

## BETROTHAL, AFTER RIP VAN WINKLE LAPSE, RENEWED

### Couple Meet at St. Francis, Recall Engagement of Twelve Years and Knot Is Tied

## ANOTHER MARRIAGE HAD INTERVENED

### Florence Madden, Widow of Labor Leader, the Bride; Jack A. Ruoff, Benedick

Twelve years after they first became engaged to be married, Mrs. Florence B. Madden, formerly of Chicago, and Jack A. Ruoff, wealthy contractor of San Francisco, were married in the tapestry room at the St. Francis and now they are residing at 2488 Geary street.

It was a long engagement. It was more than long—it was hazardous. For it was punctuated by a lover's quarrel and there was a parenthetical episode of the bride's marriage to Martin B. ("Skinny") Madden, a labor leader of Chicago.

Many engagements survive a quarrel, but few have the hardihood to withstand the perils of a marriage of one of the parties to the pact.

It must be admitted that the engagement of Mr. and Mrs. Ruoff was broken at one time. It suffered a compound fracture. But Cupid proved a surgeon and reduced the fracture, and now the couple are bound to be happy ever after.

## PREVIOUS UNION UNHAPPY

Mrs. Madden's life with the Chicago labor leader was tempestuous and she sued him for separate maintenance. Subsequently he died.

In their childhood Mr. and Mrs. Ruoff (then Florence Miles) lived in St. Louis. They attended school together and naturally paired apart from their young companions. The parents of the youthful couple accepted the fact of the engagement and 12 years ago it was announced.

Then came a quarrel. It was a quarrel that was not to be patched up for 12 years. Neither would give in to the other. The engagement was broken and the young folks separated. The Miles family moved to Chicago out of the ken of Ruoff.

Two years after Florence Miles reached Chicago she was married to Martin B. Madden, the labor leader popularly known as "Skinny." Madden was a big factor in Chicago's labor difficulties and grew wealthy. His bride was still in her "teens" when they were married in 1904.

## SUED FOR MAINTENANCE

But the marriage was not a happy one. Six years after the marriage, in 1910, Mrs. Madden sued her husband

## SAN DIEGO SOCIAL AIR RENT IN ROW

### L. J. Wilde, Banker, Slighted, Tells Charity Ball Managers To Hunt Warmer Clime

SAN DIEGO, March 21.—L. J. Wilde, banker, telephone magnate and wealthy real estate operator, is the center of a social storm in San Diego and Coronado today as the result of writing the following note across the back of a ticket to the forthcoming charity ball and addressing it to E. Milton Barber, banker, clubman and fiscal agent for the charity ball committee:

"The promoters of the charity ball can go plumb to hell. Mr. and Mrs. Wilde will not be there."

"L. J. WILDE." Mr. Wilde, in discussing the reason for his action, said that he and his wife had been slighted when Mrs. Wilde's name was not included in the list of patronesses and that he also had been slighted by not being invited to participate in the dedication exercises of the new Y. M. C. A. building.

## TOT TO BE RUSHED EAST FOR PASTEUR TREATMENT

### Five Year Old Girl Bitten by Mad Dog Will Be Sent to Institute in Chicago

TACOMA, March 21.—The 5 year old daughter of L. R. Oddie of this city will be rushed to Chicago for Pasteur treatment as the result of having been bitten by a mad dog last week.

Several months ago a man died in a local hospital of rabies. Since that time several dogs have been shot and a muzzle ordinance has been in force ever after.

## FAST KILLS; DOCTOR GUILTY

### Physician Who Caused Girl's Death by 40 Days' Starvation Convicted

MOUNTAIN HOME, Idaho, March 21. Dr. C. C. Smith, charged with having caused the death of Miss Clara Foy, a school teacher of King Hill, by advising her to abstain from partaking of food for 40 days, was found guilty of manslaughter by a jury here tonight.

## BOY BABIES LEAD TO 1

### Planetary Influences Blamed For One Sided Record at Live Oak

SACRAMENTO, March 21.—Baby boys outnumber baby girls 10 to 1 at Live Oak, according to Dr. A. J. Rice, who sent in his report today. He believes the record is due to planetary influences.

