INVESTIGATES THE AEROPLANE'S FALL

Army Board Finds That Lieutenant Selfridge's Death Was Accidental

Wright Brothers Will Be Permitted to Proceed With Their Official Trials

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Fort Myer, the scene of yesterday's aeroplane disaster, which resulted in the death of Lieutenant Thomas E. Selfridge and serious injury to Orville Wright, presented a cheerless aspect today.

Lieutenant Selfridge's body was removed today from the hospital at Fort Myer to an undertaker's, where it will remain until the arrival of the young officer's father, who wired today from San Francisco that he would like to have his son buried either at Arlington or West Point. The funeral arrangements have not been made, but a military funeral will be held. Professor Alexander Graham Bell, president of the Aerial experiment association, of which Lieutenant Selfridge was secretary, will come from Nova Scotia to attend the funeral.

Miss Catherine Wright, sister of the injured aeroplanist, arrived here from Dayton, O., this afternoon, and accompanied by Charles R. Flint, the Wright brothers' financial agent, visited her brother at the hospital.

Major George O. Squier, acting chief signal officer of the army, this morning convened the board of signal officers for the purpose of making an official inquiry into the death of Lieutenant Selfridge. Major Charles M. Saltzman acted as chairman and Captain Charles S. Wallace and Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm were the other members present. Lieutenant Sweet of the navy and Lieutenant Richard Creecy of the marine crops, detailed to Fort Myer aeronautical tests, assisted the board in its work.

The wreckage of the aeroplane had been placed in the aeroplane shed last night and the members of the board, accompanied by Octave Chanute and Prof. Albert Zahm of the Catholic university, both of whom are authorities on aeronautics, inspected the tangled mass.

Major Squier reviewed the findings of the court after the meeting, which was in the nature of a coroner's hearing.

The finding of the board of inquiry was:

The board finds that the accident was due to the accidental breaking of a propeller blade and a consequent unavoidable loss of control, which resulted in the machine falling to the ground from a height of 75 feet.

The board finds that First Lieutenant Thomas E. Selfridge, first field artillery, accompanied Mr. Wright by authority on the aeroplane for the purpose of officially receiving instructions, and received injuries by the falling of the machine which resulted in his death.

The signal corps will proceed with its aeronautical work and it is understood the Wright brothers will be permitted to make their official trials whenever they are ready without endangering their chance of receiving the contract price of $25,000 for their aeroplane.

BROTHER STOPS FLIGHT

Wilbur Wright Postpones Experiments at Lemans

LEMANS, France, Sept. 18.—Wilbur Wright, brother of Orville Wright, who has been conducting a series of experiments here for several weeks with a Wright aeroplane, was very much perturbed when he heard this morning the news from Washington that his brother had suffered an accident in which Lieutenant Selfridge lost his life. He at once countermanded the orders given for the preparations for his flight of today as he purposed to try for the Michelin and Aero club prizes.

Everything was in readiness, barring a few final details, at the field of Auvourz. A large crowd had assembled and the soldiers on duty found difficulty in keeping the people back. In the private inclosure had grouped all the notable aeroplanists of Europe, as well as a number of foreign military attaches.

Wright was in practically his best spirits and was laughing and chatting with friends near the starting rail when he was called to the shed by Hart O. Berg, his European business manager, and the news of the accident at Washington was communicated to him.

BALLOONS SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Sept. 18.—In the face of a stiff breeze which blew from the south, making an aerial trip dangerous, Lieutenant B. D. Foulois and Sergeant Edward of the aeronautic corps took the Baldwin dirigible balloon out for its first trial trip in St. Joseph about 5 o'clock this evening. Rising to a height of 300 feet they circled about the military tournament grounds here for 15 minutes before alighting.

