

POLICE THINK THEY HAVE MURDERER OF POLTERA GIRL

RAGGED MAN WHO LORES CHILDREN

John J. Welch Arrested at San Francisco Following Attempt to Entice Three Little Girls—Suspected of Two Atrocities.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, May 29.—Believed to be the man who assaulted 6-year-old Myrtle Languerlin of this city, suspected of being the man who killed 9-year-old Anna Poltera in Los Angeles and identified as the man who this morning attempted to lure three little girls to a weed-covered lot at Seventeenth and Castro streets, John J. Welch, an eccentric character, was arrested today. He answers the description of the Los Angeles fiend who killed the little Poltera girl, and during the questioning by detectives showed a remarkable knowledge of that crime, despite his claim that he could neither read nor write. In Welch's pocket at the time of his arrest was a quantity of candy, a number of cheap trinkets that might attract the eye of a child, a paper of cayenne pepper and a bank book showing bank deposits of \$10,000 in the Hibernian and the San Francisco Savings Union banks.

Welch was captured by St. Flynn of 135 Henry street, whose little girl, Laura, 13 years old, was one of the trio whom Welch, it is alleged, approached. Flynn's daughter with two other girls of the neighborhood were on their way to a grocery store when a man, whom Welch recognized as the man who had lured three little girls to the Poltera home, and his father, who was formerly a member of the police department, took her and went in search of the stranger. They found him at Sixteenth and Castro streets leaning against a telegraph pole.

ADAM GOD GETS LONG SENTENCE

For Killing Policeman Missouri Court Gives the Fanatic 25 Years.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Kansas City, May 29.—John Sharp, a religious fanatic known to his followers as "Adam God," was today convicted of the murder of Policeman Mulane and was sentenced to serve 25 years in the state prison.

Sharp and a band of frenzied followers were holding a street meeting here December 2 and by their shouts, and a riotous crowd of curious spectators that blocked the traffic of the street. To disperse the crowd Mulane ordered Sharp to discontinue the meeting.

SECOND CLUE IN OVERLAND HOLDUP

Three Bills Found on Suspects Known to Have Been in the Mails.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Omaha, May 29.—The police declare that three bills known to have been stolen from the Overland Limited when the train was held up last Saturday night were found in the possession of the three suspects, Woods, Gordon and Torgensen, who were arrested Thursday night. This, following the discovery of eight registered mail bags in the attic of the Brown Park school, has strengthened the belief that the right men have been found and that the \$15,000 reward offered by the Union Pacific for the arrest of all three robbers may go to the local police.

BILL LEADER IMPLICATED IN MARKET

Patten's Claim of Shortage Sustained by May Wheat at \$1.34 and Millers Yelling for the Real Article at the Price.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Chicago, May 29.—May wheat went into history today, and with its going came the end of one of the most bitter fights ever waged between the billers and bears, with the statistical department of the United States with the bears.

When May wheat closed its 1908-9 career at the end of today's session at \$1.34 a bushel it proved conclusively to the world that James A. Patten was right when he estimated the wheat and barley of the United States as being far short of the requirements, and the agricultural department of the government was wrong in every particular.

RAIL MAGNATE SPEAKS CHEERILY

McCrea Says Traffic Will Swell and Extensions Will Be Built.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, May 29.—That the coming months will be characterized by a steady and gradual increase of railroad traffic is the opinion of President James McCrea of the Pennsylvania road, who arrived in this city late yesterday. McCrea is accompanied by his wife. They will remain in San Francisco a week, awaiting the arrival of their daughter from the orient.

President McCrea stated that while he conceded that the railroad boom in the near future, indications pointed to a gradual swelling of traffic totals. He said the steady growth would be followed with moderate road extensions and with consequent additions to equipment and the employment of additional operatives.

THREE REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD READ THE SUNDAY EDITION OF THE JOURNAL

FIRST—Its magazine section has something for everybody to read: stories for children, stories for students, stories for women, stories for workmen and capitalists. Two good special fiction stories in our magazine issue will be presented by Nina Speeding and Arthur E. McFarlane, also Jack Johnson's own story of his ring experiences, Boston's plans for improvements, woman's work to stamp out the great white plague, the baby that won the governor's heart, the future of the Liberty Bell, and special women's and children's pages, including the public school children's page.

SECOND—News by two leased wires and special staff of correspondents, who keep the Sunday Journal posted on big events. Hearst cable news and regular United Press cable letter. Staff correspondence from towns in the northwest.

THIRD—Sporting section that includes Saltier's sporting notes, Highland Baggerly's baseball news, Manhattan's horse news, and many other features. Best market page on the Pacific coast. Editorial section that deals with all matters of moment, vigorously and fairly.

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STREET CAR MOBBED

Motormen and Conductors Demand Increase From 21 to 25 Cents an Hour—Car Wrecked by Mob Attacking Strikebreakers.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Philadelphia, May 29.—Rioting and disorders throughout the city greeted the citizens today when they arose to find that a general strike of motormen and conductors went into effect at 4 o'clock this morning and that two thirds of the surface lines of the entire city were tied up.

