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DARING ROBBERS CAUGHT BY POSSE

Three Men Loot Two Postoffices And Keep Up Fight In Retreat.

SURRENDERED IN WOODS.

After Looting Safe, they Jump in Buggy and Visit Neighboring Towns.

One Desperado So Badly Wounded He Will Die—Two Buildings Wrecked With Nitro-Glycerine.

Candlen, N. J., March 7.—A pitched battle between farmers and three robbers in which two of the latter were wounded, followed the daring robbery early today of the postoffice at Pedricktown and Bridgeport, about 20 miles south of this city.

The three men were captured. The robbers first appeared at Pedricktown, shortly after midnight and stole a team from a livery stable. They then went to the postoffice, blew open the safe and stole \$250 in money and stamps. The force of the explosion wrecked the building and the place took fire. The robbers then fled with the team.

Before the flames were extinguished, the building was damaged to the extent of about \$2,000. While some of the people were battling with the flames others organized a posse to capture the robbers. The men, however, escaped. Two hours later they appeared at Bridgeport, eight miles from Pedricktown.

BROWN MEETS ROBBERS. It was nearly 3 o'clock when they attacked the postoffice at Bridgeport. The family of William Brown occupied the upper portion of the building. The robbers forced an entrance and inserted a charge of nitro-glycerine in the safe which almost wrecked the building. Brown rushed down stairs with a revolver. When he reached the postoffice, he was confronted by the three robbers who leveled their revolvers at him and ordered him to retreat up stairs.

The robbers then packed up stamps to the amount of \$800, took \$50 in cash and left in the direction of Woodbury. Mrs. Brown, in the meantime had telephoned to the Woodbury police and as the trio drove into that town they were hailed by a policeman. The robbers drove the team on a sidewalk and all three opened fire. The policeman saved himself behind a tree and returned the fire.

LEFT TRAIL OF BLOOD.

During the fusillade the men retreated and finally got away, going toward Wenonah, abandoning the team and leaving a trail of blood. A posse was organized and the desperado were traced to Wenonah, where traces of them were lost.

Shortly after 8 o'clock this morning, two men carrying a third were seen at Wenonah and within short time a score of farmers, well armed, gave chase and soon had them penned in the woods nearby. Both sides opened fire. One of the robbers fell and the second threw up his hands and surrendered. The third man held his ground for some time but fled further into the woods.

The wounded man and the one who surrendered were taken into custody and locked up in the Woodbury jail. The third man was finally captured two hours later.

PIRE IN BOYS' DORMITORY.

El Paso, Texas, March 7.—Fire last night destroyed the boys' dormitory at boarding house at the new Mexican school at El Paso. The fire broke out at 11 o'clock and spread rapidly. The dormitory was a two-story building and the fire spread to the roof and fell on him.

TWENTY-SIX LABORERS OVERCOME BY GAS

Baltimore, March 7.—Twenty-six railroad laborers were overcome by gas in the Pennsylvania railroad tunnel here today. Four men died and 10 were injured. The gas was carbon monoxide and it was believed that they were taken to a hospital.

Three of the dead are negroes. The other is a white man. The men were at work grading in the tunnel, which extends from North Avenue, just west of the Union station, to Pennsylvania Avenue. It forms one of the series of tunnels of the Pennsylvania road under the city.

AFTER HARD STRUGGLE MAN LOSSES TO DEATH.

Alton, Ill., March 7.—After playing pinocle almost continuously for many days and nights to keep from succumbing to the effects of the gas, a man here lived long enough to see his son, Louis, who started on Washington's way to a college in Belgium to see his dying father. The father was told he could not live more than a week. He survived the arrival of his son only a few hours.

NEW YORK AMERICANS START EARLY PRACTISE

New York, March 7.—Several members of the New York American League baseball team left on the Pennsylvania early this morning for Atlantic City, where the team is to go into training preliminary to the opening of the championship season. Twenty players, according to Roy, National League, will be under Manager Clark Griffith's direction in the southern city, the squad including 11 pitchers and six catchers. Among those who left for the morning was Hal Chase, who reported yesterday.

