WITNESSES TELL OF THE MURDER OF MRS. ZIEGLER

Brother-in-Law of the Dead Woman Takes the Stand.

HIS TESTIMONY VERY DAMAGING

Accused Man Made No Effort to Conceal His Crime, but Threatened to Make Way With Himself.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SANTA CRUZ, Nov. 1.—The main witness in the Ziegler murder case to-day was Attorney William Beverly Sharp of San Francisco, who was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Ziegler and was at the house of Mrs. Ziegler on the night of the crime. Sharp told the story of being at the Ziegler home the night the crime was committed, the quarrel between Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler, of his retirement for the evening, and shortly afterward how Mrs. Ziegler came to the top of the stairway and got a telescope basket. Later he heard screams and then went downstairs, where he saw Ziegler with both his shirtsleeves and his hands covered with blood. There was a butcher knife in his hand covered with blood.

Sharp said: "I asked Ziegler the meaning of this packing up and where Cad was. He replied: 'She is just down the road.' I said, 'Why don't she come in?' He replied: 'She's all right; she'll be in soon.'

"He then said, 'I might as well tell you I've done the deed.' I said, 'How could you do such a thing?' and the reply was: 'She was going to run away. I couldn't stand it. I ran after her and tried to persuade her to come back. She wouldn't come and struck me in the face, and that angered me and I did the deed.' I said, 'Why didn't you make her come back?' He said, 'She fought like a wildcat.' I wished to know if I should go and see her. He said: 'It is no use. I returned and finished the deed.'"

Ziegler and himself drank a glass of whisky, and Ziegler told him it was no use to warn the neighbors, as he would be able to cut at least one jugular vein and bleed to death. By this time Mrs. Armstrong was ready, and they went down the road and saw Mrs. Ziegler lying at the side of the road.

Sharp was recalled this afternoon and said that Ziegler had always been kind to his wife, and that when she threatened to leave him Ziegler had made a statement that he would kill himself.

Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Ziegler's mother, said that after hearing screams and when she saw Ziegler in the house with a butcher knife in his hand and blood on his hands and sleeves, I said, "Oh, Judge, what have you done with Carrie?"

"He replied: 'I have killed her. I have done the deed. She is down the road.' I was so horrified I could hardly speak. He then said, 'If you don't get out of the room I will cut my own throat before your eyes.'"

Sheriff Besse testified as to going out to the Ziegler ranch and of finding the body in the road and Ziegler on the back porch with his throat cut. George Staffer was placed on the stand and, as undertaker, identified the clothes taken from the body of the dead woman. Dr. H. H. Clark testified as to the nature of the wounds.

INTERESTS THE COAST.

Pensions Issued, Postmasters Appointed and Postal Changes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Postmasters commissioned: California—William F. Sechrest, Doble; Olive Jackson, Escalon.

Postmasters appointed: California—Palmdale, Los Angeles County, John A. Scherer, vice K. L. Bulkley, resigned.

Oregon—Shaniki, Wasco County, William Holder, vice J. D. Wilson, resigned.

The Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago has been approved as reserve agent for the First National Bank at Long Beach, Cal.

Pensions granted: California—Original—Edwin R. Laws, San Francisco, $6; Henry Baumy, Railroad Flat, $8; Thomas Carter, San Francisco, $8; Joseph N. Wade, Murphy, $6; William Hearne, San Francisco, $6. Additional — Henry A. Rothrock, Riverside, $8. Increase—Ira Gray, Gilroy, $8. Reissue—James Olds, Fruitvale, $8. Reissue and increase—James T. May, Stockton, $8.

Oregon—Original—Donatus Barth, Marquam, $12.

Washington — Increase — John Dormer, Issaquah, $24; George W. Lester, Bay View, $10. War with Spain—John N. Taylor, Davenport, $8.

George W. Post has been appointed rural free delivery carrier at Watsonville, Cal., vice J. P. Carr, resigned.

