

ARRESTS MADE IN REFERENDUM CASE

Frauds in Connection With University Appropriations Are Looming Larger.

"HIGHER UPS" ARE SOUGHT

Two Men Taken Into Custody, and One Is Alleged to Have Confessed. 20 Could Be Sent to Jail, Says ex-Justice Slater.

Further arrests of circulators of the referendum petitions to revoke the law authorizing appropriations for the University of Oregon are expected today or tomorrow. Harry Coler and E. J. Hables, alias "Raffles," and E. Wallace, were arrested Wednesday by George E. Constable, of the Bureau of Detective Agency, and Deputy Constable Nicholson.

Coler is said to have given a complete confession of the part he had in forging signatures to the petition in order to invalidate it. He refused, however, to make any statement for publication last night. He was released from the County Jail yesterday afternoon on his own recognizance.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and remained in the County Jail until late last night, when his attorney succeeded in securing the \$2500 bail demanded, and he was released. Coler will not only testify for the state when the cases against the other petition circulators have been brought to trial, but will testify also in civil suits which may be brought.

Hables Denies Names Are "Phony."

Not only did Hables give the name of Wallace last night, but he circulated the petitions and signed them under this fictitious name. "If I had forged any names to the petitions I would not stick around in town, waiting for them to get me," he said. "I know last night that the officers were checking up the names on my petition, because some of my friends who had signed telephoned to me and told me that detectives had been to see them inquiring if they had signed. There are no 'phony' names in my lists so far as I know. But if someone wants to 'put it over' on you, what is to hinder him from signing fictitious names to the lists. Unless I know him I have no way to check up on him."

Both District Attorney Cameron and G. E. Constable said last night that Coler admits having falsified his petitions by signing some fictitious names, and that he has given evidence to implicate others.

Detective Constable estimates that of the 15,799 names on the referendum petitions at the State Secretary of State between 7000 and 8000 were fictitious. It is thought enough valid names are not left to carry the petition through. The petition circulators so far arrested are said to have used the city directory and telephone directory in securing their names, and to have invented others, so that some of the names are forgeries and others are fictitious. They are said to have interchanged their sheets as they wrote the names, so that the names would not all appear in the same handwriting, meeting in downtown billiard-rooms for the purpose. One sheet is said to contain only three genuine signatures.

Forging More Profitable.

Weeks of work by the Burns agency are said to have revealed that in hundreds of cases there is "no such address" or that the persons are not known in the vicinity of the addresses given. The rate paid the circulators for obtaining signatures is said to have been 7 cents for each name signed to three petitions, two petitions being against the university, and one against the Monmouth appropriation. When signatures were secured to only one petition the rate was from 2 to 3 cents a name. Much more money could be made by the solicitors by forging the names than by securing genuine signatures.

A suit to test the validity of the referendum petition and criminal proceedings against the solicitors and "higher ups" are looked for.

Hables said last night he thought H. J. Parkison had eliminated all the fictitious names from the petition sheets before he sent them to Salem for filing.

"Appropriations Saved"—Slater.

"At least 20 cents could be sent to jail for implication in forgeries in connection with the University of Oregon referendum petitions, but more than half of that number have left the state," declared ex-Justice Slater last night at Salem. Slater has prepared a large part of the evidence which led up to the arrest of Harry Coler in Portland.

"Without qualification in any shape or form you may say for me that the appropriations for the university will be saved. While my main interest is in the civil suit which will be brought to save the appropriations, I aided in preparing the evidence which will send these men to the penitentiary on criminal charges, and as a result of that, there are probably eight of them left in the state out of the original guilty 20 men."

GAYNOR ORDERS ICE PROBE

Poor of New York in Riots Because of Shortage of Supply.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Mayor Gaynor yesterday took a hand in the ice famine. The Mayor directed that policemen be sent out to ascertain whether the Knickerbocker Ice Company is restricting the amount of ice it brings to the city daily, in order to enhance prices, and the number of independent wagon which it is refusing to supply, and added:

"This information we can lay before the District Attorney on the West Side today among the poor. Prices have risen from 200 to 300 per cent in the course of the hot spell. One hundred men and women stormed the office of the Foster-Scott Company this afternoon, yelling, 'Ice, give us ice.' Many had sick children, dying for lack of ice."

FAIR NATATORIUM MANAGER AT OAKS AND SWIMMER WHO WON HER HEART AND HAND.



MR. AND MRS. GEORGE M. AKE.

