

**ACTUAL BATTLE
TO SAVE GIRL'S
LIFE TO BEGIN**

**Alma Bell's Lawyers to Fight
Testimony Reflecting on
Client's Character**

**Men of Many Occupations on
Jury Which Will Decide
Young Slayer's Fate**

**Jury Sworn to Try
Girl Who Slew Lover**



Mrs. Armes, mother of Joe Armes, who was killed by Alma Bell, and her surviving children. The young man wearing his hair parted in the middle is said to resemble exactly the young man who was shot.

to the seriousness of the situation which confronts the county.

The more violent utter to the district attorney opened by denouncing the clergymen of Auburn who have expressed themselves as censuring Alma Bell. The letter continued, showing traces of German: "Remember I am rich and my money can do what I like. I can buy so much powder and dynamite that can blow up Auburn, Cal. Dead to every man in Auburn if Alma Bell don't get free. She had a right to kill the dog Joe. Every girl has a right to kill dogs like the Joe Armes was. I be girl I like do same as she."

Another letter reads:

"District Attorney, this letter must be read in courtroom before 12 jurymen. If not, look out for yourself and your family. Don't forget, your life is short."

"I am not giving the letters any serious consideration," declared Tuttle this afternoon. "I think they are the work of fools and I am not disturbed by their threats."

Occupations Are Varied

The occupations of the jurors who are to try Alma Bell give a comprehensive idea of the varied products of Placer county. The chamber of commerce might make a display of the list. Of the 10 men sworn up to the time of adjournment tonight five are miners, two are potters from the big pottery and the works at Lincoln, two are fruit ranchers, and one is a contractor.

One curious feature of the impanelment of the jury is that out of the number of men examined four had in their immediate families trouble with men whose attentions to women of the families were not believed to have been honorable.

Attorney Hamilton drew a new angle in the situation today when, in the examination of a venireman, he referred to the fact that Alma Bell's lover and victim, Joe Armes, was not of the same race, even as the girl Armes was a Portuguese and the people of that nativity have been very active in their interest in the case. However, that issue never came out in open court until today.

Fourteen men were examined today. The heavy snowfall in the mountains prevented the elisor from going far out of Forest Hill to secure other veniremen.

Many Talesmen Excused

James Gavin, a miner, declared his opposition to the unwritten law by saying "Women have as much sense as men and the sex has nothing to do with the consideration of the guilt." He was promptly challenged. Joseph Gilbert, miner, from Missouri, living at Butchers creek, believed in the "unwritten law" to a certain extent. He was passed and sworn as a juror. Martin Luther Gable, known as father of the girl, old "Pike" Bell. He was passed, but was excused by consent. In this county the attorneys know of the life history and personal habits of every venireman.

Albert Ralston, the second juror sworn today, is a blacksmith and miner from Forest Hill. He is a native of Texas. The defense is partial to southerners. Henry Jones, who was a juror in the Adolph Weber case, had an opinion favorable to the defendant and the unwritten law, as did O. W. Henderson, W. N. Henning and W. E. Kliner. They were excused.

Herman G. Fischer, a cigar maker of Forest Hill, created some amusement when he replied to the question of whether or not he would follow the instruction of the court by saying, "If I felt the other way I would not take instructions from anybody."

William Rea, a hale man, 75 years of age and a pioneer stage line owner of Forest Hill, knew "Pike" Bell personally and had been waiting upon Alma in the restaurant where she was employed. During Rea's examination it seemed that the prosecution realized its impotence to produce evidence attacking the defendant's character. Rea said he would admit the girl unless evidence could be produced to show that she was not a good girl and he was challenged by the prosecution.

A night session was ordered.

Subpenas Are Issued

Attorney Chamberlain today issued subpoenas for the following witnesses for the defense: W. H. Bolton, Mrs. Ella Denny, George A. Colwell, John Adams, Mrs. Mary Bell, Alma's mother; D. C. Bellow, Ed Bell, a brother; Robert Griffin, Effie Lozano, Lorenz Fagg and Dock Williams. Alma will testify in her own behalf. The number of witnesses for the prosecution depends upon the nature of the evidence which it may be permitted to present.

The first mention of the death penalty in the Alma Bell case was made tonight during the examination of E. A. Hill, a civil engineer of Michigan Bluff. In answer to a question put by District Attorney Tuttle as to whether he had a prejudice against convicting a woman, Hill replied "I would not like to see the accused executed."

"Put aside all idea of execution," said Tuttle with ceremony. Hill was sworn as a juror. Edward Polifka, a livyerman of Michigan Bluff and a native of Bohemia, qualified readily and was the last man sworn. There were 132 veniremen examined before the 12 men were secured. The defense exercised its last peremptory challenge. The prosecution has one left.

TREADWELL'S TRIAL IS SET FOR JANUARY

Will This Time Answer an Embezzlement Charge

The case against James W. Treadwell, charging the embezzlement of funds of the California safe deposit and trust company, of which the defendant was a director, was yesterday set for trial January 24 before Judge Conley of Madera county. Treadwell was tried once on an indictment accusing him of perjury and was acquitted. A second trial on a charge of embezzlement was begun, but was discontinued because of the discovery of new testimony by Prosecutor Cook.

**LABOR BALKS AT
JAPANESE UNIONS**

Question of Admitting Pacific Coast Organizations Rouses Toronto Convention

TORONTO, Nov. 15.—The question of including organizations of the Japanese on the Pacific coast in the American federation of labor was debated at the federation convention here today. Much opposition to the idea was raised among the delegates and it was referred to the executive council.