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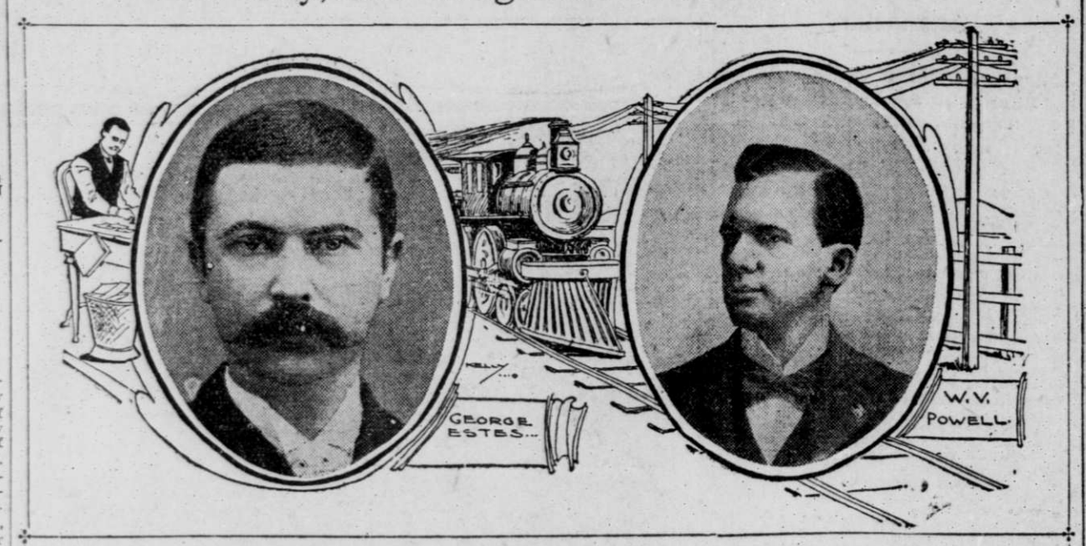
RAILWAY TELEGRAPHERS MAY ELECT GEORGE ESTES CHIEF

At Their Next Annual Meeting, Which Will Be Held in This City, the Oregonian Will Be Favorite.



THE CLEVER HEAD OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF RAILWAY TELEGRAPHERS AND THE MAN WHOSE OFFICIAL DOWNFALL HE CAUSED. ESTES MAY SOON BE ELECTED TO FILL POWELL'S POSITION.

CALIFORNIA has become the center of the interest of the railway telegraphers of the country, and all owing to the special meeting of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, which recently closed in St. Louis. The next meeting of the order will be held in San Francisco, and the telegraphers of the Southern Pacific system are going to try to elect George Estes of Roseburg, Or., the general chairman of Southern Pacific Division No. 53, grand president of the order as vindication for a slight that was heaped upon Estes by W. V. Powell, until recently grand president.

All of this hinges upon the troublesome times that occurred just before the special meeting was held in St. Louis, of which the removal of Estes by Powell was but an incident.

W. V. Powell had been president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers for several years. He had a high standing as an organizer, but of late had been having trouble with nearly all of the officers of the order and among them Estes, who, as general chairman of the Southern Pacific Division, headed the largest single division that is connected with the order. Powell and Estes had a disagreement and Powell removed Estes from his position.

This did not please the members of the order employed by the Southern Pacific Company, at whose head Estes stood. As the Southern Pacific Division is the largest division in the country, with over 1000 members, their displeasure made itself felt in the order. Estes stands very high with the men on his division and so well among the railroad organizations that when the brotherhoods were fighting the Huntington insurance scheme and a joint grievance committee was appointed Estes was chosen as the general chairman of this joint grievance committee, empowered to wait upon C. P. Huntington. The railroad men give much credit to Estes for the success of those negotiations.

Then Powell had a disagreement with Secretary H. B. Perham of St. Louis when he tried to transfer money from the insurance fund to the general fund of the order. There were other disagreements, and finally a call was made for a special session of the Grand Division to consider the case of President Powell. It only requires a call signed by twenty-five divisions to call a special session, but forty divisions signed the call in this case. Charges were preferred against Powell and he was removed from office and expelled from the Order of Railway Telegraphers by a vote of 129 to 6. M. M. Dolphin, first vice president, was made president and Estes was reinstated in his position as general chairman of the Southern Pacific Division.

The Southern Pacific members are now earnestly discussing the possibility of electing Estes grand president at the San Francisco convention next year.

