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WON FAME AS WRITER

Sudden Death of Judson C. Brusie When Facing Embezzlement Charge Recalls His Career as Bohemian, Playwright and Author.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, June 10.—Judson C. Brusie, secretary of the state board of railroad commissioners, who was arrested in this city on Sunday last, charged with the embezzlement of funds belonging to the Metropolitan Bonding and Surety company, of which he was the San Francisco representative, died at 7 o'clock this morning at the California hospital, where he was taken last night from the Police hospital, following his release on bonds.

Brusie's death was due to heart failure and nervous trouble, which is said to have been brought on by stimulants. Immediately following his arrest on Sunday, Brusie collapsed, and his condition became so serious that he was placed in the prisoner's ward at the police station. He had so far improved that it was deemed safe to remove him to the California hospital, bonds having been furnished by his friends.

Although known to be a very sick man, Brusie's death was unexpected. Early this morning he rapidly grew worse until he died.

The specific charge on which Brusie was arrested was the embezzlment of $500 of the funds of the Metropolitan Bonding & Surety company of New York.

Brusie admitted using some of the money, belonging to the company, but maintained that he took only what was due him as commissions.

Judson C. Brusie had been prominent for a number of years in San Francisco as a speaker, a playwright and man-about-town. His friends here remained loyal to him in the face of the charges brought against him, and subscribed a bond of $15,000, on which his release was gained, and it was possible for him to be released from the Los Angeles jail.

Wrote "Lonesome Town."

He was the author of the famous play, "Lonesome Town," which made a tremendous hit when it was first produced in coast towns, and since has been seen in many eastern American cities. When a "California night" was given in New York recently by the comedians Kolb and Dill, they chose "Lonesome Town" as the production, and its revival was greeted with great applause on Broadway. The play was the story of a California boom town of 25 years ago, and was a most amusing picture of conditions that prevailed at that time.

Of a different and more important character, however, were Brusie's plays, "The Hills of California," and "Damon and Pythias." These were dramas that have been produced to critical audiences who saw in them the work of genius. "The Hills of California" particularly was a striking play relating as it did to the events of the golden days, "The days of '49."

Author of "Black Cat."

The "Black Cat," a sketch produced on the Orpheum circuit and many other smaller plays were written by Brusie. He was also the author of "I. O. U.," a play which was produced with success.

Brusie was well known as an after-dinner speaker, as well as a campaign orator. He made addresses in many sections of the country in the McKinley and Roosevelt campaigns. He practiced law in Amador county, Cal., and was sent to the assembly from there. He later went to Sacramento to live and was sent to the assembly from that city for two terms. He was appointed secretary of the state railroad commission. Brusie arranged bonds for Mayor Schmitz and others arrested for grafting in San Francisco.

DEATH OVERTAKES O. H. P. BELMONT

O. H. Belmont, Who Died Early Today in Hempstead, L. I.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Hempstead, L. I., June 10.—Oliver H. P. Belmont died of appendicitis and peritonitis at his country home here at 6:40 o'clock this morning. Hope for his recovery was abandoned last night and the family remained at the bedside until the end.

O. H. P. Belmont, a prominent member of the family of millionaires, had wide financial interests and was one of the leading financiers in New York. He gave much time to sports, was the owner of fine horses, was the patron of clubs and parks, both in this country and abroad, where outdoor games are played. He was stricken suddenly with an acute development of the disease which is supposed to have been of long standing and was operated on a week ago.

Mr. Belmont suffered a great shock in the death by gas asphyxiation of his only child, Mrs. Natica Rives Burden, on February 21, 1908, at her home on Fifth avenue, New York.

The Belmonts were preparing to leave for Europe when Mr. Belmont was attacked by appendicitis. It was at first thought that an operation could be avoided, but the course of the disease called for radical measures. Dr. W. T. Bull and Dr. A. J. McCosh of New York, and Dr. Lakeheart of Mineola performed the operation.

Oliver Hogard Perry Belmont was the youngest son of the late August Belmont, the banker. He was born in 1858. His first wife, who was Sarah Swan Whitney, divorced him and then married George L. Rives. On January 11, 1876, Mr. Belmont married Mrs. Alva Smith Vanderbilt, who, in 1875, had obtained a divorce from William K. Vanderbilt Sr. Mr. Belmont was in congress 1901-3, and was a delegate to the Democratic national convention in 1900.

