

SAFE CRACKSMAN IS CAPTURED BY POLICE; INSANITY IS PLEADED

Milton McDowall Tries to Rob Machinery Company; Dynamite Sticks Found.



Milton McDowall.

Milton McDowall, 52 years old, a laborer, cracked the safe in the Farguhar Machinery company at 208 East Salmon street at 2:10 this morning, and was captured an hour later while hiding behind a wagon cover at the foot of East Main street. He pleaded insanity. A felony charge was filed against him.

McDowall recently worked for the Hammond Lumber company, and lodged at the Revere hotel, First and Madison streets, where the detectives found five sticks of giant powder.

Residents in the vicinity of the machinery company were awakened shortly after 2 o'clock by a terrific explosion, and Police Sergeants Van Overn and Robson, with Patrolmen Rabin, P. J., and Special Officer Andrews went to the scene. The latter officer turned his search light in the building and saw McDowall at work picking up articles in the wrecked office. A little later, the man dashed out a side door, running toward the river. Patrolman Ferry fired five shots at the man, but none took effect.

Man Is Captured.

The officers then began a search of the river front. Sergeant Robson and Patrolman Ford were near a wagon cover at the foot of East Main street, when the patrolman saw McDowall living beside the cover. They commanded him to get up, which he did, and submitted to a search. He had no revolver, but had emptied his pockets under the wagon cover, where the officers found a quantity of cigars, stamps and few pocket articles.

"I'm crazy," replied McDowall, when caught. "At first I thought I would commit suicide, but before doing that concluded to take a chance on blowing open the safe."

Detectives Coleman and Snow were called to take up the investigation and searched the man's room. They gained admission from him that he sought money in the safe, although he had obtained none of it. He told the detectives he spent one year in the in-

PORTLAND WOMAN IS CHARGED WITH FRAUD

Mrs. Helen N. Geren Arrested in San Francisco; Also Awaits Trial Here.

San Francisco, Jan. 30.—Mrs. Helen Geren of Portland was arrested, charged with swindling Thomas Popham, former ferryboat captain at Kalamia, Wash., and Mary J. Flynn out of \$5000 and \$2000 respectively by borrowing from them on real estate she claimed to own.

Helen N. Geren, who is to be tried next week with J. H. Tipton and R. L. Mathison in Circuit Judge Gatson's court for fraudulent real estate deals, is alleged by Henry Robertson, a San Francisco resident, to have played the same game on him in San Francisco while she was on bail waiting trial. Robertson told District Attorney Evans that Mrs. Geren traded two lots in Portland residence districts to him for 80 acres of land in California and that he found she had no title to the lots.

Attorney W. J. Makellin, to whom Robertson went on his arrival here, said that he telegraphed to San Francisco after Robertson had told his story and found Mrs. Geren had not yet received the deed to the farm, but that she was preparing to trade the farm for an apartment house there. He said she returned the deed and that Robertson recovered all but a small sum of money. He said a criminal prosecution might be started in California.

Dynamite Cap Found.

The damage to the office is about \$300. The man then ransacked the desks, taking the cigars and stamps. He had a few dynamite caps in his pockets when arrested. Several letters were also found on him from a woman, whom McDowall claimed had "thrown him down." He gave this also as a reason for turning crook. McDowall is unmarried.

May Change Time Card.

Operating and traffic officials of the O. W. R. & N. are holding a meeting this afternoon to confer on a new time card, made desirable by the recent changes in transcontinental service eastward from Spokane. The meeting is the first called on that subject and it is considered improbable that any conclusion will be reached at once. It is understood that the Spokane division only will be affected by any changes that may be made, as recent changes in the Columbia river lines have worked out with fair satisfaction.

Earthquake Is Recorded.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Scientists were speculating today as to the exact whereabouts of a strong earthquake shock recorded last night by the Georgetown university seismograph. Father Orndorff, the observer, said the record began at 10:55 and ended at 11:44 p. m.

