

NATION WIDE CRUSADE AGAINST QUACKS

DRAGNET OUT FOR FAKIRS OF ALL VARIETIES

Postal Authorities Order Wholesale Arrests of Patent Medicine Men in 72 Cities on Evidence Accumulated for Months Federal Departments.

Quacks Getting Rich Since Supreme Court Ruled They Could Not Be Prosecuted for Misbranding.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock ordered today the simultaneous arrest of 175 manufacturers of alleged quack patent medicines in 72 cities throughout twenty-two states.

This action is the result of months of investigation directed against firms manufacturing medicinal preparations considered injurious to the public health.

Healers Also Included The dragnet is aimed at all sorts of quacks, cure vendors, healers, maternity doctors and "specialists."

It is understood that the department of agriculture chemists co-operated in the work. The indictments charge mailing of obscene matter or using the mails to defraud.

Advices received up to 2 o'clock this afternoon show that one arrest was made in Kansas City, three in Milwaukee, two in St. Louis, four in Indianapolis, one in Peoria and two in Pittsburg.

The number of indictments issued in various cities was announced here today. They include: New York two, Chicago 9, Portland, Ore. nine, Oakland 8, Los Angeles 3, San Jose 3, Seattle 8, Spokane 5, San Francisco 7, Alameda 2, one each in Salt Lake City, Bellingham, Crescent and Tacoma, Wash.; Sacramento, Petaluma, Fresno and Glendale, California.

Arrests at San Francisco SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Four arrests were made today from the office of the United States marshal in San Francisco in connection with the nationwide prosecutions for using the mails to sell illegal drugs.

In San Francisco Mrs. Dr. W. Trojan of 2692 Mission street, and (Continued on page 3)

BALKAN STATES TO BACK SERVA AGAINST AUSTRIA BUDA PEST, Nov. 20.—Through Dr. Danoff, president of the Bulgarian chamber of deputies, Austria is officially informed today of the intention of the Balkan League to stand solidly behind Serbia in its dispute with Austria over Albanian seaports.

MURDER TALE GIVES FREEDOM TO GAMBLERS

Gangsters Who Turned States Evidence Against Becker and Gunmen Released for Their Confessions—Gunmen to Be Sentenced Tuesday.

Justice Goff Denies Motion for New Trial and Appeal Will Be Taken—Wives Are Liberated.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Freedom is in sight today for the four New York gamblers whose testimony resulted in the conviction of former Police Lieutenant Charles F. Becker and his hired gunmen. The four men—"Bald Jack" Rose, "Bridgey" Webber, Harry Vallon and Sam Schepps—think they may be released this afternoon as a reward for their confessions.

Sentence on Tuesday Rose is going to London to complete a book on the underworld and later will go into the theatrical business. Webber, who is wealthy, plans a tour of the world.

Sentence on Harry Horowitz, alias "Gyp the Ghoul"; "Lefty Louis" Rosenberg, "Whitey" Lewis and "Dago Frank" Ciofeci, convicted of first degree murder for slaying Gambler Herman Rosenthal, will be imposed next Tuesday, November 26.

Retain Their Nerve This date was fixed by Justice John W. Goff in the state supreme court after motions to set aside the verdict and demands for a retrial had been denied.

The gunmen retained their nerve today and were defiant and sullen throughout the proceedings. Justice Goff granted a motion to release the wives of Horowitz and Ciofeci, who have been held in the house of detention here since the arrest of their husbands several weeks ago.

SAYS GIRL PROPOSED TO HANS WAGNER PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 20.—"If the report is true, I bet the girl had to pop the question," said Barney Dreyfuss, president of the Pittsburgh Pirates, discussing a report today that Hans Wagner, star shortstop, is soon to marry pretty Miss Bessie Smith of West Pittsburg.

"Hans is so bashful," added Dreyfuss, "that he prefers to sit up all night in the smoking car rather than sleep in a Pullman if the car carries women passengers."

"You'll have to ask Mr. Wagner about it," was all the satisfaction the reporters could get from Miss Smith.

ASK \$660,000 DAMAGES FOR 2 YEARS IN JAIL SEATTLE, Nov. 20.—Found not guilty after being held in jail for two years at Nome, Alaska, on the charge of looting sluiceways, John Tilberg is suing the Pioneer Mining company for \$660,000 damages in the superior court here today.

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ULTIMATUM TO SERVA SENT FROM AUSTRIA

Two Countries on Verge of War—Servia Yields to Austrian Demands and Permits Courier to Probe Alleged Murder of Consul at Pristend

General Savoff Chosen as Bulgaria's Representative in Peace Negotiations.

BERLIN, Nov. 20.—The Austrian government today sent an ultimatum to Servia regarding the dispute over Albanian ports, according to announcement made here today in the Tageblatt.

