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### DEMANDS CASH FROM KEARNS

Attempt to Blackmail Utah's Recently Elected Senator.

### INSPECTOR SULLIVAN MAKES AN ARREST

Ernest J. Wolter, Prominent Business Man of Schuyler, Is in the Douglas County Jail Charged with the Crime.

Ernest J. Wolter of Schuyler, Neb., in the Douglas county jail awaiting preliminary examination on charges of attempting to extort money by threats from the States Senator Thomas Kearns of Utah. His preliminary examination will take place this morning at 10 o'clock before Judge Gustave Anderson, United States court commissioner.

The arrest of Wolter was one of the quickest pieces of work in the history of the United States postoffice inspection department. Last Saturday Inspector W. T. Sullivan, in charge of the Denver district, received from the authorities in Washington that letters had been written to Senator Kearns, which were in violation of the regulations of the department. He sent to Salt Lake for the letters and received them Monday afternoon. The envelopes bore the postmark of the Omaha and Ogden railway postoffice. The first one was mailed February 20 and was addressed to Senator Kearns.

Makes Strong Demand. The letters are at present in the hands of the postoffice inspectors, who refuse to show them for publication, but the substance of the demands as given by one who read it is as follows: SALT LAKE, Utah, Feb. 19.—Mr. Thomas Kearns: Permit me to be the first to congratulate you upon your election to the United States Senate. You are now happy in your fortunes, in your family and your wife; you have a sum of \$100,000 in the bank. Now, if you will only give me \$5,000, I will send you a letter which will make you a millionaire. If you will send it to me, I will send you some books, papers or magazines and place the same in your hands. If you will send it to me, I will send you a letter which will make you a millionaire. If you will send it to me, I will send you a letter which will make you a millionaire.

Writes the Senator's Wife. The second letter was addressed to Mrs. Kearns and demanded that she send \$2,000 to the same address as that given in the letter to the senator. This letter made a distinct threat against the children of the senator and stated that the writer was a man who was expert in the use of dynamite and nitroglycerine. The money was to be paid in two installments, one immediately and one in August.

Inspector Sullivan received the letter from the store of Wolter, who lives at Schuyler, arriving there Tuesday. He called at the postoffice and inquired who had rented lock box 484, and was told that it had been rented by Ernest J. Wolter, the proprietor of the New York Cash House, a leading establishment in the city. The next question was in regard to the mail which had been received for the box. The girl in the office stated that the only mail received was a postal card from the postoffice at Schuyler, Neb., stating that he could not rent a lock box at the person addressed.

This was the first material clue the inspector had received. He drove to Rogers and interviewed the postmaster. The Rogers establishment is owned by Ernest J. Wolter, who lives at Schuyler, and is a traveling man. He is a man of considerable means and is well known in the neighborhood. He is a man of considerable means and is well known in the neighborhood. He is a man of considerable means and is well known in the neighborhood.

Warrant is Secured. Inspector Sullivan then came to Omaha, where he secured a warrant for the arrest of Wolter on the charge of using the mails for the purpose of defrauding and for attempting to blackmail by the use of the mails. He returned to Schuyler Wednesday and immediately sent the warrant to Wolter, who he said that he wanted the proprietor on the charge of signing a fictitious name to a letter sent through the mail. Wolter denied the charge, but when confronted with the admitted that he had written the letter, but he had done so at the request of Walker, who, he said, was a traveling man. The handwriting of the letter to the postmaster bears many points in common with the letter written to Senator Kearns and his wife, and as soon as Wolter admitted writing the former letter he was immediately told that he was wanted on the charge of attempting to blackmail the Utah senator.

In conversation with the inspector he admitted that he had written the letter, but said that he did it for Walker, whose whereabouts were at that time unknown. The inspector questioned his prisoner at length, but received nothing but a reiteration of innocence.

