

IMMENSE GRAFT IN PAGES OF SIN Captain Mooney Tells How Ruef and Schmitz Black-mailed Tenderloin.

PROTECTED AT FIXED RATE Notorious Pickpocket Agent for Men Who Thwart Police Officer in Doing Duty - Censure for Arresting the Favorites.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—(Special)—Captain of Police John Mooney was on the stand in the grand jury room for two hours today, and when he left it was announced that he had not completed the story of police corruption, but would return on Tuesday to finish the recital.

Mr. Mooney's testimony was sensational in the extreme. The burden of it was that corruption of the blackest sort exists in the department, and that it exists by the sufferance and encouragement of Chief of Police Dinnan, Mayor Schmitz, Abe Ruef and a certain element in the lower courts. Mr. Mooney said that all his efforts to purge the town of unfortunates were blocked by the men in authority, whose duty it was to assist.

Protected at Regular Rates. Mr. Mooney charged that resorts in the new tenderloin were protected at regular rates. With his assistance the grand jury has been put in possession of evidence which shows a depth of degradation almost unbelievable. It has been shown that the Mayor and Ruef have been partners in some of the most nefarious enterprises launched in any municipality.

Chief Tells Men to Disobey Orders. Dinnan's agent in the tenderloin, according to the revelations, has been Kid Sullivan, a notorious pickpocket. This man, it is charged, has been given charge of the tenderloin by the Chief. In his capacity as "boss" of the Kid says, goes. "If any project is to be launched in the tenderloin, it is 'See the Kid.'"

Millionaire Ready With Bail. At one resort Mr. Mooney charges that every time he makes an arrest the women are furnished with a millionaire, who is prominent in the commercial world. Other witnesses scheduled for appearance on Tuesday are Patrolmen P. J. Mitchell, Leo Brumback, Jack Walsh, Charles Ward and Charles Hill, all of whom have worked under Mr. Mooney as plain clothes men, and J. F. Byrne, clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

New Move by Schmitz. Campbell, Motson and Drew and John J. Barrett, the attorneys who will defend Mayor Schmitz in the case of the extortion returned jointly against him and Abraham Ruef, today filed in the State Supreme Court a brief supporting Ruef's contention in his application for bail through habeas corpus that the section of the penal code empowering a judge to order a defendant into custody pending his trial is a violation of the state constitution, which provides that a person is entitled to bail before conviction unless charged with an offense punishable with death and where the proof is evident or the presumption great. Schmitz' attorneys, who filed this brief as "friends of the court," hope in behalf of Ruef for a decision which will be an authority for the admittance of Schmitz to bail when he is called before Judge Dunne to be tried.

Will Challenge Many Jurors. The Ruef trial, which was adjourned from Friday on account of the illness of Henry Ash, of the defense, is to be resumed Monday morning, when each side will be called on to exercise its prerogative challenge of jurors. Owing to the attendance of some of the members of the grand jury and of the Ruef jurors at the Merchants' Association banquet on Thursday night, it is said that the defense will challenge some of the 12 members in the trial jury box on the ground of prejudice and bias, if not having disqualified themselves to act as jurors by disobeying the instructions of the court.

NATIVE SONS OUST RUEF Take Summary Action Against Trustee at Recent Session.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—(Special)—The Order of the Native Sons held a secret session today, ousted Abe Ruef, who has been one of the most prominent members of the order for several years. Ruef was thrown out without ceremony. There were no formal charges, no hearing, but a simple dismissal. It was the desire of the Native Sons to get rid of Ruef with as little publicity as possible. The evidence against him is such that a hearing was not deemed necessary. Members of the order took steps to verify what has been printed, and summary action followed. The dismissal was made ostensibly for the reason that Ruef, as a member of the visiting committee, had failed to do his duty. Ruef is a grand trustee, and it is his duty to visit various branches of the order during the year. The action taken today forestalled a public discussion at the annual session of the order next week in Napa. A strong element made preparations to bring the session up on the floor of the convention. The Native

Some, to guard against such a possibility, and the political antagonisms such action might engender, determined to oust Ruef forthwith. Mayor Schmitz and Supervisors Boston and Gallagher are members of the order. No decision has been reached in their cases, but it is said that they will be dropped with as little ceremony as was Ruef.

George Burns, son of William J. Burns, left San Francisco today for Honolulu, where he will meet Theodore V. Halsey, the indicted official of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, who is being brought back from Manila. On the return trip from Honolulu young Burns will encourage Halsey in any confidence he may offer.