CONGRESSMAN McKINLAY PUBLISHES ITINERARY

Is at Present in the East Doing Stump Duty, but Expected Home Shortly

SANTA ROSA, Sept. 18.—Congressman Duncan E. McKinlay of the second congressional district, who has been spending the summer east doing stump duty in Vermont and Maine, is expected home Sunday evening for a short visit with his family. He then will make a tour of Mendocino county, speaking at various points, as follows:

Leaving here on Monday, he will go to Willits, where he will be joined by P. L. Lancaster, and they will reach Booneville for a meeting Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock; Point Arena, Tuesday night; Greenwood, 9 a. m. Wednesday; Albion, 12 m. Wednesday; Wendling, 3 p. m. Wednesday; Mendocino, 8 p. m. Wednesday; Caspar, 12 m. Thursday; Noyo, 4 p. m. Thursday; Fort Bragg, Thursday evening; Westport, Friday evening; Laytonville, 10 a. m. Saturday; Covelo, Saturday evening; Potter Valley, Monday morning.

On his return Congressman McKinlay will make a tour of Sonoma and Marin counties.

BABY LEFT ALONE BY SISTER DRINKS POISON

Infant Son of Charles Herring Imbibes Dose of Carbolic Acid and Expires

Left alone for a few moments by his older sister, Lucia, little Ernest Herring, the infant son of Charles Tanner, climbed to a table in the kitchen of his home at 3258 Harrison street on Monday last and, reaching to the shelf above, secured a small bottle of carbolic acid, which he drank, death resulting yesterday morning.

The child, who was 1 year and 8 months old, had been playing on the floor of the room while the sister was working around the house. Suddenly the doorbell rang and the girl answered it. Returning about five minutes later she discovered the baby lying on the floor, writhing in agony, with the empty bottle alongside of him. Screaming, she ran to the home of Dr. Hughes a few doors away and summoned the physician. The doctor worked over the child until 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning, when death relieved the little one's sufferings. Charles was the youngest of eight children.

WAR FOR 'THE DEVIL' STILL UNSETTLED

Belasco and Mayer Make Statement in Refutation of Claims of Valencia Theater

Offer to Wager $1,000 They Are Only Ones Authorized to Present Drama

The war in local theatrical circles over the production of "The Devil" is progressing merrily, with the agreeable outlook that both the Novelty and Valencia productions will start in with packed houses. The principal effort on the part of each management is to secure the advantage of the first production.

In reply to the Valencia management's statement Belasco & Mayer gave out the following:

In a published communication the management of the Valencia theater more than insinuates that Belasco & Mayer have no right to produce "The Devil" in San Francisco, and in support of that contention some rather absurd claims are set forth.

WILL MAKE WAGER OF $1,000

One of them is to the effect that the Valencia theater is exclusively authorized to present the Harrison Grey Fiske version of the Molnar play. To prove that such a claim is presumptuous, Belasco & Mayer are ready to wager $1,000 that the Valencia theater possesses no such right.

It is also alleged by the Valencia theater directorate that the Belasco & Mayer production of "The Devil" must necessarily be "hurried," while the Valencia theater company have ample time to study and rehearse the play. In refutation of that statement Belasco & Mayer declare that their company has had the manuscript of the play in hand ever since the Warfield season opened at the Alcazar, and have had nothing else to do than perfect themselves in the parts. Moreover, rehearsals have been held daily on the Alcazar stage during all that time, while the Alcazar's corps of scenic artists and mechanics have been preparing the scenery for "The Devil." On the other hand, Belasco & Mayer affirm the Valencia theater people could not possibly give the play adequate preparatory study, inasmuch as they have had to study and rehearse "The Conquerors" for presentation next week. Therefore a public comparison of the two productions of "The Devil" is cheerfully invited by Belasco & Mayer.

COMPARES THE STAGES

Another claim made by the Valencia theater management is that Belasco & Mayer can not do justice to "The Devil" on the small stage of the Novelty. This assertion is met by the statement that the stage of the Novelty is larger than the stage of the Belasco theater, New York, where the Harrison Grey Fiske production of "The Devil" is now running.

Belasco & Mayer say that they had the manuscript of the only authorized version of "The Devil" in almost a month ago, but were prevented producing the play at the Alcazar by the engagement of David Warfield. Their intention was to open their regular stock season next month with "The Devil," but when they learned that another version of the Hungarian drama was to be presented in the Valencia theater they immediately put their version into rehearsal, leased the Novelty theater and otherwise arranged to protect their own interests and give the people of San Francisco a production of the reigning New York sensation that shall be complete in every detail.

