

HARRY ORCHARD BREAKS SILENCE

Talks Yesterday to Newspaper Men for First Time Since His Incarceration.

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By Associated Press. BOISE, Idaho, May 16.—Harry Orchard, the prisoner witness upon whom the state chiefly relies to prove the charge that the inner circle of the Western Federation had planned the murder of Steunenberg, broke his long silence today and for over a half hour discussed himself and his imprisonment with a representative of the Associated Press, whom he had expressed a desire to see.

Orchard stated that he has not been given mistreatment during his confinement; he denied that force had been used to secure the statements he made, denied that Detective McPartland and officers of the state had promised him immunity for the confessed crime or reward for the value of the alleged confession.

Has "Got" Religion Orchard's manner of conversation during the interview tended to strongly confirm the assertion that he had been reconverted to the Christian religion. Orchard is in perfectly sound health and body, clear and quick of brain. If there was ever anything in the reports that he is breaking in health and mind there is nothing now in his appearance or manner to give them the shadow of suggestion.

One condition imposed upon the interview by Warden Whitney was that there must be no discussion of the case of the prisoner himself and when he appeared for the meeting he asked that the same condition be observed. The prisoner was brought by a guard to the warden's private offices.

The prisoner might have gone in any walk in life except the one his own story says he traveled. He came in quietly, smiling as he advanced and looking straight ahead out of a pair of twinkling eyes.

Silent as to Case His greeting was self possessed and his manner courteous. Orchard is somewhere above five feet in height, stocky and plumply built, weighing between 175 and 180 pounds.

"I don't care to talk about the case as it stands at this time," he said after the introductions.

"I am a little leary about talking to newspaper men, so if you ask me anything I think I should not talk about it till you."

"Is there anything as to your treatment in general that you'd care to say to the public?"

"Nothing special to be said. I have been treated very well by everyone since my arrest. The sheriff at Caldwell was very kind to me and since I have been here my treatment has been very fine—all that I could expect under the circumstances. I am given the greatest freedom. I have a large room with open windows and exercise every day.

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As court adjourned today the defense exercised its first challenge by relieving Allen Pride, the farmer who testified during the examination that he had invited to dinner the deputy who served the summons. He and the deputy discussed the case for some time, talking particularly upon Orchard, who is to be the principal witness for the state. A talesman was called to replace Pride but examination was deferred until tomorrow. As the work of jury selection progresses, difficulties in the way of completing the panel seem to be increasing. Today one after another was excused because of strong opinions entertained as to the guilt or innocence of the men accused of conspiracy.

One man was dismissed by the court after having indicated that he was prejudiced against the state because of various acts attributed to the prosecution during the past year.

EXPLOSION DOES IMMENSE DAMAGE

Three Killed, Three Fatally Injured, Train Blown Off the Track into Creek

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An explosion of powder at the foot of Lookout mountain today caused the following damage:

Killed three trainmen. Probably fatally injured three railroad employees.

Wounded two laborers. Blew up the railroad bridge.

Threw a freight train off the track, eleven cars going into Chattanooga creek.

Destroyed three houses. Wrecked a piledriver. Men at work for W. J. Oliver & Co. on a railroad extension set off the powder. The bridge was crushed by the blast just as a heavy freight was going on the bridge.

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TELLS GRAND JURY OF UNITED RAILROADS DEAL

How the Boodle Was Divided—Will Testify Against Corporation Officials Before Going to San Quentin Prison.

By Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 16.—

Abraham Ruef today made good his declaration of yesterday that he would, following his plea of guilty, turn state's evidence and assist the bribery-graft prosecution in its campaign against municipal corruption. Ruef, obeying a subpoena from the grand jury, shortly before 3 o'clock went in charge of Special Agent Burns and Elisor Biggy to the grand jury chamber, where he took the witness stand and submitted to an examination that lasted from 3:20 o'clock until after 5 o'clock.

When the ordeal was over he called the newspaper men around him and said he had promised the grand jury to divulge nothing. District Attorney Langdon and Heney refused to make a statement. From Burns it was learned that the only matter in which Ruef was questioned was the alleged bribing of Mayor Schmitz and eighteen supervisors by the United Railroads to grant a change in their franchise allowing the electrifying of its 250 miles of street railways.

How Divvy Was Made

If Burns' understanding of Ruef's testimony is correct the fallen boss told the grand jury that President Patrick Calhoun, Assistant Thornwell Mullaly, Chief Counsel F. L. Ford and Assistant Counsel William A. Abbott of the United Railroads, paid or caused to be paid the sum of \$200,000 for the privilege named; that \$60,000 of this was Ruef's "fee," that \$50,000 went to the pocket of Schmitz; that the remaining \$90,000 was handed to the supervisors, thirteen receiving \$4,000 each, another demanding and getting \$10,000, and Chairman Gallagher being paid \$15,000 for acting as go-between.

After the examination of Ruef was concluded the grand jury remained in executive session until 6:30 o'clock. Subsequently a statement was made, but not officially confirmed, that indictments had been voted against four high officials of the United Railroads and Schmitz, as predicted by officers of the prosecution two weeks ago.

