

FUNK DEFAMERS ARE REVEALED

Henning, in Full Confession, Reveals Men "Higher up" in Bringing of Alina- tion Suit.

THEIR CASE WILL GO BEFORE GRAND JURY

Chicago Man Tells of Money Offer and of Frame-up of Evidence Against Funk.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Oct. 3.—Indictments of men "higher up" in the alleged plot to blacken the reputation of Clarence S. Funk, former general manager of the International Harvester company, was promised by the state attorneys office today. Grand jury action, it was said, would follow testimony of John C. Henning, who confessed yesterday that his unsuccessful suit against Funk charging alienation of the affections of Mrs. Henning was the result of a plot concocted after Funk had appeared before the senate investigation committee as an anti-Lorimer witness. Henning has promised immunity.

State's attorney Hoyne planned a further interview with Henning in the presence of counsel for Funk today. In his confession Henning said that during the year he has been a fugitive from a charge of perjury he has been liberally supplied with money. Mrs. Henning confessed to her share in the alleged conspiracy some months ago. She was employed as a checker at a prominent local hotel where Henning was a bell boy.

Chicago, Oct. 3.—Men "higher up" in the alleged conspiracy to defame Clarence S. Funk, former general manager of the International Harvester company, were named in the confession last night of John C. Henning, who sued Mr. Funk for alienating his wife's affections. The names of two men who, Henning asserts, were behind the scheme to blacken Mr. Funk's reputation have been suppressed, according to state attorney Hoyne, until their cases may be considered by a grand jury.

Henning corroborated the confession of his wife, which was made several months ago and which resulted in the indictment of Attorney Daniel Donahoe, alleged to be the go-between who furnished the money to Miss Aileen Heppner, a witness, and Isaac Steifel, a detective.

Henning confessed, according to Mr. Hoyne, that Mr. Funk had been singled out because of the testimony he gave in the investigation of the election of William Lorimer as United States senator.

After the senate failure to expel Lorimer at the first hearing, Mr. Funk told of a conversation with Edward Hines, the Chicago Lumber millionaire, in the Union League club here. He said the conversation took place a few days after Mr. Lorimer's election and that Mr. Hines said "we put Lorimer over but it cost \$100,000." This was followed, Mr. Funk said, by a request that the International Harvester company pay \$10,000 of this amount.

"I was promised a big sum of money if I would file suit against Funk, charging him with having alienated my wife's affections," said Henning. "I was out of work and they offered me so much money that I fell for their game. I could not get my wife to agree, but Donahoe and Aileen Heppner worked on her and she gave in."

After the suit was filed we went to Mobile, Ala., but reporters found us, and we had to frame up some evidence and go to trial. That is where the detective came in who got the bell boy to swear that my wife and Mr. Funk were served with drinks at the Grand Pacific hotel.

"I never saw Funk until the trial started. When we lost, I got a tip there was a warrant out for me and I slipped out of the room. We were furnished money to leave town and I have been traveling on their money ever since."

State Attorney Hoyne said early today that he would hold a conference with attorneys for Mr. Funk and indicated that he would make a statement at its conclusion.

WATER RECEDING AT LAKE CHARLES, LA.

By Associated Press.
Lake Charles, La., Oct. 3.—Flood conditions continued to improve here today. Lake Charles river and the lake were slowly receding. Boats are the only means of transportation in many parts of the town.

The heaviest loss from the flood will fall on the rice crop. This has been variously estimated from one to one and a half million dollars. Railroads have suffered greatly and much live stock has perished.

FIGHT ON SWANN MORE DETERMINED

Delegation from Madison at Washington to Oppose Mr. Webb's Choice.

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Washington, Oct. 3.
Thomas Fribee of Hot Springs, J. J. Redmon, Plato Ebbs and J. W. McDevett are in Washington bent on defeating the appointment of A. W. Swann as postmaster at Marshall. They declared to the Gazette-News correspondent that they had no candidate for the job, but they desired to secure the tie at some convenient place in the make-up of Swann so that he would be prevented from wriggling through to the pie counter.

G. C. Redmon, son of J. J. Redmon, and J. W. Nelson are candidates for the Marshall job, according to the delegation. But these gentlemen said they were not advocating the candidacy of any man, but solely desired to defeat Swann. Their opposition to Swann, whom Representative Webb recommended for the job some three or four months ago, is based on the ground that Swann does not represent the rank and file of the democracy in Madison county; that he was against Craig, Tom Lee and Senator Simmons, and during the last senatorial campaign made some "unkind remarks" about the senior senator.