SMART SET TO AID CIVIC FEDERATION

Society Women Form Auxiliary to National Organization for Economic Study

Shopping and bridge and teas were laid aside for a few hours yesterday afternoon when a score of San Francisco's most prominent society women gathered at the Fairmont hotel to form an auxiliary to the national civic federation.

Mrs. William Crocker presided, introducing the chief speaker of the day, Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, who is one of the vice presidents of the national organization.

It was decided that the organization formed yesterday be known as the California branch of the women's department of the national civic federation. Mrs. William Crocker is chairman, Mrs. W. B. Bourn, Mrs. Andrew M. Davis and Mrs. John F. Merrill, vice chairmen; Mrs. John Johns, business secretary; Mrs. Arthur Cornwall, treasurer, and Mrs. Reginald Knight Smith, recording secretary.

Committees will be appointed by the chair to ascertain the feeling of the general public toward the work, to get the opinions of employers and public officials and to discover the relationship between employer and employed.

Industrial economics, welfare, work and every interest of employes of all grades will be among the branches of work taken up by the women. Mrs. Crocker, Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. McCalla have been for some time officers in the national women's department of the civic federation and are familiar with its work in the east.

Among those present yesterday were:

Mrs. William Crocker	Miss Alice Brown
Miss Laura McKinstry	Mrs. Bowman McCalla
Mrs. Andrew Carrigan	Mrs. Arthur Cornwall
Mrs. William Bourn	Mrs. Horace Sperry
Mrs. Ernest Simpson	Mrs. Austin Sperry
Mrs. Reginald Knight Smith	Mrs. Willard Polk
	Mrs. John Johns
President and Mrs. Benjamin Ide Wheeler	Mrs. Sig Stern

SENSATIONAL SUICIDE OF A BRITISH GENERAL

Charles E. Luard, Whose Wife Was Recently Murdered, Leaps in Front of Train

WATERINSBURY, England, Sept. 18.—Major General Charles Edward Luard, retired, whose wife was mysteriously murdered near London August 24, committed suicide today by throwing himself in front of a railroad train. His body was found later close to a railroad crossing not far from Waterinsbury.

The general had received letters accusing him of having murdered his wife. Mrs. Luard was shot near Seven Oaks on the afternoon of August 24, a few moments after her husband had left her to go to a near by club on an errand. When he returned he found her dead.

The tragic death of the general, who was the last person to see his wife alive and the first to find her body, has revived interest in this murder, which the police authorities thus far have been unable to unravel. An expert testified that it was impossible for the bullets which caused death to have been fired from any of the revolvers owned by General Luard.

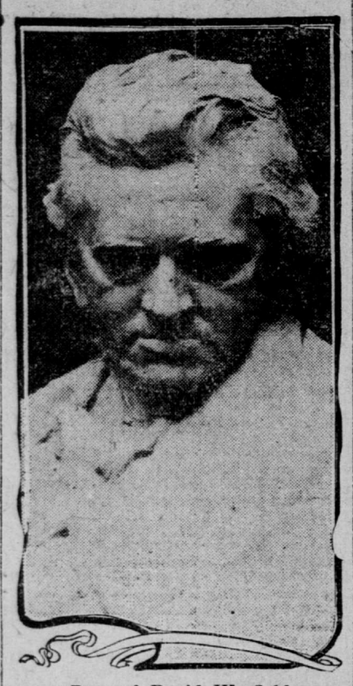
General Luard left the following letter, addressed to Colonel Warde:

"You will find my body at the Teston crossing. I am sick of the scandalous and lying reports, and I can not face my son, whom I expected to meet today, and I have decided to end my life."

