

KEMMERLING SAYS HE LIED

Asserts Confession Concerning Jury Bribing is False.

TALKED WHEN HE WAS DRUNK

Omaha Bar Committee Proposes to Put One Phase of Inquiry Up to Judges of the District Court at Once.

John A. Kemmerling's confession of his alleged corruption by an agent or agents of the street railway company while he was serving on a district court jury panel was repudiated by Kemmerling in a note and a letter to Robert Smith, clerk of the district court, within twenty-four hours after he made the confession. Kemmerling declared his entire statement false, saying he was drunk and had been on a ten-day spree at the time he made it; but Attorney T. W. Blackburn, who took a leading part in the conversation with Kemmerling, continued the work and secured from James Allan, a private detective, statements that were corroborative of a part of Kemmerling's story.

In its further proceedings against the street railway company the Omaha Bar association will use statements of James Allan of the housekeeper of Dr. James McRoberts, a Council Bluffs veterinary surgeon, as well as the register of the Ogden house, Council Bluffs, to offset Kemmerling's repudiation of his confession.

The statement of Kemmerling which Gordon W. Watties, president of the street railway company, says the company has, is said to be substantially justified with the letters of repudiation received from Kemmerling by Robert Smith.

Jim Allan's Part. From the statement of the housekeeper, it appears that Kemmerling and Jim Allan, a private detective, came to the McRoberts house about the middle of November, when a capias for Kemmerling was out, and secured a room. Allan paying a week's rent in advance. Describing the incident, the woman said:

"The two came and rented a room. The short, heavy-set man paid the rent and said the taller, more slender man was not well and they wanted a quiet place for him. He looked to me like a man that was recovering from an extended spree. He did not go away from the house much and both of them staid pretty close to the premises. They were here about two weeks, and when they had gone the closet of the room where they had slept was packed with papers and remains of lunches and empty whiskey bottles."

Examination of the Ogden house register, shows names of George Allan and Jim Gorman of Fremont on the day Kemmerling said he was taken to the hotel. Detective Allan explained this to Mr. Blackburn.

Allan Explains Conduct. Allan said he was officing with "Cap" Cormack, another private detective, at the time of the Kemmerling exposure. Under Cormack's instructions, he said, he went with a man named Gorman to Kemmerling's residence and took Kemmerling to Council Bluffs. His recollection was that Gorman accompanied them to Council Bluffs and said that was the man who registered George Allan and Jim Gorman. Gorman returned to Omaha and Allan and Kemmerling occupied room 23. Allan said he then took Kemmerling to the McRoberts house and remained there with him several days. Cormack coming over from day to day to see them.

Allan told Mr. Blackburn that his services were strictly professional and that he personally had no dealing with any person directly connected with the street railway company, though he understood at the time that he was performing the services for the company and that his compensation came from it.

Kemmerling Quickly Retracted. Kemmerling's note to Robert Smith repudiating his confession was slipped under the door of Smith's office during the night of the day on which Kemmerling confessed or early the next morning. It was found by a clerk who opened the office the morning of October 3. It was brief, simply stating that the confession was untrue and that Kemmerling was drunk and had been drinking when he made it. On October 7 Mr. Smith received a five-page letter from Kemmerling repeating what he said in the note and going into a more detailed repudiation, declaring the entire statement false.

Answering a question today, Mr. Smith said in his opinion Kemmerling certainly was not drunk and certainly knew what he was doing when he made the confession. On the day before he made the confession to Smith and Blackburn, Kemmerling talked with Judge Willis G. Sears of the law division of the district court, who had tried and convicted him on the contempt charge. Kemmerling says he told one of the district judges it was a shame he should be punished and others go free. Judge Sears says he does not believe Kemmerling was drunk when he talked with him.

May Ask for Grand Jury. Members of the Omaha Bar association will ask the judges of the district court to call a special grand jury at the beginning of the February term of district court to investigate the alleged corruption, and if sufficient evidence is found, to indict persons believed to be guilty of jury-bribing. The judges have not considered the matter and will not express themselves. Whether or not such action be taken will not be determined until the judicial college holds its annual meeting on Monday, January 1, 1912.

Jurors who served with John A. Kemmerling on the case of Mrs. Nellie West against the street railway company were Neils Lundell, H. R. Jackson, A. B. Anderson, D. McCormack, H. T. Andrews, C. Cochran, C. T. Williams, Frank Koutsky, William C. Hartman, P. L. Zlich and Earl Piger.

C. Johnson Seeks to Find Brother, Elmer

Charles A. Johnson, an attorney of Durango, Colo., has telegraph to United States Marshal Warner, asking him to help locate Elmer E. Johnson, a brother whom he has not heard from for over thirteen years.

Elmer E. Johnson is the man who walked into the office of the marshal last week and wanted to surrender himself to the authorities, claiming that he was wanted in Denver for embezzling \$1,800 from the government. He was held for a few hours until communication with the district attorney at Denver could be established, when it was found that the case had been notified in 1893, and he was released. His brother read the story published in The Bee last week and he is anxious to find his brother.

Labor League to Take Hand in City Politics

Two thousand men have become members of the Labor league since its inception two months ago. This announcement was made last night at the regular meeting of the league, held at Labor temple. The members represent almost every precinct of every ward in the city.

It is now the purpose of the organization, as was said last night, to form ward leagues with view to placing in office under the commission form of government, men who will work along the lines of the league's principles and put into effect its platform.

Holy Ghost Leader is Taken to Prison

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 19.—Rev. Frank Sanford, leader of the Holy Ghost and its society, left for Atlanta, Ga., tonight to enter upon a ten-year term in the federal penitentiary, to which he was sentenced today by Judge Clarence Hale of the United States district court.

