

ANGRY MOBS CRY FOR THE LIFE OF RAE

Moller's Slayer Is Secretly Taken to Village Court-room

Citizens Learn of Move and Surround Conveyance and Hall of Justice

Would Have Him Pay Forfeit With His Own Life for Slain Boy

OAKLAND, Sept. 18.—With cries of "Hang him!" "Lynch him!" "Kill him!" angry mobs of citizens surrounded the courtroom at Irvington this afternoon, and also the automobile in which the prisoner fled, demanding the life of John Rae, who had been taken there for arraignment on a charge of having murdered Carl Moller, at the Albre gun club's premises Sunday morning.

The demonstration against the game-keeper was so threatening that proceedings before Justice Powers were hastened, and Rae was smuggled out of town in an automobile of his attorney, Porter Ashe, guarded by Deputy Sheriff George Wales and Constables Vandervoort and Roderick, and deputies.

The prisoner and his guards were driven rapidly to Mowry's station, whence they returned to Oakland by train. Rae was thoroughly upset by the nerve racking experience of the afternoon, and but for the speed with which he was taken from the town there surely would have been violence done.

The demonstration was quite unexpected although the killing of young Moller had aroused no little ill feeling among the residents in the vicinity of the gun club preserve. Sentiment against the club on account of their vigorous watching of the preserves has been increasing for years, and this feeling was given impetus by the tragic death of Moller.

That Rae had reached the little town of Irvington this afternoon to be arraigned was quickly noised about the place, and a crowd gathered about the courtroom rapidly. Every minute that Rae remained tended to inflame the assemblage, while not a few epithets were hurled at the prisoner.

The swelling throng became greatly excited, and, in the end, that violence might be averted, the legalities of the auto under guard and quickly driven away through the town, followed by the mob's cries.

A formal charge of murder was brought against Rae, the complaint being drawn in the district attorney's office and sworn to by Andrew Anderson, a companion of the dead boy.

The proceedings at the court consisted merely of the reading of the complaint, the instruction of the prisoner regarding his rights, and the setting of Tuesday for the preliminary examination. At that time the real issue for which he must stand trial in the superior court if he is held to answer, will be named after all the evidence has been taken.

The murder charge against him at this stage was required by law, but may be tried for manslaughter.

Rae was in custody of a deputy sheriff and Deputy District Attorney Phil Carey looked on for the legalities. Attorney Porter Ashe's services were enlisted by Leigh R. Larzelere, the San Francisco commission merchant who is secretary of the Albre gun club.

COLORADO JUDGE TAKES POISON WHEN PENNILESS

Former Candidate for Congress Dies Claspng Wife's Appeal for Aid

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18.—Penniless and deserted by his friends, Charles G. Van Fleet, former superior court judge of Colorado and at one time a candidate for congress there, committed suicide last night by drinking cyanide of potassium in a cheap lodging house.

In one hand, when the man was found, he held a letter from his wife. In the other he grasped the bottle of poison. The letter, written by his wife from San Jacinto only a few days ago, read:

"Dear Charles: Send me money. We are hungry and the boy has no clothes. Yesterday a friend gave me a 25 cent piece and I bought bread for him. We are nearly starving and we need money. Send only a dollar if you have no more."

Yesterday Van Fleet received another appealing letter from his wife, but when it was handed to him by the hotel clerk and he saw who it was from he handed it back unopened.

Van Fleet received also a letter from the law firm of Wellborn & Campbell in which no encouragement was given him in attempting to secure a judicial position near San Jacinto.

Hanging 200 miles from his home and with the last 25 cents realized from this purchased the poison with which he ended his life.

STEAMSHIP SWEPT BY HEAVY SEAS

Colon Limp Into Port With Masts Gone and Three Men Drowned

COLON, Sept. 18.—The steamship Colon, half masted and showing other evidences of distress, came limping into port early this morning. She had been battered by the hurricane encountered Sunday.

Three members of her crew lost their lives while engaged in the hold in repairing the ship.

The Colon left New York September 10 and encountered the hurricane north of Walling island. The wind blew 100 miles an hour and tremendous seas swept over the vessel. The members of the crew who lost their lives were Second Assistant Engineer William Lyle; J. Olson, the carpenter, and E. Barthel, a water tender.