FORM ELECTRIC POWER COMBINE

SEATTLE, Sept. 18.—Delegates to the number of 200 met here today, representing every city in the Pacific northwest, for the purpose of forming the Northwest electric light and power association. Portland, Tacoma, Everett, Walla Walla, North Yakima, Spokane, Lewiston, Idaho; Clarkston, Wash.; Bellingham, Arlington, Aberdeen, Wenatchee and other points were represented. The purpose of the organization is to join the electric light and power interests of the Pacific northwest in closer harmony. Former State Senator Arthur Gunn of Wenatchee was made temporary chairman.

Original Is in Theater Lobby



Bust of David Warfield

WARFIELD WILL BE GUEST OF HONOR

Bohemian Club Will Listen to Addresses on the Drama and Art

David Warfield will be the guest of honor at a banquet given by the Bohemian club some time next week, the event to be on similar lines to that when Richard Mansfield was honored by the organization.

The main subject of the evening will be the drama. The speakers will deal with every viewpoint, dwelling on its historical value, its music and its general effect and the part it plays in the arts. As the various speeches will be delivered by men whose opinions on the subject might well be accepted as standard, the evening will prove among the most memorable in the history of the club.

During the evening Robert Aiken, the sculptor, will present to the club a plaster replica of the famous bronze bust of David Warfield, which stands in the lobby of the Stuyvesant theater in New York.

Tonight the club will be wrapped in the After Glow, when there will be presented a travesty on the grove jinks entitled "The Sons Are Balder," by Allan Dunn and Paul Steindorff.

DOINGS IN THE AUTO WORLD

Fine Track to Be Built by the Latonia Management

Reports from Cincinnati tell of what is modestly termed "the first real automobile racetrack in the United States," which will be built in Kentucky, on the banks of the Licking river, within 25 minutes' ride of Cincinnati. Harvey Meyers, vice president of the Latonia jockey club, and his associates, Congressman Rhinock, president of the Latonia jockey club, and John J. Ryan, former plunger and daring Stearns driver, plan to build a track one and five-eighths miles around with the oval banked at the turns so that cars may negotiate them at full speed. Regular automobile meetings of considerable length will be conducted, purses to be hung up the same as for horse racing.

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The White "Pathfinder" made a swing around the heart of California early this week. The tour of 400 miles, covered in four days, included 10 counties and the cities of Stockton, Sacramento, Woodland, Suisun, Napa, Sonoma, Petaluma, San Rafael and Sausalito. In the historic town of Sonoma the crew of the "Pathfinder" was fortunate enough to meet the granddaughter and great-granddaughter of General Vallejo, who was taken prisoner there by the bear flag party. Under the gracious guidance of the granddaughter, Mrs. A. M. Thompson, the autoists visited the many ancient Spanish buildings which are still standing. During the inspection the big modern White steamer was stopped alongside of an antique carriage which General Vallejo had imported from England in 1830. The one point of similarity noted between the two vehicles was the evident fact that both were built to travel over any sort of a road. The White was driven by "Bill" Slimmon, and the speed and safety with which he took the party over the course followed by the "Pathfinder" showed that he has not lost any of his old time skill. The White "Pathfinder" made a close inspection of the roads and found them generally poor in the big valleys. In the coast cities the highways were found to be in fair condition.

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The Rambler builder tells of an interesting incident which occurred in England. Mr. Jeffrey hired cars of various makes when he wished to make local trips. In England one day he was riding in a car of very high price, and in passing along the road noticed a tin mine a short distance from the main highway. A rather rough road ran to this mine. When he asked to be taken up the slight grade to a point where he could view the operations, the chauffeur told him that the car could not negotiate the climb, because the rocks in the road would tear the lower part of it to pieces. On investigation he found that the clearance was so small that this danger was really imminent. American cars, built with as liberal clearance as the Rambler, as is well known, will safely pass over obstacles 10 inches in height.

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In arranging for his trip from Cleveland to the Pacific coast and up the coast to Vancouver Sales Manager Charles B. Shanks of the F. B. Stearns company selected Goodrich tires. His decision was made largely on results. The light touring car placed at the disposal of Shanks was fitted throughout for service, as it is his intention to undertake a number of stunts while on this trip. He was not willing to say when starting what he would undertake, but as Frank W. Leland will be at the wheel it is possible that the Stearns car will be heard from frequently while on this coast. It is the intention of Shanks to open new territory in the west for the Stearns and few know better the value of well backed publicity than this old time newspaper man and publicity promoter.