SCHUYLER STANDS AGHAST. Its Citizens Cannot Credit the Charges Made Against E. J. Wolter. SCHUYLER, Neb., March 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Citizens of Schuyler stood aghast today to learn that E. J. Wolter, one of the leading merchants, was taken into custody by United States Marshal Pearson.

to be detectives have been here a week or more, but no one knew why. It is reported that a man supposed to be from Omaha was here some weeks since, that he visited Wolters and that he rented a postoffice box through which Wolters afterward got a letter, which leads to the belief that he had an accomplice. Mr. Wolters was a prominent exponent of Christianity and one of the very last that would be thought of in connection with such an act. Himself and wife came here from Salt Lake City five years ago.

### AMUSEMENTS.

Mme. Sembrich was greeted by an enthusiastic crowd of music lovers last night, although her appearance was scheduled as the principal part in an opera which gave little chance for portraying a star. Why these operas should be given in a foreign language in the west is as yet an incomprehensible affair. But we are obliged to look upon the appearance of both Mme. Sembrich and her company as a great aggregation of artists, for the simple reason that Sembrich is supreme in her line of work and all others are but faulty copies.

Mme. Sembrich shows the art of vocalization in its entirety. She is the living perfection of a great idea and that idea is simply an expression of the universe itself. One is not impressed with her great art half so much as with her wonderful interpretation, her artistic presentation and her perfect enunciation.

Two Fires, Both Suspicious. Department concludes Incendiaries Are at Work in the Outskirts of the City.

Two fires of suspicious origin occurring Thursday night within an hour and at locations separated by but a few blocks indicate that an incendiary is at work. The first, at 9:20 p. m., was at the liveryhouse of Nicholas streets and was started among refuse alongside the south wall. The brick wind from the south had fanned it into a large blaze by the time the department arrived, but the loss was held down to \$15.

DATE OF THE METZ FUNERAL. It is to Be From the Family Residence Tomorrow Afternoon.

After a lingering illness Fred Metz, 27, died at his home, 2556 Harney street, a few minutes after 3 yesterday morning. His body was in the hands of the undertaker with the exception of two married daughters, who are expected to arrive in the city this morning. The funeral will be held from the residence Saturday afternoon. The interment will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. H. S. Spearman and C. W. Owens of Washington are at the Murray. In the Harney street temple tonight at 7:45 Rabbi Simon will speak upon "In the Name of God."

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wigningham of Ashland, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Castetter of E. E. Stevens of Beatrice, A. W. Rickman of Chadron, V. O. Wilson of Stromsburg and K. E. Krinke of Salt Lake are guests of the Pier Grand.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Butterfield of Craigton, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Hopewell of Tebbin, Mrs. T. L. H. of Beatrice, Mrs. W. Welsh of Fort Crook, E. A. Temple of Lexington, C. E. Burnham of Tilden and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. of Columbus are registered at the Millard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Muffley started for Washington, D. C., last night, where they will make their future home. They will stop at the Murray. Mr. Muffley was to Washington to accept a position in the military in the government printing office.

Nebraskans at the Merchants: John Wilson, Thomas Green, F. B. Trueblood, A. J. Beagle, Grand Island; Mr. and Mrs. S. Carpenter, York; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. K. M. of York; Mr. and Mrs. B. Baldwin and daughter, Elkhorn; E. J. Brodenberg, Malmo; J. L. Davis, Palmer; J. L. McDonald, Ashland; G. F. Pritchard, Fort Union; A. E. Crystal, Lincoln; Soren Jensen, Lexington; W. L. Allen, Schuyler, Joseph Oster, Chadron.

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DEPORTS THE MALCONTENTS. MacArthur Sends Aggressive Insurgent Sympathizers to Guam.

ARE TO BE HELD INDEFINITELY. None to Be Released Until Public Declaration of the Cessation of All Hostilities is Issued.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—General MacArthur has informed the War department by mail that in pursuance of authority obtained from the department under date of December last he has ordered the deportation of a number of persons "whose overt acts have clearly revealed them as in aid of, or in sympathy with, the insurrection, and the irregular guerrilla warfare by which it is being maintained and whose continued residence in the Philippine islands is in every essential regard, identical to the pacification thereof."

