

LEAGUE NOT TO MAKE NEW FIGHT

MUNICIPAL LEAGUE WILL NOT ENTANGLE ITSELF IN FURTHER GAMBLING PROSECUTION UNTIL SUPREME COURT PASSES ON PENDING APPEAL.

It is deemed unlikely that any persons preferring charges against the gamblers and the officials regarded as responsible for their operations will receive any assistance from the Municipal League. The reason given for this is that the league has won its fight against gambling in the lower courts and the matter now rests in the hands of the state supreme court. It is held that other charges and litigation might tend to befog the issue and make too many branches of the conflict for each to be looked after properly. The league is confident that the action of the lower courts will be sustained by the higher tribunal, which would immediately put an end to gaming of every description in the city.

Four or five citizens, backed by the Municipal League, instituted mandamus proceedings in the state circuit court, all four judges sitting on the case. The defendants were the mayor, the municipal judge, the chief of police and the executive board. Three judges decided against the officials on last December 21. Judge Beek, dissenting. An appeal was then taken to the state supreme court.

PORT ARTHUR IS FACING HUNGER

(Journal Special Service.)

Tien Tsin, March 1.—News from Port Arthur is to the effect that the town is exceedingly short of rations and prices of foodstuffs are going higher. There are not many civilians in town, most of them having either fled or been sent away, but there are still enough left to occasion the authorities considerable anxiety. Repeated attacks upon the town by the Japanese fleet have had the effect of creating a state of demoralization among the soldiers who before the war were most emphatic in their prophecies of heroic deeds that they would perform. On the other hand sailors of the fleet who were skeptical of their ability to withstand the Japanese onslaught have become more confident since they succeeded in defeating a Japanese attempt to block the harbor last Wednesday.

Preparations to withstand the siege are being completed but there is little hope that the Russians will be able to make a long defense. So soon as the Japanese land forces begin investment there is not much doubt that the place will have to capitulate, even if not a single shot is fired. Hunger will do more than shot and shell.

WESTERN UNION AND CITY ARE AT ODDS

The Western Union Telegraph company has locked horns with the city of Portland and the company will contest the \$1 a pole tax ordinance. At yesterday's meeting of the license committee of the city council, City Attorney McNary submitted a communication saying that after several months of negotiating nothing had been accomplished. He was instructed to take legal action to collect.

Nine months ago the council passed an ordinance taxing the Western Union \$1 a pole, annulling an old ordinance which made the company a flat rate of \$75 a quarter.

The Western Union company owns approximately 600 poles in the city, bringing its occupation tax up to \$600 a year, under the present ordinance. The local officials refuse to pay. The charter provides that such bills may be collected by the city either by arrest of the officials or by civil suit, or both.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH ON A SOUND BASIS

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, March 1.—To perpetuate the name of his father with the Commercial Cable company and the Postal Telegraph company, which it owns, Clarence H. Mackay has formed the Mackay companies under the laws of Massachusetts and today invited the stockholders of the Commercial Cable company to surrender their stock for certificates in the new company. Enough stock has been deposited to insure the success of the plan.

"The plan is simple," said Mr. Mackay, "that it needs no explanation. The outcome of my desire is to put it upon a permanent basis."

WATSON MAY TAKE GRAYSON'S PLACE

Headquarters of the American Mining congress, which will hold its sessions in Portland in July, was to have been opened today. Irvin Mahon, secretary of the association, has not been in communication with the local members for two weeks. The cause of the delay is not known. Just when headquarters will be established is undecided.

The successor to the late Col. John T. Grayson, as third vice-president of the association, will probably be J. Frank Watson, president of the Merchants' National bank of this city. His name has been suggested by the board of directors.

PORTLAND LOOKS GOOD TO ACTORS

James Brophy of the "Old Cross Roads" company has written from St. Louis to William M. Russell of Broadway's theatre asking for a position in the stock company which he is about to organize. Kittle Beck, of the Murray & Mack company, has also applied for a position in the company.