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WELL! I promised you a dinner—Shakespeare.

EVER have to break such a promise because the cook left? There are good cooks who stay in good places when they find them. If you want such a one telephone a want ad to The Call—Kearny 86.

The good cooks are in Call families—or would like to be.

CAPTAIN WEST INDICTED FOR JURY FIXING

Secret Agent and Former Political Crony of Abe Ruef in the Toils

Accused of Promising Money to John R. Foley to Favor Arch Boodler

Other Graft Defenders Trembling in Fear of the Grand Jury's Ax

Ruef Followers Indicted for Jury Tampering

Francis J. Murphy, attorney for Abe Ruef.
A. S. Newburgh, attorney for Abe Ruef.
E. A. S. Blake, contractor and friend of Ruef.
Captain John J. West, Ruef's "gumshoe" henchman.

Captain John J. West, secret agent and former political crony of Abe Ruef, was the latest to fall before the onslaught which the grand jury has directed against corruption in the jury box, an indictment accusing him of jury tampering having been returned against him yesterday. The indictment was the fourth of a series which has been similar in nature, and more are yet to come. Up and down the line among the ranks of Ruef's followers there has spread a general alarm. Who will be the next? How much does the prosecution know? Whose head will be released, the air, which they asked themselves when it was definitely learned that Ruef's military friend, with all his secrecy and "gumshoe" tactics, had been gathered into the net. The flurry resembled that of the days when 16 crime debauched supervisors hit each other's heels in a wild endeavor to save their hides. Little scenes by confession, to break away from the arch boodler before he could pull them down, as he applied from power to disgrace. Some have even made arrangements for bail in case—the whispered word has been overheard and the intrigue laid bare.

EXPECTED INDICTMENT

That West was to be added to the number was generally known before the indictments were returned. The captain himself seemed to be aware of the approaching indictment, for when he left the grand jury room, 5, Chairman of the jury, a nervousness more than a trifle unimpaired and somewhat laughable.

He was indicted on the testimony of John R. Foley, a veterinarian, and Philip De Martini, a saloon keeper at Sacramento and Montgomery streets. Their testimony was corroborated by F. H. Chaifant, De Martini's attorney, and George Foley's testimony was to the effect that West had attempted to bribe him, to testify that the attempted bribery occurred in his saloon September 5. Chairman corroborated De Martini's testimony, and Gibson that of Foley.

PROMISES FOLEY MONEY

The grand jury took up the case in secret and at 11:20 a. m. returned the indictment, stating that it had evidence that "John J. West promised John R. Foley that he would receive a sum of money in the event that he, the said John R. Foley, was sworn as a juror in the said criminal action and would vote for a verdict in favor of Abe Ruef, the defendant therein."

The verbiage, with a difference in names, was the same as on the indictment which made Murphy break into profanity and Newburgh into avowals of innocence. The indictment was returned before Judge Sturtevant and filed in secret, pending the issuance of a bench warrant for the capture of West. Before the warrant could be issued West had disappeared. The entire force of the sheriff's department was put on the case, but the ex-captain showed his military training by covering his retreat in a masterly way. Nothing was seen of him all day.

At about 6 o'clock in the evening he showed up at the residence of ex-Sheriff Tom O'Neil, who was colonel of the New York regiment of which West was adjutant, and, accompanied by him and Mrs. O'Neil, drove down in an automobile to Sheriff Larry Dolan's home, where he gave himself up. With the party was Contractor Muller. The party, accompanied by a deputy, proceeded to the residence of Judge Sturtevant, where Muller and O'Neil qualified as bondsmen for \$10,000 each. Attorney Newburgh, who gave temporary bail of \$1,000 cash Thursday, appeared in Judge Sturtevant's court yesterday morning with Leon Carrau, a diamond merchant, and Mark M. Liebenstein, vice president of the Lichenstein company, who acted as his bondsmen.

