

TIMES JURY HAS 22 INDICTMENTS

Names Not Yet Divulged but 3 or 4 Will Face Wholesale Murder Charge.

GAS THEORY NOT UPHOLD

Los Angeles Special Grand Jury Culminates Investigation of Disaster Which Wrecked Newspaper Plant and Killed 21.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.—Twenty-two indictments against an unknown number of individuals were returned today by the special grand jury which for more than two months has been investigating the explosion which wrecked the building and plant of the Los Angeles Times, early on the morning of October 3, 1910, and killed 21 of its employees.

Wholesale murder, the outcome of a dramatic plot, is understood to be the charge set forth in all the indictments, but it is likewise uncertain that not more than three or four men are named in the true bills.

Big Reward Offered.

The return of the indictments today was the culmination of a series of events which began in Los Angeles to a degree that for a few days bordered upon panic, and resulted in the offering of rewards aggregating almost \$100,000.

Union labor, which the Times and its proprietor had opposed, was injected into the situation, and when the special grand jury was impaneled on October 25 it was immediately confronted with two conflicting theories.

One of these, supported by the findings of an investigating committee appointed by Mayor Alexander, was that the Times plant had been blown up by dynamite conspirators. The other, presented by a committee headed by the state building trades convention, then in session here, was that gas was responsible.

40 Witnesses Heard.

More than 40 witnesses, the majority of them identified with the union labor movement, were summoned from San Francisco and other cities. In addition labor union officials here were summoned. In all, the grand jury examined more than 500 persons, who, in the opinion of the detectives that worked here and in San Francisco, could throw some light on the alleged murder plot.

\$1,000,000 BANK FAILS

Washington-Alaska Suspends When Property Is Attached.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Jan. 5.—The Washington-Alaska Bank, which has \$1,000,000 on deposit, suspended payment last night. F. W. Hawkins was today appointed receiver by the Federal Court.

The cause assigned was the failure of Vice-President Jackson to realize on money, invested in the Gold Bar Lumber Company.

Several depositors, with claims of \$11,000, attached the bank's property and this led to the suspension.

The suspended bank is expected to pay 50 cents on the dollar.

BANK HANDLES TANANA GOLD.

Defunct Institution Rated as Largest in Alaska.

SEATTLE, Jan. 5.—The Washington-Alaska Bank was the biggest bank in Alaska, and handled practically all the Tanana gold product, buying the dust from the miners and shipping it to the Seattle assay office.

The suspended bank was owned by wealthy miners. In the case, of Seattle, was president.

The gold product of the Tanana district has fallen off during the last two seasons because of the exhaustion of the richest placers.

LA FOLLETTE ON STAND

Wisconsin Man Says Gore Told Him of Bribe Offer in May.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Although attorneys for J. F. Murray protested on the ground that La Follette's testimony could have no bearing on the case, Senator Gore succeeded in having his Wisconsin colleague testify before the House committee investigating Gore's charge that he was offered bribes to drop his opposition to McMurray's contract for Italian lands.

Senator La Follette said that early in May, before Gore's disclosure to the Senate, Gore had told him that Jacob Hammon had offered him \$25,000 or \$30,000 if he would drop his opposition to the McMurray contract.

HUNTERS AFTER COYOTES

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ing to Dr. F. M. Gilmore, of Florida, was received by Dr. White and the brain was found to be full of rabies germs. In a letter Dr. Gilmore said his dog developed the first symptoms of the disease in a neighbor's yard and was killed.

Dr. W. H. Lytle, State Veterinarian, has been spending much of his time in Wallawa County investigating the epidemic of rabies among the coyotes. He has established a quarantine, prohibiting animals from being taken in or out of the county, and all dogs, when not in use, are ordered muzzled. He has also posted notices of warning and the newspapers have taken up the crusade against rabies.

Sheepmen have become alarmed at losses among their flocks and further invasion of coyotes and have agreed to each furnish one man to assist the

Government hunters in exterminating the wild animals responsible for the spread of the disease.

Bounty Is Offered.