The funeral services will be held Saturday at the Church of the Incarnation at Garden City. Bishop Burgish will officiate.

In society Mr. Belmont was always an eccentric character, and was noted for his freak entertainments gotten up with a view to furnishing something out of the usual class of amusement sort by the idle rich. It was Belmont who at Newport gave an elaborate luncheon and had as one of his guests a remarkably intelligent chimpanzee borrowed for the occasion from Coney Island. The animal is said to have behaved himself admirably and was an astonishing success as an entertainer, setting the guests into an uproar of laughter. Report had it that the chimpanzee refused to drink champagne and it wasn't necessary to send him home in a hack.

SAVES LIVES OF 200 MEN

Brave Mine Foreman Enters Blazing Powder Magazine and Extinguishes Flames in Time to Prevent Explosion of Dynamite.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Butte, Mont., June 10.—Bravely entering a blazing powder magazine 300 feet below the surface of the earth, last night Mike Dunn, foreman of the Lexington copper and silver mine, extinguished the flames just in time to prevent the explosion of 1,250 pounds of dynamite, saving the lives of 200 men and preventing the total destruction of the mine. Dunn is the hero of the camp today.

Dunn was making his regular round of the workings last night when he smelled smoke. Investigation showed the fire to be on the 300 foot level, where the powder magazine is located. There was still plenty of time for the plucky foreman to have saved himself, but he rushed to the rescue of the men under his command. Fearing he would create a panic by giving the alarm and knowing the danger of wasted time, Dunn rushed to the magazine, and unaided fought the flames, which were already gnawing at the wooden cases in which the dynamite was packed.

There were 25 cases, containing 50 pounds of dynamite each, in the magazine at the time, and an explosion meant complete destruction of the entire mine. Dunn broke a water pipe, and within a few moments had flooded the magazine, and all danger was past. Then he continued his round of inspection. The miners did not discover their narrow escape from death, and the heroism of their boss until the shifts were changed at midnight.

The fire originated by the crossing of two electric wires connected with heaters on the 300 foot level. The Lexington is Augustus Heinze's rich property.

CONFEDERATES CENSURE TAFT

Veterans Declare Secretary's Remarks at Grant's Tomb Were Very Ill Advised.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Birmingham, Ala., June 10.—"Untimely" and "ill advised" are the words used by many confederate veterans today in characterizing the memorial day speech of Secretary Taft in which reference was made to General Grant drinking heavily.

General W. L. Cabell of Dallas, General Clement L. Evans of Atlanta and General George L. Gordon are the three aspirants to the position of commander in chief to succeed General Stephen D. Lee, who died recently. All these men held the rank of brigadier general in the confederate army.

The United Confederate Choirs of America began its general convention here today.

POLICE HUNTING FOR DAYLIGHT ROBBER

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Diego, Cal., June 10.—The police and detective force are conducting a vain search today for a clue to the daring daylight robber who broke into the home of R. Fenton, city recorder of Coronado late yesterday and secured jewelry valued at $5,000, besides a sum of money said to be $2,000. There were fourteen pieces in the list of gems taken, including a necklace of rare pearls and of topaz. They were heirlooms of great age brought from England by the Fentons, the head of the family being a retired London merchant.

KAW RIVER OVERFLOWS

Flats West of City Filled With Water and People Forced to Flee for Their Lives—Missouri Is Still Rising.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Kansas City, June 10.—Today this city is fighting the rivers. Every available man is in the west side lowlands battling with the worst flood that has inundated this section of Missouri since 1903. The Kaw river ran over its banks, tore away the levies, carried farm houses before it and brought the Missouri river waters up so high that there is no telling where the damage will end.

Thousands of patrols guarded the Kaw river dykes during the night and as many thousands more relieved them this morning, but the efforts of the workers were of no avail. It was thought that if the levies could be made to hold that the lower part of the city would be saved, but the first break came just at daylight and 2,000 men working with desperation could not fill the washout.

With a terrific roar the water came through the gap and rushed upon the lower town. Men were sent in advance of the flood to warn residents of the district and people seized what valuables they might and started for the high ground on the east bluffs.

Every wagon in the city was pressed into service to remove household goods and merchandise. In the flooded sections are many wholesale houses and manufacturing plants, including the immense Armour and Swift packing concerns. There were many thousands of head of livestock in the yards and these were drowned.

