CANDLER CHARGES EXTORTION DEMAND

Lawyer Alleged to Have Promised "Hush Up."

$5000 FEE IS ASKED

Counsel for Banker in Byfield Suit Assures Probe if Dreyer Is Called as Witness.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 17.—August Dreyer, New York lawyer and theatrical man, whose name appears as a witness on a letter which Walter T. Candler received from Clyde K. Byfield after the men had their fight in Mrs. Byfield's stateroom on the steamship Berengaria, July 16, called Mr. Candler and demanded a $5000 fee for his services in the case, according to a statement from Mr. Candler published by the Atlanta Journal today. The letter purported to withdraw charges made against Mr. Candler by Mr. Byfield in connection with the incident in the stateroom.

Reuben R. Arnold, chief counsel for Mr. Candler in his suit to prevent Mr. Byfield from realizing on the $20,500 note given him and in his defense against Mrs. Byfield's $100,000 damage suit, asserted that the purported demand would be investigated and that should Dreyer be summoned as witness steps might be taken regarding it.

$5000 Demand Made.

"Dreyer knew nothing whatever about the incident between Byfield and myself," said the statement issued by the Atlanta banker, "as he was not there and neither heard nor saw any part of it.

"Dreyer was introduced to me as his friend by one of the three gamblers mentioned in my petition who frequented the ship. Dreyer claimed to be a lawyer and made a demand on me of $5000 before leaving Paris, which I did not pay.

"Dreyer called me over the telephone in Atlanta yesterday and demanded to know whether I was going to pay him. I told him I owed him nothing and would pay nothing."

Mrs. Byfield, who asserted in her damage suit that she was made seriously ill by an alleged attack by Candler, was reported to be somewhat improved today.

Love of Horses Mutual.

Love for fine horses which drew them close together at Walter T. Candler's private race track on his estate near Atlanta was one of the means of developing the acquaintance between the Candler and Byfield families, it was said today by mutual acquaintances in commenting on charges that Mr. Candler had attempted to attack Mrs. Clyde K. Byfield in her stateroom aboard the steamship Berengaria.

Mrs. Byfield's suit for $100,000 filed yesterday against the millionaire banker mentioned the gatherings at the Candler track and Clyde K. Byfield in his written statement denying Mr. Candler's charge that he had attempted to "extort" $25,000 from the banker as a result of the affair on the Berengaria, also told of having purchased a race horse from Mr. Candler and of taking part in the events at the Lullwater track.

PORTLAND COPS ENTER

ACTIVE PART IN ATHLETIC GAMES AT SEATTLE VOTED.

First Annual Police Track and Field Meet to Be Held September 9 on Denny Field.

At a meeting Wednesday in the Portland police club rooms it was voted to take an active part in the first annual police track and field meet of the Seattle Police Sports association in Seattle, September 9, to be held on Denny field at the University of Washington. Police athletes from the Pacific northwest, including Canada, will enter the games.

A committee will be appointed to work up local interest and get a line on possible Portland police entries. There will be 28 events, including all events of the regular Amateur Athletic union programme, with such special events as a tug-of-war, 10-mile race and five-man team pistol match.

Special stress will be laid on the weights. Owing to the great number of policemen of heavy avoirdupois there will be several Portland entries in the weights. There will be a 16-pound shot, 56-pound weight throw, 28-pound weight throw, 16-pound hammer throw and discus throw.

Among the police athletes will be several ex-members of Olympic teams. Detective Jack Cameron of Vancouver, B. C., is a famous Canadian all-round athlete and member of the last Olympic team. C. E. Walsh of the Seattle force holds several weight records and national championships. He was a member of the American Olympic games team in 1912. Others expected to participate include Gus Pope of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, national discus champion; Frank Farr, holder of the Canadian 10-mile run title; J. A. Smith, well-known Seattle marathon runner, and others.

