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80 CENTS A MONTH.

SHIP BLOWN TO SPLINTERS

Eight Men Killed and Seven Mortally Wounded When Schooner Is Destroyed By Kerosene Explosion

(By United Press Leased Wire.) MARSEILLES, April 1.—Eight men were killed and seven mortally wounded today when the three masted schooner Jules Henry, from Philadelphia, was blown to kindling wood by the explosion of 1800 barrels of kerosene which she carried in this harbor.

So terrific was the explosion that only small portions of the schooner were found. The crew consisted of 18 men. The eight dead are said to have been killed outright. The seven mortally wounded were picked up by crafts that rushed to the scene. Of the seven rescued, three have a chance of recovery. The schooner was a French Tang vessel and was preparing to unload her cargo when the explosion occurred. The vessel was in command of Captain Escoffier. The cause of the accident is unknown.

FRISCO NOT INSULTED

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 1.—James McNab, president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, today said that reports and published statements to the effect that San Francisco feels that it has been insulted by the chambers of commerce of the Pacific Northwest in connection with the visit of Japanese merchants to America, are unfounded and unjustified.

"There is absolutely no ill-feeling on our part and there will be no ill-feeling," said McNab today to the United Press. "Frisco Not Slighted." SEATTLE, April 1.—Former Governor John H. McGraw, president of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, denies the statement made in San Francisco that city has in any degree been slighted by Seattle in the matter of the invitation to Japanese business men to visit the United States next September.

KLEIN CALLS DORA SAUVAJEOT HOME

"Dora needed as witness." (Signed) J. Klein. Josua Klein yesterday dispatched the above message to the Knopfer family at Amden, where Miss Dora Sauvaject, one of his believers and followers, has been staying. The cablegram means that Klein has at last given up the fight and has consented to return Miss Sauvaject to her home. It was rumored a few days ago that an arrangement had been made whereby such a course of action would obtain him his freedom.

CAMPBELL BOUND OVER. JOHN A. PARKER, representing Ray M. Campbell, arrested Friday night charged by his wife with a statutory offense, waived preliminary examination in Judge Arntson's court yesterday afternoon and was bound over to the superior court under bonds of \$1,000.

LOAN STAR FLOATS OVER CUBA. HAVANA, April 1.—The Stars and Stripes have disappeared from Cuba. The last emblem of American domination has been removed in due order, and the loan star floated in its place.

YESTERDAY, at the direction of Major General Thomas H. Barry, the Twenty-seventh Infantry, U. S. A., evacuated Camp Columbia.

RANCHERS IN BLOODY BATTLE

Object to Taxes and Kill Collectors—Two Trainloads of Soldiers Go to Scene.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) CHIHUAHUA, Mex., April 1.—Mexican ranchers and Temascalco Indians are in open revolt near San Andreas today, after having killed a tax collector and several deputies who tried to enforce an increased rate of duty on work oxen and horses.

Two special trains loaded with government troops and rurales have been sent to the scene and a battle is expected before nightfall. Incensed at the increased taxation, the ranchers and Indians engaged in an encounter with the officials while at San Andreas several days ago. After killing the collector and his assistants, they took flight and a short distance out of town the telegraph and telephone wires were cut to prevent news of the battle from reaching the outside world until today.

FRISCO NOT INSULTED

First reports of the war were not exaggerated, according to advice received at El Paso today. The ranchers and Indians have entrenched themselves in a mountain stronghold and are in a position to withstand a siege by the troops which are being rushed to the scene.

HORSE KILLS HIMSELF. A skittish express horse, one of a team hitched to a wagon of the Fidelity Transfer & Storage company, jumped into the air about noon today and fell headforemost to the pavement. He died in a few minutes.

The accident occurred at the corner of Twenty-first and E street. The team was driven by Neal Cashman.

SUES TO RECOVER. H. P. Pratt commenced action in the superior court today to recover \$171.83 alleged to be due from the Imperial Building corporation for cuts and illustrations sold by him for use in the local monthly, "The Imperial Sound."

LICENSED TO WED. A marriage license has been issued to Robert Clifford Snyder and Jean Ethel Cameron.

THE DAY OF ALL FOOLS—WERE YOU ONE OF THEM?



BROKER PHILLIPS TO QUIT

Patrons of the brokerage business operated by T. H. Phillips in the Equitable building were looking glum this morning when the word was passed along the line to those who had investments with the concern that Phillips had quit.

