

CUNNINGHAM CAPTURED THROUGH A BAD LEAK IN HIS DISGUISE

Streak of White Leads to the Arrest of Fugitive from Reno While Enroute to Sacramento.

RENO, Nev., March 17.—A white streak back of the ears of a man who appeared to be a sleeping black was responsible for the capture of former Deputy City Clerk A. F. Cunningham, who escaped from the county jail here ten days ago, on the eve of his departure for Carson to serve a nine years' sentence for embezzlement. A passing brakeman flashed his lantern on the recumbent form, saw the white streak flashing under the grimy brown and he notified the officers at Rocklin of the circumstance. In ten minutes Railroad Officer O'Brien and Policemen Murphy and Bagley roughly shook the sleeper and placed him under arrest. His identity was later established at Sacramento by Big Bill Wilson, ex-constable of Reno township, under whom Cunningham once served as a deputy constable.

Cunningham was captured on train 23, westbound, shortly after daybreak as the train was nearing Sacramento. He had a ticket from Truckee to Sacramento and \$165 in gold coin.

The officers had received the circulars sent out by Sheriff Ferrel containing the description and picture of Cunningham. They had but a few hours before received notice from the constable of Truckee that Cunningham had started west on train No. 23 and was disguised as a Hindu.

Had it not been for the telltale streak, however, it is doubtful whether the capture would have been made. Cunningham was well painted, it is true, but it was by the use of shoe blacking of a dark luster. He had not the customary turban of the Sikh but wore a coonskin cap like a football player's helmet turned down over the forehead and snugly fitting, except near the neck, and a glimpse back of the ears. He was an overcoat concealing a business suit of brown and he would have been more quickly mistaken for a mulatto or a Mexican than a Hindu.

The white streak was the faint mark which betrayed and caused the investigation of the disguise.

Sheriff Ferrel, after communicating with the authorities at Sacramento, left on train No. 23 to get Cunningham, who had admitted his identity after seeing Big Bill. Cunningham stated that he would

come back to Reno without extradition papers. When the news of the capture of the suspect became known, William Wilson, formerly of Reno, went to headquarters and stated that he knew Cunningham and could determine the question of identity. Cunningham had, up to this, stoutly maintained that he was a home-seeker late from Ogden. His story was damaged by the discovery of a copy of a Reno newspaper, the ticket from Truckee and the fact that the shoes of the suspect were sold in Reno.

When Wilson entered he recognized Cunningham, his former deputy, instantly.

"Hello, Baldy," said Big Bill. "Hurry back."

Cunningham gave a stony stare for a half minute. Then he said: "Oh, well, Bill, I guess they've got the goods on me and I might as well give in."

That ended the uncertainty. Wilson and Cunningham had a talk and Sheriff Ferrel was notified.

It is believed that Sheriff Ferrel will be able to bring his prisoner back today. He declares that no delay will be had in taking Cunningham to Carson City, where he will be put behind the bars.

The entire history of Cunningham's escapades reads more like a dime novel than a latter-day reality. His career as a good fellow ended when he was arrested on charges of embezzlement and forgery several months ago in connection with defalcations in the city clerk's office, where he was deputy. He was indicted and found guilty of embezzlement of city funds and sentenced to serve nine years in prison. Pending an appeal, and while he was confined in the county jail he "slipped" Night Jailor Cadle and walked out of his room, being hidden from the jailer's view by a Japanese screen.

For ten days the fugitive's whereabouts were a mystery. Rumors of every kind floated around and the first definite report came coincident with the confirmation of news of his capture.

In addition to his sentence, it is likely Cunningham will be punished for the escape which is a separate offense. His attorneys withdrew from his appeal the day following his escape.

ENGLISH BATTLESHIP MAKES TARGET RECORD

LONDON, March 17.—Unofficial dispatches from Gibraltar concur in the statement that recent gun trials of the battleship Neptune have been astonishingly successful. They are said to have passed all previous records made by vessels of the Dreadnought class.

According to one statement, the Neptune on March 11, while steaming at a speed of 13 knots an hour, off the Moroccan coast, fired two broadsides in quick succession at a target towed at approximately the same speed at a distant of 8000 yards. Every shot hit the target. It is stated that responsibility for this remarkable record is due to the new system originated by Percy Scott. The main feature of the system is in training and firing guns from the conning tower. The men who load them cannot see the target at any time.

SERVICES AT ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. A. Lester Hazlett, archdeacon of the Episcopal district of the state of Nevada, will hold services in St. Mark's Episcopal church on Sunday, March 19, as follows: Sunday school, 10 a. m.; holy communion and sermon, 11 a. m.; instruction for confirmation, 3 p. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m. A special music and song program has been arranged for both morning and evening services.

ALASKA COAL LAND CASES ARE ON TRIAL

NINE INDICTMENTS ISSUED AGAINST PROMINENT FINANCIERS.

