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FRISCO CRIMINAL LIBELS

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the city, through the board of supervisors, of the water company for \$10,000,000, which is said to be twice its value.

This is the sensational statement made in open court this morning during the trial of R. A. Crothers, publisher and Fremont Older, managing editor of the San Francisco Bulletin, on a charge of criminal libel.

Crothers and Older are charged with having caused the publication of a story to the effect that Tevis had offered Ruef a bribe.

When the Crothers-Older trial was resumed this morning the prosecution moved that the libel case be dismissed, claiming that it was not brought in good faith, and that it was impossible to bring Tevis into court.

The attorneys for the defense fought the motion to dismiss, claiming they had all the evidence necessary to successfully fight the case.

"We have the signed confession of Abe Ruef to the effect that Tevis offered him \$1,000,000 to secure the purchase of the Bay Cities Water Company by the old board of supervisors, and we also have the confessions of a number of the members of that board that Ruef told them enormous sums were to be distributed to secure the sale."

The prosecutor opened the proceedings by requesting that the jury be excused, as he had several important matters to be presented to the court in regard to further procedure in the case. His request was granted, and E. P. E. Troy, an attorney, who instigated the suit against the newspaper men, was called to the stand, and the attorneys for the defense asked the prosecutor for a statement of his reasons for calling Troy. The prosecutor stated that he had asked Troy why he had instigated the suit, but that Troy refused to make a statement.

Troy was then asked if it was done for the purpose of proving the truth of the charge against Tevis, as made

by the Bulletin, or if it was a scheme to exploit the hotchy-hotchy water scheme.

To this Troy also refused to reply, declaring that the prosecutor was trying to place him in a false light.

Troy was again asked at whose request he instigated the suit, and again Troy refused to reply, angrily declaring that the prosecutor impugned his motives.

The court then peremptorily ordered Troy to answer, and he said that Daniel Murphy, a member of the water committee of the board of supervisors, told him that this would be a good time to air the matter surrounding the alleged attempt to put the deal through.

"Tevis had the reputation of corrupting everybody and every official, and I did not think the evidence could be brought from Bakersfield, where the original libel suit was brought by Tevis.

Troy then, in biting language, denounced Tevis as a "horse thief and a scoundrel."

Troy stated that Murphy drew up the complaint and selected the particular article on which the libel charge is based. He denied that he had discussed the matter with Crothers or Older. He admitted, however, that he had discussed it with Attorney Hiram Johnson, for the defense, the sole motive being to bring out the water question.

The prosecutor then announced that he was unable to legally present a case against the defendants, and moved to dismiss the charge.

The attorneys for the defense vigorously opposed the motion, declaring that Tevis was evading the processes of the court, and that the statement published by the Bulletin was based on Ruef's confession to the effect that Tevis had offered him \$1,000,000 to induce the city to purchase the Bay Cities' water plant, and that he had the confession of ex-supervisors to the effect that Ruef had promised them large sums of money to accept the plant. The attorney for the defense further stated that all of the reports on the value and facilities of the water company were prepared by Ruef. They appealed to the court to give them an opportunity to present this evidence, and, after lengthy arguments, in the course of which the prosecutor reiterated his inability to present any evidence, the court ordered the case to proceed.

PORTLAND ELECTRIC RESISTS

Reduction of Rates as Ordered on Portland Suburban Lines by Railroad Commission.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company this morning brought an injunction suit in the circuit court against the Railroad Commission, to restrain the latter from enforcing their decision of February 1, whereby the rate from Oak Grove to First and Alder streets, in Portland, was reduced from 15c to 10c, with transfer privileges, and that from Milwaukie to the same terminus from 10c to 5c, with transfer privileges. It is claimed by the railroad company that the rates which they have been charging are as low as possible. The matter will come up before Circuit Judge Galloway next Monday, a day previous to that on which the rates were to have become effective.

PENNSY CAPITAL GRAFT

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 27.—The action of the defense in the capitol graft cases in abruptly ending its side of the trial today, without calling all of its witnesses, so completely upset the plans of the prosecution that the state immediately asked for a recess until this afternoon.

