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## ST. LOUIS FAIR BILL

Senate Passes Measure, But With Several Changes.

## ON REDISTRICTING

Measure to Change Judicial District Causes a Fight in Senate.

## NO LICENSE MEASURE

Bill to Change Disposition of Funds Comes Up for Another Fight.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN.  
Helena, March 3.—By a vote of 16 to 6 the senate this morning passed the St. Louis exposition bill with the several amendments. It now goes back to the house for concurrence in these amendments.

They provide for tilting the appropriation up to \$40,000, name the commission, take off the \$10,000 limit fixed for the cost of the state building at the fair and require the building to be constructed of Montana material so far as possible.

Kennedy made another fight against the provision naming the commission in the bill. Meyer replied to him, quoting the governor's message to show that it is the desire of the governor that the commission be named in this manner.

## FIGHT IN SENATE ON THE JUDICIAL BILL

There was another fight in the senate today on substitute for Senate Bill No. 79, which redistricts the judicial districts of the state so as to group Carbon and Sweet Grass counties with Yellowstone, something against which the residents of the two first-named counties are opposing. Senator Meyer voiced their protest, but was voted down. He will try to secure a reconsideration of the vote by which the senate passed the bill this morning.

Among the bills passed by the senate this morning was Whipple's reapportionment measure, providing for a house of representatives of but 53 members. While the bill carried—20 to 2—few believe that it will ever get through the house.

The senate concurred in a stack of deficiency appropriation bills this morning and also concurred in these house bills:

No. 174, prohibiting the use of deception in securing employees, and No. 244, requiring that shaft cages be closed in; also House Joint Memorial No. 5 against prison-made goods.

The senate passed the following bills in addition to those already enumerated:

Senate substitute for House Bill 204—Limiting the time in which actions can be brought.

Senate Bill No. 97—Creating the office of water commissioner.

Senate Bill No. 101—Lien for personal property taxes.

During the noon recess many senate committees are meeting.

After its strenuous and prolonged labors in committee of the whole last night the house this morning showed signs of weariness and inactivity. It consumed considerable time in aimless discussion. Sitting up of nights does not seem to agree with the members of the lower house.

An echo of last night's report of the Dwight gambling investigating committee came this morning in the house when an effort was made to revive the committee's bill creating a sort of Lexow committee of grave and reverend senators from the other end of the capitol to travel about the state investigating the gambling evils and trying to put salt on the tiger's tail. The effort to revive failed lamentably.

There were further doings with House Bills 308 and 309, license measures brought forward by a committee of mayors and other municipal officers in the state's cities. These bills get killed on an average twice a week and then are revived. This morning they came up on third read.

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## ARMLESS MAN HOLDS UP FARO DEALER WITH PISTOL IN TOES

One of the boldest robberies recorded in the history of Butte and Silver Bow counties, as well as one of the most unique methods of holding up that could possibly be imagined, was perpetrated shortly before 2 o'clock this morning when C. Payne, an armless man, entered the gambling hall of the California club and with a 44-caliber revolver between his toes compelled the dealer at one of the faro tables to give up \$5 which the crippled man had lost earlier in the evening.

That a man without either of his upper limbs could manipulate a large revolver with his toes sufficiently well to terrorize every man in a large gambling hall, seems incredible, yet such are the facts. It is said that when Payne stepped into the middle of the room and at the same time flourished the weapon at the end of his foot, gamblers, players, booters and all scattered like coyotes at the growl of a wolf.

## ARMLESS, BUT YET HE WAS WELL ARMED

"What do you want?" was asked the armless but armed man by one of the faro bank dealers when the latter had sufficiently recovered his composure to talk. "I want my money," was the reply.

"What money?" "That \$5 that I lost here an hour ago. And, what's more, if I don't get it pretty quick I'll shoot up the house."

The faro dealer opened his money drawer, took out a \$5 bill and handed it over to the man with the gun between his toes. The latter stretched his gun leg far enough to put the weapon back in his pocket, and, with a sweeping bow, left the hall.

It was 10 minutes before there was a move. Then someone gasped in astonishment. This seemed to be the awakening signal, and 40 men were soon in the middle of the floor.

