

STABBED GIRL BRIDE DYING IN HOSPITAL

Mother, a Philadelphian, Hastens to Daughter's Bedside in Portsmouth, Va.

HUSBAND IS ACCUSED

Mrs. Katherine Wollom, sixteen-year-old wife of Victor R. Wollom, a chief boatswain's mate on the presidential yacht Mayflower, is dying in the King's Daughters Hospital, Portsmouth, Va., from stabs which the police say were inflicted by the husband yesterday.

Mrs. Mary Cunningham, of 2731 Tran street, is hastening to her daughter's bedside today. She was not advised early today as to the real condition of her daughter. "I'm going to bring her back to Philadelphia just as soon as she is well enough to come," was her cry.

In this tragedy are the elements which carry the mother back to her own girlhood, for she, too, was a girl bride. She married at fourteen, after a hasty courtship, and there were seventeen children by her marriage to Charles Cunningham.

Husband Tries to Explain Mrs. Wollom was found in her home early yesterday suffering from several serious wounds, and lapsing into unconscious condition. Victor Wollom, the husband, was in the same room, also suffering from wounds, and his explanation to the police was that "I must have stabbed her (meaning his wife) and then myself while in the throes of a nightmare."

That the police of Portsmouth do not believe the sailor's story is evidenced by the telegram sent Mrs. Cunningham, that the two had been removed to the King's Daughters Hospital. The message read:

Your daughter, Katherine, stabbed by her husband, who then attempted suicide. Her condition is serious. Mrs. Cunningham told the story of the shattered romance. "I met my daughter on the afternoon of July 30, of last year. She was then only fifteen years old, was a student at school, happy and carefree. He was much older, yet was very attractive."

"He and Katherine left the house and went to Willow Grove. They did not return until very late, and my husband was terribly angry, raising strong objections. Katherine calmed him, and convinced him they had been at the park by showing a photograph she had taken with Wollom."

Wollom went to the hotel in Walnut street near Twelfth, where he was staying. The next day, the thirty-first, Katherine sent a message to the house, asking him to meet her downtown, later he came to the house, asserted he was terribly in love with Katherine, and wanted to marry her, and if she wouldn't consent he said he would take her away anyhow and marry her, despite us.

Wouldn't Stand in Way "We were awfully upset by the dominating attitude of the man, but Katherine seemed to like him. "Then I realized that I, too, had married when very young—I was only fourteen when I married. I have been the mother of seventeen fine children, and I couldn't see myself in the way of the happiness of one of my girls. "So the next day we went to City Hall and gave our consent as parents to the issuance of a license, and they were married in the church at Thirtieth and Race streets. Katherine seemed very happy and satisfied when she went away."

Lately her letters have been depressing, indicating that her husband had again assumed that dictatorial, dominating fashion we had noticed. She wrote and told me a short time ago that she expected the birth of a child, and seemed to fear the outcome, for she stated in that letter that Victor, her



RT. REV. JAMES C. MORRIS Bishop of Panama, who is visiting this city today

"BLUE LAWS" HIT BY PANAMA BISHOP

The Rt. Rev. James Craik Morris, Visiting Church House, Opposes Strict Enforcement

ZONE IS WELL GOVERNED

Disapproval of the rigid enforcement of "blue laws" regulating the observance of the Sabbath, was expressed today by the Right Rev. James Craik Morris, missionary bishop to the Panama Canal zone, while at the Protestant Episcopal Church House, Twelfth and Walnut streets. "I do not believe in a commercialized Sunday," he said, "but, after all, this is a free country, and I do not think a too rigid enforcement of the 'blue laws' will work for any good. "I think all the extreme and flagrant violations of the Sunday laws have come as a flareback from former too rigid enforcement of these laws. After all, the main thing is to get the people to go to church. In Panama there are no blue laws and for the main part all the settlements are very decent and moral communities. Of course, in the canal zone prohibition is in force, but in the other parts of Panama there is never any liquor sold on Sunday."

Bishop Morris is visiting in this city on his way to see his son, who has undergone a minor operation in a hospital in New York. Before assuming his present work in Panama he was dean of the Cathedral at Memphis, Tenn., and before that was a rector at Madison, Wis. Although he was born in the South, both his father and grandfather were born in this city. He praised extensively the manner in which sanitary conditions have been established in the canal zone. He pointed out that his diocese extends across more than 500 miles of territory, with more than 200,000 population, and that his is the sole diocese that reaches from coast to coast.

BOY, 3, SETS FIRE TO BED

Starts Blaze While Playing With Matches—House Is Damaged

A three-year-old boy playing with matches set fire to a bed in the residence of his father, William Trexler, 3352 Filbert street, this morning, causing damages estimated at several hundred dollars. Buster, three years old, and Mildred, five years old, the two children were alone in the house at the time of the fire, as their father was at work and their mother had left them for a few minutes to go to a store.