Seen in prison tonight, Ruef said: "I was received and treated by the grand jury with a consideration which touched me deeply. When I entered the room, every one of the jurors arose and took me by the hand.

Didn't "Grill" Ruef "When I finished my testimony every one got up and bade me good-night, with a hearty hand-clasp. There was no disposition displayed to 'grill' me and the trying task I voluntarily set for myself was made easy by more kindness than I could have hoped for. I do not know when I will be again called to testify. Perhaps tomorrow. I shall be ready.

"The report published today that it is my intention to tell everything I know, no matter who will be dragged into shame and disgrace, is untrue and unwarranted. I stand by the statement made yesterday that my purpose is to expose only those who entered knowingly and willingly into corruption. I must not discuss the United Railroads, for I am bound to silence by my promise to the grand jury. But you will recall I told you yesterday after my act in court that there was no necessity for the offering of bribe money by the United Railroads; that the permit desired by the corporation would have been granted as a matter of course by the supervisors if it had been merely and customarily asked for."

SOME TIME BEFORE RUEF LANDS IN SAN QUENTIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 16.—The understanding is that the carrying out of the sentence to be imposed upon Ruef two weeks hence by Judge Dunne will be indefinitely suspended in order that when the former municipal dictator and ally of Schmitz takes the stand in court against those "higher up" his testimony will not be that of a convict. Burns is authority for the statement that it is the purpose of the prosecution to send Ruef eventually to San Quentin, but the trial of the corporation officials who have been indicted and of others who have not been formally charged will, it is thought, take so long that Ruef's incarceration in the penitentiary will be delayed at least a year. No move has been made for his admittance to bail. It is said that he himself prefers to remain in the custody of Elisor Biggy for the present at least.

Schmitz "Not at Home" Mayor Schmitz both yesterday and today denied himself to newspaper men.

"I have nothing to say; no statement of any kind to make," was the message he sent out.

According to Burns, "Ruef will tell everything he knows," despite his own declaration that he will not expose or

testify against "those who were dragged into corruption by force of overwhelming circumstances against their will."

Ruef claims that Schmitz "knew all about the supervisors' dirty deals." Ruef declares that he lost money in politics—more money than he made. It is understood that Ruef will be recalled by the grand jury tomorrow.

MAY FORCE SCHMITZ TO RESIGN MAYORALTY SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 16.—It is rumored tonight that a movement is on foot to bring about a change in the municipal administration by forcing the resignation of Mayor Schmitz and choosing in his stead Frederick W. Dohrmann, a prominent wholesale merchant, as mayor. The report lacks official confirmation.

ISAAC STEPHENSON IS NEW WISCONSIN SENATOR By Associated Press. MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 16.—

Isaac Stephenson of Marinette was nominated for United States senator in the Republican caucus tonight to succeed John C. Spooner, resigned. He has long been an adherent of Senator La Follette.

VIOLENT ERUPTION OF STROMBOLI YESTERDAY By Associated Press. MESSINA, Sicily, May 16.—A violent eruption of Stromboli occurred today. It was preceded by a tremendous detonation and followed by continuous explosions which, however, were less violent.

FIRE DESTROYS TWO MORE HOMES

Houses Across Pinal Creek Burn Yesterday Forenoon—Not Enough Hose

The home of Carlos Fraser and family, a frame structure on the west side of the creek opposite the railroad yard, and the adjoining adobe house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas and Mary J. Bland, all colored people, were destroyed by fire at about 11:30 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The fire is said to have started in the kitchen, detached from the Fraser house, and burned fifteen minutes, until both houses were enveloped in flames, before an alarm was turned in.

Both hosecarts were run out and connection made with the fire plug at the Dominion hotel corner, but the long line of hose did not reach within seventy-five feet of the nearest burning building.

However, it made no difference, as it was then too late to save anything.

Mrs. Fraser was in bed sick, and her son, Gus, who works night shift at the electric light plant, was asleep, and when warned of their danger they had barely time to escape from the house without trying to save any of the contents. Some clothing and bedding was taken from the adobe house, which was owned by Pasquale Negro, whose loss is several hundred dollars. The tenants also lost \$56 in currency, burned with the house. Much sympathy was expressed for the Fraser family, who lost about all their household furniture and personal effects.

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Gate Keeper Becomes Frightened and Also Coughs Up—Existence of Plot Known from Beginning, They Claim.

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Defense Will Make a Strong Fight to Save Prisoner from the Gallows—First Witness County Physician.

After spending almost the entire day in the examination of jurors twelve men were finally secured late yesterday afternoon to try Arthur Carkeet, the young miner charged with the murder of George Welch, a fellow workman at the Calumet & Globe Development company camp on Lower Pinto Creek on the afternoon of April 2 last. Owing to the nature of the alleged crime, the seeming mystery involved and the presumption that the evidence now in the hands of the prosecution will be largely or wholly circumstantial, the questions asked in the examination of