A message from Vienna also quotes the Reichpost, one of the leading newspapers of that city, as saying that Austria and Servia are on the verge of war.

ROME, Italy, Nov. 20.—Following dispatches from Berlin which said that Austria had sent an ultimatum to Servia it was reported here today that Italy also has demanded that Servia explain her treatment of Italian consuls in Albanian towns captured by the Servians.

Servia Yields to Pressure VIENNA, Nov. 20.—Under pressure of Austria, Servia today allowed a courier from the Austrian foreign office to start for Pristend to interview the Austrian consul, Prochaska. Heretofore Servia has refused to allow the courier to proceed to Pristend to investigate why Prochaska failed to answer messages since the Servians captured that town.

It was reported here at the time of the capture of Pristend that Prochaska had been murdered by Servian troops for having sheltered Albanians who sought protection in the Austrian consulate.

More Trouble Expected PARIS, Nov. 20.—Despatches received here today from Vienna indicate that Servia is yielding to Austria's demands that she be allowed to probe reports that Consul Prochaska was ill-treated when the Servians captured Pristend. This, however, is not believed to have removed all danger of a clash between Austria and Servia, and if the Prochaska charges are confirmed more serious trouble is certain.

SOFIA, Nov. 20.—General Savoff was chosen today as Bulgaria's representative in the peace negotiations with Turkey. Pending the negotiations, all hostilities have ceased along the Tchatalja line.

TAFT PREPARES TO WRITE HIS MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—President Taft today cancelled all engagements for tomorrow, intending to start preparations for what may be his last message to congress.

For weeks the president has been discussing the tenor of the message with his cabinet officers and selecting data but the text of the message is still unwritten. It is generally believed that the message will emphasize pleas for a workmen's compensation law and currency reforms.

PROBING RAILROADS FOR FORMING TRUST

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—An agreement between the Grand Trunk and the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroads is under investigation here today by the federal grand jury to determine whether it is in restraint of trade and stifles competition.

AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO CONSTANTINOPLE APPEALS FOR AID FOR THE TURKISH WOUNDED



That cholera, illness and destitution are increasing among the many thousands of wounded soldiers and refugees in Constantinople was the substance of a despatch received by Oscar S. Straus, of New York, from W. W. Rockhill, the American Ambassador to the Turkish capital. The despatch read as follows: "There are now more than 14,000 sick and wounded soldiers here. Cholera seems to be increasing fast. Much sickness and destitution among the many thousand refugees."

Mr. Straus was Ambassador to Constantinople a few years ago, and Mr. Rockhill already had appealed to him by cable to obtain relief for the Turkish wounded.

SUFFRAGETTES PLAN GUARD FOR WILSON UPON INAUGURATION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—When President-Elect Woodrow Wilson marches in the inaugural parade to take the oath of office next March he will be accompanied by a body-guard of suffragettes, according to the assurances given today to the Suffrage association of the District of Columbia. This will be the first time in the history of the United States that women have acted in such a capacity.

It is expected that 16,000 suffragettes will be in line, many of them having cast their votes for Wilson in the equal suffrage states. A general call for volunteer marchers will be proposed in the National convention of the American Woman Suffrage association, which meets tomorrow in Philadelphia.

INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM DEBATED BY FEDERATION

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 20.—An all-day debate in the American Federation of Labor convention here was expected to result today from the introduction of a resolution by delegates of the United Mine Workers of America stipulating that the federation should cater to industrial rather than craft unionism, to "offer cohesive opposition to a united association of employers."

Immediate objection to the resolution was offered, and a red hot debate followed.

SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN PROBES SOLDIERS HOME

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 20.—A senatorial investigating committee, named to probe conditions at the national soldiers' home at Sawtelle, began its work here today. The committee is composed of Senators Jones of Washington, Catron of New Mexico and Chamberlain of Oregon.

John S. McGroarty, a Los Angeles author and publisher, was the first witness called. McGroarty testified that he personally had observed that the barracks at the home were unfit; that the inmates were subjected to indignities and that their food was bad.

TRIED TO STEAL EVIDENCE FOR CONSPIRITORS

Woman Testifies that Business Agent for Alleged Dynamiters Offered Her \$100 to Get Incriminatory Papers From Former Union Auditor.

Dugan Identifies Check for \$25 Given to Pay for Dynamiting of Garage.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 20.—Sworn testimony that Fred J. Sherman, business agent for the Indianapolis Ironworkers' local, offered her \$100 to steal incriminating dynamite evidence from the home here of Patrick Dugan while the latter was in Los Angeles as a witness in the McNamara trial was offered at the dynamite conspiracy trial today by Mrs. Mary Jarrell.

