

MRS. SCHENK HAS SUDDEN COLLAPSE

Prisoner Almost Faints in Court and Begs for Adjudgment.

STATE PROVES POISONING

Many Physicians Tell of Poisonous Drugs Given in Small Doses to Millionaire, but All Say Arsenic and Lead Killed.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 18.—Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk collapsed today under the ordeal of the trial in which she is charged with administering poison to her wealthy husband, John D. Schenk.

An hour before the usual time for adjournment, she had to be led to her room in the jail, unable to stand the strain. Court took a recess and the trial was temporarily suspended.

Mrs. Schenk had not been looking well all day, and suddenly she leaned over to Frank O'Brien, one of her attorneys, and asked him to get her a glass of water. She gulped it down and it was but a few moments before she said to another attorney:

"For God's sake, get a few minutes' recess."

The request was granted and Mrs. Schenk was taken to the County Jail, where she became violently ill and showed symptoms of fainting.

A county physician was summoned and it was 15 minutes before she was able to return to the courtroom. She was weak and nervous during the short interval before the trial resumed.

Attorney O'Brien announced tonight that every physician in Wheeling would be summoned by the defense. It is the purpose of the defense to show that some sold poison to the defendant.

The defense apparently scored for the first time since Dr. Hupp was called to the stand early last week.

Through persistent questioning of many physicians summoned by the state it was brought out that Schenk had been attended by several of them, and that many drugs had been prescribed. The drugs included bichloride of mercury, arsenic and several others, and while these were given in small doses, through skillful cross-questioning it was shown that some patients are more susceptible to their action than others, and that lead poisoning may result from absorption as well as by being taken directly into the stomach.

The state, however, established one important point. Every physician who has been connected with the case and was called to the stand said, in answer to the hypothetical question concerning the symptoms exhibited by Schenk, that she had been poisoned plainly that two poisons were in his system—lead and arsenic.

FAT LEGS ARE EXPENSIVE

Obese Sufferer Objects to Extra Charge for Setting One.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The problem of securing the testimony of "Babe" Schmidt, the 400-pound proprietor of a tavern near the Cliff House, without causing a weak leg to sustain a ponderous weight or to tax the strength of the elevators in the Grant building, was solved by Justice Conlan today when he transferred his court to the apartments of Schmidt, at 614 Stanton street.

"Babe" is being sued by Dr. Sweeney of the French Hospital for a \$100 bill. Some time ago, Schmidt fell and broke his leg. He was taken to the hospital, where, it is said, because of the size of the fractured limb, it was necessary to call in the house physician to assist.

Schmidt asserts the house physician's services should go with the hospital bill, but Dr. Sweeney differs when the subject is the size of "Babe."

FRUITGROWERS IN MERGER

Washington Interests to Combine; Plan Aids Orchardists.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Plans are being perfected for a merger of all the fruitgrowers' unions of this section, including those of Milton, Free water, Walla Walla and others to be established at Dayton, Watsburg, Pomeroy, Touchet, Burbank, Wallula and President. Already it has been indicated by many of those whose interests are affected, and it is believed that there will be a universal approval of the scheme.

The plan was launched at the annual meeting of the Milton Fruitgrowers' Union, by J. E. Taggart, of Watsburg, one of the best-known orchardists of this valley.

Under the plan as now drawn, the business of the union will be conducted as a main office and branches in the smaller places.

FIREMEN SAVE CHILDREN

They Save Lives of 155 From Burning Building, Some Unconscious.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Jan. 18.—Prompt work by firemen and attendants of the Susquehanna Valley Home is thought to have saved the lives of all of the 155 children inmates, when fire broke out in the boiler-room of the dormitory building at 5 o'clock this morning.

The fire had a good start when discovered, and before the arrival of the firemen, the nearest company being nearly two miles away, the dormitory building was filled with smoke.

Excess of the children were carried out unconscious by the firemen and were attended by physicians summoned from the city.

LEWIS' POWER UNDER TEST

President of Coal Miners to Measure Strength With Feehan.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 18.—At tomorrow's session of the convention of the United Mine Workers of America an additional report of the committee on credentials will be made with reference

to President Feehan, of the Pittsburgh district, and William Green, president of the Ohio Senate and delegate from an Ohio local.

The fight which is expected to follow will be the first real test of the present power of President Tom L. Lewis.

Ohio delegates today asserted that Green, who is a former state president, had been unanimously elected by his local to sit in the convention, and they would stand by him to the last.

In his annual address Lewis declared that he would use every effort to continue the strike in the Irwin district of Pennsylvania under present conditions. He said the strike had cost the organization \$225,900. This strike, he said, was ordered without even consulting the National officers.

