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METCALF OUSTED.

The Superintendent of the Money Order System Charged With Alleged Indiscretion.

AN INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE.

Irregularity in Letting Contracts For Printing the Money Order Forms of the Government.

Postmaster General Says There Is No Charge That Mr. Metcalf Had Done Anything That Was Amenable to Law.

Washington, June 18.—As a result of alleged indiscretion in matters pertaining to the award of contracts for printing the money order forms of the government, James T. Metcalf, for many years superintendent of the money order system of the post office department, Wednesday was removed from office by the postmaster general. A full investigation of the cause will be made later. The dismissal is the result of acts of Mr. Metcalf in opposition to the bid of Paul Herman, of Rutherford, N. J., the lowest bidder by \$45,000, and in favor of the next highest bidder, the Wynkoop, Hallenbeck, Crawford Co., of New York, of which Mr. Metcalf's son is an employee.

The Wynkoop, Hallenbeck, Crawford Co. has been the contractor for the money order blanks for 16 years. Paul Herman, the lowest bidder for the next contract, formerly were in the employ of that company, as also is Norman Metcalf, the 27-year-old son of the deposed superintendent, who now draws a salary of \$2,250 from the company.

Postmaster General Payne in discussing his action said that there was no charge that Mr. Metcalf had done anything that was amenable to the law, but said his conduct was serious indiscretion that could not be overlooked. Mr. Metcalf, he said, always had been considered a faithful, efficient, painstaking and honest employee.

Mr. Payne's voice trembled with emotion as he announced the dismissal to the newspaper men late Wednesday afternoon. He said it had become his duty to make the removal and was a step which he could not avoid in the proper discharge of his duties. In reply to questions he said that no consideration had been given as yet to the appointment of a successor, but that the duties of superintendent for the present would devolve on Mr. Metcalf's assistant. He is Edward F. Kimball, of Massachusetts, who has been in the service 17 years.

Mr. Metcalf originally was appointed from Iowa and has been in the postal service since 1882. During his administration of the office the money order service has been widely extended by mutual arrangements with a large number of foreign governments throughout the world and Mr. Metcalf has had cordial personal relations with many foreign postal officials. His salary was \$3,000 a year.

Mr. Metcalf, when seen Wednesday night, said that he had done nothing wrong and had nothing to conceal; that his son's employment in the bidding firm could have no effect on the award; that he suggested Herman's return to his old company to handle the government work there because he (Mr. Metcalf) knew that Herman's means were limited and that a stoppage of supplies in the midst of a contract term would have proved serious. He says that on Herman's consent he wrote to Mr. Hallenbeck advising that Herman be restored to his old place, and that he told Herman he had little doubt that the government would allow Herman to withdraw his forfeit check of \$5,000.

ON A FORGERY CHARGE.

Former Superintendent of the Free Delivery Service May Be Indicted.

Washington, June 18.—August W. Machen, former superintendent of the free delivery mail service, may be indicted for forgery.

The forgery with which Mr. Machen is charged is alleged to have occurred in 1894 when Henry L. Lorenz, as a commissioner of the court of claims, was engaged in adjusting the claims of letter carriers. The check on which Machen is accused of endorsing Lorenz's name was issued on a voucher drawn on the postmaster at New York. As Mr. Lorenz was going on a confidential mission a request was made that the cash should be sent to Mr. Machen to be delivered to Lorenz. On account of irregularities in the voucher the check was sent instead and this check, bearing Lorenz's endorsement, was cashed at a bank in this city. The check was presented by Frank K. Raymond at the request of Machen and he

says he turned the money over to Mr. Machen. These facts were brought out at a congressional investigation, but Mr. Machen said at the time that the signature was that of Lorenz.

The general impression at the courthouse is that the indictment will be returned before the close of the present week and it is intimated that other indictments will be returned at the same time.

KENTUCKY CROPS.

No Serious Damage by Recent Cool Weather—Wheat Harvest in Progress. Corn Looking Well.

[Weekly Bulletin of Weather Bureau.]

The most noticeable feature of the week was the unusually low temperature for the time of year. On the 12th and 13th light frosts were reported in exposed places in some localities. Some damage was done to tender vegetation, but the extent of the injury was not great. The rainfall was very light, many stations reporting none at all during the week.

Wheat harvesting is in progress in the Western and Central sections, and will begin this week in the Eastern section. The yield will be light, probably not averaging more than half a crop. Corn has been worked and is in good condition, but the nights have been too cool for rapid growth. Tobacco is about all set and is starting off fairly well; about the usual acreage has been put out. Oats have improved considerably, but are heading low. Pastures are in fine condition, but the hay crop will be light, due to dry weather in May. Gardens and Irish potatoes are in good condition. Hemp is growing nicely. Apples are doing well. Raspberries are ripening and blackberries are very promising. Farm work progressed well during the week.

