

KUHN BROTHERS BANK FAILURE HALTS PROJECTS

First-Second National Bank of Pittsburg Closes Doors—Sacramento Valley Irrigation Schemes Involved Plans for Development Slowed up.

NEW YORK, July 7.—The failure of the First-Second National bank at Pittsburg did not disturb Wall street. It was regarded here as an isolated case, having to bearing on the general banking situation.

J. S. and W. S. Kuhn, of Pittsburg, are connected with the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York.

The stock tickers today carried the following regarding the bank failure at Pittsburg:

"The failure of the First-Second National bank had been expected for some time, and is not regarded as important. Its failure is due to loans on collateral that has greatly depreciated in value, including Wabash and other issues."

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 7.—Little surprise was expressed by local bankers today when they received the news of the failure of the First-Second National Bank of Pittsburg. They were unanimous, however, in declaring that the bank failure and probable receivership for the American Waterworks Company would have no serious effect on the latter concern's holdings of 130,000 acres of irrigated land in the vicinity of Willows, on which are already settled several hundreds of small farmers.

George W. Peltier, vice president of the California National Bank, said that while he had no official knowledge of the situation, he felt certain that the only effect of the eastern failure on the "Pittsburg syndicate," or "Kuhn project," at Willows, as the Sacramento Valley Irrigation company is generally known, would be to slow up further plans of development. The small holders, who are paying for their land on the installment plan, were safeguarded in their equities, he added, and there he need no fear of any losses on their part.

HORSE THEIVES GET PRELIMINARY HEARING TODAY

Lester Hickson, Wm. Z. Mynatt, Roy Wyatt and Charles A. Woodcut, of Sams Valley, are being given a preliminary hearing before Justice Taylor Monday afternoon, accused of horse-stealing.

Hickson, who is 17, admits his guilt and implicated the others except Woodcut, who is also a youth. He says that Mynatt, for whom he worked, induced him to take the horses across the California border. Hickson was arrested at Dorris, where Mynatt formerly lived.

TO AVOID NEMESIS SALE KILLS HIMSELF

CHICAGO, July 7.—With a bullet wound through the heart, the body of a man registering as J. Henry Smith, of San Francisco, was found in a room at the Great Northern hotel here today. He left two notes. One addressed to Mrs. John L. Sale, 1935 Howard street, San Francisco, read: "To avoid Cathleen, I chose death."

UMPQUA RANCHER DROWNED IN RIVER

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 7.—Search is being made today for body of Judd Early, a rancher, who with his team and wagon, was swept over the rapids of the Umpqua river and drowned before the eyes of his 9-year-old son. The boy was the only witness to the tragedy.

SUFFRAGETTES PLOT TO BURN CITY OF LONDON

Planned to Have French Aviators Drop Phosphorous Bombs on Principal Buildings—Phosphorous Tube Planted—Stock Exchange Wrecked

LIVERPOOL, July 9.—The cellar of the stock exchange here was partially wrecked today by a bomb. Suffragette literature was found scattered about after the explosion.

LONDON, July 9.—A suffragette plot to burn London has been discovered by Scotland Yard, according to the Evening Standard. The paper declared this afternoon that it was proposed to have several French aviators fly across the English Channel and drop and phosphorous bombs on the principal buildings in London. It is stated that certain aviators who were approached with the scheme refused to have anything to do with it, and notified the police. The Standard asserts that phosphorous tubes were planted by the militants in various parts of the city.

OMAHA PACKING PLANT ABLAZE

OMAHA, Neb., July 7.—The packing plant of Nelson, Morris & Company, in South Omaha, valued at \$1,500,000 was threatened this afternoon with complete destruction by fire. About noon flames started on the seventh story of the main building, caused by friction in the elevator shaft. An hour later the roof fell, and the fifth, sixth and seventh floors were consumed.

FATAL RACE RIOT CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., July 7.—A race war was narrowly averted here today as the result of the killing of two men and the wounding of two others in a duel between a bootlegger and the police. Ray Williams, the bootlegger, and Policeman Thomas Dodsworth are dead. Chief of Police Albert Keller's shoulder was shattered and another bullet lodged in his arm. A bystander also was seriously wounded. Reports that Williams was a negro caused intense feeling against the blacks. The duel started when the police attempted to arrest Williams for selling liquor illegally.

