

# PONTIAC COURTS

## Six Prisoners Sentenced by Circuit Court; First Case on Jury Docket, Alex Welch vs. County.

According to Justice Brockwell, of Pontiac, hitting an officer's wagon worth \$100 fine or 45 days in the Detroit House of Correction. Nick Ward drew the above sentence when he pleaded guilty for being drunk and disorderly on a D. U. R. car. While the officers were removing his wagon, he bit the thumb of Deputy Sheriff Cross.

It took a jury in the Circuit Court last week thirty-five minutes to convict Victor Lobere of having obtained pictures in his possession. The testimony of a number of young girls was taken from which it appeared that Lobere had been in the neighborhood of 10 girls whose ages ranged from 15 to 20 years. These girls testified that Lobere had shown them these pictures and made improper advances toward them. Lobere was sentenced to pay a fine of \$200 or spend six months in the Detroit House of Correction. He was unable to pay the fine. The officers feel that by this conviction, they have done away one of the worst places in Pontiac which contributes to the delinquency of young girls.

Six prisoners were sentenced by the Circuit Court as a result of the cases so far disposed of at the March term of court. They were as follows: Joe Rivers, larceny of a diamond ring, six months to five years Jackson prison; William Saunders, forgery, placed on probation on condition of repaying the money and joining the Canadian army; Alons E. Jones, bribing stray stock and destroying property, two to five years Jackson; Arthur Bailey, wife desertion, one to three years, Jackson; Victor Lobere, possessing indecent pictures, \$300 fine or six months Detroit House of Correction; Edward Galley, driving away automobile, six months to two years Jackson prison.

The first case on the jury docket for the March term of court is a suit brought by Alex Welch against the County of Oakland, claiming \$2,000 for injuries received when his auto struck a pile of crushed stone on the side of the road just south of Royal Oak. Prosecutor Gillespie and ex-prosecutor Dwy appear for the county.

### NOTICE.

The Greenwood Cemetery Association of the Village of Birmingham will hold its annual meeting in the Village council room on Saturday, April 1, at 7:30 P. M. for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before it. All lot owners are members and are cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. EMMA ROBINSON, Secy.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH NOTES.

REV. F. P. KNAPP, RECTOR.

Bible School at 12 noon. Evening service at 7:30. (Tea is served after this service.)

Tuesday in Holy Week—Evening service at 7:45.

Thursday at 4, boys to meet with Mr. Blithe, Choirmaster of St. Joseph's Church.

Good Friday: Morning Prayer and Communion at 10:45 and at 3:00 P. M.

Quiet Hour from 2 to 3 p. m.

Evening service—Good Friday Cantata, Olivet to Calvary, at 7:45.

The Cantata is beautiful and is one of the helpful services planned for Good Friday. All the Parishioners and their friends are urged to attend this service.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CANDY MORNING, PASTOR.

Sunday service, the pastor continues the series on the great doctrine of the Scriptures, with "What the Bible Teaches about Heaven." The service is at 10:30.

Sunday evening, the service follows the hearty congregational song-service which begins at 7:30.

The Bible School will be of special interest to all next Sunday, from 12 to 1 o'clock.

The "Secret Service" girls conduct the Epworth League evangelistic hour, Sunday evening at 8:30.

Rev. Sidney D. Eva preaches at the Monday evening meeting.

The pastor preaches, each of the following evenings, except Saturday, with Holy Communion on Thursday evening. Each meeting begins at 7:45.

### BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

REV. F. M. MACKAY, PASTOR.

A week of Evangelism.

We are looking forward to a great day next Sunday. The Highland Park Park Baraca boys are well known in Birmingham. They will bring an evangelistic spirit and message with them that will be helpful to all. Don't miss this opportunity of hearing them, Sunday, April 1, at 10:30, 9:30, and 7:30.

The Pastor will continue Evangelistic meetings every evening next week, except Saturday, at 7:30.

Sunday School at 10:45.

The Men's Class discusses the great religious questions of the day, spread an hour with them.

Young People's Meeting at 6:30.

A full Evangelistic service at 7:30. This is the Homeville Church.

Mrs. Robert Moore, of Detroit, is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miriam Spencer, in Troy.

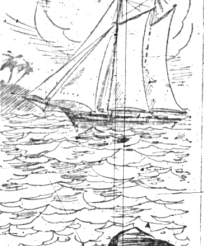
# MIRAGE LURES SHIP TO HER DESTRUCTION

## Destroys Calculations of Navigation and Lands Bewildered Captain and Crew Ashore.

San Francisco—A mirage lured the American schooner King of this city to its destruction on Kangaroo Island, south of Australia, early in February, according to a cablegram received from Capt. A. Hansen, master of the craft.

A short line sometimes visible and sometimes invisible bandlands that stretched and advanced, remaining apparently the same distance from the ship no matter which way she turned, destroyed the calculations of navigation and finally landed a bewildered captain and crew ashore.

Captain Hansen's ship, first mentioned by a report received by the United States hydrographic office from



A Shore Line Sometimes Visible and Sometimes Invisible. Sometimes Invisible.

To the average reader the June dispatch may seem unimportant, yet in all probability it is merely another link forged in the great chain of unknown achievements of our distant band of patriots who throughout the entire world are always on the alert in the interest of our country. It was in time of danger cannot call on us for aid.

