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## GAME DIAMONDS TO BRUTAL BURGLAR

### GRAND JURY NOW PROBING GAS BRIBES

Supervisors Took the Money for Making Higher Rate Effective to Gas Consumers

More Than One Man of High Position in Grave Anxiety as Result of Heney's Relentless Inquiry—W. B. Bourn, Millionaire, Now Involved.

(Journal Special Service.)  
San Francisco, March 27.—There is grave anxiety in the heart of more than one man of high position in San Francisco today as the relentless probe of Heney and Burns goes deeper into the graft cranks that are eating at the vitals of the city. Those who are "high up" no longer rest in security with the feeling that the small thieves they have used will not betray them. Each day witnesses who have a close and intimate knowledge of the bribery grow more willing to tell their stories to the grand jury and Heney.

**After Gas Company.**  
The grand jury today began the investigation of the bribery of the supervisors by the gas company. Supervisor Gallagher confessed that he paid the members of the board \$750 each to vote for 55 cent gas instead of 75 cent gas, to which they were pledged. Gallagher got the money from Abe Ruef and the grand jury thinks it can now answer the question, who gave the money to Ruef?

A confession has been made to the grand jury revealing the name of the go-between who handled the corruption fund of the gas trust. His indictment by the grand jury is certain. But beyond and above the go-between are men of wealth and prominence whom the investigators are probing for. Most prominent of these is William B. Bourn, millionaire club man and former president of the San Francisco Gas & Electric company. Bourn's name has been brought to the surface again and again by the men who are delving into the depths of the gas trust bribery.

He is one of the highest up whom the prosecutors are after. It is frankly admitted by the grand jury that no evidence has yet been secured connecting Bourn directly with the bribery of the supervisors. Bourn and Schmitts are good friends.

**After Those Highest Up.**  
Over half a dozen witnesses have been examined by the grand jury, the majority of them coming from Oakland, to throw light on the distribution of the \$300,000 that the Home Telephone company brought up from Los Angeles.

### REFUSES 12,000 SILVER DOLLARS

First National Bank Declines a Big Deposit of Collector of Customs Because It Has to Pay Freight to Sub-Treasury.

The First National bank yesterday refused to accept some \$12,000 in silver from the collector of customs of this port for deposit on the ground that it has already all the silver it can handle, and that it costs \$4 to ship each \$1,000 of the silver to San Francisco. Chief Deputy Collector Pike has wired the department in Washington for instructions as to the disposition of the coin. An answer is expected this afternoon.

### TOMORROW'S TRAINS WILL RUN THROUGH

Repairs on Southern Pacific Nearly Done and Passengers Long Delayed Can Start

Harriman Line Officials Make the Surprising Announcement That Rule of Interstate Commerce Commission Forbids Sending People by Ogden.

Contrary to all expectations, the Southern Pacific company announced today that it will probably be in shape to carry passengers between Portland and San Francisco tomorrow. One by one the gaps where washouts and slides paralyzed traffic have been closed up, and tomorrow only one serious break will remain—that at Castello. The overland trains will meet on each side of this washout and transfer passengers and mail.

The Castello washout is between Sims and Dunsmuir. It is not the worst on the line, but it was the last one that the repair gangs could reach after the California floods subsided. Several hundred feet of track was carried out, together with a bridge. The repair gangs are now at work driving piling and constructing a temporary trestle over the break. It will be completed by Friday of this week, and the company expects to run the overland trains through between Portland and San Francisco without change on that date. No through tickets will be sold until the local passenger department is certain that the train service can be given and transfer made at Castello. It is expected that positive advice to that effect will be received tomorrow.

**Ogden Route Forbidden.**  
An amazing statement has been made by the passenger department of the Southern Pacific relative to the application of an interstate commerce commission ruling on the carrying of passengers by a route different from that provided on the ticket in event of floods and other disasters. It is stated in positive terms by the Southern Pacific company that the commission's ruling prevents the carrying of Portland-San Francisco passengers via Ogden.

For the first three days after the floods put the Southern Pacific company out of commission between San Francisco and Portland, all passengers were carried without extra charge between Portland and San Francisco, via the Ogden route, notwithstanding the fact that it is several hundred miles farther, and the fare via Ogden is \$5.50, as against \$3.00 on the direct line from Portland to San Francisco.

### POLITICS ON DUTY FORBIDDEN

City Employees Must Keep Their Hands Off in the Approaching Municipal Struggle, Decides Civil Service Commission.

Police men and firemen must not, under an order made by the civil service commission this morning, enter so actively into the coming campaign as to neglect their duties. Under the charter no person may use his authority to influence or coerce the political action of any other person or body, or to affect or interfere with any nomination, appointment or election to public office. This provision, so it was reported to the commission, has been violated by members of the two departments.

### VICTIM OF MASKED THUG AND SCENE OF ROBBERY



MRS. NELL ROUNTREE

### SENTRIES IN BUILDING LOBBY

Detectives on Duty Day and Night at Entrance of Lumber Exchange—Watching for Some One to Enter or Leave.