HERE AND THERE.

Items of Interest From Nearby Towns and Villages Contributed by the Bulletin's Corps of Correspondents.

MAYSLICK, June 18th.—Miss Bessie Frather returned home Friday after a pleasant visit at Millersburg.

Messrs. Ryan and Worthington are going to rebuild their livery and feed stables as quickly as possible. Mr. Ryan had \$900 insurance on his stable and \$100 on his house. Mr. Worthington had no insurance.

Miss Gonzales Young is the guest of Miss Murphy, of Lexington.

Miss Alice Clooney and Mr. Rasp were among the Maysville callers here Sunday afternoon.

Miss Roberson, of Maysville, is the guest of Miss Mae Pogue.

Miss Julia Guilfoyle and Mr. John Gleason were married at high noon Wednesday at the Catholic Church.

Crops look well compared with other years since the recent showers, but another good rain would be welcomed.

Mrs. James Slattery and children are visiting Mrs. F. Slattery at Tuckahoe.

Misses Mamie Scott, Rebecca Duke and Nancy Halbert were visiting in the Queen City the past week.

The venerable Elias Clift has been on the sick list for several weeks.

Mr. Deiner and family came out from Maysville Sunday to view the ruins caused by the fire Thursday.

Wheat harvesting begins this week and the outlook for a fine crop is splendid.

Mrs. J. H. Kelly, who has been so ill for several weeks, is slowly improving.

Mr. M. Young, who was severely burned in his heroic efforts to save not only his own property but that of others at the recent fire, is still suffering from his injuries and is confined to his home.

Mrs. Anna Ousley had \$600 insurance on her property.

It is said Mr. Herbert Ousley has accepted a position at Langdon-Cresney Co.'s, Maysville.

J. R. Roberson and Mr. Sharp, of Maysville, spent Sunday here.

Children's Day was observed at the Christian Church Sunday afternoon. Quite a large crowd enjoyed the exercises, the little performers acting their parts in a most creditable manner as a result of the careful training they had received.

MARKET REPORT.

Flour and Grain.

Cincinnati, June 17.—Flour—Winter patent, \$3.75@4; fancy, \$3.35@3.55; family, \$2.75@3; extra, \$2.45@2.60; low grade, \$2.10@2.30; spring patent, \$4.15@4.45; fancy, \$3.60@3.85; family, \$3.40@3.55; Northwestern rye, \$3.05@3.20. Wheat—Sales: No. 2 red, track, 79c; rejected, track, 75c. Corn—Sales: Mixed ear, track, 51½c; No. 3 white, track, 53½c; No. 2 mixed, track, 52½c; No. 3 mixed, track, 52½c. Oats—No. 2 mixed was quotable at 40c on track. Sales: Rejected white, track, 39½c; No. 3 mixed, track, 39½c.

Chicago, June 17.—Wheat—No. 2 red, 77c; No. 3 red, 74@76c; No. 2 hard winter, 72@75c; No. 1 Northern spring, 79c; No. 2 Northern spring, 76c; No. 3 spring, 72@76c. Corn—No. 2, 49@49½c; No. 3, 49@49½c. Oats—No. 2, 37c; No. 3, 36c.

Live Stock.

Cincinnati, June 17.—Cattle—Heavy steers, choice to extra, \$5@5.25; fair to good, \$4.50@4.90; butcher steers, extra, \$5@5.12½; good to choice, \$4.50@4.90; heifers, extra dry fed, \$5.10@5.20; good to choice, \$4.35@4.90.

THE SANDERS TRIAL.

Summary of Evidence Introduced by Prosecution Wednesday.

Defendant's Confession Made Night of His Arrest Gives Details of Robbery and Shooting.

The trial of Charles Sanders, one of the assailants of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Farrow, was not completed Wednesday. It is taking up more time than some had anticipated. When court adjourned at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the evidence for the prosecution had not been completed.

The work of securing a jury was completed at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, the jury being as follows: R. R. Maltby, W. F. Dugan, Wm. Rosser, G. M. McGraw, W. D. Frazee, Frank Boyd, Wm. Colvin, C. M. Devore, H. K. Dickson, John Gallagher, Marion Best and J. L. McDowell.

Mr. Jos. H. Brown, proprietor of the livery stable on East Third street, was the first witness. He testified to Tom Mann getting a horse and buggy from him one evening about the first of February. Mann called for the rig in Mr. Brown's absence, and had asked for a bay mare. After the mare was harnessed Mr. Brown returned and had a sorrel horse substituted for the bay. He did not know what time Mann returned. The latter had told him he wanted to take a drive, but did not say where. Mr. Brown said he found the buggy and harness muddy and the horse in bad condition from over-driving, the animal not recovering for several days.