BEGIN WORK UPON NEW BOISE RAILROAD

BOISE, Idaho, July 7.—According to announcement today made by L. O. Leonard, president of the projected Butte-Boise-Winnemucca railroad, work will be begun on the road within fifteen days. He stated that contracts for grading of the first link of the road east and west of Boise will be let within ten days. The road is incorporated for \$40,000,000, and has a right of way extending from Butte, Mont., to Winnemucca, Nev., by way of Boise. D. O. Stevenson has been appointed division engineer.

KAISER TO MEDIATE IN BALKAN WAR

BERLIN, July 7.—It is reported here today that Kaiser Wilhelm is prepared to mediate in the renewed Balkan war, as far as Bulgaria and Roumania are concerned. Roumania has officially notified Turkey of the mobilization of the Roumanian army.

BUNCO ARTISTS ADMIT PERJURY M'PHEE CASE

Manager of Burns Detectives Accused of Having Induced Witnesses to Swear Falsely in Trial of Accused San Francisco Policemen.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 7.—Sworn admission that he committed perjury at the direction of William A. Mundell, manager of the Pacific division of the W. J. Burns detective agency, in the conspiracy cases, resulting in the conviction of Detective Sergeant Arthur MacPhee and Patrolman Charles Taylor, was made in District Attorney Fickert's office here today by oisano Rovigo, the bunco man brought here from St. Louis to testify against the two men. Rovigo was the only witness claiming to have paid graft money directly to the two defendants.

"If this proves true," said Fickert today, "Mundell will be charged with subornation of perjury. It is a most outrageous scheme. MacPhee and Taylor are scheduled to be sentenced today, but I will interview MacPhee and ask for a delay."

Manager Mundell refused to take the charge seriously. "It is all bunk," he said. "The words were put in Rovigo's mouth by Fickert himself."

Frank Dubois, another of the bunco men, told Patrolman Laplace today that he had "framed up" his story against MacPhee, because MacPhee at one time prevented him from successfully turning a \$20,000 trick. This information, coupled with Rovigo's alleged confession was at once carried to Attorney Grady, representing the defendants who asked the court for a stay of sentence until Wednesday to permit an investigation and the stay was granted.

SAYS HUMAN MOUTH BACTERIA MENAGERIE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 7.—"The human mouth is a menagerie of bacteria. The devil, not Olga Netherole, introduced the soul kias." These are the declarations of the Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, minister of Temple Baptist church, who admitted the hopelessness of any crusade against osculatory practice at the same time he sounded a warning of its dangers. "Jacob kissed Rachael, and lifted up his voice and wept," Dr. Brougher said. "When a young man kisses his best girl, the weeping is postponed."

BEATEN TO DEATH THEN APHYXIATED

CHICAGO, July 7.—With the face badly battered and bruised, the body of a fashionably dressed woman was found in the Victoria hotel here today. Death was due to asphyxiation. The end of a rubber tube leading from a gas jet, was found bound tightly about the head. The woman last night registered with a man at the hotel, as John Smith and wife. The man left the hotel at midnight. The police think the girl was beaten into unconsciousness and then the tube tied about her lips.

BEAR PRESSURE ON MARKET RELAXES

NEW YORK, July 7.—Trouble in the Balkans and the failure of a Pittsburg bank affected the stock market but slightly today. Bear pressure relaxed and the slight losses sustained early were made up when \$3,000,000 gold was taken for Paris. The Harriman group was weak. Great Northern Ore dropped two and three quarters and Canadian Pacific one. Bonds were easy. The market closed weak.

IN SUIT SHE WILL WEAR IN ALASKAN EXPLORATION



Mary L. Jobe, a teacher in the Normal College of New York State, is on her way to explore some unknown parts of British Columbia and Alaska. She has invented a suit of corduroy for the purpose. Two Indian guides will be her sole companions on the journey, but the young woman says she is not afraid.

EWING'S WINNER FIRST PRIZE IN JULY 4 PARADE

Ewing's Gun Store was awarded first prize in the business floats in the Fourth of July electrical parade. The float represented a camping and fishing scene with water falls and camp fire roaring and anglers busy. Second prize was won by J. H. Fikes and C. S. Lebo's float representing the Crescent City Paint Co., a ship labelled "Crescent City." Third prize was won by the Medford Ice Co.'s float, a huge cake of ice in which was frozen an American flag.

The Oak Grove school won first prize for school floats—an illuminated oak grove in which were swinging children singing and shouting in chorus. Earl Gaddis secured the prize for the best decorated automobile. W. W. Eifert for the best decorated single driving horse and buggy, Will Knipps for the best decorated team and buggy.

