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WASHERWOMEN PLACE SKIDS UNDER CHINESE IN MEXICAN VILLAGE

Celestial Laundrymen Beat it for Hills Out of Cananea When Female Scrubbers Aroused.
FEDERALS SLAY U. S. RANCHER
Reports of American Citizen Kidnaped and Hanged Confirmed.
VILLA'S PROPOSAL ACCEPTED
Body of Benton to Be Examined in Juarez.
BRITISH CONSUL TO ATTEND
Body Will Be Examined in Presence of American Army Surgeon and Officers Detained by Major General Scott.

NOGALES, Sonora, Feb. 25.—The anti-Chinese riots in Cananea, Sonora, yesterday, grew out of a washerwoman's war, according to information received here by Mexican officials.

The Woman's Protective League of Cananea, recently organized by women who earned their living at the washboard, is said to have been responsible for the attack on the Chinese, who were accused of usurping the women's employment.

Women took the lead in the rioting, which resulted in the flight to the hills of virtually all of Cananea's Chinese laundrymen, and many of the Oriental restaurant keepers and common laborers. The majority of the Chinese returned to Cananea today, after a night of terror in the hills.

Federals Kill American.
LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 25.—Official confirmation of the hanging of Clemente Vergara, American citizen, by Mexican federals, near Hidalgo, Mex., was received today by United States Consul Garrett at Nuevo Laredo. The report said Vergara's body is still hanging three miles from Hidalgo, Consul Garrett immediately left for the scene.

Vergara was a rancher of Webb county, Tex. He used an island in the Rio Grande as pasture. Vergara complained that Mexican federals were stealing his horses and a small detachment of Texas rangers were sent to his ranch.

On February 15, Mexicans appeared on the island and called Vergara there, ostensibly to pay him for the horses. When he reached the island, according to reports, he was struck in the back of the head by the soldiers, carried into the interior of Mexico and hanged.

Villa's Proposal Accepted.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—General Villa's proposal for an American examination of the body of William R. Benton, the English ranchman he executed at Juarez without permitting its removal from Mexico, has been accepted by this government, without waiving, however, any further movement to demand its delivery on American soil.

British Consul Perceval at Galveston was today ordered to proceed to El Paso at once, where he is expected to arrive tomorrow to go to the grave in Juarez with a delegation of Americans, Major General Scott, commanding the United States troops there, will detail an American army surgeon and any other officers to accompany the British consul. A member of Benton's family will be taken with the party.

May Send Cavalry for Body.
Discussing possibilities, some officials here said that it was really no obstacle to Brigadier General Bliss sending a force of American cavalrymen from the border patrol to recover Benton's body if it can be located. That such would be an act of war, which must first be authorized by congress was denied by this official. They pointed out that President Wilson's declaration that there is at present no government in Mexico, such a condition they say would justify such action, somewhat similar to that taken in China during the Boxer uprising when a large international force entered the country without any declaration of war. Such a course will be one of last resort, but its legality was held to be beyond question.

Reminders Go to See Villa.
As a result of a conference two rebel officials have left Juarez for Chihuahua. Cabrera's representatives will be placed before Villa, if plans do not miscarry. It is hoped that he will be convinced that his seeming policy of evasion is a mistaken one.

That course has been decided on pending.
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The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity Fair, colder.

| Temperature at Omaha Yesterday | Hours | Deg. |
|--------------------------------|-------|------|
| 5 a. m. | | 2 |
| 8 a. m. | | 4 |
| 11 a. m. | | 10 |
| 2 p. m. | | 14 |
| 5 p. m. | | 10 |
| 8 p. m. | | 6 |
| 11 p. m. | | 3 |

Comparative Local Record.

| ..... | 1914 | 1913 | 1912 | 1911 |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Highest yesterday | 24 | 22 | 22 | 40 |
| Lowest yesterday | 6 | 15 | 16 | 28 |
| Mean temperature | 20 | 20 | 21 | 28 |
| Precipitation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Normal temperature | ..... | 37 |
| Deficiency for the day | ..... | 17 |
| Total excess since March 1 | ..... | 1150 |
| Normal precipitation | ..... | 42 |
| Deficiency for the day | ..... | 42 |
| Total deficiency since March 1 | ..... | 25.18 |
| Deficiency since March 1 | ..... | 4.32 |
| Deficiency for cor. period, 1913 | ..... | 12.35 |
| Normal precipitation | ..... | 42 |
| Deficiency for cor. period, 1912 | ..... | 4.32 |