The programme follows:

10-mile road race to finish, one lap around course; subject to change; probably five miles on track; open. 100-yard handicap; police. 220-yard handicap; police. 100-yard; open. 220-yard; open. 440-yard; police. 100-yard, police in uniform; police. 880-yard; police. 16-pound shotput; police. 56-pound weight; open. 28-pound weight throw, one hand; open. 16-pound hammer throw; open. Discus throw; open. Broad jump; police. High jump; police. Pole vault; open. 1-mile race; open. 880-yard race; open. 75-yard race, captain and inspectors of police. 100-yard race, police 220 pounds and over. 100-yard, detectives who have never won first place. 100-yard, for sergeants and lieutenants of police. Tug of war, captain and ten men, smooth heel and sole; police. 800-yard relay, U. S. and Canada; police. Pistol match, five-man team; police. 75-yard race, for chiefs of police. 28-pound weight, confined to police who have never won a prize; one-hand throw.

PROSECUTOR ON STAND

Deputy District Attorney Testifies in Trial of 36 Klansmen.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—The trial of 36 men, indicted on felony charges growing out of a fatal raid in Inglewood, admittedly conducted by members of the Ku Klux Klan, was featured today by testimony of William C. Doran, chief deputy district attorney. He was called by the prosecution and read a letter from counsel for the indicted men in which it was stated that 23 of the defendants admitted participation in the raid. The letter specified that the 23 men authorized the writing of it to the district attorney.

Doran testified that on April 23, the day following the raid, Walter E. Mosher, deputy constable of Inglewood, whose father, the constable, was slain in the raid, discussed the raid with Doran. Mosher said that his father, a deputy named Leonard Ruegg and himself were stationed to guard the road and that the raid was conducted by "an organization of picked men 100 per cent American," Doran testified.

Mosher, who was wounded when another officer who had not been informed of the raid came to the scene and engaged the masked men in pistol fight, said that he did his "best to kill the officer," not knowing who he was, but that he "could not shoot accurately" because his arm was wounded.

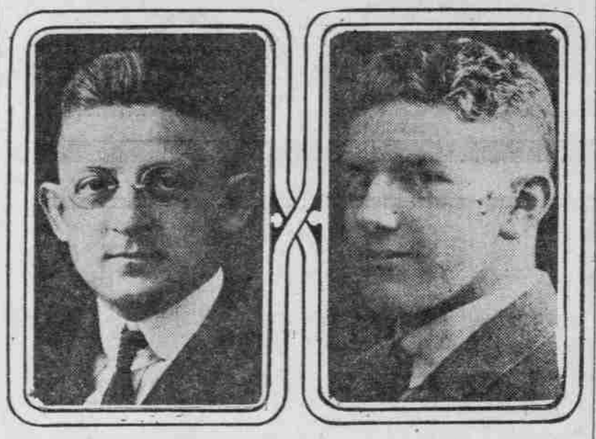
AUTO OVERTURNS; 2 HURT

Too Much Speed and Inexperienced Driving Is Cause.

Too much speed and too little driving ability were said by witnesses to have been the cause of an automobile turning over in Ninety-second street, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth avenues Southeast, Thursday night. John Sweitzer, Eighty-second street and Seventieth avenue, was driving and his back and neck were badly wrenched. Edward Kaufman of Lents was cut and bruised. Both were taken to their homes after being treated.

The young men had rented the machine from Larry's garage at Forty-second and Belmont streets and were driving toward Lents at a high rate of speed, according to persons who saw the accident. The car got beyond Sweitzer's control, swerved from side to side and then turned over.

OFFICERS FOR CONVENTION OF MEN AND BOYS VISIT PORTLAND.



Left to right—A. E. Lilly, chairman of recreation for boys convention, and Douglas C. Stansbery, general chairman of boys' convention, who are in Portland in the interest of the meet.

COAL MINES IN DANGER

Australian Strike Gives No Hope of an Early Settlement.

SYDNEY, Australia, Aug. 17.—The third day of the coal miners' strike in Cape Breton brought no grounds for hope that the dispute would be settled at an early date. Neither did it bring news of any violence of a serious nature, notwithstanding the presence of armed troops.

