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THIRTY-SIX MASTER PLUMBERS INDICTED BY FEDERAL PANEL

Officials in National and Seven State
Associations Are Charged
with Conspiracy.

TRADE RESTRAINT ALLEGED

Bill Says Combination Exists Between
Manufacturers and Dealers.

WARRANTS FOR ARREST ISSUED

Judge McPherson Orders Accused
Men Taken Into Custody.

TWO OMAHA MEN ON LIST

J. B. Coningham, Secretary of Nebraska
Association, Says Politics
Is Back of Charge—Denies
Any Combination.

DES MOINES, Ia., June 4.—Indictments were returned against thirty-six officials and members of the National Association of Master Plumbers and officials of state organizations in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa by the federal grand jury here this afternoon. The indictments charge conspiracy in restraint of trade in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

It is specifically alleged that the National Association of Master Plumbers has been operating in violation of law ever since their organization in 1898. Those indicted include W. J. Hilliard, Elmhurst, Ill.; Frank U. Patterson, Springfield, Ill.; and E. D. Hornbrook, directors of the national association; Joseph Bibby, Omaha, national state vice president; George Wentz, Lincoln, Neb., national state vice president; and J. B. Coningham, Omaha, secretary state association.

Officials residing in Iowa among the indicted are Robert Knauer, Des Moines, state vice president; James A. Wallace, Des Moines; Charles G. Bosch, Burlington, director national association; R. E. Knauer, Boone, organizer Iowa association; Fred Kubisa, Cedar Rapids; Louis Smith, Cedar Rapids; Andrew Clayton, Des Moines; Richard Muller, Dubuque; H. B. McGarten, Dubuque, former president Iowa association; J. O. McConnell, Iowa City; E. F. Hawk and W. C. McGarten, Marshalltown; John Garvey and Thomas J. Daley, Mason City; William Scott, Hugo, national state vice president; Oleg W. Kuyper, Peila, J. V. Logan and John P. Gearson, Sioux City; Ralph A. Ellis, Waterloo, former director national association; John R. King, Keokuk, former president Iowa association.

Judge Smith McPherson this afternoon ordered that warrants for the arrest of the indicted men be issued. These will be served as rapidly as possible.

Attempt at Monopoly Alleged.
The indictment is in blanket form and among other things recites that "the object of the national, state and local Master Plumbers' associations has been to secure to the members all of the business of the United States growing out of the furnishing and installing of plumbing supplies and this to the absolute exclusion of all others engaging in or endeavoring to carry on such business."

The basis for the monopoly of the plumbing business charged by the government was what is known as the "Baltimore resolution," adopted at the national convention of master plumbers in 1884, according to B. F. Welty, special assistant to the attorney general, who has been assisting Claude R. Porter, district attorney, in the investigation before the grand jury.

This resolution provided an agreement between members of the plumbers' association and supply house men to confine sales to persons legitimately engaged in business, or master plumbers. Another resolution adopted at New Orleans in 1903, Mr. Welty said, defined a master plumber as a member of the association. Only the middle west is represented in the present investigation, but it is the plan to extend the inquiry to all parts of the country, according to District Attorney Porter. He said the extreme western states probably would be taken care of at the meeting of the federal grand jury in Salt Lake City next month, after which the inquiry would be adjourned to Philadelphia.

DISPUTES PRINZ STATEMENT

General Electric Company Denies
Having Made Certain Proposal.

CONCERNS STREET LIGHTING

Assertion of Water Board Engineer
that Company Offered 6.6 Ampere
Light as 1,200 Candle Power
is Challenged.

W. A. Prinz, chief engineer of the Water board, has been somewhat embarrassed this week, when asked to prove some of his assertions made at the discussion of the proposed election light contract, held at the city hall last week. In discussing the 6.6 ampere alternating current arc lamp in general use in the residential section of the city, Mr. Prinz asserted that the General Electric company in a proposal to the Water board had described the lamp as giving 1,200 candle power.

C. J. Thomas, manager of the Omaha office of the General Electric company, denied that such a proposal had ever been made to the Water board. Mr. Prinz thereupon produced what purported to be a copy of the proposal to the Water board, and read it to substantiate his contention that the lamp produced 1,200 candle power.

Files Dismissed No Offer.
Mr. Thomas at that time refused to believe that the statement was true. However, to make certain, he searched through his files here to find if the company had ever made such a statement to the local agent. Failing to find such a statement there, he called upon Mr. Prinz, and asked to see the original of the proposal.