CHICAGO, March 17.—Nine men, including former retired presidents, bankers, brokers and financiers were indicted by the federal grand jury yesterday in the Matamaska river coal land cases. The men are charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States government out of 10,000 acres of coal lands, valued at \$10,000,000.

The men include A. C. Frost, former president of the Alaska Northern railway, a former president and promoter of the Milwaukee Electric road, and president of A. C. Frost company; George M. Seward, of Chicago, receiver of the A. C. Frost company; C. A. Pierre, of Chicago, former secretary of the Alaska Northern railway, and secretary-treasurer of the Frost company; Frank Watson, of Spokane, Wash.; George A. Ball, of Muncie, Ind., said to be the financial backer of Frost; Duncan M. Stewart, of Seward, Alaska, formerly manager of the Southern Bank of Toronto, Canada; Harry C. Osborne, Toronto; Glynn L. Francis, Toronto, and Francis H. Stewart, Toronto.

DOVE OF PEACE IN SIGHT IN THE MEXICAN REVOLUTION

President Diaz Proposes Peace Terms With Many Concessions to the Insurgents.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—All Mexicans in Washington in sympathy with the revolutionary cause, as well as supporters of the federal government, displayed intense interest yesterday in the movements of Limantour, whose return to Mexico City was expected, as it means not only important changes in the cabinet of Diaz but a possible solution of all political disorders.

The importance of Senor Limantour's return to Mexico, it is said, lies in the fact that coincident with changes in the cabinet of President Diaz, reforms will be instituted in the administration of various states calculated to appease the revolutionists. The fact that changes will be made in the Mexican cabinet is no longer a secret.

Many concessions are said to be offered the revolutionists by President Diaz.

WOMAN GIVEN SENTENCE OF TWENTY YEARS

FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER OF HER FOUR-YEAR-OLD SON.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 17.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Edith Melber, charged with the murder of her four-year-old son last January, brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree yesterday, after being out two hours and 19 minutes.

Justice Howard immediately sentenced the woman to serve an indeterminate period of not less than twenty years at hard labor in Auburn prison. Mrs. Melber showed no trace of emotion when the verdict and sentence were pronounced.

ARTILLERY RECRUITS INJURED IN RUNAWAY

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Four artillery recruits were seriously injured at the Presidio yesterday when a passing automobile stampeded the horses attached to one of the guns.

PHONE COMPANY FRANCHISE IS EXTENDED YEAR

LOCAL LINE GIVEN ANOTHER YEAR'S LEASE ON LIFE.

CARSON CITY, Nev., March 17.—One of the closing acts of the 1911 session of the legislature was the passage of a bill extending the franchise of the Nevada Telephone and Telegraph company for another year. The old franchise of the company expired this year.

NEARLY A BILLION DOLLARS INVESTED BY FINANCIERS

WASHINGTON, March 17.—A total of \$875,708,925 in gold has been invested in the twenty-one years from 1886 to 1907 by foreign interests in Mexico outside the mining industry, according to a bulletin issued by the bureau of manufactures of the department of commerce and labor yesterday.

Americans supplied \$338,001,973 while capitalists of the United Kingdom furnished the sum of \$254,650,823.

LABORER RENTS GUN AND ENDS OWN LIFE

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Walking into a Fillmore street shooting gallery last night, Jack Jane, a laborer, laid a dime on the counter and asked for a revolver. He fired one shot carelessly at the target, then suddenly he turned the pistol against his breast and shot himself through the heart, dying instantly.

No cause is known for his rash act. The police are investigating.

ALCOHOL BILL IS TABLED IN SENATE---GOVERNOR WINS IN WATER COMMISSION BILL

Upper House Endeavors to Pass Vetoed Measure Over Head of Chief Executive But Fails.

(Special to The Bonanza.)

CARSON CITY, Nev., March 17.—The bill which proposed to enforce druggists to pay a license of \$200 a year in order to handle alcohol, met defeat last night by being tabled in the senate.

Governor Oddie scored a victory in the water commission bill, which he vetoed and which the senate endeavored, unsuccessfully to pass over veto. The convict labor bill passed, also the free text book measure. The books will be printed at the state printing office. Tabled in the senate.

WATER COMPANY SHOWS SOME SPEEDY ACTION

For just a few moments yesterday the water supply of Tonopah was cut off by the Tonopah United Water company. So short was the time, however, that but few of the residents of this city were aware of the fact that they were without aqua pura. As was announced on the previous evening the company intended to make several connections with the Montana mine. Four connections were made and they were made in "jig-time." Manager Burnham deserves considerable credit for this work, which shows that he is on the job all of the time and that he employs efficient help.

man's purity of election law was killed in the assembly.

The exposition bill was passed. The state tax rate was set at sixty cents. Patrick's digest of the laws of the state was purchased and ordered printed at the state printing office.

