

QUIT, MRS. RICE, SAYS PETITION. REPLY: 'NEVER'

Mrs. Merriman Submits Request for Resignation From the Boys' Outing Farm. Fifteen Persons Engaged in Philanthropic Work Score Superintendent

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SAN JOSE, March 5.—A petition signed by 15 or 16 philanthropists, charity workers and persons interested in the juvenile court work, most of whom were, served on Mrs. Bertha Marguerite Rice today, according to the statement of Mrs. I. C. Merriman, asking her to resign the superintendency of the Saratoga boys' outing farm, and thus escape "forced retirement and the consequences of humiliation."

Mrs. Merriman declined to give the names appended to the petition, saying that she was not authorized to make them public, but they included that of Miss Cora Bethell, superintendent of the Associated Charities. The petition was circulated by Mrs. Merriman, who, together with Mrs. J. A. McCarthy, has been investigating Mrs. Rice and the outing farm for several days.

REQUEST FOR RESIGNATION. The following is a copy of the petition as supplied by Mrs. Merriman: "To Bertha M. Rice, as manager of the boys' outing farm: "We, the undersigned, have intimate and personal knowledge of the manner in which you have been conducting the boys' outing farm, and particularly of your incompetency and inefficiency in caring for children entrusted to your care and of your effort of raising and procuring funds and supplies for that purpose, and desiring simply to procure your retirement from this so-called work, without further scandal, complications, humiliations, and on behalf of a sorely tried and scandalized community, and in the interest of a very worthy charity, call upon you forthwith to resign from and discontinue your connection with the outing farm, and thereby save the necessity of bringing about your enforced retirement, and the consequences of humiliation."

AMMUNITION FOR DEFENSE. Mrs. Rice has been preparing for a struggle with Mrs. Merriman and her allied forces for some time, according to her own statement, and is gathering letters from influential people. Included in this collection, which she will submit in evidence in case any definite charges are laid before any organization of court, are great many letters from boys who have spent some time at the outing farm.

When asked whether she would resign the superintendency of the place, Mrs. Rice said, "No, never!"

MUSEUM OF DECORATIONS FULL WORTH A VISIT

Is Situated in Chancellery of the Legion of Honor

Le Nouveau Musée des Decorations, situated in the Chancellery of the Legion of Honor in Paris, is not only an interesting collection, but a chaste apartment, judging from the description in a Paris contemporary, which terms it an delightful "cabinet de collectionneur" in the eighteenth century style.

The first thing that attracts attention is a Beauvois tapestry of the time of Louis XVIII. A case in the center contains the gifts of the marquis de Champeaux Altenbourg, the Maecenas of the museum. Within it is a complete set of crosses since the foundation of the order, insignia carried by all the marshals of the empire. There is a superb cross in paste, which, it is said, the Ville de Paris had made for the King of Rome.

A curious exhibit is a pair of earrings formed of a tiny cross of the order, bearing in the center the head of Napoleon, which belonged to the Duchess of Angoulême. The Crown of Iron, the Order of Reunion, with the three golden fleeces which were never awarded, are also shown.

Besides these there are ancient decorations, the Grand Cross of the Holy Spirit and the symbolic dove, the silver seal of the order, and the statutes of the order, in a beautiful morocco binding relieved with fleur-de-lis. In another case are displayed a fine series of medals, including the pontifical medal of 1849, professional and decorations of ministers and colonies, including the most recent—that of Morocco.

The state chair of the Morocco, in gold also finds a place, and upon it is to be seen the Cross of the Legion of Honor. One of the most imposing exhibits is a clock in black marble, decorated with stars and ornamented with la Muse de l'Histoire, which is represented as inscribing a name on the roll of honor.

MUST HAVE BEEN THE CONSTELLATION TAURUS

Richard Croker Tells Story of Studious Young Girl

Richard Croker, at a banquet in New York, said of a political movement he disliked: "The thing was fishy—as fishy as the young girl's explanation. "Her father, extending an open letter, said sternly to this young girl one morning: "Here is something I found in the upstairs hall. "She blushed. "Oh, yes," she stammered. "It's just a letter from Tom Brown." "Her father, frowning heavily, went on: "And that line of queer marks at the end—what are they? "She answered, blushing still more deeply. "They are stars, sir. Tom is giving me lessons in astronomy." "He is truly a devoted husband who doesn't wince when his wife calls him pet names in public. There may be nothing new under the sun, but almost any modern druggist can give you "something just as good."