Mr. Prinz was somewhat embarrassed, but finally produced a typewritten report, written in his office by his stenographer. Mr. Prinz then said that the proposal was in that report, and he contended that the report was written by his stenographer and that his report there was practically dictated by a salesman for the General Electric company.

"I do not believe that any such proposal was ever made to the Water board," declared Mr. Thomas. "It is well known that the 6.6 ampere alternating current arc lamps such as are used in the residence district here, produce but 450 or 500 candle power. To make such a statement would be absurd. The General Electric company has certainly not made the Water board a guarantee that this type of lamp would produce 1,200 candle power, as Mr. Prinz asserted in his argument at the meeting the other night. The facts of the case are that Mr. Prinz only has a record of what his stenographer thought some salesman for the company said."

What Prinz Contends.
Mr. Prinz, at his office, admitted that he had stated that the company had described the lamp in question as one which produced 1,200 candle power, and insisted that the lamp was known as a 1,200 candle power lamp throughout the country. The proposals which he produced were made by a representative of the General Electric company when they were contemplating new lights for the Florence plant.

"The information we collected then was solely to aid us in determining the best illumination for the plant there. We did not even know of the proposed electric contract at that time. This report was dictated to my stenographer by a representative of the General Electric company, who was sent here for the purpose of selling us the equipment, I suppose. We did not consider it as good as another lamp and therefore did not adopt it."

La Follette and Roosevelt Moosers Line Up for Fight

MADISON, Wis., June 4.—Governor Francis E. McGovern today made formal announcement of his candidacy for the republican nomination for United States senator. He will make his fight mainly on the tariff issue. The governor condemns the Underwood tariff act.

The other candidate for the nomination is Thomas Morris of La Crosse, lieutenant governor. Both are running as progressives, but Morris belongs to the La Follette branch of the progressive party, while McGovern belongs to the Roosevelt side. Lieutenant Governor Morris will begin campaigning soon. Both Senator La Follette and Colonel Roosevelt have been invited to Wisconsin to take part in the campaign in behalf of their respective lieutenants.

Thus far John Aylward, United States attorney for the western district of Wisconsin, is the only candidate for the democratic nomination for senator.

LEGALIZE MY ACTS, IS HUERTA'S DEMAND

Approval of Doings of Provisional
President by Mediators Price
of Retirement.

HIS PROPOSAL TO DELEGATE

Intends to Safeguard
Men Surrounding Him.

FORECAST OF DEADLOCK MADE

Constitutionalists Insist Administration
Not Recognized.

DICTATOR FEARS MONEY LOSS

Sees Trouble Ahead for Those Who
Joined in Flotation of Loans
and Personal Risk for
His Friends.

VERA CRUZ, June 4.—The price Provisional President Huerta demands for his retirement is the legalization of his official acts since his appointment to the provisional presidency, according to advice from the capital today.

This is said to have been the proposal General Huerta authorized his delegates to offer at the mediation conference at Niagara Falls. General Huerta is said to realize he has only a slim chance of winning out, but he is under stood to be determined not to abandon power without adequate provision being made for the protection of his own future and for that of the men with whom he has surrounded himself.

The constitutionalists, it is said, have insisted that no act of General Huerta's administration shall ever be regarded as legal and in this case General Huerta foresees enormous financial losses for those who joined in the flotation of his loans, as well as a personal risk for the members of his cabinet, for the new congressmen installed in place of those whom he imprisoned and for thousands of minor officials and even private citizens who willingly or unwillingly aided his government.

Rebels Take Towns in Vera Cruz.
DURANGO, Mex., June 3.—(Via El Paso, Tex., June 4.)—The towns of Tantima and Tantoyuca, in the state of Vera Cruz, have been captured by a force under General Candido Aguilar, newly named governor of that state, according to a message received today by General Carranza. General Aguilar has occupied a large portion of the country, has established civil and military authorities in office and offered full guarantees to commerce and industries.

All railroad and telegraph lines as far south as the northern part of Hidalgo have been opened to traffic and General Aguilar has given orders to push the campaign against the federalists to the south with the troops of General Blanco and General Natera closing in on Guadaluajara and Zacatecas, respectively.

In answer to presentations made by the United States State department, General Carranza ordered that collectors in the states held by constitutionalists make no effort to collect again the back taxes paid by foreign companies to the Huerta government. Some collectors had refused to receive payment for current taxes from the companies on the ground that the back taxes had been paid to Huerta and not to the present government, but the present order insures that the collectors will receive recent taxes and will make no effort to collect again the sums paid Huerta before the states in question came into constitutionalist control.