MAY NOT BETRAY A CONFIDENCE

Judge Armstrong So Rules This Morning in Reference to Public Official.

CASE AGAINST MARTIN HOBEN

Defense Attempts to Impeach Edna Thomas by Testimony of State's Attorney, but Not Permitted.

That a public official may not be compelled to betray confidences imparted to him in the line of his duty was the effect of a decision rendered by Judge Armstrong this forenoon. The opinion came at the close of a somewhat lengthy argument by Atty. J. M. Hamilton, who had endeavored to elicit from ex-Assistant County Attorney D. M. Haigh details of a conversation between that person and Miss Edna Thomas, complaining witness against Martin Hoben, the latter being on trial for a statutory offense. Mr. Haigh was asked to detail the conversation in question, the purpose of the defense being to impeach Edna Thomas. The witness refused to answer, upon the ground that to do so would be against public policy. Mr. Hamilton cited several authorities bearing on the subject, but the court held that the witness need not answer.

Witnesses in the Hoben case today were, besides Mr. Haigh, Mary Thomas, mother of Edna Thomas, Mr. Lippman of the Cohn Dry Goods company, and a Mrs. Adams of Bingham. The defense then rested, and the state called Edna Thomas in rebuttal.

ARGUMENTS IN PROGRESS.

Judge Armstrong asked if one hour each for argument would be satisfactory to both sides, and upon a reply in the negative from the defense allotted one and a half hours to each, with instructions that court would convene promptly at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. Arguments in the case are now in progress.

ATTY. EDLER ON STAND.

At yesterday afternoon's session of the trial, Attorney A. B. Edler was the principal witness. Earlier in the case Miss Edna Thomas, the complaining witness, testified that Mr. Edler, who was associated in the prosecution of the case, testified that the attorney advised her to swear that she was one year younger than she actually was. This, she said, was done in order to convict Hoben of a more serious offense than would have been possible had the true age of the girl been stated.

Mr. Edler upon the stand swore positively that he did not advise the girl to perjure herself in any manner whatsoever.

SAIT LAKER NAMED.

L. R. Martineau on Dry Farming Committee on Publication.

The last session of the Transmissouri Dry Farming congress provided for a publication committee to supervise all literary matter to be distributed from the office of the secretary on dry farming. The appointment of the committee was left with F. C. Brennan, of Idaho Falls, chairman of the executive committee, the publication committee to consist of a scientist, a practical farmer, and a business man. The chairman appoints the following: Prof. E. C. Clark of the department of agriculture at Washington, D. C., C. R. Root of Denver, and Lyman R. Martineau of Salt Lake.

FAIR TOMORROW.

Salt Lakers May Don Prettiest for Weather Man Says So.

Taking the weather man's word for it Salt Lake can don its prettiest tomorrow for tonight and Sunday are to be fair. The same prediction holds good for Utah. The fair weather is to be caused by the Pacific high barometric pressure. Days warmer than of late and back on the New England coast it is raining and snowing. This is the storm which has been hanging over the great lakes region. Wyoming had zero weather at the same place and the British northwest was very wintry. It was snowing at Helena and Buffalo this morning. Salt Lake was none too warm last night or this morning as it was but 26 degrees at 8 o'clock this morning and the lowest for the 12 hours ending at that hour, was 21, with the maximum for 24 hours, 36 only.

A NARAHARA DISCHARGED.

City Unable to Make Case Against Jan—Fling Him Fined \$25.

Atty. William Leary, formerly clerk of the criminal division of the city court, and now practicing in this city, scored a victory in Judge Diehl's court yesterday afternoon and this morning.