TO DISCUSS IMMIGRATION National Commission May Investigate Subject in Europe.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—An exhaustive investigation into all phases of immigration as it affects the United States is about to be begun by a National Commission, which will meet here Monday to perfect its organization, and to discuss plans for its work.

It already has been decided tentatively that the members of the Commission will visit Europe either as a body or, if all the members can not go, as a sub-committee, for the study of emigration at close range. The Commission consists of nine members, appointed under the immigration act passed by Congress last winter. Three of them, Senators Dillingham, of Vermont; Lodge, of Massachusetts; and Latimer, of South Carolina, were named by Vice-President Fairbanks. Three Representatives Howell, of New Jersey; Bennett, of New York; and Burnett, of Alabama, are appointees of Speaker Cannon. Charles P. Neill, Commissioner of Labor; Professor J. W. Jenks, of Cornell; and William Wheeler, of Oakland, Cal., were nominated by President Roosevelt.

While some work will be done in this country, by way of beginning its inquiries, the general idea is to extend its labors to Europe. The most important ports of embarkation of emigrants will be visited.



A tentative itinerary includes Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Spain and Italy. It is expected the trip will occupy three or four months. The work of the Commission will be only fairly begun when it returns to America. Every possible source of information will be sought. Reports from all parts of the world will be placed at the disposal of the Commission, and experts on immigration may be employed to collect data. It is the purpose of the Commission to inquire into the restrictions placed upon Chinese and Japanese immigration, but it is not probable that it will visit Asia. The Commission will report to the government and make recommendations to Congress to be used as a basis for legislation.

BAD CONDITIONS ON ISTHMUS Italy Forbids Emigration and Sends Man to Investigate.

ROME, April 20.—Leroy Park, agent for the Panama Canal Commission, who was sent here to investigate means of obtaining men for work upon the canal, returned today with reports from the government that the Italian government had received grave reports regarding the hygienic, humanitarian and moral conditions of the Isthmus; that the government had forbidden further immigration of Italians to Panama, and that a government official had been sent to the isthmus to investigate conditions.

Leshman Puts Porte in the Hole. CONSTANTINOPLE, April 20.—Ambassador Leshman has made a new move in the American school question by which he has placed the Porte in the awkward position of appearing to thwart the will of the Sultan. In his last communication to the Foreign Office, the Ambassador pointedly called attention to the fact that notwithstanding the formal promises and pledges of His Majesty that a satisfactory settlement of the school question would be arranged, the Porte has utterly failed to carry out the imperial assurances. The action of Mr. Leshman in thus holding the Porte responsible for the delay is regarded in diplomatic circles here as being very adroit. Even Turkish circles admit that it places the government in the unavoidable light of seeming to oppose the execution of the Sultan's promises.

Bids for Horses for Army.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Quartermaster-General Humphrey today called for bids for cavalry, draft and riding horses and mules required for service in the United States, Porto Rico and the Philippines. The animals consist of 725 cavalry, 234 artillery, 14 draft and riding horses and 525 mules. Bids will be opened simultaneously throughout the various horse markets in the country on May 14.

Coal Land Laws Codified.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—A codification of the coal land laws, combined with regulations for their administration, was issued today by Commissioner Ballinger, of the United States Land Office. The lands are classified according to the information as to the price at which the Government will sell each tract is disseminated. The price varies from \$5 to \$20 an acre, according to accessibility.

Funston to Command California.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Brigadier-General Frederick Funston has been relieved of the command of the Southwest Division, to take effect upon the expiration of his present leave of absence and will proceed to San Francisco to take command of the Department of California. The six highest mountains known are all in the Himalayas.

FULLONS UP THEF

San Francisco Arrests Barrett on Release.

HIS EXPLOIT AT PORTLAND

One of Gang Which Robbed Bath-keller—No Sooner Ends Term in Maryland Than California Claims Him.

BALTIMORE, April 20.—William Barrett, who today finished a two years' term in the penitentiary for wallet snatching, was arrested before he left the prison in connection with the theft of \$20,000 gold from the First National Bank of San Francisco on September 17, 1905. The robbery was committed in the daytime. The money was recovered a few moments later, but the thief escaped. He was finally arrested in Portland, Or., but was turned over to the Maryland authorities, who are considered to have the better claim on him.

Indicted in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—The grand jury today indicted for grand larceny William Barrett, alias Thompson, alias Woods, who has just completed a penitentiary sentence in Maryland.

ARRESTED HERE IN MAY, 1905

Capture of Barrett and Pals Kept Crooks Away From Fair.