The amount paid out annually in support of strikes for the last 19 years was as follows:

1900, \$144,462.50; 1901, \$202,292.71; 1902, \$212,048.57; 1903, \$390,954.44; 1904, \$1,065,435.47; 1905, \$753,626.02; 1906, \$865,595.52; 1907, \$105,045.57; 1908, \$744,897.17; 1909, \$600,267.59; 1910, \$1,329,825. Total, \$8,982,956.14.

"I am still of the opinion that a charter should be granted to the Western Federation of Miners," he said.

MRS. TURNBULL SCORES

2 WITNESSES SUPPORT HER STORY IN SUIT FOR MILLIONS.

Doctor Says Baldwin, Introduced Her as His Wife—Woman Says He Admitted Paternity of Child.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 18.—More testimony favoring the plaintiff in the Baldwin will contest was introduced today. Dr. Winslow Anderson, president of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of San Francisco, testified that he had once heard Baldwin refer to Mrs. Lillian Ashley Turnbull as his wife and later, Mrs. Della Mahoney, wife of an ex-State Senator, who lived in the Baldwin Hotel up to the time of the fire, declared she heard the old

turn of man admit that he was the father of the plaintiff in the contest, Miss Anita Turnbull, who is seeking a \$2,500,000 share of the estate.

Mrs. Mahoney asserted Baldwin remarked confidentially to her that he was "willing to care for the child, but not the woman."

According to Mrs. Mahoney, Baldwin asserted no one could accuse him of not caring for his own flesh and blood, but that he would not care to be called anything, because, he said, she was the cause of her sister trying to murder him.

Colonel Henry I. Kowalsky, once attorney for Baldwin, and said to have intimate knowledge of the affair between Mrs. Turnbull and the dead turn of man, was the first witness called. He declined to give any testimony on the ground that he felt it would be wrong for him to do so, as he once had acted as the dead man's legal advisor.

Dr. Anderson said that he had been called from his own apartments in the Palace Hotel in May, 1902, to those of Baldwin, in the same building. Baldwin called him at the door, the witness said, and taking him into the room where a woman was lying on the bed, said:

"Doctor, I want to introduce you to my wife."

The woman was in a highly excited and nervous almost hysterical condition, the witness said, and Baldwin asked him to give her something which would quiet her.

At the conclusion of the installation the installing officers were presented with bouquets of carnations. Mrs. S. Nelson, captain of the guard of Royal Circle, was presented with a saber. Addresses on the progress and co-operation of the two societies for home protection were made. Mrs. Carrie Van Orsdale, Bertha M. Sumner, Mrs. A. Nelson and E. H. Deery. Five hundred members of the two organizations were present.

EUGENE CAR SERVICE DEAD

Water Covers Tracks—Willamette River Is Slowly Rising.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Owing to the severe storm of yesterday afternoon and last night the street car service on the College Hill loop was interrupted until noon today. Portions of the track were several feet under water.

The southbound Overland bus here at 8 o'clock this morning is at Salem and is expected to arrive here until midnight.

The Willamette River is slowly rising, measuring seven feet above low water. The rainfall during the past 24 hours has been about two inches.

REDMOND HEADS LEAGUE

Irish Nationalists Sustain Leader and Renew Demands.

DUBLIN, Ireland, Jan. 18.—John F. Redmond today was unanimously re-elected president of the United Irish League.

The league adopted resolutions reaffirming its policy of non-attachment of the Irish question would be acceptable which did not confer the right to full self-government through an Irish National Parliament with an executive responsible to such Parliament.

Politicians of the county who bought thousands of votes assert that they are glad of the inquiry. Under the 1910 primary law they are granted "immunity baths," while the voter-seller is liable to punishment. While no open accusations are made in public against individuals, it is generally realized that, if the grand jury brings off the lid, the stream of vote-sellers wending their way to the Courthouse to seek clemency will surpass that of the Ohio scandal.

Stork Visits Postmaster. A girl was born to the wife of Charles Merrick, postmaster, shortly after 11 o'clock last night. The baby is to be named Pat. A son, aged 4, was christened Pat.

MINERS IN SESSION

Attendance Is Large at Congress Held in Ashland.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

First Southern Oregon and Northern California Congress Names O. L. Young to Head Permanent Organization.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The Southern Oregon and Northern California Mining Congress closed its first session here last night. The meeting was largely attended and the quarters provided in the Commercial Club rooms were found to be too small to accommodate the large attendance.