Another remedy for insomnia—turn over a new leaf. The race isn't always to the swift—and never to the loofer. Even a college education doesn't hurt a sensible young man. A woman may not have the dough—even if her diamonds are paste. What about that ship of yours that is to come in—has it started yet? Give a boy all the liberty he wants and he'll be lucky if he doesn't land in jail. Criticism often turns out to be a tribute of respect.

H. E. Morin, Whose Wireless Devices Are to Be Tested

New Marvel Discovered in Nervous System of Universe; Interests the Navy



[Special Dispatch to The Call] MARE ISLAND, March 5.—New ideas in aeroplane wireless telegraphy and telephony, advanced by H. E. Morin, chief electrician and aeroplane wireless expert of the Pacific coast, stationed here, are to be tested by the Mare Island wireless board at the local naval station this month.

Morin believes that he will be able to send messages to and receive them from San Francisco and other points about the bay. Unlike other aeroplane wireless operators, Morin uses no dangling wire, using instead the stays of the aeroplane. The combined weight of his two aeriols is 8 ounces.

Morin's aeroplane cap shown in the photograph is the result of suggestions by Aviators Glenn Curtiss and the late Eugene Ely. A similar cap was tested at the station grounds at North Island, San Diego, last spring by Curtiss, Ely, Morin and Whitman and proved a success. It is made of mink fur, heavily padded with chamois. A pair of wireless telephone receivers are fitted inside the cap.

The Indians of Indianapolis won the gold medal for high two men team games with a score of 1,138. Gollman and Nichols of Cleveland won the silver medal with 1,129, and the Cadillac of Detroit the bronze medal with 1,127.

GOLD MEDALS FOR CHICAGO BOWLERS

Salander, in Doubles, Drops 651 Pins, Best 3 Game Series Rolled So Far

CHICAGO, March 5.—Leaders in the three minor events in the American Bowling Congress tournament were displaced here today. Arthur Swanson and Albert Salander of Chicago, with a score of 1,226, went into the lead of the two men teams. Swanson also went to the front in the individual event, with 639, while his partner, Salander, took the lead in the All Events, with a score of 833.

Salander's work in the doubles was of championship class, an error in the opening frame being his only misplay. In the doubles, Salander dropped 651 pins, the best three game series rolled since this tournament.

None of the five men teams tonight succeeded in ousting any of the leaders. Gold medals were awarded to three men today. They are George F. Stutz, Les Moines; B. H. Waller, Detroit, and Anton Stehno, Chicago.

FOUR CENTURIES OLD LITIGATION SETTLED

Frankforters' Claim to Fishing Right Null and Void

The supreme court at Leipzig has just given judgment in a law suit which has lasted for four centuries. On October 4, 1510, the prince, elector, Joachim I of Brandenburg, ceded to the bishop of Lebus the perpetual rights of fishing in the Oder between Kustrin and Frankfort. The corporation of fishermen in the latter city claimed an inalienable right of fishing in the river. Litigation followed and in 1511 the supreme court at Leipzig decided in favor of the Frankforters to be null and void.

NATIONS EXPERIMENT WITH AERIAL POST

United States Postal Authorities Consider Aviation Scheme

Whatever may be the opinion as to the practical results of the experiments of the aerial post from Hendon to London, further attempts are to be made in this direction. There is under consideration a project for an aerial postal service between Algiers and Mombasa. A scheme is in contemplation in Madagascar for a service between Antananarivo and Amboitra and Planarantsoa. In the United States schemes of a similar nature are before the postal authorities. It may be recalled that a few weeks ago the aviator Bregt, on behalf of a Paris newspaper, brought letters from Rabat, in the interior of Morocco, with more or less success.

