

ALLEGED VICTIM OF HAWKE IS ARRESTED

Police Claim Man Accused of Conspiracy Was Trying to Get Harry Ortman Out of the Country—Trial Is On Today.

Harry Ortman, the Sucker lake rancher who is said to have been brought to this city in a drunken condition by H. W. Hawke in the early part of April, and who, it is alleged, was frightened by Hawke into signing over all of his property, fell into the hands of Hawke again last night and was locked in the city jail to prevent a supposed attempt of Hawke to get him out of the country. The case against Hawke, who was bound over to the superior court on the charge of attempting to defraud Ortman out of his property, was called in the higher court today.

Ortman and Hawke were "spotted" together by Officer Tom Herndon last night. Herndon suspected that something was wrong and halted the men. Neither could give a satisfactory explanation for their being together. Ortman, who is slow witted, said Hawke had met him and persuaded him to go out to Hawke's ranch east of the city to spend the night. Hawke could give no explanation for so doing. The arrest was then made. Hawke was arrested on April 3 after a three days' search by the police, who had received a written confession from R. Luckey, telling of the alleged conspiracy hatched by Hawke to swindle Ortman out of his ranch near Rathdrum, Idaho.

The trial of Harry Hawke was begun this morning before Judge Richardson, Prosecuting Attorney Kimball and Assistant Barnard representing the people and Calvin K. Holloway, of Harrison & Holloway, directing the defense. More than an hour was consumed in getting a jury, S. Goldstein being challenged because he said he had an opinion. The defendant's counsel took two peremptory challenges, excluding J. F. Young and Joseph Kanawky, while the prosecution similarly dispensed with the service of M. F. Heath and L. K. Montfort. The first witness was R. Luckey, who was implicated in the same charge. He told his story of his dealings with Hawke prior to and after the meeting with Harry Ortman. On cross examination Attorney Holloway subjected him to a severe fire of questions.

AMATEUR BARBERS SHEARING VICTIMS



they have received free shaves, haircuts and shampoos by amateur barbers who are trying to pass the examination being conducted by the state board of examiners. The examiners in charge are R. H. Ireland of Tacoma and Carl Koch of Spokane.

The examination started early this forenoon, at which time three barbers' chairs were taken into the roll room over the police station. Then a hurry call was sent out for the shavers and unshorn to come in and get a free shave. After all willing victims within call had been worked out or refused to be operated on by ambitious young tonorial artists from this city and Pomeroy, the call for more whiskers and hair was extended up town. Those who heard the alarm are still coming.

In all 19 men are to be examined. Seven applicants stood trial before the first rush was over. Miss Anna Peckham, who has been working in a Washington street shop, was the only woman to try for the certificate. Each applicant puts up a \$5 fee to pay the expenses of the examiners.

Among the questions asked the applicants are: "How do you trim a Van Dyke beard?" "Can skin diseases be treated and how?" "How does a razor feel when it is sharp?" "How can you tell whether or not the man being shaved is being hurt?" Other questions are asked, but the examiners steadfastly refused to tell the reporter the "answers" they had upon their sleeves for the unwary applicants.

Forest Fires Sweep Adirondack Towns

MALONE, N. Y., May 14.—Fire a mile wide is sweeping the forest in the vicinity of Duane. The inhabitants are fleeing. The towns of Malone and Mountain View are threatened.

Freight Wreck in Northern Alabama.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 14.—A freight on the Birmingham & Mineral road was wrecked last night, the train killed and four of the train crew injured.

TEAMSTERS LEADING SMALL OMAHA RIOTS

OMAHA, May 14.—There was more disorder in the streets today than any time since the strike was inaugurated. There were small riots in several sections, leading to the belief that the teamsters are taking systematic action. Scores of teams are hitched and wagons are overturned.

Woman Throws Thief from Window.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Mrs. Le Grand fish, No. 6447 Yale avenue, was awakened early this morning by a fee in her room. She saw a man standing in front of the window. Woman-like, she screamed a loud, terrifying scream to frighten the man, but he didn't budge. Then she rose on her bed and grappled with him. She pushed the man backward through the window and he fell to the ground, turning a complete somersault. My only thought was to get that out of my room," said Mrs. fish, "so with a yell, which I tried to make sound fierce and terrifying, I applied with him. He was taken so completely by surprise that he did a struggle much, and it was a comparatively easy task to throw him out of the window."