STOCKHOLDERS PAY.

P. Schner, the east side grocerman, settled yesterday with the stockholders against him by the Lewis and Clark fair corporation to recover \$100, the amount of his subscription to the stock of that body, by paying the full amount asked for, together with the costs of the suit. Scott Merrill, a saloon-keeper, who was sued for the same amount, has promised to pay the sum during the present week.

CITY BUILDINGS WILL BE SAFER

INSPECTION COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL FINISHING ITS WORK—FINDS ALL BUILDERS AND OWNERS WILLING TO MAKE NECESSARY CHANGES.

The committee having in charge the inspection of buildings relative to safety from fire met yesterday at 4 o'clock. The report to be made to the council meeting Wednesday was acted upon, but is not complete. It will recommend some changes, but none, it is said, of a very sweeping character.

"There are so many buildings to be inspected that we have not as yet been able to attend to anywhere near all of them," said Chairman Bentley of the committee. "Our report will not contain any startling recommendations. Many changes are suggested, but just as soon as we inspected a building and suggested any alterations we found the proprietors ready in every instance to comply with our suggestions. Therefore, a little change in the committee thought necessary are either already made or are being now made. No one has thus far attempted to refuse to make the changes recommended. We will have much more to do, for we are receiving calls every day to come and inspect buildings that are under construction. It will be some time before our report will be complete."

About 60 buildings have been inspected by the committee, most of which require some alterations. The new building ordinance, which is being framed by a committee, will carry strict provisions for safety. Fire escapes and all necessary appliances for the safety of the public will be required and no more buildings will be permitted without these.

IRISH REMEMBER ROBERT EMMET

The Irish League and the Ancient Order of Hibernians will celebrate the birthday of Robert Emmet by an entertainment to be given on the evening of March 4. They will also commemorate the anniversary of the birthday of St. Patrick. The parochial schools of the city will give entertainments on St. Patrick's eve, and there will be solemn high mass with special music at St. Patrick's church. In the evening there will be an entertainment at the Empire theatre under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Dr. Andrew Smith has charge of the arrangements. Mayor Williams and Governor Chamberlain will be invited to attend. All of the arrangements have yet to be made, but there will probably be an orchestra or band in attendance and musical numbers, besides an oration by M. McGarry. The officers of the various Irish societies of the city will attend in a body.

MARSHAL UPHOLD BY FEDERAL JUDGE

Judge Bellinger in the United States district court this morning decided that Conrad Rindlaub was not entitled to have goods taken by the marshal returned to him. Rindlaub has a chattel mortgage of \$1,800 on the stock of goods of the Riley shoe company and was attempting to take possession when the creditors obtained a warrant directing the marshal to seize the property and deliver it to the trustee in bankruptcy for the shoe company. Henry King and H. C. Riley, formerly composed the Riley shoe company and was attempting to take possession when the creditors obtained a warrant directing the marshal to seize the property and deliver it to the trustee in bankruptcy for the shoe company. Henry King and H. C. Riley, formerly composed the Riley shoe company and was attempting to take possession when the creditors obtained a warrant directing the marshal to seize the property and deliver it to the trustee in bankruptcy for the shoe company.

LOU KASTER SUIT BEING CONSIDERED

Argument on the demurrer filed to a petition for a writ of review by the state circuit court in the suit of Lou Kaster against Multnomah county was considered this morning by Judge Bellinger. The case was carried on at 47 North Sixth street.

STUDY IS PURSUED UNDER DIFFICULTIES

The portable school buildings erected in Park blocks for the use of the pupils of the recently burned Park school building, will soon be covered over with prepared tar. There has been some complaint regarding the ventilation and dampness of the rooms, but only a few children have been taken from school by their parents on this account. It is explained that the recent heavy rains have caused some inconvenience, but the teachers are laboring as best they can under the circumstances.

"The buildings are quite comfortable," said Director Williams today. "I went through them this morning and found that everything was all right, with the exception that a little water leaked through the paper ceilings. There may be a few pupils out, but the teachers are content and the children also appeared satisfied."

