

WALDOO TO TAKE UP INQUIRY INTO GRAFT

Police Commissioner Determines Upon Thorough "Housecleaning."

HAYES MAY BREAK SILENCE

Inspector Reduced to Captain May Make Important Disclosures.

Becker's Bank Account Now Found to Be \$83,000.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Thoroughly aroused by the charges of police graft, following upon the disorderly-house raids made by the District Attorney's office, Police Commissioner Waldo, it was said tonight, plans a public investigation of his own.

Together with Cornelius J. Hayes, the Police Inspector, whom he reduced yesterday to the rank of Captain as a consequence of his alleged efforts to suppress disorderly houses in his district, three other inspectors will be placed on trial next week by the Commissioner, it was said, and asked to explain the existence of disorderly places in their districts. These trials will be the vehicle of the Commissioner's proposed investigation to unearth every trace of evidence bearing upon general police graft, both from gambling and disorderly houses.

Inspectors Replied Upon.

Until the raids on disorderly resorts were made last Thursday night by Assistant District Attorney Smith, Commissioner Waldo, according to his friends, had confidence that his inspectors were doing their duty and that the alleged graft did not reach higher than Lieutenant Becker, accused of instigating the murder of Herman Rosenthal. The Becker charges, he thought, were accounts for the district attorney.

Believing now that he has had "the wool pulled over his eyes," Mr. Waldo is thoroughly determined to have a housecleaning. Whatever evidence of criminality is brought to light will be available to the District Attorney for the purposes of indictment.

Hayes May Make Disclosures.

It was reported that Commissioner Hayes intended to send District Attorney Whitman, on the latter's return Monday from his week-end rest, and offer to make some sensational disclosures. Inspector Hayes, whose name was mentioned in the stories told to District Attorney Whitman by "Bridgie" Webber, confessed accomplice in the Rosenthal murder, could not be found today for verification of the report.

The record of Police Lieutenant Becker's bank deposit has reached \$83,000. Becker accounts of \$3000 and \$5000, respectively, were furnished today to the District Attorney's office by two more banks, these being the last to report of eight institutions within the city in which the police lieutenant placed money in the last eight or nine months. Efforts to trace accounts in three out-of-town banks are being continued.

House Not in "Vice Trust" Raided.

Becker, according to evidence obtained by the prosecutor's office, maintained a surveillance over district houses which were not to be touched without paying protection. According to this evidence Becker raided one place which had been sold by one of the "independent" who failed to "come across."

Sam Schepps, the material witness in the Rosenthal case, had joined on a trip to New York by District Attorney Whitman at Albany tomorrow morning. The prosecutor is with his family in Manchester, Vt., and it was rumored tonight that Schepps' trip from Hot Springs, Ark., in custody of Assistant District Attorney Rubin, was delayed at Buffalo to meet a woman who might see him before he reaches New York.

SOMERS BACKS NEW ROAD

Another Railway Project Voiced at Myrtle Point Meeting.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Another railroad project for Coos County has been made public and was presented to the people of Myrtle Point at a recent meeting held in that city. H. Somers, who formerly promoted an electric line here, and A. M. Lee, are among the promoters.

The plan is to build a railroad from Grants Pass to Bandon, and from Bandon to Myrtle Point. It is understood that six or eight Bandon men have become financially interested in the route chosen by the promoters is one which does not touch Myrtle Point and Coquille. It was stated to the Myrtle Point people that if the route was changed to go as to take in that city it would cost \$250,000 additional. The promoters were willing to make the change if Myrtle Point would contribute \$50,000, 20 per cent of which was to be paid down. It is reported that the Myrtle Point people will not take up the proposition.

FIRE DESTROYS BOX PLANT

Loss to Mill in Vancouver, Wash., Is \$5000, No Insurance.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Fire, starting in sawdust in the Clark County Box & Lumber Company's mill, on Fourteenth street, today destroyed the plant and caused a total loss of about \$5000, with no insurance. The fire was discovered by O. W. Storey, one of the owners, when returning to the plant after lunch. He rushed into the office to secure the company's books and when he returned found it almost impossible to locate, but he charged his way through the smoke, workman in the building escaped through a window.

The property was owned by George D. Dubois and O. W. Storey, and the plant had been in operation less than a year. It is probable that the plant will be rebuilt. The machinery is a total loss, also.