ROBS STAGE

IDAHO CITY, Idaho, May 14.—The Boise stage was held up a mile this side of Idaho City this morning. The mail pouch was rifled, the one passenger was robbed and the telegraph wire cut. The sheriff is in pursuit with a posse.

Chiefs of Police Choose St. Louis.

NEW ORLEANS, May 14.—The convention of chiefs of police chose St. Louis as the next meeting place and re-elected President Sylvester as national president.

Zinc Works Burning.

PARK CITY, Utah, May 14.—The big zinc works here is burning. It is the only one in the state and is owned by an eastern syndicate.

Claimed He Sold Liquor to Minor.

Kit Decker, a bartender in the Mug saloon, on Stevens street, was arrested by Officer Miles last night on the charge of selling liquor to Stanley Staples, son of a local merchant, who is a minor. Decker put up \$100 bond for his appearance in court.

Through Attorney Dick Nuzum the defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge in court this afternoon and the case was continued. Although no general order in the matter has gone out, the police are on the watch for saloon men guilty of selling liquor to minors.

FIND CLUE.

Sheriff Insler of Davenport has been in Spokane working with the detectives for two days on a string of clue connected with the famous murder of Judge Lewis and wife at the home of the latter near Almirra last winter. Arrests in the case are likely to be made at any time.

Nicaragua Rebels Caught by Troops.

NEW ORLEANS, May 14.—The steamer Victoria, with all the Nicaraguan revolutionists aboard, has been captured by the Nicaraguan government forces as a means to end the conflict.

SHOT DOWN.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 14.—Masked robbers held up the waiters and patrons of a restaurant at West Liberty this morning. One of the patrons named Meade sprang forward and attempted to remove the mask of one of the highwaymen and was shot and instantly killed. The men coolly continued the holdup, securing \$25. The robbers escaped.

Trace Movements of Alleged Dynamiter.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Detectives today are busy tracing the movements of a mysterious stranger who made an infernal machine in this city, which is supposed to be the one used in a futile attempt to dynamite the Cunard liner Umbria.

Bids Opened for Fifth Ave. Grading

At a meeting of the board of public works and the mayor, held this afternoon, the bids for the grading, curbing and brick sidewalking of Fifth avenue, from Pittsburg to Regal streets, were opened: Mitchell Bros., for grading and curbing, \$4300; August Ise, for grading and curbing, \$4200; Peter Costello, for grading and curbing, \$4100; August Ise, for brick sidewalking, curbing, Copson & Payne, for brick sidewalking, \$4652.

Shipwrecked Crew Rescued at Sea.

NORFOLK, Va., May 14.—The entire crew of the British brig Bertha Gray was brought here today by the steamer Esward, which picked the men up, huddled on a portion of the hull, far out at sea. The rescued men had been without food and water for two days. The vessel was wrecked in a tornado.

Real Estate Sales.

A. S. Crowder has sold lots 3 and 4, block 3, Crowder's addition, to H. Cotter, for \$600. Mr. Cotter's intention being to erect a \$1200 cottage on the premises. Mr. Crowder also sold lots 20 and 21, block 3, Crowder's addition, to F. M. Adams, who will build an \$1800 residence on his purchase.

Will Hire Park Band.

At a meeting of the park board, which consists of Mayor Byrne, City Engineer Gill and President of the Council Hand, this afternoon arrangements were made for hiring a band to play on Sundays and on other fine evenings in Cour d'Alene park and part of the time in Liberty park.

NEW PUMPS.

Installed at the Up-River Station Within Six Weeks.

ADD TO WATER SUPPLY

Total Daily Output Will Then Be Fully Nineteen and One-Half Million Gallons.

Superintendent Weymouth has received notice from the builders of the new city pumps to be installed at the up-river pumping station that the pumps will be shipped from the factory in Dayton, O., on the first of the coming month. This means that within six weeks from now the pumps will be in place and will be aiding in throwing water among the residences of the hillside, instead of beginning work four months from now, the time agreed upon several weeks ago.

