

CHILD-LIKED POISON, SAYS MOTHER; TO BE TRIED FOR MURDER

Mrs. Walters Tells District Attorney She Did Not Regret Till Babies Squirmed in Agony.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Mrs. Ida Sniffen Walters repeated today to District Attorney Martin of Bronx County, her conviction that she had poisoned her two children and herself because she feared Elton Rogers, father of the children, was about to leave her to return to his wife. She does not know the children are dead.

"The eyes of affection are keen, you know," she said with a half smile, "when he is long in love. I began to feel that he was losing to me. He had hinted to me that he was going to leave me at times, as if apologizing for not giving her name into our talks, and she would call to him along with her wife, Mrs. Gladings Rogers, was going to Chicago to visit her aged uncle, F. Fuller. Then he told me he was going to leave me with her.

"That night I thought he had gone and left me. He and his wife, it flashed upon my mind, had fallen in love with each other, leaving me alone with the children. I did not know why they were different from other children, and I thought they would be different from other children.

"Mrs. Walters' voice had been strong and steady. She turned her gaze toward the district attorney and spoke more softly when she began to tell how she poisoned little Elton, 3 months, and John, 2 1/2 years, the babies she has been led to believe are still alive.

"I picked Lorinda to go first. I ground up a mercury tablet, dissolved it in a glass of water and placed it on her lips. She didn't taste and coughed, the little girl was crying when I took a second tablet and put it on Jackie's outstretched tongue. He swallowed it and I called to him to kill myself.

"That was fine, mother," he said. "I want to give me another one." "I went to the kitchen and took three more. When I came back into the bedroom, I saw the babies squirming in awful agony on the bed. Little Jackie was wailing on the floor, crying that his stomach hurt just awful. I couldn't bear to see them suffer. I called Mrs. Rogers, the landlady, and she sent for a doctor.

"Mrs. Walters' eyes went back to the district attorney. She threw her arms about his neck and sobbed. "Do you know, I was afraid it wasn't going to turn out this way—both babies getting well. I would have lost my reason if they had died."

Rogers, who remains at Lebanon Hospital, was just outside the sick room when the district attorney was interviewing Mrs. Walters. He at first insisted that he be permitted to remain in the room, but withdrew on Mr. Martin's orders. The district attorney said today he had no objection to Mrs. Walters' going to her home to get her things, but that she is not yet out of danger, the attending physician regards her recovery as fairly certain.

"HONEY FITZ" ARRAIGNS HIS SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE
Ex-Mayor of Boston Denounces Incumbent as Incompetent.
BOSTON, Jan. 6.—Ex-Mayor John E. Fitzgerald, familiarly known to his intimates as "Honey Fitz," walked into the executive meeting of the Council on Monday and almost within ear-shot of the office of the Mayor Curley told the chief executive what he thought of his administration. It was the most spectacular feat ever performed by the "Little General." City Hall has not been so excited about anything in years.

SPONSOR OF IMMIGRATION BILL CLAIMS VICTORY

Says Measure Will Pass Both Houses if President Vetoes It.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Representative Burnett, chairman of the House Committee on Immigration, today, after conferring with President Wilson, asserted that if the President vetoed the immigration bill it would be passed by seven votes more than a two-thirds vote in the House and probably by an equal majority in the Senate.

MUSCOVITE HORDES READY TO PUSH WAY INTO PENNSYLVANIA

Czar's Army Greeted Enthusiastically by Rumanians, London Hears—Germany Sends Aid to Austria
LONDON, Jan. 6.—In view of the reports of the early entrance of Rumania into the war, special intelligence is attached to the following despatch from the Chronicle's Milan correspondent: "Rumanian hosts are making rapid strides in Austria's eastern province, Bukovina, where they have encountered but faint-hearted resistance. The Rumanian respondent of II Secolo at Rosenthal says that the invaders are sweeping down along the Rumanian borderland, where their patrols, composed of Rumanians belonging to Rumanian Battalions, are to be found chatting amicably with the Rumanian army sentries at the frontier outposts.

"The Rumanians are actually in possession of Suczawa and Kimpolung, both within a few miles of the Rumanian frontier. Their infantry and artillery regiments entered the former place by a more patrol for a space of 24 hours. "The bulk of the population fled to Bardejovo, in Rumanian territory, but 1000 other famished refugees huddled together in the country districts awaiting trains to transport them to Rumania. Large convoys of prisoners are being continually marched through the town.

