

GET SCORE IN FRAUD RAIDS

Federal Officials Work in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

ARREST 7 IN PHILADELPHIA

Shoe Stores and Land Schemes, Correspondence School and Instruments to Find Wealth.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—Nineteen arrests were made to-day in towns in Pennsylvania and New Jersey in the government's crusade against "get-rich-quick" concerns.

Seven of the defendants were arraigned in Philadelphia. These were four officials of the Chain Shoe Store Syndicate, with offices in this city; two persons constituting the Pine Heights Company, a New Jersey land improvement concern, with Philadelphia connections, and the seventh a local physician. The complete list of defendants with the results of their hearings follows:

Chain Shoe Stores Syndicate—Louis I. Rice, president, Philadelphia; Andrew C. Peterson, first vice-president, also president of the Excelsior Trust Company, Philadelphia; Edgar Polking, second vice-president and treasurer, George H. Brooks, third vice-president, Philadelphia. Each was held in \$1,000 for a further hearing and held in \$500 bail each for trial.

Dr. J. B. Hornstein, Philadelphia, held in \$500 for trial.

Charles B. McKee, Huntingdon, Penn., held in \$1,000 for further hearing.

J. S. Lepsch, Ridgeway, Penn., held in \$500 for further hearing.

John A. Weitzel, Lancaster, Penn., held in \$1,000 for trial.

Abram S. Stauffer, Palmyra, Penn., held in \$5,000 each for court.

William S. Leam, Lebanon, Penn., held in \$500 for court.

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Ira C. Webster, Newark, N. J., held in \$1,000 for further hearing.

Oscar Gustavson, Jersey City, N. J., held in \$1,500 for further hearing.

S. Joseph Silverman, Pittsburg, held in \$500 for court.

Leopold Conrad, Conrad Lotz and William Bingham, officers of the Correspondence Institute of America at Scranton, Penn., held in \$1,000 each for further hearing.

The government alleges that the Chain Shoe Stores Syndicate sold stock through fraudulent representations. According to Postal Inspector Cortelyou the syndicate was capitalized at \$2,000,000. It had widely advertised that it was establishing retail stores in large cities, that it was purchasing shoe factories at bargain prices and that the company was able to do business cheaply by eliminating middlemen.

The Pine Heights Company advertised and used the mails in connection with the giving away and selling of lots in Southern New Jersey which the government alleges are practically worthless.

Dr. Hornstein, the Philadelphia physician, is accused of sending through the mails circulars advertising a remedy, and is charged with making fraudulent statements in his literature.

Conrad, Lotz and Bingham are, respectively, the president, secretary and treasurer and manager of the Correspondence Institute of America. The postal inspectors allege that this concern procured lists of high school students and wrote to them, stating that their names had been recommended as those of persons with artistic talent. On this account the institution offered a \$25 course of art instruction under the faculty of fine artists for \$15. It was said there was no faculty of artists, but there were sixty thousand students enrolled in the books of the concern.

McKee, who was arrested in Huntingdon, Pa., is a jeweler and is alleged to have defrauded the Adams Express Company with a false claim for \$3,000 damages. His claim was on the alleged loss of \$3,000 worth of jewelry which he said he had sent to a Philadelphia firm for appraisal. It is charged that Lepsch merely sent an empty box through the express company.

Weitzel is accused of procuring bronzes and iron castings through the mail under the name of the Weltzel Novelty Plating Company and neglecting payment. Gustavson is said to have sent improper literature through the mails. Silverman is alleged to have collected money for a supposed charity, using the names of prominent Pittsburg persons without their consent.

Abram C. Stauffer, Oscar A. Stauffer and Abram S. Stauffer, who are prominent residents of Palmyra, Lebanon County, are said to have obtained thousands of dollars and to have employed twenty-five clerks and stenographers at their office in Palmyra, where they own handsome homes. Their operations are said to have covered several states.

The Stauffers are charged with selling instruments to discover hidden wealth, one of the articles being called the "Spanish needle." They were sold at from \$10 to \$15 each, and about fifteen hundred are alleged to have been disposed of in the last year. Charges of the sale of obscene literature through the mails have also been made.

The first two men are said to have been doing business under the names of the Prospectors and Miners' Agency, Hall & Co., the Electric Motor Company, the Diamond Pug Company, the Gem Novelty Company, the Franklin Drug Company, the Smith Remedy Company and Stauffer & Co. Abram S. Stauffer is said to have been interested in a concern known as the Miners' Supply Company.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Several weeks ago Postmaster General Hitchcock, in furtherance of his determination to eliminate, so far as possible, the fraudulent use of the mails, issued instructions through Chief Inspector Robert Sharp that many suspected persons and concerns in Pennsylvania should be inquired into thoroughly, with a view to their arrest and prosecution. If the facts warranted action.

A half score of outside inspectors were thrown into the state and a fine comb inquiry was instituted, under the personal supervision of James T. Cortelyou, the inspector in charge at Philadelphia.

