

# GILDED TALES LURE TWO GIRLS

## Detectives Jail Actors on Charges of Abduction

Marian Hoffman (to left) aged 16, and Aileen Casey, aged 17, two girls rescued by detectives and believed to have been marked as victims of white slavers.



### THERE IS MONEY IN DANCE HALLS, MISS WAS TOLD

That's Where a Stage Career Starts, Victim Says Tempter Argued to Her

Parents, Worried, Asked Police to Begin Search and Plot Was Frustrated

Accused of luring two young girls of this city to Stockton, Herbert Schaefer, 29 years old, a performer, and Elmer O. Henderson, also an actor, are in the city prison, charged with abduction. Schaefer says he is the son of the superintendent of the money order department of the Syracuse, N. Y., postoffice and that he is related to Paul Schaefer, postmaster of Oakland.

Aileen Casey, 17 years of age, living with her parents at 1917 Page street, and Marian Hoffman, 16 years old, of 1507 California street, are the two girls. Schaefer was arrested in the Hotel Adams, Oakland, in company with Miss Casey at midnight Sunday by Detectives Arthur MacPherson and Charles Taylor. Schaefer had been with the Casey girl in the hotel since last Friday. Schaefer, the young girl says, attempted to attack her in the room. Schaefer, the police say, originated the scheme to take the girls to Stockton.

"I agreed to accompany her to Stockton," the Casey girl's companion, Schaefer to Oakland Friday. They planned to leave for Stockton yesterday, and were to be joined, according to the girls, by Henderson and Miss Hoffman today. The Casey girl's parents, fearing that she had met with foul play, notified the police, and Detectives MacPherson and Taylor were assigned to the case.

Miss Casey told her story to Police Judge Sullivan yesterday morning after the detectives had arrested Schaefer in Oakland. She said that the young performer told her that he had good money in enticing men to drink liquor in the dance halls of Stockton.

Henderson was arrested yesterday at the Empress hotel, following Miss Casey's story. He says his parents live in Michigan and that he had been working in the telephone company at Medford, Ore., previous to his coming to San Francisco. He said that Miss Hoffman was brought to the courtroom of Police Judge Sullivan and she swore to an abduction warrant against Henderson.

Both young men denied the accusations of the girls at the city prison yesterday afternoon. "Miss Casey wanted to run away from home," said Schaefer. "I agreed to accompany her to Stockton, where I thought I could secure a position at the Garrick theater. I did not entice her away from home and did not tell her that I had money in the dance hall. I have been working in cheap vaudeville for some time—in fact, since I left home last March in Syracuse. My father is the superintendent of the money order department of the postoffice there. Paul Schaefer, postmaster of Oakland, also is related to me."

The charges against Schaefer and Henderson will be called in Police Judge Sullivan's court this morning.

# RUSSIAN PICTURES \$1,170,000 CITY GO UNDER HAMMER BONDS ARE SOLD

## Art Lovers Contend Amicably Two New York Bidders Will Pay a Premium of \$70,715

Dealers in art goods, artists and art lovers congregated yesterday morning in the United States appraiser's store, at the corner of Washington and Sansome streets, and contended amicably at the public auction sale for the possession of the Russian pictures collected by Colonel Henry R. Kowalsky.

The first 40 lots, representing in all 131 pictures, which included oils, water colors, charcoal sketches, pen and ink drawings and pastels, were sold before noon, when the auction adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The majority of the pictures sold were obtained by D. Edgington, to whom the collection was lent and who is believed to hold the title deed. Partington bought in 15 lots sold for an aggregate of \$572. In this group were nine paintings of various subjects by Schmidt, 70 by Roehrich, five by Demisoff-Uralsky, as well as single paintings, including the work of Prokofiev, Ribesberg, Zvonovoff, Eberling, Ritschchenko and Vladimiroff. Of these a canvas entitled "Building of a War Ship," by Roehrich, valued at \$656, was bought by Partington for \$207; a group of seven paintings of mixed landscapes and marines, valued at \$468, was obtained for \$75, and "The Beginning of Winter," by Prokofiev, valued at more than \$200, was bought for \$72.