They have also offered an additional bounty of \$150 for each coyote killed. The county bounty is \$150 and the hide being worth \$2 makes a total reward of \$5 for each coyote killed. An effort is now being made to induce the County Commissioners to increase the bounty on coyote scalps.

"While the Government, state and county officials will do all they can to exterminate coyotes," said Dr. Lytle last night, "the people must help. It is a big undertaking. However, it is fortunate that the people of Wallawa County are thoroughly alarmed, as they will more readily give their assistance. The situation is serious, but I believe the campaign outlined will soon stamp out the rabies. A similar campaign is now being conducted in Asotin County, Washington, from where the disease appears to have been brought into Oregon. There are also several cases in Idaho and two deaths from the disease occurred in Grangeville last Summer. At that time they did not think seriously of the matter, but now that everyone knows it was rabies they have awakened to the gravity of the situation."

LARGE GANG REVEALED

AT LEAST 29 ALIENS IN LONDON BAND OF DESPERADOES.

One of Men Killed in Battle Was Russian Terrorist—Demand for Anti-Alien Law Grows.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—According to the latest reports the burglar killed in the Houndsditch affray and the two men killed in the Stepmey fight were members of a gang of at least 29 aliens of the same type and character, some of them being women.

Owing to the bewildering number of aliases they have adopted, the police are finding an almost insuperable difficulty in tracing them.

"Peter the Painter" is still at large, it having been established that the second victim of the Stepmey fight was a Russian terrorist who fled to England 12 months ago under the name of Jacob Poval. He was 22 years old, a native of Kovno, Lithuania.

He spent his childhood in destitution, never worked, became an "expatriate" and pronounced anarchist. He participated in several bank robberies. He was captured at Suwalki, Russian Poland, but managed to escape, fleeing to London.

With the exception of these particulars, the police have not yet unraveled the crimes or discovered the actual connection existing between the Houndsditch affray and the Stepmey fight, although they are said to be on the track of further disclosures.

Meantime the agitation for drastic anti-alien legislation grows daily.

"FRISCO" WILL EXPAND

YOAKUM SAYS LINE IS TO BE BUILT TO COAST.

Los Angeles Will Be Western Terminal of New Transcontinental Route.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad—the "Frisco system"—is to be expanded into a transcontinental route with its Western terminus in Los Angeles. B. F. Yoakum, master organizer and builder, chairman of the board of directors and head of the finance committee, made this statement today.

He is here working on the project and says his system will have the shortest line between the cities, less than 1,000 miles long, either via Phoenix or Albuquerque. Both surveys have been made and a choice is soon to be determined.

The Albuquerque route would mean construction almost due west and paralleling the Santa Fe, and it is considered unlikely this will be done. By way of Phoenix would be more direct and the line would traverse considerable territory comparatively undeveloped by railroads.

REGULARS REMAIN FIRM

TENNESSEE DEMOCRATS STILL BLOCK LEGISLATURE.

Unless Fusionists Agree to Dismiss Contests Over Seats, Session May Go by Default.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 5.—Regular Democrats tonight still block the meeting of the State Legislature and consequently oppose the inauguration of B. W. Hooper, fusionist Governor-elect.

It was said tonight that 41 of the 46 regular Democrats in the House had signed an agreement to remain out of the House until the fusionists should agree to dismiss the contests over eight or more seats claimed by regulars.

Unless the fusionists agree to dismiss the contests the regulars say they will never help make up a quorum, preferring to let the session go by default. The Senate will meet tomorrow, but probably will adjourn until Monday.

MURDERERS LEAVE SIGN

Houndsditch Gang Cuts S on Body of One of Victims.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Another element of mystery developed today in the investigation of the death of Joseph Beron, whose mutilated body was found on Chapman Common last Sunday. The murder is attributed by the police to the "Houndsditch" anarchist burglar gang, two members of which were killed in the raid on their den Tuesday.

The physicians who examined Beron's body said that they found on each cheek clearly cut the form of the letter "S." The police declare this deliberate cutting is obviously symbolical of a secret society. They had never seen anything of the sort before. The inquest was adjourned to January 20.

The police accept the theory that Beron was killed by the members of an organization who left the sign of their order upon the body of the victim.