Atty. Leary was engaged by the Japs, Koreans and Chinamen, who were arrested a few nights ago in a gambling joint on Plum alley, run by one Ping Hin, who was aided by Officers Kaat and Harris, but the officers were unable to make a clear case against all of the defendants. A Narahara was the first placed on trial. After the city had failed to establish the allegations in the complaint, the motion was granted and Narahara was discharged. This morning the other defendants, Ping Hin, M. Kamioko, Sam Fat, Yee Queng, Yee Gee, Lee Din, R. Hop, Wang Sing Ling and K. Nakagura, appeared for trial. Ping Hin, charged with keeping a gambling house, pleaded guilty and was fined \$25. The other defendants were discharged on motion of Assistant City Attorney E. A. Rogers.

Goets to Echo—Supt. A. C. Nelson went to Echo yesterday, to investigate charges against a teacher there.

Committee Meets Tonight—The Oxford candidates, Frank B. Holman and Ralph Hartley, met with the committee at the University club to present credentials, after which the committee expects to determine who will go.

GOVERNMENT LINES CONNECT WITH BELL

United States Forest Service Enters Contract With Rocky Mountain Company.

WILL BENEFIT MANY PEOPLE.

Lines Under Agreement Will Total 1,300 Miles in Length—More of Great Importance to All.

The Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company has just made a contract with the United States forest service, by the terms of which all the government telephone lines under the jurisdiction of the forest service in this region are to be connected with the Bell system. Government lines now completed, in course of construction and to be completed by June 1, and which will be governed by the contract just made, total about 1,300 miles in length. The forest service arranges to allow towns and settlements along its lines to connect with the wires and the government completes the connections to the nearest Rocky Mountain Bell exchange. Toll service will be extended to the public just as if the telephone company owned the lines, so that the effect of the arrangement will be practically to extend the system of the Bell company to the extent that the government builds lines and makes connections with local companies.

GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST.

The government plans to assist local ownership telephone companies, and thus assist the forest work, by supplying connections between isolated telephone lines and the Bell system. This will be accomplished by the government connecting its lines at one end with the local company and at the other end with the Bell system, thus bringing as many telephone users as possible into the greater system. The forest service has been active in pushing work on its telephone lines in the Intermountain states covered by the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company and the next few months promises to see hundreds of settlers and others, now without means of rapid communication, brought into touch with all parts of this region.

MOVE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE.

Details of operation under the contract were worked out by General Manager D. S. Murray of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company and officers of the forest service at Washington recently. Both parties to the contract regard it as of unusual importance to the government service and the general public in the regions that will be affected.

BINGHAM JOHN SHORTAGE.

Impression Grows That There is a Clerical Error in Accounts.

The impression grows in railroad circles here and Bingham Junction that the \$1200 unaccounted for in Cashier A. C. Peterson's accounts at the latter station will show up in some mistake in his books. The men who have worked for months with Mr. Peterson stand together in their declarations of their belief in his innocence. Special Auditor Lounsbury is in Bingham Junction from Denver, and is looking into his checking up of the books by Mr. Peterson, who hurried home to help straighten affairs out.

Mr. Peterson is in Denver on his way home and called at the offices there to make a statement. The new development of the affair is the departure of Traveling Auditor L. C. Robinson who has gone to Denver. Some of Peterson's friends seem to think a clerical mistake might have been made in the checking-up. At any rate Mr. Robinson has gone and nothing is known as to what this visit may prove to be. Mr. Peterson is evidently the most eager man of all to have the affair gone to the very bottom, as his is an awkward position. The shortage was discovered while he was away on a honeymoon, and to come home with such a thing facing him was anything but pleasant.

SHROPSHIRE ARRAIGNED.

Brought Back from Los Angeles He is Held in \$1,000 Bail.

W. R. Shropshire, who was brought back from Los Angeles yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Steele, was arraigned this morning before Justice of the Peace Dennis T. Smith on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses and took until Monday to plead. In default of \$1,000 bail he was committed to the custody of the sheriff. Shropshire was formerly employed by a local railroad. He is accused of a bank robbery at which \$3,000 was obtained by false pretenses the sum of \$241.75 on Jan. 30.

