

SCANDALS EXAMINED BY GRAND JURY

Inquiry Into Dynamiting Plot Is Proceeding Rapidly in the Southern City

J. E. Munsey, Salt Lake City Labor Leader, Is Among Those Questioned

Directors' association. Walter Drew, counsel for the Erectors' association, refused to say whether he had been in consultation with Harkin or whether he knew where Harkin was.

W. J. Burns, the detective who has been in consultation with officials of the Erectors' association, left tonight for Washington and New York. He said he would return here Friday.

SCORES TESTIFY IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—The federal grand jury today continued to hear testimony concerning the alleged conspiracy to transport dynamite unlawfully. A score of witnesses were examined, most of whom were said to have established the identity of "J. B. Bryce" as J. B. McNamara.

Much interest was manifested today in the appearance of J. E. Munsey of Salt Lake City, business agent of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers. His wife, too, is under subpoena and both arrived early today.

The government attorneys ordered today that witnesses were not to be approached either before or after being sworn. The procedure today was of a perfunctory character, witnesses filing in the grand jury chamber in rapid succession. Most of the testimony is said to relate to details of the production of witnesses telling of the parts played by people alleged to have been associated with J. B. McNamara in unlawfully transporting explosives.

Judge George H. Hutton, presiding judge of the superior court, returned here today from Chicago and announced that he would empanel a new grand jury tomorrow. The last grand jury was discharged two months ago after having served a year during which it indicted the McNamaras.

District Attorney Frederick was asked tonight if the county grand jury would take up any angles of the dynamiting conspiracy and he replied that there was no objection to it. He pointed out that the original indictments left John Doe and Richard Roe indictments which could be filled at any time.

There were several women in the grand jury room today, among them Mrs. Belle Logan and Mrs. D. H. Ingersoll, lodging house keepers of San Francisco, at whose houses McNamara, Schmidt and Caplan lived for short periods; Mrs. Emily Stupperich, wife of a hotel keeper, and a number of waitresses in San Francisco and Oakland cafes and restaurants.

All the prominent labor leaders, however, were missing. It was said that E. A. Clancy of San Francisco was still ill to appear, and that Olat Twiss, secretary-treasurer of the State Building Trades Council, and Anton Johannsen, an organizer for the same organization, had not yet arrived in San Francisco from the east.

A procession of employees of the Argonaut hotel appeared before the grand jury. It included Genevieve Tarr, chief cashier; Mrs. C. D. Hund, telephone operator; George A. Dixon, assistant manager; Percy R. Van Dyke, a former clerk, and a bellboy named McCachren. These witnesses were in a position, it is said, to testify concerning the signatures of "J. B. Bryce" and P. H. Perry, which appear on the Argonaut hotel register and are supposed to be those of J. B. McNamara and Milton A. Schmidt.

When the jury reconvened at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon Dr. Fred A. Ashworth, a dentist of San Francisco, was called as a witness. It was believed that he testified concerning the identity of "J. B. Bryce" whom he met professionally.

When Ashworth left the grand jury Harry Bridgman of East Oakland, who was present at the seizure of certain explosives in the town in which he lives, was the next witness. He was followed by Thomas Ryan, chief of detectives of San Francisco, who was at the federal building today, ready to testify.

CHANGES IN HARBOR PROJECT APPROVED

Delegates of Cities Affected Agree on New Lines in Estuary

OAKLAND, Dec. 12.—Extensive changes in the bulkhead and pierhead lines of the San Antonio estuary, including a modification that will give Oakland the right to reclaim several acres of tide flats between the First and Eighth street bridges across the north arm of the estuary, were given the approval of representatives of the municipalities affected and all the commercial interests at a formal session of the San Francisco harbor line board in the Oakland city hall this afternoon.

For several months the local board of United States army engineers has been engaged in bringing the various proposals into a single set of modifications. Today's session was the third hearing, and, with the exception of slight changes, the plan worked out by the harbor line board was given the approval of the representatives of Oakland and Alameda and of the commercial interests.

MAYOR'S OBJECTIONS The main objection to the recommendation of the harbor line board was that of Mayor Frank K. Mott, speaking for the city of Oakland. The board had altered the lines at the head of the north arm so as to move these south from the Eighth street bridge to 50 feet south of the Southern Pacific company's trestle. Speaking of the city's desire for a more extensive modification in this regard, Mayor Mott said:

"The city of Oakland is satisfied with the recommendation, with the exception of that in regard to the north arm. Oakland desires to have the bulkhead line moved south to 150 feet south of the Southern Pacific right of way at First street, instead of only 50 feet south as proposed in this recommendation."

"The reason we desire the additional 100 feet is that the plans of the city call for a public street 100 feet or more in width south of the Southern Pacific trestle, this street to run along the estuary water front to carry the belt line railroad of the city and to provide for traffic to the wharves and piers which the city plans to build at the mouth of the north arm. For this purpose 50 feet is not enough."

