

Bank Building Firm Promoters Indicted by Jury

Six Men Accused of False Representations in Selling Stock in Proposed Structure.

The federal grand jury returned an indictment yesterday afternoon against men alleged to have been active in promoting the American Bank Building company, charging them on seven counts with violating section 215 of the federal penal code and with conspiracy to violate this section which relates to using the mails to defraud.

Marion F. Shafer, Ward E. Shafer, Lee M. Swindler, Roy E. Karis, Harold S. Kemp and William J. Hotz are the indicted men, all of Omaha.

It is charged they devised a scheme to defraud and obtain money by false pretenses by inducing persons to buy stock in the American Bank Building company under the alleged false representations that the company had acquired title to the southwest corner of Nineteenth and Farnam streets and would erect a \$2,000,000 office building there, that the stock would pay 8 per cent and was guaranteed, together with other representations.

The grand jury adjourned after returning this and some minor indictments.

"Shall they be discharged entirely?" Judge Woodruff asked United States Attorney J. C. Kinsler. "Oh, my, no," exclaimed Mr. Kinsler. "I will have much more work for them in January."

So the jury will be called back next month. Other indictments returned at the final session were these: John Turinetti, Mrs. John Turinetti, Barney Berrino, Frank Azzolin and Mrs. Frank Azzolin, conspiracy to violate the prohibition act; Dan Mandeville, stealing government property; Lew Cooper, selling liquor to Indians; Louise Viola Kileoyne, mailing non-mailable matter; Hector Janelo and H. N. Longnecker, conspiracy to violate the prohibition act; Hector Janelo, violating prohibition act; Wiley Irbey, violating Mann act; Frank O'Neil and E. E. McKenna, stealing interstate shipment; Albert Wayne and Edward Carruthers, transporting a stolen car; Margaret Abranson, Max Bushman, Joe Fornelle, Mrs. Hector Janelo, conspiracy to violate the prohibition act; John Behrens and Milton Tesop, alias John Thomas, impersonating government officers, 0.aze etain shrdlu cmfwy vbqkq.

Farm Wife Uses Shotgun to Defy Rum Sleuths' Raid

Kearney, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Deputy State Sheriff Hedge and a posse of county officers called at the Frank Drimal home, two miles south of Ravenna, and located one of the biggest copper stills ever seen in this locality. They took the still, 100 gallons of mash, 10 gallons of whiskey, and Frank Drimal.

Pioneer Wyoming Mason Dies at Home in Rawlins

Rawlins, Wyo., Dec. 19.—William Daly, grand treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Wyoming and a 32d degree Scottish Rite Mason, died here today. He was a master Mason in 1876 and since that time has been prominent in lodge circles.

Cars Wrecked in Crash

Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Nelson Berger of Nehawka, driving a touring car, struck a truck driven by Joe Kastner at Sixteenth street and Second avenue and both machines were wrecked.

New Imperial Wizard



Dr. H.W. Evans.

Here is the newly elected imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, Dr. H. W. Evans, of Dallas, Tex. In his first public speech, in Waco, he declared Roman Catholics and Jews are the only real enemies of the klan.

Board of Pardons Approves 13 Paroles

Lincoln, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The state board of pardons has approved the following paroles: Edward Svoboda, grand larceny; Keubard C. Smith, grand larceny; Nathan Wolfson, breaking and entering; Frank Woods, larceny from the person; Harry Sage, larceny from the person; Violet Schmidt, check without funds; Mary Newell, manslaughter; Leander Little, manslaughter; Fred Allen, stabbing with intent to wound, all from Douglas county; James G. Miller, Kimball county, breaking and entering; Joe Contreras, Kimball county, grand larceny; Charles Kelsey, Thurston county, assault with intent to injure; Joseph W. Little Cherry county, forgery.

Paris Paper Reports Capture of De Valera

Paris, Dec. 19.—The Herald this morning says reports are current in Paris that Eamonn de Valera has been captured by the Irish free state authorities.

General and Mrs. Harries Fight Storm to Board Ship

Cherbourg, Dec. 19.—A violent storm compelled the liner Berengaria, from New York, December 11, for Cherbourg and Southampton to remain off shore near this port last night to insure her safety. Passengers for Cherbourg were landed today.

Common Sense

The Rod and the Child. Should children be spanked? A great deal of attention has been given to this subject recently.

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Survivor Tells of Mine Murders at Herrin, Ill.

Bookkeeper, College Graduate, Undergoes Severe Cross-Examination—20 Men Slain.

Marion, Ill., Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—The first survivor to take the witness stand, Robert Officer, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, testified today at the trial of five men charged with murder in connection with the killing of 20 nonunion men in the Herrin riot.

Officer, a bookkeeper at the "strip" mine where the trouble started, told of the attack on the property the afternoon of June 21, when three union miners were shot and killed.

Both Officer and Col. Sam Hunter, of the adjutant general's office in Springfield, another witness, said that there were no agreements between the nonunion workers and the local official of the United Mine Workers for a truce and a safe conduct of the besieged workers out of the district and Col. Hunter said that he had tried to arrange such a truce while acting in a purely personal capacity, having come down from Springfield when he heard of the trouble.

Surrender Authorized. Officer said that Col. Hunter had talked to him over the telephone and said that W. J. Lester, the owner, had authorized the surrender of property.

Just before nightfall, the witness testified that those in the mine raised a white flag but the sniping from surrounding hills continued all night and the flag was lowered at daybreak when the nonunion men took refuge in some freight cars.

McDowell Taken Away. About a mile from the mine, the witness said, McDowell was led away by two men. Other witnesses have testified that the crippled superintendent was slain at this spot.

Then the crowd marched about two miles further on where it lined the remaining 47 prisoners up before a barb wire fence in front of a clump of woods, Officer said.