BEFORE JUDGE DIEHL.

Bingham Vandals Plead Guilty—Zichovitch Case Continued.

Before Judge C. B. Diehl, in the criminal division of the city court this morning, Fred Wicklund and Hermann Isaacson, charged with doing damage to the jail at Bingham, were arraigned and pleaded guilty. Their case was continued until Monday morning, owing to the absence of the county attorney. The defendants were committed to the county jail in default of \$500 bail.

George Zichovitch, an Austrian, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, a miner's candlestick, upon Anna Kolovich, was unable to understand English and his case was continued until Monday. His bail was fixed in the sum of \$1,000, which he was unable to give.

S. Rasmussen, a youth charged with stealing a watch from Grace Fuller, a Commercial street woman, will be arraigned next Tuesday morning. He was released on \$50 bail.

ATKINSON DISCHARGED.

Frank Atkinson, one of the negroes arrested for complicity in the robbery of John Wheeler at Joe Burns' gambling house on Commercial street on Feb. 17, was tried before Judge Diehl yesterday afternoon and was found not guilty and discharged.

JAPAN WILL TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION

In the Event China Does Not Give Her Reply on Totsu Maru.

SPURN DOWAGER'S OFFERS.

Demand Return of Steamer and Cargo and Full Payment Of Indemnity.

Investigation Proposed Does Not Suit Mikado and His Ultimatum Is Drawn Plainly.

Peking, March 7.—Japan's ultimatum in the case of the Japanese steamer Tatsu Maru was presented to the head of the Chinese foreign board yesterday, and today the board has the matter under consideration. The Tatsu Maru was seized off Macao on Feb. 7 by Chinese customs cruisers on the charge that her cargo of arms and ammunition was intended for Chinese revolutionists, although consigned to a merchant of that place. The steamer is now being held at Whampoa, on the Canton river.

The irreducible minimum of the Japanese claims is the restoration of the steamer as well as of her cargo and the payment of a full indemnity. Action is demanded within a "reasonable time." In case of default or postponement, Japan, according to the terms of her ultimatum, will, "take immediate action."

EARLY REPLY EXPECTED.

Japan expects a reply by tomorrow. She will not tolerate China's offer to investigate the case. She insists upon an apology for the hauling down of the Japanese flag on the Tatsu Maru and she will not accept mediation, affirming that China is in error, and that the facts are incontrovertible.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to China in delivering the ultimatum, made reference to Japan's sympathy for China in the matter of contraband traffic in arms and explained that China could not expect mediation so long as she did not admit the participation of the Portuguese.

ANNA GOULD DENIES IT.

Paris, March 7.—Madame Anna Gould, who recently secured a divorce from her husband, Count Boni De Castellane, today authorized the Associated Press to give absolute denial to the report that she had been married to Prince Helie De Sagan.

DEMENTED GIRL SAFE AT HER HOME

Police Department is Responsible For Big Scare Among Granite Residents.

OFFICERS KNEW GIRL'S NAME

And by Giving It Out Would Have Saved Trouble and Anxiety To Many People.

"Love's labor lost" might properly be the title of a story that could be told by a number of residents of the region of Granite regarding a hunt over hill and dale for a demented person supposed to be lurking in that vicinity all of this week, while as a matter of fact the individual sought for was all of the time covered by the search safely housed at home. The preface or the addenda of the story would doubtless contain a roast for the police department of this city, which is charged as being responsible for the fiasco.

RETURNED WEEK AGO.

One week ago last night one Eva Jespersen, a somewhat feeble minded young woman of Roosevelt avenue, Waterloo, who had been home after her absence caused much concern to the family. The police were at once notified of the girl's disappearance, said her relatives. She was gone all night and next day, but returned Saturday night, and told a story of having slept Friday night on a laprobe in the willows near the mouth of Cottonwood canyon. The girl further said that she had called at a farmhouse Saturday morning, where she was given some apples.

SHERIFF NOTIFIED.

