

MELLEN EXPLAINS PROFIT
Proceeds of Stock Deal Are Refund
for Campaign Donation.

HE SAYS HE PAID \$102,000

Subscription to Republican Fund
Eight Years Ago Made for New
Haven Railroad in
His Name.

BOSTON, May 1.—President Mellen of the New Haven railroad, explaining the apparent profit made by him of \$102,000 by the sale of the New Haven stock in 1904, told the Interstate Commerce commission today that the money had been paid back to him to reimburse him for contributions to the republican campaign fund of that year. He gave an unexpected explanation of some of the figures in the New Haven's books.

According to the government's expert accountant, David E. Brown, there appeared an apparent profit of \$102,000 made by Mr. Mellen personally by trading in the stock of the railroad company.

The first thing that Mr. Mellen said when he took the stand was that the money had been used in political contributions in 1904.

Fifty thousand dollars went to the republican national campaign fund, he said, and other amounts to aid republicans state campaigns in New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

How Deal Was Arranged.
Mr. Mellen advanced the money and the railroad reimbursed him.

He made this statement:
"The transactions by which 15,375 shares of New Haven stock were sold to me in March, 1904, and I gave my notes to the New England Navigation company, have been questioned."

"This stock was treasury securities and was listed on the stock exchange in order to be sold to the public.

"In order to list it, it was sold to me and I gave my notes to the company which held the stock as collateral until sold.

"All these shares were sold at the best obtainable prices and the entire proceeds, together with the dividends, paid to the company's treasury.

"The company receipts approximate \$102,000 more than the price at which the stock was sold to me.

"The transaction was bona fide and was made without any expectation that any excess over the selling price to me would be realized."

"Between the time of the sale to me and the closing of the transaction I had personally dispersed out of my own funds amounts exceeding in the aggregate the sum of \$102,000.

"These expenditures I had made, not for my own purposes, or in any way for my personal advantage, but absolutely because I was president of the New York railroad.

Legal at That Time.
"At that time, 1904, corporate contributions to campaign funds were customary and not illegal."

"Such contributions have not been made since 1904 by the New Haven railroad through me, or so far as I know, through anybody else.

"In 1904 I contributed \$50,000 to the republican national campaign fund and other sums for the republican campaigns in New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island."

"Because I was president of the New Haven company, I had been constrained to make these disbursements out of my private funds, which, as a private individual, I would never have made."

"On the closing up of the sales of these stocks, it appearing that an unexpected profit had been realized, my directors, who had been cognizant of my contributions for these purposes, thought proper to make me this allowance."

"I never personally received or retained one dollar to my own profit or advantage."

Explained to the Auditors.
"All the transactions were fully explained to the auditing committee and were satisfactory to them as expenditures in furtherance of the company's interest and protection of its property."

Replying to Commissioner Prouty, Mr. Mellen said that none of the money dispersed by the road had been used in an underhand way. He added that not all of the sum mentioned was used for campaign purposes, a part of it having been spent in the acquisition of pier leases.

Mr. Mellen next explained several other note transactions, indicating that certain sums of money apparently unaccounted for, were spent for pier leases and other transactions which were fully explained to the directors and approved by them."

No other political contributions were mentioned.

Murray Thinks it
Great Sport to See
Omaha Police Work

Frank Murray, recently of Perry, Ia., who, since his advent a year ago in Omaha has held his place in the limelight with actor-like tenacity, once more bobs up for a slug-head, front page story. This time, however, it Police Captain Mike Dempsey holds firm to his resolution. Murray will furnish no more copy for the newspapers until he gets out of jail, and Dempsey hopes that will be a long time hence.

Yesterday afternoon Murray, while celebrating the coming of July 4, conceived the idea that it would be execrably funny to make the police hustle a little bit. Accordingly he hired a taxicab and went to a saloon in a remote part of town and called up headquarters on the telephone.

"There's a riot at Twenty-fourth and Lake and five men are badly hurt," said Murray. Two minutes later two auto loads of policemen were madly racing north.

Arriving at Twenty-fourth and Lake, they found everything as it should be and they returned to headquarters disgruntled.

Scarcely had they entered the place when a call came from Sixteenth and Grace, saying that a negro man shot a white woman. Again a hurry trip was made with no results. The third time Murray called, Captain Dempsey answered the telephone and, by certain maneuvers known only by himself, he succeeded in locating the voice at the other end. Instead of sending the officers to the "accident" he dispatched them to the place where Murray was having a gleeful time. Officer Frank Augie made the arrest, just as Murray was about to make the fourth call.

At headquarters he said that he hoaxed the police just to make them work "for once."

Murray is the man who was hit by a train at Fifteenth and Nicholas streets nearly a year ago, and lives today only because of the fact that he possessed enough nerve to allow an operation that offered only one chance in five hundred of success.

He was in the Dewey hotel shortly after he left the hospital and became a hero by hobnobbing around in the smoke filled halls and awakening sleeping guests.

Since that time he has attracted police attention on many occasions, and yesterday Dempsey said that Murray's pranks were becoming so monotonous that he would suggest a sixty-day sentence to Police Judge Foster when Murray's case is called.

