

HULSE TELLS OF OUTLAW'S NIGHT RIDES

McKinney's Friend Supplements a Recent Confession.

Murderer's Weapons Buried in Darkness Near Graves.

Bakersfield Prisoner Displays Surprise and Sorrow at News of the Death of Deputy Tibbet and Marshal Packard.

BAKERSFIELD, April 28.—Al Hulse this afternoon made a partial confession concerning his previous general acknowledgment that he harbored McKinney in his room. He has been transferred from the dark cell in the basement of the prison which he had occupied since the first two days of his imprisonment and is now under constant guard day and night.

To-day he was more rational than usual and for the first time since his arrest he told the entire story of how he came to meet McKinney and take him to his room. He professed a willingness to tell all that he knew about McKinney, but he still denies most emphatically that he was implicated in any manner in the shooting.

Hulse took McKinney to his room and there heard the outlaw's guns were hidden beyond the cemetery. Hulse went to H. H. Fish's lively stable and there procured a team, going back to the house to the outlaw. The two then drove in the darkness to the cemetery and spent some time looking for the guns.

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"I am more sorry about this," said Hulse, "than I can say. I'm not sorry for myself, but for the men who were killed. I did not believe that Packard and Tibbet were dead until to-day."

Bey of Tunis Entertains Loubet. TUNIS, April 28.—The celebrations in honor of the visit of President Loubet were continued to-day. As the President proceeded to the palace of the Bey, to be a guest of honor at a grand dinner, the Bey had been close to midnight before they returned to town, and then they went over to Hulse's room in the opium joint.

Sharkey Wins Wrestling Match. HARTFORD, Conn., April 28.—Tom Sharkey won his wrestling match with F. C. Quinn at the Coliseum to-night.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—No further action is completed by the War Department in regard to the report by General Miles, made public yesterday.

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Burden Too Great

Success in business is often handicapped—A man may have plenty of capital—plenty of energy—plenty of pluck—and still not succeed—Burden is too great—Back can't carry it all—A lame back—or an aching back is a terrible handicap—Drive away the ache and make work a pleasure—

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MAYOR UNCOVERS A SCANDAL IN THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

MAYOR SCHMITZ has begun an investigation into a charge that Civil Service Commissioner Mershon, while intoxicated, allowed "Jack" McNamara, a saloon proprietor, to obtain possession of the questions to be asked in the civil service examination for promotions in the Fire Department held last Saturday. The questions were passed to "Chris" Buckley and made known to several firemen. The Mayor says Mershon's usefulness has passed and he will ask for his resignation. The scandal is aggravated by Mershon's charge that Commissioner P. H. McCarthy said he would vote with him to adopt certain questions prepared by Bernard Tracy, another saloon-keeper, for the milk inspectors' examination. The Mayor threatens to remove McCarthy if the charge is proven.

Talks of Removing McCarthy and Mershon.

ANOTHER civil service scandal of alarming proportions and involving in its ugly details the names of Civil Service Commissioners James R. T. Mershon and P. H. McCarthy has been uncovered and may result in the removal of the two commissioners by Mayor Schmitz, who will begin this morning a rigid investigation, which will undoubtedly result in an entire reorganization of the commission.

The specific charge against Commissioner Mershon is that on last Friday night while drinking in "Jack" McNamara's saloon at 117 City Hall avenue, he allowed McNamara to abstract from his coat pocket a list of the questions asked in the civil service examination for promotions in the Fire Department, which was held the next day in the Girls' High School auditorium. McNamara gave the questions to a man employed in the County Clerk's office, who in turn gave them to "Chris" Buckley, the erstwhile Democratic boss.

The questions were copied and peddled around until at least three firemen who took the examination were supplied with the lists before the examination began. How many more knew of them the investigation will alone determine. Mayor Schmitz has made up his mind to request Mershon to resign at once, and in addition has directed the Civil Service Commission to declare null and void the examination held for promotions in the Fire Department and to order a new examination therefor.