It was circulated that the assets would be small and the liabilities about \$19,000. At the office the operator would give no figures and Mr. Phillips at his home allowed his wife to make a statement to the effect that he was trying to effect a settlement with creditors and would turn over to them some money and property.

At the office it was stated that the business would be taken over by Downing, Hopkins & Co., of Portland, through whom Mr. Phillips has been doing business.

At Mr. Phillips' home his wife said he was quitting business because the legislature had passed a law stopping it. When asked whether the business would continue under the name of Downing, Hopkins & Co. she admitted there had been some talk to that effect.

It was said on the streets this morning that some Tacoma speculators had been caught for as high as a couple of thousand apiece, and there was considerable concern for awhile over the situation.

\$3,000 in Gold to the Pan

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SEATTLE, April 1.—Three thousand dollars to the pan on Nolan creek, which gained fame a year ago by bringing the attention of the miners to the old Koyukuk diggings in Alaska, is the news that is brought to this city by Billy Clarke, a pioneer barber of Seattle, who reached here yesterday from Circle City, where he has been for the past seven years.

Nolan creek, in the Koyukuk, was struck by Johnson and Olson in the winter of 1907-08.

ON 80TH BIRTHDAY GENERAL BOOTH WILL LAUNCH SALVATION UNIVERSITY.



COUNCIL BLUNDERS

In the hurry to get the contract signed and the new fire house completed for East M street the council overlooked the city charter last night and now the whole legislation will have to be gone over again.

Bids were received several days ago and Contractor Opperman was given the job. The contract could not be executed, however, for an ordinance had not been passed. The ordinance was introduced last night and rushed to passage. This morning it was discovered the thing was illegal as it calls for more money than can be appropriated by ordinance except when the ordinance is read on two separate nights.

The council will have to do its legislating over next week and it will delay the fire house three weeks.

White Girl Weds Chinaman

(By United Press Leased Wire.) VANCOUVER, B. C., April 1.—A special of Portage La Prairie, Manitoba says:

Chan Sing, a Chinese restaurant proprietor, and Nellie Elliott, a white girl of Wolford, Bask., were married yesterday. The wedding was the close of a long courtship. The couple met in a hotel, where they were working in England several years ago, and had since been lovers. Chan is well supplied with this world's goods and Miss Elliott is the possessor of good education and an attractive face and figure.

If paint be strained before using it will cover more surface and wear better.

The Wisconsin state militia is considering the formation of an aeronautic corps.

Fair tonight and Friday. Light south wind.

INSURANCE CONCERNS BUMPED

Loss Contest to Secure Repeal of Hughes Law Regulating Their Business.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, April 1.—The big insurance companies today lost their fight to have repealed that section of the Hughes insurance laws which limits the amount of new business they may take annually.

Justice James A. Gordon of the supreme court of New York today handed down a decision today holding that the section is constitutional and defeating the action of the companies to nullify that part of the law.

It is expected that the case will be taken to the court of appeals of the state and, if her household, to the United States supreme court.

The section of the law affected provides that no insurance company shall write new policies amounting to more than \$150,000,000 in one year.

Woman Fasts for Thirty-Seven Days

(By United Press Leased Wire.) VANCOUVER, Wash., April 1.—After fasting thirty-seven days and doing all of her household work cooking for her husband and three sons and reducing her weight from 309 pounds to 254 pounds and submitting to an operation for hernia, Mrs. W. M. Sturgeon, aged 41 years, today said: "I regret that I did not fast four more days so as to have broken the record. I could have done it easily."

The doctors requested that Mrs. Sturgeon fast to reduce her weight, that the operation might be performed.

Without comment and with less than half the council actually knowing what it would cost, the city solons last night voted to adopt the plan drawn in the engineer's office under direction of Commissioner McGregor for a comfort station in Firemen's park, which will cost \$12,500.

where the money is to come from no one knows. The council did not bother about that.

APRIL FOOL HUNTERS ARE ON THE JOB TODAY

"All Fools' Day." Just why the first of April is set apart as an occasion when every wag has license to practice deception on his trusting fellow-men and get the laugh on him no one seems to know, but the custom is general and of long standing.

And after all the pranks of the "April Fool" hunters are generally harmless.

If you are not able to laugh when the laugh is on you, keep your wits so as not to be prey to deception, the first of April is the time to take to the woods.