Blockade Attempted.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Prospects of an attempted blockade of Tampico by Huerta gunboats took the position of chief interest in Mexican affairs here today and administration officials informed of the latest developments in news dispatches declined to indicate their policy, although they informed Admirals Badger and Mayo of the situation.

It was considered significant, however, that at the department, immediately after Tampico fell into the hands of the constitutionalists, it was announced that all Mexican gulf ports were considered "open," and that was interpreted as a clear intimation that no blockade would be recognized.

The steamer Antilla, bearing arms for Carranza, and which has aroused the present situation, flies the Cuban flag. What the United States would do should Huerta gunboats attempt to interfere with her, officials declined to say or indicate.

Rev. Mr. McGiffin Goes to Fremont

Rev. Nathaniel McGiffin, L. D., former pastor of the Lowe Avenue Presbyterian church, has decided to accept the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Fremont. He will take up his new duties June 15, and for the summer will also continue as Nebraska superintendent of home missions for denomination, for which position he resigned his local charge. Dr. McGiffin's family will move to Fremont in mid-summer.

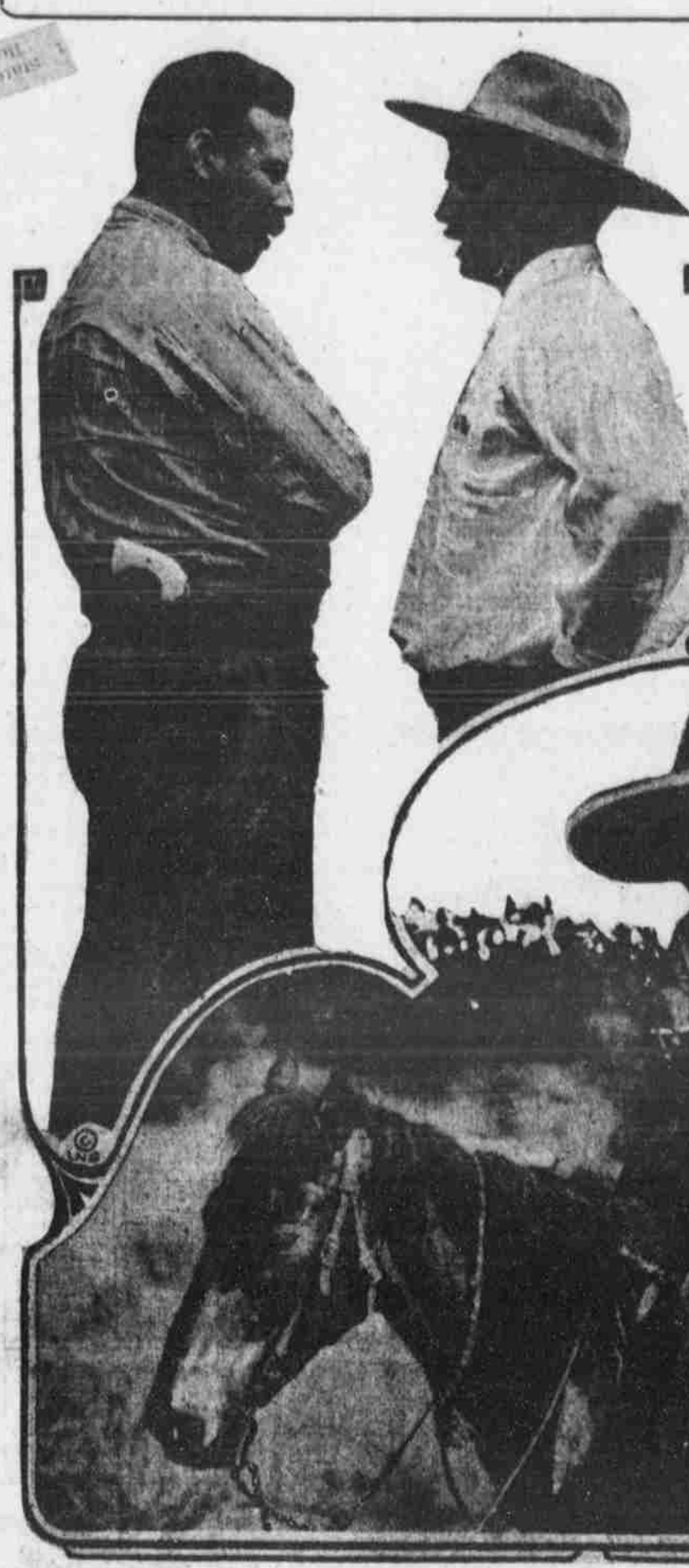
YOUNG SCHOOLBOY SPELLS FOURTEEN HUNDRED WORDS

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., June 4.—William Boesliger, an 11-year-old boy in the sixth grade of the public schools here, won a spelling match today when he spelled 1,400 words—without missing one. The match was limited to thirty-five boys and girls of the sixth grade and lasted eleven and one-half hours.

