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## SECURE MUCH PLUNDER.

Gang of "Long Island Pirates" Caught Up With.

## PULL PISTOLS, BUT IN VAIN

Complete Outfit For Private Yacht Is Found, and the Value of the Loot Estimated as Being Worth Fully Three Thousand Dollars.

New York, March 3.—Police here have made quite a haul.

A house which the police say is the headquarters of a gang of "Long Island Sound pirates" was raided at the entrance to Flushing bay. Three men were arrested—Ernest Kraus and two sons, Max and William. They were locked up charged with burglary and grand larceny.

Suspicion was directed towards the house several days before, and as soon as the police were convinced that the men were inside the place was raided. The three accused men drew revolvers when the police appeared, but a show of force caused them to submit to arrest. In the house was everything that goes to make the outfit of a private yacht, from a brass cannon to a rope's end. A rough estimate of the value of the loot is \$3,000.

Organizations that have reported losses of property from their boats are the Williamsburg, the Knickerbocker, the Bayside and the Manhass yacht clubs.

## TEN PERSONS PERISH.

With One Exception, All Victims Italians.

New York, March 3.—Ten persons lost their lives during the fire in the five-story tenement house at 372 Forty-seventh avenue today.

Cut off from escape by the stairway being a seething mass of flames nine Italians, ranging in age from a girl of five to adults of sixty years, and one Frenchman, were burned to death.

The remainder of the thirty-five families residing in the structure were either rescued or succeeded in effecting their own escape. Five people, including a policeman, were injured by flying glass and taken to hospitals. One of the injured was a one-year-old boy.

At first it was believed the fire, which had its origin in the front, was incendiary, following a Black Hand letter which an occupant of the building received several months ago. Fire marshals and police, after an investigation, discredit this theory.

Firemen and policemen rescued many of the occupants by swinging ladders across the windows of neighboring structures.

## JEFFRIES WELCOMED.

Remarkable Demonstration Signals His Advent into New York.

New York, March 3.—Pugilist James Jeffries was accorded a remarkable demonstration upon his arrival here. A crowd of nearly 2,000 people gathered at the Grand Central station and wildly cheered the pugilist as he alighted his way to a carriage. Jeffries is accompanied by his wife and sparring partner, Sam Berger. Jeffries said that he is feeling firstrate, but could not say definitely whether he would again enter the prize ring or not. He said he had been out of the ring four years, and that might make it impossible for him to attain strict championship form again.

## Wisner Under Bond.

Memphis, March 3.—C. N. Wisner, senior member of the firm of Wisner & Co., cotton brokers of Memphis, New Orleans and Manchester, England, who was arrested in New Orleans charged with embezzlement on a complaint made by B. C. Boyce, has arrived here. He was given a preliminary hearing and was released on \$5,000 bond.

The specific charge against Wisner is that while cashier of the Lancashire Compress company he sold some of the machinery of the company and appropriated a little less than \$5,000 to his own use. Mr. Wisner declined to make a statement.

## Freight Train Wrecked.

El Paso, March 3.—A Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio freight train was wrecked west of here. An unknown man was killed and Fireman Felix Williams seriously hurt.

## MISS KENDIG'S TESTIMONY

Young Lady's Evidence Is Out of the Ordinary.

Austin, March 3.—All of the house committee clerks, stenographers and other employees, over a score in number, examined Wednesday morning by the committee appointed at the instigation of Speaker Kennedy to investigate the manner of employment of each, amount of salary, how paid and absences, excused and unexcused, only one, the last to testify, gave evidence which might be considered out of the ordinary or calculated to cause any comment.

Miss Jessie Kendig stated that she had been employed as stenographer in the house at a salary of \$120 per month, dating from Jan. 14 last, but had only reported for duty last Friday, Feb. 27, her absence before that having been excused by Speaker Kennedy.