Charles H. Gillette, of Ashland, as chairman, called the convention to order and H. L. Andrews, of Grants Pass, was elected secretary. Mayor H. P. Sell, of this city, welcomed the visitors.

His address was responded to by F. J. Newman, acting on behalf of the Mayor of Medford. L. D. Mahoney, of Portland, editor of the State Mining Journal and secretary of the State Miners' Association, gave an interesting address.

National Legislation Hit. He outlined the organization he represented and urged exploitation of local mining interests and advised strenuous opposition to National legislation now pending, which, if passed, would tend to curtail the rights of miners to prospect and get title to mineral lands worked and held in good faith. He also denounced "wildcatting."

Telegrams of congratulation were received from H. L. Herringer, Grants Pass; Congress, of Sumpter, Or., and from J. E. Cross, of San Francisco, the latter urging careful investigation of the tin deposits recently discovered in the Gering mining district. Judge C. B. Watson, of Ashland, in an extended address displayed an intimate knowledge of the geological value and extent of the tin belts of Northern California and Southern Oregon. He advised the miners to stay with the "old formations."

A permanent organization was effected and the following officers were elected: Ashland Man Elected Head. President, O. L. Young, Ashland; vice-presidents, H. L. Herringer, Grants Pass; J. J. Luce, Etna, Cal., and R. L. Ray, Medford; secretary, H. L. Andrews, Grants Pass; treasurer, F. J. Newman, Medford.

Among those present who took a prominent part in the proceedings of the congress were: R. L. Ray, Medford; W. S. Bacon, Kirby; Professor Parks, of the O. A. C. E. T. Staples, of Ashland; T. M. Anderson, Kirby; E. D. Briggs and O. L. Young, Ashland, and F. F. Johnson, of Medford.

Resolutions were adopted protesting against the passage of the bills introduced in the National Congress known as the "tax" bills, and also urging the appropriation by the state of the money requested by the Oregon Agricultural College for the extension of their mining department.

The sessions of the congress will be held semi-annually and Grants Pass was selected as the meeting place of the next session, which will be held on July 18 of this year.

The convention today extended an invitation to Emma Goldman to speak tomorrow. Members of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners decided tonight not to permit Miss Goldman to speak in Memorial Hall, where they are custodians. It is said their action was taken in support of the miners' officials. It was announced tonight that she would address the miners tomorrow morning in another hall.

On receipt of greetings from 16 miners serving sentences of one year in jail at Denver, Colo., for alleged assaults on representatives of operators of the Northern Colorado mines, where several strikes are in progress, the convention adopted resolutions of sympathy.

RUSH RESCUES SCHOONER

Director and Crew Are Saved Off Douglas Island Reefs.

JUNEAU, Alaska, Jan. 18.—The schooner Director, reported by Indians as being in distress off the lower end of Douglas Island, was saved by the revenue cutter Rush, which went to the schooner's assistance. The schooner was driven ashore today after towing the Director to safety.

The schooner's engines were disabled at the heavy sea, and the vessel was pounded to pieces when the Rush arrived. None of the five men on the schooner were injured. The schooner was driven ashore today after towing the Director to safety.

The steamer Georgia, which was six days out for Skagway and for which grave fears were entertained, arrived safe at Skagway today.

Captain DeOtte, of the Rush, says the storm now raging is the most terrific he has ever encountered in Southeastern Alaska waters. Small boats cannot live in the heavy seas that are running. Joe St. Clair and Edward Johnson, two natives who attempted to cross the channel at Hoonah in a small boat yesterday were driven in when their craft was swamped by the waves. The Rush recovered the boat, but was unable to find any trace of the bodies.

An exhaustive argument against the proposed advances in rates was submitted by John H. Atwood, of Kansas City, one of the counsel for the shipper committee in the Western Trunk Line territory. Laying down as a premise that it was the duty of the Government to establish interstate highways of commerce, he maintained that this duty, as performed by railway companies, was merely the exercise of delegated power, and that the authority so exercised could be used only as the Government itself would use it.

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Competitive Code Stands. But Architects Want Change in Rules Regarding Plans.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—Discussion of the code of competition, which has been in effect for the past ten years, took up the greater part of today's session of the American Institute of Architects, the afternoon programme having been put off until tomorrow.

The code concerns competition for building plans and under its rulings members may not enter plans unless certain rules are observed, such as the employment of an expert adviser to set forth the type of plans desired, the acceptance of a minimum rate and other provisions.

It was held by some of the delegates that the code has brought about better financial protection for architects and has raised the general standard of the profession. Others objected to the mandatory clause in the code, saying it took all of the power out of the hands of the individual architect. A resolution was passed urging the board of directors to revise certain portions of the code.

