

POLICE DEPARTMENT SWOOP DOWN ON A FIRST AVENUE GAMBLING HOUSE

JUMPED TO HIS DEATH

SON OF MILLIONAIRE ENDS HIS LIFE IN LONDON HOSTELRY

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) LONDON, Nov. 28.—Elverton R. Chapman, son of E. R. Chapman, a wealthy New York lawyer and banker, last night jumped from the third floor of the Carlton hotel to the vestibule below, lighting on his head. His skull was crushed, and he died 20 minutes later.

SOLDIERS FIRED ON

ZEIGLER MINING CAMP IS UNDER MARTIAL LAW

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) CARBONDALE, Ill., Nov. 29.—The Zeigler mining camp is practically under martial law and serious trouble is feared. Another company of infantry reached the mining camp this morning. It is reported that the train bearing the soldiers was fired upon as it neared Zeigler. Scores of shots are reported to have been shot from ambush on both sides of the railroad track.

ROBBED

EUREKA SPRINGS, Ark., Nov. 29.—A daring robbery was effected at Green Forest last night. Robbers broke into the St. Louis & Arkansas Railway station, bound and gagged the watchman and blew open the safe. They secured express packages containing \$5,000 and escaped. The town was soon aroused and a posse started in pursuit of the robbers this morning.

WATER SHUT OFF

Water will be shut off tomorrow, Wednesday, from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. over the whole district west of Eastern avenue. This includes Fremont, Interbay, Ballard and Ross.

EARTHQUAKE

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) PITTSFIELD, Ill., Nov. 29.—A distinct earthquake shock lasting ten seconds was felt here at 5 o'clock this morning. No serious damage was done.

ANOTHER CAPTURED

One of the two contraband Japanese who made their escape from the sloop containing five of the contraband aliens seized near Coupeville last Saturday was captured by a deputy sheriff 19 miles north of Coupeville yesterday afternoon. The Jap was making his way toward the north end of the island when overtaken by the deputy. News of the capture was received by the local immigration authorities this morning.

A search of the north end of the island for the other Jap is now being made. It is thought possible the men separated to lessen the chances of detection, and were to meet at the end of the island where they were supposedly to remain hidden until chance afforded them an opportunity to cross the water to the mainland. The Jap will be tried with the other aliens.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—At a meeting of the council of ministers today it was announced that Admiral Forner had been appointed as the French member of the commission which will inquire into the North sea tragedy. The commission will meet at the French foreign office.



(Photograph by Marten E. Pew for the Newspaper Enterprise Association.)

THIS IS THE BETSY ROSS OF PANAMA. SHE DESIGNED THE REPUBLIC'S FLAG, THE ORIGINAL NOW BEING IN THE POSSESSION OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

TAX LEVY RAISED A MILL AND A HALF

FOURTEEN MILLS IS THE ASSESSMENT IN OLD LIMITS, AND THIRTEEN MILLS IN NEW—INCREASED EXPENSES CAUSE OF EXTRA LEVY

The tax levy next year will be 14 mills in the old limits and 13 mills in the new limits. The report of the finance committee, embodying this recommendation, was adopted by the council last night. An increase of a mill and a half is made over the rate of last year. The raise was made necessary, despite the heroic efforts of the committee to keep it down.

The fixing of the tax levy, in fact, has been the only duty of the year over which the councilmen have shown any real sensitiveness. They thought that if any substantial increase in the levy was made the administration would be charged with extravagance and their political opponents would be given some excellent campaign material. For this reason they agreed to the increase with extreme caution.

As a matter of fact, however, few taxpayers have expressed any disappointment at the small increase made. The tax levy even as it now stands is not high, compared with many other cities. It is the general belief that the property owners are well able to pay it.

The chief reason for the necessary increase was the fact that the committee was forced to provide for the interest on the water and sewer bonds of 1923, which was not paid last year. At that, however, no provision is made for the payment of the principal, as originally contemplated. These bonds will be refunded. The half mill levy that had to be provided for the library department and the three-quarter mill levy that was provided in the charter amendment for the park department, also contributed to the increase. The park department asked for a whole mill, but did not get it.