The judgment of the court adjudging Mr. J. B. Farrow of unsound mind was read to the jury, at the reconvening of court in the afternoon.

Drs. Wallingford and Cook, the attending physicians, described Mr. Farrow's wounds. They think the wounds may yet cause his death, especially the one in the back, which is liable to produce uraemic poisoning. When they reached Mr. Farrow they thought he would not survive the night.

Henry Willis, colored, employed at Mr. Brown's stable, was the next witness. He testified to hiring the rig to Mann, and that the latter said he was going to Washington. No one was with Mann when he left, and Mann was alone when he returned about 1 o'clock next morning. The horse when Mann drove in was covered with sweat, looking like it had been driven almost to death. Mann left the stable as soon as he got out of the buggy.

Mr. Clayton Farrow, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Farrow, was next sworn. He retired about 9:30 o'clock the night of Feb. 1st. His bed room is on second floor of the Farrow home, immediately over the room occupied by his parents. Their room fronts on the veranda and has a window opening down to the floor. None of the doors or windows had ever been locked at night. He was aroused about 11 o'clock by pistol shots, and heard his mother scream. He got his pistol and ran down stairs. Finding the door from the hall to his parents' room bolted, he went to the room in rear and found his father there. The latter told him three burglars had shot him. He assisted his father back to the bed. His mother in the meantime had gone out and was ringing the farm bell. He found what he thought at the time was a bicycle lantern on his father's bed, and next morning he found a hat, a white napkin and two black masks on the pike in front of the house. The articles were exhibited to the jury, and placed in evidence.

Mr. H. C. Curran gave in substance a confession made to him by Sanders shortly after the latter was arrested and jailed. Sanders said Mann came to him on Sunday evening, Feb. 1st, and asked him to take a drive. He declined, but Mann later returned with a buggy and he got in and they started out the Washington pike. Mann had told him they would go to Washington and have a good time. Instead of that, Mann turned east at the bend and drove back on Fourth street to Plum and then through the Fifth and Sixth wards. Near R. M. Wallingford's grocery they took Morris in and continued out the pike. Sanders said he told them that wasn't the road to Washington and they told him to shut up. They finally stopped at a country residence, and he held the horse while Mann and Morris went to the house. They returned shortly and told him to get out. The horse was hitched, and then Mann and Morris put on black masks, and he

was given a napkin. All put on white gloves.

They entered the house through the window, Sanders going in last. One of them stumbled against a box on the floor and this partly aroused Mrs. Farrow. Mr. Farrow was also awakened. They demanded money, and following this the shooting was done. Sanders' story was that Mann fired the first two shots. Sanders ran and says he was on the porch when the third shot was fired. He claimed he had no pistol. They all fled to the buggy, wading a small creek in their flight. In their hurry Mann lost his hat.

Chief of Police Donovan and Mr. James Hefflin also detailed Sanders' confession, corroborating Mr. Curran's account of it. Sanders told them the story without any threats or without being promised any immunity. They cautioned him and told him they wanted the truth about the affair.

Squire Farrow testified about visiting Sanders in jail before his removal to Covington, asking him to describe the room and bed where the shooting was done. Sanders gave an accurate description of the room, and also of the bed, which is of old design. Sanders didn't know the witness at the time.

John Wheatley, colored, testified of meeting Sanders on Market street the morning after the shooting. The latter said he and two of his pals were out in the country the night before and robbed an old man.

Mr. N. Gollenstein testified about taking the bloodhounds to the scene, and of their work in trailing the parties to this city. He also told at length of his identifying the horse by means of the shoes, that the tracks made by the horse when hitched at Farrow's home were made by the horse Mann had hired at Brown's stable. This was given by the BULLETIN at the time. Mr. Gollenstein went into the details at length and gave an interesting account of his work in discovering the horse as being from Maysville, and that it had been shod by Mr. Geo. N. Crawford, and also of establishing the fact that it was driven by Mann the night in question.

Mr. Crawford was then introduced and testified that he had shod the horse in question about the last of January, and that by request, after the robbery, he had removed the shoes, and had kept them under lock to be introduced at this trial if wanted. The court then adjourned till 9 o'clock this morning, when Mr. Crawford, at the request of Commonwealth, offered the shoes in evidence.

THRILLING SHOW AT THE STATE FAIR.

Wild West Show Will Be One of the Big Free Attractions at Owensboro in September.

The directors of the State fair, which will be held at Owensboro in September, are not only working hard to secure a successful distribution of the \$20,000 cash premiums for live stock, agricultural and domestic exhibits, but they have a keen eye as well to the amusement features and are now engaged in arranging a highly interesting program which will be announced from time to time, as it is completed.