There seems to be little prospect of the water going down and there are many homeless people whom the charitable societies and the police are trying to care for. The Missouri is still rising and a flood from that source is imminent.

GOULD GIVES UP HARRIMAN FIGHT

Magnate Abandons Efforts to Complete Transcontinental Railroad Line.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, June 10.—The chief topic in Wall street today is the reported amicable adjustment of the differences between Gould and Harriman. It is understood that the agreement was effected just before George J. Gould's departure for Europe, and covers all of the disputed questions between the Gould and Harriman interests in the west.

Gould retains possession of his properties west of Pittsburg and will continue the building of the Western Pacific, but it will be operated in harmony with the Harriman lines.

Under the agreement, however, Gould will not be able to carry out his plan of a great transcontinental Gould system, for it provides that he must not cross the Alleghenies with his western connection to join his western Maryland line.

DIRECTOIRE AT WEDDING

Joe Leiter's Bride Wears Sheaf Gown When Married Today in Parents' Apartments—Washington Society Taken by Surprise

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, June 10.—The directoire gown made its first appearance at the altar today when Miss Juliette Williams, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. John R. Williams, was married to Joseph Leiter, the Chicago millionaire, at one of the most fashionable wedding ceremonies ever held in the national capital. The bride's gown, which attracted so much attention and soon became the topic of conversation in society circles all over the city, was made of heavy white satin in a modified directoire mode and is the creation of a Washington modiste.

Colonel Williams is one of the wealthiest men in the United States army and his daughter is one of the most popular members of Washington's younger social set.

Mrs. Leiter presented her son with the Leiter mansion in Dupont Circle, all its works of art and other furnishings, together with the Leiter silver, china and jewels and he transferred them all today after the wedding as a gift to his bride.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—The marriage of Miss Juliette Williams, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. John R. Williams to Joseph Leiter of Chicago and Washington took place today at noon at the apartment of the bride's parents in the Connecticut.

Owing to recent deaths in the families of both the contracting parties the wedding was celebrated with the greatest simplicity, less than a score of people witnessing the ceremony, which was performed by an uncle of the bride.

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NO BOOZE FOR NAVAL HEROES

Veterans of Many Banquets to Have Dry Time While Visiting Honolulu.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Honolulu, June 10.—With intoxicating liquors officers' entertainments and hula dances absolutely eliminated from the plans for the reception of the Atlantic fleet when it touches at this port next month, the "cruise of the banqueters" will be somewhat checked.

The official committee that has the reception in hand voted today to eliminate intoxicating liquor from the list of expenditures and to taboo the hula dance. This will be the first fete given here at which the famous native hula dance has not played a conspicuous part in the program.

The committee will take no official recognition of such a thing as a hula dance.

No money is to be expended by the committee for entertainment that is not in the nature of a public fete. This means that all diversions and balls for officers of the fleet are to be eliminated.

ALLEGED MURDERER ARRESTED AT CHICAGO

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, June 10.—George Thoumas, a Greek, charged with having killed George Founcotos, another Greek, at Standpoint, Washington, a year ago, is under arrest here. Chief of Police Ben H. Rice of Spokane has wired the authorities here to hold the prisoner pending further orders.

VETERANS OF INDIAN WARS IN CONVENTION

DRUNKEN MEN ARE HER ABOMINATION

Mrs. Crawford, New York's First Woman City Surgeon.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

New York, June 10.—Mrs. Mary M. Crawford, New York's first woman surgeon in the city's employ, is going to become a prohibitionist. Mrs. Crawford was assigned to duty in the Williamsburg hospital and the first case she was called upon to attend was that of a man suffering with delirium tremens. The patient carried on in such a manner that Mrs. Crawford had to shout for help, and she said his breath was like the breeze from a booze factory. That settled it—now it's anti-saloon for Mrs. Crawford.

EMPRESS FALLS FROM HORSE; SLIGHTLY HURT

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Potsdam, Prussia, June 10.—Her royal highness, the Empress Augusta Victoria, fell from her horse while riding in the park today and is reported to have been badly injured.

She was taken to her apartments and is confined to her bed. Her physicians were summoned hurriedly. It is not thought her life is in danger.

