

DUPED BY EASY TALK OF FORGER

Chief Gritzmacher Gives Freedom to Man Badly Wanted by Authorities— Took Swindler's Word for It That He Was Innocent.

City Detectives Arrest Nich- ols While Yakima Sheriff Waits to Receive Prisoner. Latter Gets Into Jail and Bluffs His Way Out.

Through an act of grace on the part of Chief of Police Gritzmacher there was set at liberty last night a prisoner who is wanted in this city and in Yakima, Washington, for swindling and for issuing fictitious bank checks. The man was given his liberty by order of the chief under circumstances that will in all probability call for an investigation by the board of police commissioners.

Some days ago Chief Gritzmacher received advice from the sheriff of Yakima county, Washington, asking the local authorities to look out for a certain man by the name of M. E. Nichols, wanted at Yakima for obtaining \$40 from a bank of that city on a worthless check on the First National bank of Coffeyville, Kansas.

Yesterday morning Deputy Sheriff Grant of Yakima arrived here, he having traced Nichols from Yakima to Puyallup, Washington, and from there to this city. Grant had ascertained that Nichols had pawned a watch in Puyallup and had left instructions with the jeweler to forward it by express to this city as soon as he sent the money from here for its redemption. This money had been sent and the watch forwarded on the day Grant acquired the information.

Arrested in Express Office.
As soon as Grant sighted from the train yesterday he went to the express office and ascertained that the watch had just arrived and that Nichols, prior to its arrival, had visited the office several times and made inquiries for it. As it was necessary to watch both the uptown and downtown offices of the express company, Deputy Sheriff Grant applied to Chief Gritzmacher for assistance. Detectives Jones and Tichenor were detailed to the watch in the express office. The warrant he holds for Nichols' arrest and also imparted to them the information that the officials of the express office had de-posed Nichols as a swindler and that no heed should be given from the recommendation he holds from the Kan-sas bank.

As Grant is known to Nichols, it was agreed that the Yakima officer should go to the Perkins hotel and keep under cover temporarily while Jones and Tichenor watched the express office. This program was carried out and early in the evening the detectives arrested Nichols as he was inquiring for the watch he was expecting. He was taken to the city jail where his name was entered on a police blotter as being held a prisoner for the sheriff of Yakima county, Washington.

Smooth Talk Worked.
Nichols professed great indignation because of his arrest and appealed to the chief for his release. He showed the chief the letters of recommendation he carries and so impressed the head of the police department with his smooth talk that the chief finally issued an order for his release at midnight if the Yakima sheriff had not put in an appearance in the meantime.

In pursuance of this order Nichols was set at liberty at the hour named and just as he was about to leave for some reason Grant had not been apprised of Nichols' arrest and was keeping under cover at the Perkins hotel as per his agreement with Jones and Tichenor. He was both surprised and angry when he learned this morning that the man whom he had tracked a distance of almost 1,500 miles and finally run to earth in this city had fallen into the trap laid for him and then been turned loose through the singular action of a police officer.

Nichols Gets Under Cover.
Another hunt for Nichols was started this morning, but up to noon today the only thing of interest connected with him of which the chief has heard is the fact that one or more persons in this city have been victimized within the past few days by a person answering the description of Nichols.

The detectives assert that it was in this manner that they secured the funds with which he was enabled to defraud the watch pawned in Puyallup. As Nichols has a start of more than 12 hours it is extremely doubtful if Deputy Sheriff Grant and the local detectives will be able to apprehend the man and thus repair the blunder of Chief Gritzmacher.

BAKERSFIELD SAFE BLOWN BY ROBBERS

More Than Six Thousand
Dollars' Worth of Stamps
Stolen.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Bakersfield, Cal., Feb. 26.—The safe in the postoffice was broken open during the night and \$6,750 in postage stamps stolen. There is absolutely no clue to the robbers' identity.

The stamps taken were of 2, 4, 5, 8 and 16-cent denominations. The combination lock on the safe had been broken with a sledge hammer, and a chisel.

Afterward the combination was replaced by means of tallow and when a clerk tried to open the safe at 6 o'clock this morning the knob fell into his hand.

TURKISH POLICE ARE HUNTING ASSASSINS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Vienna, Feb. 26.—The secret police from Constantinople are alarmed over their inability to locate more than 20 of the 15 Armenians who are said to have come from the United States to assassinate the sultan of Turkey.

Ten Armenians were taken prisoners yesterday. Great secrecy surrounds the movements of the Constantinople police.

IN THE GRIP

The Best Cathartic Reduces to a Minimum the Prostration and Weakness Characteristic of This Prevalent Disease.

What the Attacked Should Do.