The first big attraction settled upon is the famous "Broncho John's Wild West Show." It will be free to all who attend the fair.

As a scout of the plains, "Broncho John" has a place in the history of Indian warfare, and in a startlingly realistic manner he and his band of scouts and Indians will hold up stage coaches, "bust wild bronchos" and give a sham battle between a lone scout and a band of red skins, the scout using his pony as a breastwork.

There will be automobile races, professional and athletic games, a race between an ostrich and a horse and a score of other things.

DIED LAST EVENING.

Mr. Peter Perraut, of Minerva, Fatally Injured By a Kick From a Horse.

Mr. Peter Perraut, senior member of the big merchandising firm of Perraut & Weaver at Minerva, and a prosperous farmer, was kicked in the stomach Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock by a horse and fatally injured. He lingered until 9 o'clock last evening, when death ended his sufferings.

Mr. Perraut was forty-six years old, and leaves a wife and three children.

The funeral will take place Friday at 9 o'clock at the Minerva Catholic Church. Interment at Washington.

Mrs. Campbell, wife of Captain Ben Campbell, of the Aberdeen and Maysville ferryboat, is dead at her home in Aberdeen, the end coming Wednesday.

MARCUM MURDER.

The Arguments in the Case Were Not Concluded Late Wednesday Night.

WILL GO TO THE JURY THURSDAY.

Preponderance of Opinion Seems to Be That the Death Penalty Will Not Be Given.

Two of the Attorneys Were Prevented Getting to Blows By Officers of the Court Rushing Between Them.

Jackson, Ky., June 18.—The arguments in the cases of Curtis Jett and Thomas White, on trial for the murder of J. B. Marcum, were not concluded when court adjourned late Wednesday night, and the case will not get to the jury until Thursday noon. It is impossible to describe the anxiety here as to how long the jury will continue its deliberations and as to its finding. The preponderance of opinion still seems to be that the death penalty at least will not be given and that the jury is likely to hang between life imprisonment and acquittal.

There was more expression of opinion Wednesday than on previous days, as the people were attracted much more by the eloquence of the attorneys than by the statements of witnesses.

One of the first things on the program was the giving of the lie in court while Judge French was making the opening argument for the defense. Two lawyers were prevented from getting to blows by officers of the court rushing between them. No one was allowed in the court room with weapons.

After Judge Redwine threatened to send one of the attorneys to jail for contempt and reprimanded another for using unbecoming language, the proceedings continued during the day without any disturbance while Attorneys Oneal and Golden for the defense and Hurst and Marcum for the prosecution made their arguments. The argument of Thomas Marcum, a brother of the victim, surrounded by the widow and orphans of his brother and by the widows and orphans of other victims of the feud, was delivered under the most impressive circumstances. Tears were frequent and the most touching scenes were of common occurrence during the day.

During the arguments the prisoners were intensely interested. Jett was apparently unmoved either by the touching words of Thomas Marcum or the earnest appeal of Mr. Hurst, the venerable father-in-law of the presiding judge. White seemed more deeply concerned about what was said than Jett and was apparently more affected by the surroundings.

FOR ASSAULTING A WITNESS.

The Men Were Tried Before the City Judge and Convicted.

Jackson, Ky., June 18.—Two courts were in session here again Wednesday. That of City Judge Cardwell succeeded the arson inquisitions. One faction has controlled the county and the other the town offices. Owing to assassinations and intimidations the latter has become almost defunct. Judge Cardwell, one of the survivors of his side, had not held city court for 18 months until martial law was recently declared. Like others in his depleted faction, he had been a prisoner in his own home and unable to get to his office. Meantime Town Marshal Cockrill had been killed and his place never filled. The troops now make arrests and it was to hear the cases of such arrests that the local court was resumed. The men who assaulted witnesses Tuesday after they had appeared before the grand jury in the arson cases were brought before Judge Cardwell by the guards of the provost marshal and convicted. The fines and imprisonments inflicted are said to be the first penalties for the violation of law here against feudists for years.

The principal witness, B. L. Ewen, Wednesday escaped with most of his family to Lexington, 93 miles from Jackson. As he has nothing he leaves behind him, he is now considered out of the reckoning, but there are other witnesses and those who have taken part in the prosecution who are considered to be in danger.

Victims of the Flood.

Springfield, Ill., June 18.—Acting Gov. McKenzie Wednesday received a message from McClure, Alexander county, saying that 7,000 persons, victims of the flood, are homeless and in need of food and provisions. The acting governor issued an order to Adj. Gen. Smith to send necessary food, and a car filled with bacon, flour, corn meal and other supplies.