The police are not satisfied that "Peter the Painter" was one of the two men killed in the Sidney-street battle, and are now seeking him.

ROBIN TURNS BACK ON AGED PARENTS

Bankwrecker Annoyed When Mother Recognizes Him as Her Son.

SISTER ALSO IS CALLOUS

Gray-Haired Russian Couple Show Joy, but Robin Denies Parents Are in This Country—Evidence Confirms Parents' Story.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—"What's the matter with you, anyway? What do you think you're trying to do?" asked Joseph G. Robin, the fallen banker, today of the gray-haired couple who say they are his parents.

Annoyed, ill at ease, by turns smiling and scowling, he refused to have anything to do with them or even to admit that his parents were in this country. In his denials his sister, Dr. Louise Robinson, who has been constantly beside him, took a similar firm stand.

In Brooklyn a newspaper reporter found a humble old pair named Robinsons who thought Robin might be their son. Detectives brought them to the criminal courts building today, questioned them about their family history and then arranged to have them meet Robin.

"No," said he, "I don't want to see them, and nobody can make me. They're nothing to me."

Mother's Embrace Rejected.

So it was necessary to lead him to the District Attorney's office, with assurances that he need answer only a few questions. Once there, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Robinson were taken into the room. The woman had the quicker eyes.

"My son, my son," she said, half in Yiddish, half in English. "This is my son," and made as if to embrace him. Robin snatched his shoulder.

"Ask him if he is not my son," she protested to the District Attorney. It was then that Robin startled the woman with his abrupt question.

The woman who says she is his mother shrank as if she had been struck, and broke out in lamentations.

Her husband, whose sight is not of the best, and who understands no English, had been peering anxiously at Robin. The old man took a step closer, looked him narrowly between the eyes and affirmed positively:

"This is my son. I know him."

Sister Also Denies Parents.

Again Robin denied that his parents were in this country, and at this fresh denial the husband joined with the wife in upraised hands and moans of grief that could be heard through the outer corridors. Aliens for the state noted each gesture and expression of Robin.

The sister met similar affirmations with similar denials.

"I probably have seen these old people in Brooklyn," she said, "but I do not know them. My brother's parents and mine are in Russia."

Until they were brought face to face neither of the two pairs knew that the other was in the building. Robin's answers to questions gave the same birthplace and the same names of sisters and brothers, with one exception. The same as those given by Mrs. Herman Robinson.

A mental examination of the prisoner was concluded today by the state police, but their finding was withheld.

WHELAN WITHOUT BAIL

WIFE SENDS FOR LAWYER, WHO SEES PRISONER IN JAIL.

Postoffice Inspector Says No Gold Was Found in Fargo Saloon.

Other Evidence Hinted.

James Whelan, manager of the Fargo saloon, is still in the County Jail, having failed to raise the \$15,000 bail demanded by the Federal authorities. It was learned yesterday that Assistant United States District Attorney Evans endeavored at the time of Whelan's arrest to have the bail fixed at \$25,000.

Whelan's attorney contended that \$15,000 was sufficient, and United States Commissioner Cannon compromised on \$15,000. Whelan is charged with having in his possession gold bullion stolen from the United States mails.

The accused man made an effort yesterday to have a conference with some of his friends, probably in an effort to secure bail. Attorney John C. McCue was called upon by the friends, but Whelan, who told the attorney that Wilson wished him to represent him, McCue went to the County Jail to see Whelan and afterward said he had never been employed by the saloonkeeper as counsel, and that he did not yet know whether he would be.

Postoffice Inspector Durand said yesterday that no gold whatever was found at the Fargo saloon when it was searched by Deputy Marshal Hamilton, but he knew positively that Whelan had some of this gold in his possession.

NOTE TELLS OF DEATH

Writer of Suicide Missive Cannot Be Found.

"I am killed now. Don't bury me the day I die. Keep me two weeks at home. Your son, Julius."

This is the substance of a note which Charles F. Johnson, proprietor of a gun store, found when he returned to the store last night about 8 o'clock. He turned the note over to the police. He has no son of the name of Julius.