It has been found by the experience of a great many people that the best cathartic to take in cases of the grip, where there is commonly great weakness and prostration, is the tonic cathartic, Hood's Pills, which do not weaken but

Strengthen the System as they do their special work. They are "easy to take, easy to operate." If attacked by the grip, take them at once, for a free movement of the bowels, and begin treatment with Hood's Sarsaparilla for the elimination of the grip poison from the blood and the renewal of health and strength.

Completely Restored.—"I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills and believe they have saved my life. I had the grip and it left me so weak I did not think I could live. In one week after beginning to take these medicines I gained wonderfully, and was soon completely restored." Stanford C. Horton, Bristol, Wis.

Never-Falling Remedies.—"I had the grip and became so weak I could not walk across the room without sweating profusely. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills and they did me so much good I regard them as never-falling remedies." Mrs. Anna B. Cooper, Titusville, N. J.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold every where. In the usual liquid, or in tablet form called **Saratabs**—One hundred doses one dollar.

ACIO IN COURT; COFFIN PASSES

Assassin Arraigned Same Hour Funeral of Priest Is Held.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Denver, Feb. 26.—The most remarkable gathering in the history of Denver today attended the funeral of Father Heinrichs, who was assassinated Sunday by an anarchist.

For three blocks all streets leading to the church where services were held were packed by masses of humanity eager to enter the church. Only members of the parish in which Father Heinrichs had worked were permitted to attend the services. At the same hour Giuseppe Alo, the assassin, was arraigned in the criminal court on a charge of murder.

REQUISITION IS NOT HONORED

Mead Says Californians Want Woman Returned to Collect Debt.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Feb. 26.—The sheriff was notified from Olympia today that the requisition for Mrs. Annie Spencer, presented by Detective Lambert of San Francisco, had not been honored by Governor Mead.

Mrs. Spencer was arrested by Seattle detectives February 15, upon a request of the San Francisco chief of police. Detective Lambert of San Francisco arrived Friday with a requisition upon the governor of this state for the prisoner.

The governor refused to honor the requisition because affidavits convinced him that an attempt was being made to secure the return of Mrs. Spencer to San Francisco for the purpose of collecting a civil debt.

CALIFORNIA GIRL TO WED ARMY OFFICER

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Bernardino, Cal., Feb. 26.—Friends of Miss Estella Martha Kincaid are surprised by the announcement that on March 10 she will wed Major Arthur Smith Guthrie, adjutant-general of the Philippine constabulary.

Miss Kincaid is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kincaid of Orange, and is one of the wealthiest residents of that section. On April 5 the newly wed couple will sail for the Philippines, where Major Guthrie has charge of all military records on the island. Guthrie and Miss Kincaid were schoolmates.

MRS. GILMAN-COREY'S STEPMOTHER DEAD

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Jennie Gilman, wife of Charles H. Gilman and stepmother of Maybelle Gilman-Corey, is dead at the Gilman home here. She had been an invalid for some years.

She was 43 years of age and was the mother of James M. Gilman, Mrs. Charles A. Liskoy of Stockton and Ruby and Eunice May Gilman. The Gilmans were formerly residents of Sacramento and the body will be taken there for interment.

Mrs. Gilman-Corey was notified of her stepmother's death by telegraph yesterday.

Weigh Yourself

and then after a few weeks weigh yourself again. If you are losing weight take SCOTT'S EMULSION. Breathe fresh air day and night. Eat simple food. Try this for a few weeks.

MAXIM INVENTS NOISELESS GUN

Son of Great Armorer Makes Warfare Without Racket Future Possibility.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Feb. 26.—Noiseless wars will be made possible through an invention just announced by Hiram Percy Maxim, son of Sir Hiram Maxim, inventor of the machine gun that bears his name.

By this invention the discharge of a rifle or revolver will be rendered practically noiseless, as the escape of gases that ordinarily follow the discharge of firearms will be shut off in Maxim's new gun.

This is obtained by means of a piston valve sliding across the bore of the barrel immediately after the bullet passes. This valve is actuated entirely by the pressure of the gases themselves and is not operated by any intricate mechanical device. The valve allows the gases to issue gradually through a series of small holes, thus obviating all noise except a slight hissing sound.

The valve then resumes an open position and a safety device prevents the firing of another cartridge unless the valve is in its proper place.

OPERATORS WILL BE PAID LESS

Northern Pacific's Scheme to Prevent Increase in Expense.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Butte, Mont., Feb. 26.—The management of the Northern Pacific railroad has notified all the telegraphers employed on the system that their wages will be reduced from \$5 to \$10 a month. In all probability this means a strike of these men.

The telegraphers are now voting on the question of accepting or rejecting the reduction. The cut in wages is due directly to the new federal nine-hour law, which goes into effect March 1.

The Northern Pacific, like every railroad in the country, will be forced to employ many new operators.

