

BIG BANK LOOTER BELIEVED IN JAIL

British Columbia Suspect, John McNamara, Is Accused of Stealing \$375,000.

EXTRADITION NOW SOUGHT

San Francisco Man Known to Police of Many Cities and Stalked Across Continent, Wanted in New Westminster, B. C.

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It will be a hard blow to our girls," she continued, speaking of their two daughters, one of whom was recently married.

The Barret referred to in the dispatch is known throughout the country as "Billy Barret, the bank snook." He was arrested in Portland in 1905 on a charge of tapping the Portland Hotel cash register for \$150.

At his preliminary hearing he was released for lack of evidence, but meanwhile the police had been notified that he was wanted in Baltimore and at San Francisco. He served two years in the Maryland penitentiary and three years in San Quentin. He was released last June and at that time passed through Portland in a train attempt to reach the Northern railroad train near Fergus Falls, Minn., in the early spring of 1910.

The arrest of Hoffman was not made until recently, an operative of the agency said tonight, "because of the request of the Canadian authorities that it be kept secret until other arrests could be made in the East."

The detective agency gave out a signed statement tonight, showing the work of their men in following Hoffman. "All of the loot," the statement said, "could not be carried away by the robbers, as it consisted mainly of currency. So in their hurry they carried some of it under a sidewalk and some under a bridge near New Westminster, where later this money was recovered."

The main hunt at once simmered down to a still search. The agency at Seattle, by the use of their roguish gallery, finally succeeded in having three of the burglars identified by persons who came under a bridge near New Westminster, where later this money was recovered.

From New York, where we hit a trail, we followed Hoffman to Buffalo, to Chicago, to Philadelphia, then back to San Francisco. From there we tracked him to Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, and thence to San Diego, where for the first time our men came upon him face to face.

McNamara is one of the most skillful bank burglars in the world, and is known to the police of this country, England and Australia.

Hoffman, or Deen, has a long criminal career. He was arrested November 11, 1898, with Link Thayer, J. B. Edwards, J. C. Hall, W. C. Ross and Homer J. Minot, alias Albert Addison, at Moorhead, Minn., for the robbery of Great Northern train No. 3 the night previous, near Carlisle, and on May 29, 1899, was convicted and sentenced to the state penitentiary at Stillwater. In 1906 he was pardoned. He was arrested with Al Addison and A. S. Grant, alias Graham, after having arrested an explosion of dynamite while they were extracting nitroglycerine at Natatorium Park, Spokane, Wash. Grant, whose true name was Haddigan, was killed by this explosion.

At the theaters
"THE BARRIER"
By Rex Beach—Presented at the Baker Theater
John Gale.....Norval MacGregor
B. A. L. Miller
No Creek Lee.....Max Steine
Poleen Dorset.....George Cleveland
Stark.....Bryce Howatson
Bannon.....George Byron
Carpenter.....H. H. Jones
Petra James.....M. A. Gosome
Necia.....Eleanor Haber
Allura.....Mattie Hyde

MOTHER TRIES TO SAVE BOY IN VAIN

Howard Thomas Dies in Hotel Fire at Hillsboro; Woman Severely Burned.

MATCHES START FLAMES

Dead Lad's Brother, Who Gave Alarm, Says Younger Boy Was Playing With Matches—Patrons at Commercial House Safe.

HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Fire which destroyed the Commercial Hotel here at 7:30 o'clock this morning cost the life of Howard Thomas, aged four, and resulted in severe injuries to his mother, Mrs. A. J. Thomas, who made a vain attempt to rescue him. The hotel was leased by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, who came here recently from Vancouver, Wash.

Matches with which Howard Thomas was playing, are believed to have started the fire, though his mother says that the blaze may have started from sparks from a stove.

Elderest Son Gives Alarm.
Clayton, aged six, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, gave the alarm that the hotel was afire. He had been playing with his younger brother, Howard, in the family apartments on the second floor. He said that his brother had lit a match and that this caused the fire. When the fire started he ran down stairs screaming that the hotel was on fire. Mrs. Thomas was in the kitchen at the time. She ran to the second floor to try to force her way into the apartments where she knew her boy was, but by this time one of the hotel patrons and H. Brown, the hotel cook, had arrived and restrained her. A blanket was thrown around her, the flames extinguished and she was carried out of the building.

Body Is Recovered.
The body of Howard Thomas was found after the fire in the debris under the alcove where the boy slept. Of the 17 patrons in the hotel at the time all escaped unharmed.

At the coroner's inquest tonight witnesses testified that the boy could not have been saved after the alarm was given, as the flames spread with such rapidity.