What Shall We Have for Dessert? This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! No baking! Add boiling water and set in cool. Flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package of your grocers to-day. 10 cts.

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NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES. Good Fiction from the Pens of Comparatively Unknown Writers. JAMES BALL NAYLOR WRITES A STORY

Life of Peter Cooper—American Letters to London—President of Christian Endeavor Writes a Book of Travel.

The last few days has brought to hand several new volumes that will claim the attention of the reading public. Works of fiction are in the lead, though there are several that are not to be classed under that head.

One of the late books, "The Heritage of Ureart," by Gwendolen Overton, a new writer. The story deals with frontier and army life, the scene of which is laid in the southwest under Genorimo in the late '70's and early '80's. The central characters are the beautiful daughter of an American seafarer and a half-breed Mesquero mother, from whom she receives the heritage which gives the title; her husband, an army officer whose early life and education in Australia and Europe have not eradicated the strain of recklessness and the roving tendency bequeathed him by a lawless English ancestor.

Not long ago announcement was made of a new volume of fiction from the pen of Dr. James Ball Naylor. The volume is now at hand, and though it has but just come from the bindery, it is said to be enjoying a large sale. "Ralph Marlow," for such is the title, is a novel worthy the careful attention of readers. The plot is laid in the picturesque hill country of southeastern Ohio, and the adventures and trials of the hero, Ralph Marlowe, will be followed with the keenest relish until the climax is reached—perhaps a climax not expected by all, but one which will in nowise detract from the attractiveness of the first pages. Nothing could be more realistic than the author's description of the hero's initial visit to the little village of Babylon, his first meeting with the eccentric Doc Barrow, his wise-woman daughter, Dolly; the original garrulous Jap, who figures on nearly every page with his "shy" reminiscences; the stammering Tom; the jovial traveling salesman; the unfortunate Stella, and the ditsy and misunderstandings with which she surrounded the happy lovers, or Julia's contrition and hasty leave-taking. Dr. Naylor has been known to the newspaper world for a number of years as a writer of acceptable verse and fiction, although this is his first real venture between covers. The Saalfield Publishing Co. Price, \$1.50.

"A Priest and a Woman" is the title of a new romance by Landis Ayer, the motive of which, verily of the clergy, is ingeniously presented and advocated by entertaining experiences and conversations in an Episcopal parish. A young rector, vowed to celibacy, is thrown much in the society of a beautiful young woman, who seeks him for counsel and spiritual support, her life being hedged by most unhappy conditions. A college mate and intimate friend of the

priest is ardently in love with the same young woman and maintains a close pursuit throughout the story. His arguments with the priest reveal the latter's views. The story contains an element of both comedy and tragedy, while there is also a delicate depiction of varied character, among which figures "the girl with the postscript." The Abbey Press, New York. Price, \$1.

Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co. are re-issuing a very great service to American biographical history by the publication of the Riverside Biographical Series. It is a series of brief studies of great Americans, brought out in small 16-mo. volumes in library style, each volume containing a photographure portrait. Among the volumes published up to the present time are those devoted to the lives of Andrew Jackson, James B. Eads, Benjamin Franklin and Peter Cooper. The last mentioned volume has just come to hand and tells a most entertaining and interesting story of the early life, business ventures, inventions projected and completed, his connection with the municipal affairs of New York city, the history of Cooper Union and many other circumstances connected with a busy life are described in a way to interest even the most critical reader. The author, Rositer W. Raymond, has, in fact, given us a very readable sketch in his little volume of one of the greatest of our countrymen. Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston. Price, 75c.

