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ACTUAL ARREST A BITTER SUR-PRISE FOR FINANCIER.

Indictment of the Banker is Based on Manipulation of a Note Given by Former Chief Justice, and Latter Says There's No Cause of Action.

Charles W. Morse, of New York, financier and promoter of many large combinations, including the so-called "ice trust" and a merger of nearly all of the coastwise steamship lines, returned Sunday from his brief trip to Europe, was arrested in his state room when the steamer Etruria reached quarantine in the lower bay, held in custody until the ship was docked and was then whirled away in an automobile to the home of Justice Victor Dowling, of the supreme court, where he gave bonds in the sum of \$20,000 to answer to two indictments charging grand larceny and involving the sum of \$100,000. Mr. Morse was released and went immediately to his Fifth avenue home, where Sunday night he gave out a statement asserting his innocence and asking the public to suspend judgment until he has the opportunity of facing his accusers in court.

He denied that his trip to Europe was a flight. He said he had gone to Europe to sell stock in a large interest and to secure a fortnight's rest. Both purposes were spoiled by the publication of reports that he was a fugitive from justice, he declared,

Mr. Morse had received word by wireless telegraphy that two indictments had been found against him. but he did not know he was to suffer physical arrest. The appearance of three detectives from District Attorney Jerome's office at his stateroom door took him completely by surprise.

HITS SWEATSHOP EVIL.

Priest Tells Startling Story of Conditions in London.

Father Bernard Vaughan, brother of the late Cardinal Vaughan, preached in the Jesuit church at London Sunday and during the course of a powerful plea in behalf of the bill which will come before the house this week against "sweat shops" gave - graphic illustration of the manner in which the poor workers in the east end of London are compelled to live. In a small room, he said, that ought to be occupied by no more than two persons, there were twelve machines working all day and late in the evening. Then the machines were removed and straw mattresses laid on the floor, men being admitted to sleep. At 2:30 o'clock in the morning these men were turned into the streets and the room relet to another set of sleepers, who were also driven out at 6:30 o'clock a. m., on the return of the machine workers,

RUSSIA STIRS UP SWEDES.

Czar Seeks to Violate Agreement as to Naval Stations.

The relations between Sweden and Russia are decidedly strained at present. The tension has arisen because Russia insists upon being released from the agreement made when Sweden surrendered to Finland that no adjacent to Sweden. The part taken by Russia in the Norwegian integrity treaty and her present attitude on the Baltic closed sea question also have greatly irritated Sweden.

War is feared in Sweden, because Russia for some time past has been preparing to establish a naval station on the western shores of Aland island, which is twenty-five miles from the Swedish coast and only a few hours by steamer to Stockholm.

To Test "Jim Crow" Law.

Suit was filed in the United States Fireuit court at Guthrie, Okla., Saturday asking for an injunction against the railroad companies to restrain them from carrying into effect the "Jim Crow" law. The petition states that it is in violation of the enabling act.

Eleven of Ship's Crew Lost,

It develops that eleven men were tost in the wreck of the ship Emily Reed, which went ashore near the Neliham river, Oregon, Friday. First reports said that ten men were lost. Capt. Keissle went to the scene of the wreck Saturday to ascertain if any of the cargo can be saved.

Caldwell Removed to Asylum.

Adjudged a paranoias, Robert R. Caldwell, who attained international notoriety through his testimony in the Druce case in London, Eng., where he has been wanted since on a charge of perjury, was removed Sunday from . his home in Staten Island to the insane asylum on Ward's island.

Sioux City Live Stock Market. Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top

beeves, \$5.00. Top hogs, \$4.25

RUIN IN WINDSTORM.

Killing Many. Tyler, Tex., was swept by the most disastrous tornado in its history Friup from the southwest, the storm swept over the main residence portion of the city, leaving a trail of death and devastation.

The known dead in Tyler at an early hour numbered four-C. A. Francis, agent of the Dallas News, and wife proposes to wage against common and child about 1 year old, and an found 100 yards from his wrecked filed he alleges that the American home, and the body of his child was found in the street. Mrs. Francis was in the wreckage in the building.