FORMER MAJOR IGNORED JURORS

Twelve Men File by Without a Glance at Schmitz' Half Extended Hand

[Continued From Page 1] nearly a month ago for the purpose of attending the Schmitz trial as star witness for the prosecution. He arrived in high hopes, for it seemed possible that he could arrange for the dismissal of the mass of indictments still pending against him and thereby increase his chances for an early parole, but he returns with this hope shattered.

The indictments stand and the 14 year sentence stands. Hence Ruef returns to prison and on March 6, a date that bears a fateful connection with the last five years of his life. It was just five years ago today, March 6, 1907, that he was arrested by the ellisor. On March 6, 1910, his sister died—of a broken heart, it was said. One year ago today Ruef was taken to San Quentin to begin the expiation of his crime, and now he goes back on the self-same day to start in again.

ACQUITTAL EXPECTED

The acquittal of Schmitz was expected from the beginning of his trial. When court convened yesterday afternoon Judge Lawlor asked if any action had been taken on the district attorney's motion in Judge Dunne's court for the dismissal of the Ruef indictments—a condition Ruef had insisted upon before he would consent to testify. Flicker replied that the indictments had not been dismissed.

Judge Lawlor asked if he had changed his mind and whether if he still stood on his constitutional rights and would refuse to testify. This left the ground clear for Flicker's motion. The district attorney said: "We have produced here all the testimony and evidence of the prosecution in this case except that of the witness Ruef. It was the same evidence given before the grand jury nearly five years ago when this indictment was returned, and none of it declares that the defendant gave or offered to give a bribe to Supervisor Wilson."

MOVES TO ACQUIT

"Therefore I move that your honor advise the jury to acquit this defendant of the charge of giving a bribe to Supervisor Wilson. It is made of mink fur, heavily padded with chamois. A pair of wireless telephone receivers are fitted inside the cap. In his advice to the jury Judge Lawlor sketched the history of the case, and gave particular emphasis to the newest ruling of the supreme court in regard to the testimony of accomplices, as set forth in the Coffey decision. He declared that even if Ruef had testified the court would have had to acquit the defendant under the law. Concluding his remarks, he said: "I submit this motion of the district attorney for your consideration. If you act within the advice given by the court, you will return a verdict of not guilty. If you think it better to oppose the motion and insist on the evidence, we will continue with the trial."

SCHMITZ CLEARED

At first the jury did not think it necessary to retire in order to reach a verdict, but owing to the confusion the foreman asked the deputy sheriff escort them into the jury room. They came back almost immediately with the typewritten verdict. Schmitz was cleared.

RAPE OF KNOWLTON, Who Killed Himself While Despondent

Separation From Wife and Daughter Leads to Suicide by Shooting

[Continued From Page 1] Despondent over an estrangement from his wife, Ralph M. Knowlton, 37 years old, assistant manager of the Typewriting company, 225 Montgomery street, ended his life by shooting yesterday, in his apartment at 1480 Waller street. Knowlton entered his rooms early in the morning and during the heavy rainstorm stood before the mirror and sent a bullet through his head. The heavy downpour of rain prevented other occupants of the apartment house from hearing the report of the revolver and the body was not discovered until early yesterday afternoon.

Knowlton evidently made no preparations for ending his existence, as neither farewell note nor message was found. His associates believe that he was led to commit suicide by brooding over his marital troubles. His wife and 14 year old daughter have been living apart from him for some months, the mother making her home at Modesto and the child at San Bruno. Since the separation Knowlton is said to have been depressed and moody, seemingly broken with grief, and to have been particularly emphatic in his denials of the Lincoln grammar school. A sister, Maude Knowlton, is prominent as an actress and is playing in New York city. Another sister of the dead man lives in Seattle.

Knowlton was connected with the Typewriting company for 14 years and held an executive position several years.

WIFE BUYER SUED FOR 'ALIENATION'

Woman Summoned to Testify in Suit by Man Charged With Extortion

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SAN JOSE, March 5.—An unwritten chapter in the matrimonial career of Mrs. Lottie Belle Pettis of Petaluma and Santa Clara came to light today when she was subpoenaed as a witness in an action for damages brought by her husband, H. E. Pettis, against A. Moretti of the superior court of Sonoma county. Moretti is accused of alienating the affections of Mrs. Pettis.