"Why didn't you take the bloomin' gun away from him?" asked one gambler of another.

"Take it yourself," was the gruff response.

Then a general self-kicking went the rounds. No one could understand how a man without arms could awe a crowd into absolute submission. All hated to admit it had been done and some passed it over lightly by declaring the wielder of the gun must be a supernatural being.

## ARMLESS WONDER USES RAZOR ALSO

At 2 o'clock the matter was reported at police headquarters and several policemen went out to look for the armless wonder, but he couldn't be found until this morning.

His arrest follows another chapter of the story. Policemen Buckley and Lyden and Officer Barney McGillicie heard there was a disturbance at No. 38 East Mercury street and went to the scene. When they entered the house they found Payne with a razor between the toes of one foot and a big pistol between the toes of the other. The occupants of the house were all under the beds or in closets. The sight of the policemen's uniforms infuriated Payne and he made several passes with the razor at Buckley and Lyden. McGillicie was dressed in citizen's clothes and had no trouble in disarming the man. The patrol wagon was sent for and Payne was taken to the city jail, where he was locked up.

There he amused the other prisoners by sitting in a chair before a small mirror and shaving himself, the razor being between the toes of his right foot. He seemed to be under the influence of liquor and later went to sleep, when the razor was taken from him for fear he would try to do further damage.

Payne will be held on two charges—for robbing a gambling house and for firing a shot at Pete Auerbach, one of the men in the house on East Mercury street. The police believe the man is crazed with drink.

From what can be learned Payne came to Butte from Spokane. He is a vaudeville performer, one of his specialties being the shooting of glass balls thrown in the air with a revolver held between his toes. He can shuffle off his shoes in a twinkling and draw his gun.

The man is considered a wonder and his work of holding up the gambling house single-handed (or, rather, single-footed) is the talk of the town.

For the County.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN.  
Billings, March 3.—County Assessor Evans saved \$150 for the county yesterday afternoon when he prevented the shipment from here of 300 horses belonging to Balaski & Woodlenger that were about to be shipped from the state without paying the taxes. He demanded the amount named in personal property taxes and collected it.

With His Gun in His Foot, Enters Rooms of the California Club and Secures Coin--Shaves Himself at the Station When Arrested



THE ARMLESS WONDER PERFORMING A DEXTEROUS FEAT.



HE SHAVES A FRIEND.

## ON GROUND OF DESERTION

According to a complaint filed in the district court today Ida J. McDermid deserted Alexander McDermid just prior to Christmas day in 1901.

Consequently Mr. McDermid asks the court to grant him a divorce on the grounds of desertion.

The couple formerly resided at Victor, Col., where the alleged desertion by the wife is said to have taken place and no mention of children is made in the complaint.

## A SMALL FIRE AT BOZEMAN

Residence of Mr. Bulen on East Babcock Street Ablaze.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN.  
Bozeman, March 3.—A defective flue caused a fire this afternoon in the attic of the residence of Mr. Bulen on East Babcock street. The department extinguished the flames with the aid of the chemical engine. The damage was only about \$50.