RELATIVES TRY TO SAVE YOUTH

Chester Gillette's Parents Will Plead for Life of Convicted Son.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Denver, Feb. 26.—In a last effort to save Chester Gillette from the electric chair, his father, mother and brother left Denver this morning for New York. They are not certain as to what steps they can take. Gillette was convicted of murdering Grace Brown, his sweetheart.

GALLAGHER TO AID BULLETIN

Crothers and Older Will Put Boodling Supervisor on Witness Stand.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Feb. 26.—"Big Jim" Gallagher, member of the old boodling board of supervisors and right hand man for Ale Ruef, is to be a witness for the defense in William S. Tevis' libel suit against Fremont Older and R. H. Crothers, of the San Francisco Bulletin.

Tevis is the millionaire land owner who was accused by the Bulletin of entering into an arrangement to pay Ruef and the supervisors \$1,000,000 to pass an ordinance purchasing the Bay Cities Water company.

The work of selecting a jury was resumed this morning before Superior Judge Dooling. Rudolph Spreckels, the financial backer of the graft prosecution, who is to be one of the witnesses for the defense, was present.

ANOTHER BOOZE FIGHTER FIRED

New Committee at Stanford Has Suspended Three for Drinking.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Stanford University, Cal., Feb. 26.—The third student to be suspended by the new committee on student affairs has been notified that he will be forced to withdraw from the university for the period of one semester. The reason assigned in the official announcement is the same as that which caused the indefinite suspension of the other two men—drunkenness.

Professor Clark stated that the case just acted upon comes under the head of unfinished business, which was passed to the new committee by the old body which has just resigned. He further stated that from this time forward the committee will act only upon such cases as may come up in the future. The name of the student is not given.

FINDS ARM OF GIRL IN PILE OF CHIPS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Ely, Nev., Feb. 26.—While gathering chips near his home City Marshal Hudson discovered a human arm, which physicians say is the forearm of a young woman, what was about 15 to 20 years old. Nearly all the flesh had disappeared. The body to which the arm belongs is now the object of a search.



Portiere Specials

Silk-finish Portieres in various shades of green, red, blue and rose—corded or fringed—very attractive door hangings—values from \$8.50 to \$11.50—your choice, \$5.00 at the special, per pair.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY BASEMENT SPECIALS

Fancy decorated English earthenware Teapots in highly glazed finish—four patterns specially priced.

75c Teapots for55¢
85c Teapots for60¢

Sale of Lace Curtains

Values From \$8.50 to \$12.50 for \$5 Per Pair

Tomorrow and Friday in the Drapery Department—sixth floor—A clearance selling of Lace Curtains in lots of from three pairs to six pairs—this assortment consisting of seven patterns—desirable window hangings from which a pleasing selection can be made. Take advantage of this two days' sale.

Couch Covers \$1.25

Regular \$2.75 values in fringed Couch Covers in Oriental patterns and colorings—three yards long and reversible. Tomorrow and Friday special in the Drapery Department—sixth floor.

FREE PHONE

And other conveniences in the Ladies' Waiting Department on the Balcony

"THE MALE- ABLE" RANGE

Riveted together like a boiler—will last a lifetime

TULL & GIBBS

COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS

YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD

MAKE YOUR OWN TERMS

YANKTON WILL HUNT FOR JEFFS

U. S. Gunboat Detailed to Search for Abandoned American Sailor.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Callao, Feb. 26.—The Yankton, under the command of Lieutenant Gherardi, will proceed Friday to the Galapagos islands for the purpose of searching for Frederick Jeffs.

Jeffs is an American sailor, who was abandoned after being shipwrecked on the west coast of indefatigable island last October.

WORKING AT ENDS OF TRACTION LINE

Operations Begin Today on Streets of Salem and Al- bany.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Salem, Or., Feb. 26.—The Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway company has

begun active operations toward building a road between this city and Albany. The company this morning began the distribution of ties along Center street, and as soon as this work is completed the laying of the track proper will be begun.

As the work progresses in this city similar operations will be proceeding at Albany and after the track has been completed in the corporate limits of both cities the work of building a connecting line will be rushed.

The agents of the company state that next Wednesday work will be begun on the road from Eugene to Springfield.

corporation have been filed in the office of the secretary of state as follows: Columbia Land company; principal office Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$5,000. Incorporators, Henry W. Coe, R. H. Wood and L. O'Conner.

Pilot Rock Publishing company; principal office Pilot Rock, Oregon; capital stock, \$1,000. Incorporators, E. E. Parker, G. T. Mansfield, C. L. Newcomb, A. F. Michael, Knotts Brothers, A. A. A. A. E. Huffman, Julius F. Wegner, J. M. Royer, John Bradburn, J. D. Royer, J. N. Roori, W. C. Shields, Jack Huston and Henry Harrison.