It is expected also that Senator Simmons will dispose of the Marshall postmasterhip before he goes home for his vacation.

Representative Webb, like Messrs. Edge and Stedman in the Laurinburg and Reidsville controversies, is standing pat on his original recommendation.

Dr. W. S. Rankin of Raleigh was here yesterday in conference with Surgeon General Blue and Representative Faison with reference to the eradication of malaria and pellagra in North Carolina.

MEXICANS ARRESTED FOR SMUGGLING AEROPLANE Machine Was Used by Masson in Insurgent Attacks on Guayamas, Sonora.

By Associated Press.
Tucson, Ariz., Oct. 3.—Enrique V. Anaya, former Mexican consul here and now constitutionalist representative, and his brother-in-law, Jose Escobosa, were rearrested last night by C. E. Brennan, special agent of the department of justice, on a charge of having participated in the smuggling of an aeroplane into Mexico several months ago. The aeroplane was used by Didier Masson in insurgent attacks upon Guayamas, Sonora.

Anaya and Escobosa were first arrested shortly after the disappearance of the aeroplane but were discharged by the United States commissioner at Nogales, Ariz. It is said new evidence has been discovered. The men were compelled to spend the night in jail as they could not be released on bond, owing to the vacancy of the United States commissionership here.

Diaz on Way Home.
New York, Oct. 3.—According to a special despatch from H. R. General Felix Diaz embarked here on the German liner Corcovado yesterday for Vera Cruz, Mexico. It is reported that former President Porfirio Diaz has rented a villa at Biarritz for the winter, indicating his intention to remain in France.

MANY PASSENGERS HURT WHEN CAR OVERTURNED

Thirty or More Injured, Several Possibly Fatally— Brake Chains Broke.

By Associated Press.
Scranton, Pa., Oct. 3.—Thirty or more persons were injured, several possibly fatally, by the overturning today of a Scranton Railway company car bound for Dunmore. Twenty-four of the injured were removed to hospitals.

The car, heavily loaded, stalled on a hill on one of the city streets because of slippery rails and began to slide down the slope when the brake chain broke. Striking a curve at Madison avenue, it struck a curb and the car tipped over, landing on its side on a number of passengers who had jumped from the rear platform.

CONGRESS ENDS TARIFF WORK

Speaker and Vice President Sign Simmons-Underwood Bill, which Goes to President.

POINTS OF ORDER IN HOUSE OVER-ruLED

Underwood's Motion to Re- cede from Cotton Futures Amendment Is Car- ried without Rollcall.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Oct. 3.—The house agreed to the tariff bill conference report at 1:22 o'clock this afternoon, constituting the final action of that body on the pending tariff bill. Speaker Clark overruled all points of order made by members who contended that further action by the house was not necessary. Speaker Clark immediately afterwards signed the tariff bill, affixing his signature to it on the speaker's desk of the house at 1:25 o'clock. Cheers and applause greeted the final action of the house.

Washington, Oct. 3.—President Wilson began work today with the prospect of signing before midnight the first great reform measure of his administration and the first democratic tariff revision bill passed in nearly a score of years.

Embraced in the legislation which has been pending in congress since April 8, is a complete revision and a general reduction of nearly all the import duty levied by this government on foreign merchandise; a new income tax that will strike every person having a net income above \$3,000 and an array of important changes in customs laws and internal revenue regulations which will keep treasury department officials busy for months in adjusting administrative affairs and which will have an important bearing on all trade developments of the country for the next year or two.

No differences on the tariff bill remained to be settled in congress when the two houses met at noon except the cotton futures question. The senate had receded last night from the Clark amendment, designed to prevent gambling in futures, and democratic Leader Underwood was confident that the house would recede from its own amendment known as the Smith-Lever compromise.

While the latter amendment had the endorsement of President Wilson, the president had made it clear that he did not think the regulation of cotton futures trading was an essential part of a tariff bill, and that he would not object to having the entire matter dropped out and taken up later in a separate bill.

President Wilson, after a conference with administration leaders early today, planned to sign the tariff bill at 9 o'clock tonight. Arrangements for ceremonies to attend the final act in the prolonged legislation were made by the president as soon as it seemed assured that the measure would reach him sometime today.

