

# VANCE TO FACE MURDER CHARGE

Complaint Now Being Prepared By County Attorney Against Blacksmith.

# WOMAN'S SHOCKING DEATH.

Cruelly Beaten and Kicked by Husband, Who is Accused of Poisoning Water.

Thomas Vance, a blacksmith who brutally beat his wife into insensibility at noon on Nov. 26, will have to face a charge of murder in the first degree.

Mrs. Vance died at St. Mark's hospital yesterday morning from the severe beating she received and from bichloride of mercury poisoning.

A complaint, alleging the capital crime, is being prepared by County Attorney Hanson, and will be filed in Justice of the Peace Dana T. Smith's court. Vance will probably be arraigned tomorrow morning.

No inquest will be held. Preparations for an inquest were begun this morning, but the county attorney decided that, in as much as there is to be a criminal prosecution and a preliminary hearing, an inquest is not necessary.

Bert Vance, an Ogden police officer and brother to the accused man, this morning retained Atty. Newton to defend the accused murderer. Since the announcement of the death of Mrs. Vance, the prisoner has been unable to make a coherent statement, even to his attorney.

Before her death, Mrs. Vance made a dying statement in which she accused her husband of beating her, and also charged that he "put something" in a glass of water which she drank.

An autopsy on the body of the dead woman, performed by County Physician Calderwood and Dr. A. A. Kerr, Joseph E. Taylor's undertaking establishment yesterday afternoon, disclosed numerous bruises on the body; and the stomach, kidneys and brain showed traces of bichloride of mercury poisoning.

Deputy Sheriff C. A. Sperry, who took Vance from the city to the county jail, expressed an opinion this morning that the man is mentally unbalanced.

"Wait till you hear my story and you will hear something," Vance said, according to a statement made by Vance to Deputy Sheriff Charles A. Sperry.

Because she filled a cup of coffee to her husband, Mrs. Thomas Vance, now dead at the undertaking parlors of Joseph E. Taylor, Thomas Vance the husband, is locked in a cell at the county jail charged with murder in the first degree. Four motherless children are crying for their mother, one of them too young to realize the terrible tragedy that has come into their young lives.

The story of the death of Mrs. Vance is a most shocking one and if the facts alleged are proved will disclose a nature, on the part of the husband, so depraved, cruel, brutal and devilish as to be almost beyond belief.

The Vance family, consisting of husband, wife and four children: Lena, aged 12 years; Edward, 9; Florence, 7; and baby Albert, 3 months old, came here some time ago from Texas. The family resided at 861 south, Seventh street. Vance worked as a blacksmith but recently had been out of work.

On Nov. 25 the man went to his home for a mid-day meal. With his wife and their four children, he sat down at the table and appeared to be in a reasonable frame of mind. Mrs. Vance leaped from the table to pour her husband a cup of coffee, but the cup overturned and the coffee ran onto the tablecloth. At this Vance became enraged and threw the cup at Mrs. Vance's head. She dodged and the cup struck her on the forehead. Vance then rushed at the unfortunate woman, choked her, struck her with his clenched fists, knocked her down and then kicked her most brutally. This, according to a statement made at St. Mark's hospital on Tuesday by Mrs. Vance's sister, Mrs. George Vance, who is now in the hospital, was the beginning of the tragedy.

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WHAT ASSOCIATION IS. The Inland Communities association is a young body but numbers among its membership the leading representative commercial bodies throughout the inland country and also prominent individuals working for the best interests of their home country. The last meeting saw the election of officers transacted and resolutions, outlining the organization's policy and purpose, adopted. One of the most significant planks in this platform was that favoring an amendment to restore the original and full power of the long and short haul clause in the interstate commerce act, prohibiting carriers from transporting freight from one point to another at a less rate than that in effect to an intermediate point. An effort will be made to have the various states and territories in accord with Congress with the idea of starting an agitation for needed legislation.

CHILDREN AS WITNESSES. The children witnessed the brutal attack made by Vance upon his wife and three of them will be able to testify and will doubtless be witnesses against him. The children, however, insist that his trouble was caused by Mrs. George Vance. The latter now has the four children. Arrangements for Mrs. Vance's funeral have not been made as yet.

# BICYCLE ACCIDENT.

Irish-English Team Hurt and Compelled to Retire.

New York, Dec. 9.—During a terrific sprint in the sixth hour of the international six-day bicycle race, Harry Reynolds and James Benyon, the Irish-English team, in relieving each other, were so painfully injured that they were unable to continue.