During the spring and early summer of 1900 the London Times printed a series of letters written from the United States, which series is now brought out in book form under the title, "American Engineering Competition." These letters were the result of an inquiry made toward the end of the year 1899 by an English engineer who visited the chief engineering centers here. Their publication excited a great deal of comment in England, where the manufacturers of iron and steel were very much exercised at the revelation of the great strides in manufacturing that had been taken in the United States. In their present form these letters are of special interest to American business men and manufacturers in that they represent conservative English opinion. The writer seemingly has taken a very unprejudiced view of American achievements in manufacturing and what he had to say on the subject will be found not only instructive but gratifying to American pride. Harper & Bros., New York. Price, \$1.

In early youth and the advocacy of a new treatment of the mind and body to prevent this checking and thereby increase the power, strength and mastery of men and women. The work is an original plea for less contemplation by the weary and pained of earthly objects and a return to the first principles of nature and study of the sun and creative power. It is a plea for the development of the inwardness of the individual, the reward for such effort being a triumph over the thousand and one ills that now combat the individual and keep him chained to the miseries of a sordid existence. The Reynolds Publishing company, Chicago. Price, \$1.

"Inkognito," by Baldwin Grotler, and "Cand. phil. Lauschmann," by P. Albersdorf, is the latest addition to the series of modern German texts which the American Book company is issuing. The two stories contained in the volume will be welcomed for their healthy humor as well as for the interest of the pen-picture of German student life presented in the latter. Both are suitable for second or third year reading. Besides the complete vocabulary, and numerous notes containing all explanations necessary for the full understanding of the text, the author has added a set of exercises for drill in German prose composition. These exercises embody words chosen from the corresponding part of the text, with such variations in their use and the construction of the sentences embodying them as cannot fail to give the student most helpful grammatical drill. American Book Company, Chicago.

The above books are for sale by the Megeath Stationery Co., 1308 Farnam St.

The books reviewed on this page can be had of Barkalow Bros., "Bookshop," 1612 Farnam street and Union Station.

ORR IS OFF FOR MEXICO. Well Known Omaha Man Goes to Tropics to Manage Coffee Plantation.

W. C. Orr, manager of the Vera Cruz Coffee company, with official headquarters in Omaha, started last night for Omeacala, Mexico, where he will remain four years in control of the company's coffee plantation. Accompanied by his wife and child he left at 10:30 and will arrive at his destination about noon next Tuesday.

In this plantation, which comprises 2,000 acres near the town of Omeacala, 100 Omaha men are interested, among them being D. M. Haverly, A. J. Agnew and W. E. Grant. The tract has been under cultivation for four years and there is already a considerable yield. Its capacity is to be increased as soon as possible to 400,000 trees.

As soon as the young trees are taken from the nursery, said Mr. Orr, "they are transplanted in the shade of the natural forest, from 500 to 600 to the acre, and in the course of four years they reach their full bearing capacity and their full height, which is about eight feet. The shade of the forest is a necessary phase of the industry. If the coffee trees were planted in the full glare of the sun the yield of berries would be too exuberant and the trees would wear themselves out in a few years. The picking season is from November 1 to January 1.

A kind of coffee we grow down here known as "Cordoba," is shipped to Europe and thence back to America, arriving here as Java and Mocha. Without this roundabout shipment, it would be impossible to dispose of it here as a Mexican coffee, but in the long voyage it loses its identity as an American product and can easily be made to masquerade as European brands. The larger price it commands more than pays for the long haul."

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Will Build Connecting Link. President E. F. Younkman of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad has authorized the announcement of the intention of the officials to build the fifteen miles of track necessary to connect his line with that of the newly acquired Memphis road. It is said that the connection will be from the southern terminus of the Memphis at Memphis, Tenn., to the Memphis office of the Frisco line. Such an action will give a short line south from Kansas City by the Memphis and then the Frisco to the points in the Indian Territory and Texas reached by the latter line.

In the People's Church. Rev. E. Raymond Hammond, evangelist, will preach this afternoon and evening in the People's church, Eighteenth and "G" forms streets, at 7:30 and 9:30. Rev. H. V. Savidge is pastor. Everybody is invited to attend the meetings, which will be at 4 and 7:30.

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