EX-POLICE CHIEF IS SHOT

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the coast was clear for the assassin. It is believed the assailant slipped into the yard to a position where he could see the figure of his victim seated in a chair, his back to a bay window. Sullivan was reading. The shot rang out and the bullet, perforating the window pane with a neat hole, sped through the wood of the back of the oak chair in which Sullivan sat, struck Sullivan about shoulder high and passed on through the lung, then dropping to Sullivan's lap.

Mr. Sullivan, a man of remarkable nerve and coolness, crawled to an-

other room to telephone to the police. He had previously picked up the bullet, and when the domestic came to his aid, held the bullet in the palm of his hand, saying to her, "I am shot; here is the bullet."

An automobile hurried officers, Police Judge Mann, Emergency Surgeon John O'Shea and a reporter to the house.

Sullivan Makes Statement.

Sullivan was bleeding profusely, but had strength to make a statement. "I have no knowledge of who did the shooting," he told his friends, "but I am convinced that the attempt to murder me is the outcome of the persistent attacks for months to destroy my reputation, injure my character and drive me off the police force."

Police Judge Mann urged Sullivan to modify his statement, which it is now believed will prove to be an anti-murder one, but Sullivan stoutly insisted that he firmly believed some misguided fellow shot him.

That the deed was premeditated and planned with diabolical cunning is shown by events of the last few nights. The assassin seems to have watched the movements of the families nearby, choosing a time when his escape was made easier by the absence of any one to give immediate chase. With the nearest neighbors absent and Mrs. Sullivan down town the alarm was delayed and not until the police arrived could efforts to trace the assassin be made.

The only clue so far developed is the imprint of the fellow's body against the frosted fence pickets, where he lay in wait till the coast was clear.

MARTIN IS EX-PATRIATE

APPEALS COURT UPHOLDS HIM FOR RESISTING DUTY LEVY.

New Yorker Declines to Pay Because He Is "Foreigner"—Then He Goes Into Business Here.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—In upholding Bradley Martin, Jr., of New York, who resisted payment of duty on his personal belongings, declaring that he was a citizen of England, the United States Court of Customs Appeals today defined the status of one class of American citizens who live abroad a number of years and then return. The court today reversed the decision of the collectors, who put duty on Martin's luggage, and the appraisers.

Bradley Martin landed in October, 1900, and resisted payment of duty on the ground that he was a foreign visitor and as such was entitled to exceptions. He first went abroad in 1881, said he paid an inheritance tax in England and lived in London.

Two months after he landed Bradley Martin determined to remain in the United States and went into the banking business in New York City. He told the appraisers that he had made up his mind to remain in this country about two days before he went into business.

ANGLERS FRAME BILLS

TWO HATCHERIES ASKED FOR, OUT OF LICENSE FUND.

Change in Regulations Governing Hook and Line Fishing Also Are Contemplated.

At an enthusiastic meeting of sportsmen under the auspices of the Portland Flycasting Club in the convention hall of the Commercial Club last night, two bills for presentation to the Legislature, designed to assist in the protection of game fish, were endorsed.

Members of the Flycasting Club have been invited to attend a meeting next Thursday at the Oregon Fish and Game Association, which is also framing a general game protection bill. It is desired to eliminate conflicting provisions of the bills.

The bills discussed last night deal alone with trout and salmon fishing in Oregon streams. One will provide for building two trout hatcheries, one in Eastern Oregon and the other in Western Oregon, out of the big fund accumulated from the fishing and angling licenses collected in the past two years.

The other bill relates to salmon fishing at Oregon City. Sportsmen desire a law allowing fishing with hook and line to within 200 feet of the fish and within 100 feet of the falls, limiting each fisherman to five fish in one day and making it legal to fish in this manner the year around. This bill also provides for limiting fishing to within 60 feet of the falls and then only during the regular fishing season. Provision is made for enforcement of the fishing laws by both the Master Fish Warden and the State Game and Forestry Warden.

Funds are being raised to send a committee to Salem to act jointly with the delegation of the Oregon Fish and Game Association.

The Audubon Society will meet Saturday night at the Public Library and frame bills for the protection of game birds, combining the offices of State Game Warden and Fish Warden and placing game and fish protection in the hands of a commission of Governor-elect West is said to favor this bill.