PASSING OF AN AGED PIONEER

Death Comes to Deacon Robert Crane, One of Sonoma County's Aged and Most Respected Citizens.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SANTA ROSA, Nov. 1.—Deacon Robert Crane, one of the oldest pioneers of this State, died at his home near this city today. He had been ill for several weeks and his death was expected. He was surrounded by his family, who did all that loving hands could do to make his last moments peaceful.

Robert Crane was born in Mercer County, Kentucky, December 8, 1822, and when but a young man emigrated to California, crossing the plains with ox teams. In 1851

DEACON ROBERT CRANE, THE AGED PIONEER, WHO DIED NEAR SANTA ROSA.

he moved to Sonoma County and located on the old homestead where he died. A widow and seven children survive him.

From earliest childhood Deacon Crane has been associated with the Baptist church and was one of the founders of the First Baptist Church of Santa Rosa. When the local church built its present edifice Robert Crane gave more than half the money required.

A coincidence in his death is that forty-eight years ago the first meeting of the State Baptist convention was held in Santa Rosa and Deacon Crane was elected its first president. That same body of Christians is in session in this city now, almost a half a century later. This convention will conduct the funeral services.

Another fact that may be said of Deacon Crane is that during his residence near this city he has traveled over 16,000 miles to attend church in Santa Rosa.

In Deacon Crane's death Sonoma County lost one of her oldest citizens and most honorable Christian gentlemen, and the Santa Rosa Baptist church one of its strongest supporters.

SAN JOSE HANDICAPPED.

Poor Census Showing Because of Its Narrow Boundaries.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 1.—The narrow limits of San Jose mitigated against the city in the census report, and instead of being a city of over 30,000 and occupying fourth place in the list of cities of the State it is accredited with only 21,500. The returns of San Jose Township show a population of 31,987, which virtually represent the city and its suburbs, all contributary to San Jose. This city covers the smallest territory of any city in the State. Its boundaries have never been extended as in other cities. At least 10,000 people live just outside the limits of the city, within twenty minutes' ride of the center of business. With a reasonable extension of the limits San Jose would be a city of 30,000.

The subject of extension has been talked of for some time, but now it is believed the matter will be pushed.

Burglar Captured.

CHICO, Nov. 1.—Charles Freeman, who has been under suspicion by the police for some time past, was captured last night while in the act of breaking into Nicholas' hardware store. Freeman was kept in jail all night, but this morning escaped from the corridor and was later arrested in company with Charles Pessier. In a room occupied by the men were found several new pistols and a new shotgun recently stolen from L. L. Hubbell's hardware store in this city. It is believed these are the men who have perpetrated several burglaries in this vicinity during the last summer. Pessier is known to be an ex-convict.

OFFICERS CHOSEN AT BAPTIST CONVENTION

Board of Managers Tenders a Highly Gratifying Report and Chico Is Chosen as Next Meeting Place.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SANTA ROSA, Nov. 1.—Thursday was a busy day for the General Baptist Convention of Northern and Central California, which is in session at the First Baptist Church in this city. Reports of various committees were read and a number of addresses were made by prominent clergyman from different parts of the State. Officers for the ensuing year were also elected.

The report of the board of managers showed that they were entirely out of debt and have money over. During the last year twenty-eight missionary pastors were employed at an expense of $8000. The board also gave liberally toward a new church building at Palo Alto and at the beginning of the year it had an indebtedness of $3000. The officers elected were: President, Dr. C. H. Hobart of Oakland; vice presidents—M. Slaughter of Chico, T. S. Young of San Jose and J. M. Weller of Fort Bragg; corresponding secretary, E. R. Bennett of Oakland; recording secretary, George E. Dye of Willows.

The new board of managers are: E. A. Wood of San Francisco, F. S. Lawrence of San Jose, W. L. Gaston of Santa Rosa, Thomas Baldwin of Alameda, Mrs. Sunderland of Oakland, Mrs. A. L. Johnson of Oakland, Mrs. J. M. Mayes of Dixon and A. M. Petty of Dixon.