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The Pioneer automobile company received word yesterday to the effect that another shipment of Thomas cars would leave the factory within a few days. Among the recent purchasers of Chalmers-Detroit cars is H. P. Brainard of Petaluma, who has written the Pioneer automobile company the following: "I am pleased to say that the Chalmers-Detroit is all that is claimed for it, and I have no trouble in running it, even though I am a beginner."

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H. P. Frear, naval designer, returned this week from a five day jaunt to the high Sierra in his two cylinder Buick touring car. He was accompanied by his family and drove to Tahoe and as far east as Reno. He covered a distance of 550 miles during five days absence from his home in Burlingame.

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Miss Alice Potter of Elgin, Ill., who recently made a successful 2,500 mile drive from Chicago to New York and return, unattended by a male companion, is now, like Alexander, yearning for new worlds to conquer, and is planning to drive to San Francisco and return next year. She will be a competitor in the Glidden tour of 1909.

TURPIN IS FOUND GUILTY

FRESNO, Sept. 18.—The jury in the case of Edward Turpin, tried for the murder of Fred Roetzscher, returned a verdict at 8:30 tonight of murder in the first degree, with the penalty fixed at life imprisonment.

UNION LABOR CLUB ORGANIZED—The union labor men of the thirty-second and thirty-fifth assembly district organized the nineteenth senatorial district club in Rolph hall by electing E. C. Loomis president and Ernest Meyer secretary. The club nominated R. J. Welch for state senator.

CATTLE KING'S SON DEMANDS MONEY

Charles H. Lux Claims That He and His Family Live in Penury

Alleges Incompetency in Handling Estate and Asks for Sister's Removal

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

SAN JOSE, Sept. 18.—The estate of Henry Lux and those connected with it have again flashed into the limelight of publicity through a suit begun today by James and Argyll Campbell, attorneys for B. E. Kell, the guardian of Charles H. Lux, son of Henry Lux.

Henry Lux, a partner of Henry Miller, the cattle king, both of whom were known throughout the west as two of the largest cattlemen on the coast, died July 13, 1902, leaving his estate, valued at about $1,000,000, to his three children, Mrs. Lizzie M. Potts of Oakland, Mrs. Lena McBride of San Jose and Charles H. Lux, also of San Jose.

The two daughters were made executrices of the will. In a sworn statement made previous to the beginning of the suit, Charles Lux says that he and his family have lived in want and penury ever since the death of his father; that large debts have been incurred by him to obtain the necessities of life, and that he is unable to further provide for the education of his two daughters.

Incompetency is charged in the way the estate has been handled, and he petitions the court to cause the executrices to make an accounting of the estate since 1905, the date of the last account to the court. He further asks for their dismissal for incompetency.

Mrs. McBride is the wife of C. G. McBride, who yesterday received considerable notoriety because C. A. Lee, an attorney of San Francisco, charged him with attempting to pass a fictitious check for $125, drawn on the Bank of San Jose. This matter, however, his friends here say, is the result of an error, and unquestionably will be straightened out soon.

RANCHER'S MONEY IS FOUND IN A TIN BOX

Cousin of Custodian of Funds Suspected of Robbing the Safe

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

LAKEPORT, Sept. 18.—Sensations are following one another rapidly in connection with the robbery of P. Q. Robison's safe at Kelseyville in this county August 23. William Piner, a cousin of Robison and of a prominent family, has been arrested and it is possible that Robison will be charged with having been an accessory after the fact.

Robison, who keeps a general merchandise store, acted as a banker for the ranchers of the surrounding country, and had $1,100 on deposit in his safe. All of the trust money was taken, but not a cent of $900 belonging to Robison and inclosed in a burglar proof compartment, was disturbed.

Sheriff Kemp and District Attorney C. M. Crawford took charge of the case and finally eliminated every one who might be guilty except the merchant and his cousin. Robison finally admitted he had left the safe open on the day the robbery occurred.