Curtis, the art dealer and auctioneer, bid in seven lots of the Russian paintings. Among them were 15 paintings and a sketch from nature in ink, the work of Nydia; a water color of a Russian maiden by Bagin, a drawing in charcoal by Erevnoff; a view of St. Petersburg by Haush; and the "Waterfall of Imatra" by Zbronovoff. The two last, which were valued at \$70 apiece, were sold at \$34 and \$5 respectively.

To E. and S. Heller went a pastel head, the work of Scherzer, valued at \$72, and two camp scenes and a moonlight sketch by Demisoff-Uralsky, valued at \$117 and \$234, respectively. The four were sold for \$72.

A water color from nature by Demisoff-Uralsky, valued at more than \$200, was bought by H. F. Fortmann for \$6. C. H. Crocker bought a twilight scene in water color by Imatra, valued at \$200, for \$100.

Martin took Prokofiev's "Village Corner," appraised at more than \$200, for \$20. Others who bought yesterday were L. Debrunner, David Hirschler, L. J. Clayburg, V. Grothwell and the P. A. company. E. Courvoisier, George Baron, curator of the Park museum, Frank Havens and other men prominent in the business and art world of this city and Oakland, were present, but took no active part in the proceedings.

Yesterday was only the beginning of an auction, which promises to grow in value and excitement as the days increase.

The Kowalsky collection of Russian paintings has been held by local customs officials for nearly two years awaiting the payment of duty amounting to about \$25,000.

The sale will open at 2 o'clock and will continue until 5 o'clock this afternoon. Every day hereafter, until the sale is completed, the auction will be held from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

At Santa Cruz Washington's Birthday, February 22, continuing 23, 24 and 25, champion golf tournament. Special entertainment at Casino, Roy and Casino. Bathing Pavilions to be open.

# LABORERS GET IN RATE SITUATION IS FORCED INTO VIEW

## Editor Points Out Interrelation Between Panama and Overland Charges

The vigorous fight that is being made at Washington by William R. Wheeler, traffic manager of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, against the threatened advance by the war department of west bound rates on the Panama railroad is attracting a great deal of attention at the capital and facing some phases of the transcontinental rate situation into the public view. A strong ally of San Francisco has appeared in the Washington Post, which has taken up the fight in its editorial columns and is pointing out the interrelation of the rates on the Panama railroad with what the Panama railroad does.

**PANAMA RATES BASIS**

After pointing out that the Panama railroad rates are the basis upon which transcontinental rates are fixed, and that the raising of rates via the canal route may result in a raise in rates by the overland railroads, the Post, which is one of the most influential papers in the national capital, says in part:

"No one desires to see the canal work hampered, of course, but a better way ought to be found to relieve the situation than by turning away freight and imposing burdens upon shippers. A private concern would hustle around and charter more steamers. Why should not the government do so, since the business will pay for itself? The Panama railroad is paying about 25 per cent on its capital. It certainly ought to be able to handle all the business offered under such circumstances, even if its short hauls are loaded to the guards on every trip."

# SHERMAN STARTS FOR PHILIPPINES

## Keen at Presidio; Real Campaign Expected

The United States army transport Sherman sailed at noon yesterday for Monterey, where it will embark the Eighth infantry for that regiment's new station in the Philippines. The itinerary calls for a stay of but 12 hours in Honolulu, and Manila will not be reached until after the regiment is disembarked at its final destination, so that the soldiers will have little opportunity for liberty after their two years of duty at the Presidio of Monterey.

Interest in the situation on the Mexican border continues to be keen at the Presidio, with opinions divided as to the likelihood of the troops here having to go to the front. Everything necessary to prepare them for instant service has been performed, and should marching orders come they can be ready to entrain as soon as transportation can be arranged. It is universally agreed that if trouble occurs, it will not be a summer's encampment with theoretical maneuvers, such as was the case last spring, but a real campaign with 20,000 troops a mere bagatelle.

Captain Frederick B. Shaw, formerly of the Thirtieth infantry, sailed on the Sherman yesterday for Monterey, where he will join his new regiment for service in the Philippines. Mrs. Shaw, whose serious illness last week made her husband's departure problematical, was able to accompany him.

Major S. M. Bottoms, coast artillery corps, has been ordered to the assignment of another officer for that duty by the war department.

