

BANK WRECKERS HAD CIPHER CODE

Technical Terms of Yeggmen Used by Brown and Barnett.

CHAIN OF PROOF COMPLETE

Papers in Brown's Vault Clinch the Case Against Looters of California Safe Deposit—Use Pet Names for Confederates.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The further discoveries made today by Assistant District Attorney Hoff Cook, when he deciphered the code letters written by Walter J. Barnett, the vice-president of the California Safe Deposit & Trust Company, to J. Dalzell Brown, the manager of the bank, convinced the prosecution that the case against the two bankers was completed with evidence as strong as a direct confession. The letters, which were written from New York by Barnett, contain full information in regard to the looting of the bank. They were obtained from Brown's safe deposit box.

Borrowed on Bank's Securities.

Letters to Barnett were also found today from Edwin Hawley, the New York millionaire, in which it was established that Mr. Hawley had loaned Barnett \$200,000 on Western Pacific stock. This stock had been taken from the bank vaults and a tag receipt substituted. Barnett had made strenuous efforts to get the stock back before the hypothecation was discovered.

Used Yeggmen's Slang.

Barnett's private cipher code is a highly interesting document. Each individual and each bank and concern had a specific designation. The Colton securities were always referred to as "napkins," while the Santa Cruz court was known as "call." George J. Gould, the railroad magnate, figured in the correspondence as "mighty," and Brown was affectionately referred to as "triumph." The whole cipher indicates an imitation of the slang of the yegger and a knowledge of yellow-back mystery. John Treadwell, James Treadwell's brother, was at first known as "ugly," but for some reason Barnett decided on a change to "excelog." He wrote the new name, explaining it to Brown in the parenthetical phrase, "new dish for ugly," which means translated, "a new name for John Treadwell."

TROUBLE FOR BAD BANKING

Officials of Defunct Colorado Institution Taken Into Custody.

DURANGO, Col., Jan. 4.—Following the report of Owen F. Boyle, receiver of the defunct Colorado State Bank, which was filed in the District Court today, warrants were sworn out charging Benjamin M. Freeman, president, and Frank Edredge, Evan Hampton and W. C. Chapman, directors, with having received deposits when they knew the bank to be insolvent. They were arrested and gave bonds for appearance for trial.

SOON READY TO RUN TRAINS

St. Paul Road Will Be Finished to Butte in June.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—The management of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad announced today that a train service will be established January 12 to Marmath, Mont., 50 miles west of Powell, N. D., the present terminus of the road's western extension. While construction crews are advancing westward from Marmath, others are working eastward along the Cheyenne valley.

FINE FOR EXPRESS COMPANIES

Neglect to File Data Asked For by Railroad Commission.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 4.—Alleging that the United States, the Adams and the American Express Companies had failed to file the amounts of the salaries of the officers and the liabilities of the company with the Nebraska State Railroad Commission, County Attorney Tyrrell today filed a penal suit in the County Court, asking that the fine provided by the statute be imposed.

Must Not Reduce Rates.

SIoux FALLS, Jan. 4.—Judge Garland, of the Federal Court, yesterday issued a temporary injunction restraining the South Dakota Railway Commission from reducing passenger rates from 3 to 2 1/2 cents per mile.

EXHIBIT OF CRAFTSMEN

Eugene Only City in Far West to Receive the Specimens.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The exhibit of the League of Handicraft Societies, which was in place at

the public library here for several days, was packed and sent on to Denver. The exhibit was brought here by the Oregon Arts and Crafts Association, of Eugene, and during its brief stay was well patronized. The purpose in bringing it was, first, to give the members of the local society an opportunity to see what was being done in the applied arts by craftsmen in other sections of the country, and second, to put before the public the aims of the societies which are encouraging serious work in the handicrafts by making an exhibit of the raw work being accomplished. The local organization is satisfied with the result of the exhibition, and appreciates the fact that Eugene is the only city in the Far West which has had the National League traveling exhibition. The Portland society is a member of the league, but, on account of the short time allowed by the schedule, did not feel justified in bringing the exhibition there. There are 22 societies in the league, Portland and Eugene being the only two west of Denver.

ACTRESS TO WED AN ENGLISH LORD.

Miss Estelle Christy, in April next will become an English Countess through her marriage to Lord Elliott, otherwise known as Edward Henry John Cornwallis, son and heir of the fifth Earl of St. Germans.

Miss Christy—this is only her stage name—is a Baltimore belle and made her stage debut with the Shuberts less than two years ago. While in England appearing as one of the American Gibson girls in "Nelly Noh," she met her prospective husband.

The young Englishman and his fiancée are both 22 years of age. Miss Christy was married when she was 13 years of age, but the union was an unhappy one and, by the terms of the divorce, she was given charge of her little son. Her beauty has made a name for her not only on the stage but as a model for Howard Chandler Christy's illustrations. As the original "Christy Girl" in the "Social Whirl" last season she took the name she had helped to make famous and called herself Estelle Christy.

fabrics; cotton, flax and woolen rugs woven on hand looms, and reed and raffia baskets; picture and mirror frames in gold; a good china set by Mrs. Bertha Lum; a photograph of unusual merit by Mary G. Huntsman, entitled "Toasting Marshmallows"; leather work by Rose and Minnie Dolan; some bead work and weaving combined; thread lace and embroidery, and one fine table cover of drawn work and lace by Carolina Amari, of the Scuola Italiana, and some fine illuminated printing by Hugh Eaton.