The early part of this week the sheriff's office was notified that a crazy woman was roaming several miles south of the city, and Deputy Joe Sharp went out that way Monday afternoon, but could get no trace of such an individual. Residents, however, seemed to be of the opinion that the wanderer was still in the neighborhood, perhaps dead, or, at least, in the inclement weather. Every day and sometimes at night searches were out, as high as 50 at a time, covering nearly every foot of ground for miles around. The total search, however, was without results, but not a word of enlightenment came from the police department.

JESPERSENS UNINFORMED. Today a telephone message came to the sheriff's office from the Jespersen family, telling of the disappearance and subsequent return home of Eva Jespersen. It was not until this morning that relatives learned of the commotion caused in Granite, and they hastened to relieve all anxiety in this matter.

Miss Jespersen was at one time an inmate of the state mental hospital, sent there from this county.

ENDURANCE RACE LAUNCHED TODAY

President of National Humane Society Addresses Protest to Western Governors.

UTAH EXECUTIVE REPLIES.

Opposed to Testing Strength of Animals Beyond Reasonable Bounds—Test May Not Take Place.

Denver, March 7.—W. O. Stillman of Albany, N. Y., president of the National Humane society, has appealed to the governors of Colorado, Wyoming and Utah by letter to enforce the laws and prevent the carrying out of the plan for an endurance horse race from Ogden, Utah, to Denver, a distance of over 900 miles.

"This exhibition," Mr. Stillman says in his letter to Governor Henry A. Buchtel of Colorado, "are little better than the bull fights which we are prone to condemn in the Mexicans, and give color to the feeling which exists in many parts of the country that the myriads of livestock which are allowed to perish from starvation and exposure on the Northern ranges are allowed to go to their fate with brutal indifference to their agony and sufferings on the part of those who should be held responsible for them."

GOV. CUTLER'S REPLY.

In answer to the appeal sent to him, Governor Cutler today replied as follows to President Stillman: "I am just in receipt of your letter of Feb. 23, inclosing copy of a letter you have sent to Governor Buchtel of Colorado, relative to a contemplated 'endurance test' of horses. You ask me to state my position in relation to this matter."

"I am heartily opposed to the brutality manifested by owners of animals, in testing their strength beyond perfectly humane and reasonable bounds. It should be prohibited; and I am with you in your efforts to prevent such cruelty. The humane, directed against a helpless, dumb animal, which has no voice in the matter, is akin to the brutality of so-called Christian Scientists and others who willfully deprive their helpless children of proper medical care, when they are afflicted with alleviable disease. Both forms of cruelty are reprehensible, and should be prevented by proper enforcement of law."

"Your letter has been referred to our state humane officer, who will, I am sure, give the matter prompt and effective attention. And you can be assured that I will do everything in my power to assist him in his legal efforts to prevent such unnecessary cruelty both to animals and to children."

KNICKERBOCKER TRUST CO. WILL RESUME MARCH 26.

New York, March 7.—The Knickerbocker Trust company, which suspended business at the beginning of the financial panic last October, will resume business at noon, Thursday, March 26. Permission for the resumption of business was granted by Justice Clark in the supreme court at St. George, S. I., upon recommendation of Supt. Williams and of the state banking department.

TOKIO PRESS URGES JINGOES TO KEEP IT UP

Tokio, March 7.—The Japanese papers continue to urge the government to take strong measures against China.

A meeting of the cabinet today will probably decide the government's course. It is understood that the elder statesmen, including Maruyama and Count Inuiye, are counseling against precipitation, on the ground that Japan would alienate the sympathy of the world if she hastily creates a state of war in the far east at this juncture on account of a comparatively trivial incident and a mistake made by a minor official at Canton.

It is said here that the Japanese flag was hauled down on the steamer Tatsu by the order of an Englishman connected with the Chinese customs who boarded the vessel. While the sensational press of Tokio is demanding the retaking of the Tatsu, all the party leaders and others who are the assumed friends of the emperor, there is little anticipation of necessity of resorting to force. Reports from Peking this morning say that China will undoubtedly yield, but that European influence keeps the minister of foreign affairs in a state of indecision.

