

BARR GETS 5 YEARS

Checked Career of Check-Passer Closes for Time.

HAS CHANCE TO REFLECT

Man Whose Operations Moved From California to South Sea Islands Finally Meets Waterloo in San Quentin Prison.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Frank M. Barr, the smooth check worker, whose operations have not only extended over California, but have been in evidence in the South Sea Islands, was given a five-year term in San Quentin prison yesterday by Judge Davis.

On December 31, 1908, Barr drew a check for \$25 on the First National Bank of San Diego, which J. Weisenberger, of this city, cashed for him. The check came back marked "No funds." Barr was arrested at Ashland, Or., September 9, 1909, and brought back for trial.

Chief of Police Wilson, of San Diego, testified that Barr had served time in the County Jail in that city, whence he had been transferred from the Alameda County Jail, having pleaded guilty to a misuse of the United States mails.

Barr went to Tahiti early in 1909, after his crime here, where he married Elina Troholt, daughter of J. Troholt, whom he soon abandoned. He went by the name of Arthur J. Stephens, which is that of a well-known photographer in San Diego.

A letter was introduced from the father of the young woman, saying that Barr married his daughter May 15, 1909, and that immediately after the ceremony the couple went to Auckland, New Zealand, but not before he had secured \$1000 on had checks purported to be signed by his father-in-law and \$100 from another relative by the same route.

When he left his young wife he took a valuable string of pearls belonging to his sister-in-law, a Tahiti, Barr masqueraded as an Army officer.

Barr denied any recollection of the alleged marriage. He said he was drunk when he secured the money on the \$25 check and could give no explanation.

FREE ART HELPS IMPORTS

Nearly 500 Per Cent Greater Than Last Year.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Free art under the new tariff law is resulting in large importations, Deputy Consul-General Vost, at Paris, has been giving attention to the matter and his records show that the importations during the last two months are nearly 500 per cent greater than the corresponding period of last year. Taking the first two months under the present law, the authenticated invoices of works of art and antiquities of his office show an increase in exportation of exactly 481 per cent over the same months of 1908. In 1908 there were 149 invoices, valued at \$258,997, and in 1909 there were 297 invoices, valued at \$2,095,120.

"This placing of works of art upon the free list has given a wonderful stimulation in exportation into the United States," says Mr. Vost, and will result in securing for American art museums and galleries some of the best works of the great masters of Europe.

MAN AIDS DOG IN FIGHT

Deals Wolf Blow With Club and Canine, Cripple, Is Saved.

MOROCCO, Ind., Jan. 1.—In the Xabkakee marsh country lives L. E. Worth, whose coon dog Marks, a night trip into the woods back of the house, and a few minutes later sounds of a fierce struggle were heard.

"OSTRICH" BOOTH APPEARS

Man Sticks His Head in Hole to Use One.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Hanging on the wall behind the desk at the Holland House is a mechanical variety, but a foot long by one foot wide and deep, with an oval-shaped hole in it lined with rubber. If you wait long enough you will see a clerk fit his face to the hole.

BULLET GOES ON RAMPAGE

Passes Through Pigeon Aimed at and Lodges in Woman's Body.

STAMFORD, Conn., Jan. 10.—A bullet from a rifle handled by John Handel, the police say did some little harm here. Mr. Handel aimed the shot at a pigeon, and the bullet passed through the pigeon's body and lodged in the side of Mrs. George McDowell, who was on her back stoop in range of the gun.

TAME WOODPECKERS NEXT

Naturalist Educates Birds to Make Birdseye Wood Out of Maple.

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 10.—After spending more than 40 years and more than \$16,000 in hunting bears and studying the ways of wild creatures, Greenleaf Davis, of Mount Katahdin, has begun to tame tame woodpeckers with the purpose of using them to convert ordinary rock maples into the rare and costly wood known as birdseye maple. Mr. Davis is more than 80 years of age.

WOMAN CALLED "QUEEN OF FAKERS," WHO WILL BE GIVEN HEARING TODAY IN VANCOUVER JUSTICE COURT.



MRS. MAUD JOHNSON, REQUISITIONED FROM OREGON LAST WEEK.

SCANDAL IS HINTED

Mrs. Maud Johnson Gets Hearing at Vancouver Today.

TESTIMONY TO HURT SOME

Alleged 'Queen of Fakers' Will Face Justice Court in Washington City This Morning—Prisoner Returns With Sheriff.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Mrs. Maud Johnson, whose testimony, when she appears to answer the charge of obtaining money from the Northern Pacific by false representation, may start a scandal in the claim department of the railroad, will face the local Justice Court tomorrow in this city.

She was brought here Saturday night from Pendleton, Or., by Sheriff Sappington, who went to the Umatilla city with requisition papers for the woman.

Mrs. Johnson is said to be one of the cleverest "accident fakers" in the Northwest. She recently obtained two verdicts in this state for alleged injuries sustained to her ankle, collecting damages from the Seattle Electric Company and the Northern Pacific Railroad. It is charged in the latter case that she worked in conjunction with officials of the road, and divided the funds she received with them.