## "PIKE" MOORE DEAD

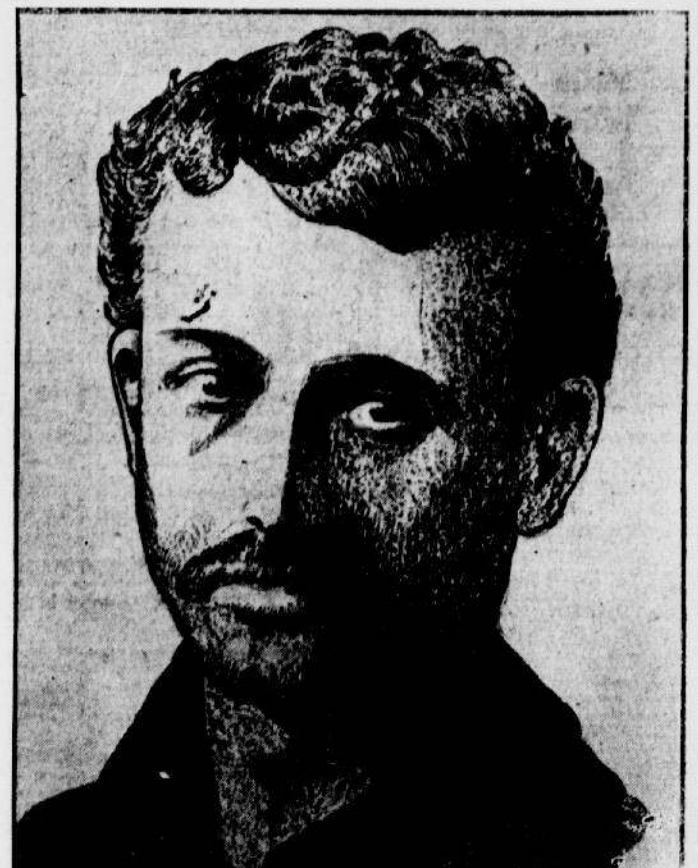
A Well-Known Oldtimer Passes Away at Gardiner—A Prospector.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN.  
Livingston, March 3.—J. W. Moore, better known as "Pike" Moore, an oldtimer, who first discovered gold in Cooke City in 1870, is dead at Gardiner at the age of 70. The first mine he located in Cooke City was the Shoo Fly. He was offered \$25,000 for the property, but refused it, wanting \$30,000. Barring the possession of a few mining claims, he died poor. He leaves a brother in Connecticut and a sister in Missouri.

An Alger Man.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, March 3.—It was announced today that David McGinnity will be appointed internal revenue collector for the district of Detroit to succeed Charles Wright. Mr. McGinnity was endorsed by General Alger.

## WEAVING A NET ABOUT THE MURDERER KNAPP



ALFRED A. KNAPP.

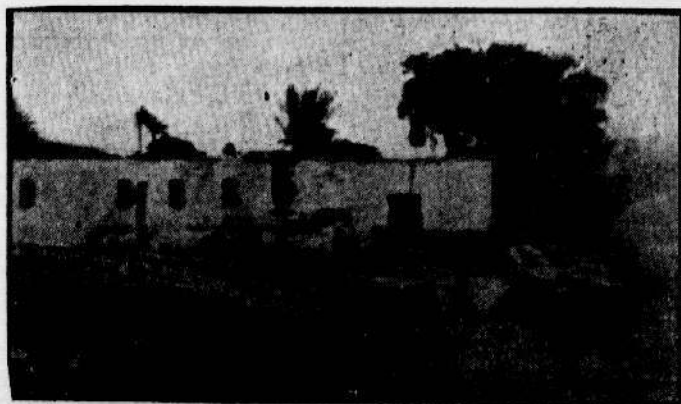
BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
New Albany, Ind., March 3.—Although Edward F. King today failed to positively identify the body of the woman found in the river here as that of his wife's sister and a wife of Alfred Knapp, the impression is strong that the body is that of Knapp's victim. The matter of identification is extremely difficult, owing to the long immersion. It is believed, however, that the body is that of Hannah Goddard.

Knapp and that it was put in a rough box and thrown into the Miami river at Hamilton, Ohio, December 22, floated on out of the Miami and into the Ohio and down past Louisville, where it rose to the surface and was discovered.

The identification of the body was made almost certain last night by a minute description telegraphed by the authorities of Hamilton. In her ears were found

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## AMERICAN SCOUTS ATTACK AND DEFEAT A BODY OF LADRONES ON OUTSKIRTS OF MANILA



SCENE IN THE VILLAGE OF MARIQUINA.

Manila, March 3.—A detachment of scouts, under the command of Lieutenant Nickerson, attacked and defeated a body of ladrones near the village of Mariquina, seven miles from Manila, Sunday. Lieutenant Nickerson attacked before daylight. After an hour's fighting the ladrones were scattered and 19 were killed and many wounded. There were no casualties on the side of the scouts.



ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF MANILA

The constabulary last week surprised and captured a stronghold of the ladrones in the mountains of Albay, Luzon, where a force of ladrones attacked a small detachment of constabulary on February 20.

WHERE THE FIGHTING OCCURRED.

The constabulary on Wednesday met with some resistance from the ladrones who were defeated, with a loss of 10 killed and four captured. The ladrones' stronghold and supplies were burned.