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

| Station and State | Temp. | High | Est. | Low |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|-----|
| Davenport, Iowa | | 28 | 30 | 20 |
| Des Moines, Iowa | | 28 | 30 | 20 |
| Dodge City, Kansas | | 42 | 50 | 30 |
| Omaha, Neb. | | 24 | 30 | 10 |
| North Platte, Nebraska | | 44 | 50 | 30 |
| Rapid City, South Dakota | | 44 | 50 | 30 |
| Sheridan, Wyoming | | 44 | 50 | 30 |
| Snow City, Missouri | | 44 | 50 | 30 |
| Valentine, Nebraska | | 44 | 50 | 30 |

Indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

WILL TALK CONCRETE ROADS AT COMMERCIAL CLUB TODAY.



Millionaire Says White Slave Charge is Pure Blackmail

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 25.—J. Parker Whitney, millionaire clubman, accused in a warrant of violation of the Mann white slave law, was arrested early today on his ranch in Placer county. His bond has already been tentatively fixed, \$10,000, and he was allowed to remain, in charge of the arresting officer, on the ranch for the remainder of the night.

Whitney asked for particulars when arrested, and was told that he was specifically charged with having transported Genevieve Hannan from New York to San Francisco for immoral purposes. He said:

"I have been expecting this trouble for some time and I am glad things have come to a climax. It is simply a case of blackmail."

John W. Preston, United States district attorney issued the warrant yesterday, after the case had been placed in the hands of the grand jury, which will continue its inquiry Friday.

Bearing out Whitney's statement last night that he had expected trouble of this sort, it was learned today that last Thursday he called on Chief White of the police department with a complaint that Miss Hannan was endeavoring to blackmail him.

With the complaint Whitney submitted documentary evidence in the design of showing that Miss Hannan was a woman of loose life and had been a part of the Los Angeles underworld. Chief White replied that if Whitney's statements could be sustained he would warn Miss Hannan to leave town. He detailed a detective to the case, but when the detective reported that the woman already had left town, the police department dropped it.

Becker Says He Will Find Real Slayer of Herman Rosenthal

OSBURN, N. Y., Feb. 25.—As soon as Charles Becker gets out of prison he will devote all his energies, he says, to running down the men who are responsible for the murder of Herman Rosenthal. The former New York police lieutenant, who was granted a new trial yesterday for the Rosenthal murder, declared today that he could furnish information that would bring the real culprits to justice.

"After I have done that," said Becker, "I shall be willing to go back to the police department if they want me. If they won't, I will enter some other line of work."

"The four gun men are terribly downhearted today because they, too, were not granted a new trial. They thought their case was dead up with mine."

"The four men who got immunity from the district attorney for swearing away my life may yet be arrested for the murder of Rosenthal. I think that Harry Vallon is the man who fired the fatal shots. That's the reason he got drunk before the killing. He wanted to get his nerve up for the deed."

Becker was in high spirits today. He burst into a torrent of reminiscences, promises, threats and self-congratulations.

DEALERS FLOCK TO ANNUAL AUTO SHOW TO BUY MACHINES

Agents Congregate to Swap Reminiscences at Dealers' Night at Omaha Exhibition.
TELL STORIES OF FIRST SHOW
Many on Hand Who Have Witnessed Development in Omaha.
MANY MACHINES ARE SOLD
Powell Only Member of Association Still a Stockholder.
SOCIETY NIGHT TONIGHT
Admission Will Be Increased and Evening Dress Will Be Prevalent, Although It Will Not Be in Any Way Required.

Wednesday night was dealers' night at the ninth annual automobile show. In honor of the 2,000 members of the trade who are in attendance the night was set aside for their special benefit by the directors and every dealer was on hand the entire evening, happy in his element. The automobile men swarmed up and down the aisles, around the display spaces, sat in machines and had a good time generally. Those who have witnessed all the automobile shows held in Omaha, swapped reminiscences of the earlier shows, especially the first show. Comparisons were made between the present show, which completely covers every part of the big Auditorium, with the first show, when but five dealers combined and could barely borrow enough cars from owners to fill the first floor let alone the basement and the balcony corridors. Those who had gone through the mill related in an interesting manner the evolution of the Omaha automobile show, tracing the improvements year by year. Clarke Powell, manager of the show, was much in evidence, as Powell is the only man at the present show who was a member of the original association.

Hold Panning Bee. Powell dug up old newspaper clippings and photographs and several of the dealers took time to tell about it to the new and unsophisticated salesmen and country dealers. The dealers were exceedingly happy; it was their night and they made the most of it, not one departing until it was time to close up shop.

