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WAR SECRETARY TAFT GOES TO PANAMA

Threatening the Lives of Heney and Spreckels

**BANKER
ROSS WAS
CONVICTED**

SHORT ORDER

**WAS OUT BUT AN HOUR
AND A HALF—OTHER CASES
AGAINST HIS ASSOCIATES BE
PUSHED TO IMMEDIATE TRIAL**

Thorbarn Ross, president of the First Title Guarantee & Trust company of Portland, was found guilty of converting \$288,000 of money by the jury in the circuit court yesterday afternoon in a trial that lasted for one hour and thirty-five minutes. The convicted banker will be sentenced on Monday at 1 o'clock, the penalty being from one to 15 years imprisonment and fine. T. T. Burk, vice president of the same institution, is on trial today. (Continued on page five.)

**THEODORA
SHONTS A
WIDOW**

HER DUKE IS DEAD

**MARRIED A TITLED FRENCH-
MAN A FEW MONTHS AGO
WHO HAS DIED VERY SUD-
DENLY.**

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, April 24.—Duc de Chauvines, the titled Frenchman, who recently married Theodora Shonts, daughter of the New York traction expert, died suddenly in Paris last night, according to two cablegrams received in New York today. One, announcing his death, was received today at the town home of the Shonts family, and the second (Continued on page five.)

**200,000
PEOPLE
SEE RACE**

FOR GREAT TROPHY

**ITALIAN CAR WINS AND THERE
ARE THE USUAL SENSATION-
AL ACCIDENTS RECORDED—
ONE AUTO CATCHES FIRE.**

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Briar Cliff, N. Y., April 24.—In the presence of 200,000 people the 256-mile auto race for the Briar Cliff trophy was run this morning, the winner being the Italian car Isotta, driven by Strang. The race was started at 5:07 a. m. but even at that early hour great crowds lined the entire course. A number of accidents marred the contest and one death occurred as a result of excitement, the victim, A. Smith Hopkins, superintendent of the East View aims house, dropping dead of heart disease a few minutes before the start. Watson, the driver of the Simplex machine, struck a post near East View, smashing the car, but neither Watson nor his mechanic was seriously hurt. The car was repaired and re-entered, the crowd cheering Watson for his gameness. His big toe was broken and he was jarred internally.

**PLOT TO KILL
RUDOLPH
SPRECKELS**

AND F. J. HENEY

**LEADERS WHO ARE PROSECUT-
ING GRAFT CASES IN SAN
FRANCISCO HAVE SEVERAL
TRAPS SET FOR THEM.**

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, April 24.—That a plot to kill Rudolph Spreckels, of the graft prosecution, and Francis J. Heney, special prosecutor in the graft cases, had been hatched some months, is the startling statement made today by one close to the men who are seeking to put the bribegivers behind the bars. According to this story it was planned to anger Spreckels during the proceedings in his suit for libel against W. E. Dargie, which was being held in Oakland, and start a riot. The day that the plot was to have been carried out was set and a famous gun fighter, whose name is well known on the Pacific coast, had been approached with a view to having him lead the riot. He refused, however, to have anything to do with the alleged "job," but others, it is said, were engaged to do the fighting. The plot fell through because Spreckels failed to appear. If

**A CRAZY
MAN KILLS
HIMSELF**

LEFT STRANGE NOTE

**OAKLAND POLICE HAVE NO
IDEA OF WHO TRIED TO BLOW
UP THE BOODLING SUPERVISOR—
WANTS RECEIVER.**

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, April 24.—Calmly sitting on the edge of his bed and looking into a small mirror, which he had placed on a chair in front of him, A. B. Johnson, 50 years of age, placed a revolver in his temple and blew his brains out in his room at 3280 Twentieth street this morning. The character of several notes left by Johnson indicated his mind was unbalanced. One of the notes addressed to Nell Morris or Nell Brown, 1470 Valencia street, read: "I forgive you, but send some of the money to my boys. I will meet you in h—, I would kill you, but I will leave that for some other man. I am crazy."
The Gallagher Blowup.
Oakland, Cal., April 24.—Though police have made two arrests in connection with the blowing up of the home of James H. Gallagher, the detectives in charge of the case profess to be as much at sea as to the real perpetrators of the outrage as immediately after the explosion occurred. Captain of Detectives Peterson stated this afternoon that he thinks the two suspects taken in custody have no connection with the wrecking of the building. Yesterday J. Kerr, giving his address as 527 Missouri street, San Francisco, and his occupation as horseshoer, purchased a four ounce phial of nitric acid.

