

SCHLATTER, FAITH HEALER, IS FREED

Houghton Refuses to Hold Him and Aid, Wanted on the Coast.

DOCTORS CRITICISE COMMISSIONER'S ACT

One Ranks Him with Dowie—Another Believes His Release a Crime.

The Rev. Francis Schlatter, the faith healer, and his secretary, the Rev. August Algard, held here for extradition to Los Angeles on the charge of using the mails to defraud the sick, the blind and the lame, were released yesterday from custody by United States Commissioner Houghton. In refusing to permit the extradition of the two the commissioner filed an opinion in which he said that mental and divine healing were not offences against the law, and that Schlatter and his associates were to be excused for the extravagant claims of their cures in their paper, "The Ram's Horn."

"I feel satisfied that Schlatter had an honest belief that he possessed a divine power of healing," said the commissioner, "and that when he testified 'I do honest and truthful work through God to the human being' he so believed. Consequently, what he claims to do is not such an offence against the statutes as to bring his acts within the criminal code."

Physicians Disagree. Several well known physicians did not agree with the commissioner's views. They held that Schlatter, sincere or not, was a menace to public health.

Dr. Thomas Steadman, editor of "The Medical Record," said yesterday he had first heard of Schlatter ten years ago, in Chicago. Whether he is a charlatan or a fanatic, the man is dangerous to the public, was Dr. Steadman's comment.

"I feel that the community should be protected from such men, and that he ought to be stopped from preying, whether intentionally or not, on his innocent victims. Whether his purpose is to benefit his patient, or his own pocketbook makes little difference in the injurious effect that such a man has on the public welfare."

The editor of "The New York Medical Journal," Dr. Claude L. Wheeler, was even more explicit.

Sincerity Called Dangerous. "Schlatter was called the more dangerous because he appeared to be sincere," he said. "If a woman had cancer, for instance, a healer of Schlatter's type would be able to convince her that she was getting cured and perhaps saving her life. The cure is entirely in the mind of the patient, like the people who carry around horsehiccups and rheumatic rings."

PLAN COMPANY TO DEVELOP HAYTI

Will Acquire Public Utility Properties on the Island.

New York and Chicago banking interests identified with the sugar business in the West Indies have completed plans for the creation under the New York State laws of the Haytian American Corporation, which will acquire existing public utility properties in Hayti. These consist of terminal facilities, a railroad, electric light plants and a tramway in the capital city of Port-au-Prince and the adjoining agricultural valleys of Cul de Sac and Leogane, and an electric light plant in the city of Cape Haitien.

The plan of the new company will consist of \$6,000,000 7 per cent cumulative convertible preferred, of which \$5,000,000 will be issued. Of \$12,000,000 7 per cent cumulative convertible common stock, \$5,000,000 will be issued. There will be 60,000 "founders' common shares, entitled to one-third of the remaining earnings after payment of fixed dividends on both preferred and common stocks.

TO APPEAL SHIPPING CASES State Department Sends M. M. Wyvill to London as Counsel.

Washington, June 28.—The State Department announced today that Manton M. Wyvill would leave for London on Saturday to appeal for reconsideration of American shipping cases on which adverse decisions have been rendered. Mr. Wyvill is attached to the Foreign Trade Adviser's office of the State Department.

Mr. Bryan, when Secretary of State, called Mr. Wyvill from Allegheny County, Pa., to the State Department. While he held that position he ran for Congress in the 43d District and was defeated. Mr. Bryan then obtained for him a \$5,000 job as counsel to the International Commerce Commission. It was discovered that Congress had made no provision for paying his salary, when he was shifted to the Foreign Trade Adviser's office.

negotiated by the allies of France with the declared object and purpose of establishing a boycott against their enemies during and after the war. The measure would ask the President to ascertain to what extent neutral nations, especially the United States, would be affected by a treaty, by which the recent economic conference of the Allies held at Paris and to the understanding that there resulted a commercial treaty which other and boycott all enemy nations.

HILL TO RUN RUSSIAN RR. Will Head Traffic Department of Trans-Siberian Line.

Seattle, June 28.—Samuel Hill, of this city, millionaire son-in-law of the late James J. Hill, and noted as a railroad executive and roadbuilder, has gone to Vladivostok at the request of the Russian government to take charge of the traffic department of the Trans-Siberian Railway.