Meanwhile, however, water is steadily rising in the pits. No. 2 pit, the largest coal shaft in the world, is in danger of complete destruction. Another cause for grave concern is the growing shortage of coal. Oldtimers are predicting a long-drawn-out fight, with consequent hardship to all concerned.

Meetings are being held continually to decide upon various lines of policy, but so far there has been no decision to allow the pumpmen and firemen to return to work. The pumps are idle. Since the rough handling of the carload of relief workers sent down to No. 2 from Sydney last night no further attempts to place relief operators at the pumps and fans have been made. Troops so far have not exercised their authority. Minor hostilities have occurred between strikers and would-be strike breakers.

Indignation at the presence of armed forces at New Aberdeen is manifest by the workers.

TIE-UP AGAIN DEFERRED

Baker-McCormick Wedding Postponed Till September.

BY JOHN STEELE.

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LONDON, Aug. 17.—(By Tribune Wireless.)—The Baker-McCormick wedding has again been postponed. A Tribune representative saw Mr. McCormick today at the Manor house, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, which has been hired for the summer by Mrs. Baker. He said the wedding would not take place before the end of September but declined to discuss the reason for a further postponement.

Miss Baker and her mother are not at Abingdon but are expected in London early next week.

GENERAL IS ARRESTED

Fighter Noted for Defense of Dardanelles in Toils.

(Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service.)

ROME, Aug. 17.—General Machmen Wochib, famous for his defense of the Dardanelles against British attacks, who was arrested by Italian authorities near Rome recently, seems to be involved in an international plot affecting several powers.

He probably will be transferred to Florence soon, where he will be tried. Maximum secrecy of the case is kept by the Italian authorities.

BONES OF GIANT FOUND

Skeleton of Man 10 Feet Tall Is Picked Up on Tiburon Isle.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 17.—(Special Cable.)—The department of agriculture yesterday received from an agent on Tiburon island, Gulf of California, the skeleton of a primitive man more than 10 feet tall.

It was found a few days ago. Other bones of similar size have been encountered.

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KERRIGAN CHOSEN TO SUCCEED SELF

Recallers Nominate Public Service Commissioner.

MR. KELLAHER FRACTIOUS

Ex-Councilman Charges New Men on State Board With Failing to Cut Rates as Promised.

A little band of brothers and sisters, 128 in number, gathered in the basement of Hotel Portland Thursday night and under the expert guidance of Robert C. Duncan, politician extraordinary, nominated Thomas M. Kerrigan for the office of public service commissioner.

Mr. Kerrigan at present holds the office for which he was nominated, having been swept in along with Newton McCoy, by the recall of Fred A. Williams and Fred C. Buchtel. He will be opposed at the polls by Thomas K. Campbell, ex-commissioner and republican nominee for the position.

The meeting took on the form of a love feast, with Dan Kellaher, ex-city councilman, ex-city commissioner and ex-state senator, as the sole "fly in the ointment." Kellaher refused to play with the rest of the boys and for a time threatened to wreck the peace of the evening, until Duncan and some of his hand-picked aides came to the rescue.

Kellaher Demands Action.

Kellaher vehemently demanded to know why the new commission had failed to lower any public utility rates, as had been pledged by McCoy and Kerrigan at the time of their nomination.

"What have they done for 60 days except to draw their salaries?" he queried. "They have been 'laying down' on the job. They have neglected the rights of the people."

A desultory handclapping greeted Mr. Kellaher's remarks. Mr. Duncan, who, as usual, was serving as chairman, looked pained.

"They should have started an investigation of public utility rates the day after they took office," Kellaher continued. "Mr. McCoy and Mr. Kerrigan must know, and if they don't they've got to be made to know, that right now is the time to start lowering rates.

Duncan Still Suffers.

"Let us have action. They have been asleep on the job. Something has to be done to wake them up."

More pain crossed the face of Mr. Duncan. Dulcet strains from a nearby dance orchestra failed to relieve the situation. More applause greeted Kellaher as he warmed up.