Six seriously injured had been reported at noon Friday. They are Irwin Franklin, Mrs. Franklin and four Franklin children. One of the children is expected to die. They were caught in the wreckage of their home. It is expected that the death list in Tyler will reach twelve and the number of injured will aggregate two score or more. Twelve buildings were wrecked, and in the confusion which exists it is difficult to compile an accurate list of the casualties.

DEATH IN PRACTICAL JOKE.

One Man Killed and Five Injured at Belle Fourche.

"Just for fun" Charles Lavezzi, employed on the government irrigation project near Belle Fourche, S. D., threw a dynamite cap into a bonfire around which were seated six men. The explosion set off 125 sticks of dynamite which were being thawed nearby, instantly killing J. R. Cullis, a teamster, and injuring all of the others, including Lavezzi, who may lose both sight and hearing.

The government engineers secured the aid of ranchers, who hauled the injured to the hospital at Belle Fourche in wagons,

FREIGHT THIEVES CAUGHT.

Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Goods Recovered in St. Louis.

Ten men were arrested and thousands of dollars' worth of property, much of which was identified as having been stolen from freight cars, was confiscated in a raid Friday night by two patrolmen and a sergeant on North Sixth street, St. Louis, Mo. The men were trapped before they had time to draw weapons. Specific charges have been made against two of those captured, while the others are being held on charges of idling until the captured loot is examined.

ACCUSE NEGROES OF ARSON.

Blacks at Taft. Okla., Said to Have

Burned Railway Station. The Midland Valley Railroad company's station at Taft, Okla., a negro community 7 miles from Muskogee. was burned Friday and the railroad authorities charge that the fire was started by negroes who were embittered by the application of the jim crow law. The station had just been rebuilt with separate waiting rooms for white people and negroes. The loss was \$10,000.

More Suffragists to Jail.

Mrs. Parkhurst, of London, a well known leader of woman suffragists, and other delegates of the organization, arrested Thursday when they at tempted to make a demonstration is the house of commons, all went to jail Friday for a term of six weeks rather than give sureties for their good behavior.

Verdict Against Armour.

In the circuit court at Chicago judgment for \$8,000 was rendered against Armour & Co. in favor of Walenty Bunida, formerly a laborer in naval stations or fortifications should their employ. Bunida accidentally he established on the Finnish shores struck his wrist against a pickling needle used for the injection of preservative into hams. Blood poisoning developed and Bunida lost his arm.

To Reduce Kansas Freight Rates.

The Kansas state board of railroad commissioners will issue its order for a reduction and general change in freight rates. The order is to go into effect on April 1. The railroad did not contest the order before the board. but will, it is understood, fight it in the courts.

Schley to Speak at Aberdeen, S. D. A Washington special says: Admiral Schley, of Santiago fame, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address before the Scottish Rite bodies of Masonry at Yankton, S. D., the first week in May. An invitation was also extended to him to visit Aberdeen for a similar purpose.

Auto Racers Stall in Snow.

The Thomas, American; Dion, French, and Zuest, Italian, cars of the New York to Paris race, passed through Canastota, N. Y., Friday at 7 o'clock Friday evening. Soon after they became stalled in a snowdrift and returned to Canastota to spend the night.

Police Dog Wins Show Prize.

Jesse of Kent, one of the dogs imported by the New York police department for use in police work, won a special prize at the dog show in Madison Spare garden, New York, Friday.

West Virginia Defeats Prohibition.

At Charleston, W. Va., the proposed constitutional amendment to prohibit manufacture and sale of liquor, which passed the house, was Friday defeated idied at his residence in Washington, blood vessel. He was 63 years of age in the senate

SUES EXPRESS LINES.

Tornado Wrecks Southern Villages, Government Alleges Violation of Pos-

tal Laws. Violation of the postal laws by carrying first class mail matter was day morning about 4 o'clock. Coming | charged against the American Express company in a suit filed in the United States district court at Cincinnati, O., Thursday by District Attorney Me-Pherson.

This suit was the first gun fired in a campaign which the a vernment carriers for carrying first class mail ald negro named Mose Lee. Francis matter contrary to law. In the inwas about 28 years old. His body was formation which Attorney McPherson Express company on Jan, 6 carried a letter from Belton, Tex., to Cincinnati, The letter was from Mrs. Will Brown, of Belton, and in it she ordered from a glove company twelve pairs of gloves and enclosed an express money order for \$2.47 in payment,

Attorney McPherson claims that the letter did not relate to the business the demurrer, or have further hearing. of the express company and that the envelope did not bear a postage stamp, as required by law. The penalty for violation of this provision of the federal statutes is \$100.