William Barrett, alias Thompson, was arrested in Portland in 1905, in company with other criminals of note, and was held in jail here until he was turned over to the Baltimore authorities upon the arrival of an officer from that place. He has been released, after serving a two-year term minus time allotted for good behavior. Barrett, "Fritzie" Dean and J. J. Johnson, alias G. A. Boulton, forming one of the most notorious criminal trios in the world, came to Portland in May, 1905, with the expectation of reaping a rich harvest during the Lewis and Clark Exposition. Fortune was against them, however, and their first "trick," the robbery of the till at the Hotel Portland rathskeller, resulted in their arrest. The robbery occurred just about closing time at the hotel bar. The men ordered drinks. One quickly drank his liquor, slipped to the till, robbed it and left the place, while the others engaged the bartender in conversation. The robbery was discovered so quickly that an alarm was raised and the criminals were disconcerted. The till-keeper who had rushed upstairs and took refuge in the corridors, hoping to get into a room and conceal themselves or to get out by means of the fire escapes. C. R. Nichols, at that time employed as a special officer at the hotel, and other employees located the crooks two of whom they succeeded in taking captive. Barrett escaped, and it was never known what room he occupied except that he remained at the hotel where he had registered under an assumed name. When he left the place in the morning, he was followed by a detective, who "shadowed" and managed to get as far as the United States National Bank, Third and Oak streets, where he was recognized as a criminal by a negro employe. Detective Dan Welner was summoned and arrested Barrett. The prompt arrest of the noted trio discouraged the others, but they got other expert criminals throughout the country, the police stated, and as a result the city was free from crimes of a sensational nature during the fair.

NEW ROAD INTO PORTLAND FROM CLATSOP CITY UP LEWIS AND CLARK RIVER.

Agents at Astoria Are Negotiating for Right of Way—Eighteen Miles Already Graded.

ASTORIA, Or., April 20.—(Special)—To build a railroad from a connection with the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company's line up the Lewis & Clark River, through the Nehalem Valley to Portland, to have 18 miles of the road completed and in operation before the last day of next November, is what is being promised by representatives of the Portland, Oregon, Seacoast Railway Company, who are here negotiating for deeds to the right of way. Some years ago the Astoria & South Coast Railway Company graded a road from Clatsop City, a distance of about 13 miles up the Lewis & Clark River, and there work was stopped on account of financial difficulties. It is this grade which the new company proposes to utilize. J. S. Talbot, one of the men who is negotiating for the right of way, stated today that his company has arranged for \$300,000 with which to build the road, and has purchased sufficient 75-pound steel rails to lay the first 18 miles of track and will begin laying the rails within two weeks after the rights of way are secured. The plan is to complete this 18 miles this summer, put the road in operation and then proceed with the construction of another section. It is also asserted that the company has trackage arrangements with A. & C. R. R. for running trains over the latter's lines from Clatsop City into Astoria. The right of way agreements which the company's representatives are requesting the property-owners to sign provide that the first section of the road must be completed within seven months.

Has Dynamite in Satchel.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., April 20.—Carrying a satchel containing ten sticks of dynamite, John Scalletta, an Italian of Baltimore, was taken out of the caboose of a Baltimore & Ohio freight train and locked up. Scalletta says that just before boarding the train at Baltimore, three men handed him the satchel to deliver in Cleveland.

HEAVY SNOW IN COLORADO Some Damage to Fruit, but Cereal Crops Benefited.

DENVER, Colo., April 20.—According to the local Weather Bureau's measurements, 18 inches of snow, equivalent to 1.44 inches of rain, fell here during the storm which came from the north yesterday morning and passed off to the southeast today. A heavy precipitation was general in Colorado, and the ground is now in good condition to bring to maturity the grain crops, which were threatened with failure in some districts owing to a prolonged drought. Freezing weather is anticipated tonight, but little damage will be done, as vegetation is covered with snow. Damage estimated at \$200,000 has been done to the cherry and fruit trees in the vicinity of Canon City, in the Arkansas Valley, but the larger fruit-

raising districts in Western Colorado are thought not to have suffered any great harm. Considering the severity of the storm, but little damage was done to telegraph and telephone lines, and railroad trains were not seriously delayed.

EXPECT SNOW AT EL PASO

Rapid Fall in Temperature Does Harm to Fruit. EL PASO, Tex., April 20.—The mercury has dropped 17 degrees in the last three hours, the temperature at 9 o'clock being 40 Fahrenheit. It is growing colder hourly, and there is every indication of snow. Already the damage to the fruit crop and truck gardens in the Valley is estimated at \$50,000.

