

DUSKY FORGER FLEES WITH FRIENDS SUIT OF CLOTHES

An innovation in the periodical stinging of Medford merchants by bad check artists was discovered Monday by two of Medford's merchants. The innovation is a matter of color, the shade being supplied by the dusky skin of one George Harvey, erstwhile porter of Bates Bros. barber shop, who induced the proprietor of the Castilian Grill to cash a check for \$19 and Jim DeLano one for \$4.

The revelation of the check manipulations followed the discovery by Bill Jones, who runs a boot black stand on Main street that the colored gentleman had departed with Bill's best suit, purloining the apparel after making the friendliest of advances and working into Bill's confidence. After closing his stand on Sunday morning it is Bill's custom to don his Sunday clothes, but though search was made high and low that suit was gone for good; gone as far as \$14 will carry the absent Harvey.

A warrant was issued Monday afternoon for the missing colored man and authorities to the North and South were warned to keep a look out for him and Bill's \$25 suit of clothes, but as yet no trace of man or apparel has been found.

SEEK TO RELIEVE CHICAGO COAL FAMINE

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—With Chicago householders facing the possibility of a fuel famine, announcement was made today that Charles F. Cline, United States district attorney, and William L. O'Connell, chairman of the Illinois state public utilities commission, heading a delegation of shippers and coal consumers, will seek to obtain from the interstate commerce commission means to alleviate the situation. Coal dealers, who assert the situation is becoming more acute, attribute it to the shortage of coal cars.

AVIATOR HURLED BOMBS AT KAISER

PARIS, Dec. 19.—Captain De Bauchamp, the aviator who bombed Essen and Munich and whose death has just been announced, on one occasion dropped bombs on the headquarters of the German emperor, according to the Petit Journal. This last exploit was performed in April, 1915, when the emperor was stationed at Mezieres-Charleville. The paper says that the bombs fell right on the house in which the emperor's staff had its offices and that as a result the emperor withdrew six miles from the city.

MEMPHIS WINTER SCHOOL FOR AVIATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Memphis, Tenn., will probably be selected by the war department for the winter establishment of the army aviation school for the central states, now located at Chicago. Final selection, it was said today, has not been made but the possibilities of Memphis are considered the best of any place under contemplation. The school is fitted with equipment for an aviation squadron and is attended by about fifty students.

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DEADLOCK ALONG VARIOUS WAR FRONTS

The military developments of the past twenty-four hours have, in fact, been few in number and unimportant for the most part.

In France, on the Verdun front, there have been only bombardments since the French attack of yesterday which Paris reported as winning back the Chambrettes farm, which the Germans had taken in a counter-attack.

In the Rumanian war theater, the latest reports indicate preparations by the Russians to make a definite stand in southern Moldavia, where they are reported to have made a strong defensive line. Petrograd yesterday reported a hobbling up of the Tootonic offensive and Berlin announced no new advances except in Dobruja, where the Russo-Rumanian forces have fallen back some distance to the north, conforming to the retreat across the Danube in Wallachia.

TRYING TO FORCE DRY BILL VOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Advocates of the Sheppard bill, providing for prohibition in the District of Columbia, were trying today to get a vote on the measure in the senate. Before the final vote, however, the Underwood amendment for a referendum of the residents of the district on the prohibition question was to be acted upon.

The senate judiciary committee will hold a special meeting on Thursday to vote on reporting the joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment for nation-wide prohibition.

WORK OF SALVING SUBMARINE ABANDONED

EUREKA, Cal., Dec. 19.—Work of salvaging the United States submarine H-3 from the breakers two miles north of here was temporarily abandoned today with the parting of a ten-inch hawser.

Heavy seas began breaking over the H-3 again, forcing surfmen to await their abatement before running another line to the submarine.

IRRIGATION DISTRICT MEETING WEDNESDAY

A meeting of those interested in opposing the formation of the High-Line Irrigation district will be held at the West Side school house, in district 95, being about two miles north of Jacksonville on foot hill road, at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening, December 20th, 1916. By order of the chairman.

WILSON'S PLURALITY IN NEVADA 5649

RENO, Nev., Dec. 19.—Woodrow Wilson carried Nevada by a majority over all other presidential candidates and a plurality of 5649 over Charles E. Hughes, according to the official canvass of the vote of the state made yesterday by George Brodigan, secretary of state.

The official vote on president was: Wilson, 17,770; Hughes, 12,127; Benson, 3065; Hanly, 348.

CALVERT OF THE "Q" DEAD AT HIS HOME

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 19.—T. E. Calvert, chief engineer of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad system, died at his country home, Overlook, near here this morning. He had been ill about six weeks.

Thomas Elwood Calvert was 67 years old. He began his service with the Burlington railroad as a member of a surveyor's chain gang in 1871, a year after his graduation from Yale university. From 1875 to 1905 he was superintendent of the lines west of the Missouri river. Mr. Calvert was taken sick in Wyoming. He had heart trouble.