The Lakewick Flour Mills; principal office Lakeview, Oregon; capital stock, \$15,000. Incorporators, Dick J. Wilcox, C. E. Sherlock and F. O. Bunting.

PORTLAND'S NEW DEPARTMENT STORE KARO-KLAPPER CO.

CORNER THIRD AND YAMHILL

OPENING EVENT OF MODERN DEPARTMENT STORE— A MAGNIFICENT ARRAY OF SEASON'S NEW GOODS —INTRODUCTORY PRICES IN ALL THE DEPARTMENTS

This famous corner, formerly occupied by the Golden Eagle, has been remodeled, refitted and entirely restocked with new and up-to-date goods of standard qualities and popular demands. The policy of the new management will be to serve the public with honest goods and honest prices, and we shall ever adhere to the sterling motto—COMPLETE SATISFACTION OR YOUR MONEY BACK. Tomorrow at 9 a. m. the doors will swing open for your inspection. Be with the crowds to view the marvelous transformation of the old corner, and share in the bargains that will mark the initial point in the career of the new department store WELCOME!

Women's and Children's Shoes

Tomorrow we will place on sale one of our strongest lines in popular priced shoes. 280 pairs of women's and children's footwear in Dongola, vici, box and kangaroo, in all shapes and styles; wide or narrow last; light or heavy sole; high, low or spring heel; values up to \$2.00; opening bargain price, the pair..... \$1.29

180 pairs of ladies' Dress Shoes, strictly up-to-date goods; all widths and sizes; values \$2.50 and \$3.00; introductory Price, the pair..... \$1.89

100 pairs ladies' fine Shoes, the latest creations of the leading makers; vici, patent and glove kids; military or French heel; flexible sole; values \$3.25 to \$4.00; Introductory Price, the pair..... \$2.59

MEN'S SHOES

110 pairs men's serviceable Shoes, Goodyear welt; moisture proof, hand-sewed and well made; values \$6.00 and \$7.00; opening price, the pair..... \$4.89

Spring Dress Goods

An advance showing of new spring Dress Goods in fancy checks and stripes; for tailored suits—value 60c. Opening Special, the yard..... 39c

New Spring Suits

Ladies' new Tailored Spring Suits, the latest creations of exquisite beauty; tight and semi-fitting; full or half length sleeves; also in the butterfly styles; trimmed in dainty laces and braids; materials are voile, Panama, serge, broadcloth and invisible stripes; colors are black, gray, brown, champagne, white, cream, blue, and wine; specially priced for our opening day, the suit..... \$18 to \$40

SEE THIRD ST. WINDOW.

Gents' Furnishings

12 dozen men's Silk and Satin Shield Bows in all desirable colors and figures; regular 25c value; Introductory price..... 11c

Men's Bandana Handkerchiefs, 27 inches square; regularly worth 12c; Opening Sale Price, each..... 7c

10 dozen men's Cotton Knit Underwear; heavy, medium and light weights; in tan, gray, salmon, blue and cream colors; well worth 50c; Opening Sale Price, the garment..... 39c

Ladies' White Waists

100 Ladies' White Lawn Shirtrwaists, Swiss embroidery front, six rows of tucks in front and back, short sleeves, collar and sleeves trimmed in Valenciennes lace—value 98c \$1.50. Opening Special at..... 68c

100 Ladies' White Shirtrwaists, Swiss embroidery front, trimmed in tucks and laces, 3/4 sleeves—regular value \$1. Opening Special at..... 68c

Muslin Gowns

Ladies' Good Serviceable Nightgowns, front trimmed in many rows of tuckings—exceptional value at 50c. Opening Special, each..... 39c

Ladies' Fine Grade Muslin Gowns, yoke and collar trimmed in tucks and laces and in open embroidery—exceptional value at \$1.50. Opening price..... 98c

Children's Hose

1,000 pairs of Children's Extra Quality Ribbed Hose, seamless, double heel and toe, fast black—regular 15c value. Introductory price, the pair..... 11c

Ginghams and Prints

For tomorrow we offer 1,000 yards of the best Amontong Ginghams in all sizes of plaids and checks; very desirable for aprons and dresses—standard price 10c. Our Opening price, the yard..... 7c

Also 1,000 yards of Fancy Dress Percales, all colors and designs, values 12 1/2c and 14c. Special Opening price, the yard..... 11c

Comforts

Full size Comforts, made of good material, good fillings, beautiful colorings, well sewed. Regular \$1.50 grade..... \$1.19

Regular \$2.50 grade..... \$2.39

Lustre Pongees

In Shepherd's checks, black and green—value 50c. Opening Special, the yard..... 19c