MCCARTHY ALSO ACCUSED. The specific charge against Commissioner McCarthy, which the Mayor will also make part of his investigation, was made by Commissioner Mershon himself, who states that Bernard Tracy, another saloon keeper, doing business at 188 Market street, prepared a list of several questions to be asked in the proposed examination to be held for milk inspectors in the Health Department. Tracy told Mershon that McCarthy had informed him that he would vote with Mershon to adopt the questions. Mayor Schmitz says the questions were to have been incorporated in the examination in the interest of John A. Brown, who was formerly secretary of the Board of Health and who has held various positions in the Department of Health. Mayor Schmitz states that on his admonition the questions were not included in the list, but an injunction was brought to restrain the Commission from holding the examination, which injunction has not as yet been dissolved. The Mayor stated last night that he would give McCarthy an opportunity to defend himself from so serious a charge as having prostituted the merit system in an effort to make a place for a favorite. Should McCarthy be unable to clear himself he will be asked for his resignation, and in the event of his refusal the Mayor says he will remove him from office.

MAYOR GREATLY ANGERED. Mayor Schmitz, when interviewed concerning the alleged questionable acts of Commissioners Mershon and McCarthy, said: "I very much deplore the bringing of the municipal civil service into disgrace. I have always upheld the merit system and I am sorry that two city officials, one of whom is my personal appointee, should have so acted as to bring discredit on the system and to get at the truth of the whole matter and to that end will begin a thorough investigation at once."

The fact that there was something wrong was brought to my attention last Saturday morning, when Chief Sullivan of the Fire Department came to my office and handed me a copy of the questions that were to be asked in the examination for promotions for firemen in the department. Chief Sullivan was



JACOB PHOTO. JAMES R. T. MERSHON

very much wrought up over the matter and told me that the man who gave up the questions informed him that he knew of two other firemen who had a copy of the questions in their possession. I was so astounded at the magnitude of the affair that I was at a loss to know what to do. I intended at first to stop the examination, but thought it would be best to let it go on and then have it declared void afterward. I began an immediate inquiry and ascertained that Mershon had been in "Jack" McNamara's saloon the night before and that the questions came into the possession of McNamara, who confessed to me that he had taken the two papers containing the questions from the inside pocket of Mershon's coat, which the latter had removed while playing a game of shuffleboard. McNamara said that when Mershon was in the saloon he was somewhat intoxicated and he put him on the Haight-street car to take him home. He retained the copies of the questions, however, and then turned them over to a deputy in the County Clerk's office and they fell into the hands of "Chris" Buckley.

SAYS HE WAS DRUGGED. Mershon has assured me that he was not drunk at the time, but was drugged, as he had taken two drinks in McNamara's place. When I confronted him with the facts in my possession he immediately called on Secretary Commissioner Rogers and Chief Examiner Moran he denied everything. I told him that I exist and have always been a stand-up man. He did not aid me in arriving at the entire truth of the matter and he promised that he would do so. No matter what the result of the investigation will be, whether Mershon is guilty of having willfully made public the questions with the intention of permitting some rascally politicians to insure the passing of their benches, or whether he was simply indiscreet after



P. H. MCCARTHY. MEMBERS OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, WHO WILL BE ASKED TO EXPLAIN.

KUROPATKIN GOES.

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to the evacuation of Manchuria and he hoped the silence he was bound to maintain at present would not be of long duration.

RUSSIA'S SUBTLE STRATEGY.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—No response has come as yet from either Ambassador Kuropatkin at St. Petersburg or Minister Conger at Peking as to the inquiries respecting Russia's demands in connection with Manchuria. The State Department officials are in a state of uncertainty in view of the conflicts in the semi-official dispatches from the Russian and Chinese capitals. In the absence of official statements of Russia's purposes, the opinion prevails here that these Russian demands were really put out in a tentative form last week and not in regular official shape. There is good reason to believe that the Chinese Government itself let the demands leak out in order to obtain the support of the powers in its refusal of the Russian terms.

Noting the intense public excitement over the proposition, the Russian Government, it is surmised, took steps, through the statement issued in St. Petersburg yesterday, to abandon several of the original demands. It is not doubted that such reduction of the maximum demands was fully within contemplation when the tentative statement was thrown out. If this assumption is well founded, then Russia will not further interfere with the consummation of the United States' trade treaty with China, including as it does the new ports of Moukdam and Taku Shan.

On the other hand, the fourth demand, characterized by the St. Petersburg statement as "unimportant," is not so regarded here, for it amounts to an indefinite continuance under Russian direction of present conditions in China, which will stop all reform movements. It is now learned that in the original statement of this fourth demand, namely, "The present status of the administration of Manchuria is to remain unchanged," there was an important element of error, and the word "Mongolia" should take the place of "Manchuria." The demand as thus modified continues the status quo in all North China.