Piner borrowed $12 August 31 and went to San Francisco. He was traced and it was learned that he placed $500 in a bank in Berkeley. Robison a few days ago showed the officers an anonymous letter which he said he had received, and in it there were directions to search around a bridge in Kelseyville. This was done and the sum of $1,050 was found in a tin can.

The actions of both men, in the opinion of the district attorney, warranted the suspicion that they were guilty and Piner was placed under arrest, but released today on bond. Sheriff Kemp has said that he may charge Robison with being an accessory after the fact.

REPORTS BY DISTRICTS MADE AT CONFERENCE

Delegates to M. E. Church Anniversary Tell of Marked Improvements

DEL MONTE, Sept. 18.—Interesting reports of the presiding elders of various districts have been presented to the fifty-fifth annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church at Pacific Grove. Rev. G. D. McCreary of the Sacramento district reported that the salaries of the pastorate had increased $2,000 in spite of the hard times.

Rev. H. E. Beeks of the San Jose district claimed an increase of 900 members during the year. Rev. G. L. Parsons of Napa, while reporting improvement in buildings, urged greater attention to the work among the children, foreigners and Indians. Rev. W. S. Andrews of San Francisco told of the erection of 13 new churches in his district at a cost of $90,000, and parsonages at $35,000. Most of the congregations had had either temporary or permanent structures build since the fire. Rev. W. C. Evans said that in the Oakland district four churches and one parsonage had been erected and several are projected or in course of erection.

At the Woman's foreign missionary anniversary Mrs. Smythe introduced Bishop W. H. Warren, who spoke of various missions he had visited in his tour of the world and of the many heroic acts of missionaries. Rev. Frank C. Gale, outward bound for China, and Rev. Mott Keisler from India, also addressed the meeting. The board of home missions held its anniversary and church extension was discussed by Dr. C. M. Boswell of Philadelphia.

WILL ELECT A MAJOR

NAPA, Sept. 18.—Notice was sent today by Brigadier General Koster of San Francisco to Captain P. S. King of Company H of Napa and other captains of the Second regiment, calling a special election for September 20. A new major will be chosen to take the place of Major J. Zittinger of Sacramento, who has resigned from the First battalion. Owing to the reorganization of the battalions of the regiment effected last week the new major will command the Third battalion. The election will be held at Sacramento, and all commissioned officers of the companies will attend. W. T. Rutherford of Company H received word from San Francisco today that he has successfully passed the examinations for first lieutenant.

WANT MRS. ECCLES' TESTIMONY

SANTA CRUZ, Sept. 18.—Judge Smith today issued an order on the request of Mrs. Miner of Berkeley for the deposition of Mrs. Gladys Eccles of San Francisco in the Miner divorce case, which will soon be heard in the local court. Dr. H. N. Miner appeared in court asking for an order for the payment to him of a balance of $250.30 from the sale of property in Oakland. Attorney W. P. Netherton objected for Mrs. Miner on the ground of the stipulation making other disposition of the money. That document could not be found and the matter went over until Monday.

Reduced Rates to Del Monte September 17-19

See the finals of the Pacific coast tennis championship Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The eastern champions versus the western. An event not to be missed. Other special attractions. See Southern Pacific agents, 884 Market st., 14 Powell st., Third and Townsend sts., and Thirteenth and Franklin sts., Oakland.

SLAYER OF RIVAL EXCUSES SHOOTING

Turpin Declares His Victim Invited Visit and Appeared With Shotgun

Testimony Indicates That Click of Weapon Caused the Prisoner to Fire

FRESNO, Sept. 18.—Describing in detail the manner in which he shot and killed Fred Roeschter on the night of June 15 last, Edward Turpin, accused of the murder, made a complete confession to the jury in Judge Austin's court this morning.

While Turpin cast no remark reflecting in any manner upon Mrs. B. F. Crane, at whose home the homicide took place, the character of the testimony indicated clearly that the slain and the slayer were in love with the same woman, and that the dead man, under pretense of friendship, lured Turpin to commit the crime he did.