"They've been too busy passing out political patronage," Kellaher kept on, "instead of tending to the people's business. You are talking about appointing committees to reduce rates. There ought to be appointed a committee to see that the pie is properly carved and the general public fed on thin air. We've had enough bunk."

The bomb was exploded. W. E. Richardson, secretary of the old recall committee, jumped to his feet in defense of the commissioners. In a trembling voice he took Kellaher to task for his assertions, declaring that only three men had been removed, and one of these had been reappointed.

Kellaher Explains Remarks

"Oh, you misunderstood me," Kellaher said. "What I meant was that their time was taken up by outsiders who were seeking the political plums.

Duncan poured oil on the troubled waters.

"I believe that 'to the victors belong the spoils,' he declared. "If I had my way, a few old warhorses of the recall would have been taken care of. They haven't been taken care of, though, and I haven't seen any of my men placed."

E. D. Brackney, who served as chairman of the nominating assembly into which the meeting resolved itself, went even farther than Duncan.

"The commission ought to turn the department inside out from top to bottom," he asserted. "Turn the rascals out. They are just the political tools of Williams and Buchtel, anyhow."

Duncan Tells of Delays.

The meeting started as an explanation. Duncan and his colleagues explaining to the audience why the telephone rates and the gas rates and the street-car fares and the electric rates and the heat rates had not been reduced. Mr. Kerrigan was present before the meeting was called to order, but he was not seen after the beginning of Duncan's speech.

Things were rolling along right smoothly, and Duncan's plan for the appointment of four committees to aid the public service commission in reducing rates was sliding along the well-greased road to passage, when Kellaher threw his monkey wrench into the machinery.

"You don't have to bother yourself, Mr. Duncan, unless you want to play politics, about any committees," he asserted. "The public service commission has the right to institute any investigation into rights on its own behalf; the investigation does not have to be started by any committee on the outside."

Duncan lauded Kellaher, remarking that "if we had more men like him, we would get more accomplished." He was followed by Richardson, who declared:

"We are going to have rates reduced by the first of the month. There is no doubt of it."

After a long discussion, Duncan brought up the real business of the evening—the nomination of Kerrigan. After turning the meeting over to Brackney and steering him in the order of business, Duncan placed Kerrigan's name in nomination. A volley of seconds broke out. Kellaher also rose to his feet.

"I want to second the nomination, too," he drawled, "so that the programme will go through all right."

It did.

JULY FOOD PRICES LEAP

AVERAGE RETAIL INCREASE QUOTED AT 1 PER CENT.

Fuel and Lighting Materials Also Show Advance, While Decreases Are Noted in 15 Staples.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—Wholesale and retail costs of food and other commodities took an upward jump in July, retail prices averaging a 1 per cent increase, while wholesale prices gained about 3 1-3 per cent, as compared with June, the department of labor announced today.

Comparison of wholesale prices in June with those of a year ago indicated, the department said, that the price level advanced about 10 per cent, with fuel and lighting materials registering an increase of 36½ per cent.

The average retail price level was determined, the department stated, by analysis of prices charged for 43 food articles by dealers in 51 cities. The largest increases were noted in the sale of granulated sugar, 7 per cent; fresh eggs, 6 per cent; navy beans, 5 per cent; potatoes, 3 per cent, while a 1 per cent increase was registered against certain kinds of meats, cheese, baked beans and prunes.

Thirteen food staples decreased, onions dropping 13 per cent, cabbage 10, hens 3, lamb and flour 2, while canned goods showed but slight decrease.

In the upward trend of wholesale basic prices of 404 commodities increases were reported for 146 commodities and decreases for 100, while in the case of 158 no change was reported. Based on these figures the department computed a general average increase of 3 1-3 per cent. The increase from May to June was 1 1-3 per cent.

Fuel and lighting materials registered a 13 per cent increase, farm products 3 per cent, foodstuffs 1½ per cent, building materials 1¾ per cent, while clothing and metals increased 1 per cent.