WORKING HOURS FOR FIREMEN, POLICEMEN, QUESTION IN COURT

Shall Officer Halt on Burglar's Trail When Official Day Is Ended?

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Jan. 30.—The question of whether the eight hour law applies to firemen and policemen is now before the supreme court. Arguments were made today in the habeas corpus proceedings brought by Mayor H. R. Albee of Portland to test the interpretation put upon the law by State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff, who caused Mayor Albee's arrest on the charge that he was employing firemen and policemen more than eight hours a day.

An array of attorneys appeared on both sides of the case. City Attorney La Roche and Deputy Mayor E. L. Lottouette appeared for Mayor Albee and in opposition to Hoff's application of the law. W. D. Fenton, appearing as a friend of the court, made a strong argument against the law, while Senator John A. Carson, representing the Oregon Underwriters, was on the same side of the case.

Hoff Was Supporters.

Supporting Hoff's interpretation of the law were Assistant Attorney General James W. Crawford, representing Hoff; Colonel C. E. S. Wood, representing the Portland firemen; Deputy District Attorney Maguire, and William Lord, representing certain firemen. Lord raised the question of the jurisdiction of the court on the ground that facts were submitted by stipulation that he contended should be established by evidence.

City Attorney La Roche based his argument on three points; namely: that the labor statute applies to labor employed by the state, etc., and not to officials occupying official positions, which he said was the classification of the policemen and firemen; that neither the policemen nor firemen labor more than eight hours a day, and the law therefore has not been violated; and that insofar as the statute applies to municipalities it is unconstitutional.

Cites the Law.

Citing the language of the law, he said: "Cases where labor is employed," has no application to policemen and firemen, because these men occupy positions which are created by law, and not by contract or agreement of employment. He pointed out the absurdity of a condition where a police officer pursuing a burglar would have to stop at the expiration of his eight hours, or of a fireman in the midst of fighting a fire who would be required to discontinue his work at the expiration of his limited day.

He contended that the firemen do not work over six or seven hours a day, except in cases of emergencies caused by a fire, although they are subject to a call to duty 24 hours of a day.

"We have no complaint against the statute as applicable to the state," he said. "But we maintain that the state cannot specify the terms upon which the municipal corporations in the state shall contract. The right and power to contract is a corporate right and not a governmental matter."

Intensions of Legislature.

He said the legislature did not intend and could not intend this law to apply to firemen and policemen. He said the law is a criminal statute and the meaning given it has been read into it without justification. He said to hold it applied to firemen and policemen would mean practically 50 per cent increase in the cost of maintaining such departments in all the cities in the state affected.

Assistant Attorney General James W. Crawford insisted that the term labor in the statute was used in its widest sense, and applied to mental as well as physical labor employed by the state or a municipal subdivision. He said firemen were not officers, but even if they were held to be officers the law would apply to them just the same. He argued that the law applied to all state and municipal employees.

"In our day a judicial decision that attempts to place property before human beings is sure to crumble," is the way Colonel Wood stated the situation. He said the children of men were still being born, in some places so fast that they have to go to the factories and the mines in order to exist, and that the state has a right to legislate for the regulation of their hours of labor. He said the cry that taxes would be higher had no effect on him, because unless the rate is to go down taxes will continue to go higher and higher.

He dwelt upon the fact that firemen are on duty seven days out of eight, 24 hours a day, and that if they are not permitted to go more than 100 feet from the fire stations. He said if it was not in the mind of the legislators to include firemen and policemen in the scope of the law, it ought to have been. He said policemen may be called officers but they are also laborers, and he said all the work that firemen do is classed as labor.

This law was passed on the theory that the state must take care of humanity, he declared.

Attorney Fenton said he appeared in the case because it was opposed to this character of legislation. He said the individuals' interests were best taken care of by the greatest liberty, not only as to morals, but as to labor. He argued also that the law was unconstitutional so far as applying to municipalities because it impaired the independent right of cities to contract.