Reynolds suffered from a severe concussion of the left forearm and right limb. He was bruised about the body and lower limbs.

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All the remaining teams at 8 o'clock this morning had covered 154 miles.

Bobbie Walthour of Atlanta, who was paired with Matt Downey of Boston, withdrew when he had completed 137 miles and one lap. He said he had a lame arm and shoulder. His retirement did not disqualify his partner.

THE MINNESOTA SAILS. New York, Dec. 9.—The last of the battleships which have been fitted out for the cruise to the Pacific left port today when the Minnesota sailed from the navy-yard for the rendezvous at Hampton Roads.

JOINT MANEUVERS PROGRAM. Washington, Dec. 9.—A program for the joint army and militia coast defense exercises for 1908 has been arranged by the war department. The exercises in all of the Pacific coast districts will be held in May.

TO REBUILD YUKON TELEGRAPH. Washington, Dec. 9.—Plans have been approved by the secretary of war for rebuilding telegraph wires on the Yukon river; construction of a second wire between Fairbanks and Valdez and in sections of the Yukon telegraph line and improvement and extensions to the cable lines.

# EMPEROR WILLIAM.

Completes His "Rest Cure" and Goes To London for Sight-Seeing.

London, Dec. 9.—Emperor William of Germany, who has completed his "rest cure" at Highcliffe castle, arrived in London today for three days of sight-seeing. He is accompanied by King Edward at Buckingham palace at noon, and later took his residence at the German embassy, where he will stay until Wednesday. The emperor looks to be in splendid health.

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# SECY. CORTLEWELL'S PROCEEDINGS

Tillman Introduces Resolution Directing Senate Committee On Finance to Investigate.

# ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

Are Those of Association of Banks Subject to Tax of Ten Per Cent as Money?

Washington, Dec. 9.—Senator Tillman today introduced resolutions directing the committee on finance to investigate the recent proceedings of the secretary of the treasury in connection with the financial crisis and also to make inquiry concerning clearing house certificates. The resolutions were presented in two series, the first dealing with the operations of the treasury department and the second with clearing house certificates, both being divided into three subdivisions.

The first of the resolutions directs the committee to investigate the report to the senate as follows: "First, whether the issue of certificates of indebtedness bearing three per cent interest, bids for which were invited by the secretary of the treasury Nov. 18, 1907, were for the purpose of borrowing money to meet public expenditures, as provided by section 32 of the act approved June 15, 1899, and if not, whether there is any warrant of law for the issue of said certificates."

"Second, whether the issue of \$50,000,000 of bonds of the Panama canal for which were called for by the secretary of the treasury on Nov. 18, 1907, was required to defray the expenditures on said canal, there being at the time made up of these bonds were made up of current expenditures."

"Third, whether any legislation was necessary to protect the people and business interests of the country from the issue of unlawful money, if clearing house certificates are such, and to prevent the illegal increase of the public debt in time of peace."

The second series of resolutions direct the finance committee to investigate and to report to the senate as follows: "First, whether clearing house certificates with which the country is now flooded are being issued under authority of law or contrary to the same."

"Second, whether the issuing of such certificates by an association of banks, both state and national, and the use of the same as money subjects, such as the tax of 10 per cent provided in section 3412, United States revised statutes."

"Third, whether it would be possible under the law as it is, for an association of banks, warehouses and elevators to issue certificates based on cotton, wheat and tobacco, stored in such warehouses or elevators, and fully insured to be used as money in marketing said crops in the same way as clearing house certificates are now used."

The same action was taken on the resolution concerning deposits of public money in national banks.

# FATAL ACCIDENT IN TARP YARDS

Wm. Neal, the Victim, While Not Morose, Was "Odd" Say Relatives.

William Neal, the man who met death beneath an Oregon Short Line train at Fifth North street yesterday afternoon was the son of William C. and Anne E. Neal of this city, 164 west First North street. The old folks and son have been living with a relative, H. H. Schluter, at the address given. Relatives say Neal was a "odd" man, but a good fellow. They heard or saw nothing of him until the news reached them that his lifeless body was on a slab in the Evans undertaking establishment. When asked for a walk, presumably, they heard or saw nothing of him until the news reached them that his lifeless body was on a slab in the Evans undertaking establishment. When asked for a walk, presumably, they heard or saw nothing of him until the news reached them that his lifeless body was on a slab in the Evans undertaking establishment.