## SHOULDER BROKEN IN BED

### Gridley Man Turning Over for Another Nap Fractures Bone

(Special Dispatch to The Call) CHICO, March 21.—Wesley Reuck of Gridley awoke last night and, raising himself on his elbow, turned over in bed for another nap. As he did so his shoulder bone broke.

## ACCUSED WIDOW'S DAUGHTERS ASKED TO GIVE EVIDENCE

### Detectives Seek Identity of Person Who Bought the Poison That Killed Admiral Eaton

## CHARGE RIDICULOUS, SAYS THE PRISONER

### From Jail She Sends Cheerful Message to Dorothy Ainsworth Eaton

(Special Dispatch to The Call) ROCKLAND, Mass., March 21.—State Detective John H. Scott arrived here today, met Deputy Sheriff John J. Condon and the two went to the Eaton home at Assinippi to question the two daughters of Mrs. Jennie May Eaton, who was arrested yesterday on the charge of murdering her husband, Rear Admiral Joseph Giles Eaton, U. S. N., retired. The officers are trying to find out all that Mrs. June Keyes and Miss Dorothy Ainsworth Eaton know about the circumstances surrounding the retired naval officer's death. The young women were asked to throw light, if possible, on the identity of the person who bought the poison that killed Eaton.

Detective Scott admitted today that another arrest may be made in the case. It is understood the other person under suspicion is also a woman.

## SENDS CHEERFUL MESSAGE

From her room in the county jail Mrs. Eaton sent a cheerful message this morning to her daughter by her first marriage, Miss Dorothy Ainsworth. The prisoner wrote:

"I want to tell you all not to worry about me. Don't cry and take on over it, for it will all come all right in a few days. Look after mother and don't allow her to become excited, and be sure to take care of everything on the place."

## WIDOW APPEARS OPTIMISTIC

Mrs. Eaton has learned her mother, Mrs. George Harrison, who is ill at the Eaton home in Norwell, was suffering intensely because of the shock of her daughter's arrest.

The widow herself appeared optimistic and accustomed herself to the routine of jail life without complaint. All that she asked was to be allowed

## DIFFERENCE OF \$12,000 SHOWN

The amount the government is alleged to have been swindled out of by drawbacks has not all been computed, but a recent discovery in the books of the fuel company shows a difference of \$12,000. This amount is in excess of the former shortages that were made known when the investigation started and the indictments were returned.

## SMUGGLERS FIGHT THE HIGH SEAS TO LAND

### Launch and Yawl Filled With Human Freight Is Severely Battered Off Point Reyes

Somewhere off the storm swept coast above Point Reyes there is a small launch towing a large yawl, thought to contain several contraband Chinese. The craft is fighting in the heavy sea to effect a landing along the coast and put ashore the smuggled orientals. The boat was first sighted just before dusk yesterday afternoon by the look-out of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce at Point Reyes. Late last night the lights of the smuggling vessel were still seen tossing about in the high seas.

Since the immigration officials at this port have increased the guards at the harbor's mouth the smuggling boats have sought other landings, though it is admitted an occasional boat load slips in through the Golden gate.

It is known in government circles that there is a landing somewhere up the coast past Point Reyes, as this is not the first boatload seen heading that way. Operators of the immigration service are now endeavoring to locate this point.

Through the secret service, the government officials at this port have learned from Ensenada, Mex., that two launches, the Waterwitch and the Gypsy, are due in this vicinity. Both are known to contain several smuggled orientals.

The mysterious craft is a white launch. The launch appeared crowded, and the yawl was filled to its capacity with human freight.

No steps were taken by the officials here to apprehend the smugglers, as neither of the government cutters at this port is possessed of sufficient speed to overtake the contrabanders.