BAD CHECK ARTIST CAUGHT

B. G. Magoon, of Portland, Wanted by Banks, Arrested at Woodburn.

WOODBURN, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—B. G. Magoon, of Portland, representing himself to be in the employ of the Norris Safe and Lock Company of Portland, was arrested here today by Constable Amos Beach, on information sent out by the State Bankers' Association, charged with having uttered worthless drafts.

Magoon came here today and after

attempting to sell a safe to the Bank of Woodburn, produced a draft for \$30 which he desired cashed. Owing to the information received that he had worked this game in other places and that the Norris Safe and Lock Company disclaimed any affiliation with him, the matter was promptly reported to the authorities and he was taken into custody.

Magoon is a man of about 60 years and is more or less acquainted in this city, having been in the piano business agent for a piano company.

E. E. Lawson, manager of the W. J. Burns Detective Agency in Portland, who brought Magoon back to Portland yesterday, had been trying to catch him for some time.

"He's been at the game a long while," said Lawson last night. "I have been keeping close track of him, and the bank had been warned that he was traveling in their direction, but that they were not to arrest him without previously informing headquarters."

When Magoon went in before the luncheon hour to get a slight draft cashed, the manager asked him to come again after luncheon. In the meantime he was advised of the situation and once, and went down to see him.

"He first attempted to pass forged checks to the value of \$50 at the Co-operative Bank at St. Helens, and then proceeded to do the same at Grant's Pass and Dallas. His full name is Byron George Magoon. He is 56 years of age, and formerly was employed by various piano companies and by the Norris Safe and Lock Company."

NEW JOB FOR A WEST MAN

HOW THE BLUE-SKY LAW IS TO MAKE THINGS PLEASANT.

Ample Appropriation for a Commissioner, Traveling Expenses and Other Nice Things.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 17.—(To the Editor.)—The appropriation under the Sunday Oregon State law under date of July 28, an article purporting to be an interview from Mr. C. D. Babcock, corporation clerk in the Secretary of State's office, in which he attempted to answer the arguments of the Anti-Commission League against the blue-sky law, which is the subject of the article in the coming election. This article did not answer the argument of the Anti-Commission League but was a personal attack on myself. I do not attempt to boast of such a valuable reputation and standing in the community as some of the appointed members of the Oregon enjoy, so will not argue this question. But let us see what reason Mr. Babcock has for feeling such a deep interest in getting this law passed. Mr. Babcock, at the time Mr. West ran for the office of Governor, was running a country newspaper at Stoughton, favoring Mr. West (a republican politically), and wrote some very stinging arguments against Mr. Bowerman, the Republican candidate for Governor, and favoring Mr. West, the Democratic candidate. Copies of this paper were mailed broadcast over the state. Mr. West was elected; also the late Mr. Benson was elected Secretary of State and died shortly after his election. Mr. West appointed his successor and later Mr. Babcock was appointed to the position he now holds.

\$5000 ELECTRIC CAR BURNS

Trolley Vehicle Destroyed While Motorman Sleeps Nearby.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—While the motorman and conductor were sleeping in a depot 50 feet away this morning, a \$5000 passenger trolley car, the property of the Washington-Oregon Corporation, was burning on the tracks at Sifton, and so far had the blaze progressed that nothing could be saved. The car is insured for its approximate value.

The current was turned off the car before 1 o'clock last night, after the last run. The night was stormy and it is possible that lightning had something to do with the fire. Some think that it may have been set, but this does not seem plausible, as residents all through that part of the country welcome the coming of the electric line and many communities are raising bonuses to offer the company.

An investigation into the probable cause of the fire is being made by the company.

SUFFRAGE MAKING GAINS

Hungarian Government Proposes to Enfranchise 80,000 Women.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Aug. 17.—(Special.)—The Hungarian government, it is officially reported, intends to introduce a bill into Parliament for the enfranchisement of 80,000 women.

These are to include owners of property, proprietors of businesses and holders of the title of doctor.

Canadian Operators Get Advance.

MONTREAL, Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Nearly 800 telegraph operators of the Canadian Pacific service will receive \$5 a month increase in wages, dating from July 1 last, under an agreement signed last night by the railway telegraph officials and the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America.