"The Rumanians are preparing to burst into the Austrian province of Transylvania (southwestward from Bukovina), and yesterday were pointing upon Dornawatra, Markani and Jakobony (in Bukovina, near the Transylvania border). "It cannot be forgotten, however, at this juncture that the Hungarian element played a very considerable part in egging on Austria to brutal measures against Serbia. It is reported that at the urgent appeal of Vienna, Germany has sent half a dozen army corps in hot haste from Poland to try to stop the Russian incursion into Transylvania."

BELGIAN PRELATE'S ARREST CAUSES CONCERN HERE

Roman Catholic Relief Fund Was to Have Been Sent to Cardinal.
The arrest of Cardinal Mercier, the Belgian prelate, by the Germans, news of which arrived here yesterday in dispatches from Amsterdam, has caused much concern among Roman Catholics of this city, principally because a collection was about to be taken up and intrusted to him for the use of suffering Belgians. Archbishop Prendergast announced through the clergymen of the Roman Catholic churches last Sunday that a special collection would be taken up in all the churches on Sunday, January 11. The Cardinal Mercier for distribution in that war-torn country.

KERN HOST OF WILSON

Indiana Senator to Entertain President at Indianapolis.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Senator Kern, who is to play host to President Wilson when the latter visits Indianapolis Friday, called at the White House today and completed the arrangements for the President's trip. The President is to leave tomorrow, arriving in the Hoosier capital late Friday morning, will lunch at Senator Kern's home and then will address the Indiana Democratic Clubs' meeting. Immediately after the meeting the President is to start on his return to Washington, arriving here Saturday afternoon. Today that the President would speak extemporaneously. It is known, however, that his address will deal with international and domestic politics.

THRILLING RESCUES AT FIRES

Blasts Last Night and This Morning at Wilmington.
WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 6.—Thrilling rescues were made by police and firemen in three late last night and early this morning. At a blaze in an apartment house at 8th and King streets, Mrs. house at 8th and King streets, Mrs. George Hildner and Mrs. Edna Reihm became confused and were carried to safety by the police.

ENDS LIFE IN HOTEL

Man Found in Room With Bullet in His Head.
WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 6.—Arthur Adams, apparently about 25 years old, found himself at the Hotel Stockle, at 8th and French streets, some time ago. Struck registered at the hotel on Monday night. When he did not get up at 10 o'clock this morning, his room was searched and he was found dead.

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MEXICAN EXILES GO TO WASHINGTON IN SEARCH OF AID

Brought From Vera Cruz, They Have Been Living on Charity—Served Army of Occupation.
With papers in their pockets, proving their past services to the United States army at Vera Cruz, Mexico, six Mexican refugees, who have been living on charity in this city for several weeks past, after being smuggled out of Mexico to escape assassination at the hands of the Carranza forces, left this morning for Washington, where they will present their claims for remuneration to the War Department.

The Inasmuch Mission has been the home of the refugees. They were penniless when they were landed at the Philadelphia Navy Yard from army transports and were recommended to the mission by the officers of the ships. By virtue of his superior intelligence he had better employment as assistant chief of police at Vera Cruz, is the leader of the party. He speaks English fairly well. After the occupation of Vera Cruz, in May of last year, Senor Perez was assistant Major J. A. Cañada, 25th Infantry, provost marshal general of Vera Cruz. He carries a certificate of that fact signed by Major Smith, testifying to the value of his services, also his identification card with his photograph on it.

Four weeks ago, he says, Colonel Plummer, of the provost marshal's forces, told him that if he wanted to save his head from Carranza he had better get aboard the transport San Marcos and come to the United States. He told his family to stay at Vera Cruz and he would come here and get work. With him on the San Marcos came S. A. Cañada, a former member of police at Vera Cruz. They landed ten days ago and went to the mission.

"Awaiting them there they found Miguel Fuentes, Joaquin Magana and Miguel Dominguez, former policemen, and Victor Rivera, a former employe of the Custom House at Vera Cruz. All six of the men went into the United States employ to save their heads at the time of the American invasion. The last four named arrived here on the transport three weeks ago and were taken in by Superintendent Long of the mission. It cost him \$45 a day to keep them. Perez is the only one who speaks English. A citizen took an interest in the case of the men and communicated with the War Department. They have not been formally dismissed from the army service and hope that Uncle Sam will loosen his purse strings and help them to independence.

NURSES HELP EMERGENCY AID RED CROSS DIVISION

Hundred Volunteer to Make Surgical Supplies for Soldiers.
More than a hundred graduate nurses, who have volunteered to aid the Red Cross, will organize tomorrow under Henrietta B. Ely, chairman of the Red Cross division of the Emergency Aid Committee, at headquarters, 1428 Walnut street, to make bandages, surgical shirts and other necessities for wounded soldiers. A workshop will be provided at headquarters or in the Lincoln Building. Several hundred nurses are expected to help after the work begins.