DAN CUPID SWIMS

Woman Advertises for Instructor, Weds Applicant.

OAKS ROMANCE RECALLED

Fair Manager of Natatorium at Park Is Won by Lifesaver and Couple Is Married Hour After Midnight Tuesday.

BATHHOUSE MAN, First-Class, Wanted; One Capable of Giving Swimming Lessons. Apply Office Oaks Park Immediately.

AKS-SCHWAB—George M. Ake, 21, Ruby Schwab, 24.

Cupid is just as much at home in the water as on land. The two excerpts above from The Oregonian of different days tell the story. One is an advertisement inserted by Miss Ruby Schwab. The announcement of a marriage license being obtained tells just what happened when George M. Ake answered the advertisement.

Miss Ruby Schwab is manager of the natatorium at the Oaks amusement park. Her swimming instructor left her without notice last week and she inserted in The Oregonian the want ad that heads this column.

Her requirement seemed to be filled most adequately by George Ake. He went to work at the Oaks for the first time Friday afternoon. Miss Schwab watched him cleave the water with powerful strokes and when she asked him he told her of the many lives he had saved.

The next step in the acquaintance was that Miss Schwab decided she wanted to learn to swim and Ake's services were commended. The lessons were fully under way Monday afternoon. Tuesday Mr. Ake pressed his suit so vigorously that a license to wed was obtained that day and then after the Oaks was closed they had a farewell little bachelor dinner.

They roused Dr. Boyd at 1 o'clock yesterday morning and insisted that he marry them. Although a trifle sleepy, Dr. Boyd performed the ceremony.

JOHN W. GATES IMPROVES

Condition Gives Ground for Hope of Doctors He Will Live.

PARIS, July 13.—After a consultation last night the physicians in attendance on John W. Gates, the American financier, said his condition was improving. They found that the congestion of the kidneys had relaxed, giving ground for hope that Mr. Gates will live.

The consultation was participated in by Dr. Reeves, who accompanied Charles G. Gates from New York, and Dr. J. Russell Ryan, of London, together with Drs. Gross, Rogot and Vitte. Mr. Gates' mind has continued clear throughout, which is considered an excellent sign.

EVA BOOTH PROSTRATED

Salvation Army Commander Has Fainting Spells.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Eva Booth, commander of the Salvation Army, is ill of heat prostration. It was announced at the army's headquarters today that she has had several fainting spells.

MANSFIELD'S BODY FOUND

University Park Laborer Has Bible and \$10 When Drowned.

With a Bible and \$10 in his pockets, the body of Sidney Mansfield, the University Park laborer who disappeared last Thursday, was positively identified by Medicinarian William Hawkins after it had been recovered from

HUNDREDS PERISH IN FOREST FIRES

Miners, Trapped by Flames, Meet Death in Scores in Canada Woods.

BOATS SAVE MANY LIVES

Men and Women Frantically Flung Selves in Lake to Escape Deadly Blaze—Towns in Ashes and Many Camps Wiped Out.

TORONTO, July 13.—The loss of life in the Porcupine district, Northern Ontario, from Tuesday's forest fire is known to be several hundred and the property loss will reach several millions of dollars.

Only three of the 83 employees of the West Dome mine have been accounted for and 200 miners, muckers, etc., in the Dome mine have been suffocated. The mines burned include the Dome, North Dome, Preston East Dome, Vipond, Foley, O'Brien, Philadelphia, United Porcupine, El Dorado, Porcupine, Standard, Imperial, West Dome and Success.

Mine Manager Dead.

Among the dead are Robert E. Weiss, manager of the West Dome, and his wife and child.

The Philadelphia mine's loss is about \$10,000. United Porcupine's \$20,000, El Dorado Porcupine, all buildings destroyed; Standard, about \$40,000; Imperial, about \$35,000; Success, probably destroyed; West Dome, about \$25,000. In four short hours beginning Tuesday noon, the fire swept from the Standard mine to the shores of Porcupine Lake, where it destroyed South Porcupine, Pottsville and part of Glen City, as well as many small buildings along the lakefront.

Men Perish in Shafts.

The greatest havoc was wrought around the main mines, notably the West Dome and Big Dome. There the entrapped miners, cut off from escape, were forced to take to the shafts and, penned in by flames, perished. This was notably true at Dome and West Dome.

The streets of South Porcupine are strewn with dead persons, horses, dogs and cattle. Along the mine roads are the bodies of those overcome while trying to escape.

