

GANG OF ITALIAN COUNTERFEITERS GET LONG TERMS

Steve Connell, Secret Service Operative, Tells of Trailing Them and of How They Operated in the East.

Steve Connell, superintendent of the northwestern division of the United States secret service, with headquarters in Portland, in an interview today brings near home the conviction of Ignazio Lupo, Giuseppe Morelle and six other Italian counterfeiters, in New York Saturday, and tells of trailing the gang.

Federal Judge Ray, in United States circuit court, Saturday, sentenced Lupo to serve 30 years in the penitentiary and fined him \$1000. Morelle, known as Morelle, was sentenced to 25 years. Others got from 15 to 18 years each. The sentences were the heaviest ever imposed on counterfeiters in the history of the country.

Lupo Was Leader.

Lupo was known as "The Bull" and as "The Wolf," Mr. Connell. "He led the gang, which did not confine its efforts to counterfeiting, but also engaged in Black Hand operations. Morelle was known in the Italian quarter as 'The Fox' and among the officers as 'Three Fingers Jack.' Two fingers of one hand were missing.

"The gang operated for years. First a \$5 national bank note of the issue of the National Iron bank of Morristown, N. J., was put in circulation. The counterfeit notes were made in Italy. Strange means of circulating the notes were taken. Members of the gang made frequent trips to Europe. Returning by steamer, they would go among the steerage passengers and exchange their money for the counterfeit Morristown notes, charging a rate of exchange lower than the banks.

"In 1907 Giuseppe Agnonne was arrested for circulating the counterfeit Morristown notes on shipboard, was convicted and is now serving out a sentence of 13 years. From steerage passengers on one of the liners he got several thousand dollars in exchange for Morristown notes. Twelve of the notes were presented for payment at a Mulberry Bend saloon by passengers.

Bad Notes Plentiful.

The influx of counterfeit notes was reported by the saloonkeeper. Agnonne was arrested in the saloon in which the notes were passed.

"When he was searched we found 2700 of which he had obtained in exchange for the notes, and a number of pieces of the counterfeit currency. Agnonne was a steamship agent of New Haven, Conn. I knew Lupo and Morelle well. Lupo has been charged with being directly responsible for the assassination of Lieutenant Petrosino, the New York Italian detective. During the time he was charged with being implicated in the famous 'barrel mystery' in New York I was with the New York secret service.

"We had broken up the circulation of the Morristown note, but the counterfeiters had got hold of a \$2 and \$5 note, also made in Italy. We were hot on their trail, and arrested Lupo and Morelle several times, but because of the fear felt for them by other Italians we were unable to convict.

Fearful Mafia.

"It was while we were working hard to break up the gang that we arrested and convicted an Italian of the name of Russo for passing the counterfeit notes. Later we discovered he had been forced to do so through fear of the Mafia. He was sent to Sing Sing prison. His son, Gattino Russo, was an intelligent Italian and lived in Pittsburgh, Pa. Hearing of the arrest and conviction of his father he first visited him in prison. The father probably told him of the operations of the gang.

"At any rate, Russo Jr. went to New York and interviewed Morelle and Lupo. We believed he threatened to expose them. Our men who were on watch during the day, noted that he was being watched and followed. Toward midnight all retired.

"About 5 o'clock the next morning, a woman walking down Avenue D saw a barrel, with a coat thrown over the top, standing in the roadway. When she pulled the coat from the barrel, she gasped at the head and trunk of a man, one covered from the other, crammed in the compartment.

Identify Russo.

"Later in the day the secret service operatives identified the man as Russo, who had been drinking with Lupo, Morelle and others of the gang the day before. The trunk was filled with bullet wounds. The barrel was traced to a grocery store where Lupo and his gang

WRITES OF THE IDLE RICH



Frederick Townsend Martin.

(Publishers Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Feb. 22.—Frederick Townsend Martin, the well known society man of this city, who has just made a tour of the country to learn the prevailing sentiment in regard to the United

States buying its embassy in the various European capitals, is completing a remarkable book which soon will be published under the title of "The Passing of the Idle Rich." Mr. Martin is well qualified to write on this subject, and his book is awaited with interest

QUEER DANCES MAY BE BARRED

However, License Committee Declines to Revoke License of Notorious Dancehall.