In order to keep the rate down the committee was obliged to chop off the appropriation for municipal garbage collection next year from \$50,000 to \$19,000. The amount which the city will pay towards street improvements was limited to \$263,000.

The income for next year is estimated at \$850,000. This sum is made up of \$50,000 from delinquent taxes, \$260,000 from fines, licenses and fees, \$107,000 from miscellaneous sources, \$400,000 from water receipts, \$1,000 from library collections, \$2,000 from bicycle licenses and \$50,000 from the municipal light and power plant.

The balance that is expected to be on hand in the city treasury on January 1 is \$197,509, so that the total income with the treasury balance is estimated at \$1,047,509. This leaves \$991,056 to be raised by taxation. Next year's expenses for running

the water department, together with the city's share of payment for the laying of water mains, is estimated at \$375,000. The cost of running the municipal electric plant is estimated at \$130,764, while the total amount of interest that must be paid during the year is \$302,125. The park department expense is given at \$23,004. Feed and bedding for the city horses will cost \$6,000 next year, so it is estimated. The salary of the stable boss and his helpers will amount to \$2,800. The carfare and office supplies of the engineering department will amount to \$3,500.

PLAN ATTACK ON BALTIC FLEET

(By Scripps News Ass'n.)

ROME, Nov. 29.—The newspaper Mattino claims to have information that the Japanese will make their first attack on the Russian Baltic fleet in the Straits of Malacca, where they have been preparing to strike an effective blow.

ENJOINS BOYCOTS

(By Scripps News Ass'n.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—Superior Judge Hebbard this morning rendered a judgment in favor of the Crescent City Feather company and against the Upholsterers' union and granted a permanent injunction against boycotts and pickets of the union.

EXPLOSION

(By Scripps News Ass'n.)

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 29.—The explosion of a quantity of chemicals in the basement of the Pullman Car company, in a building at Twenty-first and Randolph streets, early this morning caused the death of Edward Sheehan. The other employees had a narrow escape. The place was used as a dormitory. The men were asleep at the time of the explosion. The loss is slight.

Ten Men Were Caught "Bucking the Tiger" in the Washington Block and Were Placed Under Arrest

DETECTIVE WAPPENSTEIN, AIDED BY PATROLMAN HIBNER, ADOPT A CLEVER RUSE AND FIND NO TROUBLE IN GAINING ADMITTANCE TO THE "CLUB ROOMS"

POINTS OF THE RAID

The game had been running for two months. The police department, or at least Detective Wappenstein, who made the raid, knew it had been running for some time.

It was one of the least vicious games that has ever been conducted in the city, for the reason that only such persons as were known, or who had pass-keys, could get inside.

Detective Wappenstein admitted this morning that he knew of other gambling joints in the city, but he has made no attempt to raid them.

Wappenstein says that the faro game was played with a "crooked" box.

There is no further reason to believe the game was crooked, for the men who conducted it employed no paid boosters or box keepers.

The management charged a certain percentage of the receipts and allowed each set of players to select their own banker, thereby leaving the house no chance for "crooked" work.

No drunken men or men of the working class could possibly get in there.

The most important feature of the whole affair is, why was this place raided and "big mit" joints, where the outsider has no chance in the world to win and which the police know exist, allowed to flourish?

The most plausible explanation for the raid seems to be that the "boss" gamblers in this place were given an opportunity to "square" themselves some time ago, and refused to "come in," and they have now been made to pay the penalty of not standing in with the right people.

Another interesting side light on the raid is that President H. I. Gill, of the city council, found it more to his interest to jump out of his chair and rush to the rescue of these gamblers caught red-handed than it was to preside over the deliberations of the city fathers.