"I believe the assistance the nurses can give will enable us to do twice as much work as we have been doing for the Red Cross," said Miss Ely. "And we have already been doing enough to earn the Boardman's warm praise and thanks." The committee yesterday received a letter of thanks for supplies from Mrs. Robert E. Strawbridge, of Kensington Grange, Oakham, Eng., who is head of the American Women's Hospital at Paumont. "I am so proud of Philadelphia," she writes. "It has done wonders and has been so helpful in all ways." Accompanying her letter was a communication from Mrs. E. Burd Grubb, head of the British Relief Committee of the Emergency Aid.

THIEVES EMPTY POOR BOX

Steal Contributions in Catholic Church in Germantown.
A poor box filled with money for the poor of the parish and a Christmas box which stood before a representation of Christ's birthplace in Nazareth were broken from their fastenings in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Chelten avenue and Magnolia street, Germantown, last night and early this morning. The thieves threw both boxes into a vacant lot across the street. How they entered the church is not known.

MODERN DANCING

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BRYN MAWR COLLEGE GIRLS PUBLISH PAPER

Weekly of Great Value in Reporting Student Activities.
Bryn Mawr College has a newspaper. The shouts of the newsgirls crying extras do not disturb the studies of the girls, as there are no newsgirls and no extras. The paper, the College News, is a weekly, and is distributed without the aid of "newsies."

Many a paper is being read with much less interest than that with which the Bryn Mawr girls read the "weekly calendar," the general news, the "Alumnae Notes" and the editorial. The paper has proved of value in giving clear accounts of changes in student organization. It explains the new system of fire drill and the plan for teaching girls how to debate.

The new term started today. Charles Montague Bakewell, professor of philosophy of Yale, and former associate professor of philosophy of Bryn Mawr, will lecture before the Philosophical Club Friday night. "War and Women" will be the subject of a lecture by Frau Rosika Schwimmer, of Budapest, secretary of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance, in Taylor Hall, Saturday night. The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr., secretary of Yale University, will conduct the Sunday evening service.

MME GERVILLE-REACHE, FAMOUS CONTRALTO, DEAD

Favorably Remembered in This City as a Grand Opera Star.
NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Mme. Gerville-Reache, formerly leading contralto of the Manhattan Opera House and who appeared in Philadelphia as a member of Hammerstein's company, died yesterday in the Roosevelt Hospital.

Mme. Gerville-Reache sang in a concert in Boston five weeks ago, when her illness forced her to abandon her tour. She was taken back to the hospital, where two operations of blood transfusion were performed in a futile effort to save her life. For a few hours she rallied, and then came the final sinking spell.

Mme. Jeanne Gerville-Reache was born in the Basque Province, France, less than 40 years ago. In the summer of 1907 Oscar Hammerstein heard her at a charity concert in Paris and engaged her for the Manhattan, where she made her debut in "La Gioconda" in the fall of 1907. Among her best-known roles at the Manhattan

DOCTORS PASS CIVIL SERVICE

Six Eligible to Appointment as Residents in Hospitals.
A list of eligible applicants for the position of resident physician in city hospitals at a salary of \$600 to \$900, issued by the Civil Service Commission today, with the average attained by each applicant, is as follows:

Abraham Epstein, 1230 North 7th st., 85.1
Joseph J. Levy, 1328 North 7th st., 77.5
Joseph E. Haskett, 1328 North 7th st., 77.5
Ray Parker, 2202 Germantown ave., 75.0
Warren T. O'Hara, Philadelphia Hospital for Contagious Diseases, 70.3

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\$62.50 Natural Skunk Sets, \$39.75
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THIRD FLOOR

CARGO CERTIFYING AMUSES

Shipping Men Say Treasury Plan Will Not Protect Vessels.
Shippers said today they were amused by the announcement of the Treasury Department regarding certification of manifests of outward bound vessels. The certification is obtained by the employer of a customs inspector by the shipper, who attests to the completeness and accuracy of the manifest. This, shippers declare, would not protect a vessel from seizure by British warships.

Inaccurate manifests, the Treasury Department notice states, makes all ships liable to suspicion. Nothing did more to place all vessels leaving port under suspicion, according to shippers, than the order of the Treasury Department compelling the manifests from public view thirty days after the vessels had left port. This order has not been rescinded, it should be, it is said, if the department desires to show its sincerity in aiding shipping.

Collector Berry received his instructions as to the certification of cargoes today. It is not believed that the plan will be feasible with general cargo ships, as exporters will object to having every case opened on the pier and rechecked. The inspector supervising the loading of a vessel is not to be permitted to certify if any part of the cargo is or is not contraband.

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