The prosecution will then offer its evidence in rebuttal. It is expected that the case will be in the hands of the jury at the beginning of next week. The defense had summoned a great number of witnesses, and it was generally supposed that the trial would last several days longer. Only a few testified for the defense.

WARSHIPS ORDERED TO SEA

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Manila, Feb. 27.—A secret order has been received here that all ships on this station must be equipped and prepared at once for protracted service. Protracted service means three months at sea. This may mean extensive maneuvers with ships coming out from the United States.

Leased Wire Telegrams.

The Japanese consul from San Francisco is examining into the condition of the Japanese in the San Joaquin valley.

Voting on the Aldrich currency bill and amendments is to begin next Thursday in the senate.

Discussion of the advisability of holding an anti-Asiatic parade at Van couver precipitated a free fight last night.

New Orleans is making great preparations for the celebration of the annual Mardi Gras festival.

Independence people meet Saturday to organize a cannery.

ALCOHOL IN SICKNESS.

At one of the London public hospitals a special point is made of giving alcohol to the patients as rarely and sparingly as possible; and each time that one of the physicians does so he submits a special entry of the reasons that actuated him. In the thirty-two years of the existence of the hospital alcohol has only been given seventy-one times. The cases received are exactly like those received by all the other hospitals. For 1904 they numbered 1337 in-patients only. The death-rate among these was 7.3 per cent. For the same year the average death-rate among the other London public hospitals was 9.1 per cent. Therefore the use of alcohol in sickness is not to be regarded as a necessity. Although most physicians prescribe alcohol in solution with drugs for their patients—there was one physician of national reputation who did not believe in using alcohol. Many years ago when Dr. R. V. Pierce decided to put up his valuable "Prescription" for the diseases of women in a "ready to use" form—he used as a solvent and preservative chemically pure glycerine of proper strength, which is a better solvent and preservative of the active medicinal principles residing in most of our indigenous or native plants than is alcohol. Dr. Pierce found that the glycerine, besides being entirely harmless, possesses intrinsic medicinal properties, of great value.

No woman who is suffering from inflammation, from the pains and drains incident to womanhood can afford to be without Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. An honest medicine which has the largest number of cures to its credit and a deserved popularity for two score years all over the United States. Dr. Pierce tells you just what is contained in his "Favorite Prescription."

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Among the prominent medical men of the country who recommend the above ingredients as superior remedies for nervous conditions depending upon disorders of the womanly system and for the cure of those catarrhal conditions in the affected parts are: Edwin M. Hale, M. D., Professor of Materia Medica, at Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago; Prof. John King, M. D., Author of the American Dispensatory, Woman and her Diseases; Professor John M. Scudder, Doctors Hale, Ives, Wood, Bartholow and others. Address a postal card to Dr. Pierce for a complete treatise on the subject—sent to you without cost.

DR. PIERCE'S PLEASANT PELLETS

cure biliousness, sick and bilious headache, dizziness, costiveness, or constipation of the bowels, loss of appetite, coated tongue, sour stomach, windy belchings, "heartburn," pain and distress after eating, and kindred derangements of the liver, stomach and bowels.

Persons who are subject to any of these troubles should never be without a vial of the "Pleasant Pellets" at hand. In proof of their superior excellence it can truthfully be said that they are always adopted as a household remedy after the first trial.

One little "Pellet" is a laxative, two are cathartic. They regulate, invigorate and cleanse the liver, stomach and bowels. As a "dinner pill," to promote digestion, take one each day. To relieve the distress arising from over-eating, nothing equals one of these little "Pellets." They're tiny, sugar-coated, anti-bilious granules, scarcely larger than mustard seeds.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

How to live in health and happiness is the general theme of Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. This great work on medicine and hygiene, containing over 1000 pages and more than 700 illustrations, is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send 31 one-cent stamps for the cloth-bound volume, or only 21 stamps for the book in paper covers.

Governor Hughes was today asked to remove District Attorney Jerome for refusal to prosecute the traction companies of New York, in accord with pre-election promises.