Invited by the president to witness the signing of the measure were Chairman Underwood and members of the house ways and means committee, Chairman Simmons and members of the senate finance committee, Vice President Marshall, President Fred Tenet Clarke and Majority Leader Kern of the senate; Speaker Clark, members of the cabinet and newspaper correspondents.

President Wilson looked forward with eagerness to the moment when the engrossed bill, the fruits of many months of endeavor to enact tariff reform in accordance with the declaration of the party platform, would be placed upon his desk. Having followed every detail of the action in conference and since that time in the senate and house, he was thoroughly familiar with the bill and ready to affix his signature which would transform it into law.

Redrafting Regulations.
Washington, Oct. 3.—United States treasury officials today began the task of redrafting the regulations for the enforcement of the new tariff law.

While the law goes into effect tomorrow, collectors of customs will continue to assess the duties of the old Payne-Aldrich act, withholding final liquidation of each entry until the receipt of copies of the new law. In this way it is expected there will be no delay in passing importations through the customs house and the government will be guaranteed the proper duties.

WANTS THANKSGIVING DAY ON NOVEMBER 19

Gov. Dunne Will Ask President to Fix Date in Honor of Lincoln

By Associated Press.
Springfield, Ill., Oct. 3.—Governor Dunne will call a conference of leading citizens of Illinois next week to consider the proposition of addressing a memorial to President Wilson asking him to fix Wednesday, November 19, as Thanksgiving day for this year.

SCHMIDT RAGES AT INQUEST

Confessed Slayer of Anna Au- muller Tears Rosary into Bits and Throws It Away.

JURY QUICKLY FIXES BLAME FOR MURDER

Panel of Millionaires Conducts Inquiry into Tragedy, Holding the ex-Priest Responsible.

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 3.—Hans Schmidt, the priest who confessed killing Anna Aumuller became frenzied today at the coroner's inquest into the death of his victim, rose from his seat, snatched from his neck the rosary he had worn ever since his incarceration, tore it into many bits and hurled them at the newspaper reporters sitting half a dozen steps away. The jury found him responsible for the girl's death.

During the examination of witnesses not a trace of emotion crossed Schmidt's face, but Coroner Feinberg's charge seemed to dash the prisoner into a sudden tempest of fury. Jumping to his feet his eyes blazing and his lips moving, Schmidt tore the rosary from his neck with a single sweep of his arms and before detectives could stay him he had snapped it into many parts and hurled them at the newspaper men.

The torso of the victim was identified by Anna Hirt, who roomed with the Aumuller girl at the Parish house of St. Boniface's church. The Hirt woman was followed on the stand by detectives, the physician who made the autopsy, and finally by Inspector Faurot, in charge of the detective bureau, to whom Schmidt confessed, Faurot detailed in a hundred words or less the substance of the confession.

Has Nothing to Say.
"Do you wish to place your client on the stand?" Coroner Feinberg asked counsel for Schmidt. The answer was negative and the coroner, apparently expecting that Schmidt would testify, asked if the priest had nothing to say.

"Nothing whatever," replied the lawyer.

The coroner's charge was brief. He told the jury that it could find that Anna Aumuller came to her death at the hands of an unknown person or that she was killed by a person to be named by the jury.

"Hans Schmidt does not appear before you on trial for the murder," he said. "You are simply to find a verdict as a coroner's jury."

Within 15 minutes from the time the first witness had taken the stand the jury had withdrawn. Within ten minutes more it had returned with its verdict.

Counsel for Schmidt issued a statement this afternoon saying that his client's outbreak had been provoked by the coroner, who had made "a holiday" of the inquest, and had appealed to public spirited citizens for funds to bury Anna Aumuller. Schmidt resented this, he said, and hurled the rosary and some coins at the newspaper men because he thought they were laughing at the coroner's unusual appeal.

Schmidt's outbreak of temper occurred in the presence of a jury of millionaires empaneled to conduct the inquest. The verdict was quickly found. It follows:

"We, the jury, believe that Anna Aumuller came to her death on September 2, 1913, at No. 68 Bradstreet avenue, at the hands of Hans Schmidt."

Schmidt immediately was remanded to the Tombs without bail, to wait the action of the grand jury.