A mob attacked a car on Girard avenue at Fifty-first street and stoned the passengers and crew. The windows of the car were smashed and the car was badly damaged, but no one was seriously hurt. The motorman and conductor, strikebreakers, who were the main objects of the mob's attack, were escaping. Police reserves were rushed to the scene and after a half hour of excitement order was restored.

DEFENDANT FEELS CONFIDENT

He Will Be Acquitted of Charge Accusing Him of Illegally Fencing Government Lands.

Monday will see the conclusion of the William Hanley fencing case. An argument by ex-Senator John M. Gearin, followed by the closing pleading by United States Attorney John McCurtin, and the case against the wealthy Hanley county citizen will go to the jury.

Ye Gueng, the Chinaman convicted of the murder of Lee Tai Hol, and sentenced to be hanged June 25, barely escaped being taken to the penitentiary today by Sheriff Stevens, because his attorneys had forgotten that their time was up in which to take out a certificate of probable cause on appeal.

SAVED FROM PEN

IN NICK OF TIME

Attorneys for Yee Gueng Manage to Keep Murderer in the County Jail.

Senator McCumber



Senator J. J. McCumber has taken a stand against more than one member of a family holding government positions. This is decidedly revolutionary and has created much excitement.

HANLEY CASE WILL CLOSE MONDAY

Imperial Steel Corporation Is Expected to Oppose U. S. Steel.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, May 29.—Wall street sees deep significance in the incorporation at Dover, Del., of the Imperial Steel corporation. It is believed that the new corporation, which is reported to be a merger of seven of the largest independent steel manufacturing companies, presages the growth of an organization that may prove a rival to the powerful United States Steel corporation.

Have You Read the Want Ad Section of Today's Journal

- 56 Advertise for help
- 27 Advertise for situations
- 57 Advertise furnished rooms for rent
- 144 Advertise real estate for sale
- 42 Advertise business chances
- 58 Advertise houses for rent
- 21 Advertise flats for rent
- 45 Advertise housekeeping rooms for rent

More Want Ads in The Journal than any other Portland paper

There is a Reason THINK IT OVER

WITNESSES SET AT REST FAKE STORES OF RAFFLES' FRIENDS

Miss French's Story

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Portland, Ore., May 29.—Affidavit of Miss Gertrude French, Capt. County of Multnomah, (State of Oregon), ss.
Miss Gertrude French, being duly sworn deposes and says: I am the person who captured Edward F. Girard, known as the Mysterious Mr. Raffles of The Oregon Daily Journal.

I had had no previous acquaintance with Mr. Girard, though I had seen him when he arrived at the Hotel Oregon, Portland, on Monday, May 17. From that time up to the time I identified him I was constantly seeking to capture him and his accomplice.

Martineau's Story

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Portland, Ore., May 29.—Affidavit of A. J. Martineau, Capt. County of Multnomah, (State of Oregon), ss.
A. J. Martineau, being duly sworn deposes and says: I have been living in Portland for seven months and have invested in property here, with the intention of making it my home.

I never stated to anyone that Raffles or Girard knew Miss French in Chicago and accompanied her on one occasion to a place of amusement. I never stated that she was acquainted with Raffles or Girard in Dubuque, Iowa.

RAFFLES BIDS PORTLAND GOOD-BYE

Yesterday's Adventures at Postoffice—Final Appearance on Stage of Grand Theatre—False Stories Circulated Are Denied.

Raffles at the Risk. Although Mr. Raffles, the Man of Mystery, is now free, the skating at the Oaks is to prove quite an attraction for him Sunday. He will probably spend nearly all Sunday afternoon skating. Roller skating is one of his favorite amusements and he only regrets that he was unable to give the patrons of the rink an opportunity to catch him while the reward was out. Raffles will be glad to meet you all at the skating rink Sunday afternoon. He will be glad to tell you how he did it.

GAMBLERS WILL GET THE LIMIT

Judge Serves Notice That Future Violators of Law Can Expect Harshness.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Portland, Ore., May 29.—Presiding Judge Bronnough served notice in the circuit court this morning that future violators of the gambling laws need not expect as much leniency in the future as they have recently had.

GOVERNOR NOEL RECALLS TROOPS

Opening Made for Friends of Jean Valjean to Secure a Pardon.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Jackson, Miss., May 29.—Governor Noel today recalled the troops engaged in pursuing Thomas Atkinson, convicted murderer, who escaped 20 years ago, and has become a leading citizen. The troops are convinced that the neighbors of the man have used every possible means of interfering with their search for him.

OUTDOOR OFFICE FOR HARRIMAN

Mansard Roof of New York Mansion Transformed for Summer Quarters.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, May 29.—Workmen are transforming the mansard roof of E. H. Harriman's Fifth Avenue home into a complete outdoor office. During the coming summer months anyone wishing to do business with the railroad magnate will be compelled to ascend to the roof and await his turn among the sparrows.