

### OXMAN DENIES OFFERING MONEY TO BRIBE RIGALL

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—Frank C. Oxman of Durkee, Or., on trial here for an alleged attempt to induce F. E. Rigall of Grayville, Ill., to testify falsely against Thomas J. Mooney, took the stand early today. Oxman declared that the letters he sent to Rigall, which the prosecution claimed were invitations for the latter to perjure himself for a money consideration, were outlined by District Attorney Charles M. Fickert.

"I knew a man east who could help him in the Mooney case," Oxman testified. "Fickert said, 'write to him, but do not tell him that he is to testify against dynamites, as that might frighten him.' He then told me what I should write, and I went to my hotel and followed his instructions."

Mooney is under sentence of death for murder in connection with a bomb explosion here July 22, 1916. Oxman testified today that he advised Rigall in a postscript to one of the letters that if the latter was not here on July 22, 1916, he could not be used as a witness. Rigall testified last week that he never received such a postscript, and that he was in Niagara Falls, N. Y., on the date of the explosion.

Oxman told of conferences with Fickert regarding Rigall and of plans made by Fickert to bring Rigall to this city.

Oxman's testimony followed the testimony of James Hoyle, the manager of a local hotel where Oxman is declared to have "rehearsed" Rigall in the testimony he was to give in the Mooney trial.

Oxman, in completing his direct examination, explicitly denying having offered money at any time to Rigall to testify in the Mooney case, and asserted that he never heard or discussed any plans that Rigall should become a witness after his discovery that Rigall was not the man he had observed near the scene of the bomb explosion. That he neither smokes, drinks or chews tobacco was brought out by Oxman in reply to a question by Samuel M. Shortridge, his counsel.

### SECRECY GOVERNS BINGHAM INQUEST

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Secrecy was maintained today regarding the chemical analysis in progress here of the vital organs from the body of Mrs. Robert Worth Bingham, privately exhumed at Wilmington, N. C., last week by direction of members of her family as a result of rumors regarding her death. The organs are at Bellevue hospital, being subjected to exhaustive tests in the pathological laboratories.

The examination, it is said, is for the purpose of discovering by all known tests whether there was any unusual condition present and will take several days. The work is being done, it was said, for the Kenan family of Wilmington, relatives of Mrs. Bingham, formerly Mrs. Henry M. Flanagan, widow of the Standard Oil financier who left her an estate that has been valued at \$70,000,000.

### UNITED RAILROADS OPERATE 400 CARS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—The United Railroads, despite the strike of 1750 platform men, had 400 cars running today, according to an official announcement. Normal service requires 550 cars.

### SUFFRAGE COMMITTEE CREATED FOR HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—There is great elation in suffrage ranks today because of the long fight for the creation of a special house committee on woman suffrage has been won. The house yesterday voted 181 to 107 to create such a committee.

Suffrage leaders now will lay plans for a vigorous fight early in the regular session of congress beginning in December, for adoption of an amendment to the constitution giving women the right to vote.

### ENEMY TRADING BILL IN HANDS OF THE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The conference report on the trading with the enemy bill, adopted by the senate yesterday, was adopted today by the house without a roll call. It now goes to the president for his signature.

The eight-billion dollar deficiency appropriation bill was taken up by the senate today and amendments involving many millions of dollars were agreed to without debate or objection. At the request of the war department, the senate adopted a substitute for the house clause prohibiting limiting use of appropriation for regulation and selection of men under the draft to one million men. The substitute would prohibit expenditures for more men than can be clothed, armed and equipped for service.

The war profits section of the war tax bill today presented the chief barrier to an agreement by conferees on the measure. Nevertheless, hope was expressed that a complete agreement would be effected before the war is over.

The controversy which has renewed efforts to substitute a flat rate for the graduated scale put into the bill by the house.

### AIR RAID OVER ENGLAND

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motors could be heard. The bombing over this town continued about two hours at intervals, but so far as could be learned, only three bombs were dropped and apparently there was no great property damage.

Reports from Yorkshire indicate that the Zeppelin which appeared this morning off the Lincolnshire and Yorkshire coasts dropped bombs and aerial torpedoes. The amount of damage has not been ascertained. The signal that all was clear was given at about 5 o'clock this morning.

### Damage Slight.

Viewed by daylight this morning the damage resulting from the visit of the German raiders to London last night appeared to be surprisingly slight. The number of bombs dropped in the London district was small and the practical results were almost negligible.

The chief damage visible this morning was broken glass. In one spot where a heavy bomb landed squarely in the middle of the street a hole four feet deep was torn in the pavement. The spot was fenced off and men were at work repairing the pavement. The concussion of this bomb broke glass over several acres, including windows in neighboring hotels in which are many American, Canadian and Australian.

Only three persons were killed by this explosion. All of them were standing in a doorway watching the explosion of shrapnel overhead. In this district about half a dozen persons were wounded, mostly by breaking glass. Wagon loads of glass were swept up from the pavements and carried away early in the morning.

### Seek Reprisals.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The Daily Mail, commenting on last night's air raid, calls for reprisals, saying:

"The British people would view these attacks with entire indifference if they knew that every one of them was followed by an attack in which twice the weight of bombs dropped here was showered on German towns. Let's hit the Germans; hit them hard."

### German Account.

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—Official announcement was made today that German aviators last night dropped bombs on the heart of London, and on Dover, Southend, Chatham and Sheerness and also on Dunkirk, Northern France. All the machines returned undamaged, the statement says.

### THE GROWING GIRL.

A girl when in her teens is passing through a critical period of her life. The transition from childhood to maturity is not always easy; consequently, in many cases health breaks down entirely and the girl goes into a decline and dies young. If she escapes this fate, she may fall into a state of permanent ill-health. It is of the utmost importance, in order to insure normal and healthy development, that proper precautions be taken, and nothing has proved more helpful than the faithful use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, the great woman's medicine and tonic.