It was decided to hold the next general convention at Chico the latter part of October, 1901. This morning Rev. R. Halsey of Berkeley made an interesting talk and Rev. B. F. Farmer of Anderson told of the work being done among the Indians. Rev. S. J. Nunn of Stockton read a paper on Mexico and Rev. Charles Carroll of Red Bluff made an address. During the evening Rev. A. P. Brown of Fresno spoke on "Francis Wayland."

Rev. T. G. Brownson, president of California College, East Oakland, gave an address on "Our Present Problem of Education." The convention will continue until Sunday evening.

STEAMER EVA LOST.

Was Bound From Portland to Hongkong With Flour.

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—A cablegram received in this city from London states that the steamer Eva, that left Portland October 6 with a cargo of flour for Vladivostok and Hongkong, has been lost at sea. The Portland Flouring Mills Company, consignors of the cargo, received the cablegram, but they state that no particulars were given.

Carnegie Library Contracts.

SAN DIEGO, Nov. 1.—The contracts were awarded to-day by the library trustees for the new Carnegie Public Library, for which Andrew Carnegie donated $50,000. The contracts were only awarded after some spirited competition. The successful bidders were all local contractors and were as follows: Simpson & Pirnie, granite and cement work, $21,074; James Shera, carpenter work, $9150; Charles Julian, plumbing, $4500; James McNair, lathing and plaster work, $1826; A. Schrader, painting, $1909; F. S. Hartwell, electric work, $385. Estimated additional expenses, $9100. Total, $48,922. Work is to be started on the 15th of November.

Conference of Railway Men.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 1.—T. E. Gibbon, vice president of the Terminal Railroad, will probably leave Los Angeles tomorrow night for Salt Lake, where on November 6 he will participate in an important conference between the promoters of the Los Angeles and Salt Lake road. It is expected that articles of incorporation will be filed at Salt Lake on or before November 20. The work of surveying is being rapidly pushed and has been practically completed between this city and San Bernardino along two routes—one via Pomona and the other by way of Fullerton.

Cow Wrecks a Train.

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 1.—About 8:30 this morning the Placerville local train, due to arrive here at 9:35, was wrecked in a cut one mile and a half east of Folsom. The locomotive struck a cow. The engine, baggage car and smoking car left the track. A wrecking train was sent out from this city. The track was obstructed for several hours. No one was hurt in the accident.

Victim of the Flood.

SAN RAFAEL, Nov. 1.—Evelyn Browne, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Browne of this city, died here last night of pneumonia contracted in Galveston at the time of the great storm. Everything possible was done to save her, but the cold and exposure endured in the great flood was too much for her slight frame.

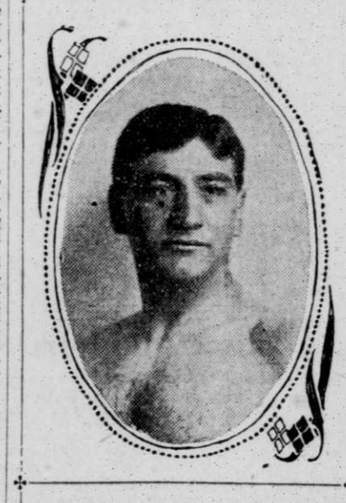
ORTEGA CONVICTED OF BRUTAL ASSAULT

Jury Makes No Recommendations and the Pugilist May Spend the Balance of His Life in Prison.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 1.—"Jack" Ortega, the pugilist, was to-day convicted of assault on Grace Gamble, the 11-year-old daughter of J. H. Gamble, on August 26 last. The jury made no recommendation, and it is probable Ortega will receive a life sentence.

The case has attracted a great deal of attention. The testimony was taken behind closed doors, but big crowds loitered about the courthouse throughout the trial. During the argument they filled the court-



"JACK" ORTEGA, FOUND GUILTY OF HAVING ASSAULTED GRACE GAMBLE.

room. The atrociousness of the offense and the death of Mrs. Gamble, the girl's mother, when she learned her daughter had been the victim of a brutal assault, aroused intense excitement, and talk of lynching Ortega was freely heard at the time of his arrest.