SIX MILLIONS GOLD IMPORTED FROM CANADA

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Gold to the amount of \$6,599,000 imported from Canada to the account of J. P. Morgan and Company, has been deposited at the Philadelphia mint. It was announced today. The capacity of the New York assay office is overtaxed. This makes a total of \$608,500,000 received on the present movement from all sources since January 1.

ANTIOCH ITEMS

Theodore Glass has sold his bunch of stock cattle to his brother Elbert who will winter them on his Antioch farm.

Florence Walker is sick with the la grippe.

Thomas Jones has moved his family to the Narragan ranch for the winter months.

Mr. Merrill has moved to the White orchard and will farm it for the owners this coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, of Beagle were trading in Medford Saturday.

Oscar Badgers of Beagle is very ill with heart trouble.

Mrs. Wilhite of Beagle was visiting with Mrs. Morris Cate a few days this week.

Walter, Frank and Albert Cummings are working on their timber claim near Beagle.

Ralph Russell and Will Pomeroy and James Dinkens of the Meadows, passed through Antioch Friday on the

way to Medford with a load of Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jones of the Beagle district were trading with the Medford merchants Saturday.

Ruge Moore is sick with la grippe. Dinkens household goods.

The la grippe is visiting nearly all the families in this section, but it is mostly in the mild form.

Frank De Ford was calling on the Antioch farmers recently, getting signers for the Sams valley Coyotes club.

Theo. Glass butchered eleven head of fat hogs Wednesday.

Mrs. John Bigham and son Albert were buying Christmas goods in Medford Saturday.

The coyotes killed a fine ewe for Jim Vincent on the Upper Table Rock this week.

There will be a Christmas entertainment at the Christian school Friday night, Dec. 22. Everyone invited to come and enjoy the children's program.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Chapman and family were Medford visitors Saturday.

Farmers are busy in this section plowing their land for the spring crop of grain.

The Antioch and Beagle telephone line is in bad shape, several poles down and the wires crossed.

ORCHARD MAINTENANCE REDUCED BY WATER

The following letter with replies and comment shows what they think of irrigation in North Yakima, Washington and also what they think of growing alfalfa between the trees in an irrigated orchard. The letter was written by A. W. Stone who owns the Green Mountain ranch on the Jacksonville road:

Medford, Ore., Dec. 11, '16. Seey, Commercial Club, North Yakima, Wash.

Dear Sir: I understand orchardists in your valley grow alfalfa in between the tree rows. If so I should like to get information about same, viz:

1st. Do they irrigate, if so, how many times during the season.—Yes, we irrigate as often as necessary.

2nd. Do they plant alfalfa up to the trees or do they leave space between trees and alfalfa for cultivation? Plant the seed up close to the trees.

3d. How long do they average to let alfalfa grow before plowing under and reseeded? Four and six years.

4th. From the experience of orchardists in your section is it a detriment to the trees to grow alfalfa in their orchards? It is a decided improvement.

5th. Do they have any trouble

about spray material (arsenate of lead) poisoning stock fed on hay taken from orchards? No.

Any information you may send me will be greatly appreciated and I thank you in advance for same.

Note—It is necessary that an orchard in this country have alfalfa sown in the ground when trees are three years old, as this puts humus and nitrogen in the soil,—prevents and helps cure rosette,—and is in every way beneficial. I have 50 acres in trees sown to alfalfa and it's been an immense help. The hay pays for the labor that would have been spent in cultivation.

H. P. VERMILYE,
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OBITUARY

SWINDEN—At Grants Pass, Dec. 17, 1916, Mrs. Eliza Swinden, an Oregon pioneer of 1831, died at the age of 87 years. Born as Elizabeth Woodall at Scarborough, England, May 19, 1829, she was married to John Swinden, May 1, 1849. The couple emigrated to America, locating in Scott county, Illinois. In 1851 they crossed the plains arriving at Oregon City Sept. 27 of that year. The following year they came to Jacksonville and were residents of Jackson county for

the ensuing 36 years. In 1888 they moved to Murphy, Oregon, and 8 years ago moved to Grants Pass, where Mr. Swinden passed away.

As a pioneer wife and mother Mrs. Swinden suffered all the hardships and perils of life in a new country. Twice her home was burned by the Indians and was forced to flee with her children to Fort Dardanel.

She was the mother of 14 children, 9 of whom are left to mourn her loss. They are William H. and Charles L. Swinden, Mollie Johnston and Gertrude Mansfield of Grants Pass; Mrs. Olive Standley of Port Standley, Wash.; Katie Swinden of Redding, Cal.; J. E. Swinden of Murphy; Mrs. Rhoda BeBell and Mrs. Agnes Graham of Los Angeles.

She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and of W. R. C. Funeral services were held Dec. 18, interment at Missouri Flat cemetery.

SPANISH STEAMER ASON SUNK BY SUBMARINE

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Lloyd's Shipping agency announces that the Spanish steamer Ason has been sunk.

The steamer Ason, of 2084 tons gross, built at Cadix in 1901, was last reported as arriving at Bordeaux on November 25 from Avr. Scotland,

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