The Women of Woodcraft, Crysanthemum Circle, won first prize among the fraternal lodges. The float was beautifully decorated. It was designed by Mrs. Perl. Redmen won second place with a float representing an Indian pow wow, escorted by marching brasses. Whangdoole prizes were won by Louis Puhl \$15, Richard Salter, \$10, Thomas Mathews, Jr., \$5. Best individual make-ups were awarded as follows: First, Thomas Mathews, Jr., \$5 order Model Clothing company; second, Richard Salter, \$3 order, Warner, Wortman & Gore; third, 25 feet garden hose, Shapleigh Hardware company.

Mrs. Satchell won first prize for ladies' riding. Mrs. Bandy of Jacksonville second and Mrs. Hazelrigg third.

LADY SACKVILLE GETS \$3,500,000 ESTATE

LONDON, July 7.—The jury in the Sackville-Scott will case returned a verdict late today holding that the will of Sir John Scott was duly executed without any undue influence or fraud on the part of Lord Lionel Sackville or Lady Josephine Sackville. This means that Lady Sackville will receive a bequest of \$3,500,000.

SEEK TO STOP FALL ELECTION ON REFERENDUM

Parkison Seeks to Enjoin Secretary of State From Proceeding Day Bill and so Tying up University Appropriations for two Years.

SALEM, Ore., July 7.—Contending that the Day bill providing for a special referendum election this fall, is unconstitutional, A. C. Libby, a former member of the legislature, and attorney for Parkison who referred bills making appropriations for the University of Oregon today commenced a suit in the circuit court here to restrain Secretary of State Olcott from calling the election.

According to the program outlined Judge Galloway is to issue a temporary restraining order, and then first as the attorney general, Crawford, in defending the secretary of state is to interpose a general demurrer. The court will be asked to overrule this so that the state may appeal immediately to the supreme court, and an early decision be secured.

In the complaint filed it is contended that the Day bill is unconstitutional, because it does not name the measures to be voted on at that special election and because no referendum petitions were filed when it became a law.

Further it is contended that the legislature can only call a special election to have the people pass on measures enacted by it.

MONTAGUE BRINGS HOME THE BACON

The Montague ball team three time victors over Medford departed for their home town this morning on No. 13. The Montague manager secured a strip of bacon, with the scores of the three games printed thereon, which is a mute repetition of the phrase made famous by Joe Gans when, after winning a fight he wired home to his mother in Baltimore: "I am bringing home the bacon."

The Montague club was composed of classy ball players who conducted themselves in a gentlemanly manner, both on the field and around the city. The Medford fans while loyal to the home club have no regrets to offer except that of not having a strong enough team to induce the return of the Montague boys.

CALLS ROCKEFELLER ROSE IN LORD'S GARDEN

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 7.—"Rose bushes in the Lord's garden." This is the way John D. Rockefeller and the older members of the Euclid Avenue Baptist church are referred to here today by the Rev. W. W. Bustard, its pastor. The oil magnate smiled pleasantly as Dr. Bustard eulogized the old members of his congregation at yesterday's services.

"Those whose interest is only superficial," continued the minister, "are like slips stuck in the ground to wither quickly."

WILSON PLAYS GOLF ENJOYS VACATION

WINDSOR, Vt., July 7.—President Wilson who arrived here from Gettysburg, Pa., gave himself today to relaxation from official cares and worries. During the forenoon, he was out on the golf links, covering the course with Frank Kennedy, a biscuit manufacturer of Boston.

Frances Howes Sayre, of Lancaster, Pa., who is engaged to Miss Jessie Wilson, is a member of the president's party here. With Arthur Tedcastle, of Boston, he was out on the golf links this morning.

IMPERSONATING CONGRESSMEN TO BE CRIME

Senator Cummins Introduces Bill Making Maximum Penalty of \$5000 or Five Years Imprisonment to Cover Cases Like Mulhall's.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—In the senate today a bill was introduced by Senator Cummins, of Iowa, making the impersonating of a federal official a felony punishable by a maximum penalty of five years' imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000, or both. Cases like that of amar come directly under the provisions of the bill.

One section of the Cummins bill is aimed at conditions similar to those disclosed by Martin Mulhall of Baltimore, a former agent of the National Association of Manufacturers, concerning influences alleged to have been exerted to encompass the election and defeat of certain members of congress. The bill makes it an offense improperly to influence a member of congress, or to speak or write false statements that such influence had been brought to bear.