Decreases were registered in chemicals and drugs, but no change was reported for the group of miscellaneous commodities, including cattle, feed, leather, paper and pulp.

ST. ANDREWS PARTY HERE

INTEREST IN CONVENTION IS BEING AROUSED.

Officers of Brotherhood Visit Portland to Attract Attention to Seattle Meeting.

Officers of the 37th annual convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, to be held in Seattle August 30 to September 3, are in Portland to stimulate interest in the meeting. A. E. Lilly, chairman of the recreation committee of the convention, and Douglas Stansbery, general chairman of the boys' conference, both of Seattle, are the travelling officers. They announced Thursday that 3000 men and boys from this and other countries are expected to attend. One hundred men and boys will go from Portland, they said.

A preliminary meeting to answer inquiries concerning the convention was held last night at 7:30 in the office of Dr. H. C. Fixott. "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is a laymen's organization of the Episcopal church," Mr. Stansbery said, "but men and boys of all denominations are welcome to attend. Boys' work will be emphasized at the convention and questions of church matters will occupy but little of the time." Recreation and athletics will hold a large place in the afternoon schedule, Mr. Stansbery declared, and events will include a tennis tournament, field and track events, swimming, boating, motoring and campfire pleasures.

This is the first year the convention has been brought to the Pacific coast, and this year was chosen as opportune because the meeting will precede the general convention of the church to be held in Portland later in September. Delegates will be accommodated in the university district of Seattle and will be housed in fraternity houses. Meals will be served in the university commons, and the boys' meetings will be held in Little's hall.

TWO DIPPINGS REQUIRED

Buck Herds in Five Counties Covered by State Board's Order.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Buck herds, when three or more of them are running together in Crook, Deschutes, Klamath, Lake and Jackson counties, must be dipped twice between August 15 and November 15, according to announcement made here today by Dr. W. H. Lytle, secretary of the state sanitary livestock board.

In cases where the demands warrant, the board may insist upon the dipping of herds, even though they are isolated and do not come in contact with other flocks.

All dippings must be carried out, the officials said, under the direction of federal or state veterinarians.

BISHOP KEATOR HONORED

Tacoma Churchman Heads Coast Theological Conference.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., Aug. 17.—Bishop F. W. Keator, Protestant Episcopal church, Tacoma, was today elected president of the Pacific coast theological conference at the conclusion here of its ninth annual meeting. Seattle was chosen for next year's convention.

Other officers named are Rev. W. H. Smith, Vancouver, vice-president; Rev. J. R. Robertson, Vancouver, secretary-treasurer; Dr. S. B. Penrose, Walla Walla, Wash., and Rev. Frank Dyer, Los Angeles, honorary presidents, and Dr. G. A. Landon and Dr. A. M. Mailey, Seattle, and Rev. C. H. Burdick, Everett, Wash., executive committeeman.

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GOLDENDALE, Wash., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—A party of Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway officials from Portland, consisting of A. J. Witchel, chief engineer; G. V. Lintner, construction engineer, and W. D. Skinner, traffic manager, arrived at Goldendale last night, and in company with Albert L. Smith of Prosser, engineer for the Horse Heaven irrigation district, left Goldendale this morning for the Hopper mill on Summit creek, in Cedar valley. This is near where the Horse Heaven canal will come out of the higher altitude on the upper Big Klickitat river and skirt the south slope of the Simcoe mountains north of the Klickitat valley wheat belt on the route to the sagebrush lands of the Horse Heaven country in eastern Klickitat and Benton counties.

From the Hopper mill the party expected to go to Signal peak and look over the territory in the vicinity of Surveyor's creek, Castile crossing and the Big and Little Muddy streams, entering the Big Klickitat river.

The connection of the visit of the railway officials with the $32,000,000 project for which bonds were validated in the superior court at Prosser Monday that, when completed, will make 340,000 acres of desert land fertile, is not known locally. Engineer Smith said that it was expected that preliminary work necessary would be started as soon as necessary financial arrangements could be completed.

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