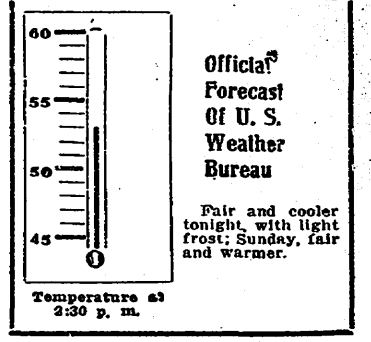


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GULF STATES ARE SWEEPED BY TERRIFIC STORM

JAPANESE EDITOR ARRESTED FOR LIBEL

C. H. Yoshimura, Publisher of The Seattle Asahi Shin Bun, Is Held in the County Jail in Default of \$2,000 Bail.

YOUNG WOMAN OBJECT OF ALLEGED ATTACK

Name of Yamahiko Used, but It Is Declared It Is Synonymous With Kodama, a Clergyman's Charge.



THE EDITOR READY TO EDIT.

C. H. YOSHIMURA, editor and publisher of Asahi Shin Bun (Morning Sun) newspaper published in the Japanese language in this city, was arrested shortly before noon today at Sixth Avenue South and Dearborn Street, by Deputy Sheriff Fred Hill. He is held in the county jail in default of \$2,000 bail bond, on a charge of criminal libel, preferred in an information filed in the superior court yesterday by prosecuting attorney Kenneth Mackintosh.

The person who is alleged to have slandered in Yoshimura's newspaper is Sei Kodama, a Japanese girl who has been making her home for some time with Rev. S. Yoshiko, pastor of the Japanese Methodist Episcopal Church. The latter appears as prosecuting witness in the proceedings. According to H. J. Kato, an associate editor of the Asahi Shin Bun, Sei Kodama is Sei Yamahiko. The same dictionary says that "Yamahiko" is a name meaning "god of the mountains." A second meaning is "Kodama," or "an echo."

C. H. BAKER IS HERE ON A BUSINESS TRIP

Man Who Built Snoqualmie Power Plant Passes Through City en Route to Tacoma.

Charles H. Baker, who for years was a prominent business man of Seattle and who designed and built the great electric power plant at Snoqualmie Falls, arrived here this morning from New York on a business trip. Mr. Baker met a number of his old-time friends here and discussed Seattle business affairs with them.

Prince Is Pursued By American Girl



NEW YORK, Saturday, April 25.—The Prince of Thurn and Taxis is learning to his sorrow that it does not pay a trifle with the affections of an American girl. Miss Josephine Moffitt, who claims the Prince married her during a recent visit to the United States, is pursuing his highness through Europe to compel recognition as his princess. Thurn and Taxis appealed to the English courts to restrain her from pursuing him, but in vain. This is a picture of Miss Moffitt, from her most recent photograph, and a picture of the Prince of Thurn and Taxis is also shown.

INJURED LABORER ASKS HEAVY DAMAGES

Dan Varsarevic, a Hungarian, Begins Suit for Recovery of \$45,000 for Loss of Sight and One Hand.

SUIT was begun by Dan Varsarevic in the superior court of King County this morning for the recovery of \$45,000 from Charles J. Johnson, a rock tunnel contractor, for a total loss of his sight and his left hand in an explosion which occurred in a tunnel on the Mill-waukee road at its approach to Snoqualmie Pass.

FORMER WEST VIRGINIA STATESMAN IS DEAD

J. K. Camden, Who Represented That State in the United States Senate, Dies in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Md., Saturday, April 25.—Former United States Senator J. N. Camden of West Virginia died here today.

COUNCILMAN GILL USES THE BIG STICK

President of Body Appears Before Police Committee and Succeeds in Pruning Number of Extra Men Wanted.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT HIRAM C. GILL descended upon the police committee late yesterday afternoon, made a bitter attack upon the plan to increase the force of detectives and patrolmen, insisted that the Ballard precinct station should have no more than a patrol wagon and declared the use of an automobile touring car by the chief of police a wasteful and useless expenditure of public money. He succeeded in cutting out the employment of two drivers for the touring car and impressed it firmly upon the minds of the committee that the police force now has thirty patrolmen who are drawing salaries without warrant by ordinance.

MACKINTOSH GETS ROAST FROM MUELLER

Georgetown Executive Pours Hot Shot Into Prosecuting Attorney in Discussing Suburban Roadhouses.