For seven days and nights two men in relays have stood sentinel in the lobby of the Lumbermen's Exchange building, and closely scrutinized the faces of every person who entered or left the building. The mystery at last got upon the nerves of the tenants, and today one of the owners, T. Scott Brooke, demanded an explanation. The man on watch at the time of the interview declined to state his mission, but said it was necessary that he should wait there for a certain person to come to the building. He was allowed to remain.

**Portland Man Presides at Kansas Conference**  
Emporia, Kan., March 27.—The annual meeting of the southern Kansas conference of the Methodist Episcopal church began here today with an attendance of about 150 ministers and a number of other visitors. Bishop David H. Moore, of Portland, Oregon, is the presiding officer. A number of prominent divines will be heard during the sessions, which are to last four days.

### LARGER COURT ROOM FOR THE MOYER CASE

Boise, Ida., March 27.—An effort is being made to secure the courtroom in the federal building in which to try the Moyer, Fraser and Pettibone cases. The county courthouse is too small to accommodate the large attendance that is certain.

### GERMANY SEEKS SLICE OF PERSIA

American Diplomat Leaves to Inspect Bagdad Railroad and Report on Kaiser's Political Activity.

(Journal Special Service.)  
Constantinople, March 27.—Under instructions from Washington, P. A. Jay, secretary of the American embassy, will leave soon for Bagdad, in Asiatic Turkey, to inspect the Bagdad railway, which was assigned to connect the Mediterranean sea with the Persian gulf. The work is being done by the Germans. Jay will inspect the road and report on the Kaiser's political activity to Washington.

### THAW JURY OFF UNTIL MONDAY

Lunacy Commission Holds Secret Session With Judge Fitzgerald—Thaw Goes Back to Jail.

(Journal Special Service.)  
New York, March 27.—The Thaw lunacy commission met in court at 10:30 this morning and were invited into Justice Fitzgerald's chambers. The jury, lawyers and spectators gathered in the courtroom to await proceedings. It was understood that Fitzgerald called the commissioners together privately to give them instructions before going into court. The jury upon opening of court was excused until Monday, when if the commission has not reported they will be excused again.

### LID CLOSED TIGHTLY IN LOS ANGELES BY POLICE

Greatest Tenderloin Raid in History of City—Hundreds Are Imprisoned.

(Journal Special Service.)  
Los Angeles, March 27.—Following rumors that the police commission would put the lid down and make Los Angeles the most tightly closed place in the west came the greatest tenderloin raid last night in the city's history, practically the whole police force of over 200 men taking part, and every questionable place being "pulled." Twenty-five wagons were employed in carrying women out of the disorderly places of the town to the central station as fast as arrested and every house which had characters are known to frequent is under close guard. The cleanup, which was quietly begun shortly before midnight, continued until daylight. Places supposed to be immune, if not positively protected, were entered without warning and scores of the inmates taken away and locked up. The new Ballerino "crib" district was included and every person was placed in jail. Nearly 500 are behind the bars, all charged with lewdness.

### MAN WITH FLASHLIGHT PAYS VISIT

Mrs. N. W. Rountree Is Victim of Thug While Her Husband Is Away From House

Hard Fingers on Throat Render Her Almost Speechless—Robber Hits Her With Pistol but Gets Little for Daring Call on Ella Street Home.

### \$30 PER YEAR HIS EARNINGS

Mrs. Phillips, Divorce Plaintiff, Testifies That She Had to Spray Fruit Trees and Plow the Ground.

Mrs. Elizabeth V. Phillips testified this morning in her suit for divorce from Charles J. Phillips that she saved, out and split a carload of wood, when she was living with her husband's on their farm at The Dalles, adding that it seemed as if it took 10 years to complete the task. Mrs. Phillips testified further that she had done most of the work to support the family and that Phillips has not earned more than \$300 in 10 years.

### LUMBER MILLS RUNNING QUIETLY

Situation is Little Changed Though Strikers Claim to Have Taken Many Men Away From Operators.

The situation in the lumber mills is little changed today. All the mills are running and though the strikers claim they have taken 40 men out of the Eastern & Western, 15 out of the Standard and over 50 out of the Portland during the past 24 hours, the owners deny this and say they are operating satisfactorily. Several reports of assaults made on strike-breakers by union pickets have come in, but for the beating of A. S. Smit, an employe of the Eastern & Western, none have been authentically confirmed. Though there are policemen and plain clothes detectives in plenty about every mill, no arrests have yet been made between the mill owners and the loggers is wholly improbable and that a compromise will undoubtedly be effected. The loggers' executive committee is to meet Saturday afternoon and a committee of the mill owners will probably go into conference with it at that time with a view to coming to an amicable agreement. The mill owners want the price of logs reduced \$3 per thousand feet.

### Oregon's Most Beautiful Women

Is your sweetheart the prettiest woman in the world? If yours isn't, then some other fellow's sweetheart is. We believe she lives in Oregon. Help us find her. Send her picture to the Beauty Editor of the Journal, to take part in the Great Beauty Contest. We have undertaken to prove to the world that its most beautiful woman lives in Oregon.