There were 131 pieces in all exhibited, showing the work of about 100 craftsmen.

CRIMINALS ARE DESPERATE

POLICEMAN AND ONE DESPERADO KILLED IN BATTLE.

Officer Shot Down and Barber Wrests Gun From Murderer and Sends Bullet Through Him.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 4.—While attempting to arrest two supposed burglars at the South Pacific station, Seventh and Wood streets, this afternoon, Policeman J. J. Fenton was shot and instantly killed. His assailant, who gave his name as F. S. Boyle, was in turn shot with his own gun and wounded by J. S. Shiell, a barber, who rushed from his shop to Fenton's assistance. Boyle died on the operating table at the hospital.

The second desperado escaped, leaving behind a telescope grip containing \$500 worth of postage stamps and a letter addressed to Campbell, Santa Clara County. The postoffice at Campbell was burglarized and the safe blown about two weeks ago, and the police feel certain that Boyle and the man who escaped did the job, hence their willingness to murder in order to escape arrest.

Boyle and his companion had just purchased tickets to San Francisco, when Fenton approached. He demanded their grip and started to open it. Boyle did so but men started to run. Fenton grabbed them and Boyle fought, whipping out his gun. He shot Fenton in the back and his companion escaped.

SMOKE IN BED; START FIRE

Frenzied Loggers Jump to Sidewalk and Are Severely Injured.

GRADING FORCE AT KLAMATH Preparing to Rush Work on California Northeastern.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Twenty teams belonging to

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Powers' Annual Red Tag Sale

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\$29.75 Dresser in genuine mahogany, reduced to.....

\$4.75 Center Table, in quarter-sawn golden oak or mahogany finish, reduced to.....

\$6.50 Pedestal in oak or genuine mahogany, reduced to.....

\$7.75 Parlor Table in finest quartered oak or mahogany finish, reduced to.....

\$21.75 Princess Dresser in genuine mahogany, reduced to.....

\$9.50 Rocker, mission design, chase leather seat, reduced to.....

\$6.25 Full-size iron Bed, finished in Varnish or cream enamel, reduced to.....

MAIL ORDERS GIVEN PROMPT ATTENTION

POWERS

THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY

SIGNIFIED RECIT FOR ALL FIRST AND TAYLOR

railroad contractors arrived here today to begin work on grading near Klamath Falls. Work will begin Monday morning and will be the first dirt moved by teams at this end of the California Northeastern. A new dredger is being installed by the Mason Construction Company, to hasten completion of the grade through the swamp land.

broken and his right forearm was fractured. Neilsen sustained a severe concussion of the brain, is unconscious, and is paralyzed in the lower limbs.

sufficient for the purpose of organization. There is no doubt that there will be a considerable reduction in the acreage of the hopyards in this district next year, but the growers will work hand in hand with those of the other districts of the Pacific Coast in order to insure a fair price for their products.

Schneider owes his office to the Council, who refused to confirm his selection for the office a year ago. It is also stated that the name of F. R. Archer, who has been allotted land to the Quinault Indians, is to be given Schneider's place. Inasmuch as Schneider has the backing of good citizenship, his removal, if carried out, is likely to cause a political sensation.

association hopes to become an important factor in the development of the fruit industry of Coos County this year and in future years. There is a good membership to start with, and much enthusiasm has been shown. The committee on incorporation is L. A. Roberts, Price Robinson, E. Arneson, D. A. Huling and L. C. Barrett. One hundred shares of stock have been either subscribed or guaranteed by leading fruitgrowers of this district. Coos County proposes to be heard from when it comes to apples in the future.

One hundred or more spectators witnessed the battle.

YAKIMA GROWERS ORGANIZE Hopmen Decide to Join the Pacific Coast Union.

Rumored Aberdeen's Chief of Police Will Be Deposed.

BETTER FRUIT IN COOS COUNTY Growers Form Association With a Large Membership.

Digging Down to Buried Miners.

SPOKANE, Jan. 4.—Frenzied by a fire which partially consumed the second floor of the Western Lodging-house, this morning, Abraham Neilsen and Albert Olsen, Swedish loggers, jumped from the second story window, and may prove to be fatally injured. Olsen's back was

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The hopgrowers of North Yakima today decided to unite with the Pacific Coast Union. Short notice of the meeting was given, but nevertheless 50 of the 175 growers were in attendance, and the acreage signed up is

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—At the next meeting of the Council, Mayor France announces that there is to be a shake-up among certain officials whose appointments come from the executive head of the city. Among those slated to go, it is rumored, is Chief of Police Schneider.

MYRTLE POINT, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—The fruitgrowers of Coos County have completed the preliminaries and organized the Coquille Valley Fruitgrowers' Association. Articles of incorporation have been forwarded to the Secretary of State, and the new

ELLY, Nev., Jan. 4.—Work on the Alpha shaft, in which three men have been entombed, since December 4, is progressing slowly, keeping up an average of ten feet per day. About 600 feet are yet to be cleared. The entombed men are in good health and spirits.