It is reported here that the appointment is made with a view to facilitate the movement of war supplies.

B. & J. EARNINGS SHOW BIG GAINS

Increase of \$19,768,249 in Gross and \$2,712,505 in Net for 1916.

A statement showing the probable approximate earnings of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad for the fiscal year to end June 30 was presented to the board of directors yesterday. The compilation, which was based on actual figures for eleven months, and estimated figures for the month of June, indicates that the net gains in both gross and net will be shown by the complete returns. The 1916 income account compares with the previous year as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Total operating revenue, Total operating expenses, Net operating income, and Total income. Shows a significant increase in both gross and net earnings for 1916 compared to 1915.

Deducting the preferred dividend of \$18,000,000, the stock outstanding, and after payment of the 5 per cent on the common stock there remains \$3,483,922 to be carried to surplus.

An important rearrangement of the lines of B. & O. and changes in the jurisdiction of the executive officers, discontinuing the numerical order of designating vice-presidents, were also announced after yesterday's meeting.

George F. Randolph, first vice-president, becomes vice-president in charge of the company's foreign relations. George M. Shriver, second vice-president, in charge of accounting, auditing, treasury, claim and relief departments.

A. W. Thompson, third vice-president, in charge of operation and maintenance, becomes vice-president in charge of operation and maintenance, with headquarters at Baltimore and Ohio Chicago Terminal Railroad and assistant to president.

F. C. Batchelder, president of the Baltimore & Ohio Chicago Terminal Railroad and assistant to president, becomes vice-president and executive representative at Chicago.

J. M. Davis, general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern, and the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, becomes vice-president in charge of operation and maintenance, with headquarters at Baltimore.

C. W. Galloway, general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio lines at Baltimore, becomes vice-president of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company, with headquarters at Cincinnati, and general manager of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton system, and also general manager of the receivers of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway Company.

SELLERS OF S. FLAG WARNED AGAINST FRAUD

City Bureau Finds Dealers Resorting to Short Measure.

Short measure in American flags came under the ban yesterday of the Commissioner Joseph Hartigan, of the Bureau of Weights and Measures. Twenty-five dealers who manufacture and sell American flags were summoned for examination as to why boxes containing flags were either unmarked as measurements or were short in length. The dealers were warned that unless their methods were changed drastic measures would be taken against them.

Representative flag manufacturers said that owing to the tremendous demand all over the country for American flags, the result of the preparedness and Americanism craze, the dealers were swamped as never before, and were using speculators to enter the trade. They use methods that are condemned by responsible houses to get the business. These methods include the short measurement of flags, selling inferior quality for high grade flags (cotton flags for wool) and imitation for pure silk flags.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA BOY N.Y.C. CITY COUNCIL 50 MADISON AVENUE HEADQUARTERS NOTICES.

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ABSENT BROKERS TO BE PROTECTED

Those Called to Colors Won't Be Charged Extra Commissions—Listings.

The governing committee of the Stock Exchange at the last regular semi-monthly meeting yesterday before the summer recess approved a plan providing that all members who have been called to the colors may appoint a broker to act for them in their absence who shall have the same standing regarding the charging of commissions as the absentee. As this procedure requires an amendment to the constitution, formal ratification will be reserved for a special meeting to be held in the near future.

Other matters considered at yesterday's session were the approval of a plan for the addition of four new trading posts on the floor of the exchange and the removal of the "bond crowd" from their present location along the east wall of the exchange building, to the northeast corner. A new method of distributing orders through pneumatic tubes was also discussed. By the changes contemplated the space on the trading floor will be increased about 1,800 square feet.

Theodore F. Reynolds was elected to membership on the board of governors to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Albert H. Markwald, who is now associated with the Bankers Trust Company.