SON OF J. P. MORGAN HAS APPENDICITIS OPERATION

NEW YORK, June 4.—Henry Sturgis Morgan, youngest son of J. P. Morgan, is recovering from an operation for appendicitis in the Presbyterian hospital. Young Morgan complained last week while in school at Groton, Mass., of being ill. He was taken to the hospital Tuesday last.

LEADER OF THE REBELS, General Villa, Talking to one of his subordinates about details of a campaign. Below is shown Senora Gutierrez, the Joan d'Arc of the rebellion. Senora Gutierrez has taken part in all of Villa's recent campaigns and has borne a man's part in march or battle.



MORE NEW HAVEN METHODS

Director Skinner Questioned About
Billard Securities.

TOOK WORD OF ACCOUNTANTS

Did Not Know that Paper Certified
by the Board to Be Worth Ten
Million Dollars Had Little
Value.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—William Skinner, a director of the New Haven railroad, continued his testimony today at the Interstate Commerce Commission's inquiry into the railroad's financial affairs. Lewis Cass Leary and George P. Baker, former directors, were present waiting to testify. Mr. Leary will testify as a voluntary witness.

"Why did the directors make a report to the stockholders to the effect that the New Haven held marketable securities of the Billard company worth \$10,000,000 when they were in reality of little value?" asked Chief Counsel Folk of Mr. Skinner. "I took the word of the accounting department of the road," he replied. "Have you no auditing committee on the board?" "No, but we employ certified accountants."

"Do you not know that the accountants said they had not been able to determine the value of the securities?" "No, I cannot speak for the other directors." (Continued on Page Two.)

WHITE WOLF BURNS FAMOUS MONASTERY; MISSIONARIES' HOME

Brigand Sets Fire to Ancient Structure
in China and Loots
More Cities.

TOWA WOMAN'S POST DANGEROUS

Young Woman from Boone Believed
to Be at Mission.

SEVERAL MISSIONARIES THERE

Number of American Men and
Women in Missionary.

BANDITS DRIVEN TO MOUNTAINS

Troops Reported to Have Surrounded
Chinese Brigand and Followers
South of Lanchow—Many
Rebberies Committed.

PEKING, China, June 4.—"White Wolf," the Chinese brigand, who, during the last few months has devastated the provinces of Hu-Peh, Ho-Nan and Shen-Si, is now looting and burning towns and villages in the province of Kan-Su. After eluding the great army of troops sent to capture him by the Chinese government, he set fire yesterday to Ning-chow and his followers today burned Tao-Chow in the extreme south of the province, after robbing the inhabitants. The brigands then proceeded to Chen, where they set fire to the famous monastery of the Tibetan Lamas.

Subsequently regular troops drove the bandits to the ravines of Lily mountain, 100 miles south of Lanchow, where they are reported, surrounded by troops.

Americans Are in Danger.

NEW YORK, June 4.—"News were expressed today by the Christian and Missionary Alliance, which has about 300 missionaries in various parts of China, for the safety of several men and women known to be in the town pillaged and burned by the Chinese brigand 'White Wolf.'"

At the monastery of the Tibetan Lamas when "White Wolf's" followers set fire to it, was a missionary named Kauffman, who came from Missouri, and Mrs. W. C. Christie, the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Hohl of Philadelphia; the Rev. and Mrs. Diehl of Bowling Green, O., and the Rev. and Mrs. Snyder of Indiana.

Officers Drowned When Latest 'Plane Plunges Into Ocean

PORTSMOUTH, ENGL., June 4.—Commander Rice and Lieutenant Thomas S. Creswell were drowned today when a seaplane in which they were making a test over Southampton water suddenly plunged into the sea. The seaplane was engaged with several other air craft in maneuvering.

A torpedo boat rushed to the spot and recovered Creswell's body, which was strapped to the seat, but the body of Commander Rice was not found.

The seaplane was one of the largest in the naval service and was of the latest model. It had a wing span of sixty-three feet, carried a 20 horse-power engine and was equipped with wireless. The condition of the machine indicated that the accident was due to an explosion attributed to the ignition of escaping petrol fumes by a spark from the wireless apparatus.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY ANNAPOLIS GRADUATES

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 4.—At a meeting of naval academy graduates this afternoon the following officers were elected: President, Rear Admiral J. H. Upshur; "G," board of control, Colonel R. M. Thompson; '81, Commander G. H. Burgrave; '82, Commander L. H. Chandler; '83, Lieutenant Commander William W. Phelps; '84, Lieutenant Commander J. F. Hinks; '85, secretary and treasurer, Prof. D. M. Garrison.

