

SEATTLE LAWYER CHARGED WITH TAKING BRIBE

But He Is a Prominent Man and Care Will Be Taken in Investigating the Case—Can't Be Prosecuted.

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—Kenneth Mackintosh, former district attorney of King county, Wash., is in California to investigate charges made against Frank H. Holzhelmer, former first assistant district attorney at Seattle. The charges are in connection with the case against Ralph Leavitt, a wealthy automobile dealer, who was wanted in Seattle on a charge of manslaughter, he having run down and killed a street sweeper. Leavitt jumped a bond of \$1500 and went to Los Angeles. Holzhelmer, accompanied by C. B. Peyton, a special agent, went to Los Angeles to endeavor to extradite Leavitt. They returned without their prisoner. It is charged that they made only a half hearted fight.

It is said Peyton made a confession in which he said he received a sum of money for remaining inactive during the action in Los Angeles. On account of the high standing of Holzhelmer, the matter has been taken up in the most careful way, and is to be sifted to the bottom, according to Mackintosh. Mackintosh has been spending the holidays with relatives at San Jose, but now is on his way to Los Angeles to investigate the matter.

Walter S. Fulton, another former district attorney from Seattle, is also here. While he is highly interested in the Holzhelmer case, he said he was not here in connection with it, but was going to Los Angeles on account of his wife's health. When seen at the Palace hotel and asked about the case, Fulton said:

"The Holzhelmer scandal is a severe blow to the friends of the man and to the members of the bar. The charges are of such a nature that, even if true, it is doubtful if the man can be made to suffer criminally. The offense, if any was committed, was committed in California. As Holzhelmer was not an officer of California, he cannot be prosecuted for accepting a bribe here. As the bribe, if any was given, was paid in Los Angeles, Holzhelmer cannot be prosecuted in Washington."

FIVE DOLLAR CIGAR TOO MUCH FOR HIM

Chicago, Jan. 3.—A bit of good natured Yuletide play nearly resulted in a fatality at the Hotel LaSalle, when Harry Robinson, a traveling salesman from Salt Lake City, was seized with a heart attack after smoking an enormous cigar for more than two hours. Robinson was carried from a smoking room to his apartment in a faint and was only revived after two house phys-

ANTON TRUCKENBRODT



This is the man who will assist John W. Harper in creating the Rose Festival floats and decorations for this summer.

Robinson dined at the LaSalle with Tom K. Gaylor, a cattleman from Cheyenne, Wyo. When the two finished dinner they walked to a cigar counter, where Robinson discovered a box of "fat" cigars. The cigars were a foot in length and correspondingly "fat" were marked \$5 apiece.

"I'll bet you \$25," Robinson is reported to have said to Gaylor, "that you can't finish one of those big fellows."

"I'll bet you the same amount that you can't and winner to pay for the smokes," replied the cattleman.

The two big cigars were purchased, and Gaylor and Robinson sat down in a nook of the smoking room to complete the wager.

Talking of various subjects in between puffs, Gaylor and Robinson tackled their cigars. They puffed away for more than two hours. Then Robinson called for a glass of water. Before it was brought to him he fell out of his chair to the floor in a faint. Gaylor attempted unsuccessfully to revive Robinson by throwing ice water in his face. Assistant Manager Hutchings of the LaSalle summoned two physicians to the smoking room, who had the unconscious man taken to his room. It was half an hour before Robinson was able to talk.

There are 52,000 square miles of rich bituminous coal fields in the country south of Mason and Dixon line.

SPECIAL SESSION ON BANKING LAW

Oklahoma Guaranty Act Is in Danger From Courts If Not Amended.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 3.—It was stated today by a man close to the state administration that a special session of the legislature would be called January 18 to revamp the state bank guaranty law, which, even its friends admit, is in dire straits.

It is thought here today that Governor Haskell believes the ill-fated law will be discarded unless an amendment can be enacted. Decisions against the legality of compulsory guaranty laws in Kansas and Nebraska have been rendered, and Oklahoma advocates of the measure have stated that they feared a like fate here.