**FIGHTING
AGAINST
FORESTERS**

TOO MANY OFFICIALS

**WESTERN LUMBERMEN DO NOT
WANT FEDERAL OFFICIALS
INTERFERING WITH STATE
AFFAIRS.**

Washington, April 24.—The senate this afternoon passed a bill authorizing the Copper River & Northern Railway company to construct a bridge across Berling lake, Alaska.
Too Much Forestry.
The senate today passed a resolution introduced by Senator Heyburn of Idaho, asking that Secretary of Agriculture Wilson send to the senate the name of all officers and employees of the forestry service attending forestry conventions last year. This is a step in the fight of the western lumbermen against the forestry bureau for what the lumbermen consider its interference in state forestry affairs at the expense of the government.
Taft Goes to Panama.
It was announced this afternoon that Secretary of War Taft will go to Panama on April 29, returning about May 15. The secretary's trip to the canal is of a business character.
DEDICATION OF CASTLE HALL
Grandt Lodge, of Baker City, Realizes Ambition of Many Years
Tuesday the solemn and impressive ceremonies for the dedication of the Castle Hall of the Knights of Pythias was performed by Grand Chancellor John M. Wall, assisted by other grand officers. Those participating in the ceremonies were Past Grand Chancellor M. F. Davis of Union, Grand Keeper of Record and Seal L. R. Stinson of Salem, Captain of Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias Col. Geo. W. Knight of Hubbard, Supreme Representatives W. M. Calk of Portland, and W. L. Bradshaw of The Dalles.
The work on the Castle Hall was begun in 1906, the corner stone laid May 2, 1907, and the dedication on April 21, 1908. The structure is of native stone, two stories high with a basement. The first floor is used for offices and stores, part of the basement for a club room, and the second floor contains the auditorium and lodge rooms. The cost of the building is close to \$40,000 and much credit is due to the building committee, consisting of G. W. Jett, F. J. Sullivan, E. P. Voruz, W. S. Levens, J. L. Rand and F. H. Grabner.
It is a great credit to the great mining center of Oregon.

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Henry Wilcox, a spectator, was struck by a car near the starting line and his right leg was broken. Washington Kirkpatrick fell while watching the race, breaking his ankle.
Mrs. Charles Eberon was badly burned when her husband's automobile became ignited near the start.
A front wheel of the Majas machine collapsed, throwing Driver Murphy and Mechanic Ulrich out, but they suffered only minor injuries.
The Italian car Fiat, driven by Cedrino, was second. Strang's time was 5:14:01 1-5; and Cedrino's, 5:21:05 2-5.
The Stearns car, driven by Vaughan, was third, time 5:28:29. The Apperson car, with Lytle at the wheel, was fourth, time 5:39:15. The Bianci car, Satori driving, was fifth. Time 5:53:45. Cedrino, the favorite, made a desperate effort at the finish and cut great slices off Strang's lead.

TRUST COMPANY TO BE DISSOLVED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, April 24.—The Rock Island company of New Jersey, the \$150,000,000 corporation, which the Moore brothers organized to hold the securities of their vast railroad system headed by the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific is to be abandoned. Attorneys and officials are busy devising a plan whereby the holding company, which has been a curiosity in the financial world for several years, may be successfully dissolved, and the stock of the companies which is held by it returned to the original owners.

was also designed to have Heney appear on the day in question, but this he was unable to do owing to other duties.
The men were alleged to have approached the famous gun fighter and credited with having assured him that he would be fully protected.
On another occasion, according to the authority for the story, Heney and Spreckels were to be called to a certain place for a conference over statements credited to them by a local newspaper. In or near the room in which the conference was to be held were stationed gun fighters, but neither Heney nor Spreckels walked into the trap, although they had a friend present who looked the gun men over and reported their attendance.

WANTS A BUNCH OF CHINKS HANGED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Portland, Or., April 24.—Ambassador Wu Ting Fang has taken a hand in the factional feud in the Bow On tong that is now raging in Portland and which has already resulted in one murder, several assaults and incendiary attempts on the homes of the Bow On. With the importation of a number of hatched men from San Francisco the entire Chinese colony became alarmed and appealed to their government to intervene. Wu Ting Fang took the matter up and has written advising the Chinese to give all the law breakers in the colony to the police.
I am very sorry this has happened," declared the ambassador in his letter. "I wish all these men hanged."

SILVER DOLLAR WOMAN

Binghamton, N. Y., April 24.—Mrs. Caroline Williams, aged 80, whose portrait was reproduced on the silver dollar many years ago and still appears on the coin, is in the Broome county poor house.
"I was peddling notions in Philadelphia when I had a daguerrotype taken," said Mrs. Williams today.
"Not long afterward one of the men from the Philadelphia mint, looking for a face to put on the silver dollar, dropped in the studio where my picture was taken and selected it for the purpose. I was surprised when told of the incident. Later, I recognized my face on the dollar. I have never received a cent for it."
Mrs. Williams had been trying to provide for herself by raising chickens and vegetables for the market, but when she was taken ill recently, she gave up the struggle and asked to be sent to the almshouse.

DIAMOND ROBBERS MAKE OVERTURES

San Francisco, April 24.—That the safe crackers who robbed Lundy's diamond store of \$50,000 worth of jewelry, at Grant avenue and Market street, a few days ago, are still in this city seems certain, as overtures have already been made to Lundy for the return of the jewels.
Manager Becker today had an interview with a well dressed mysterious man, who said a meeting can be arranged with the men who held the loot. Nothing was said as to what the consideration would be. Becker is of the opinion that the man was an agent for the diamond thieves.
After some talk Becker was told to find out for Lundy the highest price he would pay for the jewels. This Becker said he would do and a future meeting was arranged. This was apparently satisfactory to the visitor, who after warning Becker not to tell the police, disappeared.
A mob at Skiddog, California, a mining camp, last night hanged Joe Simpkins, a gambler, who on last Sunday shot and killed James Arnold a butcher.
Crook county is displaying some of the old time spirit and the trouble is just getting started.