The national and brigade flags were presented by Miss Mildred Cole of Salem, N. H., to Cadet Lieutenant Commander J. N. Laycock, commanding the Eighth company of the brigade of midshipmen at the dress parade this afternoon. This company won the right to furnish the color guard for the next year by attaining the highest general average in the theoretical and practical branches of scholastic and military work for the year.

Local Dealers Are Interested

When a National advertiser comes into their immediate market with his advertising.

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National advertisers are using the local papers more and more and distributors will profit if they to the extent they are willing to co-operate.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Friday:
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity
Unsettled; somewhat cooler.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Deg.
6 A. M.	74
7 A. M.	74
8 A. M.	75
9 A. M.	75
10 A. M.	75
11 A. M.	75
12 M.	75
1 P. M.	75
2 P. M.	75
3 P. M.	75
4 P. M.	75
5 P. M.	75
6 P. M.	75
7 P. M.	75

Comparative Local Record.

1914, 1912, 1911, 1910, 1909	1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904	1903, 1902, 1901, 1900	
Highest yesterday	80	80	86
Lowest yesterday	64	69	64
Mean temperature	74	70	72
Excess for year period, 1912	2.56	1.88	1.88
Total rainfall since March 1	6.88	6.88	6.88
Deficiency since March 1	2.71	2.71	2.71
Excess for year period, 1912	3.96	3.96	3.96
Deficiency for year period, 1912	3.96	3.96	3.96

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State	Temp.	High.	Rain.
Cheyenne, cloudy	70	70	0.00
Denver, cloudy	76	76	0.00
Dodge City, clear	84	79	0.00
Lander, cloudy	64	64	0.00
North Platte, cloudy	68	68	0.00
Omaha, clear	75	75	0.00
Sioux Falls, cloudy	68	68	0.00
Rapid City, pt. cloudy	78	84	0.00
Salt Lake City, pt. cloudy	70	72	0.00
Santa Fe, clear	78	78	0.00
Sheridan, cloudy	68	68	0.00
Sioux City, clear	71	71	0.00
Union City, clear	71	71	0.00

T indicates trace of precipitation.
L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

MOTOR TRUCK HITS AN AUTO

C. J. Leder and Son, William, of
Waverly Severely Injured.

U. P. BRIDGE GANG ON MOTOR

Had Load of Cement and Were Going
at Rate of About Eighteen
Miles an Hour When the
Auto is Hit.

G. L. Leder, aged 60, and his son were seriously injured about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, when a motor car which they were driving from Waverly to Omaha, was struck by a bridge gang's gasoline motor car at the Union Pacific crossing near Barpy Mills on the Lane cut-off.

G. L. Leder sustained severe bruises of the back and chest, and his face was severely bruised. The injuries of William Leder were slight.

The crossing where the accident occurred is in a cut which makes it impossible to see approaching cars from the road, or approaching vehicles from the tracks.

The bridge building gang in charge of Foreman Ed Gaboski, G. M. Jack, and Frank Galino, was taking a load of 600 pounds of cement and brick to Lane, on the small motor car. They were going about eighteen miles an hour, when they saw the automobile crossing the tracks a few feet ahead of them.

The automobile in which the two Waverly men were riding had almost cleared the tracks, when struck by the motor car.

The bridge men sustained only slight bruises, and proceeded with their work, the heavy load of the motor car saving them from great shock of the collision.

Dr. A. F. Jonas, surgeon for the Union Pacific, was hurried to the scene of the accident, and after giving Mr. Leder and his son emergency dressings, brought them to Omaha, where their injuries were cared for at St. Joseph hospital.

The National Capital Fog and Storm Tie Up Shipping at Duluth

DULUTH, Minn., June 4.—The American head of lakes was whipped by a severe wind, rain and fog storm last night and this morning. Shipping was delayed and one steamer, the C. F. Curtis, was driven ashore in St. Louis Bay. Tugs had it afloat at daylight. All vessels here are tied up. The lake is running high and the wind and rain continue, but are abating.

The Senate.

Debate was resumed on the Panama tolls exemption repeal bill. Railroad men discussed federal regulation of security issues before the Interstate commerce committee.

The House.

Under an agreement for seven hours' continuous debate the Rayburn bill for federal regulation of railroad security issues was taken up.

Katzenjammers in Next Sunday's Bee Sure