The board of aldermen will meet tomorrow and will remove the cause of the difficulty insofar as it is possible for them to do so. It is estimated that the closing of the National Bank of Commerce has just come to light. William A. Rule, for many years cashier of the bank, it develops, mortgaged his magnificent home on the south side to pay certain individual notes given by him to pay for bank stock. Some time ago the directors urged that Mr. Rule personally own more stock than he then held in the bank. He was unable to pay cash for it and borrowed the money outside the bank, giving his personal notes therefor. These notes are not due for some time yet, but to protect the holder of them, Mr. Rule mortgaged his home on the day before the failure and took them up.

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WALSH TRIAL POSTPONED. Chicago, Dec. 9.—The trial of John R. Walsh, which was postponed last week because of the illness of a juror, was today again postponed until tomorrow. It is believed the juror will be able then to be present.

DROWNED WHILE SKATING. Marshalltown, Iowa, Dec. 9.—Three brothers were drowned at Tama, while skating last evening.

# MRS. TAFT HAS AN EXPERIENCE

On Trip to Join Her Husband Had Narrow Escape from Wreck.

# HEAVY SEAS WERE RUNNING.

Great Wave Broke Rudder and for Some Time Little Craft Drifted Helplessly in Darkness.

On board the steamer President Grant, in the English channel, Dec. 2, by wireless telegraph to London—Mrs. Taft, wife of the American secretary of war, joined her husband on board his steamer early this morning at Boulogne.

On the trip out on a harbor tender the party had a exceedingly narrow escape from wreck and disaster.

Mrs. Taft and Mrs. George Post Wheeler, wife of the second secretary of the American embassy at Tokio, and the other passengers for the President Grant, boarded the tender Holland last night within the harbor works of Boulogne. Very heavy seas were running outside and the delayed departure of the steamer, but at 1:30 this morning it being supposed that the President Grant was inside the breakwater, the Holland started out to take the passengers alongside.

Soon after leaving it was discovered that the President Grant had not come inside. The Holland got caught in the heavy seas. A giant wave broke her rudder and the small tender drifted helplessly in the darkness, she was tossed about on the waves like a cork and rolled almost on her beam ends. There was danger of capsizing or of being dashed upon the rocks. The passengers were thrown about in every direction. Mrs. Taft and Mrs. Wheeler were crouching in the captain's cabin when some fixtures above them came down with a crash. Fortunately, they were not injured. Near the lighthouse the Holland managed to get a grip with an anchor, and this improved the situation.

Repairs were hurriedly made. The President Grant came in at 3 o'clock and the passengers from the tender were transferred without further incident.

Among those who came off on the Holland were: M. Rischmann, sub-prefect of Boulogne, who greeted Secy. Taft in the harbor; and his partner, George P. Hooper, relative to her future movements. It has been decided that Mrs. Bradley shall leave Washington with her two children on Thursday next, go direct to Salt Lake City, at least until the troubles at Goldfield are over. Friends in this city have contributed funds to pay her expenses to Utah, and Judge Powers is reported to have assumed the cost of conveying the wife of Arthur Brown in the interest of the two children, the paternity of whom was acknowledged by Brown.

# MRS. BRADLEY LEAVES FOR SALT LAKE THURSDAY

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Mrs. Annie M. Bradley spent Sunday at the home of her attorney, Robert W. Wells. Yesterday she went to Hyattsville, Md., to consult with her lawyer, George P. Hooper, relative to her future movements. It has been decided that Mrs. Bradley shall leave Washington with her two children on Thursday next, go direct to Salt Lake City, at least until the troubles at Goldfield are over. Friends in this city have contributed funds to pay her expenses to Utah, and Judge Powers is reported to have assumed the cost of conveying the wife of Arthur Brown in the interest of the two children, the paternity of whom was acknowledged by Brown.

# BUCKINGHAM MADE GENERAL MANAGER.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 9.—The Union Stock yards company of Omaha today elected Robert J. Durham of the Armour Packing company, Chicago, president, and Everett E. Buckingham who recently signed the position of general superintendent of the Oregon Short Line Railway company, general manager. General C. F. Manderson resigned, and again be candidate for the presidency.

# WHITNEY & STEPHENSON.

Petition Filed to Restrict Creditors From Disposing of Securities.

Pittsburg, Dec. 9.—The creditors of Whitney & Stephenson, stock brokers, who filed a petition in bankruptcy against the firm Saturday, today secured a court order restraining all creditors who hold securities as collateral from disposing of the same until the further order of court.