Further modification is suggested by the city of Oakland in regard to the proposed pierhead line at this point. It is proposed to make the pier head line coincident at the head of the north arm of the estuary with the bulkhead line. We requested that the bulkhead line should be placed further south, right across the mouth of this body of water. The city has extensive harbor improvements in view, in addition to the reclamation of some ten acres of tidelands north of the Southern Pacific trestle. A most important feature of these improvements would be the wharves, which it is proposed to build in the north arm to increase the dockage facilities fourfold. This plan would be deemed making the pierhead and bulkhead and bulkhead lines coincident at this point."

Exception was taken to the city's stand by J. W. Chickering, representing the Summit Lumber company, whose dockage rights, he alleged, would be curtailed by the city's proposed improvements. After some discussion, the city of Oakland proposed that the Water Front company take part in it was agreed by Mayor Mott and City Engineer Perry F. Brown to compromise in the demand to have the pierhead and bulkhead lines coincident at the mouth of the north arm, by swinging it in northward some 125 feet to permit the creation of a "turning basin" opposite the city arm. The Oakland Harbor company decided 150 feet to the south side of the estuary opposite the north arm to facilitate this project, and tentative agreement was given the compromise plan by Mayor S. A. Cheney.

REQUISITS HELD REASONABLE Lieutenant Colonel H. H. Rees, U. S. A., engineering corps, who presided at the session of the harbor line board, said that he considered the recommendations of Mayor Mott for Oakland reasonable and added that these changes would not be opposed by the local board if it was found that they do not conflict with any property interests. Mayor S. A. Cheney was the only other member of the San Francisco bay harbor line board present, Captain Charles Leeds, the third member, being ill.

Mayor W. H. Hoy and City Attorney Chapman of Alameda gave their approval to the recommendations, and told of the plans for water front development of the Island City. The recommendations of the San Francisco bay harbor line board, without the changes suggested at the session this afternoon, were summarized as follows by Mayor S. A. Cheney:

- 1. Beginning at the Perilla slip of the Southern Pacific company, the bulkhead line is re-established opposite the pierhead line, which remains unchanged. This modifies the lines in front of the Western Pacific freight yard, in accordance with petition No. 2.
- 2. From the Harrison street bridge to the property line of the Summit Lumber company the bulkhead line is moved back to a location 50 feet in the rear of the pierhead line.
- 3. On the north side of the north arm of the San Antonio estuary the distance between the bulkhead and pierhead lines is reduced to 100 feet and straight courses are generally substituted for curves. Across the head of the north arm both the bulkhead and pierhead lines are made to coincide at a location 50 feet south of the Southern Pacific right of way across the north arm.

LINE MOVED OUT—K In Brooklyn basin the bulkhead line is moved out to within 100 feet of the pierhead line, as previously established.

5. Throughout the tidal canal both lines are moved back, the bulkhead line to the property line of the United States and the pierhead line to be 25 feet in advance of the bulkhead line.

6. The bulkhead line in Fortman basin remains in its present position, the pierhead line to be 100 feet in advance of the bulkhead line.

7. Similar retirement of lines on the Alameda side is established opposite the entrance to the north arm.

8. From the Webster street bridge west both lines are moved back, the new pierhead line to the location of the old bulkhead line and the new bulkhead line to be 100 feet in advance of the pierhead line.

9. New lines are established on Alameda frontage. The distance between the bulkhead and pierhead lines is 100 feet. Bulkhead line in Alameda is now brought down to Bay Farm island pier.

10. In addition to the above, lines have been re-established to eliminate superfluous points and to correct minor errors in lines.

ASSISTANT CONSTRUCTOR GATEWOOD PROMOTED

[Special Dispatch to The Call] MAINE ISLAND, Dec. 12.—Assistant Naval Constructor R. D. Gatewood, U. S. N., outside superintendent of Maine Island, has been promoted to the grade of naval constructor. He will remain at the yard until after the coiler Jupiter is launched next summer.

ALLEGED ROOM THIEVES JAILED—Charles Friedman and John Fredericks, suspected room thieves, were charged with burglary by Detectives Dinos and O'Leary yesterday morning. The arrested men are accused by the police of having committed a number of room burglaries during the last month in the city. The arrested men are accused by the police of having committed a number of room burglaries during the last month in the city. The arrested men are accused by the police of having committed a number of room burglaries during the last month in the city.

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Majority report, which empowered states with primary laws to select delegates by primary, if their committees so decided, and Rosewater signed it with the reservation that he favored the primary idea. Borah submitted his minority report, which added a provision that would permit presidential primaries in all states.

