

RUEF'S LAWYERS SEEK LOOPHOLE FOR CURLY BOSS

Will Apply for Rehearing on Maxim That "Court Should Not by Own Acts Injure Any Person."

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
San Francisco, March 13.—The attorneys for Abraham Ruef held a consultation Saturday as a result of which it was announced that it had been decided to apply to the supreme court for a rehearing of the order vacating the original order of rehearing on Wednesday or Thursday next. According to Attorney George B. Keane, the petition will be based upon the ancient legal maxim which reads, "actus curiae neminem gravabit," or, in English, "A court should not, by its own acts, injure any person."

"Our petition," said Keane, "will be based mainly upon the claim that the court, by its own acts, rendered its decision granting our client a rehearing null and void. It is an old axiom in common law that a petitioner should not suffer by the mistakes of the court itself. The petition will be considered by the justices in chambers and they will announce their decision in a few days."

Many interested in Ruef.
"I am greatly surprised at the number of persons who have come out in favor of our client since his incarceration in San Quentin," continued Keane. "Persons who, prior to his trip across the bay, were his strongest opponents, have communicated with me and the other legal advisers of Ruef, and have told us that they will favor any move which is made to obtain his liberty on parole or by direct pardon from the governor."

Meanwhile Ruef continues his labors in the jute mill at San Quentin prison. He shows that he will have no trouble in adopting himself to the manual labor required of him at the prison. He is now familiar with the big machine in front of him and understands his work well.
Ruef Good Workman.
His fingers fly over the rapidly running threads with a precision and nimbleness which means that no broken or imperfect threads will find their way into the spools in his machine.
If Ruef does not like the jute mill no one has ever heard his complaint about it. He is cheerful and his mind throughout the day is on his work. Several days' growth of beard is now on his face and it will be worse before he is allowed to visit the prison barber shop. Members of the jute mill gang are allotted only a shave a week. The prison fare seems to agree with the "curly boss," as he takes his three meals a day with evident relish. The food is served in tin cups and on tin plates.

COL. TRUMBO WILL LOSE ART GALLERY

Handsome Home of One-Time Millionaire Taken by Bank; Shock May Kill Him.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
San Francisco, March 13.—Colonel Isaac Trumbo, one time millionaire mining man and promoter, and possessor of the finest art gallery in the west, has come to the end of his financial tether.

The last of a long series of reverses came when the German bank foreclosed on his handsome home at Sutter and Octavia streets and Trumbo, feeble and ailing, was removed by servants to another domicile.
Meanwhile the handsome picture collection, including masterpieces by Millet, Meissonier, Rosa Bonheur and other famous artists, has been taken to auction rooms where they are to go under the hammer at last. Trumbo's friends believe this sale may hasten his end, as hitherto nothing could induce him to part with the pictures. They are worth nearly \$500,000.

DISTRICT CONVENTION OF K. OF P.'S AT HOOD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Hood River, Or., March 13.—The largest district convention ever held by the K. of P. lodge was concluded Friday by a sumptuous banquet. A large number of out-of-town visitors were present. Judge W. L. Bradshaw of The Dalles, grand representative, presided at the convention. L. M. Carl of Albany, Judge Morrow, Judge Coker, Frank L. Grant and Gus Moser of Portland, D. E. Yoran, grand chancellor of Oregon, of Eugene, Lew Stinson, Frank Wrightman of Salem, J. B. E. Bourne of Rainier and several noted lodge men of the Cascade Range and The Dalles were in attendance and delivered addresses. Nearly 200 were present at the banquet. The Hood River lodge is one of the largest in the state and entertained the convention in a royal manner.

MILWAUKEE ROAD IS AGAINST STONE WALL

Spokane, March 13.—By failure to secure the property of the St. Paul-Lumber company near Coeur d'Alene, the Milwaukee railway is balked in its development work between that place and Spokane. The Milwaukee anticipated having trains running between these cities by April 1. The right of way line cuts directly through the center of the lumber mill and would necessitate the abandonment of the plans if the 200 feet wanted by the road is acquired. A huge offer has been declined.

Five Generations Represented



(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, March 13.—Through the photographs of the representatives of four generations of one family are not unusual, it is seldom that five generations of the same family are brought together. All the members of this family are living, all in the Willamette valley in close proximity to Salem, and are in good health. They are reading from right to left (top row): Dr. S. S. Skiff, age 25 years; Mrs. Mary Skiff, aged 66 years; (lower row), Mrs. Elizabeth Gardner, aged 90 years, mother of Mrs. Skiff, Alma Irene Skiff, aged 1 year, daughter of Dr. S. S. Skiff, and Dr. Will S. Skiff, aged 48 years, father of Dr. Skiff, son of Mrs. Mary Skiff, grandfather to Irene Alicia Skiff and grandson of Mrs. Gardner. The doctors Skiff, father and son, are practicing dentists of Salem.

STOCK QUOTATIONS SENT BY WIRELESS

San Francisco Brokers Use New Method When Regular Wires Fail.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, March 13.—Quite a sensation was sprung on the local financial community Saturday with a brokerage firm, a member of the New York Stock exchange, operated a wireless telegraph circuit to transmit regular business. Due to the severe storms, this firm's eastern wire was laid out in the Sierras and their southern wire was also in trouble near Los Angeles. Through the medium of private wire, connections between the local office and a wireless station at the ocean beach and connections between the Los Angeles office and the wireless station in the southern city, communication was restored between this city and Los Angeles, and reports and quotations were received in this city.
This event marks a new epoch in the history of wireless telegraphy, for it opens up a new field for wireless operation. The wireless telegraph has been operated in a commercial extent to a satisfactory degree and has also been used to excellent advantage for communication with ships at sea, but so far as known, until yesterday it had never been put to a practical test by a broker.