The papers were brought to San Jose by A. B. Bianchi, an attorney of Petaluma. Bianchi left the city immediately, and it is not known here whether he represents the plaintiff or the defendant.

Mrs. Pettis is still living with Louis A. Seek of Santa Clara, who, after going through a wedding ceremony with the woman, discovered that she had not been divorced from Pettis. Seek says that he paid \$10 for the woman, and declares that Pettis demanded \$50 more. A warrant charging Pettis with extortion is in the hands of the police, but he has not been found.

Mrs. Pettis says that her husband deserted her several years ago and that she gave an attorney in Petaluma \$20, asking him to file a divorce suit. She left after he told her it would not be necessary for her to return, she asserts.

She came to this city eight months ago with Seek, and they were married in a justice court. They lived happily until three weeks ago, when they ran across Pettis, and the latter is alleged to have accepted \$10 for his wife after threatening them with arrest.

HORRID PICTURES SHOWN IN PARIS

French People Complain of Bloodcurdling Subjects

There are, it seems, 75 theaters, great and small, in Paris, but few persons, says a writer, have any idea as to the number of cinematograph institutions in that city. At the present moment there are between 180 and 190 of these places of entertainment. In 1907 there were about 80 licensed. By the end of 1908 they had grown to 120, and during the years 1909, 1910 and 1911 the number remained stationary. In the environs there are about 500 and a similar number is said to be in tangerant. Some of the exhibitions are, to say the least, not elevating. A writer recently gave an account of three shows which he visited. The first gave him a bullfight, the second a rat killing match "with two dogs tearing a live rat" and the third "a man being hanged." At another show at a well known seaside resort there was shown a deathbed scene.

No man can serve two masters, and no woman can serve both style and comfort. And when a man hopes for the best and gets it he wishes he had hoped for something better. If a girl is willing to let a man kiss her without putting up a fight it's a sure sign she doesn't mean it. It is truly wonderful how much good a poor man thinks he could do in this old world—if he only had the money. Let this be said of our enemies: They will not give us Christmas presents for which we never did and never will have any earthly use. The love of money is truly the root of much evil—if you marry for gold.

HIDEOUS TALE OF BRUTALITY HEARD

Mrs. William H. Taft Attends Congressional Inquiry in Lawrence Strike

[Continued From Page 1] until their cases had been disposed of. "They were brought there by the police, then. And did you ask any of these mothers whether they were incarcerated because they had tried to keep their children from being kidnaped or because they tried to send them away?" "No, I did not."

"By what warrant were these mothers and children there?" "I didn't know what the law was on that subject."

"Well, then, just why were they arrested?" "I don't think they were, and I didn't know at the station whether they were mothers or not."

The child strikers who were brought before the committee to testify in its hearings on the two congressional resolutions of investigation of conditions at Lawrence, concluded their testimony today and members of the "citizens' committee" of Lawrence were heard. Lynch appeared as the first.

Mrs. William Howard Taft attended the hearing and gave close attention to the testimony regarding the riot at the station.

Max Bogaty of Philadelphia, a witness yesterday, recalled today, said he had seen babies, little boys and girls, locked in cells. Women arrested in the riot, he said, had been fined \$1 for blocking the sidewalks.

George E. Roemer, Jr., a Boston attorney appearing for the strike committee, testified that he had difficulty in getting court officers to show him complaints against the children.

Josephine Liss, a striker, testified that when she went for a walk a soldier stopped her with a bayonet and Law at her back. She took him with her muff and was arrested for assault, locked up and fined \$10. On another occasion, she testified, she had seen a woman struck on the head with a policeman's club, and had seen men beaten until their heads were covered with blood.

Simon Knobel, who was in Lawrence on Saturday, February 24, another member of the committee from Philadelphia and an organizer of the Industrial Workers of the World, was a witness. Telling of what happened at the Lawrence depot, Knobel said: "We grouped the children in a file of two and started to send them out of the depot door. Then we saw two lines of police. Just as we left the door the police started their bloody work."