HUGHES FORMALLY INDORSED.

New York Republicans Meet to Decide Convention Dates.

New York, March 7.—Gov. Charles E. Hughes was formally indorsed as New York's candidate for the presidency by the Republican state committee at its meeting here. Resolutions indorsing him, which were presented by former Congressman Wm. H. Douglass, who represents home district of the governor in the committee, were adopted unanimously and without discussion.

The committee decided upon April 11 as the time and Carnegie Hall, New York, as the place for holding the state convention, which will elect delegates at large to the national convention at Chicago, nominate presidential electors and elect a new state committee. Justice M. Lynn Bruce of New York was elected as temporary chairman of the convention.

FIRE IN PAINT SHOP. Peoria, Ill., March 7.—Fire which started in the Hart Grain Weigher company paint shop today did \$150,000 damage to buildings and stock.

PANIC IN PEST HOUSE. Denver, March 7.—The city pesthouse at San Creek, just south of the city limits, in Adams county, was burned today. There was a panic among the 15 patients, one man and 14 women and children, when the fire was discovered at 10 o'clock in the morning. The pesthouse, which is a two-story building, was built by the city and is now camped on the premises.

MONSTER NAUSSAU LAUNCHED TODAY

Germany's First Mammoth Warship Down the Ways at Wilhelmshaven.

GRAND DUCHESS CHRISTENS.

Brilliant Assemblage of Nobility Present to See Huge Hull Plunge Into Icy Waters.

Wilhelmshaven, March 7.—Germany's first mammoth warship was successfully launched here today and christened Naussau by the Grand Duchess of Baden. Emperor William, the Grand Duke of Baden, Prince Henry of Prussia, and Prince Henry of the Netherlands, as well as a brilliant assemblage of prominent officials, were present.

Wilhelm von Hengstenberg, lord lieutenant of Hesse-Nassau, made a speech in which he greeted the new vessel as a welcome addition to Germany's sea power and a defender of the interests of the empire.

The launch of the giant battleship Naussau inaugurated a new era in the German navy. In size, armament, speed and installation, she will be superior to any warship hitherto built in Germany.

RAPID CONSTRUCTION.

The Naussau's first keel plate was laid down in the imperial yard at Bremen in the last quarter of 1906, so that her construction has been very rapid. Her internal fittings and armament are to be completed in the first quarter of 1908.

The cost of construction, including trial runs, will total \$3,190,000, of which \$5,567,500 are accounted for by the hull and internal fittings, \$3,375,000 for artillery, and \$247,500 for torpedo tubes.

A twin ship in every respect, the Sachsen is to be launched soon from the Weiser yard at Bremen, while work is proceeding rapidly on the Naussau at the Vulkan yard, Stettin, and on the Baden at the Germania works, Kiel. These latter two ships, although classed as light cruisers, are to have an even larger displacement, namely, 18,700 tons, and are to be fitted with turbines probably of the Parsons type. The Naussau and Sachsen are to be laid down this year, and these are believed to displace over 20,000 tons.

It has been stated in well informed circles that each of these vessels is to be armed with ten 11-inch guns of 30 caliber in length, with great muzzle velocity. The projectiles of these guns weigh between 700 and 800 pounds. The Naussau is to be placed so as to fire simultaneously from either broadside, it would be possible to discharge an enormous weight of metal at one time.

The previous largest German battleships are of the Deutschland class of 13,191 tons, carrying crews of 730, including officers and with a speed of 18 knots.

SUSPECT WOMAN MURDERED.

Rockford, Ill., March 7.—The mangled body of a woman found on the railroad tracks here last night was identified today as that of Mrs. William Laying of this city. The police believe that the woman was murdered.

FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL.

Harry Adler and His Wife Both Victims of Gun Shot Wounds.

