

SUICIDE SUSPECTED OF BEING ANOTHER SUPER-BIGAMIST

Los Angeles, Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Clues indicating that Dan Plummer, man of many aliases, who shot himself to death at Lancaster last week, may have been a second "Bluebeard" Watson, super-bigamist and murderer, now serving a life sentence at San Quentin, were found today by Deputy Sheriff Joe Nolan, who is making a nation-wide investigation of Palmer's life.

In addition to a notebook left by the suicide, containing the names and addresses of seven women, Nolan has found clues that suggest Plummer may have victimized women throughout the country and committed murder as did "Bluebeard" Watson to hide his crimes. Nolan has telegraphed for information concerning a letter Plummer is said to have sent to a New York detective, in which he is believed to have made a lengthy confession.

Plummer's notebook contained the names and addresses of women in Los Angeles; Alton, Ill.; Green Forest, Ark.; San Antonio, Texas; East St. Louis, Ill.; Carlinville, Ill.; and other Middle West cities. In his possession was found a postcard written from San Antonio, Texas, by "Mrs. Clara Fields."

Mrs. Fields wrote she was coming to Los Angeles because the "one man on earth" lived here. In his last letter, addressed to Mrs. Fred Price, for whom he worked, Plummer said he intended in 15 states for murder and robbery.

YANKEE SHIPS ARE DELAYED BY JAPANESE

(Continued from Page One.) is, delaying ships of American registry if her Japanese national or controlled ports, either through failure to find berths for them, or through coaling delays. "When I get back to San Francisco from this trip I am going to resign and go to the Atlantic," several masters of American freighters told me, not only in Vladivostok but in Japanese and Chinese ports as well. The reason they said this was that their master certificates were in danger because of the great delays they have suffered in Eastern ports at the hands of the Nipponese.

DELAY AMERICAN SHIPS

In some of the Japanese ports modern fueling methods have been adopted, but in the majority of cases they still coal ships by the ancient basket method, a long string of coaling women, each carrying from the dock storage spaces to the bunkers of the ship her little basket of coal. American freighters when touching Japanese ports will experience long delays in finding berths. When they do get to the docks, fuel is the next problem. These things do not happen in every case of an American ship docking, but they happen often enough to discourage the American ship masters. In coaling, the delays are manipulated either by the native stevedore agencies, who state that they are unable to secure the labor, or else by the native coal company heads, who give as excuses for their inability to deliver fuel that they had not enough advance notice.

CZECH TROOPS DELAYED

When the Czech-Slovak troops were evacuated from Siberia in American ships, they were delayed for two months in Japanese ports by lack of fuel. There was plenty of coal to be had, but the boats were delayed, nevertheless, despite protests from allied evacuation officials. One explanation of this particular ac-

tion was said to be a mask to help prolong the stay of the Japanese in Siberia. The opposition party in Japan at that time was crying continually—just as it is now—for Japanese evacuation of Siberia. But the military party could point to the presence of Czech-Slovak troops there.

The Japanese do not recognize foreign patent or copyright laws. This trait is causing American shippers a great deal of annoyance, but that is not the worst thing the wily and unprincipled among Japanese merchants are doing. They have duplicated American goods, even to the copying of trademarks, marketing inferior contents to the detriment of the American trader. There are two outstanding examples of this thing, done for government purposes in one case. That was the introduction of wireless telegraphy into Japan. When ships of other nations were equipping with wireless sets, the Japanese government bought a copy of complete sets and proceeded to copy them, equipping their warships as well as American merchant vessels with copies of the patented machines. It was not until a few years ago, when they agreed to pay back royalties for every set they had so manufactured, that ships of other nations were permitted to take any notice of Japanese wireless calls, except in the case of S. O. S. messages. The other case turned out somewhat humorously. An American concern was engaged on some construction work near Kobe. American castings were sent over and they were permitted by the Japanese to make their own use—without the castings for their own use—but neglected to note that the American castings were annealed. When the Japanese copies were put to work in some of their construction, they, being very brittle, ruined the work in progress.

THE "MAN OF THE EAST" CASE

An example of infringement of patent, American photographic apparatus, used in the case of a Japanese court, was that growing out of a suit brought by the Eastman Kodak company. Japanese manufacturers had duplicated American patents, copied the castings for their own use, but neglected to note that the American castings were annealed. When the Japanese copies were put to work in some of their construction, they, being very brittle, ruined the work in progress. The officers of Columbia legion officiating were: George M. Orton, north moose; Max Donahoe, south moose; George H. R. Elliott, east moose; M. P. Murphy, west moose; J. Fred Kennedy, master of ceremonies; Fred Seiberling, band leader; A. W. Jones, Fred Bauer and Cy Confer, chorus leaders; F. F. Cooby, chief custodian of the goal. The committee having the arrangements for the trip in charge was: George H. R. Elliott, J. Fred Kennedy, Max Donahoe and Joe Roach. The return trip was made Sunday night.