"The children and their parents began to pass through this line of police. The police tore the children from their mothers. They were screaming and there were most unearthly yells. I saw one policeman strike a woman in the abdomen."

"When I came out I was stooping over four or five children. Immediately three or four policemen got hold of me and wrestled me all over the place. They did not want to arrest me. They dragged me until my knees bled, and twisted my foot. When they got me away they went back. Then I went back. I couldn't see women and children hurt that way. I didn't care if I was getting murdered that day."

"I saw a whole wagon load of injured. I saw one young woman, not a striker, clubbed by a policeman. She was struck several times in the back. "I came from Pennsylvania. That state hasn't got such a good record for police. But the constabulary never dared or contemplated such brutality on women and children as have the police of Lawrence in this case."

APACHE FALLS FOUL OF CIGAR LIGHTERS

Parisian Thug Granted Unlooked For Lucifer

Paris, from the lack of safety in the streets through the exploits of the Apaches, and the difficulty in regulating the sale of revolvers, is in an unenviable position just now. Two young men recently took measures to protect themselves. They knew that any would be returning home very late and anticipated that they might have trouble. They were not wrong in their calculations, for the young men were tattered and accosted them. His was the usual request for a light. Then the stranger adopted a menacing attitude. Before he could act the two friends each pulled out a revolver, at the same time saying, "Hands up." The footpad was so surprised that he did as ordered. He was conducted to the police office under the cover of the pistols, which, it may be stated, were simply automatic cigar lighters in the form of revolvers.

BULGARIA'S NEXT RULER OF MECHANICAL BENT

Crown Prince Turns Tables on Church Dignitaries

An interesting glimpse of the crown prince of Bulgaria is given in a Paris contemporary. The crown prince is said to be interested in everything which pertains to progress. He is of a mechanical turn, and when quite a boy was able to remedy a defect in the electric lighting arrangements in the royal court residence at Viana. He is a fervent cyclist, fond of motoring and deeply interested in aviation. A contemporary relates an amusing incident which occurred when the prince, five years of age, paid his first visit to the court at St. Petersburg. He kissed the hands of the dignitaries of the superior court in the most respectful manner, and then, by way of contrast, put out his little hand with dignity commensurate with the respect shown to the archbishops and the ministers and high court officials to kiss.

It takes a lazy man to make good as a loofer. Most people try to be good on the installment plan. A pretty girl never envies the brains of a homely girl. It is easier to hold a man off than it is to hold him down.

How to "Shed" a Bad Complexion

It's foolish to attempt to cover up or hide a sallow complexion, when you can so easily remove the sallowness, or the complexion itself. Rouge and the like on a brownish skin only emphasize the defect. The better way is to apply pure mercurized wax—the same as you would cold cream—putting it on at night, removing it in the morning with warm water, following with a dash of cold. The effect of a few applications is simply marvelous. The half-dead cuticle is absorbed by the wax—painlessly, gradually, in tiny, imperceptible particles—revealing the beautiful velvety-white new skin beneath.

No woman need have a sallow, blotchy, pimply or freckled complexion if she'll just go to the druggist's, get an ounce of good mercurized wax and use as suggested.—Woman's Realm.

OLDEST KANSAN DIES AT AGE OF 101 YEARS

WORDEN, Kan., March 5.—At the age of 101 years John Gilliland died here today. He was believed to have been the oldest man in Kansas. Gilliland was born in Oswego county, New York, in 1810, and came to Kansas in the 1840s. Actively engaged in farming until a few months ago, he attributed his long life to plenty of exercise and fresh air.

WOMAN SENTENCED TO DIE IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

PLYMOUTH, Mass., March 5.—For the first time in Massachusetts criminal procedure a woman, Mrs. Lena Cusumano of Hull, was today sentenced to death in the electric chair by Judge Quinn in the superior court here. Enrico Mascolio, who was convicted jointly with Mrs. Cusumano for the murder of the woman's husband in September, 1910, also sentenced to death.

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