SAYS COUNTY OFFICIAL ATTENDED PRIZE FIGHT

Also Asks Why Seattle Man Did Not Suppress Gambling at North Bend Two Years Sooner Than He Did.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY KENNETH MACKINTOSH is roasted to a deep brown by Mayor John Mueller of Georgetown, in a letter which the latter sent today in reply to the communication mailed to him Thursday by the Seattle office regarding six Estrella Street roadhouses. Attention is called to the fact that Mackintosh attended a prize fight at South Beach April 20, occupying one of the front seats, and this is made the basis of an attack which is sarcastic and bitter. The letter follows: "Your publication, addressed to the mayor of the city council of the City of Georgetown, insofar as it offers the assistance of your office in the suppression of distilleries, is not only unwelcome, and your aid and advice are accepted, and no doubt much better results in law enforcement will follow through our combined efforts, provided they are sincerely and candidly directed toward the improvement of the conditions you have described. To the extent, however, that you attempt to induce to discredit me as an officer, to give umbrage and offence to me as a man, and to cast an unjust imputation upon the character of the citizens of our city, by unjust comparison with the people of other localities, it is not welcomed and your spirit in that portion of your letter is resented. "That you are not actuated by good resolution in having your services to cooperate with me as mayor to lessen lawlessness in our city, but to obtain for yourself a position of power, and to reserve of your official course."

"From most trustworthy sources the information comes to me that on the 20th day of April, 1908, at a place called North Bend, in the county of Pierce, you occupied one of the front seats at a prize fight between Attell and Kelly. Such official behavior is most reprehensible, and it ought to invite the reprobation of men that by their votes entrusted you with position and power. The incident cited confirms my estimate of you as an officer, and at the same time it tears completely from your official face the mask of sincerity you were wearing in your pretensions of purpose of law enforcement in Georgetown."

"The Sound View affair makes a good index to your official character. If I trust, it will become more of a fixed quantity as you increase in age and wane in experience. "Charly cautions me to be fair in criticism of your attitude towards me, and I must admit that your youth and the impulsive acts of an immature judgment should be considered in extenuation of your official behavior. Don't let the Sound View business occur again and then you might continue the same work you have done at North Bend—an employment you delayed engaging in for about two years. Why not extend your stay in the great city of Seattle, where you are so long delayed? And if Georgetown is to be purged of all tenderloin features, why not march out with police and great respect in this respect, and when you have completed the good work in all suburban towns, tackle the great restricted district of Seattle and put it down and out like Attell did Kelly?"

MEXICAN MUTINEERS TERRIFY MAZATLAN

Twenty Soldiers Loot Town and Attack Women, After Which They Turn on Their Comrades.

NOGALES, Ariz., Saturday, April 25.—Twenty soldiers of the Eleventh Mexican Battalion, quartered at Mazatlan, recently gave the citizens of that city a good scare. Carrying their arms, they marched out of their barracks, looted many stores and attacked a number of women. When the police interfered the soldiers fired on them. The mutineers got back into the city with detachment of their comrades in pursuit. No further details are available.

CIVIL SERVICE RULE SUSTAINED IN TACOMA

Court Holds That New Mayor Cannot Appoint Successor to Replace Fire Chief McAlvey.

TACOMA, Saturday, April 25.—Judge Clifford decided today that Chief George McAlvey holds his office in the fire department under civil service rules and that Jesse Poyas, appointed by Mayor Link as chief, will have to resort to legal methods to get his city council for Poyas gave notice of appeal.

BOUILLON SLATED FOR CHAIRMAN OF BOARD

Superintendent of Public Utilities May Be Named by Mayor or John F. Miller as Head of Public Works Department.

THOMSON WILL QUIT AFTER TWELVE YEARS

Mayor Explains That Appointee Will Be Man Who Can Give the Duties the Most Attention.

REGINALD H. THOMSON, city engineer and for twelve years chairman of the board of public works, will cease to hold the last named office next Tuesday. Mayor John F. Miller, under the provisions of charter amendment No. 2, will name the chairman of the board of public works. R. H. Thomson will not be named. It is stated by Thomson that the desiring of the lighting and water department who is his personal choice, and A. V. Bouillon, superintendent of public works, will name the chairman for the important post now held by Thomson. Mayor Miller said this morning that he would appoint as chairman of the board of works that member whose duties are the lightest. The mayor believes that Thomson's position carries with it the heaviest responsibilities and the most work. He also believes that A. V. Bouillon holds the position carrying with it the least responsibilities. It is stated by a man very close to the mayor that Bouillon will be the next chairman of the board. Mr. Young, whose duties are the lightest, is more conversant with the office than the others, says Thomson. This morning the board of works convened as usual but was not called to order by Thomson, who was awaiting an announcement by the mayor as to who should act as chairman. Mr. Young, who was present for half an hour. When he appeared, he announced that he had made no selection as chairman, but that he would proceed as usual. Upon such intimation the board adjourned and the work of the body proceeded.

PROMOTION IS GIVEN TO FREERKSEN

Former Mayor of Bremerton, Tried for Undue Political Activity and Cleared, Gets Better Job at Navy Yard.

The Times Special Service. PUGET SOUND NAVY YARD, Saturday, April 25.—A. H. Freerksen, former mayor of Bremerton, has been appointed recorder and writer of the board of labor employment at this yard. For some time he has served as clerk in the same department and the new assignment is an important promotion, as it carries an appreciable advance in salary. Freerksen was recently on trial for undue political activity and violation of the civil service rules, presumably preferred by former political opponents. At the time no damaging testimony was given against him and the findings were sent to Washington. Nothing was heard of the case until today's notice of his promotion. Particular mention was made that the new assignment comes as a recognition of Freerksen's efficiency as clerk of the labor board.

