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CANADIAN OFFICERS INSIST ON EXTRADITION

WILL INVESTIGATE TRADING IN LIQUOR AND INDIAN-WHITE RELATIONS

Despite His Alibi, Ross Watson and Other Alleged Bandits Will Probably Have to Face Accusers

SEATTLE, Dec. 27.—Despite the alleged alibi of Ross G. Watson, former city police detective, he is still held in jail today while Canadian officials continued the attempt to obtain evidence connecting him and other prisoners with the recent robbery of the Royal Bank of Canada at Nanaimo.

Believing Watson sufficiently incriminated to warrant his extradition, the prosecutors and Canadian officials take direct issue with the police here. A motion for the release on bail of Watson, William Bagley, Thomas Johnson and Harry Stone will be filed in the Superior Court here on Monday. It will be contested.

NANAIMO, Dec. 27.—John Shirras, chief of police here, declares that, despite the assertion of Seattle police officials that they believe in the innocence of Ross Watson owing to the alibi he produced, he will be brought to Nanaimo for trial in connection with the Royal Bank robbery. "Watson has been identified by our witnesses as one of the men present during the hold-up," asserted Chief Shirras. "Six Nanaimo people easily identified Thomas Johnson as the bandit leader; Watson and the two others from the line-up in the city jail."

In his evidence the professor stated that the accused had entered his store on Christmas Eve and acted like a drunken man. Cunningham had made for his private room, situated at the back of the store, and he (Prof. Utell) had told him not to go in there. However, Cunningham went into the room and stood near the monkey cage when the monkey grabbed him by the trousers and scared him. Cunningham resented the monkey's interference and threatened to kill it. The Professor had then tried to get him out when the accused swore at him. Jumping over the counter Cunningham kicked him in the hip while he was stooping. Picking up baseballs out of a box on the table the prisoner then bombarded the Professor with them and struck him several times on the face. Prof. Utell eventually got outside and got police assistance.

Geo. Cunningham is also charged with being implicated in the Fortier robbery on Christmas Eve.

FREE STATE AND LEAGUE NATIONS

Irish Republican Newspapers Have Story on Matter

DUBLIN, Dec. 27.—The British government, according to Republican newspapers, has offered the Free State a loan of twenty million pounds if the latter will withdraw its claim to separate representation in the League of Nations. The newspapers intimate the Free State is willing to accept the offer adding that a sham protest be made by Dail Eireann after which the Free State disappears from the league.

VOLUNTEER ON TUESDAY

According to the latest word received at the dry dock the C. G. M. M. freighter Canadian Volunteer, Capt. Gilbert, will arrive in port on Tuesday morning for general overhaul.

RUBY WEDDING IS CELEBRATED

Happy Affair in Central Hotel in Honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. Keith

Last night the spacious and daintily decorated dining hall of the Central Hotel was the scene of one of the largest and most enjoyable social functions ever held in Prince Rupert. The occasion was the celebration of the ruby wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. Keith, Fifth Ave., East. Pioneers of the northern country, they were among the first to participate in the famous Yukon gold rush in 1898 and they have resided in the city for past thirteen years. The evening was a delightful one and will long be remembered by those attending. During the proceedings the guests of honor were presented with many beautiful gifts to mark the high regard in which they are held in the community. The presentations included a purse of gold and a beautiful bouquet of roses from the gathering; a ruby ring and solid gold pencil case from the Ladies of the Loyal Orange Benevolent Association; a ruby cluster from Mr. and Mrs. Peter Black and family, and a string of pearls from Mr. and Mrs. Max Heilbronner and family. Miss E. Earl occupied the chair and her many witticisms kept the company in high good humor. Among the speakers were Rev. Dr. H. R. Grant, Thos. McGlynn, Mayor Newton, and Fred Stork, M.P. At the conclusion of the banquet songs and speeches, the dining hall was cleared and dancing was thoroughly enjoyed until the early hours to music furnished by Mrs. Wells at the piano and Peter Black, violin.

The Banquet

To the strains of the Wedding March, Mr. and Mrs. Keith entered the hall and occupied the seats of honor. Promptly at 8 o'clock over 157 guests sat down to a sumptuous and seasonably decorated banquet table. After Dr. Grant had asked a blessing, full justice was done to the bountiful fare provided. During the meal the Central Hotel orchestra played suitable and much appreciated musical selections.

In a witty address Miss Earl referred to the fact that in these days of aeroplane marriages and quick divorces it seemed quite a feat for a couple to stay married for 40 years but, judging from the cheery faces of the guests of honor, it should be a comparatively easy matter for them to write a book on how to be happy though married.

In his address Thos. McGlynn (continued on page six)

LOCAL MAN APPOINTED

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—The department of national defence and naval service announces the appointment as paymaster sub-lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve of Capt. E. McCoskie, Prince Rupert.



GAPL. Bruce Bairnsfather, the originator of "Old Bill," says good-bye to London again from Waterloo station, previous to sailing for America.

Chicago Man Shot Steel Bullet Through His Heart; It is Taken Out by Surgeons and he Lives

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Max Peck is still alive after surgeons extracted a bullet from his heart.

Peck constructed a cannon from a piece of lead pipe filled with gunpowder and used a steel flint for a bullet. He then placed the cannon on the table pointed it at his heart and exploded the charge with a piece of red hot wire. The steel bullet pierced the ventricle of the heart.

The surgeons cut through the sac around the heart, stilled the beating by grasping the heart in the hand and, after extracting the bullet, released the heart which resumed its beating.

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