Turpin had been denied the privilege of calling at the Crane house by a member of the family. Roeschter, who lived at the house, told Turpin to come back and he would permit him to gain admittance to Mrs. Crane's room by passing through his own room, which adjoined it.

On the night of the murder Roeschter met Turpin at the doorway with a shotgun. Turpin, also armed with a small revolver, knocked the gun aside and for a moment, according to the testimony, each man had a grip on the other's weapon. Turpin heard the click of the shotgun and fired, killing his man. The shotgun was not exploded.

The case went to the jury late this afternoon.

HEARST MAKES BIG BLUNDER IN NEVADA

Errors in Lists Will Prevent a Ticket Being Run This Year

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

RENO, Nev., Sept. 18.—The first stumbling block in what has otherwise been a rather uneventful campaign of the independence party in Nevada came tonight with the announcement that the Hearst followers have forfeited the right to participate in the election next November.

For several months the organizers have been working in an effort to secure the required 10 per cent of voters to allow the party to place its nominees upon the state ticket. Apparently all the details were attended to and this was the day in which the secretary of state was to certify to the different tickets. At the last moment some one discovered the fact that in addition to the signatures those who filed the petition were also required to attest the fact that the signers are bona fide, registered voters of Nevada. This vital point has been overlooked, with the result that the petition is void.

PORCH CLIMBER USES CHLOROFORM ON VICTIMS

Bold Night Marauder Again Invades San Luis Obispo Homes

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Sept. 18.—The porch climber who startled the countryside last month when he attempted to chloroform Miss Winifred Piggott, a Stanford student, returned here last night. After administering chloroform to a bulldog in the yard, he entered the home of Fred Crippen, an aged man, and sprayed the drug upon Mrs. Crippen and her maid.

Mrs. Crippen screamed, scaring the man away. The maid was overcome by the drug and Mrs. Crippen dragged her by the hair to the door.

The authorities throughout the county are on the alert, but have no clew beyond the footprints of the man. Mrs. Crippen claims that the man grasped her arm when she first screamed.

CHOOSE MAXWELL FOR WARDEN

RENO, Nev., Sept. 18.—It is said William Maxwell of Reno, who for the last four years has been deputy under Sheriff Ferrel and served in a similar capacity under Sheriff Hayes, has been chosen warden of the state penitentiary at Carson, to succeed Warden Day, who resigned early this week.

SEE LAKE COUNTY FROM CAR WINDOW

Businessmen of Santa Rosa Are Back of Scenic Railway Project

Connect City of Roses With All the Beautiful Points in the District

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

SANTA ROSA, Sept. 18.—The Santa Rosa and Lake county scenic railway was presented to the Santa Rosa chamber of commerce at the regular meeting last night by J. W. Barrows, who has devoted all his life to railroad construction and maintenance and until recently was supervisor of the Northwestern Pacific, and W. D. Reynolds, a prominent local banker and former San Franciscan, who has been working on the proposition for some time.

The promoters showed to the satisfaction of all present that it would be a paying proposition to this city as well as to a company to construct a 30 inch gauge line from Santa Rosa via Knights Valley, Pine Flat and the springs of lower Lake county to some point on Clear lake, from where boats could be run to connect with the whole country round about. Either gasoline motors or steam would be used as a motive power.

A line on the proposed route would carry passengers and freight through some of the finest scenic country in northern California and directly to the various resorts of Lake county, which can now be reached only via long stage rides from Calistoga and Cloverdale. A portion of a preliminary survey has been made and the chamber has been asked to assist in defraying the cost of completing it.

The proposition was received with much enthusiasm by the members present, and the railroad committee was instructed to make a canvass for the funds necessary to complete the preliminary survey. Businessmen and property owners of Santa Rosa today were enthusiastic in their indorsement of the idea, and there is every indication that the money will be readily raised.

SACRAMENTO BUTCHERS MAY BE DISSOLVED

Dissension in Ranks of Association Is Caused by an Assessment

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 18.—Because they have been assessed $24 each to help pay legal expenses incurred in recent litigation, the members of the Sacramento butchers' protective association are protesting, and it is said the discord may result in breaking up the organization. The association is locally known as the "meat trust."