Two days ago the concrete results of the investigation were submitted by Inspector Cortelyou to Postmaster General Hitchcock and Chief Inspector Sharp. The raids were ordered to be made simultaneously to-day, so that none of the suspected persons might evade the officers through obtaining information of the arrest of others. They were timed to a nicety, inspectors being in the several cities prepared to close on their quarry at the hour previously agreed upon.

ARREST CAPITAL CO. HEAD  
More Bucketshop Raids Made in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Sidmond McHie, broker, stock dealer and alleged head of the Capital Investment Company, which was raided yesterday as a bucketshop, was arrested late this afternoon by Deputy United States Marshal Wainwright. He was taken before United States Commissioner Foote and furnished \$10,000 bail.

Bail was furnished by A. S. Trude, a lawyer, who said his client head of the raid while in the East, and had hurried to Chicago to give himself up.

SKATERS HAD A MERRY DAY ON THE ICE IN THE PARKS.



RED BALL UP IN PARKS  
Van Cortlandt Lake Dotted with Skaters Last Night.

The skating season opened at Van Cortlandt Park yesterday afternoon, when a white flag bearing the picture of a large red ball was hoisted in the park, six days earlier than last year.

Since the first decided fall in temperature the park men have been making preparations to accommodate large crowds. The sudden rise in temperature on Wednesday caused the withdrawal of teams used in scraping the heavy snow from the lake, and as a result only one-third of the surface is cleared for skating.

Notwithstanding this fact, late yesterday afternoon many skaters arrived and last night the cleared portion of the lake was dotted with lovers of the sport. As last year, the Park Commissioner, Henry's son and daughter were the first to don skates and go upon the ice after the official flag was raised. Notices of the opening were posted in all railroad stations and along the trolley lines.

The lakes in Central Park will be turned over to the skaters to-day for the first time this season. All yesterday afternoon scrapers were at work clearing the snow from the ice, which is five inches thick. It was almost impossible for the telephone operators in the Park Department offices to remain a minute from the switchboard, so many inquiries were being made regarding the time when the red ball would go up on the Beltville flagpole. It is expected that because the opening is on Saturday fully twenty thousand persons will be skating to-day.

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Will See More To-day, Having 38 Hours to Complete the Job.

WRITES HIS IMPRESSIONS

Taft, Cannon, Bernhardt and Others Already Made Into "Copy" for London Paper.

W. R. Holt is the name he signs, but "Thunderbolt" Holt would be more seemly. If his past life is to be judged by the impression he creates in this country during his thirty-eight hours' stay. If Mr. Holt paused to take a breath since he landed yesterday morning from the Cunard Liner Mauretania nobody caught him at it. He whirled away to Washington, then hurried off to this city again before most people realized he had left the steamer.

Mr. Holt is the Parliamentary correspondent of a London newspaper, and is making a flying visit to this country to write his impressions under the caption "Seeing America in Thirty-eight Hours." The young Englishman was a passenger on the Mauretania, which reached New York yesterday morning, on her record-breaking round trip between London and this city. The big steamer will start for England again at 6 o'clock this evening, carrying with it Mr. Holt and his impressions.

Last night he made a whirlwind tour of the theatrical district, getting a fleeting glimpse of musical comedy, burlesque and tragedy, all rolled into one. Hardly had some popular air greeted his ears than the scene shifted and he was listening to the sepulchral tones of tragedy.

Mr. Holt burst behind the scenes at the Globe Theatre, where Mme. Sarah Bernhardt is playing, shortly before 11 o'clock, and put a series of questions to the French actress in such rapid succession that she was stunned by them.

Almost tearing down the classic staircase in the "Sapho" scene as he streaked his way from behind the scenes again, Mr. Holt made a dive for his waiting automobile and sped to the Hotel Knickerbocker, where pencil and paper were at hand, and he attacked the sheets as though bent on burning the paper by the friction process. In less time than it ought to be done, Mr. Holt scribbled off three thousand words and rushed down to the cable office in the hotel, there to be sent under seas to London in time to catch the first editions of his paper.

Having thus finished the first lap of his impressionistic scurry through America, Mr. Holt leaped into bed and fell asleep.

The English correspondent had landed from the Mauretania at 4:30, rushed by automobile to the station of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and there boarded his special train for Washington. The train fairly tore along the rails and dumped Mr. Holt in the big station at the nation's capital. There another automobile was panting to be away, and as soon as the Englishman had seated himself it screeched up Pennsylvania avenue toward the executive mansion.

At the entrance to the White House Mr. Holt ran up the steps and held a three-minute conversation with President Taft. He visited in order the Treasury and Post-office departments and the Department of Commerce and Labor. He also managed to wave the Washington Monument a greeting and to chat with Speaker Cannon, who gave him a black cigar.

After making other snapshots visits Mr. Holt entered another special train for this city, and arrived ahead of time, the train having broken all records. To-day's programme has not yet been planned.

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Tastes Differ  
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