Secretary Asquith has introduced a licensing bill in British Commons today that will cut down saloons 32,000 in England.

GOOD RANGE VALU



This steel range with 16 inch oven, high close 6 holes, made for wood or coal. Worth \$35.00 Special \$28.00

Buren & Hamilton

SAWED OFF THE STEEL

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Wellington walked over the top of two cells and jumped into what was formerly the corridor leading from the outside entrance of the prison to the central station. This he found to have been walled up and made his way back to the top of the cells again. Unfortunately, one of the jailers had left the door of the cell, which was empty, open.

Wellington entered the empty cell and found a hole cut through the flooring, which had been made by the heater men preparatory to installing radiators. He dropped through this aperture into the basement of the city prison. There he secured an iron bar which was used as a furnace poker, pried open the lock on the outside wooden door, where coal was delivered, opened the door and escaped into the night.



Miss Florence Elsie in the "Royal Slave," at Grand Opera House Thursday Night.

Pains in the back and side may come from the kidneys or liver. Lane's Family Medicine is the tonic-laxative, and a great kidney and liver remedy, will give relief.

With Liverpool weak May options went up 3 1/2 cents in Chicago.

No medicine has ever done more towards warding off grip and pneumonia and relieving distressing grip cough than Kemp's Balsam, the best cough cure.

FORMER SALEM MAN RUNS FOR CONGRESS

John A. Jeffrey, of Portland, filed his petition for nomination to the office of congressman for the second district on the Democratic ticket with the secretary of the county. Jeffrey was formerly a resident of Salem.

Lane's Family Medicine is a laxative. It does not degenerate, but imparts a full buoyancy and strength that is lightful. At all druggists.

Wm. Durrell, a Portland man, shot Mrs. Marie Kluge, then killed himself. Mrs. Kluge lives.

For Rheumatic Sufferers: The quick relief from pain is obtained by applying Chamberlain's Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, sciatica, back, lumbago, and deep muscular pains. For sale at Stone's drug store.

Eugene Odd Fellows will build five-story brick block, \$49,000.

Keeping Open House: Everybody is welcome to feel good; and we feel that when our digestive organs are working properly. Dr. King's Pills regulate the action of the liver and bowels so perfectly that they help feeling good when these pills. 25c at J. C. Perry's store.

Congressman Hawley appears before the public lands commission in support of Senator's resolution to authorize cancellation of the O. & C. land grant.

IF YOU KNOW: The merits of the Texas would never suffer from bladder or rheumatic trouble, two months' treatment by S. C. Stone's drug store, Testimonials with each bottle.

The Portland council has passed the vehicle tax ordinance, mayor's veto.

Don't take cold, but if you don't fail to take Kemp's Balsam, prevent serious consequences. It is so valuable in coughs and colds.

John H. McNary, of Salem, decided to become a candidate for re-election to the office of attorney, and will probably meet opposition.

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When you have an opportunity like this of purchasing our well known high-grade clothes at these clean prices you will do well to stock up without delay.

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Folger's Golden Gate Coffee

makes breakfast the beginning of a cheerful day. Aroma-tight tins save all the fragrance and strength. Sold on merit. No prizes—No coupons—No crockery.

J. A. Folger & Co., San Francisco



Baby Laugh

It belongs to health for a baby to eat and sleep, to laugh and grow fat.

But fat comes first; don't ask a scrawny baby to laugh; why, even his smile is pitiful! Fat comes first.

The way to be fat is the way to be healthy.

Scott's Emulsion

is the proper food, but only a little at first.

All Druggists 50c. and \$1.00.

MISSOURI FOR BIG W. TAFT

(United Press Leased Wire.)

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 27.—The Republican state convention, which will select a national committeeman, four delegates-at-large and four alternates to the Chicago convention, and nominate 15 presidential electors, opened in St. Louis today.

Although the admirers of Speaker Cannon have been working hard in Missouri of late in behalf of their choice, they have been unable to check the popular wave in favor of Secretary Taft.