## COAL TRUST FRAUD OF \$3,600,000, IS LATEST ESTIMATE

### Stratton Estimates Swindle Against Local Retail Dealers by the Western Fuel Company

## STEAMSHIP LINES ARE ALSO LOSERS

### Schwerin Now Blames Concern for Shortages Laid to Captains

Four hundred thousand dollars a month was the extent of the swindle perpetrated by the Western Fuel company on local retailers, according to Frederick S. Stratton, collector of the port. After a month's auditing of the trust's books this figure was given out yesterday. The frauds are said to have been running for nine years, so that in all the "little man" was mulcted out of \$3,600,000 during the period of short weighing.

The retailer was not the only sufferer in these alleged frauds. The steamship companies and the federal government also are said to have been victims of the short ton. It is possible that many private suits will be brought against the fuel company by these various interests.

The directors and officials of the Western Fuel company are already under indictment. The investigation that led to the indictments was conducted by Special Agent W. H. Tidwell.

## SHIP COMPANIES ALSO VICTIMS

Both R. P. Schwerin, vice president and general manager of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, and W. H. Avery, assistant general manager for the Toyo Kisen Kaisha Steamship line, called on Collector Stratton yesterday in regard to the swindle alleged to have been perpetrated on their companies.

General Manager Schwerin told Collector Stratton that for years he had been trying to account for the coal shortages in his steamers and had discharged three captains, blaming them for using too much coal. It now appears, he said, that the coal was not consumed, and was never delivered to the steamers.

From Collector Stratton's talks with the steamship managers he is of the opinion that private suits will be instituted against the Western Fuel company to recover the amounts alleged to have been withheld by the fuel company. The law provides that action can be commenced within six years after the fraud has been discovered.

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## MCCOMBS DECLINES POST

### Will Not Accept Place as Ambassador to France

(Special Dispatch to The Call) WASHINGTON, March 21.—William F. McCombs, chairman of the national democratic committee, tonight issued a statement announcing that he had declined to become ambassador to France.

"I do not feel that I can afford to leave my life work, the practice of law," said Mr. McCombs. "I feel compelled to devote myself to my personal affairs, and at the same time I will lend my assistance in my power that will contribute to the success of the democratic administration and the democratic party."

## BROTHERS TO HANG TODAY

### Humphreys, Who Killed Oregon Woman, to Die on Gallows

(Special Dispatch to The Call) SALEM, Ore., March 21.—Charles and George Humphreys, brothers, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Eliza Griffiths, an aged woman, at her home near Philomath, Ore., June 11, 1911, are scheduled to be hanged at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning in the state penitentiary in Salem.

## FORMER GOV. BLACK DEAD

### Prominent New York Republican Victim of Heart Disease

(Special Dispatch to The Call) TROY, N. Y., March 22.—Former Governor Frank S. Black, long prominent in republican politics, died at his home here this morning. Valvular disease of the heart, with which he had been afflicted for some time, was the cause.

## Injured Motorist Dies F. B. Emig Succumbs

### Mrs. Frank B. Emig, hurt in auto accident, who is still in precarious condition, and William Emig, brother of dead man and least injured of party.



## Victim of Automobile Accident Never Regains Consciousness

### (Special Dispatch to The Call) SANTA CLARA, March 21.—Frank B. Emig, one of the principals in last night's automobile accident, which occurred in the Alameda road just outside of the Santa Clara city limits, died from his injuries at 10 o'clock this morning at the O'Connor sanatorium.

From the time of the accident until his end, Emig never regained consciousness. There are a number of conflicting opinions in regard to the cause of the accident, the most credible of which is that the rain which fell on the wind shield so impaired the view of the driver as to cause him to misjudge the distance of the approaching car.

William Emig, brother of the dead man and the least injured of the party, in giving his views of the accident said: "I was seated in the topgear of the machine and unaware of the danger until it was too late. Before I could shout a warning to my brother we were struck. What happened afterward I am unable to state."

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The funeral of Frank Emig will be held Sunday under the auspices of the Native Sons, of which organization he was a prominent member.

Mrs. Emig, the widow, and Maynard Doane, who were also in the smashup, are still in a precarious condition. Unless a sudden change develops their injuries will not prove fatal, the physicians say.

Both Mrs. Emig and Mr. Doane received fractured skulls.