Declaring the systematic colonization of oriental races in insular possessions of the United States and the threatened and partially accomplished extension of that system to the Pacific coast "constitutes a standing danger, not only to the domestic peace, but to the continuance of the friendly relations between the nations concerned," Delegate Kelley of the San Francisco labor council introduced a resolution asking that the terms of the Chinese exclusion act be enlarged and extended so as permanently to exclude from the United States and its insular territory all Asiatics other than those exempted under the present act. The resolution was referred to a committee.

The Japanese question came up during the discussion of a report submitted by the committee on organization favoring starting unions among farm employes and unskilled workmen in small towns, these unions to be chartered by the federation. It was brought out during the discussion that Japanese labor unions would come under this head. When this was presented many delegates were ready strongly to oppose that feature of the report.

The matter probably will come up again, as a report is expected from the executive council.

The federation unanimously adopted a resolution declaring the United States steel corporation to be the "most formidable and aggressive enemy" with which the organized labor movement has to contend.

**CONFESSES MURDER
WHILE HYPNOTIZED**

Attorneys for Woman Defendant in Tacoma Trial Charge "Third Degree" Methods

TACOMA, Nov. 15.—Prof. Hugo Munsterberg, the world famous psychologist of Harvard university, has been brought into the trial of Mrs. Martin Kvalshaug, charged with complicity in the murder of her husband, for which crime Charles Newcomb is already under sentence of death. The state, in a case against the woman, produced a confession in which she admitted her part in the crime. Attorney Kelly, for the defense, has received a letter from Professor Munsterberg, in which the latter reviews the crime, having been supplied with his data by Kelly—and declares that, the statements of Kelly being true, the woman must have been in such condition at the time of her confession that the admission of the crime was doubtless due to suggestion on the part of the men examining her.

Based on this letter the defense has employed Prof. U. C. Stevens of the University of Washington, and the latter at midnight last night in the county jail is declared to have thrown the woman into a hypnotic state, during which she detailed all the incidents of the alleged "third degree" intrusion. In this hypnotic state, it is said, she told of a series of bulldozing questions, finally culminating in the revolver that had killed her husband being thrust before her eyes.

A confession obtained in this manner, according to Professor Munsterberg's letter, is valueless in determining guilt or innocence. Mrs. Kvalshaug on the stand today denied having any part in the murder, declaring she had been trying for weeks to break off her relations with Newcomb.

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INDICT WARRINER FOR BIG THEFTS

Grand Jury Returns True Bills Against Former Treasurer of Big Four

Investigation Shows Total of \$322,000 Stolen in Last Five Years

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 15.—Charles L. Warriner, former treasurer of the Big Four railroad, was indicted today by the grand jury on two charges of grand larceny and embezzlement in the amount of \$5,000 on each count.

While \$642,000 is known to have been stolen, the startling fact was developed by today's proceedings that the company's cashbooks prior to 1905 have disappeared, and that it will never be possible to tell the full amount of the giant defalcation.

The comparatively small amount upon which Warriner was indicted represents the latest known theft. It has been placed at that figure so that, if conviction fails, the railroad authorities may proceed on any other of the numerous thefts. This means that the prosecution may be maintained indefinitely.

Amazing figures were presented today showing the progress of the thefts for the last five years. The shortage thus estimated follows:

1905	\$59,000
1906	50,000
1907	60,000
1908	62,000
1909	83,000
Total in five years	\$322,000

Of this sum Warriner claims to have paid \$400 a month to each of two persons in the form of blackmail. The rest, he alleges, he lost in speculation.

"By far the most interesting person to appear before the grand jury today was Mrs. Jeannette Stewart-Ford, the woman whose connection with the case is still a mystery. After she had given her evidence she declared she had said nothing beyond the indefinite statements she has already made public.

After the grand jury had adjourned for the day, Prosecutor Hunt announced that Warriner would be summoned as a witness to give evidence against those he accuses of blackmail.

FIREMEN INJURED IN \$42,000 BLAZE

Trio Cut by Flying Glass at Fire Starting in Printing Plant at 1236 Howard

Fire starting in the basement of the Freygang-Leary printing company, 1236 Howard street, and spreading to the Brunscheiger liquor company and the saloon of Ernst Kaiser, on either side of it, damaged the three concerns to the extent of \$42,000 last night. Three firemen were slightly injured. They are:

Tom Cleary, engine No. 7.
Llewellyn Kenny, engine No. 19.
John Call, Commercial fire dispatch.

All of these men were cut about the hands and face by flying glass, but none had to be taken to the hospital.

The blaze, it is believed, was occasioned through the spontaneous combustion of oils stored in the basement. It was discovered first by Kaiser, who heard the flames crackling under his feet, and, on making an investigation, he found the entire basement on fire. Before it could be extinguished the blaze had spread to the floor above.

The interior of the printing establishment was gutted completely. The damage here was estimated at \$25,000, several linotype machines being damaged or totally destroyed. The Brunscheiger liquor company had about \$10,000 worth of stock destroyed, and the damages to the saloon amounted to \$2,000.

The buildings in which the three concerns were housed are of frame and corrugated iron and were damaged to an extent of \$5,000. Two alarms were turned in and the fire was extinguished without much difficulty.

JAPANESE APPEAL FOR PROTECTION

Commercial Commissioners Are Shadowed by Koreans While in Denver

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

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The police, following the request, gave to the baron and other noted members of the party the same protection which was accorded President Taft last month.

In explanation of the request the commissioner declared that since the murder of Prince Ito the Japanese party had been constantly shadowed by the mysterious Koreans, who were trying to get close to the baron and do him bodily harm.

Early this morning the officers discovered a party of three suspicious looking Koreans hanging around the Brown Palace hotel, the headquarters of the commissioners. City police officers were at once notified and a squad of plain clothes men were detailed to guard the commissioners day and night during the balance of their stay in Colorado.

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