OFFICERS OF ASTORIA LODGE, No. 408, are Dr. H. L. Henderson, dictator; Andrew McCroskey, vice dictator; Alex. Mitchell, prelate; Mark Whipple, past dictator; C. A. Lawton, secretary; M. R. Brown, treasurer; W. N. Smith, T. R. Trullinger, John T. Bruce, trustees.

THE LODGE HAS OVER 600 MEMBERS and comfortable club quarters at Eleventh and Duane streets in Astoria.

COLUMBIA LEGION OF MOOSEHEART OF MOOSEBIG FROLIC

The ceremonial and frolic of the Chevaliers of Columbia Legion, Mooseheart Legion of the World, at Astoria Sunday afternoon, was attended by 250 members from Portland who chartered the steamer Madeline, Captain L. P. Hoford, commanding, and left Portland at 7 a. m. The visitors were received at the wharf by Dr. H. L. Henderson, dictator of Astoria lodge, Loyol Order of Moose, and a committee of prominent members, consisting of M. R. Brown, Walter Christofferson, Alex. Bergstrum, Andrek McCroskey, P. J. Fitzgerald, Andrew Collins, Joe and Tom Maanbach and fully 500 members of different lodges of the L. O. M. The band of Portland lodge of Moose led the way to the hospital clubrooms. The ceremony was on behalf of 175 candidates, of which the greater number came from Astoria and Clatsop and Columbia counties. There were over 60 candidates from Portland and Vancouver. A crab supper was served.

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Hughes Sacrifices Big Income to Enter Harding's Cabinet

Washington, Feb. 21.—(U. P.)—Charles Evans Hughes made a big financial sacrifice to enter the cabinet of President-elect Harding, according to friends. Hughes ranks with Elihu Root as the foremost lawyer practicing before the supreme court during the last two years. His income for the last year was estimated today at between \$18,000 and \$200,000. After March 4 this will drop to \$12,500—the salary of a cabinet officer.

INTERCEPT MESSAGES

Cases of intercepting and altering or copying for their own use cable or wireless dispatches from American business houses to their representatives have become common. This has worked not only against the business men of America, but it has seriously affected news dispatches sent from the Orient to American newspapers and news agencies. Every one of these dispatches, sent over Japanese cables as the only way out, is subject to Japanese censorship or alteration. If a correspondent tries to evade the censorship by having friends take his manuscripts to American ports, there is danger because of the great delays of his dispatches by the loss of time necessary in crossing the Pacific.

Steady Improvement Is Shown by Caruso

New York, Feb. 21.—(U. P.)—Enrico Caruso is steadily improving. Dr. Francis J. Murray said today. Caruso had a very good night and awoke today much refreshed.

Plane Which Fell On East Side Was Vancouver Firm's

The pilot and passengers of the airplane which was wrecked at East Twenty-second street and Bybee avenue had not been identified at a late hour Sunday night. Police officers made no further effort to investigate the accident after City Attorney Grant informed the department Saturday night that it has no jurisdiction over accidents to flying machines.

CONGRESS IN HOT FINISH ON BILLS

By David M. Lynch Washington, Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Congress turned into the home stretch today in a neck and neck race against time. With but 10 legislative days remaining before the present session ends, there was every indication today that some of the important legislation now on the books will never reach completion.

In the senate the big task is the passage of appropriation bills which already have been passed by the house. There are rumblings of considerable dissent over the appropriation bills, particularly the naval appropriation bill. Senator Borah of Idaho has announced his intention to continue the fight to force a conference on disarmament and has given notice that he will discuss the naval appropriation bill at length. This may lead to a senate row which will endanger the passage of the bill at this session.

The army appropriation bill, providing for reduced military forces, will also be the subject of considerable debate and will retard any rapid progress by the upper body in disposing of the jam of legislation now steadily mounting.

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Ordinance Passed In La Grande for Peddlers' License

La Grande, Feb. 21.—Peddling afoot will subject the peddler to a license of \$5 a week, \$15 a month or \$30 a quarter, while the peddler who is able to make a home in the city will be required to pay a \$6 a week, \$18 a month, or \$36 a quarter, according to an ordinance passed by the city commissioners. The ordinance was passed by a vote of 10 in selling products from their farms and those engaged in interstate commerce.

MAN IS SERIOUSLY INJURED BY TRUCK

George Salmon, 5 East Seventy-fourth street north, was seriously injured when knocked down by a truck driven by Sam Miles, 6446 Eighty-sixth street southeast, on Eighty-second street near Division street Sunday night. Miles conveyed Salmon to the Emergency hospital, whence he was taken to St. Vincent's hospital. He received cuts about the head and possibly a fractured skull.

Early Day Settler Of Union County Is Dead at Age of 86

Freewater, Or., Feb. 21.—William H. Weathers, aged 86, died Thursday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Jones of Umpqua. He survived by four children. Mrs. Jones, Benjamin F. Weathers of Enterprise, Or., William Weathers of Freewater and R. L. Weathers of Gardena.