MITCHELL FACTION IS NOT WORRIED

A rumor gained circulation that the Mitchell committee had decided to hold the primaries as early as March 16 or 19, and that this action had been prompted by a fear of the growing strength of the Simon faction. Judge Carey said this morning that the story was absolutely without foundation. He added that the subject had not yet been formally considered by the committee, and that no immediate action would be taken. The belief is expressed in some quarters that the date will probably be set for the same time last week earlier than that recommended by the state central committee.

PRISONERS GET EVEN WITH FATE

Within the last few weeks the prisoners at the county jail, fertile of plan and ingenious of resource, have found a new way of "getting even" with the world at large for the indignities many of them have really come to believe are heaped upon them. The latest scheme is to mutilate the blankets supplied them.

This trick has been tried several times by prisoners securing their release. Only in sections before Jailer Jackson discovered what was going on. Every man leaving the jail recently has had to wait while his blankets were examined.

On entering the jail each of the prisoners is supplied with a pair of warm, woolen blankets. If he should leave the

TALK OF MOVING BUSINESS HOUSES

COMMISSION BUSINESS LONG AGO OUTGROW FRONT STREET AND OTHER AND MORE SUITABLE QUARTERS ARE BEING SOUGHT BY THESE FIRMS.

There is renewed talk among the commission merchants along Front street about the advisability of moving to more suitable quarters. The wholesale section of this city long ago outgrew the confines of Front street and these have been talking among the merchants about other locations as sites for business.

On any ordinary day, when business is holding its own, there is always congested travel on the street and many serious accidents to life and limb have been narrowly averted. This is especially true on the day that the California steamer arrives. At that time it is all one can do to cross the street in safety.

Another thing which makes the merchants want to get away from Front street is the narrowness of that thoroughfare. The street is one of the narrowest in the city and yet bears more traffic than any other.

Several locations have been proposed as a site for the commission houses, but as yet none of them have proven satisfactory. One of these is in the north end of the city near the Terminal company's property. The only thing that keeps this section from being selected is the high figures asked for property.

The east side of the river has more advocates for any of the sites than the west side. One of the reasons for this is a great many years before the business goes to that locality. There is a large amount of property on the east side between the Madison and Burnside bridges which seems to be well adapted for a wholesale business. It is located between two railroad lines and very close to the water. Even with these advantages it is higher from the river than Front street and is less liable to be flooded.

The merchants say that if the district is located on the east side it will be just as central as Front street, and in case that selection is made the streets could be widened without much expense.

PARTNERS REACH AN AGREEMENT

What promised to develop into a suit of the most sensational character has been settled out of court by the partners in the business. The suit was brought by James McDevitt and Attorney W. T. Vaughn the latter was charged with advising and assisting McDevitt to take a tray of jewelry out of Lowenstein's store at 305 1/2 Washington street and then abandoning his client when a damage suit was brought. Vaughn was further charged with fraudulently securing an indorsement to two promissory notes and of unlawfully keeping a diamond ring valued at \$125.

When the case was called for trial before Judge Bellinger, presiding judge in the state circuit court yesterday, Attorney Dan R. Murphy, representing McDevitt, stated that it had been settled. The basis of settlement was that Vaughn received \$250, instead of money and jewelry aggregating \$1,599 in value, as he demanded. He retained possession of the diamond ring in dispute.

BIG POWER PLANT SOON COMMENCED

As soon as the sub power station of the Oregon Water Power & Railway company at Eagle creek can be completed, the Cazadero branch will be electrified to the end of the line. At the present time the electric cars run only 10 miles from the city to Cazadero and of the line are hauled by locomotives.

Work on the cut off between Lents and Sellwood, which has been progressing for several months, will be completed early in the summer. The line is about four miles in length. The present route to Cazadero is longer, shorter, but the new road is being built to accommodate suburban passengers.