The governors yesterday approved for listing an unusually large number of securities. Many were taken from the stock market, where they have been actively dealt in for several months. The list follows:

Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation, \$50,000,000 7 per cent cumulative preferred and 500,000 shares of common of the par value. Acme Tea Company, \$2,750,000 7 per cent cumulative first preferred and temporary interchangeable certificates for \$3,500,000 common; Barrett Company, \$4,550,700 7 per cent cumulative preferred and \$1,200,000 common; Harbison-Walker Refractories Company, \$9,600,000 6 per cent cumulative preferred and \$18,000,000 common; Worthington Pump and Machinery Company, \$5,500,000 7 per cent cumulative preferred Class A 7 per cent cumulative preferred stock, \$10,321,671 voting trust certificates representing common stock, \$10,000,000 Series A first mortgage 4 1/2 per cent bonds; Missouri, Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad Company, \$1,250,000 common; Gulf and Western Investment Trust Company certificates of deposit representing first mortgage 5 per cent bonds; Braden Copper Mines Company, \$15,000,000 7 per cent cumulative preferred sinking fund bonds; Willys-Overland Company, \$1,500,000 additional common stock, and Consolidated Interstate-Callaish Mining Company, \$4,649,500 stock, par value \$10.

Gold and West Indies Steamship Lines, \$1,479,900 5 per cent non-cumulative preferred stock, and \$1,493,400 common; Gas Rubber Company, \$4,000,000 common stock, par value of shares \$50 each; American Bank Note Company, \$4,495,550 6 per cent cumulative preferred stock, and Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, \$40,180,000 5 per cent convertible 20-year bonds.

The Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation issued a statement of its operations for the period from December 1, 1915, to April 30, 1916, as follows: Gross earnings, \$1,027,762; net profit, \$1,846,811. Driggs-Seabury Ordnance, District of Columbia, \$40,000,000 5 per cent sinking fund bonds; Willys-Overland Company, \$1,500,000 additional common stock, and the Savage Arms Company for the four months ended April 30 were shown to be \$2,448,434, and net profit \$1,058,085.

ASKS LIGHT ON TREATY Senator Stone Wants Explanation of Entente's "Boycott" Agreement.

Washington, June 28.—Senator Stone, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, introduced a resolution today requesting President Wilson to inform the Senate of the precise character of the commercial treaty being

POLICEMAN'S REVOLVER CAUSES PANIC IN COURT

Discharge Mistaken for Bomb—Bullet Hits Interpreter.

Spectators who crowded into the Coney Island police court for "trial day" yesterday were treated to a thrill that wasn't on the calendar when a revolver concealed in a policeman's pocket was discharged, the bullet entering the leg of a court attendant.

Cries of "Bomb" rang through the room as the injured man dropped to the floor. Men and women leaped from their benches, struggling with one another in a wild dash for doors and windows. Magistrate Walsh was quickly informed of what had occasioned the explosion, and after a riotous five minutes succeeded in restoring order.

The revolver was the property of Patrolman John Hubman, of the Coney Island station, and was carried in his hip pocket. It is believed that some queer movement of his body forced the trigger. The ball passed through his clothing, then through the bench upon which he was sitting. Striking the floor, it bounced upward to bury itself in the right leg of Germain Antonini, an interpreter. Antonini was carried to an anteroom where an ambulance hospital removed the bullet. The wound was not serious.

CONVICTS ATTEND FUNERAL Welfare League's Heads Honor McCarthy, Shot by Shillitani.

Ten convicts, composing the executive board of the Mutual Welfare League of Sing Sing prison, yesterday received two hours' freedom to attend the funeral of Daniel J. McCarthy, the guard who died from a bullet wound inflicted by Orestes Shillitani, the murderer, who a few days ago made an unsuccessful attempt to escape from the death house.

The convicts were guarded by Principal Keeper Fred Dornier. They wore prison trousers and civilian jackets, which mourning badges were attached. Shillitani's electrocution is fixed for this morning.

The weather report shows a high of 84 and a low of 64. Wind from the north at 10 to 15 miles per hour. Partly cloudy.

THE WEATHER REPORT Records for Last Twenty-four Hours and Official Forecasts.

Washington, June 28.—The temperature was low near or above the seasonal average generally, except in the Pacific states, and the northern Pacific region, where the weather continues cool.

Up the Hudson By Daylight. Advertisement for a day trip on the Hudson River.

THOS. COOK & SON. Advertisement for travel services.

FRENCH LINE. Advertisement for transatlantic service.

CUNARD. Advertisement for transatlantic service.

AMERICAN LINE. Advertisement for transatlantic service.

STEAMER 'Mandalay'. Advertisement for Atlantic Highlands Coast Resorts.

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