S. P. Brakeman Acquitted.

Frank Guyer, Southern Pacific brakeman, on trial at Redding, Cal., for shooting Walter Ban, alleged to have been a stagecoach driver, was acquitted today for lack of evidence, according to advices received by General Superintendent D. W. Campbell, Guyer, after the encounter at Delta, Cal., continued to Redding, where he was arrested. The shooting occurred last November.

May Build Sawmill.

H. O. Seyffert of Des Moines, Iowa, a wealthy lumberman, and S. A. Buck, former president of the Monroe Mill company of Monroe, Wash., are in Portland today on their way to southern Oregon, where they have large timber holdings. They expect to make a thorough inspection, with the possibility of establishing a new mill to develop the lumber.

Track Meet at Castlerock.

Kelso, Wash., Jan. 30.—The principles of the Cowitt county schools have arranged for the next track and field meet to take place at Castlerock early in May. The event was held at Woodland last year.

Journal Wants Ads bring results.

Saturday--LAST Day of the January Clearance and White Sale

Lipman Wolfe & Co
"Merchandise of Merit Only"

GRADUATION
GIFT BOOKS
Mezzanine Floor



This Closing Sale of
Misses' and Girls' Apparel

Offers the Most
Remarkable Buying
Opportunity in High-Grade
Ready-to-Wear
Garments
That Has Taken Place for
Some Time

Children's \$4.50 Corduroy and Cloth Coats, Clearance \$1.25

Sizes 2 to 5 years

Juniors' Suits, Clearance \$12.50 to \$42.50

That Regularly Sell for \$25.00 to \$57.00

Ages 15 to 17 years

Juniors' \$9.00 to \$12.75 School Dresses, Clearance \$6.45

Sizes 13 to 17 years

In plain colors and combinations

Junior Sport Coats for School Wear, Clearance \$9.95, \$12.95

Sizes 13 to 17 years, Regular \$16.50 to \$20

Serge Dresses for Children, Clearance \$3.45

Were priced up to \$9.50—Ages 6 to 14 years

Children's Challie and Serge Dresses, Clearance \$4.95, \$5.95

Of serge and challie that were \$6.95 to \$10

Children's Wash Dresses, Clearance 59c

Regular 75c and 85c—2 to 6 years

Odds and Ends of Children's Rompers, Clearance 49c

Usually selling at 65c to 85c—3 to 6 years

Girls' \$2.00 Corduroy and Cloth Hats, Clearance 50c

Sizes from 2 to 6 years

Children's Tailored Hats, Clearance 98c

Of velvet and corduroy

Children's Imported Hats, Clearance \$1.00 to \$9.00

Novelty Styles That Were \$2.00 to \$18.50

—Fourth Floor

Clearance of All Hair Goods

At One-Third Reduction

\$24.95 Gray Switches, Clearance \$16.65

—These switches are full 24 inches long, made of pure cut convent hair, mounted on short stems.

Switches that are regular \$7.95, \$14.95 and \$24.95—Clearance \$5.30, \$9.98, \$16.65

—Switches in plain shades of pure cut hair, 26 inches long—natural wave.

\$1.95 to \$22.50 Transformations \$1.30 to \$14.95

—These transformations are for all around the head, which can be worn on the outside as well as underneath. In all shades, including gray.



—Mezzanine Floor

The Most Eventful Clearance
Sale of Shoes

For Misses, Boys and Children

Is Now in Full Swing



—Here you will find the finest of children's shoes that were selected from our regular stocks. For misses and children you will find dull calf shoes for school wear and boys' patent colt and dull calf shoes for dress and school wear.

For Misses and Children

—Patent colt button shoes with dull kid or cloth tops which are priced according to sizes.

Clearance \$2.15, \$1.95, \$1.75 and \$1.45

FOR MISSSES

—Kid button shoes with strong soles and patent leather tips.

Clearance \$1.95 and \$1.50

FOR CHILDREN AND MISSSES

—Gun metal calf button shoes.