Disregarding the orders of Chief of Police Delaney and Mayor Ballinger, a full fledged gambling game was found to be in operation in the Washington block, on First avenue, last night. The place was raided by Detective Wappenstein and Patrolman Hibner and 10 of the occupants of the room at the time the officers of the law entered were placed under arrest, but released through the efforts of Attorney H. I. Gill, president of the city council, who was immediately informed that the raid was in progress. H. Lisie, Charles Pratt and Frank Johnson are charged with conducting the resort. Their bail was fixed at \$1,000 in each case.

The others are charged with aiding and abetting and bail fixed at \$25. Faro, roulette and round-table poker were the games in operation. All of the paraphernalia was seized and taken to police headquarters. City Detective Wappenstein was in charge of the raid and was familiar with the ground, as he had raided the same place several days ago. Patrolman Hibner, a new man on the police force, was selected as the entering wedge and gave the signal at the right time. The gamblers were taken completely by surprise, but made no resistance.

Many of them remarked that they thought they were to be left alone and that arrangement had been effected between the powers that be to permit gambling behind closed doors.

The raid presents several interesting features. In the first place, while Detective Wappenstein admitted this morning that he knew of a number of places in the city where gambling is being conducted, this is the only place that he has attempted to "pinch." This gambling house is, without doubt, one of the most harmless that could be conducted—harmless so far as it affects the pocketbook of the working man in whose veins run the gambling fever. There was absolutely no chance for a working man or a drunken man—who could easily be robbed in a crooked game—to get in there. Only such persons as were known to the "boss" gamblers, or those who had pull enough to get a pass key, could get inside to worship at the shrine of Dame Chance.

There appears to be no reason why the faro box should have been crooked, as Wappenstein claims, for the house employed no paid boosters or faro bookkeepers. This information was given The Star this morning by a business man who has a pass key and who says he has frequently played there. The proprietors simply exacted the usual percentage from their layers and allowed each set to select its own banker, and thereby reduced the chances for any crooked work to a minimum.

The peculiar feature of the whole affair is that the police have known that gambling has been conducted

there for some time, though it is generally believed that the police department has adopted the policy of raiding only the public gambling places—where anybody with the price could take a chance. Those who ran the gambling houses in the Washington block claim to have had the assurance that no interference would be made so long as gambling was conducted behind locked doors. To raid such a place as the one which Wappenstein "pulled," is one of the most difficult tasks that confront the police in their efforts to suppress gambling.

THE RAID SHOWS ONE THING CONCLUSIVELY: THAT THE POLICE CAN SUPPRESS EVERY GAMBLING HOUSE IN THE CITY WHENEVER THEY SEE FIT TO DO SO!

The raid of last night has all the earmarks of having been a "frame-up," in which somebody close to those in authority has simply taken revenge for fancied wrongs, and it is not to be considered at all as an indication that the police department is going to close up every gambling house in the city.

Had that been the intention, half the cigar stands and saloons in the business district between Yesler way and Pike street would, or at least, could have been "pinched" long ago.

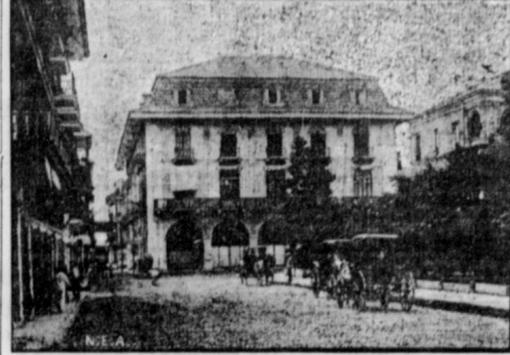
Just what the "frame-up" is is not apparent, but that strong though mysterious influences were brought to bear to suppress this particular gambling house is evident.

An amusing feature is that, as soon as President GILL, of the city council, heard that the gamblers were in trouble, he jumped from the chair where he was presiding over the meeting of the council, and rushed to the aid of the gamblers, whose interests he looks after. Before he disappeared down the hallway he shouted to Vice President Crichton to take the chair and conduct the further proceedings of the city council.