This little band of men, who are known only to the state department, and whose names appear in the secret archives of the United States "A-1" or "C-2175," lives that for adventure and heroism make the average "man of straw" here look like a tarnished imitation.

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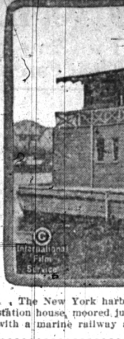
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Secret Service Ever on the Alert

Valiant Little Band of Patriots About Whose Achievements Little is Known.

Means Heroism Unrequited

Government Agents Live Lives That for Adventure and Daring Deeds Make "Best Sellers' Look Like Tarnished Imitation.

New York—Coincident with the discovery of the Zimmerman note, which disclosed the far-reaching plans of Germany to foment trouble in every part of the globe, the subsequent refusal of Secretary of State Lansing to disclose how the note was obtained, because it would "endanger lives," seems probable to such body of men as J. M. Gurnea, announcing the theft of "important papers" from the German consulate there.

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Gold Output for 1916 \$478,625,000

Total Imports of Metal Into United States Were More Than \$200,000,000 Greater.

\$1,300,000,000 During War

World's Yearly Production Increased More Than Sixty-Fold in a Century

Washington, D. C.—The world's total production of gold last year, though nearly equal to the record output for any year, was less than the amount imported into the United States in that period. Most of the imports came from Great Britain, which controls two-thirds of the production.

The total imports of gold into this country in 1916 amounted to \$63,000,000, and the world's production to \$478,625,000. In 1915 the imports were \$42,000,000 and the world's production \$423,000,000, the highest of any year. Since the outbreak of the war, August 1, 1914, the United States has imported a total of \$1,300,000,000 in gold, and has retained approximately \$1,900,000,000 of it.

The decrease in production of nearly \$900,000,000 is accounted for by the fact that the United States, which produces about 12 per cent of the world's production, on the ground of lowered production in Australia and the United States, partly offset by the increased output of \$5,000,000 in the African output.

The decrease in the two widely separated regions stimulated search in all parts of the world, and especially intermittently during the second half of the nineteenth century, there were and containing doors and windows. There is room for 25 men in each hut. The convenience of transportation and the speed with which they can be installed enable the huts to be forced to sleep in the open during an advance to obtain shelter.

The event of the week at the Canadian army headquarters at the Front, according to the dispatch, was a visit by Sir Robert Borden, Canadian premier, and Robert Rogers and J. D. Hazen, members of the premier's cabinet. The famous First brigade of the

Huts for British Soldiers

New Invention in Use at the Front in France to Shelter the Troops.

Toronto—A recent invention adding to the comfort of the British and Canadian forces at the Front, has been described in a dispatch received here from London. It is known as the Nissen hut, a semicircular shelter with the appearance of a big piece of stovepipe, half buried in the earth.

To the Thrifty Housewife:

We wish to announce that we have purchased the Meat Business conducted by Erwin & Smith, and will continue to conduct same as a CASH MEAT MARKET.

Thanking you for what business you can give us, we remain,

Respectfully,

**WALTERS & SEAGER.**

P. S.—Watch this space for prices every week. We can save you money on your meat for cash.

# Web of Steel

By Cyrus Townsend Brady, Father and Son

IF inexorable circumstances were suddenly to force you to face the alternative of faring forth into a night of bitter disquiet, carrying the odium of your father's shame, or of asserting your own innocence, thereby securing immunity from blame and censure, WHICH COURSE WOULD YOU FOLLOW? Read "Web of Steel" and learn what Bertram Meade did.

IF the man to whom you had given your heart and a promise of marriage were to be suddenly overtaken by an overwhelming disgrace, would your love prove strong enough to enable you to keep on believing in him, and working for the ultimate clearing of his name; or would you turn away when he offered to release you, concluding that your idol had feet of clay?—WHICH WOULD YOU DO? Read "Web of Steel" and learn what Helen Illingworth did.

IF on what appeared to be conclusive testimony, you had utterly condemned a man and driven him from your presence, only subsequently to discover you had totally misjudged him, would you be big enough to eat humble pie and make every reparation in your power? Or would you wriggle out of a full atonement, justifying yourself as having acted in accord with the evidence and in perfectly good faith—EH? Read "Web of Steel," and learn what Colonel Illingworth did.

IF after climbing to the apex of one's profession, and coming to be regarded as the greatest living authority in his line, a man commit an error of judgement, which hurls him down from the pinnacle of achievement into the abyss of irretrievable ruin—WHAT WOULD BE HIS FEELINGS? Possibly you don't know. But read "Web of Steel," and learn how, in such a crisis, it fared with Meade, the great engineer.

IF cloudbursts and rising floods threatened almost certainly to sweep you and the work of your hands into sheer nothingness, would you seek a jumble sale or would you try to save your toes and stick? HOW ABOUT IT? Read "Web of Steel," and learn what Roberts and Vandewater did at the building of the great dam.

# OUR NEW SERIAL

Watch for and Read the Opening Installment!

The best of the Indian Battle.

The battle with Big Foot's band of Indians at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, was fought December 29, 1890. Capt. George D. Wallace of the Seventh Cavalry, and about 30 soldiers were killed, and the Geronimo band of the Seventh Cavalry, and 26 others were wounded. A large number of the Indians, including 44 squaws and 150 ponies, were killed.

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