Col. Holmes, postoffice inspector@in charge, said:

"The government is very jealous of its rights to carry the mails, and insists on it always. When public carriers carry letters not bearing postage stamps and not pertaining to the business of the carrier they are preventing the government from deriving revenue for the sale of stamps.

"About four or five years ago the government waged war against carriers for such an offense. It is the opinion of the government officials that common carriers are becoming too lax in reference to carrying mail matter not properly stamped and that prosecution of a few cases is necessary to bring to their attention the fact that they are violating the law."

CALIFORNIA PIPE DREAM

Japs with Cannon Seen on Bluff's Near Santa Monica

On an unfrequented bluff which marks the northern limit of Santa Monica bay, Cal., a party of seven Japanese, with a small canon in their possession, have for several days past, it is reported, engaged in experiments that have aroused the suspicions of the settlers, as it is presumed that a portion of the American battleship fleet will spend several days in the bay. The Japanese have been engaged in making maps of the cliffs along the bay, and a small pivot gun, mounted on a cliff 185 feet above the sea, was fired first in one direction and then in another. There is not even a theory as to the purposes of the party.

BIG OHIC FIRM FAILS.

Implement Makers are in Hands of Receivers

P. P. Mast & Co., agricultural implement manufacturers, of Springfield.)., were Wednesday placed in the hands of receivers by an action begun n the United States circuit court. The receivers were directed to continue the business of the company, but to wind it up as speedily as possible. The assets are given as \$1,000,000, and the indebtedness \$400,000. The financial stringency is given as the reason for the receivership, the company's attorney declaring the firm will be able to pay all of its debts as soon as money becomes easier.

JAP SOLONS IN A RIOT.

Stormy Scene in the House of Representatives.

After an exciting debate lasting six hours, which developed into a riot on the floor of the Japanese house of representatives, the financial budget was passed by a majority of 102

The speakers on both sides occupied a long time and towards the last they howled at the chair charges of favoritism. The opposing members demanding an apology, the chair suspended the session for half an hour and upon resuming the chair apologized handsomely to the opposition.

Insane About Women.

When the trial was resumed at Clinton, Ill., Thursday of the \$2.000,000 suit instituted by Richard Snell, to break the will of his father, Col. Thos. Snell, more love letters written to the aged millionaire were introduced in evidence. It is said the purpose of the reading of the letters is to show Col. Snell was insane about women.

Fourteen Years for Adams.

George Adams, who while city marshal of Benton, Ill., killed John R. Malone, a former city marshal, was sentenced to fourteen years in the nenitentiary. The killing took place last October and Adams pleaded that Malone had been drinking and threat. ened his life.

Drops 200 Feet; Unburt.

John Grant, of New York, an unemployed printer, jumped from the Brooklyn bridge Thursday. Although he landed among the ice cakes in the river 200 feet below, he escaped with only a few minor hurts. He is now under arrest charged with attempted suicide.

Brog. Gen. Carroll Dead.

Brig. Gen. Henry Carroll, U. S. A., retired, a veteran of the civil war and the Spanish-American war, and an Indian fighter, is dead at his home in Colorado Springs, Colo., after a brief illness, aged 70 years.

Admiral Fletcher Dead.

Rear Admiral Montgomery Fletcher, a retired chief engineer in the navy, D. C., Thursday,

<u></u> Nebraska

#************************ SOLDIERS KEEP THE MONEY.

State News

Judge at Grand Island Decide Against

State Beard. Judges Hanna and Paul, in the district court at Grand Island Wednesday overruled the demurrer filed by the state to the petition of R. B. Howell, of the soldiers' and sailors' home, restraining the state board from latefering in any way with the public of the members of the two homes in this state. In the absence of any representative of the state board, an exception was filed for them, both judges further concurring, and it was indicated that time would be given them to indicate if they desired to stand on

The allegations in the petition were sustained and the injunction remains, preventing the state board from carrying out the order to take part of the pension moneys of all receiving over \$12 per month, and also restraining the commandants of the Grand Island and Milford homes from interfering in any way with the members thereof, owing to non-compliance with the enjoined rule.