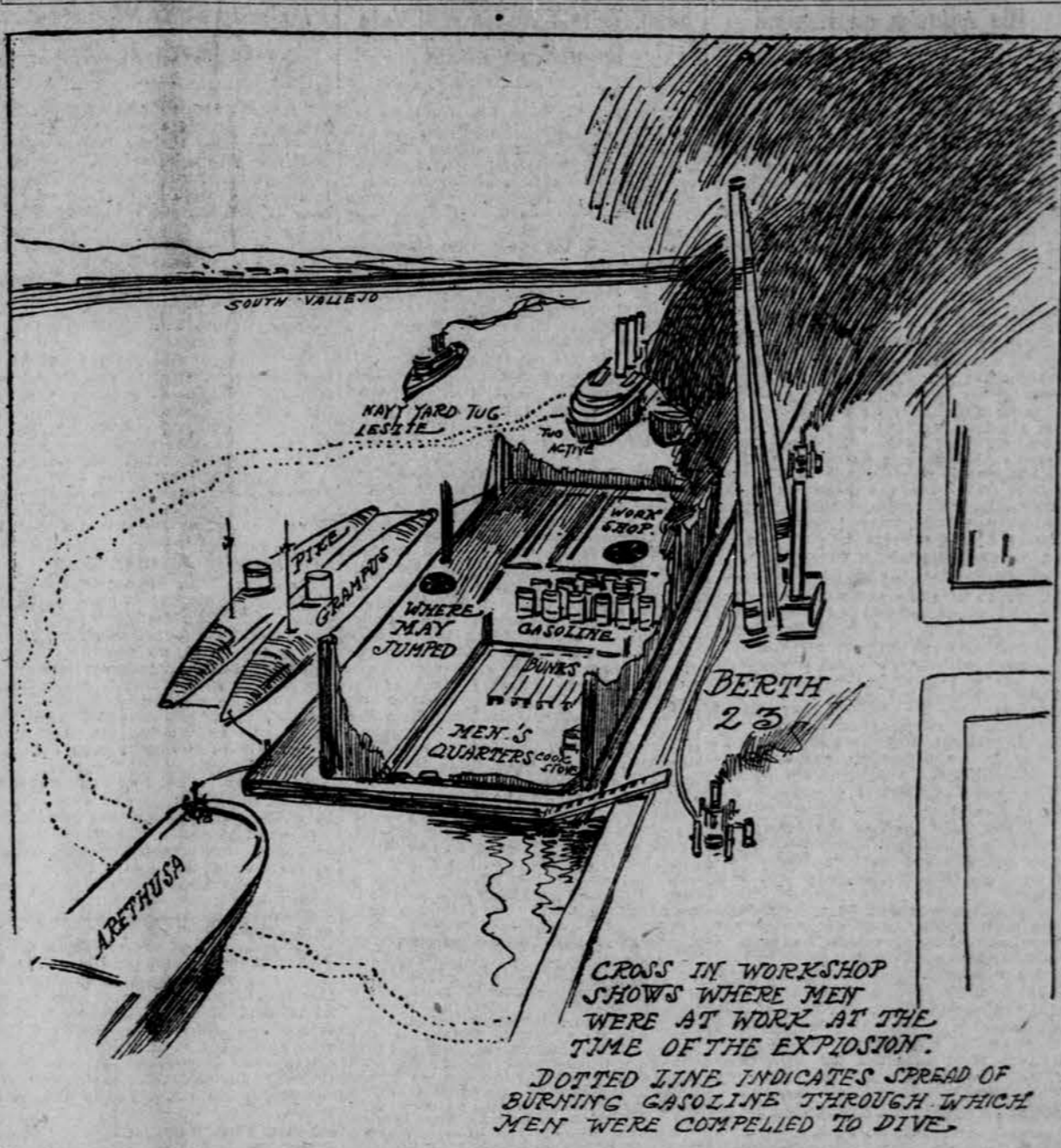
The members of the prosecution had no hesitancy in declaring that the four indictments were but the beginning of a movement to stamp out corruption in the jury box.

"We will endeavor to indict wherever we have the evidence," said Heney. "More indictments will follow and when the public learns the evidence which has been laid before the grand jury during these last few weeks it will be more than surprised. The amount of corruption which has been practiced in this regard is almost incredible. The condition of affairs is appalling, and the deeper we go into it the worse it becomes."