According to Mildred her brother Buster found a box of matches with which he started to play and finally, after lighting several, set fire to the bed in the bedroom on the second floor rear of the house.

Mrs. Sadie Berry, of 3348 Filbert street, neighbor, noticed the smoke issuing from the house and she notified the police of the Thirtieth street and Lancaster avenue station. Engine company from Thirtieth and Ludlow streets responded to the alarm and soon put out the flames. Neither of the children was injured as they became unconscious when they saw the fire and hid themselves in another room.

ALCOHOL GONE, MAN HELD

Truck Driver Says He Was Held Up and Beaten Severely

After being identified by his alleged victim, Edward Hynes, 1103 Moyamensing avenue, was held under \$2500 bail for a further hearing December 22 by Magistrate Renshaw at Central Station today. He was charged with assault and battery and larceny of alcohol valued at \$2500.

It was charged that on November 5 Hynes, with three other men, held up Fred Fish, 3503 South Thirtieth street. He was driving a wagon loaded with alcohol owned by a wholesale distiller. Fish said he was compelled to dismount from the wagon near Delaware avenue and Christian street, and after beating him severely the men drove off with eight barrels of alcohol. The wagon was later recovered empty in the neighborhood.

CHORUS GIVES CONCERT

Philadelphia Music Club Holds Christmas Affair

The Philadelphia Music Club Chorus gave its Christmas concert in the Bellevue-Stratford, this afternoon. The chorus was under the direction of Stanley Addicks. Mr. Addicks wrote a special number, "The Christmas Bells," for this event. The soloists were Miss Cecilia Mella, soprano, and Mrs. Louise Underhill Vail, contralto; Miss Elizabeth Gest and Miss Julia Williams at the piano and organ. The Misses Hubbard and Miss Williams gave an ensemble number for harp, cello and organ. Mrs. Edwin Alfred Watrous, chairman of the chorus, was in charge.

ISABEL DODGE ENGAGED

Cousin of Mrs. J. H. R. Cromwell Will Wed U. of P. Alumnae

The engagement of Miss Isabel Dodge, of Detroit, to George Sloane, a University of Pennsylvania graduate, living in New York, has been announced. Miss Dodge is a daughter of the late John F. Dodge, who amassed a fortune in the automobile industry. She is a favorite in eastern society circles. She is a cousin of the former Miss Dolphine Dodge, now Mrs. James H. R. Cromwell. Mr. Cromwell is a son of Mrs. E. T. Stotesbury. Mr. Sloane is a member of Squadron A and of the Essex Country Club. During the war he was a sergeant. No date for the wedding has been set.

FUGITIVE RADICAL IS ARRESTED HERE

James Hoyt, of Seattle, Who Escaped After Deportation Order, Nabbed

CONSIDERED "GOOD CATCH"

James Hoyt, of Seattle, Wash., identified by the police as one of ten who escaped from the band of fifty ordered deported with Emma Goldman and other notorious radicals, was arrested this morning by City Hall Detective O'Shea, at Fifteenth and Market streets, and he tried to unfold a scheme to the detective to upset the police force and the city government.

In Hoyt's pockets were found papers and an I. W. W. pass book showing that he was a member of a Seattle labor council which attempted to form a Soviet form of government for the state of Washington and was defeated by Ole Hansen, the mayor of Seattle.

Hoyt attempted to destroy other papers by chewing them up, but they were recovered and, according to the police, contained the names and addresses of other fugitive radicals wanted by the authorities. The prisoner was turned over to Department of Justice agents, who consider Hoyt a good catch, as he is what is termed a "propaganda delegate" traveling all over the country distributing doctrines of bolshevism wherever he can.

Hoyt's passbook revealed that he was five months in arrears with the I. W. W. and, as six months is said to be the limit, he had but another month before suspension.

Caught With Forty Pawn Tickets

Forty pawn tickets calling for everything from neckties and derby hats to mouth organs, cornets and phonographs were found in the possession of William Clark, thirty-eight years old, 1517 Fairbridge street, who was arraigned before Magistrate Baker today as a suspicious character. Clark, a Negro, was arrested by Patrolman Cope at Ninth and Locust streets. Magistrate Baker held the prisoner in \$500 bail for a further hearing.

TO PENSION MRS. THOMAS

Mother of Despondent Girl Who Took Poison on Lieat Near Year

The widowed mother and family of Louise Thomas, 470 North Franklin street, the sixteen-year-old girl who attempted suicide by taking poison yesterday, had been on the waiting list of the Mothers' Assistance Fund of this county since last January. A pension was to have begun first the mother in the course of the next two weeks.