Seven to Graduate
Next Week from the
Theological School

The annual commencement exercises of the Omaha Theological seminary will be held next Tuesday and Wednesday, Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D. D., of Seattle, moderator of the Presbyterian General assembly, will deliver an address in the seminary chapel on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, which all persons interested are invited to hear. Dr. Matthews, sometimes called "The Tall Pine of the Pacific," because of his unusual stature, is a unique man among men and ministers. He is a great leader in civic and social reform movements, and he is pastor of the largest Presbyterian church in the world, a church of more than 6,000 members, of whom 4,500 have been received during a pastorate of fifteen years. He may also speak to men at a noon hour luncheon.

This class of 1913, consisting of G. H. Ellis, B. A., Frye, T. S., Hughes, A. S., Hutcheson, E. C., Nickerson, R. A., McNall and G. C. Sprague, will graduate at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening. This exercises will be held in the North Presbyterian church, and addresses will be delivered by Dr. H. W. Rehder of Waterloo, Ia., a world traveler, on "World-Wide Opportunity," Rev. Charles A. Arnold of Kansas City, Mo., on "The Ministry of Today," and Albert J. Nickerson, a representative of the graduating class, on "The Vision of the Graduate."

The annual seminary banquet will be held in the same church at 6 o'clock on the same evening, at which a program of interesting exercises will be presented.

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JESSE M. SHORT IS THE VICTIM
Wealthy Joplin Man Fights Pistol
Duel with Man Who Carried Off
His Purse—Both Are
Wounded.

KANSAS CITY, May 2.—To rob the Joplin millionaire, Jesse M. Short, was the real object of the giant bandit who held up a Kansas City Southern passenger train in the suburbs of Kansas City early today and the holding up of several other passengers was merely incidental, according to the theory of the police who instigated a thorough search for the robber today. After a lively duel with Mr. Short in the narrow Pullman the robber fell off the train wounded, carrying \$1,000 of Short's money, and the wealthy mine owner was left lying in his berth with three bullets in his body.

Physicians attending Short at a local hospital say he will recover unless unforeseen complications arise.

That a mysterious person of such stature had been seen about a local hotel where Mr. Short stopped reached the police and resulted in the theory that the bandit had shadowed the millionaire and believed a Pullman berth the best place to rob him.

Losses of Other Victims.
According to a telegram sent the police

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Active work on the Omaha-Black Hills Scenic automobile route will be started Saturday evening at a meeting at Winner, S. D. Representatives from any of the towns along the route will attend the meeting, and E. V. Parish, manager of

DEATH RECORD
O. H. Allerton.

NEWARK, N. Y., May 2.—O. H. Allerton, Jr., president of the Board of Trade of Pittsburg, died here today at the home of his father, of diabetes. He was 61 years old.

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O. O. Johnson Badly
Beaten Up and Then
Robbed by a Bandit

O. O. Johnson, 254 North Twenty-fifth street, was badly beaten up Friday night by a bandit near Twelfth and Farnam streets a little after 9 o'clock. Johnson is a street car conductor and had \$30 in cash and a time check upon his person, both of which he lost.

After he had been ordered to "throw up" his hands he hesitated for a moment and the robber then proceeded to beat him over the head with the butt of his gun. He was knocked senseless and was found later sitting on the curbing nursing his head. A doctor was called and he was taken home on a car.

Johnson did not appear at work this morning, and while his injuries are painful they are not serious.

G. Z. COFFIN TO ADDRESS
RETAILERS OF OMAHA

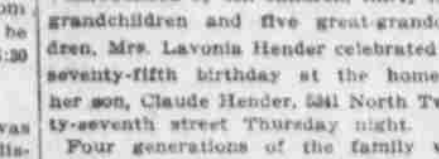
G. Z. Coffin of Kansas City, formerly manager of the St. Louis and Indianapolis Retail Merchants' association, will speak to the members of the Retailers of Omaha at the Commercial club next Thursday. His subject will be "Retail Associations" and he will point out the benefits that accrue to merchants from such an organization. The address will be preceded by a banquet starting at 6:30 p. m.

The great calamity in Omaha was quickly overshadowed by the terribly disastrous floods in Ohio. Great suffering and sickness were caused and exposure resulted which Foley's Honey and Tar compound helped to alleviate. L. Poole, 241 California St., Omaha, writes: "My daughter had a severe cough and cold, but Foley's Honey and Tar Compound knocked it out in no time. My wife would not keep house without it. We have used it for years, always with good results." For sale by all dealers everywhere.—Advertisement.

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MRS. GERTRUDE GRIFFIN

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MRS. LAURA REDMAN



MRS. GERTRUDE GRIFFIN

Pacific slope, where he worked for nearly thirty-five years. A large family is a great aid to a long life and good health, Mrs. Hender says. She says she has so many descendants she can hardly keep track of them, but her heart is filled with gladness to have her sons and daughters and their children and grandchildren gather around her, and her life ambition is fulfilled to see them grow into manhood and womanhood.

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