An action was recently brought against the association by the people for alleged violations of the Cartwright anti-trust law. The action was costly to the trust, so an assessment of $24 was levied on each member to pay the indebtedness incurred. Now it is declared many members are refusing to pay the sum, and that the strength of the combine has been materially weakened.

WATER COMPANY PLANTS TREES

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 18.—The Southern California water company is preparing to plant 100,000 eucalyptus trees in addition to the 30,000 that have already been set out.

One hundred and forty acres near the lower reservoir will be used for the second planting, the sugar gum variety being set out principally. The trees will be grown for the purpose of supplying railroad ties for the local companies, which are owned by John D. Spreckels, who is also owner of the water company.

WILL ICE FRUIT BETTER

RENO, Nev., Sept. 18.—Work is to be started at once by the Southern Pacific company on what will be the biggest icing station in the west and the only one between Ogden and Truckee, at Carlin, 300 miles east of here. A 25 acre pond made from water of the Truckee river will furnish the ice. Fruits from California for the eastern markets will be iced in the future at Carlin instead of Truckee. The trouble that has been experienced in keeping fruit fresh during the long run across the desert is the occasion for this move on the part of the railroad.

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JAUNTY Tailored Suits of chevron, worsted and mixed materials for misses at a saving of one-third. Seldom are such splendid values offered so early in the season. These are single and double breasted models, with full plaited skirts, in fall's most popular shades. Special $10

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Port, Sherry, Angelica, Muscatel—Excellent sweet wines. Special today, half gallon bottles 45c

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The book and his cures are creating a sensation among medical men who recommend him as being strictly reliable. The reader may save a life by sending this to some one with cancer.

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2572 MISSION STREET,

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STATEMENT

OF THE CONDITIONS AND AFFAIRS OF THE

WALLA WALLA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

OF WALLA WALLA, IN THE STATE OF Washington, on the 31st day of December, A. D., 1907, and for the year ending on that day. Published pursuant to the provisions of Section 611 of the Political Code and compiled from the annual statement filed with the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California.

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital stock, paid up in cash	$200,000.00
ASSETS	
Loans on bonds and mortgages	$201,054.10
Cash market value of all stocks and bonds owned by company	20,500.00
Cash in banks	42,173.44
Interest due and accrued on mortgages and other assets	13,596.43
Premiums in due course of collection	79,975.37
Stockholders' notes	118,622.11
Purchase of accrued interest on mortgages	716.61
Total assets	$476,638.11
LIABILITIES	
Losses adjusted and unpaid	$6,781.14
Losses in process of adjustment or in suspense	1,488.73
Gross premiums on fire risks running one year or less, $139,269.49; reinsurance, 50 per cent	69,634.75
Gross premiums on fire risks running more than one year, $25,332.67; reinsurance pro rata	21,233.57
Commissions or brokerage due or to become due	16,415.79
All other liabilities	17,599.54
Total liabilities	$133,153.57
INCOME	
Net cash actually received for fire premiums	$180,698.43
Surplus advanced by directors	200,000.00
Total income	$380,698.43
EXPENDITURES	
Net amount paid for fire losses	$7,558.74
Paid or allowed for commissions or brokerage	20,388.65
Paid for salaries, fees, and other charges for officers, clerks, etc.	28,304.16
Paid for state, national and local taxes	3,627.10
All other payments and expenditures	43,211.28
Total expenditures	$103,589.93
Losses incurred during the year	Fire. $15,928.66

RISKS AND PREMIUMS

	Fire Risks.	Premiums.
Net amount of risks written during the year	$11,509,786.88	$210,336.16
Net amount of risks expired during the year	2,466,989.35	40,988.68
Net amount in force December 31, 1907	8,707,534.03	164,602.16

C. K. HOLLOWAY, President.
O. P. CONAWAY, Secretary.
O. G. PARKER, Treasurer.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3d day of February, 1908.
DORSEY M. HILL, County Clerk.

J. H. RICHARDS, MANAGER

California Department, MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BUILDING SAN FRANCISCO