AMENDMENT MADE When the committee met for its afternoon session Borah presented the report and explained the difference in the two. He consented to an amendment by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, which overrode the conflict between the call and South Dakota laws. The call law requires that the delegates must be chosen 30 days before the convention and the South Dakota law fixes June as the date of the primary. The Penrose amendment waves the rule in the case of South Dakota.

John W. Blodgett of Michigan said that if the call allowed the Borah primary provision, pressure would be brought to bear on many states for primaries.

Vorps of Ohio, the president's spokesman, contended that the Ohio primary law provided for the election of district delegates, but there was no provision for delegates at large.

After Senator Borah had replied to various criticisms of his primary provision, his report was defeated, 42 to 7, and the majority report was adopted unanimously. The names of the Borah plan were: Cavender, Colorado; Dupont, Delaware; Borah, Idaho; Rosewater, Nebraska; Williams, Oregon; Thorson, South Dakota; Rogers, Wisconsin.

The votes of Nevada, North Dakota, Vermont and Arizona were absent.

LITTLE CONTEST There practically was no contest in determining the convention city. Secretary Haywood announced that he had received tentative invitations from Cincinnati, Buffalo, St. Louis, Denver and Chicago. No speaker appeared for Buffalo or Cincinnati, and Mayor Fred H. Croxsonman withdrew the name of St. Louis. Former Governor Buchtel of Colorado and C. W. Reynolds of Denver urged the claims of that city, and were followed by Representative Frank O. The invitation from Chicago carried with it all the expenses of the convention.

When the vote was taken Chicago received 42 votes to 7 for Denver and 1 for St. Louis.

A stipulation made by the call nullifies the city of Oakland in regard to the issue of the call. This will invalidate the titles of delegates already selected in Alabama.

FOUR ARMED MEN HOLD UP AND ROB PEDESTRIAN

Oaklander Assaulted; Sneak Thieves Also Busy

Four armed men assaulted Robert C. Eyles, 902 E. Twentieth street, and robbed him of \$11.75 and a watch. Oscar Ellison, 2842 Polson street, was held up and robbed of \$25.50 by two men at Mission and Twenty-fifth streets Monday night.

Pickpockets robbed George A. Clarke, 860 Sixth street, of a package containing \$25 while on a Market street car yesterday morning.

The room of Hugh K. Loyal, 243 Prospect place, was entered by sneak thieves and a valuable gold watch stolen.

J. L. Hammad, Hotel West, reports the loss of a purse containing \$35 by pickpockets.

FICKER READY TO MOVE AGAINST COFFEE MEN

Prepares Complaints in Adulteration Cases

The district attorney's office yesterday notified the director of the state yesterday, Dr. M. E. Jaffe, that he had prepared the following cases of violation of the state pure food and drug act have been prepared and are ready to be sworn to by the state inspector. The cases in which charges were preferred: J. D. Mertens, A. Iwanosa, Ernst Ploger, Bertin & Lapor, L. Bessa, S. Rozoplos, M. Radloff, G. Lovitch, Gus Mervick and Alton Pfander. Most of the cases involve the sale of coffee adulterated with chicory. The prosecution is under the act of the legislature of March 11, 1907.

"TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE" UNDER INVESTIGATION

Conejo Club Is Charged With Breaking License Laws

[Special Dispatch to The Call] FRESNO, Dec. 12.—The Taxpayers' league, a Conejo club, is being investigated by the Fresno county grand jury because of charges made that it is selling liquor illegally. Henry Stanton, a Conejo barber, is at the head of the opposition to the club. About 30 Conejo residents were summoned before the grand jury today to testify. Warfare against this club has been waged for two or three months.

AVIATORS WILL TAKE PART IN MIMIC WAR

Tests of war aeroplanes in which aviators armed with light missiles will endeavor to theoretically destroy a detachment of infantry will be among the features of an aviation meet to be held at the Oakland Motordrome next Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

In addition to the mimic war, drills and maneuvers will be held with cavalry, infantry and artillery, practice with guns and small arms, trench-making and walking across the country. The aviators who will participate in the meet include Didier Masson, Weldon Cooke and Roy Francis. Motor-cycle races will be held as usual. Gates to the enclosure will be open at 2:30 o'clock on each afternoon.

AL BAUM'S FATHER IS CALLED IN DEATH

John P. Baum Was in Furniture Business for Years

John P. Baum, an early resident of this state, died last night at his home, 1245 O'Farrell street, after a lingering illness. Baum was the father of Al Baum, president of the Pacific Coast Baseball league.

The deceased was born in Derby, Eng. 72 years ago, and sailed around the horn in 1864. For years he was engaged in the furniture business in this city and Berkeley.

He emigrated from England when he was young and went to South Africa in the early years there, and also in New Zealand.

A widow and four children survive him. The funeral will be held from his late residence on Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

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