Lack of money in the hands of the state board of funds makes necessary a legislative session to pass a fee bill. This will not enough money to pay for a special session of the legislature, and the call is to be so worded as to allow consideration of the banking law.

INDIAN ATHLETE TO TURN EVANGELIST

Sapulpa, Okla., Jan. 3.—The ministry has gained an athletic evangelist in Paul Lepd, champion Indian pugilist and the man who made a successful tour of Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma with his all-star baseball team last season, and who, until very recently, has been attached to the office of the local Indian agency as policeman and interpreter. Land did some work in the rural districts a year ago in the interest of the Baptist church, and the Rev. T. J. Conkright, pastor of the local Baptist church, has invited him to preach from his pulpit, which invitation has been accepted. This will be his first effort in a city church.

It is thought by many that the recent "Crazy Snake war" may have caused Land to determine to enter the ministry. Chicago very soon.

FINDS \$30,000 IN RUSTY OLD SAFE

Easton, Pa., Jan. 3.—Opening an old rusty safe which had belonged to his grandfather, John D. Unangst found \$30,000, mostly in gold coin.

The safe stood in an outbuilding, and Unangst had no knowledge that it was so valuable. He resides in Bethlehem township, near this place. The report received here shows that an old man who said he was a hired man at the farm forty years ago moved the safe about that time, and then it was said to be so rusty that it was impossible to open it. An expert from the city was hired to get it open.

An English company owns the only coal mine in the Dawson City district of the Klondike.

PREFERRED STOCK OF S. P. COMPANY IS WIPE OUT

Company's Capital Is Now Represented by 3,744,518 Shares of Common Stock at \$100 Per Share.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 3.—It developed today that the preferred stock of the Southern Pacific company was wiped out with the amended articles of incorporation filed Saturday with the secretary of state of Kentucky. The company, which is a Kentucky corporation, will now have its total capital represented by common stock at \$100 par, to the number of 3,744,518 shares. The articles, as amended, read as follows:

"Of the 75,000,000 of preferred capital stock of said Southern Pacific company, heretofore authorized to be issued and consisting of 750,000 shares of the par value of \$100 each, 744,518 shares have been converted into a like number of shares of common capital stock of said Southern Pacific company and the remainder of said authorized issue of preferred stock has been redeemed or cancelled, and the total authorized capital stock of said Southern Pacific company consists of 3,744,518 shares of common stock of par value of \$100, of which 2,229,477 shares are now outstanding."

Death Roll of the Northwest

Mrs. Kola Neis' Funeral. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Albany, Or., Jan. 3.—The funeral of Mrs. Kola Neis will take place in this city from the home of her mother, Mrs. A. Schlosser, at 224 South Ferry street, on Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Neis died in Salem this morning after a long illness. She was born in Albany on December 12, 1870, and had always lived in this city until she and her husband moved to Salem a few years ago. Besides her husband she leaves a sister, Mrs. Captain M. D. Phillips of Oregon City, a brother, Harry Schlosser of Albany, and her mother, Mrs. A. Schlosser, of Albany.

Mrs. Schulermerich. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Hillsboro, Or., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Schulermerich, wife of City Councilman Edward Schulermerich, died early yesterday morning after an illness of pneumonia for about 10 days. She was 60 years of age. She leaves a husband and three sons. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of this place.

OLD ARCHIVES SHOW FATE OF DAUPHIN. Paris, Jan. 3.—According to a curious story published by the Gil Blas, the mystery of the fate of the Dauphin is revealed in a secret document preserved in the ministry of the interior, which M. Clemenceau examined prior to his resignation as premier.

Many persons believe that the Dauphin escaped from the Temple prison during the revolution and settled in Belgium, where he afterwards lived under the name of Naundorf and followed the occupation of a watchmaker. Naundorf was recognized by the British and Dutch governments as the duke of Normandy, and his descendants claimed the throne of France. Three of Naundorf's grandsons are known, respectively as Prince Jean, Prince Charles and Prince Louis Edmond, are living in Paris.