Clearance \$2.15, \$1.95, \$1.75 and \$1.45

FOR BOYS

—Patent colt and gunmetal calf blucher lace shoes made over high toe lasts, smooth inside finish, no tacks, Goodyear welt sewed soles. Clearance \$2.35.

LITTLE BOYS

—Tan grain loggers on the nature shape toe, double soles, reinforced seams. Sizes 10 to 13, Clearance \$2.45.

—Basement

Hosiery Cleanup Sale

25c and 35c Women's Stockings

Clearance 18c

—Of black wool, seamless, two weights—of black or tan cotton—of black or white silk lisle.

35c and 50c Women's Hose

Clearance 24c

—Silk lisle in black, white or tan; black cashmere, seamless, two weights—black ribbed cashmere.

50c and 65c Women's Stockings

Clearance 35c

—Full fashioned black cotton hose—of silk lisle in black or tan—of cotton in fancy designs—silk plated hose in fast black.

75c Hose Clearance 50c

—Black silk lisle, trunk top (wide), full fashioned—also in fine black cotton.

60c and 65c Women's Stockings

Clearance 43c

—Of silk lisle, fine gauge, in black with lavender top.

\$1.25 and \$1.50 Silk Hose

Clearance 83c

—Of thread silk, in black, pink, coral, emerald, orange, wistaria and other shades.

25c Children's Stockings

Clearance 17c

—Silk plated, fine ribbed, in white, tan, brown, sky, pink or cardinal. Also of cashmere, in white, tan, sky and cardinal.

25c and 35c Children's Stockings

Clearance 15c

—Black cashmere, seamless, fine ribbed, full and elastic for boys and girls.

—First Floor

MEN

An Unusual Price Is Now in Force

On Some New Spring Shirts

That Sell Regularly at \$1.50

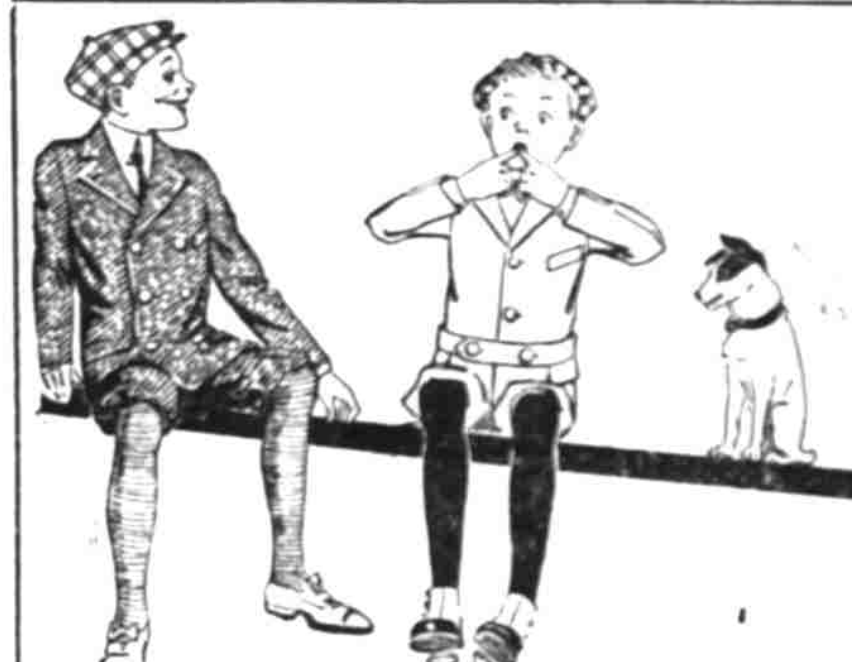
Clearance \$1.15

—New Spring shirts made with plain or pleated bosoms shown in the newest styles and colorings that are brought out for Spring wear. They are made of French percale and madras. Included in this assortment will also be found many styles of plain white shirts made with pleated and plain bosoms.