Mrs. Thomas was taken to Portland tonight for treatment for her injuries. Her parents live there. At the time of the fire Mr. Thomas was in Portland, having left an uncle's home at Moorhead, Minn., for the robbery of Great Northern train No. 3 the night previous, near Carlisle, and on May 29, 1899, was convicted and sentenced to the state penitentiary at Stillwater. In 1906 he was pardoned. He was arrested with Al Addison and A. S. Grant, alias Graham, after having arrested an explosion of dynamite while they were extracting nitroglycerine at Natatorium Park, Spokane, Wash. Grant, whose true name was Haddigan, was killed by this explosion.

NEW OFFICER CHOSEN
Miss Mary Ward Membership Secretary at Y. W. C. A.

Miss Mary Ward, for two years a primary teacher at the Hawthorne school has taken the place as membership secretary of the Y. W. C. A. made vacant by the resignation of Miss Alma Hales, who was married December 26 to George Hunt of Berkeley, Cal. Mr. Hunt is connected with the forestry service. He met Miss Hales while they were attending Willamette University. She began her work with the Y. W. C. A. as president of the Willamette association, and served for three years with the Portland association. Miss Ward is a graduate of the Grand Rapids Kindergarten Training School, and also attended the normal school at Albion, Mich. She has been a club leader in the local association for several years.

SPURNED CHILD IS SUICIDE
Letter From Mother, Telling Girl She Was Always Unwelcome.

WINFIELD, Kan., Jan. 8.—A mother's letter telling a story of child unaccounted and despaired at birth and spurned to the point of being disowned.

SETTLER PRAISES STATE

NEWCOMER FROM PORTO RICO SAYS OREGON BEST PLACE.

Homesteader Gives Thanks to Portland Commercial Club for Its Work Advertising Country.

A new settler in Oregon, a homesteader near Necanicum, who came to Oregon in response to advertisements of the resources of the state as set forth in the publicity literature from Portland Commercial Club, has written an interesting letter of thanks to the publicity bureau of the Commercial Club thanking its officers for the share they had in bringing him from Porto Rico to this state. The correspondent declares his intention to make his home permanently in Oregon and to build up a dairy industry on the farm he has secured.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—For the first time in the history of the Government, a labor strike held up the machinery of Congressional legislation today. The House committee on accounts refused to work because the accounts committee reduced their compensation from 25 to 15 cents a folio.

STENOGRAPHERS QUIT JOB
House Sugar Trust Inquiry Held Up by Strike—Arbitration Begins.

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Storm Interferes With Service

The unusual severity of the "Silver Thaw" has seriously interfered with our streetcar and electric light service in Portland for the past two or three days.

PORTLAND RAILWAY, LIGHT & POWER CO.

In consequence of the confusion brought about by the fallen telephone lines and the occasional breaking of the electric wires, the current was turned off in the eastern portion of the city, at the request of the city authorities, they fearing injury would befall the public and the linemen working among the broken wires.

Since the start of the storm on Saturday the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company has had a large number of men constantly at work maintaining the streetcar and electric light service, and co-operating with the telephone companies. These men have worked constantly and diligently during this emergency, and we especially wish to thank, not only our employes for their untiring efforts, but our patrons for their indulgence.

We feel especially kind toward all who have so patiently borne up under the circumstances and accepted the unforeseen condition in such a good spirit. Our prompt success in restoring service has been due solely to the ability of our employes and the forbearance of the public, for which we feel very grateful.

will make it grow faster than making it land work.
Mandot Outfits Allen.
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 8.—Joe Mandot, of New Orleans, outfought "Billy" Allen, of Ottawa, lightweight champion of Canada, at every stage of their eight-round bout before the Southern Athletic Club tonight and was awarded the decision.

Seals to Train at Paso Robles.
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—The San Francisco team of the Pacific Coast League will go into training at Paso Robles.

Annual Clearance Sale
Talking Machines

Most of these latest style Talking Machines were taken in as part payment on a new Edison Amberola, Victor-Victrola, or Columbia Graphonola. All have been put in perfect condition, and at the prices offered below, will not last long. If you want a Real Talking Machine Bargain, do not delay a minute. Bring in \$5.00, or even \$3.50, and secure one.

Table with 4 columns: Reg., Now At, Reg., Now At. Lists prices for various talking machines like \$100.00 to \$55.00, \$35.00 to \$22.00, etc.

Also Many Other Bargains.
All records included are brand new, and your own choice from our stock of thousands of records. Each machine guaranteed for one year.
All styles and makes of Talking Machines carried. Come in and compare them side by side before buying.

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Chamber of Commerce Building, Fourth and Stark Streets.