But the dealers never forgot their business; not for a minute. Deal after deal was done.

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Nation-Wide Gang of Auto Thieves is Broken Up by Police

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—With the arrest of two men after the confession of a third, the district attorney's office believes that the headquarters of a band of automobile thieves whose operations were nation-wide, has been broken up. According to the confession, the syndicate operated from New York to San Francisco, and from Chicago to New Orleans.

Charles Rudy, chauffeur, arrested January 22, was accused of receiving stolen goods and pleaded guilty yesterday before Judge Swann, to whom he told the story of an alleged syndicate of thieves. According to Rudy, four men working for him would steal automobiles and then he would store them in various garages throughout the city. Insurance companies would be called upon to pay for the stolen automobiles and advertisements offering rewards would be answered by Rudy, who admitted that he would return the automobiles for the reward, and split the profits with the men who stole for him, taking from \$25 to \$100 on each automobile stolen. He said that if the automobiles were uninsured he would ship them to agents which he had in each of the principal cities in the United States. The agents in their cities also stole automobiles and shipped them to New York for sale here, Rudy declared.

Men Replace Women in Restaurants; Stores Close Early

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The new model eight-hour law for women workers in the national capital went into operation today with laundries and many other service establishments threatening increases in charges to the public and moderate-priced restaurants preparing to replace their girl waiters with men. Department stores prepared to comply with its terms by lengthening the lunch hour and 5 o'clock closing.

INCOME TAX OFFICE IN NEW YORK SWAMPED

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Collectors of internal revenue in Greater New York, who will receive the largest income taxes of any city in the nation, are finding it difficult to take care of the mass of returns filed by persons whose incomes place them in the taxable class. With four days remaining in which the returns may be made, the collectors today estimated that between \$5,000 and \$6,000 taxable incomes had been shown in their districts, which, in addition to Greater New York, include the counties of Nassau and Suffolk on Long Island, eleven counties of northern New Jersey, in which are Newark, Jersey City, Hoboken, Paterson and Elizabeth, must also be included, because persons living in them and doing business in New York may file at the source of their incomes.

Throwing Out a Plumb Line



—Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

FIND MRS. MEITZGER'S BODY

Union Pacific Section Man Makes Discovery Near Bellevue.
WANDERED AWAY ONCE BEFORE
About Two Years Ago, in a Pierce Snow Storm Woman Walked Aimlessly About and Was Saved by Dog.

Mrs. M. Meitzger, aged 70 years, who wandered from her home at 2718 South Twenty-fifth street, South Omaha, Sunday afternoon, was found dead by section men working on the Union Pacific near the Celery farm near Bellevue, about a mile from Fort Crook.

Mrs. Meitzger was last seen Sunday afternoon by Mrs. Herman Angie at Thirty-sixth and Washington streets, and in view of the stormy condition of the weather she notified the South Omaha police. About the same time a call came in from relatives of the missing woman, and a number of policemen joined members of the family in a search. The party at one time was within 100 feet of the spot where Mrs. Meitzger's body was found.

About two years ago the dead woman started out on a blustery day just as she did Sunday, but at that time a big St. Bernard dog was with her and when she fell from exhaustion the brute went back home and attracted the members of the family, and through his strange antics led them to the spot where Mrs. Meitzger was found nearly frozen to death. She was revived and since then her condition of health has not been very good.

Confession of Mrs. Buffum Admitted as Evidence by Court

LITTLE VALLEY, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Justice Charles H. Brown today admitted as competent the "confession" which Mrs. Cynthia Buffum made to detectives in a Buffalo hotel on December 10 regarding the poisoning of her husband. The confession was read to the jury. In it Mrs. Buffum said her husband had accused her of intimacy with Ernest Frahm.

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Brandeis Deplores Opposition of Labor to Scientific System

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Scientific management was suggested as a means of ending irregularities of employment by Louis D. Brandeis of Boston, who appeared before the federal commission on industrial relations recently. Mr. Brandeis' statement was made public today. He said employees must be represented by unions if scientific management is to be installed on a basis that is fair to the workmen.

Mr. Brandeis deplored opposition of labor organizations to scientific management, declaring it was caused partly by the fact that certain advocates of the new efficiency methods are personally opposed to organized labor. "Organized labor has just as great a place in a scientifically managed business as it has anywhere else," he asserted. "Methods, standards and rates of payment have to be determined and for all the purposes required collective bargaining or an equivalent determination just as much as you need it in other plants."