PAY INSPECTOR RYAN IN SUSPENSE

Santa Barbara, Cal., June 10.—It was learned today that the court-martial that has been investigating charges against Pay Inspector E. D. Ryan of the Pacific fleet has sent a sealed verdict in the case to Washington, and it is believed that the officer has been exonerated.

WISH HAYES BILL PASSED

Measure Will Put Men Who Fought the Redskins in Early Days on an Equality With the Veterans of Other Wars.

There are 300 survivors of the Indian wars left. Although the official count has not yet been made, it was figured that there were fully that many gathered in the convention hall of the veterans' association at the annual meeting this morning.

Considering the fact that scarcely a man in attendance upon the convention is under 70 years of age, the number of survivors and their general health is a remarkable testimonial to the strength and hardihood of the early pioneer and the healthfulness of the North Pacific coast country.

Convention Opens.

Headquarters of the Society of Indian War Veterans of the North Pacific Coast—the official title of the organization—were opened in the W. O. W. building, 128 Eleventh street, this morning and the society will hold its convention today and this evening, with the election of officers for the coming year scheduled for tonight.

This morning the veterans devoted most of their time to a discussion of the Hayes pension bill putting Indian war veterans on a footing with those of the Civil war. This noon the delegates with their wives and the widows of Indian war soldiers were given an elaborate luncheon by the Sons and Daughters of Indian war veterans. The afternoon session will be devoted to reminiscences while the hard work of the convention will be postponed until the cool of the evening.

Want Hayes Bill Passed.

There were present, of the officers of the society, Grand Commander A. G. Lloyd; Senior Grand Commander A. B. Stuart, Grand Adjutant Otto Kliemann, Grand Marshal Captain Pat Moloney, Captain of the Guard John Storan, Grand Chaplain W. D. Ewing. Those missing were Junior Vice-Commander Ed Ross and Grand Commissary-Sergeant Charles Chambreau.

What the members of the society are working for is the passage of the Hayes bill. This bill was presented to congress by Congressman Hayes of California in the interests of the veterans and widows of veterans. Under the present law the survivors of that war receive but $8 a month, and they are anxious to have this raised to the same amount as that given other pensioners. Chaplain Ewing opened the meeting with prayer, and then the business of bringing the Hayes bill before the senators and representatives was taken up. Alexander Coffee, Grand Commander Lloyd and others spoke on the bill, and it was decided that everyone there should constitute himself a committee of one to show senators and congressmen how necessary and justifiable is the bill.

Wood Monument Planned.

The treasurer reported that $46 had been collected for next year's convention and that there was on hand $40 towards the erection of a monument to F. A. Wood. It is believed that enough money will have been raised by next year to warrant the erection of the monument then.

But if resolutions and addresses and things were being given inside the hall, the real business of the annual convention was going on outside in the walk before the building or in some of the anterooms, where a dozen little groups were recounting the stories of the war. There was Comrade G. H. R. Miller of Oregon City, who has been in New York for two years but who came out to Portland this time so as to see the changes. Mr. Miller found them, too.

"When I went away we were all gray," he said, "and now the line of

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REPORT CAUSE OF EXPLOSION

Board of Inquiry Sends Result of Tennessee Investigation to Washington.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Pedro, Cal., June 10.—It was announced today that the report of the board of inquiry, appointed by Admiral Dayton to investigate the cause of the explosion on the cruiser Tennessee, has sent its report to Washington.

Nothing can be learned as to the contents of the report, the officers here saying that it must be made public in Washington.

It has been decided to subject the boilers of the cruiser to a severe speed test after the inspection has been completed. Captain Howard, Admiral Sebree and other officers of the ship will watch the action of the boilers during the speed test.

Group of Oregon Pioneers Who Took Part in the Winning of the West and Who Attended Today's Convention.

FENIAN LEADER DIES AT CHICAGO

Colonel John F. Finerty, Who Led Raid on Canada in Sixties, Passes Away.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, June 10.—Colonel John F. Finerty, one of the best known Irish-Americans in the country, and famous as a leader of the Fenian raid on Canada in the late '60s, died early today.

Colonel Finerty was 62 years old, and was born and educated in Ireland, where his father was editor of the Galway Vindicator, a nationalist organ.

When 16 years old he came to America. In 1882 he was elected to congress from Chicago. He was an eloquent speaker and lecturer, and wrote many articles in favor of Irish home rule.