Attorney GILL, who will defend the men arrested when their cases come up for trial, said this afternoon that the state had a clear case against the men, but that he was going to defend them to the last ditch. GILL also admitted that he knew where other gambling houses were being conducted. Detective Wappenstein admits the same thing, but resorts to the third-bare excuse that he can't get convicting evidence against them.

Chief Delaney said to a Star man: "THIS IS THE ONLY THE BEGINNING YOU CAN REST ASSURED THAT WE WILL PULL EVERY GAMBLING JOINT AGAINST WHICH WE CAN GET SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE."

J. H. Nelson, the street preacher, and Pauline Smith pleaded guilty in the superior court this afternoon to the charge of illegally living together. Nelson was sentenced to four months in the county jail and Mrs. Smith to two months.



Building in Panama where are housed the American Commissioners and Engineers in charge of the Canal. This building, situated on the Cathedral Plaza, will be the Clearing House for all plans and designs of the vast scheme of construction.

CAME TO BLOWS DR. DOWNEY NOW FREE

THE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST HIM DROPPED BY THE STATE

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) A. C. Kean, Councilman in the Third Ward, W. E. Porter. The information in which Dr. W. St. John Downey, formerly a well known physician of this city, is charged with having performed a criminal abortion upon Miss Alice Cody, was dismissed by Superior Judge Tailman, November 26. The prosecution was dropped on the motion of Prosecuting Attorney Scott without the knowledge of Dr. Downey's attorneys, and in the statement in support of the motion a novel reason for the dismissal is given.

Alice Cody, the prosecuting witness in the case, has married the father of the infant since the criminal proceedings were begun and she now refuses to testify against Downey, and her father and husband have refused to allow her to do so on the ground that her testimony would bring disgrace on the family.

In his statement Scott sets forth this fact and states that he believes the ends of justice will be met by preserving the girl's reputation.

Downey was arrested last December, but gave bail in the sum of \$5,000. He left the city immediately after and has not returned. His relatives are well known in the city.

J. E. ZOOK NOMINATED WITHDRAWN

PRESENT MAYOR IS LEADER OF HIS PARTY FOR COMING CAMPAIGN

Mayor James Zook was nominated as the republican candidate for mayor of Ballard at the convention

The Diamond Ice & Storage company has given up, temporarily at least, its attempt to secure an electricity and steam heating franchise from the city council. Stubbornness on the part of a majority of the members of the latter in demanding that the company accede to an 8-cent rate for its electricity has induced the company to withdraw its proposed franchise for the present. It is probable that it will come to the council soon with a new franchise, in which the extension of the gas franchise it now possesses will be incorporated.

Inability of the company to dispose of its required bonds under the rate demanded by the council is largely responsible for the decision of the directors of the company.

"We thought," said Manager Crane this morning, "that when we agreed to eliminate the gas proposition from our franchise we would be given something reasonable in return. Under an 8-cent rate it would be impossible for us to dispose of our bonds, or in fact to operate if we sold them. While competition between the Seattle-Tacoma Power company and the Seattle Electric company may bring about an 8-cent rate, it will be for only a comparatively short time. The two companies will eventually come to an agreement to raise rates higher than this figure. It must be done.

"Higher rates are charged in all other cities. The maximum rate enforced of the Seattle-Tacoma Power company is 12 cents. We ask to be placed on the same footing. Otherwise we would be at an immense disadvantage when these two companies raised their rates, while we were obliged to sell at 8 cents."

The present franchise calls for an extension of the company's steam heat and electricity distributing system from Pike to Roy street and from the bay eastward.

The following names were placed in nomination and indorsed by the convention: Mayor, James E. Zook, City Clerk, W. F. Grill, City Treasurer, J. Murdoch, City Attorney, H. M. Ingersoll, Health Officer, Dr. C. F. Engels, Councilman at Large, Louis Anderson.

Councilman in the First Ward, James R. Smith, Councilman in the Second Ward,

MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

PARENTS WHO REFUSE TO SEND CHILDREN TO SCHOOL ON ACCOUNT OF VACCINATION TO BE PROSECUTED

The apparently growing prejudice of parents to vaccination and their refusal to send their children to school as long as that safeguard against disease is compulsory, is proving a problem to the city school board and the county superintendent of schools.