AIRSHIP KIDNAPER BOYLE LOST IN GALE

Zeppelin and 14 Friends in Monster Balloon Are Caught in Storm.

LANDS AFTER BATTLE OF THIRTEEN HOURS

DINGOLFINGE, April 1.—After a battle of thirteen hours, with adverse winds, with no motor out of commission, Count Zeppelin landed his great airship near here late this afternoon. The accident to the motor caused the ship's helplessness. The forward motor worked well but it did not produce sufficient power to drive the ship against the air currents in which at times reached great velocity.

Count Zeppelin's masterful management of the crippled airship in the face of the windstorm, is proclaimed one of the most wonderful feats of aerial navigation the world has seen.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) BERLIN, April 1.—Grave fears are entertained today for the safety of Count Zeppelin, the famous aeronaut, and a party of fourteen friends, who made an ascent this morning at sunrise at Friedrichshafen and attempted a flight to Munich, in the new monster Zeppelin airship.

The great dirigible balloon was caught in a fierce gale that sprang up soon after the ascent. The airship was driven by the storm to a point near Munich and was sighted this evening, after having been missing more than ten hours.

Though Munich was the count's destination, he evidently could not control the great craft in the storm and made no attempt to descend.

Zeppelin steered the ship about and started to return toward Friedrichshafen, a distance of 11 miles, but could make little or no headway against the wind.

When last seen the ship was driving rapidly in a northwesterly direction from Munich. The city authorities are following it as best they can in automobiles and several squadrons of cavalry also have been ordered to follow as closely as possible.

DISCUSS PARK BOARD ISSUE

The campaign of investigation into the proposed park bond proposition to be voted on by the people will be inaugurated by the Pioneer club at a meeting tomorrow night at the engine house, South Forty-third and K streets.

Members of the park commission will probably be present to tell what they want to do with the \$750,000 asked for.

BANKS WON'T TAKE CITY WATER WARRANTS

The mayor, controller, treasurer and president of the council, constituting the sinking fund commission of the city, are this afternoon holding a conference trying to reach some way to finance the waterworks improvements now going forward.

The slip in the law passed by the recent legislature which excludes cities of over 75,000 persons from participating in the provision allowing the treasurer to receive warrants as collateral for deposits in banks caused the local banks to refuse to take the \$250,000 of water warrants for water improvements.

The work is going ahead on part of the program and the money must be on hand soon to pay up with. Next week also bids are to be received for the building of the new standpipes.

The banks have agreed to take the warrants if the city will pay its surety bond charges amounting to \$1,500 a year. This would be a bonus on the warrants.

Some of the city officials think the better plan would be for the city to borrow the cash from the other funds where there is plenty of money and pay for the improvements and then pay it back from the water receipts. This would not only save the \$1,500 bonus given the banks but would also save \$15,000 a year of the interest on warrants.

There is a possibility that some private citizens may take up at least a portion of the warrants and if they do this will solve the problem.

PRESIDENT MAKES MORE NOMINATIONS

(By United Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—President Taft today sent the following nominations to the senate: United States marshal, third division, District of Alaska, Harvey P. Sullivan, of Alaska. Assistant attorney general, Oscar Lawler, of California.

KIDNAPER BOYLE IS KNOWN HERE

Identified Through Times Picture by Detective D. O. Smith as Bogus Check Man Who Operated Here Year Ago—Passed as Oil Salesman and Frequent Donnelly Hotel Lobby.

Through the excellent picture of Kidnaper James H. Boyle, printed in the Times Tuesday night, he was today identified by Detective D. O. Smith as a bogus check man who operated here a year ago, leaving no less than a dozen victims in his path.

While here the Whittia boy abductor went under his right name, James H. Boyle, and posed as a salesman for a well known oil company. He frequented the Donnelly hotel lobby and bar and became acquainted with scores of prominent Tacoma men, many of whom found themselves with a worthless check on their hands when Boyle suddenly disappeared.

Detective Smith, who has been on the Tacoma police force for many years, was put on the case at the time, for the reason that he had become well acquainted with Boyle. He stated today that he is positive the picture in Tuesday's Times showed the same man who is wanted in Tacoma for passing bogus checks.

"The picture is really a remarkable one," said Detective Smith, "and shows Boyle just as he looked when he was in this city. The man stayed about town a good deal, but no one thought anything of it, because he claimed to be an oil salesman. He was very 'chummy' with J. C. Donnelly, at that time owner of the Donnelly hotel, and was almost always in Mr. Donnelly's company."