The "moonlight glide," the "turkey walk," and the "rag step" may be barred from dance halls by ordinance as the result of the refusal of the license committee of the city council yesterday afternoon to revoke the license of the Maple Leaf, a notorious 5-cent dancing pavilion on upper Washington street.

Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, head of the department of public safety for women, an auxiliary of the police department, asked Mayor Simon some weeks ago if he could not bring about the closing of the cheap dance halls of the city. The mayor, upon the perusal of reports from the police and from Mrs. Baldwin, promised to aid in suppressing the terpsichorean resorts.

He gave orders for the police to inspect these places carefully and report to him. They did and their reports were submitted to the license committee yesterday, but the proprietor of the Maple Leaf came down to the city hall and made a tearful plea.

Councilman Wallace then asked Deputy City Attorney Grant to draft an ordinance proscribing the dances which were mentioned and which are said to be immoral and shocking, even to the police.

made their headquarters. A pawn ticket for the dead man's watch, which had been pawned the morning following the murder, was found in the possession of one of the members of the gang. Notwithstanding the preponderance of evidence, none of the members of the gang were convicted by the police. Three members of the gang have since been killed by friends of the dead man.

"With the conviction of Lupo, Morelle and the others, the most dangerous Italian counterfeiting and Black Hand gang in the United States has been broken up."

FERMENTATION OF FOOD CAUSES STOMACH SICKNESS

Mi-o-na Relieve All Distress in a Few Minutes—Cure Chronic Indigestion.

That lump of lead at pit of stomach will melt away, and all stomach distress will vanish in five minutes when Mi-o-na stomach tablets are taken.

If you have stomach trouble, no matter from what cause, always remember that Mi-o-na stomach tablets will cleanse and renovate your stomach, and put it in fine shape quicker than anything else in the world.

If you belch gas, have heartburn, or sour stomach, you need Mi-o-na. If your stomach feels rebellious after a night of sociability, two Mi-o-na tablets will hold it down where it belongs.

If you have shortness of breath, pain in stomach, waterbrash, or foul breath, you need Mi-o-na, and the sooner you get it the sooner your stomach will be in perfect condition.

Mi-o-na is guaranteed to cure indigestion or any stomach trouble, or money back. It is not a makeshift remedy, but is a stomach tonic and up-builder that, taken regularly, will make the stomach strong and healthy. It builds up the nerves, puts red blood in the veins, and stops headaches and all nervousness.

Try Mi-o-na stomach tablets for any stomach trouble; they will never disappoint you—they never fail. Price is only 50 cents for a large box at drug-gists everywhere, and at Woodard, Clarke & Co. Mail orders filled by Booth's Mi-o-na, Buffalo, N. Y. Booth's Pills for constipation, 25c.

PARIS' GUESS AT COST OF LIVING

Attributes It to Tariff—Defeat of G. O. P. at Next Election Predicted.

Paris, Feb. 22.—Leading politicians here who have watched the trend of political events in the United States declare that they believe the present high cost of living in America to be due to the recent tariff law passed by the congress of the United States.

Incidentally Parisian dailies have predicted the defeat of the Republican party at the next general election in the United States because of the enactment of the tariff. Moreover, the papers assert that in case of a tariff war with the United States France will not be huffed into giving the minimum tariff rates to America, as was Germany.

A prominent daily declares that a tariff war with France would serve to emphasize the iniquities of the American tariff and would change the complexion of the house of representatives at the coming election.

The declarations of the papers are assumed to represent the government's attitude and indicate that a settlement of the tariff difficulties between the nations is highly improbable.

Don't Neglect Your Kidneys and Bladder

Symptoms Such as These Almost Surely Mean Kidney and Bladder Disease.

Painful lame and aching back, rheumatic twinges and shooting, knife-like pains in the back and groin, dull dragging weariness, inability to stoop over or to lift anything, nausea, faint spells, heart palpitation and weakness, sediment in urine, scalding sensation, etc.

When you observe any of these symptoms, as above, you may rest assured that it is very dangerous to neglect them. So dangerous, in fact, are diseases of the kidneys and bladder, that they frequently terminate in death—with little warning to the victim.

The extremely fatal character of these maladies is due to the uric acid poison in the system—which the weak and ailing kidneys and bladder cannot expel. And when uric acid is allowed to remain in the system it leads, sooner or later, to grave conditions.

DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills have quickly and effectually removed all conditions which lead to these alarming diseases. In thousands of cases where these pills have been given a trial, they are wonderfully prompt and efficacious in action—thoroughly antiseptic, soothing and healing, and contain no opiates or narcotics.

E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago, Ill., want every man and woman who have the least suspicion that they are afflicted with kidney and bladder diseases to at once write them, and a trial box of these Pills will be sent free by return mail postpaid. Do it today.

"FRESH" EGG IS 6 YEARS OF AGE

Tastes Good but Trade Mark Leads to Its Former Habitation and Ownership.

Seattle, Feb. 22.—Eggs six years old are not usually accounted delicate, but William Woolley of Green Lake ate such an egg and today declares it was as fresh as any he ever tasted. In purchasing a dozen "fresh ranch eggs" from his grocer two weeks ago, Mr. Woolley noticed one with a rubber stamp impression reading, "Mary Beebe, Aberkande, Pa." He noticed part of the "M" in Mary was indistinct. Curious to know the early history of the hen-ery product he wrote to Pennsylvania and received the following reply:

"I have your letter about the egg, and I hardly know whether you are in earnest or not. I have not been in the egg business for six years. I was a girl when I sold stamped eggs to the wholesaler here and I have been married and have five children since then, which are keeping me busy. I can tell you, I suppose, it must have been treated by the methods of some enterprising produce dealer. I will thank you if you will notice that part of the 'M' is missing. If it is it is my stamp, and the egg is six or more years old. Please let me know about this and I will have it put in every home paper."

SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR THREE YEARS

Three years in the penitentiary was the sentence imposed on Costanzo Raffaello by Judge Bronaugh in the circuit court yesterday afternoon. Raffaello, having no money, was sent to the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon on Pasquale Serafino.

Judge Bronaugh said he was unable to grant a parole because of the circumstances of the case. Serafino was shot twice by Raffaello on November 19, during the progress of a quarrel. The court said that there is no excuse for carrying a gun, especially in a city, and such a practice is to be discouraged by the courts when gun users come before them.

AFTER TWO YEARS, TOLEDO MILL RESUMES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Toledo, O., Feb. 22.—The Elm and Spruce Sawmill company resumed operations Monday morning, after an idleness of two years. The capacity of the mill is 50,000 feet a day. It employs 30 men. The logging railroad and camps employ about 40 men. The company has ordered a 20-ton locomotive and two donkey engines.

Enumerators for Albany Chosen.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Albany, O., Feb. 22.—Acting upon authority delegated by F. J. Hendricks, United States census director for the First district of Oregon, and choosing from a list of names of 14 persons who on February 3 passed the examination for census enumerators, the board of directors of the Albany Commercial club on Saturday evening elected J. Golns, P. R. Conn, J. Powell and J. W. Fonger as enumerators for Albany, Price and East and West Albany.

A SIMPLE HOME REMEDY

The New Remedy, Salgrene, for Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble, Daily Growing more Popular.

Olive oil is an old and tested remedy for almost all kinds and all classes of diseases. Salgrene, mixed with four ounces of olive oil makes an invaluable remedy for lumbago, kidney trouble and rheumatism. It is especially recommended in cases of kidney trouble, as it contains absolutely no alcohol, alcohol being irritant to the kidneys. Full directions will be found on bottle.

Our Policy in the Sale of Neah-kah-nie Mountain

Not a word will be allowed in an advertisement that in any way conveys a false impression.

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In the illustrations that will be used in advertising Neah-kah-nie Mountain, a feature will be observed that has been somewhat ignored by other companies—not a picture will be shown, save those actually taken on the property or taken of it from another point.

Neah-kah-nie is picturesque. Gifford spent two weeks on the property, vowing that he could spend three times as long and still not be able to exhaust the subjects at hand.

Gifford's pictures are on exhibition at our office daily. Many of them have been enlarged and show a portion of the Oregon coast that has been overlooked for many years.

Call and see the pictures.

J. W. Ferguson, Jr.

209-210-211 Board of Trade Building

Laurelhurst is from 5 to 10 minutes closer in than other residence additions now on sale

Take Rose City Park or Montavilla cars to Property Office on grounds.

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