It is expected that the state board will immediately appeal the case from the district to the supreme court.

FARMER CLAIMS HE IS DEAD.

Year After Bite of Dog He Insists In-

fluence of Infection is Active. About a year ago George Tyson, a well-to-do farmer living about five miles south of Herman, was bitten by a dog on the hand. Afterward the dog went mad and Mr. Tyson came to Dr. Clarke in Herman, who advised him to go to Chicago and take treatment. He started to do this and got as far as Omaha and consulted another doctor, who told him he did not think the injury would amount to much. Tyson took this view and did nothing further about it.

Recently he was taken very sick, frothing at the mouth and became afraid of water. He has not eater anything since last Wednesday night and will not touch a drop of water and if anyone mentions water in his presence he falls in a fit. Dr. Clarke says he thinks the man has thought about the injury so much and was so sure that he would have trouble from the bite that it has deranged his mind until he now has some of the symptoms of hydrophobia. Dr. Clarke tries to make him think that he will be all right in a few days, but Tyson will not listen to the physician.

DEATH OF CHARLES W. PERCE.

One of Otoe County's Earliest Pioneers Passes Away.

A Nebraska City special says: Connty Surveyor Charles W. Pierce, th. earliest pioneer in this portion of the country, died Sunday morning at his rooms in the B. & M. house, He had been in poor health, gradually growing weaker, and a few weeks ago was at tacked with bronchial troubles, which developed into what is called "old folk's pneumonia." which was the cause of his death.

Te funeral was held from the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Richard Shannon, and the pullbearers were from among the county officials.

The history of Mr. Pierce is inseparably connected with that of Nebraska City-one cannot be written without the other. Mr. Pierce was born in New York City, Feb. 21, 1828.

HARNETT WILL BE ARRESTED.

South Sioux City Man Must Explain Acts at Time of Fire.

The funerals of Edward Streeter and Albert Albertson, who lost their live: in the fire at South Sioux City Friday night, were held at Dakota City. Officers were unable to locate Albertson's relatives. Dakota county officials are now convinced that the fire was of incendiary origin, and the arrest of Jack Harnett and of Mrs. Doily Harnett. who was seriously injured in the fire. is expected. His wife charges him with the crime. Coroner Sawyer has learned that a half an hour before the fire Harnett was in a nearby saloon, and in view of threats he is known to have made he will be held. Harnett is thought to be in Sioux City, Ia., but the police have been unable to locate

WAYNE MEN ON TRIAL

Three Councilmen Arraigned Before Governor on Serious Charge.

Three councilmen of Wayne were on trial Thursday before Goy. Sheldon They are accused by the Anti-Saloon league of dereliction of duty. It is as serted that a saloonkeeper was convicted and the three councilmen refused to cancel his license,

The hearing is being conducted under the Sacket law, which commands the governor to remove from office all officials who neglect or refuse to do heir duty.

Kemplin Found Guilty of Robbery.

William Kemplin, held on a charge of entering and robbing the Oshkosh drug store at Oshkosh on the night of Sept. 27, 1907, pleaded guilty at Chappell Tuesday before County Attorney L. O. Pfeffer. The goods, which consisted of watches, chains, rings, bracelets and other jewelry, was valued at \$550. The sentence has not yet been given.

North Platte's Good Showing,

The annual report of the commissioner of the general land office for the gscal year ending June 30, 1907, was received at the United States land office in that city Tuesday. The land office at North Platte makes the best showing of any within the state.

Farmer Found Dead in Home.

Heinrich Albrecht, a prominent German farmer living mear Peatrice. was found dead on the floor of his home. Death was due to a runtimed and leaves a widow and four children.

POLICE FIND STOLEN GOODS.

Loot from Mail Boxes Found in Room of Joe Jones at Nebraska City.