WEST FIGHTING FOR COMPENSATION

SALEM, Ore., July 7.—Announcement was made by Ernest R. Ringo, an attorney of this city, and who has been named special prosecutor for the state by Governor West, that in addition to filing suit this week to restrain Secretary of State Olcott from referring to a vote of the people the workman's compensation act, because of fraud in the petitions asking for the reference, that he will appear before District Attorney Evans, of Multnomah county, tomorrow and ask that he have the grand jury of that county probe into the fraud in connection with the petitions and indict the guilty parties.

The civil suit will be filed in the circuit court here this week, just as soon as Ringo can prepare the necessary papers, and will be brought in the name of the district attorney of this district. Of this suit Ringo will have full charge. Before the grand jury in Portland, however, he will only appear as a friend of the initiative and referendum and he will insist upon the prosecutions being made wherever fraud appears.

ELKS PLAN PICNIC COLESTIN, JULY 20

The Medford Lodge of Elks plan an old-fashioned picnic at Colestin Sunday, July 20. Special rates have been made by the railroad and all the concessions at the resort secured. There will be all kinds of amusing contests and side shows and a good time is guaranteed to all. The proceeds will go towards the Elks building fund.

RAY DIAMOND AGREES TO PLEAD GUILTY

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 7.—According to District Attorney Brown, Ray Diamond, the man alleged to have held up the Glendale bank, and who was returned here from Gold Beach, Ore., where his capture was effected, has announced his intention to plead guilty when his case comes to trial. Diamond seems to maintain a cheerful mood at all times and apparently does not realize the gravity of his alleged crime.

PENFIELD NAMED AS AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRIA

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Frederick Penfield, of Penn sylvania, today was nominated to be American ambassador to Austria.

LAUTERBACK ON STAND ADMITS LIED TO MORGAN

Criminal Prosecution for Impersonators Indicated When Lawyer Waives Immunity—Becomes Confused Resenting Charges.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—That criminal prosecution of those concerned in the impersonation of congressmen in connection with lobby by Wall Street interests may be sought by the senate lobby investigating committee was indicated today, when Edward Lauterbach, a prominent New York lawyer, was asked to waive any right to immunity before he was examined by the probers. Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the Union Pacific executive board, testified several days ago that Lauterbach telephoned him for a retainer in order to "grease the wheels" for certain legislation in Washington.

Lauterbach, under cross examination by Senator Reed of Missourri, said he had conferred with David Lamar, a New York stockbroker, who admitted last week that he had impersonated Lauterbach and certain congressmen and others in telephone conversations with New York financiers and railway magnates.

Lauterbach said these conferences followed Lamar's examination by the lobby committee, but he protested that he had sought Lamar because the latter had kept him in the dark regarding impersonations of certain congressmen.

Senator Reed pressed the witness so hard concerning what passed at his conference with Lamar that Lauterbach became hopelessly confused and finally pleaded: "Please let Lamar tell what he said to me."

The witness described at length his dealings with Morgan and company. He said when he first heard of the house resolution to investigate the steel trust he saw J. P. Morgan personally. The money king, he said, referred him to Charles Steel, a member of Morgan's firm, but the latter refused to do anything to stop the inquiry.

Lauterbach hotly resented intimations that his motives in seeing Morgan were not pure.

"Senator Reed," he shouted, "you and many others seem to be filled with the idea of value, value, value! You do not seem to realize that persons can do things without some ulterior motive. You suggest blackmail. I resent that suggestion. I was absolutely honest and disinterested in this matter."

Lauterbach was extremely nervous when he took the stand. Chairman Overman read to him the testimony of Lewis Cass Ledyard, in which it was declared that Lauterbach claimed he represented Speaker Champ Clark, Senator Stone of Missouri and other democratic leaders.

Lauterbach formally waived immunity. Then he read his original testimony and denied that he knew about Lamar's impersonations of

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CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE COMES TO CONCLUSION

PORTLAND, Ore., July 7.—With 15,000 persons, faces uplifted, singing "God be with you till we meet again," in swelling harmony, the second World's Christian Citizenship conference, which has been in session here since June 30, was concluded last night at the Multnomah stadium. Among the speakers at the concluding session were Ng Poon Chew, of Canton, whose address flamed with the patriotism of the new China. He concluded with: "The only redeeming feature in the history of our dealings with Christian nations is the history of our dealing with the United States. She has been our kind teacher and our foster mother and may the Chinese republic never in its future do any act that will make the United States regret that she helped to lift up and educate China and bring it into the congress of nations."