Sherman is one of the defendants and Dugan, a former member of the auditing committee for the International association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers, gave damaging testimony earlier in the day against the accused men.

Ransacked Dugan House Mrs. Jarrell admitted she ransacked the Dugan home several times but could not find any papers bearing on dynamiting.

Mrs. Dugan corroborated much of Mrs. Jarrell's testimony, telling of the numerous visits she made to her home. She said that Mrs. Jarrell several times had tried to induce her to leave home, Mrs. Jarrell promising "to take care of things."

Dugan then identified the bankbook which the government representatives produced. He also identified a check for \$25, made payable to A. Fitzgerald, which Dugan said was "in payment for the fool dynamiting of a non-union garage in Indianapolis."

Jerome Brought In Dugan testified that in May, 1906, John J. McNamara declared that William T. Jerome, then district attorney of New York, had summoned President Ryan to New York regarding eastern dynamitings, chiefly those in Hoboken, N. J. He swore he heard Hockin discussing Detroit dynamitings at union headquarters in Indianapolis in 1908.

EUREKA OFFICIALS CAUGHT GRAFTING

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—True bills against three former public officials, Henry Ford, attorney and former United States commissioner at Eureka; John A. Prentiss, attorney and former deputy United States marshal for Humboldt county, and William Murphy, former county clerk of Humboldt county, now under indictment for extortion, are expected to be returned Friday by the federal grand jury, according to United States District Attorney Gavin McNab here today.

The indicted men are charged with arresting saloonmen for selling liquor to the Indians and accepting \$100 cash bail from them which was never received by the government. The arrest of thirteen saloonmen was made in one day by the defendants. All of these thirteen are here as witnesses.

The expose followed a silent investigation on the part of government officials lasting more than three months.

ROCKEFELLER SENDS \$5000 FOR RELIEF OF WOUNDED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—John D. Rockefeller sent to the Red Cross here today \$5000 to be used for the relief of the wounded in the Balkan war without regard to race, creed or color.

Rockefeller expressed his willingness to contribute more money if it is needed.

ILLNESS LEADS WHITCOMBFIELD TO SHOOT SELF

Came Here Last Winter From Boston in Search of Health—Purchased a Small Tract East of City and Later Invested at Portland.

Left City Tuesday Night for Roseburg and Was Found Dead in His Room—Had Shot Himself.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 20.—Whitcomb Field, representing a large eastern syndicate in a Douglas county land colonization venture was found dead in his room today. He had shot himself through the temple. It is thought a nervous breakdown from which he had suffered for several months was the cause.

Cheerful Before Retiring Field arrived from Medford on the midnight train and occupied room No. 43 of the McCallen Hotel. Upon reaching the hotel Mr. Field conversed with parties for nearly an hour when he retired. At the time of the conversation last night the deceased evidenced no symptoms of mental depression and appeared in the best of spirits.

Failing to reach the dining room for breakfast this morning, John W. Parker with whom Mr. Fields was associated in business went to the latter's room where he attempted to awaken his partner. Failing to arouse the inmate of the room, Mr. Parker appealed to hotel attaches who forced open the door and found Mr. Fields lying on the bed. A bullet wound in the right temple furnished mute evidence of the tragedy that had been enacted.

Owing to the fact that the body was still warm when discovered, Dr. Seely was notified. A brief examination of the body on the part of the physician showed that the bullet entered the right temple. The revolver which was of the 38 calibre variety was found in the bed as it had dropped from the deceased hands when the fatal shot was fired.

None Heard Shot Although nearly every guest at the hotel was interviewed this morning no one heard the shot which ended the life of the unfortunate man. In fact persons occupying the adjoining rooms to the one occupied by Mr. Fields claim they heard nothing out of the ordinary during the night.

That the deed was fully premeditated is evidenced in a note written by Fields and found in his room following his death. The note reads, "Please notify my brother Henry C. Fields, 617 Western avenue, Seattle, Wash., also John W. Parker of the McCallen Hotel." The note was unsigned but notwithstanding the handwriting was identified as that of Mr. Fields this morning. An inquest will be held tomorrow.

Field formerly practiced law in Boston, coming west a year ago in hope of benefiting his health. He left a note saying to notify his brother, Henry C. Field, in Seattle. He was 50 years of age. He graduated from Harvard in 1905 and was one of the most brilliant members of the class, being elected class orator. He afterwards lectured in the Harvard law school and was associated in Boston (Continued on page 2.)

FIFTY LIVES LOST BY HURRICANE IN JAMAICA ISLAND

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Nov. 20.—More than fifty persons were killed in a hurricane which struck the town of Savannah, on the north coast of Jamaica island, according to the crew of a fruit steamer which arrived here this afternoon. The town is reported to have been raised by the hurricane.