

SIX PAY FINES FOR SMOKING CIGARETS

POLICE OF TACOMA OPEN WAR ON "PILL" SMOKERS AND TAKE TEN IN TOW.

The Tacoma police have opened a crusade against cigarette smokers in accordance with the new criminal code.

Six out of ten men arrested last night and this morning for smoking cigarettes faced Judge Arntson in police court this morning and pleaded guilty to the charge. They were each given a stiff warning and let off with a fine of \$2 and costs or one day's imprisonment in the city jail. The men who faced the court today were: John King, Bert Fye, H. P. Davis, R. J. Mahoney, F. W. Emmick and

Peter Cannon. Four of the cigarette law violators, S. Carlson, Ed Lynch, John Abel and C. D. Zaneta, forfeited their bail money, amounting to \$5 in each case.

The arrests commenced at 8 o'clock last night, after a conference between Prosecutor McMurray and Chief of Police J. M. Duley. The prosecutor stated that he was ready to prosecute offenders of the new law, and Chief Duley immediately gave orders for all the officers to arrest persons having papers or "pills" or having papers or "pills" or having papers or "pills" in their possession.

Detectives Mitchell and Heob made seven arrests last night, and Patrolman Cole made one.

9:10 this morning Officer Darnell, detailed to upper Pacific avenue, arrested F. W. Emmick, 31, a single man. At 9:40 a. m. Officer Rivard brought in Peter Cannon, 26, who gave his occupation as an oiler.

None of the arrested persons protested, taking it more as a joke than a serious matter. Four of those arrested last night spent the entire night in jail.

None of the guilty "pill smokers" had much to say in court today. King acted as spokesman for the sextette, stating that he was surprised at the arrest and that, although he knew the anti-cigarette law had been passed, he thought it unjust that no warning had been given.

H. P. Davis just came from California and did not know there was such a law in effect. F. W. Emmick only arrived in town last night and, although he knew of the law being in effect, said that he did not think it was being enforced.

There was no prosecuting attorney in court to push the cases, and Judge Arntson stated that he would make the fine nominal for the first offense.

BOY ACQUITTED OF MURDER CHARGE

AFTER FIFTY MINUTES' DELIBERATION JURY FINDS YOUNG ABEL NOT GUILTY

Fred Abel, the 19-year-old boy on trial for the murder of Robert Serempus, was acquitted by the jury late yesterday afternoon after only 50 minutes' deliberation. At 3:30 the case was given into the hands of the twelve men after Deputy Prosecutor Burmeister had finished a strong argument for the boy's conviction. The attorneys for the defense waived argument and the instructions of the court were given before the arguments, in accordance with the new law to that effect.

The boy showed his emotion very plainly while the jury which was to decide his fate was deliberating. All day yesterday he was under a great strain and broke down several times. When the verdict of acquittal was read, he shook the hand of each juror and thanked them heartily, as did also his father, who has been at his son's side during the whole trial.

The plea of the boy was self-defense. Evidence showed that Serempus rushed at him with a gun, for trespassing on his field October 18, and declared he would kill the lad. Abel, believing what the enraged man said, fired a rifle point blank at him, the bullet entering his head and killing him instantly. He was arrested but exonerated by a coroner's jury. Later he was indicted by the grand jury.

GIRLS BODY FOUND JAMMED IN TRUNK

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ing that time was a brief note which, according to the police, read:

"Don't worry. Will be home Sunday evening."

This note was received by Paul Sigel, the girl's father, and was signed "Elsie." It was dated from Washington. The police believe the murderer sent the message to stop pursuit, and give him ample time to escape.

Body Jammed in Trunk.

When the body was found by the police, it was jammed tightly in a small trunk, and was removed with difficulty. Coroner Harburger is of the opinion that the trunk had held its grewsome contents for more than a week. From marks on the throat, it was apparent that the girl had been strangled to death. And all evidence points to one of the most atrocious crimes in the police records of New York.

Chinaman Missing.

Ling, in whose room on the upper floor of the lodging house, the body was found, cannot be found by the police. He and another Chinaman are said to have disappeared the day of the discovery. He was employed in a Chinese restaurant owned by his cousin, Joe Ling, on the first floor of the building.

Joe told the police that he had frequently seen his cousin on the street in company with Miss Sigel. It is stated also that Ling often called at the Sigel home, supposedly with the sanction of the girl's parents.

Identification of the body was not accomplished without difficulty. The first step was made when articles of jewelry found in the room were recognized by the girl's mother as belonging to her daughter. About midnight Mrs. Florence M. Todd, who had been associated with the girl in settlement work among the Chinese, called at the morgue. She confidently asserted that the underclothing found on the corpse was that worn by Miss Sigel.

Dragnet Is Laid.

Ling, for whom the police have extended their dragnet to all the surrounding cities, formerly was a Sunday school worker in Philadelphia and it is regarded as possible that he has fled to that city. The Philadelphia police have been advised, and already have started a determined search.

Three Chinamen, known to be associates of Ling, have been arrested, and will be held in definite pending the capture of the man whom the police believe to be guilty of the terrible crime.

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New blanks for specifications on municipal contracts are being made now to conform to the new law and city ordinance which provide for but one bond instead of two, as heretofore.

Heretofore, in addition to being required to give but one bond on contracts, contractors will be freed from the penalty clause in contracts. The city has heretofore had a clause providing that unless the work was done within a specified time the contractor should be mulcted with a penalty of \$5 a day. The money was never collected, and the commissioner will leave this out of new contracts.

This is expected to cause contractors to figure a little closer, and the city may save a few dollars on each job by it.

NEW N. P. OFFICE BUILDING IS FINISHED

The new office building of the Northern Pacific, on Dock street, was finished yesterday, and the offices are now all being moved in. The old office on Pacific avenue will be razed as soon as possible.

Half of the excavation for the new depot has been made. Over 400,000 yards of dirt have been gouged out by the big steam shovels and carried over on the flats. They are at work regularly every day, and in a couple of months more the grading will be pretty well completed.

MOVE HEADQUARTERS OF TACOMA EASTERN

OFFICERS ORDERED TRANSFERRED TO CHICAGO—MAY MEAN ROAD HAS BEEN MERGED WITH MILWAUKEE

New force was given the rumor that the Tacoma Eastern railway had been sold to the Milwaukee or some other transcontinental railway yesterday when John Bagley, general manager and vice president, issued an order abolishing the general accounting and traffic offices, as well as the general offices of the road, in Tacoma and

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