BLAMES STANDARD OIL FOR TUCKER'S TROUBLE

Attorney for Uncle Sam Company Declares John D. Tried to Gain Control Without Success.

TOPEKA, Kan., Saturday, April 25.—Albert Wilson, attorney for H. H. Tucker, Jr., secretary of the Uncle Sam Oil Company, now on trial for misusing the mails to defraud, declared here yesterday in his opening speech for the defense that the Standard Oil Company was the instigator and controlling influence behind the troubles of the Uncle Sam Company. Wilson stated that Tucker has retained control of the voting power of the Uncle Sam Oil Company in order to prevent the Standard Oil Company from robbing the stock in the open market and in that way putting this competing company out of business. The Uncle Sam Oil Company is now in the hands of receivers.

HUNDREDS KILLED BY TORNADO IN SOUTH

Towns in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama Destroyed, and in Addition to Fatalities at Least 2,000 Persons Are Injured.

NEW ORLEANS, Saturday, April 25.—The dead, estimated at 500, the injured at least 2,000; these were the grim facts which came to light today when a little of the wreckage of yesterday's tornado in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama had been straggling promiscuously one town after the other from before day light Friday until mid-afternoon. Many hours after, trains bearing nearly 200 injured came crawling cautiously out of the tornado districts, leaving behind them one town, Purvis, Miss., utterly demolished, five others practically blown away, and fifteen little villages in more or less acute stages of ruins. With the wounded came the details of one of the worst wind disasters in the history of the gulf states. First of all it became known that negroes comprised most of the dead.

The identified white dead today numbered forty-six, and the number of negroes killed was between 150 and 175. The towns which suffered the worst damage in addition to Purvis were Amite, La.; McCallum, McLauren and Winchester, Miss., and Albertville, Ala. The following fifteen towns were more or less damaged: Richmond and Lamourie, La.; Wingate, New Augusta, Columbus, Walls, Braxton, Belle Grove, Melton, Lorman, Pine Ridge, Quitman's Landing, Fairchilds Creek and Wahalak, in Mississippi, and Bergen, Alabama.

MOST ARE SMALL TOWNS. Most of these are merely a collection of a few stores and dwellings, so that the property losses will not reach very large figures. No estimates of property damage have yet been made, with the exception of Amite, La., and Purvis, Miss., the two worst sufferers. The most damage was done to timber lands, to plantations and to railroad property scattered throughout a belt about thirty-five miles wide.

The destruction at Purvis, Miss., occurred at about ten minutes after 2 o'clock Friday afternoon and was all over in a few minutes' time. Of about 200 dwelling houses, only seven were left standing. The courthouse, the only other building in town to withstand the wind, was immediately packed with dead and injured and served as the only available hospital within many miles.

C. W. Cromwell, in attempting to describe the storm, said that all he could realize was that the air was full of falling timbers. These timbers dealt death to many persons who sought safety in the open air, while the falling of walls was a still greater peril to those who remained indoors.

One child is said to have been kneeling in prayer, her uncle bending over her in an attempt to shield her, but despite his care, a timber which did not touch him, killed the girl.

Scarcely one brick of the schoolhouse was left. The school had been dismissed only a moment before the tornado struck. Near the town a farmer who was plowing saw the storm approaching and managed to get the members of his family outdoors and behind stumps before the wind struck. The house was blown away but none of the farmer's family was injured. One of the children killed is said to have been lifted high in the air.

DEATH AND DESOLATION. An air of death and desolation marks Purvis today. The total death list in this vicinity has now reached sixty-two and it is believed that further particulars from the surrounding country will add materially to these figures.

Reports received here today say that at McCallum, Miss., probably twenty persons were killed and several injured in yesterday's storm. The McCallum trestle and 400 feet of track were blown off the right-of-way, nothing being left of the trestle but the piling.

Amite, La., was so badly damaged that it was put under martial law at once by order of its mayor. The storm struck there just about noon, killing two white persons and thirteen negroes outright and injuring many others, mostly negroes, so badly that physicians were rushed into the town in relief trains from several points. It is said the total death list of Amite would reach at least twenty-five.

Rev. Father Felix Pumpf was possibly the first person killed at Amite. He was in the bell tower of his church, having just finished ringing the noonday bell. He was crushed to death by the falling tower.

Mrs. A. N. Ogden, of Amite, was caught by the tornado as she was driving to her home. A tree fell across her horse, killing the animal, but she was unhurt.

Forty persons were at dinner at the Commercial Hotel when the storm struck and the roof was carried away but not one of the diners was hurt.

PATH OF TORNADO. The path of the tornado was about two and a half miles wide and when it had passed Amite stood a wreck. Large numbers of farm animals were killed.

The greatest loss of life among negroes occurred in the vicinity of Natchez, Miss. In Concordia Parish, La., across the Mississippi

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