BROADWAY WITHOUT LIGHT

Explosion and Fire in Electric Plant Cause Panic. NEW YORK, April 20.—The explosion of an enormous electric generator tonight in the lighting plant of the New York Edison Company at Thirty-eighth street and First avenue turned darkness on New York's most brilliantly lighted district. The explosion was followed by fire, and although the firemen responded promptly the water only spread the flames.

For half an hour Broadway was almost in darkness. The foot-lights in half a dozen theaters were so dim that the actors were hardly distinguishable to the auditors. Scores of little moving picture theaters were put out of commission, and Bellevue Hospital attendants were busy for many minutes quelling a panic among the patients. Emergency generators were finally placed in operation.

LOOKS LIKE MARVIN BOY

Relatives Will Go to Identify Child Found at Gloversville. GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., April 20.—The latest development in the case of Al Allen, suspected of having custody of the son of Dr. Horace Marvin, of Delaware, was the receipt of a message at police headquarters stating that Miles Standish, nephew of Dr. Marvin, will arrive in Gloversville Sunday. Deputy Sheriff Hubbs of Mechanicville, this state, who, with D. H. Murphy, has been investigating the case for the past month, visited Gloversville today and saw Allen, his alleged wife and the boy. He stated that he had no doubt that the Gloversville police had the right man in custody. The child bears a striking resemblance to the Marvin boy, even to having a slight scar over the eye.

THREAT AGAINST BINGHAM

Displaced Police Inspector Vengeful Against One-Legged Czar. NEW YORK, April 20.—Following the shake-up in the police department today through which eight inspectors were sent to command precincts as captains, Police Commissioner Bingham announced today he had been threatened with assault. He declined to say where the information came from, but added: "I have heard this from a source I consider reliable."

BERKELEY DEBATERS WIN

Defeat Stanford Trio in the Fifteenth Annual Contest. BERKELEY, Cal., April 20.—The University of California debating team tonight defeated Stanford in the fifteenth annual intercollegiate debate. The question debated was, "Resolved, that President Roosevelt's efforts to extend the powers and functions of the Federal Government should not be approved by the American people." The winning team was composed of Sayer MacNeil, L. K. Underhill and Norman A. Elmer. The Stanford debaters were G. D. Ferrell, W. F. Herndon and C. C. McCulloch.

RESENT PESTHOUSE IN NORTH ABERDEEN.

Threats Were Made to Burn Building When Nine Smallpox Patients Were Quarantined There. ABERDEEN, Wash., April 20.—(Special)—A commotion was caused today in the North Aberdeen section of the city by the action of the city authorities in opening a long-closed pesthouse. Some years ago when the pesthouse was located in North Aberdeen a protest went up from the people living in that section, and although out one patient ever occupied the building, suit was started to compel the city authorities to abandon the place. To prevent litigation the city promised that if the suit was dropped there would be no further use of the building for infectious diseases, but that the building would be turned over to the school district for school purposes. It is five years since the complaint was entered, but

CITIZENS ARE UP IN ARMS

cases in Aberdeen. now got a foothold, having been brought here by persons from Tacoma. There are seven patients quarantined and the city authorities secretly undertook to place them all in the North Aberdeen pesthouse. Threats of burning and demolition had no effect, and the patients were installed there tonight. The people of North Aberdeen will now begin proceedings against the city, as the maintenance of a pesthouse in the midst of a thickly populated district is alleged to be entirely at variance with the law.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Thomas Venners, Pioneer Steel Man. NEW YORK, April 20.—Thomas Venners, who was prominent in the iron business for many years and at one time was associated with Henry Bessemer, is dead at his home in Brooklyn. He was 84 years old. Mr. Venners for years was manager of the Keystone Mill, in Pittsburgh. He was the first man to manufacture steel rails in the United States.

TEA

Poor tea is poor comfort; there is no difficulty in getting it good. Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best; we pay him.

Stevens Talks With Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—John F. Stevens, formerly Chief Engineer and chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, talked with the President today about conditions on the Isthmus. He said it will take between six and seven years to complete the canal.

Murder Follows Holdup.

LIMA, Ohio, April 20.—William E. Legg, aged 40, was shot and almost instantly killed in his meat market in a suburb tonight by robbers, who fired on him when he tried to secure his pistol. The robbers secured about \$2.

CHICAGO, April 20.—(Special)—Portland people at Chicago hotels: Palmer House—E. E. Page.

FOUNDER OF W. C. T. U.

DUNKIRK, N. Y., April 20.—Mrs. Esther McNeil, founder of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and first presi-



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