Men's Neckwear 55c

—Shown in all the new plain colors—an exceptionally fine quality of bordered rep., rich in colorings and woven especially for wear.

—First Floor



By Taking Advantage of This

Final Clearance Sale Saturday

You Will Be Able to Dress Your

Small Son in the Smartest Togs

At the Lowest of the Year Prices

Boys' One and Two-Pants Suits

Clearance \$5.00—Were \$6.50 to \$8.50

Ages 6 to 18 years

—Norfolk and sack styles, in checks, diagonals, herringbones and fancy mixtures in brown, tan, gray and blue mixtures. Also corduroys in brown and mouse. Norfolk style is made with knife or box pleats. Pants are full lined, with taped seams. Extra well made and perfect fitting suits.

Overcoats for Boys From 3 to 18 Years

Regular \$ 6.50 to \$ 7.50—Clearance \$ 4.95

Regular \$ 8.50 to \$10.00—Clearance \$ 6.95

Regular \$10.50 to \$12.50—Clearance \$ 7.95

Regular \$13.50 to \$15.00—Clearance \$ 9.95

Regular \$16.50 to \$20.00—Clearance \$12.95

—Our entire stock of boys' fine overcoats, including fancy mixed fabrics and chinchillas, in box style with full or half belts, in Russian style or with convertible or shawl collars—and patch pockets. Full and quarter lined.

Boys' Fine Navy Blue Serge and Cheviot

Suits, Clearance \$5.00 to \$11.95

—Made of extra quality blue serge and cheviot, in Norfolk or sack style. Pants full lined—taped seams. Extra well made and perfect fitting. Ages 6 to 18 years.

Boys' Hats, Clearance 42c, 98c, \$1.39 to \$3.98

All shapes—full range of colors. Ages 2 to 16 years

Raincoats for Boys

—From 6 to 18 years of age.

Regular \$ 7.50—Clearance \$4.95

Regular \$ 9.00 to \$10.00—Clearance \$6.95

Regular \$12.00 to \$12.50—Clearance \$7.95

—Plain tan cloth finish—storm collars.

Boys' Waists, Clearance 39c, 89c to \$1.98

—Our entire stock of fine waists in madras, percale, sateen, khaki, soisette and flannel. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Shirts for Boys

Clearance 45c, 89c, \$1.29 to \$1.98

—Soft or laundered styles, with attached or detachable collars, in sizes 12½ to 14.

—Fourth Floor

Women's and Children's Knit Underwear

AT HALF PRICE AND LESS

FOR CHILDREN—

—25c, 30c and 35c white fleeced heavy cotton vests and pantalets.

—Clearance, each 15c

—50c white or gray ribbed heavy wool mixed pantalets or vests.

—Clearance, each 25c

—45c to 80c wool mixed vests and pantalets, in white or gray. Also wool mixed boys' drawers.—Clearance, each 35c

—\$1.00 and \$1.25 pure wool vests, pantalets and drawers in broken sizes.

—Clearance, each 50c

FOR WOMEN—

—25c and 35c vests of white cotton in medium or heavy weights. Drawers of white cotton.

—Clearance, each 18c

—50c and 65c vests of white lisle, light weight cotton, medium weight cotton and of white wool. Also drawers of wool mixed or white cotton tights.

—Clearance, each 25c

—75c and \$1.00 vests of wool, silk lisle or fancy silk lisle in white—union suits of white cotton in medium, light or heavy weight.

—Clearance, each 50c

—Fourth Floor

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Tango, One-Step and
Hesitation Waltz

Presented exactly as they are being danced in the East. Professor Montrose M. Ringer and assistants will demonstrate these dances in their standardized form at the usual Tango Dances—Saturday afternoon from four until seven.

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The Tivoli Trio Miss Nan Alden, Soprano

Mr. C. M. Heath, Tenor Mr. R. W. Lovegrin, Baritone

Next Week

Miss Susanne Remi and Senor Bollinieri, Operatic Stars



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Final Clearance Sale

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