Sixteen bills died on the senate files, while a small number like fate in the assembly. Five thousand dollars was appropriated to supply horses for the state police.

The legal residence bill passed, and Reno is jubilant.

BIG DOINGS ON AT THE BUTLER THEATRE TONIGHT

WOLFE TONE CLUB PROMISES BIG ST. PATRICK ENTERTAINMENT.

Tonight is the night for the big doings at the Butler theater. The Wolfe Tone club members and their friends will be out in force and every one is guaranteed a good night's entertainment.

The program in full is as follows: "The Doctor," (Edison drama); Miss Marjorie Macy, in comic songs; Billy Walker, illustrated song; quartet composed of Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. Flood, Mr. Roach and Mr. McGinn. Harding and Wasson will appear in a roaring farce entitled "Finnegan the Policeman," introducing songs and dances. Moving pictures, "The Lad of Old Ireland," "A Queen for a Day," closing with Mr. Jim Deegan singing: "The Star Spangled Banner." This is one of the very best entertainments ever given in Tonopah. The first show will start at 8:50 p. m. and the admission will be 25 cents. There will only be two shows given tonight, so be sure and come early.

JURY FINALLY GOTTEN IN FLOWER MURDER CASE

GOLDFIELD, March 17.—At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon after all of the fifty veniremen had been examined, the following jurors were sworn to try Will Flowers on a charge of taking the life of his father: R. T. Armstrong, M. D. Elvers, J. L. Kalfus, J. D. Mayhouse, G. W. Morrison, W. T. Olmstead, W. E. Pratt, F. C. Pace, C. Bunz, Charles Larsen and Mark Childers.

Mark Childers was the last talesman examined, and his was the last name in the box. Had another peremptory challenge been exercised by either side the issuance of a second venire would have been made necessary.

THAW TO TELL OF INSANE MAN'S DEATH

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 17.—That Harry K. Thaw will be asked to appear in court here and give whatever information he may possess regarding the death of John J. Nugent, a Matteawan patient, is said to be practically settled. District Attorney Mack had a long interview with Thaw in Matteawan and he says that Thaw has considerable information that will be useful. Thaw, if he is called, will testify at the next hearing of Daniel Riley, the attendant, who is charged with causing Nugent's death.

RUSSIA GAINS POINT.

PEKIN, March 17.—The Chinese government yesterday declared its intention of agreeing to both points at issue with Russia, and is now drafting a reply to the recently received ultimatum.

The Daily Bonanza reaches the people.

WOLFE TONE CLUB DANCE PROMISED BIG NIGHT EVENT

ST. PATRICK WILL BE WELL REMEMBERED IN CITY OF TONOPAH.

Following the big show at the Butler theater tonight, under the auspices of the Wolfe Tone club, an adjournment will be taken to Miners' Exchange hall, where the Gaelic club members and their many friends will make merry in a dance, the music from which is promised to shatter the small wee hours of the morning.

A big turnout is expected at the initial event of the new club, which is composed of those in sympathy with Ireland and Irish freedom.

GUGGENHEIMS SELL THEIR FISHERIES

SEATTLE, March 17.—The Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate has disposed of the Northwestern Fisheries company, one of the largest salmon packing companies in Alaska, to A. Booth & Sons' fishing interests. The consideration is placed at about \$1,500,000.

Fresh milk and cream at Palace Market. 12-12-11

MANY FEATURES TO THE LOS ANGELES LAND SHOW

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 17.—Among the many important land enterprises that will be exploited at the Pacific Land and Products exposition, which will be held in this city March 18 to April 2 are the Fresno irrigated farms in the Fresno valley, the Van Nuys township in the San Fernando valley, the Ferris irrigated farms in River side county, the Orange Vista tract in Riverside county and the Fresno valley tract, promoted by Emil Firth of this city. The soils of these lands, together with their products, will be on view and competent men will be in attendance at each exhibit to answer questions and distribute advertising literature.

ALEC McDONALD IN A CRITICAL CONDITION

Alec McDonald, an employe of the Tonopah Mining company and well known in this city, is in a critical condition at the Miners' hospital with an acute attack of pneumonia. Mr. McDonald was taken with a chill Wednesday evening at about 9 o'clock, but medical aid was not summoned until yesterday morning. The sick man was found to be in a critical condition and was immediately moved to the hospital. The attending physician states that his condition is very low. Mr. McDonald has a wife and one child.

BOXES AT NEW P. O. READY FOR PATRONS

It is the request of the postmaster that all citizens holding post-office boxes in the old building call at the new building, in Main street, immediately and secure combinations to new boxes. Keys will be dispensed with entirely in the new postoffice and the postmaster is desirous that all the patrons of boxes secure the combination before the office is permanently moved; which is expected to be attended to Monday.

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