There are six children in the family under sixteen years of age, and it is thought that despondency on the part of the eldest may have led to her attempt at suicide. The fund was unable to help the family previously, because of insufficient money at its disposal. The Mothers' Assistance Fund will petition the State Legislature for more adequate funds for its work in the near future.

WOMEN TO ELECT OFFICERS

West Philadelphia G. O. P. Committee Will Meet Tomorrow

Mrs. Walter C. Hancock, chairman of the West Philadelphia Republican women's committee, has called a meeting of that committee for 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the men's Republican club, Forty-first and Chestnut streets, to elect officers.

The women's executive committee and officers for the coming year will be named. The West Philadelphia Republican women are planning monthly meetings to discuss local contemporary problems. They are well organized in each district and ward meetings are planned each week.

City Leases Vase Stables

The stables at 1120 Race street, used by Senator Vane for his street-cleaning equipment, were leased today by the city. Municipal apparatus used for cleaning the streets in the central section will be stored in the building. Arrangements are being made for a parade of this municipal equipment before January 1.

FEDERAL WORKERS BACK JOB SURVEY

Employees' Federation Plans Active Support for Reclassification Bill

WOULD RETAIN BONUS

Government employees, acting through their national federation, have decided on a campaign to support the reclassification bill, which is to be introduced in the present session of Congress by Representative Lehigh, of New Jersey. This was decided on at a meeting of the legislative committee of the National Federation of Federal Employees, just ended in Washington.

S. Tyson Kinsell, national vice president and president of the branch in this section of the country, returned to Philadelphia today from the meeting and issued a call for a gathering of the board of trustees of the local branch.

The meeting will be held at the headquarters, 222 South Fourth street, next Monday evening. It will discuss not only the Lehigh bill, but also the \$3-a-day minimum wage bill, which is on the calendar of the Senate. Representatives of the thousands of employees in the navy yard, the arsenal, internal revenue, customs, mints and other government agencies will attend. "The Lehigh bill," said Mr. Kinsell today, "provides not only for national reclassification, but also for the

continuance of the \$240 bonus as a part of basic pay, with increases or adjustments in accordance with the skill, training and responsibility for the position. In addition it safeguards the employees against a reduction in pay of the incumbent of a given position; it provides equal pay for equal work irrespective of sex; it provides for promotion on test of experience or merit, and an efficiency rating system prescribed by and controlled by the civil service commission, the employees to have access to appeal and will present the facts to Judge Anderson in Quarter Sessions Court this morning. John O'Malley, one of the men shot, is in Moyamensing prison. John Dougherty, the other wounded man, is under arrest in the Methodist Hospital.

SAILOR MAY BE FREED

Man Who Shot Alleged Bandits Wins Influential Friends

John Angerstein, a United States sailor who shot two alleged highway bandits in South Philadelphia several days ago when he believes, they tried to hold him up, will soon be released from jail. Either bail will be furnished or he will be released on habeas corpus proceedings, it is said. Assistant District Attorney Joseph H. Tynan has become interested in the man's case and will present the facts to Judge Anderson in Quarter Sessions Court this morning. John O'Malley, one of the men shot, is in Moyamensing prison. John Dougherty, the other wounded man, is under arrest in the Methodist Hospital.

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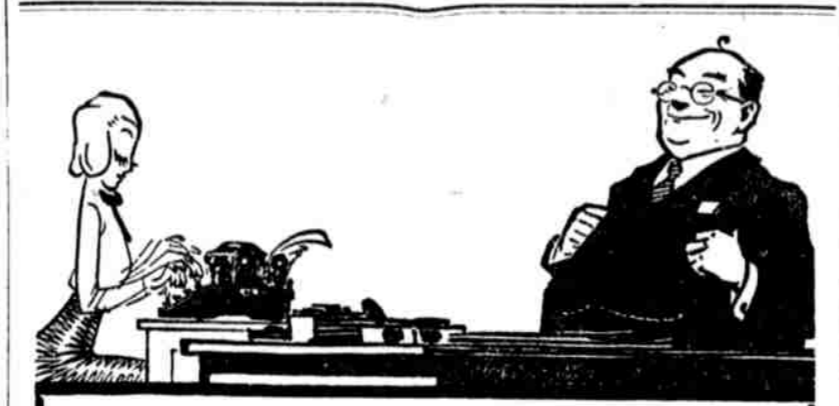
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82.50 Axminster, 9x12 ft.....	67.50	18.00 Neenah, 8x10 ft.....	12.50
48.00 Axminster, 6x9 ft.....	39.00	2.50 Fiber, 27x54 in.....	5.75
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