

BRIDE DESERTED; SPOUSE FUGITIVE

Leo Stone Sought for \$51,000 Boston Peculation and Evades Police Here

Married Portland Girl and Disappeared When Partner Arrested Through Mistake

Believing for two weeks that her missing husband, Leo Stone of the real estate firm of Rogers & Stone, 457 Market street, had been the victim of foul play, Mrs. Stone, a young and pretty bride of six months, returned to her home in Portland Wednesday after learning that the police of the country were searching for Stone on a warrant charging embezzlement of \$51,000 from Brown Brothers, bankers of Boston.

Mrs. Stone was Miss Jessie Laphier of Portland. Stone introduced himself as a member of a prominent Boston family and displayed signs of his boasted wealth by spending money with a prodigal hand. The couple stayed at the Yon Don hotel in Turk street.

Stone has traveled under aliases for three years. His true name is Alfred H. Rathman and he was confidential secretary in the Alton bank. The embezzlement occurred during July and August of 1907.

ERROR CAUSES ESCAPE

On November 12 the police of this city received telegraphic advice from Inspector William B. Watts of Boston that Rathman was in San Francisco interested in a real estate business.

In some inexplicable manner the eastern authorities confused Stone with his real estate partner, Rogers, and in the message Rogers is named as the man wanted.

Detective Sergeant William Lambert visited the real estate office and became acquainted with both Stone and Rogers. Lambert, in the presence of Stone, placed Rogers under arrest. Rogers protested his innocence and Stone waxed wrath over the injustice of the arrest. It was agreed that Rogers would have a host of sponsors hurried to the police station and prove his identity, and this was done.

Meanwhile Stone drew out a large sum from the firm's safe, telling the stenographer that he intended to bail his partner out. The money, it developed, was his own and probably kept for emergency.

WIFE ASKS POLICE AID

When Rogers returned Stone was gone. Finally his wife became greatly worried and applied to the authorities for help, believing he had met with foul play.

Detective Lambert learned from Samuel Gordon, who is connected with the firm, that the two were acquainted in Boston when Stone was known as Rathman. Rogers gives it as his conviction that Stone has gone to Boston to settle with the bank and that he will return to this city, where he has large interests.

CHINESE CONSUL WANTS LIGHT ON NEW DISEASE

Sends Physician to Washington to Demand Information

Unable to secure a satisfactory answer from Dr. M. W. Glover, the local port physician, the Chinese consul general, Li Tung Fow, dispatched Dr. King B. Kwan to Washington Wednesday with a long list of questions, which will be put to the federal immigration authorities there on the subject of the new blood disease, malaria, which was the cause of ordering the deportation of Lin Shee from this port recently.

The Chinese insist that the local authorities will not explain the disease, in spite of repeated requests for some information on the subject, and now, unless an immediate response is made by Washington, the subject will be made the burden of international correspondence.

It is not known if the disease is contagious, what its pathological nature is, or if it is a curable complaint. Something like it is known in the semitropical countries of Asia, but this admission is made in a very negative manner by the Chinese consul.

PRISONERS ARE GUESTS AT WEDDING FEAST

Merry Banquet at County Jail Follows Jailor's Marriage

Early Christmas cheer was ushered in by merry wedding bells at the county jail branch 2 on Wednesday afternoon, when more than 200 prisoners and 150 invited guests feasted and made merry at the wedding supper following the marriage of Chief Jailor Walter Macaulay and Miss Maria Roberts.

While the parties to the union held themselves to a church in the early afternoon and had the ceremony performed with simple rites, imported chefs struggled in the big cooking department of the jail preparing the choice viands for the supper. Macaulay was lavish in his instructions to his chefs and the table was unstinted with good wishes and rice as they left in an automobile for San Jose to spend their honeymoon.

KIRBY CLAIMS SHARE OF BROTHER'S ESTATE

Michael Kirby, who shot his brother Patrick and was convicted of manslaughter, was taken into Judge Graham's court yesterday from the county jail to prosecute his fight for a portion of the estate of the man whose death he caused. An act of the legislature forbids a murderer inheriting from the estate of the person slain by him. It was argued that this law did not apply in the case of Michael Kirby, inasmuch as he was convicted not of murder, but of manslaughter. A brother of the dead man, James Kirby, who lives in Portland, is contesting Michael Kirby's right to share in the estate.

Local Brevities

OBJECTION TO MOVING—The board of education has been asked to state the space it will require in the temporary city hall in Market street. The board gave the information, but added that it preferred to remain in its present quarters at Pine and Larkin streets, on Sunday.