The police, accompanied by a postal official, searched the home of Joe Jones, the colored man arrested at Vebraska City on the charge of robding mall sacks at the Missouri Pacific lenot found a leather pocketbook which had been taken from the Seventh street mail box when it was broken open and robbed that night and all of the mail taken out, and after being cipped open was returned to the boxes. Among the letters were daily reports of insurance agencies and express

The preketbook recovered had been failed by L. Wessel's Sors & Co., and veril of the clerks identified it bemuse it was broken and had been sent or repairs. Some rare coins were alo found which had been taken from Allen's second-hand store, where they ere on exhibition, early in Decemher. They were secured by breaking

onen a window It is now claimed that the prisoner entered the book store of W. S. Hyer, Wessel's annex and Johnson Bros.' grocery store. At each place the burglar took only each and secured something like \$100 in all. He refrained from taking any goods. Jones has been there two years and the police claim committed a number of burglaries luring that time. He was taken to Omaha by a deputy United States marhal. He refused to say a word rearding the thefts even after being infronted with the goods and the vidence.

RENEWS FIGHT FOR CHURCH.

Father Murphy Case Again in the Ne-

braska Supreme Court. Father William Murphy, who for a number of years has been in litigation with Pishop Thomas Bonacum, of the Lincoln diocese, over his right to preside as a priest in the Catholic church, has appealed to the supreme court from a judgment of the district court of Seward county ousting him from the parishes of Seward and Ulysses. Father Murphy is still in possession of the church property of the two towns and the church trustees are his partisans, refusing to give up the keys to any priest appointed by the bishop. Father Murphy was long ago excommunicated by Pishop Bonacum and the case has twice been before the church authorities at Rome.

FOR WIFE DESERTION.

Frank Brokaw, of Plainview, is Under Arrest.

Frank Brokaw, a young married nan, was taken to West Point Sunday svering by Sheriff Malchow to face a harge of wife desertion. The arrest vas made in the country near the town of Plainview. The wife is the daughter of Henry Schlots, of West Point, and has been in town for some weeks. Prokaw brought her to the town a menth ago, rented a house, paying a par's rent in advance, sent her some hickens and a little money and then sied bimself back to Pierce county. Fearing he contemplated abandoning her entirely the woman made the comdaint which resulted in his arrest.

JUGGLING IS ALLEGED.

Policyholders of Jasurance Company File Charges.

Three policyholders in the Guaranse Fund Life association, of Omaha, uesday afternoon charged that the oncern had not made a correct report o the state auditor and they filed a lemand for a hearing. They assert hat no entrance fee is collected and hat the amount designed as collected ! rom membership fees was transferred rom the mortuary fund. They dehand formal answer to the charges. he three policyholders are H. S. Stethenson, M. S. Bacon and W. X. Baron, of Lincoln.

BRICKS PROVE TO BE BOGUS.

Pacific Express Company Admits It

Bit on the Old Game. The two gold bricks which were and in the rains of the Tobin buildng at Sidney and last week sent to t. Louis by Superintendent George latterson, of the Pacific Express comany, under the impression that these old bricks were stolen in the robbery of the express office in March, 1880. have been pronounced bogus. The thole proceeding is now looked upon s a huge joke and shows how gullible he Pacific Express company was in issuming that these were the stolen bricks. The bunco men will probably now feel justified in working a few more suckers on their celebrated

No Primary in Adams. At a meeting of the Republican ounty central committee at Hastings recently it was decided to hold a counly convention on Saturday, Feb. 29, a elect delegates to the state convenion. There was a good attendance n the meeting, and the matter of usig the primary system at this time vas thorough'y discussed, but it was

Wants Sewerage System.

not thought advisable at this time.

A proposition to bond Hartington or the purpose of establishing a sewrage system will be submitted to the oters at the coming city election in April. At a special meeting of the city ouncil Arnold C. Noenig, an engineer f Omaha, was given a contract to make the preliminary survey and topgraphical map upon which to base the bond proposition.

Commercial Club Meeting.

Preliminary announcements of the fourth annual meeting of the State ssociation of Commercial clubs, to be wild in Grand Island March 18 and 19. tave been sent out and promise a fine regram for the annual convention.

Farm Hense Purns.