## ALBION TOSSED BY HIGH SEA AND ABANDONED BY ITS CREW IS DESTROYED AT BOWENS LANDING

### Swept on the ragged reef off Stewart's point a few miles this side of Bowen's landing, along the Sonoma county coast by a severe southwesterly late yesterday, the steam schooner Albion bound to this port with a load of lumber, now lies in a raging surf, a total wreck.

The 15 members of the crew deserted the vessel in small boats shortly after 3 o'clock when the craft refused to hold by its anchor and was being swept by the gale toward the rocky coast.

After struggling at the oars in two small open boats for more than three hours, the crew landed on the beach south of Stewart's point about dusk. The men, fatigued from their labors, are now being sheltered by residents at the point.

The Albion, commanded by Captain Jacobsen, put into Stewart's point yesterday noon to complete its cargo of lumber while on its southbound trip from Bowen's landing for San Francisco. While taking aboard some ties from the end of a long wharf, the southwesterly swept down along the coast.

A heavy sea immediately began to roll the vessel against the bulkhead and parted several of the moorings. The gale increased in velocity and Captain Jacobsen immediately ordered the boat to clear away and stand off to sea.

After putting off for several miles the captain decided to anchor the vessel at the south buoy. But the wind steadily increased, sweeping the Albion from its position and across the waters to the rocky surf.

The craft was put about in an attempt to combat the wind and sea, but neither steam nor anchors succeeded against the elements.

The boats were lowered and the ship was left to the mercy of the waves. In less than half an hour it was pounding itself to pieces on the reef. Late last night the craft began to break up, and wreckage is scattered along the beach for several miles.

## TOLL OF DEATH AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY BY GALE TERRIBLE

### Spring Arrives in Central West and Southern States on Wings of One of Most Destructive Storms of the Year—Entire Villages Are Wiped Out and Deaths Running Into Scores Reported in Many Localities

## CHICAGO CUT OFF BY WIRE TROUBLE

### East and West Are Severed From All Communication With Each Other by Hurricane That Blows Down Telegraph Poles in Windy City and Other Centers—Property Loss Will Run Into Millions of Dollars

## Victims of Terrific Gale Killed, 62; Injured, 204

### Latest reports from the storm zone indicate the following to have been the toll in killed and injured:

	KILLED	INJURED
Peach Tree, Ala.	27	32
Saline, La.	1	3
Tiffin, Ohio	1	11
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	5	50
Hoxie, Ark.	1	25
Walnut Ridge, Tenn.	2	10
Frankfort, Ind.	1	0
Lafayette, Ind.	1	0
Murfreesboro, Tenn.	1	0
Central, Ohio	1	20
Elyer, Tex.	1	1
Huntsville, Ala.	2	1
Decatur, Ala.	3	0
Columbus, Ohio	1	0
Macon, Miss.	3	0
Sandusky, Ohio	4	0
Fulton, Ala.	0	50
Dyas, Ala.	0	3
Cornersville, Tenn.	3	1
East Pittsburg, Pa.	0	3
Chicago	0	9
Detroit	1	8
New York	2	0
Total	64	237

More than 60 persons are reported killed and hundreds are injured, some of them seriously, by a storm of tornado intensity which raged over central, western, southern and parts of eastern states yesterday. Property damage will run well into the millions. Definite information has been received accounting for more than 40 persons dead, with reports from points temporarily cut off from wire communication by the storm adding hourly to the list.

## ALABAMA WORST HIT

Reports from Alabama show the loss of life was heaviest in that state, the number of dead there being already definitely placed at 28, with additional fatalities reported, but not confirmed. The town of Lower Peach Tree has been swept out. Two are dead in Indiana; two in Tennessee; three in Ohio; two in New York; one in Michigan and two in Louisville.

Accompanying the death list are estimates of injured totaling more than 100, with additional coming in at brief intervals.

Coming up out of the southwest early Friday morning, just as spring was ushered in, the storm swept with stunning suddenness diagonally across the country from northern Texas to western Pennsylvania and New York, bisecting the Mississippi valley and moving northward across the Ohio into the Great Lakes region.

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