Major H. S. Young, quartermaster, who was to have left for Washington, D. C., February 10, will remain here until March 15. He goes east to serve as assistant to the quartermaster general.

Captain Walter C. Short, First cavalry, returned yesterday from a 10 days' leave of absence.

First Lieutenant James C. Ballard, medical corps, has been relieved from temporary duty at Fort Miley and will return to his proper station at the Presidio.

Lieutenant Colonel E. C. Frick, medical corps, is in daily consultation with the health officers of the city over the prevalence of rabies among dogs. It was at the Presidio that the first evidence of this dread canine affection revealed itself and the work of the army pathologists is a welcome assistance to the municipal authorities.

Captain Augustus B. Warfield, quartermaster, has been ordered to Monterey in this city pending further instructions from the war department.

Brigadier General T. L. Cooke, retired, was a visitor at division headquarters yesterday.

First Lieutenant Frank Keller, First cavalry, has been detailed as judge advocate of the general court martial appointed to meet at Fort Mallowstone, Wyo., vice First Lieutenant Timothy E. Coulter of that regiment, who is relieved.

First Lieutenant E. J. Ely, Fifth cavalry, who arrived recently from Honolulu on leave, called at division headquarters yesterday.

# KAHN VICTORIOUS IN THE FAIR

## Congressman Persuades House Exposition Should Have Right of Way in Presidio

[Special Dispatch to The Call] WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—After a vigorous fight on the floor of the house, in which he was opposed by Chairman Fitzgerald of the appropriation committee, Representative Kahn today convinced the members of the house that his resolution should be passed granting the Panama-Pacific international exposition company at San Francisco the privilege of using certain portions of the Presidio grounds for right of way and exposition purposes.

Fitzgerald endeavored to draw from Kahn an admission that this land would ultimately cost the government a lot of money, but the latter declared that instead of the government spending any particular amount it was getting a lot of improvements for nothing; that the exposition company was not trying to "grab" anything, on the contrary, it was acting in a spirit of benevolence toward the government.

Fitzgerald suggested that the California representative was seeking this as an excuse for bolstering up appropriations for the military reservations at San Francisco.

Kahn pointed out that this was an entirely different matter and added that the government ought to fix up the reservations.

The chairman of the appropriations committee retorted that he had received a letter from the secretary of war recommending an appropriation of \$100,000 for improvements at Fort Mason and announced that he would oppose it.

Kahn held the floor for 25 minutes and succeeded in having his resolution passed unanimously.

# POISON LAW BREAKERS FINED

## Richardson Charged with Violating State Poison Law

Richardson, a pharmacist, who was arrested by the state board of pharmacy last October on three charges of violating the state poison law, paid fines aggregating \$200 yesterday in Police Judge Deary's court. Richardson also withdrew his notice of appeal. John Edwards, found guilty of violating the poison law, was fined \$100 by Police Judge Shortall. Earl San was fined \$50 by Police Judge Deary for having opium in his possession.

# EDWARD R. MOFFITT IS TENTH SCHMITZ JUROR

## Peremptory Challenges Should Be Reached Today

Edward R. Moffitt, manufacturer of gas engines, was added yesterday as a tenth man to the jurors already passed subject to peremptory challenge in the case of Eugene E. Schmitz, former mayor, in trial in Judge Lawlor's court on a charge of bribery. Moffitt, under examination by Judge Fairall for the defendant, said that he had had an opinion in the case in the more intense days of the graft prosecution, but that he had "somewhat overcome" it.

Moffitt was questioned by Assistant District Attorney Fred Berry and was passed, after which adjournment was taken, that Attorneys Fairall and Frank Drew, for the defense, might consider the admission by stipulation of evidence to show the "overhead trolley" ordinance, which is claimed was passed by the Schmitz-Ruef board of supervisors under the stimulus of United Railroads' bribe money, was a legal ordinance.

The trial of the former mayor will be resumed this morning. The stage for the exercise of peremptory challenges should be reached today.

# SUTRO EXECUTORS GET \$10,859 FOR SERVICES

## Partial Allowance Shared by Two Women

An order granting a partial allowance to the executors in the estate of Adolph Sutro, who died August 8, 1896, was yesterday issued by Judge Coffey in the superior court.