Claims Against U. S. Rail Administration Expire on Feb. 28

Salem, Feb. 21.—Shippers who have claims against the United States Rail Administration during the time of federal control are urged in a letter being sent out by the public service commission today to present their claims immediately. The statute of limitations on these claims expires February 28, the letter points out, and all claims must be filed by that date. The notice is based on a recent interpretation of the statute applying to this question by the U. S. C. C., which points out that "notification to the commission that a complaint may or will be filed later for the recovery of damages, is not a filing of complaint within the meaning of the statute." Claims must be filed with the U. S. C. C., Washington, D. C.

National Fraternity Gives W. S. C. Chapter

Washington State College, Pullman, Wash., Feb. 21.—The National Fraternity, a national engineering and applied science fraternity, has been granted to the local Epsilon Nu Gamma. Among the members and pledges are: Joseph L. Williams, Vancouver; H. S. Miller, Centrals; Lester Meyer, Olympia; A. E. Dahlke, Portland; and L. E. Johnson of Centrals.

Mrs. A. Campbell, Popular in Musical Circles Here, Dies

Mrs. Alice M. Campbell, mother of Herbert J. Campbell, well known newspaper man of Portland, died at her home, 27 Northrup street, Sunday after an illness of two months. Mrs. Campbell was the Portland correspondent for Musical America and was well known in local musical circles. She was born in Pennsylvania in 1852 and came to Oregon in 1898. William P. Campbell, her husband, was superintendent of the Chemawa Indian school for several years. In 1911 they came to Portland. Mrs. Campbell is survived by her husband, son and one daughter, Miss Irene Campbell.

Henry C. Brandes

Henry C. Brandes, one of the best-known caterers of Portland, who had been in business more than 35 years, died at his home in the Nob Hill apartments, 145 First street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock after a long illness. He was 59 years old and survived by his wife, his daughter, Mrs. A. R. Price of Oregon City, and two sons. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Holman's chapel, under Christian Science auspices.

George Hill

The last rites will be performed over the body of George Hill, veteran of the "money trust" investigation, at the Skewes chapel, Third and Clay streets, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Skewes chapel, Third and Clay streets. The interment will be made in Riverside cemetery.

Mrs. Anna Hawley

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Margaret Hawley, wife of W. R. Hawley of 44 Eleventh street, who died February 19, were conducted by the Rev. W. B. Hinson this afternoon at the First Baptist church. The interment was at Riverside cemetery with the Knights and Ladies of Security acting as pall-bearers. Mrs. Hawley was born in England and had three daughters, Mrs. A. E. Carrie, Miss Irene Hawley and Miss Leona Hawley.

'SMELLERS' TAKE MUCH COIN FROM TREASURY VAULTS

Washington, Feb. 21.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The war investigating committee of congress, to whom General Charles G. Dawes recently paid his respects, cost \$187,000 in round figures up to January 15, and will figure out with a total cost around \$200,000.

Among the expenditures is a \$15,000 fee paid to General Ansell, who was appointed legal assistant to one of the committees after his row with Secretary Baker.

ANSELL GOT BIG FEE

General Ansell has also been the subject of some criticism because his firm accepted employment at the hands of Bergdoll, the slacker. This was after Ansell had finished working for the house "smelling" committees, it seems. Reports were published that \$100,000 was paid Ansell and his legal associates by Bergdoll, but recent investigation has indicated that probably only \$12,500 was paid by the slacker, of which Ansell received \$5000.

CONGRESS GOVERNS

It was stated that Ansell worked for the committee at the rate of \$20,000 a year, and as he was attached to the investigation, after a fashion, for about nine months, he accumulated a bill for \$15,000. Not all of his time was occupied in this way, however, as he had time for other practice.

SWEDISH NAME LABELS

Washington, Feb. 21.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Apparently Swedish matches are more popular in America than Japanese matches. This is believed to be the reason that two New York importing firms have used labels with Swedish names on matches bought from Japan. The federal trade commission has ordered the practice stopped, having made a finding

Slough Bridges Raise Protest

Washington, Feb. 21.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The war department has written Senator Chamberlain that protest has been made concerning the erection of four bridges over Depot slough, near Toledo, Or., by the Warren Spruce company. It appears the bridges were built during the war-time rush without complying with the formality of securing approval of plans for bridging the slough, which is navigable, and it is alleged that the bridges interfere with the transportation of logs. The department suggests that the Toledo & Siletz railroad should first obtain authority from the state and then submit application in the regular way to the war department.

ASTORIA WILL RECEIVE GUNS FOR PARK ORNAMENTATION

Washington, Feb. 21.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—General C. C. Williams, chief of ordnance, has assured Senator McNary that Astoria will receive three 3.2-inch guns for park ornamentation, applied for by the park of Astoria.

Application was made through Senator McNary when it was learned that certain guns at Fort Stevens were to be dismantled and removed, but too late to receive these guns, as they had already been allotted, one each to Newport, Wash., Kent, Wash., and Broken Bow, Neb. If these towns do not call for delivery of the guns by February 25 they will lose their place and Astoria will receive the guns, but if the Oregon city does not wish to wait, or these guns are called for, weapons of the same size will be sent from the Benicia, Cal., arsenal.

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