The petition sets forth that the firm has liabilities of about \$10,000,000, and that the assets consist of stock, bonds and other valuable securities held as collateral. It is alleged that at the time the Pittsburg stock exchange suspended its sessions these securities were worth \$12,000,000, but that it is impossible under present conditions to place a value on them.

It is further alleged that unsecured creditors hold claims amounting to about \$100,000, and that if these securities held as collateral are sold at private sale, the unsecured creditors will get nothing. It is also stated that under a public sale subject to the order of the court a fair value for such securities can be secured and all claims paid.

T. H. O'NEILL DEAD. New York, Dec. 9.—T. H. O'Neill, a well-known theatrical manager, died here yesterday of cerebral hemorrhage. During the present season he has acted as manager for Lew Fields.

# AN IMMIGRANT SWINDLE.

Latest One is to Sell Tickets of Admission to United States.

# UTAH FUEL CO.

E. M. Allison in Washington Taking Depositions in Coal Cases. (Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Mr. E. M. Allison of Salt Lake is here to take depositions in the cases of the Utah Fuel company and the Pleasant Valley Coal company, whose title to the coal lands owned by them is attacked by the United States. On Thursday Mr. Allison took the deposition of Royal C. Teabody in New York. On Thursday next he will examine a number of employees of the geological survey, who are recognized as experts in coal and other mineral lands.

# BIG FIRE IN PAWNEE, OKLA.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 9.—A message from Pawnee, Okla., states that a fire beginning about 2 o'clock this morning destroyed one whole block and caused a loss estimated at \$200,000. A right wind was blowing and the fire department had difficulty in confining the fire to the block where it started in the rear of O. P. C. H. department store. Six stores, a hotel, the Masonic lodge building, the postoffice, a drug store, a cigar stand and a drug store were burned out.

# BURNS TO MEET PALMER.

London, Dec. 9.—Tommy Burns, who defeated Gunner Jim Moll, a week ago, and Jack Palmer of Newcastle, signed articles today for a match at \$2,500 a side and the best purse offered to be less than \$7,500, the winner to take 75 and the loser 25 per cent. The match is to take place on or before Feb. 7.

# MODERN WOODMEN SUE.

Nevada, Mo., Dec. 9.—James T. Smith filed suit in the Vernon county circuit court today against the Modern Woodmen of America for \$20,000. He alleges that while being initiated by the Erls, Kas. lodge, his leg was broken.

# POISON OYSTERS.

They Find Their Way to Local Market From New Jersey Point.

The state board of health received from the inspector yesterday afternoon a sample of oyster shells, and a test tube of the liquor showed the presence of the metal salts strong enough to paralyze the stomach.

As far as can be ascertained, these oysters come from the Shrewsbury, N. J. river, where from time immemorial the fattest and the richest bivalves have been harvested and shipped all over the country. The chemical factories have been built up near Elizabeth where the waste waters are discharged into the river. These waters are heavily charged with salts of copper and other poisonous materials, which are carried down stream into Newark bay. The oysters of course catch and absorb the deadly stuff, making them rank poison. The fishermen must know this, because local people who attempt to eat the oysters very soon find out that salts of copper are not much of a tonic for the alimentary organs; and the fact that they are shipped out unit for food deliberately, is an act that puzzles the local authorities.

The inspector found these oysters at a local restaurant and promptly seized them. He will watch for more of the same kind. "Delicious Shrewsbury Oysters" are delicious as to taste, but deadly as to food. They are shipped out unit for food deliberately, is an act that puzzles the local authorities.

# WAYNE JUVENILE REPORT.

Gov. John C. Cutler has received from D. L. Blackburn, probation officer of the juvenile court for Wayne county, his report for the year. Mr. Blackburn declares that during the year he has convicted every present act of age and has found juvenile affairs in a very satisfactory state. All cases of delinquency, where found to exist, have been handled to the satisfaction of all without one arrest having been made.

# GOLD MEDALS ARRIVE.

The gold medals awarded at the last state fair have arrived, through the house of Boyd Park & Co., and are in the hands of Secy. Ensign for distribution. Mr. Ensign received this morning, printed copies of the new gold medals. On one side appears the vignette of Colonel John R. Winder, with his name beneath, and above the date State Fair, 1897. The other side displays an olive wreath with "Awarded to" at the top, the space beneath being left for the name of the recipient.