The assembling of machinery and material for the construction of the giant dam at Cazadero by which the Oregon Water Power & Railway will generate electricity for all its motive power and also supply various Portland industries, is being pushed rapidly. The big power plant will cost about \$2,000,000 and will be one of the largest in the northwest. A contract has been entered into between the Portland General Electric company and the Oregon Water Power & Railway, whereby the latter is to furnish the former with electricity. The new plant will be in operation within two years.

RAILWAY MEN DANCE TOMORROW

The Brotherhood of Railway Employees will give a ball in Arion hall at Second and Oak streets tomorrow evening. Music will be furnished by Everett's orchestra. The unique "round trip ticket" issued entitles the holder to one continuous trip with stop-over privileges.

POSTOFFICE GAINING.

The receipts for the Portland post-office from the sale of postage stamps and stamped paper for the month of February amounted to \$28,004.11. This is a gain of \$1,929.99, or 7.3 per cent over the receipts for the same month last year, which was \$22,975.12.

fall before his "chums." In order to increase their comfort he would cut one of the blankets in half, leaving one piece and folding the other inside the whole blanket, to be carried out to the automobile. Another scheme is to take two good blankets out on leaving the jail, but to carry a piece of another hidden under the clothing. This piece, if the plan should prove successful, would be sold for a few cents and used to purchase tobacco for those left behind.

Sending a man back to his cell until he secured two good blankets has been found an efficient method of preventing the practice. Where those not freed were implicated a diet of bread and water for a few days was found to have a salutary effect.

DID WILLIAMS DO CRIME OF MURDER?

(Journal Special Service.)

Hood River, Ore., March 1.—Several of Hood River's citizens were called to The Dalles last Saturday at witnesses in the case of the state against Norman Williams, for the murder of the Nesbett women four years ago. The preliminary hearing was set for Saturday, but the accused waived this procedure and will answer to the charge of murder at the trial in the circuit court, which convenes in May. Henry E. McGinn came up from Portland to defend Williams, but finding the case required more work than money, and as his time was pretty well taken up with other matters, he declined to continue in the case.

It is understood that The Dalles attorneys refuse to defend the alleged murderer. Williams feels confident that he will be able to prove his innocence, alleging that at the proper time the Nesbett women will be produced. Mr. Nesbett, son and brother of the missing women, was in Hood River last week gathering evidence for the prosecution of the man accused of the murder of his mother and sister.

Waco's Tax Roll.

The tax roll for Waco county for 1903, is now in the hands of the sheriff for collection. The amount to be collected this year amounts to \$169,407.21, distributed among the several funds as follows:

State and county tax \$125,301.75
Special school tax by districts 25,559.85
Spec. road tax, Dist. No. 6 1,047.09
Special city tax 7,131.49
Poll tax 969.00

A discount of 3 per cent will be allowed on all taxes paid on or before March 15; taxes becoming delinquent on April 1, after which a 10 per cent penalty will be added.

The records show that only three incorporated towns in the county have levied special taxes—The Dalles, 5 mills; Dufur, 5 mills, and Hood River, 3 mills.

THE WATER QUESTION.

The water question, that has perplexed the ranchers of Hood River valley for many months, bids fair to be settled, at least as to the right of water, each inch to represent one share of stock, at \$30 per inch, realizing therefrom \$60,000, and with this fund purchase the entire irrigation plant of the Valley Improvement company. The plan is to divide the water into shares, each share to represent one share of stock, at \$30 per inch, realizing therefrom \$60,000, and with this fund purchase the entire irrigation plant of the Valley Improvement company.

A ten-days' option was secured on the water ditch at \$45,000, with a time limit of 60 days, in which to meet the payment of the money, and the committee is now securing subscriptions for the stock, with the result that long before the expiration of the 60 days the full amount will be raised, and in addition thereto the \$15,000 necessary to put the ditch in condition to run water through it this season. This is the case where the owner killed the goose that laid the golden egg.