It has finally been decided to take the matter into the courts to see whether or not parents can be fined for keeping their children from school for this reason.

Several families in the city are anxious to send their children to school, but absolutely refuse to allow them to be vaccinated. It is against the rules of the board for any child to attend school who has not a vaccination certificate.

The parents who are refusing to send their little ones to school for this reason, insist that they cannot legally be forced to allow the small sons and daughters to undergo the operation.

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Conover will take a test case into the courts at once and will try to arrange it so as to have the matter argued next Friday. He claims that there is little doubt as to the outcome, as the law is plain on the subject, but the school board wishes to know exactly where it stands in the matter. If the court holds with the state and the school board, parents who object to vaccination will have to smother their prejudice, or else be fined regularly.

Another way to test the legality of the rule of the school board would be for parents to secure a writ of mandamus directing the board to show cause as to why they would not allow certain unvaccinated children to attend school, but it was finally decided that the prosecuting attorney's office should take the initiative.

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KILLS

WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN AND THEN HIMSELF WHILE IN A DRUNKEN FIT

(By Scripps News Ass'n.)

ASHLAND, Ky., Nov. 29.—Enoch Sloan, while in a drunken fit, yesterday shot and killed his wife and four children and then killed himself at his home at Shelby, Pike county.

THE MARKETS

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Reported for The Star by W. A. Eyer & Co., 112 Columbia street, by private wire:

Wheat—Dec., 107 7/8, 106 1/2, 106 5/8; May, 109 3/4@7-8, 108 1/2, 108 3/4@1-2; July, 99, 97 1/2, 97 5/8 @3/4. Corn—Dec., 48 7/8, 48 1/4, 48 3/8; May, 45 7/8, 45 3/8, 45 1/4; July, 45 7/8@46, 45 1/2, 45 1/4@5-8. Oats—Dec., 30 1/4, 29 1/8, 29 1/8; May, 31 1/2, 31 1/4, 31 1/4@3; July, 31 1/2@5-8, 31 3/8, 31 3/8. Pork—Jan., 12.82, 12.72, 12.77; May, 12.97, 12.95, 12.95.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Ach., 88 1/4, 87 5/8, 88 1/4; Amal. Copper, 81 3/8, 80, 80 3/4; B. & O., 97, 96 3/8, 96 3/4; B. R. T., 69 1/8, 68, 68 5/8; C. F. I., 58 3/4, 56 3/4, 56 3/4; Can. Pac., 134 1/2, 133 5/8, 134 1/4; C. G. W., 25 1/2, 24 7/8, 25 1/8; Erie Comm., 40 5/8, 39 5/8, 40 3/8; Ill. Cent., 157 1/2, 155 3/4, 156 1/4; L. & N., 141 1/4, 139 3/4, 140 1/4; Manhattan, 168, 167 1/2, 167 3/4; Met., 124 1/2, 122 3/4, 124; Mo. Pac., 109 5/8, 108 1/8, 108 7/8; N. Y. Cent., 141 1/4, 137 7/8, 140 5/8; Norfolk, 76 3/4, 76 1/8, 76 1/4; People's Gas, 112 1/4, 110 3/4, 111 8/4; Penn., 138 1/2, 137 3/8, 138 1/2; Rdg., 76 7/8, 75 7/8, 76 3/8; R. I. Com., 37 1/2, 36 3/8, 37; Sugar, 181 1/4, 173 1/2, 174; S. P., 67 3/4, 66 3/8, 67 1/2; U. P., 115 3/4, 114 7/8, 115 3/8; U. S. S., 32 3/4, 31 1/4, 32 3/8; U. S. S. Pfd., 94 3/4, 93 3/8, 94 3/8.

Sales at noon, 814,200 shares. Money, 3 1/2 per cent.

Liverpool wheat opened 1-4c higher and closed 1-8c lower. Car receipts: Minneapolis 662; Duluth 233; Chicago 78.