The foundations for the pumps will be finished in a few days. It will require from 10 days to two weeks for the pumps to reach their destination after shipment, and another 10 days or two weeks will be required for their installation.

These pumps will add 5,000,000 gallons of water to the city supply each day, making the total daily supply 19,500,000 gallons. These pumps are to work entirely independent of the proposed reservoir on the hill and will do much to caring for the jaws of the hillside.

GET \$2,200.

HELPER, Utah, May 14.—The sheriff and a posse are not on the trail this afternoon of four men who held up the Rooney saloon and gambling hall here early this morning. As all the men are armed a battle is expected.

The robbers lined up the patrons, shooting William Everett through the ribs twice. They secured \$1800 from the tables and shot machine. The patrons contributed \$400. The big haul was occasioned by it being the Rio Grande road's payday.

Exhume Reichlin Body.

ELVIRA, O., May 14.—The body of Agatha Reichlin was exhumed this morning and is being examined to ascertain whether death was due to choking or to her head being crushed.

ROOSEVELT UNVEILS MANILA MONUMENT

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—This morning the president presided at the dedication of the Dewey victory monument in Union Square. In his speech Roosevelt praised the navy and its victory at Manila.

KENTUCKY BELLE AN EXPERT HORSEWOMAN

MISS MINNIE DEPP. The striking figures at field trials in this section of Kentucky is Miss Minnie Depp, daughter of J. P. Depp. She is a tall, queenly girl and an enthusiastic as well as expert horsewoman.

TO ARBITRATE GAS TROUBLE

G. A. Witherspoon and O. L. Rankin Are Appointed Arbitrators by Commissioner Blackburn.

The settlement of the long drawn-out fight between the gas company and the gas workers' union is in sight. Both sides have agreed to submit the points in dispute to a board of arbitration, selected under the law passed by the last legislature giving the state commissioner of labor the right to intervene in strike troubles.

Isaac Anderson of the gas company appealed to State Labor Commissioner Blackburn several days ago to come to Spokane and if possible secure an adjustment of the difficulties by arbitration. Commissioner Blackburn has been several days in response to this request and today an agreement was signed to submit all differences to a board appointed under the new law. An arbitrator was at once named by each side, G. A. Witherspoon, a steam fitter, by the union and O. L. Rankin of the Grote-Rankin company by the gas company.

These two went into session immediately to choose a third. As soon as he is selected the taking of evidence will commence at Central Labor hall. Commissioner Blackburn said today: "This is the first board assembled under the new law. The law requires a board of three, one selected by each side and the third by these two. The labor commissioner sits as moderator, summons and swears witnesses and generally oversees the board's sessions. The meetings will be open to the public. We will begin taking evidence as soon as the third member is chosen. The millworkers have also appealed to me to secure a settlement of their strike, which I shall endeavor to do as soon as the gas matter is finished. I hope the example set by the gas company and workers will be followed by the other local employes and employers who have unsettled differences."

The main point in dispute in the gas company's strike is a recognition of the union, not wages nor hours. The law passed by the last legislature providing for boards of arbitration for labor difficulties under which the gas company acted to secure a settlement of their difficulties contains in brief the following provisions: The benefit of the law is invoked through the state labor commissioner. Upon application by either side to a controversy he must investigate the trouble and attempt by personal influence and persuasion to effect a settlement. This failing, and both sides being willing, a board of arbitration may be summoned. This board is composed of three members, one chosen by each side, and these two selecting a third. The labor commissioner acts as moderator at sessions of the board but has no vote. The proceedings of the board are similar to judicial proceedings, the commissioner having power to summon and swear witnesses. The sessions are always open to the public. In case either side refuses to deliberate when the other side invokes the law, then the one refusing must make a sworn statement of his reasons for doing so. This sworn statement, the law provides, shall be public property and open to the inspection of any newspaper. When acting as such arbitrators shall be paid \$5 per day.