JUDGE DISCHARGES EMPLOYMENT AGENT

E. P. McCroskey, manager of the Canadian Employment agency, was discharged this morning by Municipal Judge Hogan. The employment agent was arrested yesterday on the charge of assaulting J. E. Shovin. Shovin alleged that he had paid McCroskey a \$250 fee to get a job, and that the position he was not the one that had been promised. He demanded that his fee be paid, which was refused, and after quarreling in the agency for a few minutes Shovin said that he was thrown out. On the witness stand this morning, McCroskey said that he had talked back to Shovin, and that he had been ordered out of the place. Shovin also said that he had plenty of time to go out after being told to do so, but wanted to stay and talk it over.

McCroskey, of the Canadian Employment company, this afternoon said that he did not refuse to return Shovin's fee to him. He said that Shovin had not given up the receipt when his man asked for it.

"Shovin afterwards went to see an attorney about the matter," said McCroskey, "and the lawyer telephoned to me. I told him that I would pay the money if the receipt were returned. The lawyer then sent Shovin to the office and the money was paid. Shovin was discharged by Municipal Judge Hogan, who said that he was sent to another camp of the company he did not get the job."

WIDESPREAD DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE FLOOD

(Journal Special Service.)

Stockton, Cal., March 1.—The flood from the Sacramento river which yesterday swept south across a wide strip of reclaimed country to the Mokelumne river, is now flowing west to the San Joaquin river breaking all levees in its path. Today it flooded the Brack tract of 5,000 acres, in the Mokelumne valley, 10,000 acres, and the Brack tract of 5,000 acres. It now seriously threatens Bouldin Island. Much stock has been drowned. Surviving cattle are being removed by steamers from the tops of levees.

CASTRO ARRIVES AT BAKERSFIELD

In reply to a telegram from the sporting editor of The Journal, Manager Elly wires from Bakersfield as follows: "Castro arrived this morning and will play in game today. Thielman also, Beck is on his way. Entire team will play Sunday."

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NEW LINE SENDS VESSEL TO PORT

NEBRASKAN OF AMERICAN LINE WILL LEAVE NEW YORK APRIL 15 FOR PORTLAND WITH GENERAL CARGO—SHE IS A MODEL FREIGHTER.

April 15 the American steamship Nebraska will sail from New York direct to Portland with a general cargo consigned to the Charles F. Beebe company. This will be the first time a steamer of that line has ever come to this port. The vessels ply regularly between New York and San Francisco carrying general merchandise.

The line is composed of nine vessels which are owned and operated by the American-Hawaiian Steamship company. They are as follows: The Nebraska, Nevada, American, Californian, Oregonian, Hawaiian, Arizona, Texan and Alaskan. The last named is the largest, having a carrying capacity of 13,000 tons.

The Nebraska has a gross registered tonnage of 4,405, net 3,324. Her dimensions are as follows: Length, 462 feet; breadth, 24.5 feet, and depth, 24.5 feet. She was built at Camden, N. J., in 1902.

She is described as being one of the most modern freighters that ever came to the Pacific coast. The steamer is an oil burner and perfect in all her appointments. She is equipped with facilities for handling freight more rapidly than any vessel that ever came up the Columbia river.

With such a steamer coming to Portland local shippers say that it will prove a most decided advantage to the port.

The transport Buford completed loading her cargo this morning and left for New York. Captain Patterson is acting in the capacity of pilot. She has about 600,000 feet of lumber aboard and is drawing 22.6 feet of water, the same amount as did the Dix.

DELAHUNT DIVORCE CASE IS FILED

An order was issued in the state circuit court yesterday afternoon by John B. Cleland, the presiding judge, citing Matthew J. Delahunt to appear before the tribunal at 2 o'clock next Thursday afternoon and answer certain allegations made in connection with the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Delahunt. The Delahunts have lived in the Irvington addition, at 433 East Fifteenth street north.

The Delahunts were married in San Francisco in 1893. Two children were born to them and for several years their wedded life was very happy. The children are now with the mother. Lucile L. Delahunt is now 8 years old, and her little brother, Raymond, only 6.