The sum allowed, \$10,859.75, is made in equal parts to Mrs. Georgiana A. Adamson, as executrix of the estate of W. R. Adamson, one of the Sutro executors, who died February 9, 1904, and Mrs. Emma L. Merritt, being one per cent of the amount disbursed by them from January 22, 1899, to February 9, 1904.

The order is made under authority of section 1418 of the code of Civil Procedure, and the sum allowed is the minimum under the law. The remuneration is for the period up to the death of Adamson, and is made without prejudice to further allowances.

# YEGGMAN DISCOVERED LOOTING SAFE ESCAPES

## [Special Dispatch to The Call] SUTTER CREEK, Feb. 5.—Although discovered in the act of robbing the safe of the Amador Steam Laundry company by one of the proprietors, a masked and armed yeggman succeeded in making his escape late Saturday night, taking with him \$60. The robber jumped through a window and into the creek.

# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF PAINTERS NO. 8 AT ITS LAST MEETING

The district council of painters No. 8 at its last meeting held the following resolutions for officers to be selected for the ensuing term: For president, J. Lawrence; vice president, T. C. Lynch and J. Marshall; recording secretary, W. L. Reed; financial secretary, W. J. Burchell; trustees, J. H. Hannaway, L. Everett, J. Foley, G. Furry and J. Lynch, business agent, N. F. Smith and W. Wolff. The election will be held tomorrow night.

# FIRM SEEKS TO ENJOIN GAME COMMISSIONERS

## Transfer Company Asks Court to Stop Seizure of Ducks

The American Game Transfer company, whose premises were raided last week by representatives of the state board of fish and game commissioners, who seized large consignments of ducks and other game alleged to be held in violation of law, yesterday filed suit in the superior court, asking an injunction against further seizures and for \$5,000 damages claimed to have been suffered by the company through the activities of the game officials.

The complaint states that February 2 and 3 nearly 1,000 wild ducks and other game fowls were taken from the company's storehouse. These were consignments, it is claimed, received from the Wells Fargo Express company, shipped to various parties in the city and bay towns, and that not more than 25 pieces of game were held in the name of any one person.

It is alleged that the rights of the company as a common carrier have been violated and that unless the game commissioners are enjoined from further interference it will result in destruction of the firm's business.

# \$3,000 WORTH OF OPIUM IS FOUND ON THE PERSIA

## Contraband Was Secreted in the Chain Locker

One hundred and five tins of opium, valued at \$3,000, were found on the Pacific Mail liner Persia yesterday by Inspectors Charles J. Benninger and P. O. Huffaker. The drug was in the chain locker. The smugglers had removed the chains from the lower part of the locker to make room for the contraband.

# ATTEMPT TO DEFAUD CREDITORS, IS ALLEGED

## Charging that an attempt had been made to defraud the creditors, Aaron Wolff, trustee of the estate of A. Hulse, yesterday filed suit in the United States district court yesterday against A. Hulse and L. K. Hulse, his wife. Wolff charged that Hulse transferred some Alameda county realty to his wife last April shortly before becoming bankrupt.

# BAND ASKS INJUNCTION AGAINST BEING SUE

## Court Requested to Distribute \$36,000 Escrow Fund

The Western Metropolitan National Bank, successor to the Metropolitan Trust and Savings bank, yesterday brought suit in the superior court asking that the Western Casualty and Surety company and A. P. Redding, its president, be enjoined from treating the bank in connection with \$28,000 deposited with the Western Metropolitan bank in escrow December 11, 1909, to secure the payment to the bank of \$250,000 for four years as secretary of a proposed company to be formed by the merger of the Western Casualty and Surety company and the Pacific Surety company, and to be known as the Pacific Slopes Surety company. The court is requested to order a distribution of the escrow fund.

At the time of the proposed merger the bank became the depository of a \$100,000 fund, carried on the books as the "Pacific Slopes Securities company escrow," which was understood to be identical to the proposed merger of this amount, by subsequent agreement, \$36,000 was set aside to guarantee \$750 a month to Redding as secretary.

Since that time the complaint recited, demand has been made on the bank by the Western Casualty and Surety company for the \$36,000, and Redding has demanded the monthly payment of \$750. Suit is pending in the superior court by the Western Casualty company against Redding to have the contract declared void.

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