Paving Company Buys Bonds. COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Council last night city improvement bonds to the amount of \$16,424.98 were sold to the Warren Construction Company. This amount was involved in the purchase of six blocks on Main street with bituminous pavement.

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ADVANCE HELD UP

Interstate Board Will Suspend Western Rates.

LABOR APPROVES RISE

Morrissey Speaks for Railroad Employees in Support of Advance, Saying They Know From Conditions It Is Needed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Further suspension of the general advances in freight rates by the Western trunk lines will be made tomorrow. The Interstate Commerce Commission has suggested that the rates be suspended from February 1 to March 15.

There is no doubt that this suggestion will be accepted by the Western carriers, as it was by the Eastern carriers, in order to afford the commission adequate time for consideration of the change.

Speaking on behalf of 250,000 employees actively engaged in railroading, P. H. Morrissey, president of the American Railroad Employees & Investors Association, today presented a formal statement to the commission in support of the proposed advance in freight rates by the railroads.

T. J. Dolan, of Chicago, general secretary-treasurer of the International Brotherhood of Steam Shovel Men, also joined in the statement. Scores of favoring petitions from various branches of organized railroad labor were submitted to the commission.

In presenting the statement and petition, Mr. Morrissey said in part: "These petitions and other expressions were secured without connivance or coercion. They include both union and non-union members, and represent the expressions of the employees."

"It might be urged," suggested Mr. Morrissey, "that these employees, not having money to invest, are in a peculiar financial situation or an analysis of the rate question, are not in a position to pass intelligently on the subject. This may be technically true, but the employees have a good general idea of industrial conditions in our country and they have observed conditions, which have impressed them in a common sense way with the belief that the railway rates are entitled to greater compensation."

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FISHERMEN ARE RESCUED

One of Walkers Badly Frozen. Life-Savers Have Hard Time.

PORT HURON, Mich., Jan. 18.—William and Herbert Walker, the Port Sanilac fishermen who were adrift nearly 50 hours on a Lake Huron ice floe, were rescued by tugs today and were taken ashore at Port Sanilac.

William Walker was in good condition despite his long sojourn, but the feet and one of the arms of Herbert Walker, the younger of the two, were frozen, and amputation may be necessary.

The Walkers had nothing to eat from Monday morning until they were rescued today.

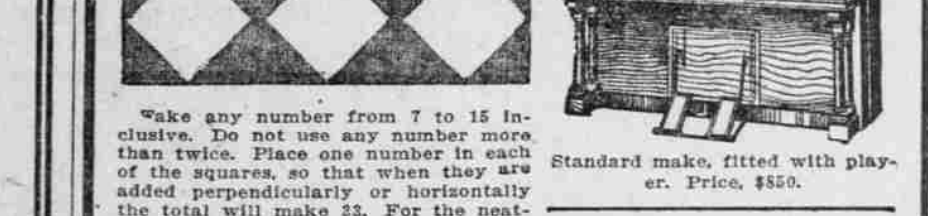
The lifesavers from Harbor Beach who went to the rescue came ashore today about three miles north of Lexington, after having been exposed in their open

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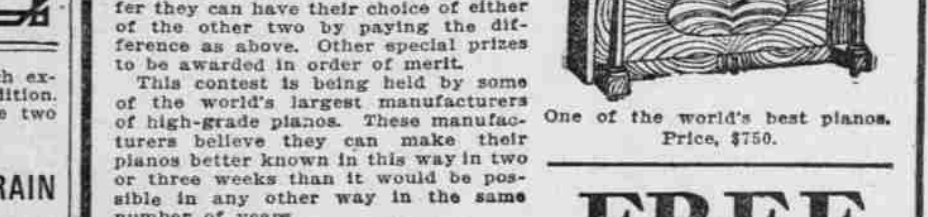
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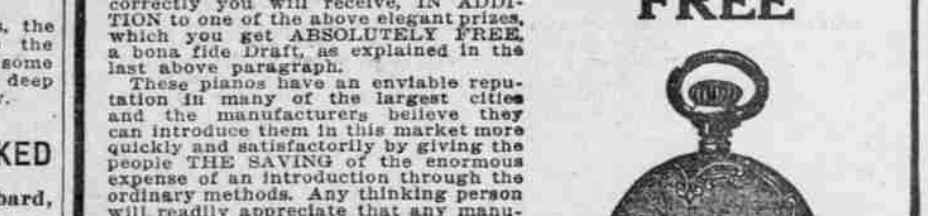


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