Theodore P. Shonis, president of the Interoceanic Rapid Transit company, was foreman of the jury. His fellow jurors included Vincent Astor, B. J. Greenhut, merchant; Mortimer Reagenberg, cigar manufacturer and E. S. Marston, banker.

District attorney Whitman expressed the positive conviction today that Hans Schmidt is sane and consequently will be placed on trial for the murder of Anna Aumuller, whom Schmidt slew as she slept, dismembered and sank in the Hudson river on September 2 last.

MAY BE LAST WORLD SERIES

There Is Strong Agitation Against Championship Games and in Favor of Inter-League Games.

JOHNSON TALKS ON WRITING OF PLAYERS

Says They May Write Their Own Stories of Games but May Not Lend Their Names.

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 3.—This year may be the last to see a world's series, according to interesting baseball gossip. In many quarters agitation for the abandonment of a world's championship each fall and the substitution of an inter-league post season series in which all of the 16 major league clubs could share has been going on for some time and, according to the reports here, at least one of three members of the National Baseball commission has suggested that it may be feasible to do away with the world's series after this year.

It is said that August Herrmann, chairman of the commission and owner of the Cincinnati club, has broached the idea, with a plan that the regular league seasons be reduced to 112 games in each league, to be followed by an inter-league schedule of 64 games, by which each National league team would play four games at home and four abroad with each American league team. The total winning percentage for the two schedules might determine the title of world's champion.

The present dispute between members of the New York and Philadelphia teams who will be parties to the championship fight this year and the National commission because of the prohibiting series players from writing or allowing the use of their names over newspaper stories has given impetus to the argument for abandonment of the big series after this year. Those arguing for such action point out that out of 16 major league clubs only four have shared in the world's series profits since 1909.

May Write Own Stories.
Chicago, Oct. 3.—Baseball players who will write their own newspaper stories of the world's or other post-season series in any legitimate way, said President Johnson, "but to stop the faking which is bound to do baseball a serious injury unless it is curbed."

"If any player wants to write a bona fide story for a newspaper during the world's series let him go to the headquarters of the National commission after the game. We will furnish an expert stenographer, to whom he can dictate his story. The typist will make two copies, one of which the player can send to the newspaper, the other we will keep for comparison. If the paper publishes the story as the player prepares it there will be no objection."

"The purpose of the commission is not to prevent players earning extra money in any legitimate way," said President Johnson, "but to stop the faking which is bound to do baseball a serious injury unless it is curbed."

"I have written a letter to Manager Mack of the Philadelphia team which will dispose of the tangle over Collins and Baker. If Mack wants to play the Giants without Collins or Baker on the infield he will have that opportunity, if they persist in permitting their names to be signed to articles which they do not prepare."

President Johnson will leave Sunday for New York and if possible will take this matter up personally with some of the players.

MCAUGHTON BEGINS HIS LIFE SENTENCE

By Associated Press.
Savannah, Ga., Oct. 3.—Dr. W. J. McNaughton, the slayer of Fred Flinders in Emanuel county, who was to have been hanged today, but whose sentence was commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Slaton, was this morning carried to the state farm at Milledgeville to begin serving his sentence. Dr. McNaughton was ready to go when the officers told him to get ready, and the trip from the jail to the train was without incident.

Mr. Shepard Dead.

News has been received in Asheville of the recent sudden death, after an illness of three days, of Mr. Shepard of New York, the father-in-law of Mrs. Augustus Shepard of this city and New York, who is at present the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Ross.

British Army Aviator Killed.

By Associated Press.
Salsbury, England, Oct. 3.—Major George Charlton Merrick, of the British army flying corps, was killed while on duty over the English coast when his aeroplane suddenly collapsed.

ASSERTS BOMB PLOT EXISTS

CAUCUS ON RATES SET FOR MONDAY

Bills Introduced in Assembly to Take Rate Making from Commission.

Special to The Gazette-News.
Raleigh, Oct. 3.—A democratic caucus of senators and representatives is called for Monday night to consider freight rate legislation, including pending inter-state and intra-state bills and resolutions. It will be a closed caucus with public and newspapers excluded.

Senator Hobgood today introduced in the senate and Representative Woodard in the house duplicate bills for the creation of a public service commission to take rate making duties from the corporation commission.

Representative Gold, for the special joint committee to investigate the needs of the state schools for the feeble minded at Kinston, reported \$68,934 necessary for the completion of the buildings and maintenance until the next session of the legislature. A bill passed final reading to change the name of Toisnot to Elm City.