Miss Kendig stated that her home is in Kansas City, and that she was notified of her appointment, dating from Jan. 14, but was unable to leave Kansas City at that time, notifying Mr. Kennedy that she couldn't come to Austin until about March 1, and her absence was excused, and the place held for her, she receiving the salary as agreed, except for a reduction to be made to pay somebody to do the work which would have been required of her had she been here. This amount she did not know, as she had not been informed. She supposed it would be decided by others.

Miss Kendig testified that she had received about Feb. 20 the sum of \$120 in payment for her first month's salary, coming to her in the form of a New York draft for \$100 and a check for \$20. She was not asked, and did not say whose check it was. She said that she is due money for forty-four days' service, but understands the fourteen days' pay has been held back for the work done by others for her.

Miss Kendig stated that she had first been employed by Mr. Kennedy at Mart, Tex. in June, 1906, and afterwards, through his influence, was appointed by Speaker Love as stenographer in the Thirtieth legislature. When the legislature adjourned she went to Waco and worked for Mr. Kennedy until August, 1907, when she returned to her home in Kansas City. Afterwards she had refused several offers from Mr. Kennedy to return to Waco and work, her mother being ill and unable to spare her for over a year, and then when she wanted to return to Texas, Mr. Kennedy had no work to offer her. She said that Mr. Kennedy had always paid her promptly, and owed her nothing; further, that she had received, and expected to receive, no part of the money paid her as stenographer in the house.

House committee on revenue and taxation reported favorably Mobley's bill placing a gross receipts tax of 26 cents on stockyards, and also on breweries. A minority report will be made.

The house adopted a resolution urging congress to make an appropriation of \$500,000 for the improvement of waterways of Texas and other states. The house passed to engrossment the bill making more stringent the law against bribery. It passed finally Senator Coker's bill regulating collection of and assessment of taxes.

## THOMAS COMMITTEE.

Great Many Witnesses May Be Called Upon to Testify.

Austin, March 3.—According to developments, the senate investigating committee on the charges of Thomas may be in session for a week or longer. The committee, it is understood, has decided that witnesses will be examined for alleged violations, not alone in the senate chamber and committee rooms, but also on the streets of Austin and in the hotel lobbies. Under this decision there will be many more witnesses to testify.

City Attorney Collins of Dallas is to have introduced a bill amending the city charter of Dallas so as to make provision for the disposition of sewerage in the Trinity river, which is now confined on account of the locking of dams by the government. The amount of bonds to be issued is not mentioned in the bill.

## STRONG ISSUES ADDRESS.

Submission Is Not Defeated, and Contest Will Be Renewed.

Dallas, March 3.—In an address issued by Hon. Sterling P. Strong he says the submission of prohibition to a vote of the people is not defeated, but merely postponed. Mr. Strong declares the contest will be renewed before the next legislature.

## UNIONISTS VICTORIOUS.

Cumberland Presbyterians Lose Before Supreme Court.

Austin, March 3.—Unionists won out in the supreme court in the church controversy between the Cumberland Presbyterian church and the Presbyterian Church of the United States.

The supreme court has reversed the judgment of the court of civil appeals, and the judgment of the district court of Marion county was affirmed.

The case was styled William Clark et al. vs. G. W. Brown et al. Suit was instituted by the church session of the Cumberland Presbyterian church against G. W. Brown et al., claiming to be the church session of the Presbyterian Church of the United States at Jefferson. The object of the suit was to recover from defendants certain lots which were deeded by different persons to trustees for the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

In 1906 the two churches were united at a meeting of a joint committee from both churches. There was at all times a strong minority which opposed union, and which caused dissatisfaction, resulting in those who opposed reunion claiming they constituted the session of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Jefferson. Defendants in the action were in possession of the property, and claimed that by the union the property had been transferred to the Presbyterian Church of the United States. The case was tried before a judge without a jury, and judgment rendered in favor of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, but the court of civil appeals reversed this judgment.

The supreme court held that the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church had authority to determine, from the provisions of its constitution, whether it had the power to enter a union with the Presbyterian Church of the United States, and having acted upon that decision, civil courts had no power to reverse that action.