PASSIONIST FATHER DIES

DUNKIRK, N. Y., Sept. 18.—The Rev. John Baudin, formerly provincial of the Passionist Fathers in the United States and Mexico, died at the Passionist monastery here yesterday. He was born at Genoa, 73 years ago.

Fifty Men of the Submarine Flotilla Are Trapped by Blazing Gasoline at Mare Island



CONSUL'S NOSE IS BROKEN BY TIRE

P. J. Van Loben Sels, Paraguayan Representative, Fails to Release Air From Casing

P. J. Van Loben Sels, Paraguayan consul at this port, well known clubman, yachtsman and bright social light, had his nose shattered yesterday by an exploding automobile tire and will probably be disabled for life. In surgical terms his injuries are described on the harbor hospital register in Dr. Shadworth Beasley's inimitable handwriting as follows: "Compound comminuted fracture of nasal bone. Possible fracture of cribriform plates."

The accident occurred early yesterday afternoon. Van Loben Sels is secretary of the Ferry garage. He removed a tire from an automobile with a wrench, which exploded as soon as the tire left the rim and wrought the damage.

Dr. Beasley and Van Loben Sels are close friends. They were going yachting together today. Dr. Beasley was on duty when Van Loben Sels was brought in, but it was not until the steward had washed away the blood and stuck the shattered bones into something like the semblance of a nose that the medical man recognized his friend.

GIRL SAVES HER COMPANION'S LIFE

Promptness of Helen Rheinschild Stopping Machine Prevents Mangling of Chum

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18.—The prompt action of Helen Rheinschild, 16 years old, saved Marie Quinn, aged 15, from a horrible death at the Cudahy packing company's plant this afternoon.

The girls were working side by side at a crimping machine. The Quinn girl reached over her table to secure a can that was about to fall, and in doing so her loose sleeve became entangled in the cog wheels. She saw her danger and made a desperate effort to jerk her arm free before the machinery drew her to an awful fate. She screamed aloud in her terror. The Rheinschild girl had taken in the situation, and without hesitation sprang forward and, grasping the lever controlling the crimping machine, threw off the belt and stopped the wheels just as the cogs were biting into the left arm of Marie Quinn.

TEXAS SUSPECT HAS MARKS LIKE DUNHAM

United States Marshal Sends Description and District Attorney Asks Extradition

SAN JOSE, Sept. 18.—Steps toward the extradition of William Hatfield, the man held in Sherman, Tex., suspected of being James C. Dunham, wanted here for murder, were taken this morning by District Attorney Arthur M. Free.

A telegram was received by Sheriff Langford from Deputy United States Marshal R. L. McAfee that removed every doubt of the man's identity. McAfee's message said: "Two inch scar left foot, beginning on big toe. Height 5 feet 11 1/2 inches, blue eyes, large depression between eyes. Told cellmate would die before he would go to California. Your man su—"

SALE OF BABIES IS ANNOUNCED BY ARMY

Citizens of Mountain Town Protest Against Movement of Salvationists

PUEBLO, Colo., Sept. 18.—The citizens of Salda, a mountain town about 90 miles west of Pueblo, are much exercised over a "sale of babies" advertised by the Salvation Army to take place next Tuesday evening. Several children are advertised to be sold, and there is said to be a movement afoot to stop the sale by court proceedings.

DEMAND SURRENDER OF TABRIZ

TABRIZ, Sept. 18.—A decisive struggle between the sultan and the nationalists for the control of Tabriz is imminent. Ain ed Dowleh of the shah's forces has sent an ultimatum to Satar Khan to lay down his arms and surrender the city in 48 hours, threatening otherwise that he would bombard the capital. Satar Khan flatly refused to comply and is preparing for the defense. Foreigners are in great danger. The nationalists, thinking that their presence will interfere with the bombardment, refuse to permit them to leave the city.