CHINA'S FINAL REFUSAL.

Will Not Agree to the Terms Proposed by Russia. PEKING, April 28.—China has given Russia what the officials describe as a final and definite refusal to accept her demands regarding Blackmailers.

Warning to Blackmailers.

Acting upon the suggestions of Mayor Schmitz, Chief of Police Wittman last night issued a circular in Chinese, accompanied with an English translation, and warning the Chinese that no one has the authority to guarantee gamblers or other violators of the law protection, and adding that any person or persons detected in an attempt to offer such guaranty will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Accused Official Denies That He Is Guilty.

COMMISSIONER MERSHON made a statement last night, in which he denies all blame in the matter. He claims the papers were taken from his coat without his knowledge. He said:

The questions were stolen out of the pocket of my overcoat on the Friday evening before the examination took place while the coat was hanging in Mack McNamara's saloon at 117 City Hall avenue. I believe McNamara conspired at the theft, which was made by a fireman by the name of Alfred Davis. I had in the pocket of my overcoat the list of questions given the Chicago firemen at their last examination, together with some notes in a rough form, on questions which were in my mind to ask. There were about sixty in all, from which the commission was to choose ten on the following morning.

On leaving the saloon on Friday night I left my overcoat, with the papers in the pocket, hanging in the saloon. I got it the following morning and found the list of questions. After the examination I was informed that a copy had been made of the questions by Davis while my overcoat was in the place. When charged McNamara with allowing this to be done, he did not deny the charge.

McNamara admitted that he had seen Davis take the papers and copy them without making any protest. He said: "I do not want to see an innocent man suffer for what I have had a hand in doing. Mershon is innocent of all blame in this affair. I noticed that he had left his overcoat in my place on Friday night and was going to put it away, when Davis asked me whose coat it was. When I told him it was Mershon's he asked if there were any papers in the pocket. I allowed him to look and he found the questions and copied them."

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MR. CLEVELAND EXPECTS ADDITION TO FAMILY.

Will Return From St. Louis to Princeton to Welcome the New Child. PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—The stork is expected to visit the home of former President Grover Cleveland at Princeton about the last of July. The announcement was made by E. C. Benedict of New York when he was passing through this city to-day. Mr. Benedict was one of the party accompanying the ex-President to St. Louis, where Mr. Cleveland is to make the dedicatory address on the exposition grounds.

After his return from St. Louis Mr. Cleveland will remain at Princeton until after the interesting event and will then take a long cruise in Mr. Benedict's yacht up and down the New England coast. The Cleveland family it is understood may again go to Buzzards Bay late in the summer.

MANIAC WOMAN KIDNAPS A BABE Found With Little One in a Swamp Four Days Later.

HOUSTON, Tex., April 28.—After four days of searching, the infant child of Peter Harrison and his wife was restored to their arms this evening. On Saturday morning last the child suddenly disappeared from its crib. Search of the neighborhood was followed by the searching of the entire city, and not only the police and detectives but dozens of citizens, whose sympathy for the grief-stricken parents was keenly aroused, joined in the hunt.

On Sunday evening the police received the first clew. It was learned that a woman from another part of the city, supposed to be demented over the recent death of her babe, was missing from her home. It was also ascertained that she had been in the neighborhood of the house from which the child was stolen on that morning.

Following this clew resulted in the locating of the child and the maniac this evening in a dense thicket seven miles from the city. The insane woman had built a rude habitation of weeds and was guarding the child in it. Both were nearly dead from the hardships which they had undergone.

ENRAGED OREGONIANS MAY LYNCH A TRAMP.

Residents of the Town of Canby Chase a Man Who Attacked a Woman. OREGON CITY, Ore., April 28.—Residents of Canby, a village ten miles south of this city, are in hot pursuit of a tramp who assaulted Mrs. Tillie Willis there this morning. Indignation is running high and the man will undoubtedly be lynched if caught.

Skeletons on the Desert.

IMPERIAL, Cal., April 28.—Five human skeletons were found to-day on the east side of the Salton River, making eighteen found to date on that part of the desert being brought under irrigation. It is presumed these persons perished from thirst, as many have been lost in this region before the era of irrigation. Many of the skeletons appear to have lain on the desert for years.

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