The trouble in the family began about two years ago, according to the affidavit filed in court, at which time Mrs. Delahunt says her husband began to treat her cruelly.

Judge Cleland signed an order citing Delahunt to appear in court next Thursday and show cause why he should not provide his wife with \$250 with which to carry on her household expenses. He also must amount monthly for the support of herself and the children during the pendency of proceedings.

Affidavits were filed this morning by Mrs. Delahunt and Sadie Conway on the application for a restraining order. Mrs. Delahunt alleges that she and her husband are accused of beating his wife. The names of three women whom she says her husband ejected from the house February 23 are given by Mrs. Delahunt. They are Mrs. H. Austin, Miss Sadie Conway and Miss Grace Collins.

MANZANITA IS IN PORT FOR REPAIRS

The lighthouse tender Manzanita arrived in port this morning from Astoria. It is expected that she will remain here about a month undergoing repairs, which will be made by Joseph Paquet at the Portland shipyard. Her old masts will be replaced by new ones, and the deck houses will be remodeled.

A few days ago the Manzanita returned from a cruise up north. She was at the mouth of the Willamette river, in the northern waters she received a thorough inspection. Captain Byrne reports that some very cold weather was experienced, but no storms of any consequence were encountered. He states that the electric storm, of which mention was made a few days ago, did no damage whatever to the lighthouse building on Destruction island. Aside from the lightning striking a telephone pole in the vicinity of the station, he says there was no harm done.

MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, March 1.—Arrived at 7:30 a. m., steamer Oregon, from San Francisco. Left up at 8 a. m., British bark Thistle and schooner Horace Wilcox, for Portland. Arrived at 10:30 a. m., steamer Prentiss and schooner Viking, for San Francisco. Arrived at 11:15 a. m., United States transport Dix, for Manila, and British ship Gleneslin, for Port Natal.

Left up at 1:40 a. m., steamer Oregon, for San Francisco. Arrived at 10:30 p. m., steamer George W. Elder, from Portland.

Sailed at 10 p. m., British steamer Clavering, for Portland.

Astoria, Feb. 29.—Arrived at 11:30 a. m., schooner Henry Wilson, from San Francisco.

Arrived at 1:45 p. m., schooner Sophia Christensen, from San Francisco.

San Francisco, Feb. 29.—Sailed at 5:15 p. m., steamer G. C. Lindauer, for Portland.

Astoria, March 1.—Condition of the bar at 8 a. m., smooth; wind west; weather cloudy.

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C. J. GARNER IS MADE DEFENDANT

WIFE OF A WELL KNOWN PORTLAND MAN ALLEGES CRUELTY AND NON-SUPPORT—BOTH WERE MEMBERS OF SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH—GARNER NOW IN EAST.

Mrs. C. J. Garner has filed at Oregon City a suit for divorce, alleging cruelty, failure to support and desertion. Mrs. Garner in her petition also alleges that her husband in order to settle his obligations with the Pacific Coast Biscuit company mortgaged their home property in East Portland and after securing \$400 left for Lincoln, Neb., where he now is.

Mr. Garner was formerly employed by the Pacific Coast Biscuit company as traveling salesman. He was with this company for three years and was previously employed by the Oregon Cracker company. At the Pacific company it was said this morning that Garner had been, during the time he worked for the company, a competent man. He and the house had some difficulty over money matters, it was said at the company's office and he left. Garner is said to be now employed at the store kept by his father in Lincoln, Neb. He has relatives there so far as is known in the city and came here from Lincoln several years ago. His wife, it is said, is not at present in the state. She has no Portland relatives.

Mr. Garner and his wife are members of the Second Baptist church.

APPEARANCES WERE SLIGHTLY DECEITFUL

A. L. DeGuilder, alias Roberts, formerly a traveling piano salesman for the Ellers Music company of Portland, was arrested in Vancouver, B. C., yesterday on the charge of forging the name of H. J. Ellers to a \$750 note and that of M. Gilbert to a \$300 check. DeGuilder was released from the Idaho penitentiary at Boise City last August where he served a four-years' sentence for obtaining money under false pretenses.