NAVAL MEN CAUGHT IN FIERY SEA

Three Perish and Many Are Injured in Flames Off Mare Island

Refuse Gasoline From Tanks Is Ignited by Cigarette and Spreads Disaster

Lieutenant Townsend, Senior Officer of Submarines, Among the Injured

Fire Spreads Rapidly and Heroic Rescue Work Saves Scores of Lives

The Dead

THEODORE MAY, chief machinist's mate of submarine Grampus.
FRED MARTIN, bumboat boy, Vallejo.
ITALIAN LABORER, name unknown.

The Injured

LIEUTENANT J. F. TOWNSEND, senior officer of submarine flotilla; burned on face and hands.
CHIEF GUNNER'S-MATE W. H. LEAHY, of submarine Grampus.
CHIEF GUNNER'S MATE MORGAN, of the Pike. Both are in the Mare Island hospital.

Several other members of the crews of the Pike and Grampus and the tug Fortune were severely burned.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

VALLEJO, Sept. 18.—Fire flaring suddenly from the waters of the bay at Mare Island trapped 50 men like rats, members of the submarine flotilla crew, on a floating workshop off the seawall shortly after noon today. The flames came from the gasoline floating on the surface of berth 23, the refuse emptied from the tanks of the submarine Grampus and Pike. A cigarette stump is supposed to have started the fire. A naval board of inquiry probably will determine the exact cause.

The Grampus and the Pike were moored off the shop, which was on a float at the foot of the seawall. To the north of the float, 30 feet away, lay the steamship Arethusa, tender for the Atlantic fleet in its voyage to the Pacific. To the south, with its stern against the float, lay the naval tug Fortune. The tug Leslie, in charge of First Class Quartermaster Meers, lay at the Mare Island wharf.

On the float the crews of the two submarines, numbering 30 men, were at lunch. The officers were on the Fortune and ashore. The crew had spent the morning in overhauling the batteries of the submarines and in pumping the gasoline from their tanks. The gasoline went into nine large tanks on the float, 500 gallons of it. Its sediment had been emptied into the bay and the float was surrounded by the water.

WATER BECOMES SEA OF FIRE

It was just after lunch. Some one is supposed to have lighted a cigarette. There was a puff of flame. At once the water around the floating workshop was a sea of fire. It belted and roared and lapped eagerly at the surrounding woodwork.

The men on the float were hemmed in by this billow of flame. It had risen and had become a devouring tornado. As they comprehended it, it caught the gasoline in the tanks and these again exploded.

The men leaped into the flaming water. They leaped, and in leaping they dived deep and swam beneath the blazing workshop. They tried to air their lungs and to take a breath of fresh air.

Many could not swim. Bystanders who had run to the place found him drifting toward the tug Fortune. He had plunged beneath the sea of flames. The fire on the surface of the sea and the explosion of the tanks and these again exploded.

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CHOLERA SPREADS TO PORTS OF BLACK SEA

Seven Persons Die From Disease in Odessa and Surrounding Cities Suffer

ODESSA, Sept. 18.—Despite the strict preventive measures that have been taken, the cholera which is now raging throughout Russia has finally invaded this, the most important port of the Black sea. Seven persons have died from the disease and 12 are in the cholera hospitals.

The governor general has forbidden the export of news from the city. A majority of the surrounding cities are suffering seriously from cholera.

SOLDIERS ARE STRICKEN

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 18.—The Asiatic cholera has taken a strong foothold in the garrisons of St. Petersburg and more than 400 soldiers have been stricken. In the 24 hours ending at noon today there were 135 new cases of cholera and 12 deaths.

There are today 311 patients in the hospital. Since the beginning of the epidemic there have been a total of 1,051 cases, of which 37 recovered.

CHINA IS AFFLICTED

AMOIY, China, Sept. 18.—The native cholera hospitals report a total of 13 deaths from cholera for the 10 days ending Thursday. The total of deaths from all cases in Amoy Thursday was 17.

IMPROVEMENT IN MANILA

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—A net decrease of six in the number of cases of cholera in Manila is reported today by Governor General Smith of the Philippines.

POPE PIUS' ANNIVERSARY

ROME, Sept. 18.—Pope Pius today received thousands of telegrams and addresses of felicitation from Italy and abroad on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the celebration of his first mass.