# GIVES A TURKEY DINNER.

All Hallows College Football Team Entertained by Mrs. J. T. Ivey.

The All Hallows college football team was given a turkey dinner Sunday by Mrs. J. T. Ivey of 321 North First street. Mrs. Ivey has been an ardent supporter of the college team for several years and this year she attended every game she was played, except the game at Leavenworth.

# DAVID F. WALKER UNDER ARREST

Taken Into Custody at Santa Barbara in Potter Hotel on Orders from San Francisco.

# BEEN UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

After Taking Brown and Barnett Into Custody Detectives Were Hurried to San Mateo.

His Apprehension is in Connection With Failure of California Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Santa Barbara, Cal., Dec. 9.—President D. F. Walker of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company was arrested at the Potter hotel by Chief of Police Ross at 11:15 today. Ross went to President Walker's room and was refused admittance by Mrs. Walker, who said that her husband was not in to anyone. The officer entered, however, and placed Walker under arrest. Mrs. Walker collapsed. At the police station, where President Walker was taken, he made the following statement:

"This is a great surprise to me, and I cannot quite understand the sudden turn of affairs. I am innocent of any wrongdoing in this matter, and came to Santa Barbara some days ago upon the advice of physicians and attorneys. Because the affairs of the bank were weighing heavily upon me, I am in a worse predicament than any one else. To show the confidence I had in the institution I will say that I continued to make private deposits up to two days before the crash, and I am left without a dollar except what is now on deposit in the bank. I have \$15,000 there, and besides am a heavy stockholder in the institution. At this time I do not care to give a statement to the public. I am expecting word from my attorneys, Gregory and Chickering. I will return to San Francisco as soon as possible and may arrange to go tonight."

Shortly after the arrest of Bankers Brown and Barnett last evening detectives were hurried to San Mateo to keep David F. Walker, president of the bank, under surveillance; but finding he had already left his home, trailed him down to Santa Barbara, where he was held by the police authorities.

Though no warrant had been shown for Walker, it was thought best to keep him in sight. The detectives on reaching San Mateo surrounded the house where he was supposed to be living. He heard that a man answering Walker's description had been seen boarding a train for the south. A hasty investigation proved that their man had flown, and late last night, the police at Santa Barbara took him in charge. Henry telegraphed that Walker be held.

Through the activity of the depositors committee of the defunct California Safe Deposit & Trust company, the developments of yesterday were made possible within a few hours after the real work of criminal prosecution began.

The committee determined on Saturday to proceed immediately with an investigation of the affairs of the Fillmore street branch, which was examined at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, looking toward the arrest of the officers for embezzlement. Thereupon Gustave Chevasus, accountant of the Fillmore street branch, was examined at considerable length, and his examination continued yesterday morning and evening.

The testimony of Teller Gibbs of the same bank was taken, and the committee brought to light a startling series of reckless transactions which the attorneys brand as misdemeanor embezzlements.

According to a statement issued in the evening by the committee and the attorneys, the officers of the bank took practically all the money deposited at the Fillmore street branch and loaned it to stockholders in large sums, to themselves and to mythical companies.

It was intended to cause the arrest of the officials for these acts, but later in the day, upon the advice of Francis J. Henry, the minor charges were dropped for that of felony embezzlement in connection with the misappropriation of the funds of the Colton estate.

# RESULT OF WORK.

As a result of the committee's work, J. Dalzell Brown was arrested last night. A warrant was issued for the arrest of Walter J. Barnett on a charge of felony embezzlement, and a Pinkerton detective was dispatched to San Mateo to the home of David F. Walker, president of the bank, with instructions to keep him there day and night, and to keep him under surveillance until the committee gave him further instructions.

W. J. Barnett was arrested at his home in Marin county last night and was held in custody there until today. Brown, who was arrested earlier in the day in this city, was locked up in jail.

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The arrest of D. F. Walker created much comment in Salt Lake today. Among older residents, Mr. Walker is well known, as for years he was an active member of the Walker family in Salt Lake, and participated with other brothers in building up various commercial enterprises. The family came here in September, 1852, having originally come from Yorkshire, England, and their commercial activities began with a mercantile establishment in 1853 in which the brothers invested. In 1859 in which the brothers incorporated under the name they still carry over the Salt Lake establishment. This firm did business largely with the military government southwest of Salt Lake, and Walker's bank was an outgrowth, coming from the fact that customers left money with them for safe keeping. S. B. Walker, another prominent member of the original firm,