DeGuilder was a gentlemanly appearing fellow, and when he asked for a position with the music company, his past record was not known. After working about the state for several weeks, DeGuilder returned to Portland a few days ago, forged H. J. Ellers' name to the note and deposited it with Daniel Marks, a Third street pawn broker. Last Saturday DeGuilder presented a \$200 check to Marks. The check was signed by Gilbert, drawn on the London and San Francisco bank. The \$200 was given DeGuilder by Marks, and that night the former piano salesman left for the north.

Marks soon discovered that both the note and check were forged. He reported the matter to the police. Detectives Day and Weiner were detailed on the case, and by descriptions telegraphed by these officers to various western cities, DeGuilder was arrested in the British Columbia city.

HE PASSED CHECKS AFTER A DEBAUCH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Weiser, Ida, March 1.—A man named F. W. Buck was arrested this morning on the charge of passing two forged checks of \$50 each. One of them was taken by W. C. Cox, proprietor of Hotel Vendome, who paid the full amount. The other was taken by C. W. Jewell of the Copper King saloon. Jewell gave Buck \$35 on the check, all the money he had at the time. The checks were passed last evening. Buck, who was drunk and gambling all night, had got away with all of the money except \$15 when arrested. Buck had been working for Ford Bros. at their mines at Black lake for several months and came down to Weiser a few weeks since. The name signed to the checks, which were forged on the name of Weiser, was that of Sim Ford, one of the mine owners. Buck is in jail awaiting the setting of the preliminary trial.

SAYS HER MARRIAGE NOT A JOKE, AS SAID

(San Francisco Bureau of The Journal.)

San Francisco, March 1.—Mrs. Edward K. Clarke, the wife of a wealthy clubman, has filed papers for divorce and asked \$150 a month alimony. Mrs. Clarke was formerly Rosalind Bowe and became known as the "Sweet Pea Girl." During the Durant trial she appeared in court every day and brought sweet peas for the murderer and gazed at him fondly. At the time of her marriage she was a sensation with her beauty. She says her husband was not intoxicated when he married her nor was the marriage a joke as alleged. She says he deserted her, hence the suit.

WILL INVESTIGATE LIVESTOCK RATES

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

Washington, March 1.—Congressman Gowder (Democrat) from Missouri, introduced a resolution in the house today directing the committee on commerce to investigate the charges by shippers of livestock that they are not fairly treated by the railways of the west. The committee is interstate and foreign commerce ordered a favorable report on the resolution. Charles Martin of South Dakota of the department of commerce, is to investigate whether the beef trust is violating the injunction resting against it.

DITCHBURN REMARKS ON NIXON CHARGES

The answer filed by Attorney Richard Nixon to the damage suit for \$50,000 brought by Attorney John Ditchburn on account of charges made before the grievance committee of the Oregon Bar association, does not meet with the approval of the complainant. Ditchburn this morning said:

"Nixon is endeavoring to shelter himself behind the barricade of privilege. His action is not privileged because the association is not a legal body. I do not belong to it and am not bound by its actions. He also pleads justification and mitigation in the same breath. In a few days I shall have the plans of justification and mitigation segregated."

BURNED HIS WAY OUT OF JAIL.

(Journal Special Service.)

Sacramento, Cal., March 1.—W. C. Howell, confined in jail at Gridley and charged with arson, burned his way out through the roof last night with a light candle. He stood on a chair and wet the roof so it would not burn too fast.

OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE TORNAO

FORECASTER BEALS SENDS TO WASHINGTON DESCRIPTION OF RECENT 'TORNADO'—NOT A STRAIGHT LINE WIND BUT A TWISTER.

The following report on the recent tornado has been sent to Chief W. H. Beals of the Washington weather bureau by local Forecaster Edward Beals: "Friday morning, February