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Clergyman's Son Had Tuberculosis—Now Well

Consumption is a flattering disease and the sufferer is filled with bright hopes of improvement. Call it by its own grand name—Eckman's Alternative, because it is effective in Tuberculosis. No one need doubt it—there is plenty of evidence from live witnesses. Investigate the following:

Amenia, N. Y. "Gentlemen: Prior to Feb., 1908, I was suffering with La Grippe, which developed into Tuberculosis. My physician gave me one month to live. My father, who is a clergyman, heard of Eckman's Alternative and induced me to take it. The night sweats and chills disappeared, my cough became easier and gradually diminished. I am now in perfect health. Back to life. I feel certain that I owe my life to Eckman's Alternative." E. H. COWLES.

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GERMANY FOR AUTONOMY

Austria-Hungary Supported in Turkey Disembodiment Plan.

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—The German government has aligned itself completely with Austria-Hungary in regard to the project of Count Leopold von Berchtold, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, to gain autonomy for all the European provinces of Turkey. The Foreign Office here has informed Count Berchtold of its readiness to support his proposals diplomatically.

English Swimmer Is Victor.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—J. H. Taylor, an English swimmer, won today the long-distance amateur swimming championship of England and the Thames. He swam 5 miles and 60 yards in 1 hour, 5 minutes, 7 2-5 seconds.

NAPPIN IS SORRY

Mrs. Brown's Accuser Would Withdraw Charges.

COURT WILL NOT PERMIT Old Man Insists, However, There Will Be No Reconciliation, for He Is Thinking Already of Another Flame.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—David Nappin, the 70-year-old farmer from Farmington, Ill., who charged Mrs. Alice Brown with wheedling \$17,000 from him under promise of marriage, withdrew his complaint against her in Police Court today. Mrs. Brown was arrested several days ago in Portland, Or. Judge Shortall refused to allow the withdrawal.

"I think this court is being trifled with," he said, and put the case over until Wednesday for further hearing.

After the ruling Nappin again visited Mrs. Brown in her cell in the city jail and mingled his tears with hers. Last night he sent her roses, but insisted that there would be no reconciliation.

"Say, but ain't she a stunner?" he asked the newspaper men. "I feel sorry for that girl, but I wouldn't have her if she was made of pure gold. Don't get it into your head that I still love her. I'm going to dine tonight with the finest-looking blonde you ever saw. She's the best-looking girl you ought to hear her play the piano!"

Interesting Skirt News for You

An opportunity to purchase fine Panamas and Voile Skirts, regular values to \$9.50, at only \$2.98

This sale is timely, coming as it does when every woman finds great use for an extra skirt or two to see her through the season with satisfaction, and you will find them to your liking. Handsome models of good grade panama, voile, etc., shown in good desirable styles and finished in a superior manner. Skirts that sell regularly to \$9.50, specially priced for tomorrow \$2.98

Great Special Sale of Women's Tailored Waists, neatly made of good materials and sell regularly at \$1.25 and \$1.50 each. 95c

A wonderful line of Women's Tailored Waists purchased direct from the maker. We consider him the best waist maker in the world. They are finely tailored of good quality percale, linene, madras, etc., and shown in plain effect or with neat tucked and embroidered fronts. Good serviceable garments that sell regularly to \$1.50. Special 95c tomorrow at only 95c

Trade-Winning Vals. in the Men's Section

Men's Half Hose, in stainless black, made of pure thread silk and with lisle heel and toe; all sizes; our regular 35c line reduced to 25c

Negligee Shirts, in light and dark striped patterns, made of best percales and madras; also a lot in solid blue; values to \$1.00 at 49c

Boys' Sweater Coats, two lines underpriced. Navy Blue Sweater Coats, \$1.25 value at 89c; Gray Sweater Coats, \$1.50 value, at 1.15

Men's 50c Balbriggan Underwear reduced to 39c

Underpriced Sale of Fine Footwear

For Men, Women and Boys—In Our Basement

Men's Shoes, in snappy styles in all leathers and in lace and button; also good heavy "all leather" Shoes with viscolized sole for workingmen; \$2.50 and \$3.00 grades at \$2.19

Women's Oxfords, also Pumps, shown in a full assortment of good styles and in all leathers. Our regular \$3.00 and \$3.50 lines priced to close at \$1.98