The specific charge upon which the Shiloh leader was sentenced was causing the death at sea of George Hughes, a member of his flock, by failing to furnish provisions during the recent seventeen-month cruise of the Holy Ghost yacht Coronet. This was the first of six counts in the indictment found by the federal grand jury.

Judge Hale continued the others. There was a big gathering at the railroad station, but Sanford remained unperturbed. Among those who bade him farewell was Rev. Charles E. Holland, who succeeds to the leadership of the colony.

If you are troubled with chronic constipation, the mild and gentle effect of Chamberlain's Tablets makes them especially suited to your case. For sale by all dealers.

Key to the Situation—Bee Advertising.

PRIEST SAID THE LAST RITES

Mr. N. O. Ford, who owns and conducts a printing house at 1716 Everett st., Alameda, called Sept. 15th to give the following: Two months before he was asked to witness the signing of a will by a dying person. A San Francisco attorney, who was reading the will, entered. This formally over Ford said she had Bright's Disease and expected to live but a few days. Ford said she had Bright's Disease and expected to live but a few days. Ford said she had Bright's Disease and expected to live but a few days.

Three days later Ford phoned to ask how the patient was. The sister replied she was growing worse. Ford urged her to continue the treatment, said that sometimes it was slow.

The day Ford called, Sept. 15th, the patient was in the yard making preparations to return to her country home. The swelling had gone down, limbs were normal, other than the sores left by the bursting dropsy the patient was feeling well and happy.

Not all the most minute cases recover, but many do.

Sherman & McConnell Drug Co., Cor. 16th and Dodge; Owl Drug Co., 17th and Harney; Harvard Pharmacy, Cor. 24th and Farnam; Loyal Pharmacy, 267-9 No. 16th St., Omaha; and local agents for Fulton's Renal Compound. Ask for pamphlet.

URE'S BOND IS APPROVED

Board of Education Takes Outside Company as Surety.

MATTER AT LAST SETTLED

Debate Between Manager of Local Company and Treasurer-Elect and Opinion of the Board's Attorney.

With four dissenting votes the Board of Education approved the bond of Treasurer-elect W. G. Ure for \$20,000 furnished by the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance company. The vote stood Ayes—Bourke, Coit, Courtney, Hollofuchner, Jacobson, Kennedy, Parsons, Plum and Sears—9. Nays—Bostwick, Cole, Richardson, Williams—4.

E. T. Swobe and W. G. Ure clashed over the financial status of the National Fidelity and Casualty company, an Omaha company doing business in Nebraska, which was also applicant for the bond. Mr. Swobe contended his company was responsible, pointing to its assets and to the large bonds it was now carrying. In refutation Mr. Ure produced numerous telegrams from competitors who refused to go co-surety with Swobe's company.

Carl E. Herring, the board's attorney, although favoring, the said, home patronage would not recommend the approval by the board of the bond furnished by the local company, which Mr. Ure had refused to sign. The bond accepted was drawn by the treasurer-elect, The Judiciary committee, headed by G. W. Williams, refused to assume any responsibility in the matter and made no report in favor of either bond. The premium of the bond, amounting to about \$1,500, is paid by the board.

Will Teach Swimming. Upon motion of James Richardson the board adopted a resolution to secure H. H. Corson, an expert swimming teacher, to instruct for two weeks all Omaha students above the age of 12. His salary not to exceed \$90 for that period.

Purchase of seven wood-working machines at a total cost of \$25.50 and seven motors at \$26.21 was approved, the machines to be installed for use in the manual training department of the public schools.

A proposition submitted by the Putnam company to purchase three lots owned by the board for \$1,100 was accepted. Previous bids in other years had been less than half this sum.

A motion to purchase a plot of ground 24x250 near the Vinton school for a playground was carried. Dilapidated buildings on the ground will have to be removed.

Purchase of 100 rifles at \$1.45 each and two sabers at about \$10 each, for use by the cadets was authorized.

Engineer Dies at Throttle. OSKALOOSA, Ia., Dec. 19.—Engineer Peter Goulden dropped dead at the throttle of a Burlington engine entering Tracy, shortly before noon and the train, running wild, crashed into a passenger train at the station, damaging the coaches, but not injuring any one.

A Fortunate Texas. E. W. Goodloe, Dallas, Texas, found a sure relief for malaria and biliousness in Dr. King's New Life Pills; Only 25c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

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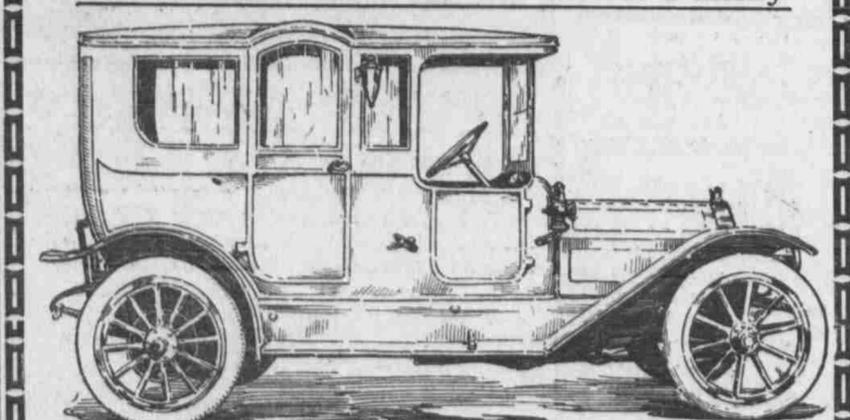
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