Continuing, the court says: "Being part of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, the church at Jefferson was by union incorporated into the Presbyterian Church of the United States, and those members who recognize the authority of the Presbyterian Church of the United States are entitled to possession and use of property used for it." There is over \$1,000,000 worth of property involved in this decision.

## Seeking New Material.

El Paso, March 3.—Luther Burbank, plant wizard, will visit the vicinity of San Antonio and west Texas in April for new grafting material. After developing the thornless cactus for forage, he is now studying Mexico plants, and believes Texas offers a rare field for making useless plants marketable food.

## Disagreement With Santa Fe.

Weatherford, Tex., March 3.—War between merchants and the Santa Fe railway has been precipitated following a conference between citizens and officials. The former declare they will route their business over other lines unless the Santa Fe erects a new station. The road says it will consolidate the two old stations.

## After Cleburne Interurban.

Arlington, Tex., March 3.—Arlington Commercial club has appointed a committee to propose to the Northern Texas Traction Railway company building the interurban to Cleburne through Mansfield to connect with the Fort Worth-Dallas line. The club will raise the necessary funds.

## Escape by Narrow Margin.

St. Louis, March 3.—Wind that attained a velocity of forty miles per hour razed the two-story brick structure at Van and South Twelfth streets early Wednesday. Samuel Wolf, his wife and seven children, who were sleeping on the second floor, escaped injury by a narrow margin.

## Killed by Two Votes.

Helena, Mont., March 3.—In committee of the whole the legislature, by two votes, killed the Clayberg anti-Japanese bill, framed after the California measure, prohibiting holding of lands by orientals.

## Accidental Death.

Dalhart, Tex., March 3.—While moving household goods from a car to a ranch near Ware, Alsea Oliver, eighty years old, was instantly killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. The family is from Rockwell City, Ia.

## Objects to Paying Certain Taxes.

Chicago, March 3.—Declaring that she is not either "technically or legally a citizen," and cannot vote, Viola Squirr objects to being forced to pay personal property taxes. She has thus expressed herself in a letter to the county treasurer.

## Enacting Clause Stricken Out.

Indianapolis, March 3.—By vote of 26 to 23 the senate struck and the enacting clause of the bill to repeal the county local option law.

## To Erect Large Building.

Washington, March 3.—The University club will erect a \$350,000 building.

## Could Not Endure Separation.

Philadelphia, March 3.—Because her father forbade her going with a boy, Eleanor Fink, fifteen years old, suicided; carbolic acid.

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## BLIZZARD BESTS BERLIN.

Fifty People Seriously Injured by Falling Upon the Streets.

Berlin, March 3.—Berlin is in the grip of a blizzard. Snow fell heavily all day, and traffic was almost at a standstill. Fifty people have been seriously hurt by falling on the streets.

## Passed Over Veto.

Phoenix, Ariz., March 3.—The governor vetoed the educational qualification bill providing that voters must be able to read a paragraph of the constitution of the United States selected at random. The bill was then passed over the governor's veto. The local option segregation bill was amended and passed by the council and sent back to the house.

## Detachment Rescued.

Innsbruck, Austria, March 3.—A detachment of six officers and twenty-five men of the Austrian army, reported overwhelmed by an avalanche near Lafrann, have been rescued. They were found in a tunnel, where they had taken refuge. The tunnel was covered with snow.

## Wormer Nominated.

St. Louis, March 3.—W. F. Wormer was nominated for mayor on the second ballot by the Democratic city convention.

## Twenty Prisoners Escape.

City of Mexico, March 3.—Twenty long-term prisoners escaped from the fortress at Acapulco.

## Not Worried by Mishap.

San Antonio, March 3.—J. C. Wilson of Haskell, Tex., was found beside the Southern Pacific railway tracks with one foot cut off. He was calmly smoking a cigarette. He fell under the wheels while en route to Mexico to seek employment.

## Four Fatalities by Blast.

Butte, Mont., March 3.—By the premature discharge of a blast in Diamond mine, nine men were killed. They were smothered by a show of rocks.

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