The Gil Blas declares that shortly before M. Clemenceau resigned a great lady told him that the archives of the ministry of the interior contained a paper relating the truth of the escape of the Dauphin from the Temple prison and attesting the authenticity of the Naundorf claim.

This document, known as "the red paper," was found by M. Clemenceau, who said to his informant a fortnight later:

"The document has been found and is now in my desk, where it will stay. Its contents are a state secret which I am not at liberty to disclose. I can only assure you that the truth will be revealed, and I answer for this."

MAN FIRES HOUSE; CHILDREN RESCUED. (United Press Leased Wire.) Oakland, Cal., Jan. 3.—The authorities are searching today for an unidentified man who is suspected of being responsible for the burning of the home of John Williams early Saturday. Ernestine, 7 years old, and Henry, 3, Williams' children, nearly lost their lives in the flames.

Ernestine told the police that the man entered the house through the back door, and after walking around for a few minutes, departed. A few minutes later she heard the roaring flames and, with her brother she huddled up in a corner of her bedroom, afraid to venture out into the hall.

H. A. Duncan, living half a block away, was awakened by the glare of the flames in his room, and hastened to the fire in his nightgown, knowing that Williams and his wife were visiting friends, and the children were alone in the house.

Duncan fought his way through the smoke at the back of the house and carried the two children to safety just as the flames burst through the walls of the bedroom.

JURY PLAYED CARDS; KICK ON VERDICT

New York, Jan. 3.—The attention of Judge Hensley of the circuit court in Newark, who was called to a game of pinochle played in a jury room by jurors.

It was Morris J. Schuetzman, a druggist, who called the attention of the court to the matter, when he asked to have set aside a verdict for \$200 obtained against him by Israel Ironawsky. He had sold the latter carbolic acid instead of a carbolic wash, it was alleged, and as a result Ironawsky's sore finger had to be amputated.

Schuetzman presented an affidavit from Elzemer Dunmore, who was on the jury, setting forth that eight of the jurors passed part of the time in the jury room playing pinochle, instead of listening to his argument in favor of a verdict for the defendant. Finally, he averred, he coerced him into voting for the verdict.

10-YEAR-OLD HUNTER LOSES HAND, PART OF JAW, WHEN GUN DROPS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., Jan. 3.—Clay Babb, the 10 year old son of Mrs. Louise Young, living north of Eugene, is in a serious condition in a local hospital as a result of the accidental discharge of a shotgun. Babb was hunting ducks yesterday and while climbing over a log the gun slipped and was discharged. The shot tore off Babb's right hand and most of his chin, necessitating a removal of the greater part of the lower jaw bone.

SELLS WRECKED AUTO FOR TEN DOLLAR BILL

Belleville, N. J., Jan. 3.—Because his automobile was badly battered and he needed the money to get home, A. S. Collington, of Westwood, N. Y., sold for \$10 the \$2500 machine in which he and three companions came to grief. The wrecked machine, which was smashed in collision with a truck, was purchased by a local farmer, who said that he expected to be able to use some of the machinery around the barn.

2 MEN KILLED AT ABERDEEN

Train Strikes Deaf Mute; Powder Blows Stump Through House and Kills Man.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Aberdeen, Wash., Jan. 3.—The new year began in Aberdeen with a record of two sudden and violent deaths, one of them, that of August Brookie being dramatic in the extreme. Blasting was being carried on in the woods six miles above Montesano, and a charge had been placed under an immense stump, 1000 feet away from the bunkhouse occupied by the workmen. The fuse was timed so as to give the men ample time to reach shelter before the charge exploded. Brookie and several other men were seated about the stove in the bunkhouse, when a large piece of the debris from the blast crashed through the roof, hitting and shaving one side of Brookie's head off. The force of the explosion

had carried a piece of stump over the top of the tall trunk and dropped it upon the house. Shortly before this accident, Dean Smith of Elma, a deaf mute, was killed while walking on the railroad track a short distance from Salasp by a logging train.

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