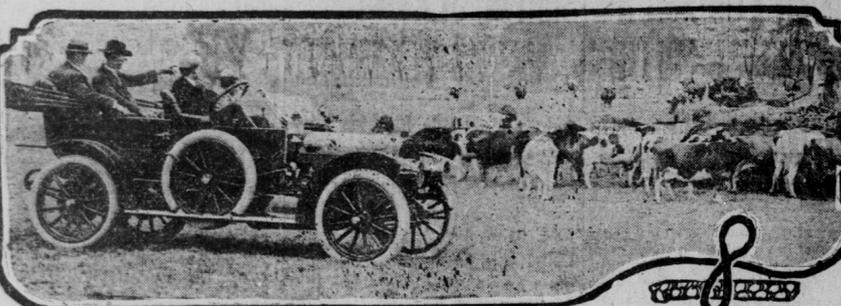
GRAND ARMY BAZAAR—The F. L. C. club of General George G. Mead corps of the Women's Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic will hold a bazaar and dinner in Hamilton hall tomorrow night in aid of aged civil war soldiers and their families.

WATCHMEN KEPT TALKED—Richard Patterson was arrested early yesterday for robbing Peter Desmond of 3919 Sacramento street of a gold watch and locket at Jackson and Montecito streets.

NIGHTS TEMPLE DRILL—Misses Constance No. 41 Knickerbocker Temple will give an exhibition drill and dance in the pavilion at Nutter and Thero streets this evening.

FEARFUL TAKES SEAT—The new fire commission, Edward R. Hartke, took his seat in the board yesterday as the successor of C. S. Lammeter, transferred to the board of works.

HIGH PRICED AUTOS ARE IN DEMAND HERE THIS WINTER



How the farmer uses his Rambler car to look over his stock and see that everything is carried out according to his instructions. The photograph was taken on the farm of Senator Isaac Stephenson at Somers, Wis.

Irving J. Morse of Locomobile Co. Believes That There Will Be a Shortage in Cars

By R. R. L'HOMMEDIEU

There has been quite a discussion among the automobile dealers of late about the outlook for business. Some of them report that it is a little slow at present, while others declare that they are enjoying better business than they did a year ago. Among the latter is the Locomobile company of America, which has a factory branch in this city.

Irving J. Morse, manager of the local house, reports that since July 1 it has sold 215 cars, the last order, for a limousine, coming in as the statement was being made last evening. This is a 32 1/2 per cent increase over the record for last year.

This with the reports from some of the agents of higher priced cars shows that those who buy this grade of cars are taking them as fast as they can get them. It is also a good sign, for it does not show any financial stringency in times when money companies commence to tighten it is generally shown in the sale of high priced cars.

Owners of this grade of cars delay their purchases for a season, making the fact that they have on hand last longer than usual.

The sale of popular priced cars is not as active as the dealers would like to have it. There are several reasons for this. There is a prevailing opinion on the Atlantic coast, and now, that a cut all along the line in this class. On this point the general public is in error, for all the changes in price of standard makes of cars that are likely to take place have already been announced. Another reason for slack trade is that the class of people that buy these cars is diverting its funds at the present time toward buying Christmas presents.

The result of all this will be that when buying commences in earnest again there will be a shortage on the coast, and especially in California. This is the season of the year when the dealers can get cars, as the east is wrapped in snow, and the motorists back there are not buying. Later, however, the selling season will begin on the Atlantic coast, and the dealers in that section will have to receive consideration. This means that out west the buyer will have to wait for cars.

There will not be enough cars to go around this season. The slight over-production last year by some makers taught them all a lesson. It taught them that it is better to sell a little short, clean up the factory and get ready for the next season's business, than to have cars on hand that will have to be forced when other makers are getting out new models.

As one dealer said yesterday: "I have tried to impress on the minds of our customers that this is the golden opportunity to get the cars they want before it is too late. Some have believed me, while others I fear, think that I have merely been trying to force the sale. They will find out that I have been telling the truth when it is too late."

Two of the handsome models of motor cars to be received this season by the Standard motor car company have just arrived. They are the five passenger, fore-door touring car, and the race type roadster. When the latter car was driven up from the depot to the headquarters of the Standard motor car company, the agents for this car, it was brought to a stand in front of the building, and even before the driver had left his seat a crowd had gathered around the striking little car. It is finished in a most attractive and conspicuous shade of an orange red, and is striped with wide and narrow bands of black. It has low ray lines, and looks exactly like a motor car. In the hood of the new Velle race roadster are four portholes, through which the exhaust may be put when using the car on the track.

The fore-door touring car is finished in a soft shade of gray known as the Velle gray, lighter than a battleship and darker than the dove gray. The striping on the larger car is a broad band of white, outlined in narrow black striping. The upholstery is of the finest hand buffed black leather on the touring car, and on the little race roadster as well. The equipment, which is a full line, is of nickel and all lamps are black enameled. The cars will be on exhibition in the salesroom of the Standard motor car company during the coming week, and an expert will be in constant attendance to demonstrate the value of the Velle.

James Brady Post, at the wheel of a Stearns, added another victory to the long string won by Stearns owners this season when he took first place in the feature event at the meet held in Middletown, N. Y., recently. The race was for 10 miles, over a rather poor track, and Post won handsily.