FLOOR COLLAPSES AND HUNDRED PEOPLE FALL IN SCREAMING MASS

Only Four Persons Seriously Injured, However — A Panic Prevailed.

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 3.—A hundred persons fell 15 feet in a screaming mass in an uptown hall through the collapse of a gallery. Several were injured. The hall was being used as a synagogue.

Though many were shaken up, the injuries of only four were serious. Ambulances summoned were not needed, as only one of the injured would go to the hospital.

The structure sagged slowly at first, giving those below ample time to run from under. The slow fall also saved those it brought down from serious panic. The hall was crowded and panic prevailed until it was determined that no one had been killed.

YOUNG DELRICHS WILL NOT DISCUSS CHARGES

His Attorneys Declare Miss Singleton's Story of Stab- bing is Ridiculous.

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 3.—Hermann Oelrichs, the young millionaire, remained in seclusion today, declining to discuss the charge made by Lucille Singleton, daughter of a Texas mining man, that he had stabbed her on Tuesday night last just before the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a tree.

He referred all inquirers to his lawyers, who repeated what they had said yesterday and last night—that the stabbing charge was ridiculous. They were equally emphatic in stating that no attempt had been made to "hush the matter up," and that no offers of money settlement to the girl had been or would be made.

Davis Says Men Convicted at Indianapolis Are Still Paid \$30 a Week by Union.

MAY USE CONFESSION IN CASE OF TRIAL

Government Has Formidable Weapon in Case Ryan's Appeal Succeeds—At- tempt to Kill Davis.

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 3.—What use will be made of the startling confession of George E. Davis, union iron worker and dynamite, depends largely upon the outcome of the cases of Frank M. Ryan and other officers of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers now on appeal in the federal courts.

Walter Drew, counsel for the National Erectors' association, whose pursuit resulted in the arrest of Davis here, said today that if Ryan and his associates gained a new trial Davis' revelations would be the government's most formidable weapon.

Drew intimated that the arrest of Davis and of Harry Jones, treasurer of the Iron Workers union, did not end the task of the Erectors' association. Jones, according to Davis, did much of the office work in connection with the dynamiting of a dozen bridges and steel frame buildings in the east. Davis was the man in the field. Drew insisted that his association had no desire ruthlessly to persecute the union.

"If the dynamiting plot had ended with the arrest of Ryan and his associates," he said, "to have followed the union further would have been boundedly unwise. But under the circumstances, following up the case became a necessity and could not be classed as persecution. Davis' confession showed that the dynamite conspiracy was still in existence. All the men convicted in Indianapolis are being paid \$30 a week by the union, whether in prison or out."

According to Drew, Davis received no promise of immunity or any favor in return for his startling admission. He added, though, that the National Erectors' association had been paying him since he gave himself up when he could have earned at his trade—about \$5 a day. Part of the money is going to Davis' wife, who lives here.

Davis told Detective Robert Foster, who arrested him, that several times while he was at work in recent months beams dropped near him, and just before he gave himself up in Pittsburgh a big piece of steel from above grazed him by inches. This convinced him that the union wanted to get rid of him because it feared he would turn traitor.

POLICE STARTLED BY SEEING BOX MOVING

"Dead Box" Found to Be Used by Sailor to Sleep in, Police Are Told.

By Associated Press.
Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 3.—A policeman on a local street beat was startled today when a rough box lying on the sidewalk in front of an undertaking establishment slowly turned over. When he drew near to solve the mystery it again turned over.

Chief of Police Regan happened to be passing in his automobile and he joined the patrolman. He ordered a man from the undertaking rooms to unscure the lid. Inside they found a sailor who gave his name as John Deleth of Milwaukee. Deleth said he had been out on a lark with a fellow sailor named Kelly.

"Says Kelly to me," Deleth told the chief, "the first guy to the dead box can sleep there. I slept all right but when I woke up I couldn't get out. Kelly's been up to his tricks again." Deleth was locked up.

BILL TO INCORPORATE W. ASHEVILLE PASSES

Special to The Gazette-News.
Raleigh, Oct. 3.—Bills passed final reading in the senate today to incorporate the Cape Lookout & Western railroad and to authorize the corporation commission to employ an additional bank examiner. The house passed a bill to incorporate West Asheville.