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STORM AND CLOUDBURST IN CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO CUT OFF

20 YEARS IN PRISON FOR BOY OF 14—JUDGE WEPT.

Tears Streamed Down the Face of Justice Fursman in Sentencing Young Stewart—Boy Murderer in Knickerbockers and Red Tie Unmoved—Munched



Justice Fursman wept as he sentenced Alexander Stewart, boy murderer, aged fourteen, to twenty years' imprisonment in Sing Sing.

Candy as He Was Led Back to His Cell.

With tears streaming down his face Justice Fursman, of the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court, today sentenced fourteen-year-old Alexander Stewart to twenty years at hard labor in Sing Sing, for the murder of Edward Peisel.

THE MURDERER.

Before him, with his head and shoulders rising just above the railing, stood the youthful prisoner. His was the only unflushed face in the courtroom. His were the only eyes that looked from the weeping Justice on the bench to the weeping court attendants and spectators and still remained dry.

JUDGE FURSMAN WEPT AS HE SENTENCED BOY TO PRISON.

There were tears in Judge Fursman's eyes as he pronounced sentence on Alexander Stewart, the boy murderer. "I do not suppose that anything I can say to you, young man, will be of any particular value to you hereafter. You owe it to the mercy of a humane District-Attorney that your life is saved."

Justice Fursman pronounced sentence on the boy calmly and steadily. He did not weep, but his eyes were filled with tears. The boy, Alexander Stewart, stood before him unmoved.

SIMAR, FRENCH BIKER, RIDING UNDER "DOPE."

Strychnine Tablets Stimulate Foreigner's Efforts to Regain Lap Lost Two Days Ago.

Leaders Forced to Live-Lier Pace by Gains of German Team and Closeness of Second Pair in Race.

It is not generally known that Simar, the French cyclist in the six-day race at Madison Square Garden, has been given the "dope." It is a fact, nevertheless. His trainer has been administering stimulants in the form of strychnine tablets since yesterday. This accounts for Simar's frisky periods during the race. At times he rides as if sleepy and tired. At other times he is like a two-year-old colt.

NO LIVES LOST IN STORM AT SAN FRANCISCO.

A private despatch from San Francisco—the first through this evening—says that there has been no loss of life there. There has been no great damage done. The wires are all down, but that seems to be the full extent of the damage.

6 O'CLOCK SCORE—114TH HOUR. Table listing names of cyclists and their scores.

303 WITHDREW BANK DEPOSITS. In the run on the Harlem Savings Bank today 303 depositors drew out all their accounts and 71 drew out some of their money.

NEW ORLEANS RESULTS. FIFTH RACE—Scrivener 1, Arenahla 2, Boykin 3. SIXTH RACE—Belle of Orleans 1, Orion 2, Jim Gore 3.

OLD WATCHMAN'S SUDDEN DEATH. John J. Sullivan, fifty-two years old, of 352 Front street, employed as night watchman at Fire Headquarters, dropped dead at Scammon and Madison streets at 4 o'clock this afternoon while on his way to work. He had been in the Fire Department for ten years.

FORCED CHECK FOR \$25,750. Vice-President Dickinson, of the Central Trust Company, offering as security a promissory note for \$25,000, alleged to be signed by House & Grosman. This was in place of a cancelled check, she said. She did not get the money.

Mrs. Mary Hoppenheimer Arrested on Complaint on Lawyers. For forging the names of Frederick B. House and Moses H. Grosman, of the law firm of House, Grosman & Verhulst, 6 Park row, to a check for \$25,750, Mrs. Mary N. Hoppenheimer, a pretty young married woman, was arrested this afternoon.

WEATHER FORECAST. Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Saturday for New York City and vicinity—Fair and continued cold to-night and Saturday; brisk northerly winds.

Where Christmas Presents Bring Double Cheer. It is without a doubt in our mind that you can save a substantial amount of money by making your Christmas purchases at the Guarantee Clothing Company, upper corner Third avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street. Their enormous variety of the newest styles of their well-known high standard overcoats, Raglans, suits, fur-trimmed hats and shoes is bewildering.

Reported Great Loss of Life In City, but Confirmation Is Lacking.

Sacramento Had Despatches Early This Morning Telling of a Great Storm.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 14.—It is reported here that a cloudburst occurred to-day in San Francisco, resulting in great loss of life and much damage. San Francisco is entirely cut off from communication by wire.

The above despatch from the Associated Press is confirmed by the Western Union Telegraph Company. All the telegraph poles are reported down on the Pacific Coast in the vicinity of San Francisco. Heavy rains have deluged the country, causing washouts and undermining the telegraph poles. The Postal Telegraph Company also confirmed the Associated Press news.

The Postal managed to get some messages through to San Francisco, one slow wire connecting with the British system. The Postal could learn nothing further than that there had been a cloudburst on the Pacific Coast and that San Francisco was the centre of the storm.

SACRAMENTO REPORTS STORM IN CALIFORNIA.

Heavy Rain and Wind Cut Communications in All Directions.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 14.—North and Central California was swept by a heavy storm of rain and wind last night and to-day. There was a heavy fall of hail at this place this afternoon. Telegraph and telephone wires are pro-

HEAVY FALL OF SNOW WITH FURIOUS WIND.

Reno, Nev., Despatch Says Great Damage Has Been Done.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 14.—Telegraphic and telephone communication with San Francisco is entirely cut off and a big storm is raging throughout the Pacific coast. There has been a heavy fall of snow in the Sierras and the wind is blowing sixty miles an hour.

'FRISCO MIGHT SUFFER MUCH FROM FLOOD.

Mission Belt, a Thickly Populated Section, Lies at Foot of Nob Hill.

If the San Francisco cloudburst has caused the damage supposed by the report, it is probable that the lower section of the city, known as the Mission Belt, the south side of Market street and the city front, has suffered most. The Mission Belt is on a low level, which towers over the surrounding city. In case of a cloudburst the water would rush in torrents down the hillsides, and, collecting in the low parts of the town, would cause much damage and loss of life.