Boys' Shoes, made of box calf leather and with genuine Goodyear welt soles. Every pair guaranteed by us. Best \$2.50 grade reduced to \$1.98

Plain Taffeta Ribbon at Special Prices

All 6-inch extra heavy Taffeta Ribbon in all shades, also black and white; 35c grade at 21c

All 5 1/2-inch Plain Taffeta Ribbon specially suited for hair bows; best 30c grade 19c

All 4 1/2-inch Plain Taffeta Ribbon in all wanted colors, regular 25c grade at 12 1/2c

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An End of August Sale That Offers Big Values

This is our Slogan—We've prepared a great list of timely special values and we invite you to come and enjoy to the fullest extent this great money-saving event.

We want to add to our list of store friends. Here's a very effective way of doing so. We propose to demonstrate to you the fact that by buying here you will get not only value for value received, but better values for the same money and as good values for less money than you'll get outside of this store.

Big Embroidery Clean-Up

Regular Values to \$1 a Yard at 25c

For this sale we have collected a very large line of Fine Embroideries of cambric, swiss and nainsook, shown in a profusion of pretty new patterns. The lot includes 18-inch Corset Cover Embroidery, 18-inch Flouncing, 27-inch Flouncing, 45-inch Flouncing and 24-inch Allover Embroidery. All are regular values to \$1.00 a yard. Your choice tomorrow at only 25c

An Out-of-the-Ordinary Lace Bargain

Thousands of yards of Pretty Val Insertion, shown in widths from 1/2 to 1 1/2 inches and selling regularly at 7c to 15c yard, your choice, yard... 1c

This is without doubt the greatest Lace bargain we have ever announced. We have about six thousand yards of neat Val Insertions that have no edges to match that are offered to you at the ridiculously low price of one cent a yard. They come in pretty patterns in widths from 1/2 to 1 1/2 inches wide and sell regularly at 7c to 15c a yard. You have choice tomorrow at 1c a Yard.

Great Special Sale of Corset Covers, Drawers and Brassieres at 39 Cents

Made of excellent quality material and neatly finished with lace and embroidery. Regular 65c, 75c and 85c values, sale price each 39c

We are showing a very large assortment of these fine garments and at this ridiculously low price you should be among the first to invest. The Corset Covers are made of good quality nainsook, daintily trimmed with embroideries, laces and ribbons. The Drawers are of cambric or nainsook, with deep ruffle of embroidery or lace, shown in the regular, wide circular or closed health styles and are finely finished garments. Brassieres made by one of the best manufacturers in the country. They are of fine quality material, fashioned with genuine rustproof boning and neatly trimmed with pretty embroideries and laces, and are reinforced with arm shields. Perfectly cut and tailored and sell regularly at 65c, 75c, 85c. Special for this sale... 39c

Knit Underwear and Hosiery

At Remarkably Low Prices

We call your particular attention to these few offerings from a large assortment of seasonable-weight garments and well-wearing Hosiery that awaits your inspection at remarkably low prices.

Women's Fine Cotton Union Suits, 50c grade at 29c

Almost half-price for Women's Fine Cotton Union Suits at this sale. They are seasonable-weight, perfect-fitting garments in low-neck, sleeveless style with lace-trimmed knee; all sizes and the best 50c grade, on sale tomorrow at 29c

Boys' Cotton Hose, sizes 5 to 10, 20c grade at 15c

500 dozen pairs Boys' Warranted-to-Wear and Fast Black Cotton Stockings. They are made with reinforced heel and toe and triple knee; all sizes from 5 to 10; our regular 20c line this sale... 15c

Silk Boot Hose for women, 35c a pair, 3 pairs for \$1.00

Not the common sort, but unusually Fine Stockings made with pure thread silk boot, lisle garter top and double lisle high-spliced heel. They come in all sizes from 8 1/2 to 10 and are sold regularly at 50c a pair; specially priced for this sale at 35c a pair, or 3 pairs for \$1.00

Merito Corsets

\$1.50 and \$1.75 Models at 98c

Just received a large shipment of the new Fall models. Come in the low or medium bust, with extra long skirt and are made of an extra high-grade of coutil, with trimmings of lace or embroidery. A model for every figure in sizes 18 to 30. All regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 values. Special 98c