O'CONNELL FLOORS DODGE

Multnomah Club Instructor Wins Two Straight Falls.

Applying the double Nelson for the first fall and the head scissor and armlock for the second fall, Eddie O'Connell, instructor of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, defeated Tom Dodge in two straight falls last night at the Arion Hall. Dodge was no match for the shifty O'Connell, each fall coming after about eight minutes of wrestling, O'Connell being the aggressor all the time.

The match was witnessed by a small crowd and was for a \$100 side bet. Herbert Greenland refereed the contest.

German Bark Sallor Drowns.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—As the German bark Goldbek was being towed to sea today one of the sailors, whose name could not be learned, fell overboard from the deck and was drowned. The accident occurred while the bark was passing through the breakers on the bar, so a rescue was impossible.

Bartender Is Arrested.

Caught in the act of selling liquor to Charles Johnson, 26 years old, an unemployed man, a bartender was arrested last night by Police Officer Cooper for the New Brick saloon, 25 East Morrison street. He was immediately released upon \$100 cash bail deposited by his employer.

Railroad Man Ends His Life.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Frank Lucas, 26 years old, an unemployed man, who had been employed by the bridge department of the Northern Pacific Railroad, shot himself through the head at about 9 o'clock tonight at a city hotel.

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\$20.00 reduced to \$15.00

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\$ 5.00 reduced to \$ 3.75
\$ 6.00 reduced to \$ 4.50
\$ 7.50 reduced to \$ 5.70
\$10.00 reduced to \$ 7.50
\$12.00 reduced to \$ 9.00

VESSEL BARONS CALM

OFFICER CALLS GOVERNMENT'S SUIT ONE IN EQUITY.

District Attorney, However, Says Action Is Not Friendly and That Business Is Meant.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—In reply to the complaint filed yesterday by the Federal Government against 13 of the principal trans-Atlantic steamship lines and 12 of their officers, Vice-President Franklin, of the International Mercantile Marine Company, one of the defendants, intimated that the action was friendly, in the nature of a suit in equity and brought to determine what rights the companies had in co-operating to regulate their business.

"The bill speaks for itself," said District Attorney Wise tonight, when shown Mr. Franklin's reply, "and was brought by the Government in all seriousness to obtain the relief asked for in the petition."

In this petition the Government seeks an order from the United States Circuit Court of Appeals restraining the defendants from entering at or clearing their vessels from any American ports while they continue to remain in an alleged illegal agreement to restrain trade, known as the Atlantic conference and entered into at London February 5, 1908.

SUIT IS WELCOMED BY TRUST

Steamship Owners Desire Decision on Application of Law.

HAMBURG, Germany, Jan. 5.—No anxiety is expressed in local shipping circles concerning the suit instituted by the United States Government to close American ports to the vessels of 13 defendant trans-Atlantic steamship companies comprising the Atlantic conference, so long as they continue as an alleged agreement to apportion all traffic to and from Europe.

In a statement issued by the officers of the Hamburg-American line today, it is explained that the suit is welcomed with gladness and that the action is brought to be declared inapplicable to foreign companies.

Liverpool Men Surprised.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 5.—Shipowners here express surprise that the United States Government had instituted a suit against a line in the Atlantic conference. They said they failed to understand the object of the action unless it was to facilitate the entrance

of emigrants to the United States by cheapening the steerage passenger rates.

BEE MEN ASK GOOD TREES

Committee Is Appointed to Meet Horticulturists.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 5.—A committee of five was appointed at the closing session of the State Beekeepers today to confer with the State Horticultural Association at Prosser, on January 17, regarding joint action to secure a law regulating the spraying of fruit trees in bloom. James W. Thornton, of North Yakima, was re-elected president; C. A. Wurth, of Wapato, was elected vice-president; Gus Sipp, of Selah, treasurer, and Charles Miller, of Tappan, secretary.

Aberdeen Gets Pension Board.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 5.—On recommendation of

Representative McCredie a Pension Examining Board has been established at Aberdeen, Wash., with Drs. G. E. Chamberlain and O. R. Austin, as members.

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