"JACK THE GRABBER" FRIGHTENS PENDLETON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Pendleton, Or., March 13.—Pendleton women are alarmed over the presence of a "Jack the Grabber" in their midst, who attacks women who happen along on the streets after dark. On both Wednesday and Thursday nights such attacks were made both in the same vicinity within four blocks of Main street and under the light of a full moon and arc light.
One of the young ladies attacked was a high school student and the other a teacher in the graded schools. The former was pursued by a burly ruffian but escaped by dashing into a neighboring house, but the latter did not fare as well. She was seized and thrown to the ground by her assailant but managed to scream once before a rough hand was clapped over her mouth. Fortunately the scream was heard and the fellow disappeared when approaching footsteps were heard.
The police have been notified and are greatly wrought up over the affairs. They believe from the descriptions furnished by the ladies that the fiend is a Greek or some other foreigner.

HOOD TAXPAYERS SAY TAXES UNEQUAL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Hood River, Or., March 13.—The circuit court for Hood River county convened Saturday with Judge Bradshaw presiding. The case of the taxpayers of the city of Hood River, through their attorney, S. Stark, was heard by the court and taken under advisement. The taxpayers allege that the assessments levied on the State street improvements were exorbitant and unequal, and will seek to recover from the city. The case will be of great interest to the citizens of Hood River, as the street improvements made heretofore in this city have been made on the same plan as the one in question.

Seek Murderous Soldier

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Spokane, Wash., March 13.—Search is being conducted along the Canadian frontier for Anthony Porter, a negro soldier, who in a drunken rage mortally wounded Corporal Joseph Boyd at Fort-George Wright barracks here Thursday night. Local authorities were notified by Constable Pyper of Lethbridge that a negro in soldier's uniform and answering Porter's description was seen there early this morning. Police here immediately wired western Washington authorities to make an effort to capture the suspect.

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PEST HOUSE AT SEATTLE GRILLED

Physician Incarcerated at the Place Says Conditions Revolting, Inhuman.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Seattle, Wash., March 13.—That the Seattle pesthouse is a disgrace to this city and unfit as a place for the treatment of humane beings afflicted with contagious diseases, is the statement of Dr. L. A. McClanahan, a well known local physician who has just recovered from an attack of smallpox and who in an interview made serious charges against the city's health department.
"The conditions that exist at the place, provided by for the taxpayers of Seattle for the treatment of pestilential diseases is revolting and human beings are housed more like cattle than otherwise," said Dr. McClanahan.
"The building is little or no better than a cow shed. My room consisted of an imitation of a bed, a mattress consisted of bunches of excelsior and the blankets were fairly good. A little wood stove in a corner furnished the heat, a small wooden table, rotten and rickety, completed the furnishings of that room, excepting a small tin wash pan.
"The pesthouse itself is a filthy, fragile and unsanitary building of wood, lath and plaster poorly constructed, with the plaster coming clear down to the floor.
"The smallpox patients, male and female, old and young, black and white, are forced to use the only bathroom. There is no hot water. All water for washing must be warmed on the stoves in the individual rooms.
"The unfortunate patients are forced to eat from the commonest sort of crockery, with the cheapest sort of iron handled knives and forks and spoons. Table cloths consisted of a tacked down spread of oilcloth. I never saw either a toothpick or a napkin during all my stay there."

FLOOD GIVES WIFE \$1,000,000 HOUSE

Beautiful Mansion in Menlo Park Deeded to Maud Lee Flood.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
San Francisco, March 13.—James L. Flood, multimillionaire clubman and auto enthusiast, has deeded to his wife, Maud Lee Flood, the Flood mansion and estate in Menlo park, valued at more than \$1,000,000. The residence has had a prominent place in the history of California. Erected in the early seventies, it is one of the most beautiful country homes in the west.
Several months ago the clubman purchased an adjoining tract which was being cut up into lots, at a cost of \$250,000 to preserve the view of his home. The Flood garage is ranked as one of the best equipped in the United States.

DR. WM. H. FOULKES BIDS HIS FAREWELLS

Dr. William Hiram Foulkes, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, delivered farewell messages to both the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations yesterday afternoon. He spoke twice to his own congregation. "God is able to keep" was the subject of his address to the Y. M. C. A. Dr. Foulkes returned Friday evening from New York where he has made all preparations to assume the pastorate of Rutgers church. He expects to leave Portland permanently on March 27.

PACK POTATOES IN BOXES, GROWERS' PLAN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Dayton, Wash., March 13.—"The old order changeth." Now comes Touchet valley potato growers to the front with the plan to pack inland Empire potatoes in boxes. It is figured that much profitable advertising would thus be given and that potatoes could be kept in better condition and sell better. It is a universal custom to handle

"spuds" in sacks like grain—in fact placed in boxes would look out of place to the average American. This is just why growers here propose to ship this year's crop of "spuds" in boxes labeled "Touchet Valley Potatoes, Dayton, Wash." It is estimated that while boxes will cost more, the loss will be

more than made up to the individual grower and to this community. Potatoes grown in eastern Washington and Oregon have won highest awards at the large fairs and expositions. "Give our product distinction" cry the growers and so a custom centuries old may be revolutionized. An acreage

(twice as large as ever before grown here will be planted this spring. To Try Alleged Murderer. Spokane, Wash., March 13.—A jury was secured Saturday at Coeur d'Alene to try J. M. McDowell, of Springton, for murdering his wife by poisoning early

in the fall. McDowell's son will give the most damaging evidence in the case. It is declared. McDowell was courted another woman here just prior to the crime. Mrs. McDowell was found dead from laudanum poisoning the morning after McDowell's return to his home in Springton for an over night visit.

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