Automobile Races Considered for Fair

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Efforts are being made to get auto races for the first day of the fair, Monday, September 7. A temporary fence will have to be built forty feet back of the race track fence to protect the crowd from any racer who might fall to keep the track and crash into the crowd. This fence would cost a considerable sum and would have to be taken down after the races were over. It would also be necessary to take out special insurance in case of accident to visitors by reason of automobiles leaving the track and running into the fence. This would also be quite expensive.

Hastings to Vote on Half Million Bonds

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—A bond issue of \$500,000 for city improvements was recommended by the Hastings Chamber of Commerce last night. Bonds are proposed for: City hall, \$50,000; school buildings, \$100,000; downtown heating and power plant \$100,000; street car system \$100,000; auditorium \$50,000; intersection paving bonds \$50,000. The city hall bonds will be voted upon at a special election March 12.

ATTEMPT MADE TO DYNAMITE SAFE IN HAWKEYE TREASURY

Four Masked Men Drill Holes in Door of Vault and Explode Four Charges.
BIND AND GAG THE WATCHMEN
Give Up Task After Four Hours of Ineffectual Work.
CONTAINED MILLION IN BONDS
Amount of Currency in Safe Comparatively Small.
ONE WATCHMAN SOUND SLEEPER
Third Man Supposed to Be on Duty is Not Awakened by Repeated Explosions in the Room Near Him.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 25.—An unsuccessful attempt to dynamite the vault in the state treasurer's office here was made early today, after two of the state house watchmen had been bound and gagged. The safe blowers, before daylight broke the capitol building with only \$5, which they took from a cash drawer in the treasurer's office.

Two separate explosions were caused around the door of the vault and the men were about to begin a third attempt when they were interrupted. The watchmen who were gagged and bound were Mills Russell and George J. Carpenter. A J. Gay, another watchman, was said by the police investigating the affair to have been "peacefully asleep in the supreme court room" while the attempted robbery was in progress. The crackmen, four in number and masked, entered the building about midnight. After binding the watchmen they drilled four holes in the vault and set off the charges, which failed to open the door.

After they had left Russell succeeded in releasing himself from his bonds and telephoning the police, who immediately began work on the case.

Million in Securities.
The safe contained about \$1,500 in currency and more than a million dollars' worth of securities, including \$200,000 worth of capital extension bonds, according to William C. Brown, state treasurer. Detectives working on the case today said there was considerable mystery as to how the bandits got into the capitol building. They were hid in the board of parole rooms when Watchman Russell, an old soldier, came along. Without warning, so Russell said, they jumped upon him, overpowered and tied and gagged him, and dragged him into the treasury office, where they immediately began work on the vault. Two of the men were posted as lookouts, and, as Watchman Carpenter, also an old soldier, came along on his rounds, they grabbed him and tied him up and took him to the treasury room alongside Russell, where one of them stood guard. Beyond a scuffle there was no fight in either case, according to the watchmen, who told their stories to the police today.

Watchman Sleeps Peacefully On.
Carpenter, in an interview said that while he and Russell were lying bound on chairs in the treasury room, he hoped that Watchman Gay would wake up, but the latter slept calmly while his mates were prisoners. Carpenter wiggled out of his ropes shortly after the crackmen left the building and notified the police. He said the men were evidently experts, but that they quit work of their own accord, apparently having become disgusted with their failure. He described them as being middle-aged men, about five feet, seven inches tall, and one, the leader, about six feet tall.

Watchman Gay knew nothing of the attempted safe blowing until awakened.
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Send Your Salesmen Into the Homes

If you are manufacturer, retailer, banker or business man, or of any other class and have a message to tell to the men and women of this community, tell it in the advertising columns of The Bee. In effect, if your advertisement is straightforward, well dressed, and to the point, it is the same as sending an army of salesmen personally into the homes of thousands of people at one time. The Bee is essentially a home newspaper, and believes in clean, honest advertising. So it will be your salesman and carry your message with persistence and conviction. In every city a newspaper that is progressive—that stands for what is reliable and wholesome in its news and advertising columns—is regularly read by a large percentage of the population. Therefore a selling force whose immense value is recognized and employed by discriminating local and general advertisers. Such a newspaper is The Bee. Our Advertising Department is always at your service. A ring on the phone will bring a representative to you who will lend his assistance in any matter of selling and advertising. Would you like to know more about it while you are working on your plans? Drop a postal of inquiry to the Bureau of Advertising, American Newspaper Publishers Association, World Building, New York. Booklet on request.