Though the prisoner denies this, it is hoped to obtain a confession from her tomorrow, in which she will implicate her accomplices. She denies that she has anything to confess, and maintains that she suffered bona fide injuries.

When she appears in court she will have with her a baby, which, it is said, she adopted from a foundling hospital, where it had been raised in an incubator. Though over a year old, the child is still fed from a bottle, a circumstance that is said to show the child is an incubator product. Much interest is felt in the case locally, and a large attendance at the woman's arraignment is expected.

STATE LOSES EXAMINER

WILBUR, WASH., MAN BECOMES BANK CASHIER.

William Thomson, Recently of Spokane, Accepts Position With Lewiston Institution.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Jan. 10.—(Special.)—William Thomson, of Wilbur, Wash., Deputy State Bank Examiner of Washington, is to be cashier of the Lewiston National Bank, which was recently purchased by the Union Securities Company of Spokane.

The announcement was made late tonight, and Mr. Thomson, who is now in Lewiston, has wired his resignation to Governor M. E. Hay, who has accepted it, and congratulated Mr. Thomson upon his appointment.

Mr. Thomson, for 16 years, was assistant cashier of the State Bank of Wilbur, and previous to his accepting the appointment of Deputy Bank Examiner for Washington was a director in the Spokane & Eastern Trust Company.

The stock of the Lewiston National Bank owned by the Idaho Trust Company, has been transferred to the Union Securities Company, the transfer being made late Saturday night at a consideration amounting to something over \$200,000.

NO. MORE 5-CENT MEALS

Hardships in Store for City's Down-and-Out Class.

Washington (D. C.) Herald. An increase of a penny in the cost of a meal does not seem serious, but when the price is advanced 20 per cent, that is another matter. The "soup houses" of the East Side and the Bowery in New York, have raised the price from 5 cents to 7, which means a decided increase in the cost of living of the patrons. It is a matter of grave importance to those who patronize the Hand-in-Hand restaurants and others run on the same plan.

NO MONEY; OLD MAN WALKS

Trip of 18 Miles in Cold Is Made by Nonagenarian for Naught.

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 10.—Fearing the dire consequences of failure to respond to a summons of the grand jury as a witness in a criminal case, Gottlieb Most, 90 years old, trudged 18 miles from his home in Medford, to this city, only to discover that he was not needed, the case having been settled.

BEAR ATTACKS HUNTER

MAN AND BEAST ENGAGE IN FIERCE FIGHT.

THE FORKS, Maine.—The fourth man to be tackled by a bear in the woods near here recently was Wallace Durgin, who had his adventure the other day near his father's house. He had his rifle close at hand and made short work of dispatching the brute, but this was not the luck of Earnest Gubtil of New Vineyard, Gubtil had been hunting for moose for two weeks. He dropped a fine buck, and then placed his rifle against a tree and began the work of dressing the carcass.

HUMAN CHAIN SAVES BOY

Five Women and Five Men Rescue Friend From Icy Water.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Ray West, of Richfield, N. J., broke through thin ice while crossing the Morris Canal. He was rescued by a human chain formed by five young women and five young men, who were passing over Change bridge when the accident occurred.

BAD MARATHONER CAUGHT

Policeman, Long-Distance Runner, Has Long Chase.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Complaints received by Captain Steve O'Brien of the Clymer-street police station, Williamsburg, from men who declared they had been lured into a dwelling at 82 Gerry street, caused Plain Clothes Policemen Sheridan and Collins to be put on the case. Sheridan is a Marathon runner, and Collins watched the building and then decided to make a

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Bruin Commences Set-to While Man Is Skinning Deer and Is Killed Only After Struggle.

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raid and got Florence Taylor, the reputed proprietress, who is a negress. As the policeman got into the building there was a scramble on the part of men and women to get out. Several jumped from second-story windows. When the policeman seized the woman George Ellison, a negro, who is also a Marathon runner, interfered. There was a fight, ending in Ellison being arrested by Sheridan.

Ellison broke away from Sheridan and leaped out of a front second-floor window. In a twinkling the other Marathon runner was after him, also going out of the window. For nearly half a mile there was a chase, when

Miss Ingeborg Marian Jensen, who had gone to her old home in Copenhagen on a visit, was laughed out of Denmark. "I couldn't stand it," she said, as she stepped from the liner Oscar II. Several months ago she was operated on for appendicitis, and the surgeon recommended that she go abroad for a rest. She appeared at home wearing Broadway clothes, and created a sensation. "Never before have the people of Copenhagen—or at least those with whom she came in contact—seen such attire. "The old ladies turned around on the street and stared at me," said she. "Some of them yelled at me. I stood it two weeks, then went aboard the Oscar II."

HAT HER DISCOMFITURE
Denmark Women Don't Appreciate Broadway Attire.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Because she wore a hat that was three feet in diameter,



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