Stearns victories have been plentiful this season, and with one exception they have all been won by amateur owners. The single exception was the 24 hour race at Brighton beach, in which the Stearns established a new record.

Stearns Again a Winner

LE BRETON ESTATE WORTH \$644,707.60

Inventory Filed With Clerk Shows Holdings in Bonds and Realty

The inventory and appraisal of the estate of the late Edward J. Le Breton, banker and philanthropist, was filed yesterday with the county clerk. He left property worth \$644,707.60. Half the estate is willed to J. V. de Laveaga, the lawyer; Edward de Laveaga and Mrs. Andrew P. Welch—children of the testator's sister, Mrs. Miguel de Laveaga—share and share alike. The other half is left in trust with J. V. de Laveaga to pay the income to Albert J. Le Breton, brother of the decedent. Upon Albert Le Breton's death the trust property will be divided between his two children.

The estate includes 155 Spring Valley bonds worth \$142,600; 29 Los Angeles railroad company bonds, \$21,400; 96 Market street railway bonds, \$24,080; 50 bonds of the Anglo and London Paris national bank, \$30,000; realty at Haight and Gough streets, \$55,000; realty at Dupont and Pine streets, \$37,500; realty at First and Market streets, \$22,500.

Le Breton expended a big proportion of his fortune along charitable lines. He built the home of the Little Sisters of the Poor in Lake street, and a similar institution in Los Angeles.

The Brush runabout agency reports the sale of a Brush runabout to the local telephone company. This is the first of these cars that the company has bought, and if it serves as well as the demonstrations indicated several others will be installed. The fact that the Brush is working so well may induce several other companies to install the car.

C. Loomis of Redwood City has just purchased a Chase delivery wagon, among buyers that there is service in that city.

CHINESE SLAYER IS REPRIEVED

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SAN QUENTIN, Dec. 1.—Willie Lewis, a Chinese who was to have been hanged Friday for killing his stepmother at San Luis Obispo, received a reprieve yesterday. The time has been extended until February 3, which will bring the case before Governor H. W. Johnson.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL—Washington, Dec. 1.—Announcement was made by Postmaster General Hitchcock today of the appointment of James J. Britt of North Carolina, to be the third assistant postmaster general, vice A. L. Lawshe, resigned.

ELKS PLAN ANNUAL SHOW FOR CHARITY

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SAN RAFAEL, Dec. 1.—The local lodge of Elks is making extensive preparations for the annual Christmas charity show at Hall Rafael December 17, when the Alameda lodge, No. 1015, will present the three act farce, "B. U. A. Elk." The comedy will be replete with local hits and will depict the difficulties of a young married man and his father in law, who told their wives they had joined the Elks when they had not. On December 7 100 local Elks will go by special train to Petaluma and take part in the ceremonies to be held by that lodge.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITIONS AND AFFAIRS OF THE California Insurance Company OF SAN FRANCISCO, IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1909, 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	\$400,000.00
Real estate owned by company	100,000.00
Loans on bonds and mortgages	287,500.00
Cash market value of all stocks and bonds owned by company	515,884.30
Amount of loans secured by pledge of real estate	15,605.00
Cash in company's office	6,942.82
Interest due and accrued on all stocks and bonds	384.00
Interest due and accrued on all mortgages	12,855.82
Premiums in due course of collection	153,292.77
Unpaid assessments (secured)	1,875.00
Total assets	\$1,125,414.75
LIABILITIES	
Losses adjusted and unpaid; losses in process of adjustment or in suspense; losses retained, including expenses	\$48,415.41
Gross premiums on fire risks running one year or less, \$471,697.18; reinsurance and other contracts	235,849.39
Gross premiums on fire risks running more than one year, \$430,000.00; reinsurance and other contracts	264,577.54
All other liabilities	18,614.55
Total liabilities	\$567,456.89
INCOME	
Net cash actually received for fire premiums	\$728,068.82
Received for interest on investments	12,123.60
Gains	12,123.60
Dividends on stocks, bonds, loans, and from all other sources	24,887.74
Received for real estate and investments from all other sources	8,720.89
Income from all other sources	758.91
Total income	\$796,483.79
EXPENDITURES	
Net amount paid for fire losses (including \$32,767.96 losses of previous years)	\$287,151.80
Dividends to stockholders	60,000.00
Paid or allowed for commission or brokerage	148,087.51
Paid for salaries, fees, and other charges for officers, clerks, etc.	86,141.69
Paid for state, national and local taxes	14,517.78
All other expenses and expenditures	75,813.79
Total expenditures	\$648,710.57
Losses incurred during the year	\$275,592.22
RISKS AND PREMIUMS	
Net amount of risks written during the year	\$58,038,220
Net amount of risks expired during the year	47,308,406
Net amount in force December 31, 1909	98,710,155
Fire Risks	\$1,137,968.92
Premiums	732,139.07
W. E. DEAN, President.	
GEORGE W. BROOKS, Secretary.	
JOSEPH D. LEAHY, Accountant.	
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31 day of February, 1910.	
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