Charred Bodies Found.

Along the highway between East Dome and South Porcupine, a comparatively open section, were found six charred bodies. In the ruins of South Porcupine were found the bodies of William Gohr and his clerk, Captain George Runbar, and Tom Geddes. The miners saw dense clouds of smoke Tuesday to the southwest where the fires were raging. They gave little heed, a small blaze started in the good view of the Porcupine townsite, but it passed almost unnoticed because of the recent frequency of bush fires.

It was not until noon that the dense smoke clouds began to roll over the Porcupine district. Then the miners became alarmed and the camps took on unusual activities.

Messengers were sent out and soon returned with warnings that the fire was traveling through the forests at rapid speed and was licking up many townships.

Shortly after noon the fire had covered an area of 25 miles in length and two miles in width. In half an hour the flames were raging on the spot. They swept over the Paley O'Brien mine, then passed to the Preston East Dome and followed the Dome, East West Dome and North Dome.

Hundreds Flee, Many Fall.

Hundreds fled before the flames, but dense clouds of smoke hung low and made progress difficult. Many fell exhausted before the fire as it swept over South Porcupine. The frame buildings burned fiercely.

Two minutes after the flames struck the outskirts the town was in ruins. All who escaped made for the water where all sorts of water-craft—launches, canoes and skiffs—were pressed into service.

Women and children were first hurried into small boats and started off for Pottsville and Golden City, where they were temporarily safe from the flames. Many miners lost their lives in efforts to save others.

Men Fight for Boats.

Panic and chaos prevailed when the flight by water from South Porcupine began. Men fought with one another for places in the boats for their families. Policeman Murray, with Jack Gardner, had to stand off the panic-stricken foreigners, who rushed for the boats. Men were each boat as it came in. Men were hurled into the water, and many jumped in as the only place of safety.

Thirty launches and as many canoes soon had the women landed safely on the other side of the lake. There was one exception. Mrs. William Gohr, with her babe in her arms refused to leave until she had news of her husband. Gohr had gone back to save some valuables and, with his clerk, was burned to death.

Even after all had deserted the town and the fire had burned out, she remained nearby awaiting recovery of her husband's body. Little will ever be known of the experiences of some of the properties, as perished of the dead remain. At one camp there was no shelter and the men sought refuge on an outcropping rock. J. T. Flynn and Joseph Flynn watched their brother burn to death, the former receiving serious burns. With them was Gilbert Gibbs, whose face was burned beyond recognition and whose arms and body were scorched. Flames came upon them with such rapidity that even blankets and towels to cast about them could not be obtained, and yet they survived the furnace.

At the Philadelphia mine, when it became evident that the mine must go,

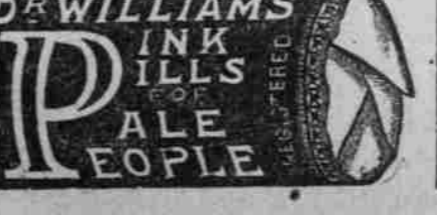
When a Tonic Is Needed

When the health is run down from overwork, overstudy, or any other cause, a good tonic is needed. But sometimes what is mistaken for simple debility is a symptom of a more serious disorder, anaemia perhaps, or a breaking down of the nervous system. By taking a tonic that is also a specific for many disorders of the blood and nerves the threatening disease may be prevented. Such a remedy is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, a blood-building and nerve strengthening tonic that has cured many cases where other medicines had been tried without benefit.

Miss Thekla Holland, of No. 1634 Lemon street, Long Beach, Cal., says: "I was so thin and pale that people thought I had consumption. I was run down, weak and unable to stand any exertion. I was short of breath, had no ambition and was always tired. I was nervous and my sleep was broken. I had to be careful what I ate and my stomach was out of order. My heart also troubled me a great deal. I was often confined to bed for two or three weeks at a time. On a friend's advice I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and after a fair trial I began to get better. I kept on using the pills until I was completely cured. I am now strong and well and able to stand any exertion. I recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills because they cured me after three years of sickness and after my doctor had said he could not help me."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are a general tonic and have cured such blood and nerve diseases as anaemia, rheumatism, after-effects of the grip and fevers, sciatica, neuralgia, sick headaches and St. Vitus' dance.

A valuable booklet, "Diseases of the Blood," containing helpful information will be sent upon request. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists, or will be sent postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box; six boxes \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medical Company, Schenectady, N. Y.



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