5 DYING FROM GIFT OF POISONED LIQUOR

CINCINNATI, O., May 14.—A poisoning case that promises to rival the Molinex case developed last night when Benjamin Ficker and four other expressmen who were unloading the Adams Express car dropped a package containing a quart bottle of fine whisky directed to Mrs. Kate Nobbe of this city. The expressmen said it was too good to waste, so caught a portion of the contents in a dinner pail and drank it. A few minutes later all five were writhing in convulsions. Ficker, who was the last to succumb, told the occurrence to the hospital physicians and died a few minutes later. Two of the others were critically ill at noon and the other two are out of danger. The physicians are puzzled over the poison used. They think it was bichloride of mercury. When Mrs. Nobbe was acquainted with the facts she at once accused Elizabeth McCormick of Memphis, who lives with a saloonkeeper named Pell, ostensibly his housekeeper. Pell is Mrs. Nobbe's brother-in-law. Mrs. Nobbe also identifies the handwriting on the address of the package as Miss McCormick's. She says this is the second attempt to poison her.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Last Days of the Big MATTING SALE!

It's an event you can ill afford to overlook if you are in need of this sort of floor coverings. The reductions will average a third, and the mattings are all brand new—this season's goods. Two excellent reasons why you should buy now.

22c Mattings for 15c
30c Mattings for 20c
45c Mattings for 30c
65c Mattings for 45c

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FURNITURE DRAPERIES CARPETS BEDDING
THE GROTE-RANKIN COMPANY.
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409-411-413 RIVERSIDE AVENUE.

Attend the Hat Sale
Latest effects in Trimmed Hats, worth up to \$10.00, on sale tomorrow at

\$4.39

Tailored Hats
New effects, worth up to \$3.50 tomorrow

\$1.49.

See the Sailors for . . . 25c
Baby Bonnets, 10c
Flowers, Flowers, 25c

WHITEHOUSE DRY GOODS

RIVERSIDE AND HOWARD.

GREAT SALE OF Tapestry Furniture Covers

in Carpet and Drapery Department, on second floor. Take the elevator.

Just when every good housekeeper is planning to refresh her home for spring and summer come these splendid offerings of exactly the goods to make the home beautiful. Nothing but the very latest in furniture, coverings and draperies are shown, and all very reasonably priced. Silk tapestries, silk serges, silk velours, silk plushes, silk and cotton Ormoco, plain and Ottoman corals, English linen taffetas, Tulle de Flandres, Parrot velvets, Jasper velvets, Gordon reps and silk and wool monoco, etc. For your convenience we have arranged these beautiful foreign and domestic fabrics in list as follows:

LOT NO. 1—80c quality tapestry for 49c—20 pieces oman striped tapestry, 50 inches wide, in rich and brilliant colors. Special for Friday, a yard, 49c

LOT NO. 2—\$1.00 grade tapestry for 69c—18 pieces plain, mixed and broadcloth weaves; shaded effects, 50 inches wide. Special for Friday, a yard, 69c

LOT NO. 3—\$1.25 quality tapestry for 89c—16 pieces varied stripes and sets, oriental designs, beautiful colorings, 50 inches wide. Special Friday, a yard, 89c

LOT NO. 4—\$1.50 grade tapestry for 99c—22 pieces, in Persian

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LOT NO. 5—\$1.00 grade tapestry for \$5 to \$5—3 pieces 40-inch French taffeta, in rose, sapphire and old gold shades, combined. Special Friday, a yard, \$6.98

LOT NO. 6—\$5.00 quality tapestry for \$2.75—8 pieces oriental design patterns, elegant shades of tan and cardinal. Special Friday, a yard, \$3.67

LOT NO. 7—\$2.50 quality tapestry for \$2.75—11 pieces Roman and Persian stripes, alternating. Special Friday, a yard, \$2.75

See display in Riverside avenue window.

Arrests "Kid" Lewis on Vagrancy Charge.

J. K. ("Kid") Lewis, a prize fighter, is in the city jail on the charge of vagrancy, having been arrested by Officer Thompson last night. Lewis was released from jail a few days ago, having freed himself from the charge of aiding in the "rolling" of J. Prouty to the tune of \$50.

Fatal Wreck at Bloomingburg Today.

COURTHOUSE, O., May 14.—A Baltimore & Ohio passenger train was wrecked near Bloomingburg this forenoon. The rails spread and the engine left the track. The engineer and fireman were killed and the mill car overturned. No passengers were killed, although some were slightly injured.