"We're going to give you a chance for your lives," he quoted one of the leaders as shouting and then the firing began.

Have Music in Your Home

Advertisement for Schmolzer & Mueller Piano Co. featuring a piano illustration and text: "PLAY AS YOU PAY! \$1 Down Places a Beautiful Toned Columbia Grafonola in Your Home for Xmas."

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discharge volley and rolled under the fence, fleeing while the crowd was hunting down those who had escaped the rain of lead. He described the crowd as "howling like wolves," but this was stricken from the record on an objection by the defense.

"Only those who have guns can enter the woods," the witness said he heard one of the mob leaders cry. It was at the barb wire that others witnessing the incident have testified 14 bodies were found. Four others, according to the testimony, were found in another clump of woods a short distance away, having been shot down as they fled.

Shot In Cemetery. Six fugitives were captured, witnesses have said, driven through the streets of Herrin and shot down at a cemetery just outside the town.

Under a severe cross-examination, young Officer said there were 45 guards, all of whom had been brought from Chicago at the time of the riots. He said he was at present employed in a Kentucky mine in which W. J. Lester has an interest.

House Debates Tax Exempt Bond Question

(Continued From Page One.) Mr. Mills said, "Say what you will about large American fortunes, they were accumulated by men of ability, energy and vision during the course of an exceedingly busy life. Their reward may have been excessive, but who can deny that the Rockefeller, the Ford, the Carnegies and the Harrisons have made tremendous contributions to the economic and industrial development of America?"

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Reid Reported Improved by Wife

Influenza, Not Drugs, Will Be Cause on Certificate If He Dies, Physicians Say.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 19.—Wallace Reid is resting easier today with an overnight decrease in temperature, according to Mrs. Wallace Reid, wife of the motion picture actor, who is in a Hollywood sanitarium after a nervous breakdown.

Los Angeles, Dec. 19.—Reports available early today from the sanitarium where Wallace Reid, motion picture actor, is suffering from a breakdown which relatives ascribed to complications following his break away from the use of whisky and narcotics, indicated an improvement in his condition.

Reid's physicians said the actor's temperature was nearly normal and that his pulse had dropped from 130 to 112. They added Reid was able to take a little nourishment.

Officer said that McDowell has dealt out arms and ammunition which the men used at the time of the first attack and admitted that he himself had a gun.

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Mr. Mills said the funds of such men which formerly had been re-invested in productive enterprises "we are now drying up."

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of drugs and liquor, but the specific ailment which threatened his life was influenza.

Ask Commission. If the actor failed to recover, it was added, influenza would be the cause written on the death certificate.

It is persistently rumored that the names of some of the biggest producers and actors in southern California are linked with his (Reid's) plight. In all this the city has suffered irreparably. The cinema industry has suffered. These conditions either obtain or they do not obtain. These stories are either false or true.

The association asked the appointment of a commission with "power and authority to summon witnesses, administer oaths and take evidence, to the end that the truth may be

known," and requested that the international union and the church federation take similar action.

Son of Kearney Man Killed by Charcoal Burner Fumes

Kearney, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—C. A. Bloomfield of this city received word today that his son, Harold Bloomfield, had been accidentally killed at Sand Point, Idaho, and the body was being sent here for burial.

Smoke Overcomes Fireman. Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—Fire of undetermined origin damaged the home of Charles Bartik to the extent of \$2,000.

Boy Burned on Face

Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Joe Sims, 7, was severely burned about the face when he removed the lid from the kitchen range and flames struck him, igniting his clothing about his neck.

Large advertisement for Thompson, Belden & Co. Christmas Sale. Features text: "The Christmas Sale Pure Thread Silk Hosiery \$1.89 a pair" and an illustration of a woman in a dress.

Advertisement for Haas Brothers' Sweater Sale. Text: "Wednesday—at Haas Brothers A Sweater Sale 500 New Sweaters-- Fine all wool, every wanted color. Slip-over styles, round, square and Peter Pan collars. An inexpensive, yet very appropriate Christmas Gift. \$1

Advertisement for Dr. Burhorn's Chiropractic Health Service. Text: "DR. BURHORN'S Chiropractic Health Service To you who are sick, I will tell you the cause of your trouble and what I can do in your particular case without any obligation whatsoever on your part."

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Advertisement for Linen Section Gift Thoughts. Text: "Linen Section Gift Thoughts Novelite bed sets in delicate blue, pink or yellow, \$6.95 a set."

Advertisement for Best Hurry for Greeting Cards. Text: "Best Hurry for Greeting Cards Ample selections remain. Distinctive cards daintily decorated and carrying appropriate Christmas sentiment."

Advertisement for Gift Undies - Sterling Make. Text: "Gift Undies - Sterling Make The silk union suits in knee length are \$10 and \$10.85."

Advertisement for Handkerchiefs, Hand Bags, Gloves, Lingerie, Negligees, Sweaters, Dress Silks, Umbrellas. Text: "For Whatever Price You Wish Handkerchiefs Hand Bags Gloves Lingerie Negligees Sweaters Dress Silks Umbrellas of Gift Quality"

Advertisement for Many Aprons of Many Kinds. Text: "Many Aprons of Many Kinds White ones that slip over or button down the back are \$2.25. Cotton crepe aprons with cretonne trimmings are specially priced for \$2.98."

Advertisement for Bungalow aprons of black saten. Text: "Bungalow aprons of black saten have cretonne trimmings and a scalloped skirt, slipover style, \$3.25."

Advertisement for Irish Linen for \$1.00 a Yard. Text: "Irish Linen for \$1.00 a Yard Embroidered in gay colors and one has a scarf, a bridge table cover or attractive towels."