District Attorney Campbell finished his argument to the jury shortly before noon. Judge Lorigan then charged the jury, and at 11:45 they retired. At 4 o'clock they came into court and asked to have the testimony of Dale Holland, a witness who said he saw Grace Gamble climb into Ortega's buggy, read. This was done. The jury again retired to deliberate, and at 8 o'clock reached a verdict, finding Ortega guilty as charged.

Judge Lorigan named November 16 as the time for sentencing Ortega. Attorney Brooks gave notice of a motion for a new trial, and the matter will be heard then.

Ortega, who has gained some reputation as a prize-fighter, is 26 years of age. He is a graduate of the Whittier Reform School, and with his brothers has been constantly in trouble. One brother has served a term in San Quentin, two are now in Whittier and one at the Ione school.

Wedding at San Jose.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 1.—The marriage of Deputy District Attorney Albert H. Jarman and Mrs. Eleanor North, daughter of Mrs. Eleanor Wright, was solemnized at the First Presbyterian Church this morning. The wedding was a pretty affair, and the popularity of the young couple filled the church with friends. Rev. Dr. Dinsmore performed the ceremony. Miss Mamie Lukens was maid of honor and Howard Alexander best man. The ushers were: Edwin Wilcox, W. J. Edwards, J. E. Chase and Robert Syer. After a wedding feast at the home of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Jarman left on a short tour of the various resorts.

Killed by an Engine.

GAZELLE, Nov. 1.—The body of Thomas Monnehan, a young man, was found on the railroad track this morning about three miles north of Gazelle. He was seen in Montague last night and had evidently walked until struck by the northbound freight. The parents of the deceased, who was on his way to visit his brother at this place, live in Auburn.

Winship Again on Trial.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 1.—The second trial of Thomas J. Winship, accused of murder for killing Frank Narvaez in a local restaurant, began in the Superior Court today. At the first trial the jury failed to reach a verdict.

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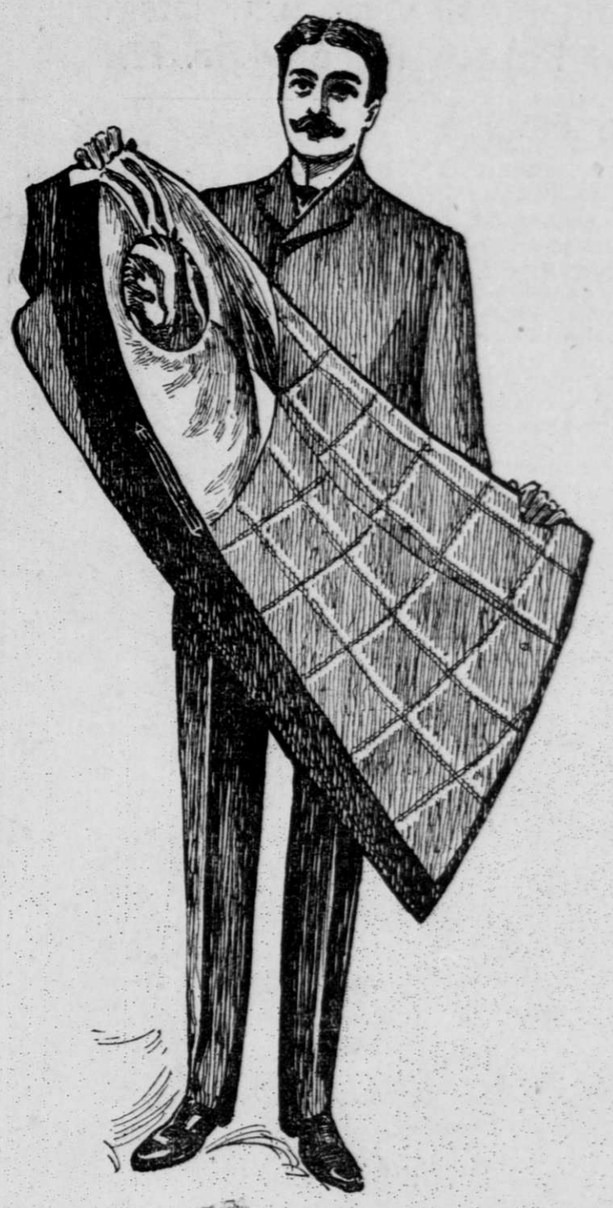

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