bank was in a solvent condition, when he knew, as a matter of fact, according to the charges, that this was not true.

Others Are Not Suspected.

All of these indictments are drawn against Scriber without allegations of any culpability as to others, and form a very serious mass of charges. It is averred by the examination of the evidence covering the various transactions that the bank was in fact insolvent for over four years past; that the acts complained of were the result of a plan whereby the cashier juggled cash and reports in such a manner as to make it appear the bank was solvent, instead of being from \$50,000 to \$80,000 behind.

It is also contended that the particular instances on which the indictments are drawn constitute, as a matter of fact, but a small portion of the wrongful acts committed by Scriber, but that these instances were selected as possibly the most culpable. It was not at first thought by outsiders that all of these entries and manipulations could have been carried on for so long a time without the connivance of others, but a rigid examination seems to have satisfied the grand jurors that there was no

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