### BLUE LEDGE SALE OFF BECAUSE OF "ORNEROUS TERMS"

The sale of the Blue Ledge mine to the Ladysmith smelter syndicate, pending for several months, has fallen thru, according to word from the purchasing syndicate, who desired the mine on account of the flaxing character of the ore for use in the smelter. Had the sale materialized, it was the intention to do extensive development work to ascertain whether the ore body was sufficient to justify a railroad. In the meantime, the county would be assisted in road construction and ore hauled by truck.

The reason of the failure to make the deal is given as the "imposition of such onerous terms and conditions" by the Towne estate, owners of the property, that negotiations were abandoned for the purchase of the property. The resumption of copper mining in the Towne properties in Mexico is said to have made the owners indifferent as to whether the Blue Ledge was sold or not.

The failure of the deal is a disappointment to local mining interests, as a sale meant the development of the mine upon a large scale and the eventual building of a railroad. The prospective purchasers are high class developers and not speculators, and their advent would have resulted in the development of a successful mining district.

### BAVARIA REPLIES TO PAPAL NOTE

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—The Bavarian government has made an individual reply to the peace proposals of Pope Benedict, according to a special dispatch from Munich to the Zeitung Am Mittag.

"It is taken for granted that the German imperial government is fully conversant with the contents of the reply made by King Ludwig."

The procedure, which has resulted in the sending of two replies to the pope from Germany, is explained on the ground of international and diplomatic law. As the German papal delegate is accredited to Bavaria, the pope's note was delivered to King Ludwig, whose reply is said to have reached the pope. Its publication is expected shortly. It is stated the two notes concern in material aspects, but that it is understood the Bavarian answer goes into details on certain points.

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### MEANS HELD TO GRAND JURY FOR KING MURDER

CONCORD, N. C., Sept. 25.—Gaston Means was bound over to the grand jury here late today by Magistrate Pitts on the charge of the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, after Means consented to waive further examination and the showing of probable cause.

It was announced that no habeas corpus has been applied for. Frank Osborne opened the argument for the defense, informing Magistrate Pitts that the defense would show that the state had not established a case on which to bind Means over on a charge of murder.

The theory of the experts that Mrs. King could not have brought the pistol muzzle to bear on the spot where she was shot in the back of the head rests on the supposition that when the weapon was discharged she held it in her right hand and fired it in the usual manner, Mr. Osborne said. He contended that she could

have held the weapon and fired it with her thumb.

Mr. Osborne argued that Mrs. King did not deliberately shoot herself. "No one seeking to commit suicide," he said, "would shoot themselves in the back of the head, but would fire at the front of the head."

On the same grounds he contended that if Means had determined to kill the woman he would have shot her in such a manner as would enable him to claim she shot and killed herself purposely.

### LOCAL CANNERY IS VERY BUSY INSTITUTION

The cannery of the Rogue River Valley Canning Co. is running full capacity and tomatoes are being put up at the rate of 10,000 cans per day. About 50 people are employed in the different departments and system prevails throughout the plant. The tomatoes that are coming in this season are of fine quality, being firm and having a rich red color.

The company has two farms leased upon which the tomatoes are grown, and during harvest time about 25 people are engaged in the picking and hauling. As soon as the tomatoes have all been canned the company expects to start putting up apples. The marketing of two such products makes the season an extended one. R. D. Hoke, superintendent in

charge of the cannery, states that the company is unable to supply the demand and that orders are being constantly refused.

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—Members of the Association of Progressive Medicine, in convention here today, have gone on record as favoring a movement to have state legislatures legalize the administration of an easy death to monstrosities and to the hopelessly incurable and in all cases where an agonizing death impends.

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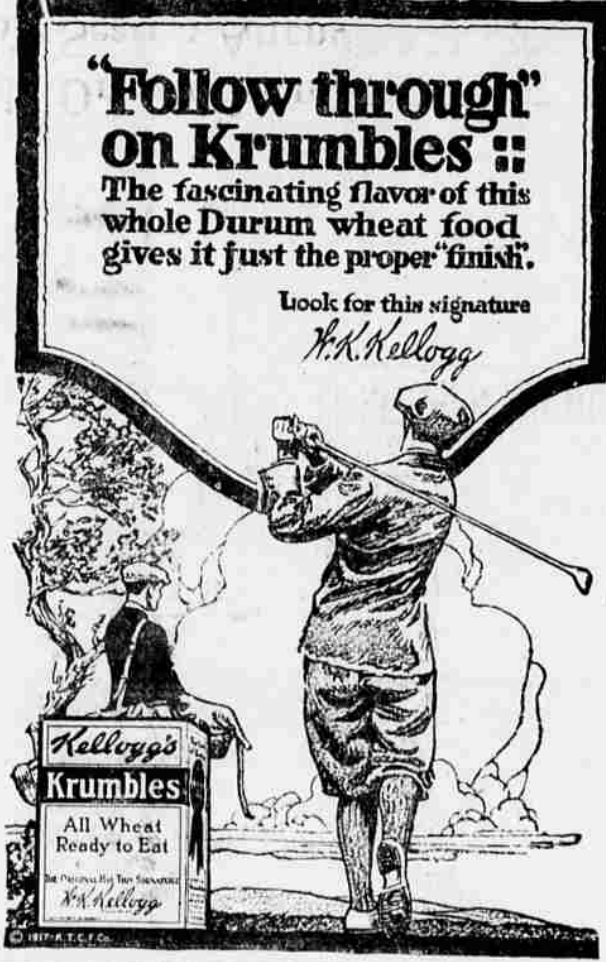
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