"Boyle confided to me that he had a wife and two children in Portland. I remember that he was a great spender and that he always mixed with the better class of men. Finally, however, he disappeared, and it was discovered that he had got out of a lot of debts with worthless checks. I was detailed on the case and trailed him part way across the country, when I lost track of him."

Several well known frequenters of the Donnelly hotel lobby today identified the "Times" picture of Boyle as the man who they knew as an oil salesman one year ago.

RAILROADS MAKE MONEY UNDER 2-CENT LAW

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 1.—Two cents fares have earned more money for the railroads than the three cent fare did, according to a statement made by Attorney General Elliot Major of Missouri, who is on record today as favoring the lower figures.

Major declared that if the railroads carried out their announced plan of putting into effect on April 1 the three cent fare, the Missouri legislature will receive, on April 11, a bill compelling the corporations to publish itemized statements of their receipts.

These are the gains over the old rates, as claimed by Major Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, \$700; Chicago & Alton, \$300; Missouri Pacific, \$12,000.

The new officers will be installed with proper ceremony next Wednesday night.

The successful candidates were as follows: Exalted ruler, George O. Williamson; esteemed leading knight, Arthur R. McGill; esteemed loyal knight, George J. McCarthy; esteemed lecturing knight, A. J. Copeland; secretary, D. J. Williams; treasurer, F. M. Lamborn; Tyler, H. W. Acheson; trustee, E. K. Derrickson; delegate to grand lodge, Francis Atwell; alternate to grand lodge, Fred H. Marvin.

Actress Starts An Extraordinary Divorce Case

(By United Press Leased Wire.) HOLBROOK, O., April 1.—A double murder, the evidence of which was robbery, was discovered today when the bodies of Ludwig Kramer, a farmer, and his wife, were found buried under the floor of the cellar of their house, which was burned today. The discovery was made by neighbors who suspected that something was wrong. Kramer recently sold his farm for \$1,000 and it was generally believed that the neighborhood that he had the money.

DOUBLE MURDER

(By United Press Leased Wire.) RENO, Nev., April 1.—Great interest is being taken here today in the argument of the divorce suit of Virginia Harne, the actress, against her husband, E. H. Forthner, because it is believed that the case will prove a test of the Nevada law on the subject of divorces.

Neither of the contending parties being here, the case, being conducted by means of depositions, the attorneys contending that this is all that is necessary as the actor was regularly and properly served with the original papers when he was playing an engagement in this city.

CARDS AND DANGLERS AS SIN TYPERS

Cards and danglers and sisters and "sin typers," according to Evangelist Orlin, who is conducting a successful series of the First Christian church, Orlin gave his opinion, and which these two pastimes, which response to a question, guilty.

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FRIGHTENS BURGLAR AWAY

Invader in Tacoma Home Is Put to Flight by Nightgowned Citizen.

A gun-shoe artist who apparently takes great delight in running dire risk of getting his hide shot full of holes was put to rout from the home of Frank M. Osborne, 1908 South G, last evening, and given a scare which he will not soon forget.

Mr. Osborne had gone to bed early, leaving the front door unlatched for his wife and daughter, who had gone to church. Before he had quite fallen to sleep, Mr. Osborne heard the bedroom door softly open, and saw the dim outline of a man standing in the doorway. The next instant a tiny ray of light shot from a flash lantern held in the intruder's hand.

With a yell, the nightgowned man-of-the-house sprang from his bed, and dashed at the burglar, but swiftly and noiselessly the other sped down the hall and through the half-open front door. The gun-shoe operator managed to seize a silk kimono of Mrs. Osborne's from a chair in the bedroom before making his dash for freedom.

Neighbors on either side of the Osborne residence believe that today that someone had evidently tried to pry open their windows during the night, as there were several scratches at the base of the window sashes.

From the similarity of other reports, police officers believe that this same burglar is responsible for several other "house-growlings" of recent date.

OFFICERS NAMED BY TACOMA ELKS

Tacoma Elks held their election last night and selected their officers to run the order for the next year.

District Deputy W. H. Fisher of Port Angeles was present and presided over the election, and over 350 votes were cast, it being the biggest election ever held by the local lodge.

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POLICEMAN RESIGNS AS ENGINEER

Frank Barham, police officer, and conductor of the Illinois department of police, resigned February 15, and is now in the employ of the Chicago & North Western railway, where he is acting as a police officer.

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