Denver, March 7.—Harry Adler of Pueblo and a woman supposed to be his wife were found dead today in a room in the Waldorf hotel, 1757 Stout street, the city of Denver. The woman was found dead in the room, and the man was found dead in the hallway. The police believe that the man shot himself in the head. The room had been locked since Wednesday and the couple were believed to be out of town.

MANY INDIANA TOWNS SUBMERGED BY FLOODS

Indianapolis, March 7.—Floods are reported today throughout northern Indiana. The Wabash river is out of its banks for miles north of Lafayette. South Peru is partially under water and the interurban line is out of commission for 30 miles. At Plymouth, Elkhart, Warsaw and other points adjacent to the lake, many houses are submerged. There has been no loss of life.

ONE MORE VICTIM DIES FROM INJURY IN FIRE

Cleveland, O., March 7.—The last of the little victims of the Collingwood school fire to perish was Glen Barber, aged 8 years. He died early today at a hospital from injuries sustained in his leap from the second story window of the school building. In casting up the total of pupils who were at school the day of the fire, it develops that six still are missing. The superintendent has completed a canvass and finds that 174 are dead or missing, including the two teachers. Only 167 bodies have been taken out of the ruins. Twenty-one of these still are unidentified.

It is now believed that the body identified yesterday as that of Miss Katherine Weiler, the teacher, is that of a man, John Krushyak, who was one of the first of the rescuers on the scene, who has been missing since.

At St. Mary's catholic church services were held today over the remains of 16 bodies. During the day there were also over 40 funerals.

NOTED EXPERT DEAD.

New York, March 7.—Gustaf Mauritz Westman, a chemist and mineralogist of note, died suddenly in New York last night. A company that had just been formed to manufacture wrought iron according to a new plan which he had invented was expected to have made him rich. Mr. Westman was born in Sweden 73 years ago and became famous through various inventions connected with the manufacture of iron and steel.

NO EXCURSION TO TIMBER LAND

Agent Was To Have Met the Investors at Nampa, Idaho, Tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT ON THE ALERT.

Secret Service Men Watching to See That No Entries Are Made.

Money Held in Escrow Fills Two Boxes in Safety Deposit Vault Down Town—Lawyer's Experience.

In two boxes, in a safety deposit vault belonging to a prominent Main street merchant, is piled currency in one, coin in the other. These boxes represent the net result of soliciting money for the timber land tip deal.

The merchant in possession of the money holds it in escrow. The men who gave it up in some cases did so with the understanding that it was to be taken down by the mysterious and unknown tipster at the completion of their excursion by special train to the land on which they were to enter. In other cases, it was not to be turned over until the title from Uncle Sam passed into the hands of the entryman.

Until the "News" appeared Monday evening the men in this deal confidently hoped to leave Salt Lake tonight at midnight on a special bound northwest, that the mysterious agent of \$10,000 possibilities would board the train at Nampa, and that from then on the trip would be to a land of promised fortune, in which they would legitimately use up their rights, and would violate no law.

If the excursion leaves tonight as per schedule, the contract between tipster and subscriber will be carried out, but there is nowhere any evidence that a party is to leave, and government detectives are prepared to watch to see that none does, or at least that no entries are ever made.

CAPT. HARE WORKING.

Capt. Hare is still continuing his investigations, and prosecutions, will promptly follow the unearthing of any scheme that has a coloring of criminal intent. Special agents today went to Draper to learn the exact nature of the representations made there, and if possible the name of the mysterious instigator of the deal, now said to be a man named Kimberly.

As the subscribers told more and more of the details of the plot laid to get their money, the different kind of stories told to individuals multiply. A prominent young attorney was one of those to whom the matter was broached. To him it was stated that the Nampa visitor to the train would give each man \$400 to spend in paying for his entry fees of his claim. The attorney promptly decided this was criminal and against the law, and this feature was forthwith eliminated from the stories. Then the solicitors got out another addition to the effect that money would be taken down by the tipster as soon as he pointed the entryman to the proper place to go.