The farm house occurried by Mrs. most's, we ad site you by time recently, ogether with all the furniture, house-



Gov. Sheldon is going to stop the 'dope" habit at the state peniteniary. He is going to prevent prisoners from securing morphine or other drugs, even if he has to deny visitors admittance to the institution, induding workers in the broom factory. At his suggestion Dr. Griffin, the prison physician, has just made an investigation of the institution with a view to finding out how many prisoners are "dope" users. His report says the penitentiary is not a reformatory, but a "done" house. He gave the names of twelve prisoners only who are habitual "dope" fiends, but said that probably 150 prisoners in all use drugs. Gov. Sheldon has talked the matter over with the members of the board of public lands and buildings, and all agree that drastic measures must be taken to break up the habit. Warden Beemer has tried in vain to prevent the prisoners from getting morphine and Gov. Mickey alsoried to break up the practice, but he, too, was unsuccessful. The governor s seriously considering having Dr. Ciffin declare the institution under quarantine and refuse to permit anyme from either going in the prison or leaving it until the habit is broken ip. Just how the prisoners get the lrugs has not yet been discovered, but before he concludes his investigaions the governor expects to discover just who is at fault. 0 8 9

John Martin, sentenced to the penientiary for five years about two years igo, was released in time to become Miss Anga Anderson's valentine. That is the way Cov. Sheldon figured it out when he commuted Martin's sentence. Miss Anderson has been camping on the trail of the governor for several weeks to secure the release of the man whom she says she loves sufficiently to furnish the money to start him in business and to look after him in the future. When the governor finally informed her she was to have her Martin, the woman cried for joy. Martin was convicted of working the old padlock game at Lincoln. His companion in the deal served only one year. Gov. Sheldon granted a hearing on the application of the woman, and reached the conclusion that Martin nad been punished sufficiently.

The state railway commission Tuesday afternoon submitted to the attorney general a list of the parties to whom transportation had been issued by the Union Pacific and the Missouri Pacific railroads. The transportation was issued by reason of the recipient being a railroad attorney, a railroad surgeon or by reason of railroad advertising published in a newspaper. The commission requested the attornev general to take what action he deemed proper. The attorney general announced that he would bring suit against the railroads and he would instruct the various county attorneys to file charges against the parties mentioned in the several counties. The penalty upon conviction is a fine from \$100 to \$10,000.

The state will pay the sheriff of Douglas county 19 cents a day for feeding prisoners after they are convicted and previous to being taken tothe penitentiary. The state will pay the sheriffs of other counties 50 cents a day for feeding prisoners. Sheriff Brailey took the matter up with Deputy Auditor Cook several days ago, before filing his youthers, in order to get a ruling, as the statute doe not set out clearly what is to be paid in Douglas county. Mr. Cook appealed to the attorney general, who decided that the price paid the sheriff by the county commissioners of Douglascounty should be the price paid by the

Attorney General Thompson has received word from Grand Island that the Hall county district court had decided against the state in the case where the right of the board of public lands and buildings to assess members of the soldiers' home a per cent of their pensions was the issue. The state maintained that the board had this right. The state will at once appeal the case to the supreme court. The peculiar feature of the suit is that the board by its recent ruling assessed the old soldiers less money than they had heretofore paid to the home, but no objection was made until the board made its new ruling.

Some time ago the state house janitors at Lincoln got thrifty and sold some old papers and books stored in the basement of the capitol to a paper factory. A few days ago a lawyer wrote in to the secretary of state for a copy of the census of his county for 1885. Now, it happened that the refrom each county was in a separate report, but the reports of all the counties had been stapled together, The janitors thought this good prev and the whole bundle was sold. The secretary of state could find no other record in the building.

Thomas McGuigan, sentenced to the in the second degree from Douglas county, was released Feb. 11, after having served four years, nine months and twenty days. Gov. Sheldon commuted his sentence to six years, which brought about his release on the date mentioned. McGuigan was convicted for the murder of one Murphy in a row which began in a saloon.

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At the close of business Tuesday the warrant indebtedness of the state of Nebraska amounted to \$934,405,09. er about the yearly income of an Omaha lawyer. During the last week the treasurer issued four calls for warrants and Wednesday he took up \$15 .-000 more in warrants, which will reduce the debt a little more. In the orabers and son, continued of Platis. I meantime, however, he is registering some warrants, but the amount registered in the last few days is only gold goods not be titled, while the nominal and cuts little figure in the

aggregate.