

STILLMAN TO FACE WIFE'S LAWYERS

Story of Raid on Banker's Yacht to Find Mrs. Leeds to Be Told

PEEPED IN PORTHOLE

New York, June 22.—Counsel for James A. Stillman has agreed to produce the banker for cross-examination at Poughkeepsie either June 28, 29 or 30, it was learned yesterday. Lawyers for Mrs. Stillman spent yesterday preparing to cross-examine him. What was described as a mass of documentary evidence, connecting him with Florence Leeds and the other co-respondents was gone over carefully.

It was announced yesterday that Mrs. Stillman's attorneys were prepared to spread on the records immediately after Mr. Stillman's cross-examination the story of doings on the yacht Modesty. The story, it was said, would not spare Mrs. Florence Leeds, the former Century Theatre chorus girl. Frank Murphy, who was steward on the yacht for eighteen months, is expected to be the first witness. He will tell, according to affidavits he has already furnished Mrs. Stillman's lawyers, of occasions when she came on deck clad principally in a transparent kimono and apparently undressed on her feet. One of the high spots in Murphy's story will deal with a raid on the Modesty by detectives in the employ of Mrs. Stillman's attorneys, disguised as revenue officials looking for bootleggers.

Murphy will also tell how Stillman and Mrs. Leeds beguiled their daylight hours by reading the highly priced tales of Balzac and Racine. Stillman frequently read these yarns to Mrs. Leeds and she, he will declare, clasped her hands in glee at some of the lively incidents. One of the fake bootlegger hunters will also tell what he saw through one of the portholes of the now famous Stillman yacht when he came aboard. If Mr. Stillman's lawyers should attempt to prove that Florence H. Leeds was married to Franklin Harold Leeds, and that Leeds and Stillman were separate identities, the defense will present evidence showing that Franklin Harold Leeds and Stillman were one. Among other things, the defense has photographic reproductions of applications for automobile licenses in 1918 and 1917. These applications described Franklin Harold Leeds and James A. Stillman in identical terms, saying the applicants are forty-five years of age, weigh 170 pounds, are five feet eleven inches in height, have blue eyes, brown hair, have each a mustache, are both right-handed and are both astigmatic. The application in 1917 was made by Stillman, in 1918 by Leeds.

OLD SALTS' TONGUES WAG AT HINT OF NEW BLACK FLAG

Some Lay Latest Sea Mysteries to Pirates Bold, but Other Tars Say They Are "Just Happenings"

The black flag is aloft again in grim earnest, say Philadelphia mariners, as they elaborate startling explanations of how the twentieth century pirating is done.

Bosh! Two vivid imaginations and some curious coincidences is the skeptical attitude of the men higher up who have direct contact with seafaring life. Whichever sailors gather, and wherever shipping is the topic, folk are reading with interest of the mystery of the disappearance of eleven ships, and more especially of the wrecking of the American schooner Carol Deering, in Diamond Shoals last January. Opinions differ, but everybody is reading all about it.

Down at the Seaman's Church Institute, in between the rattle of pool balls and the clatter of dishes, wild theories are woven. Joe McGinty, who says he has knocked pretty much all the way around the globe, but has been ashore for nine months, is sure that a pirate vessel, probably a submarine, is preying on smaller ocean craft.

Joe Has His Ideas of It "Sure, I think it's a pirate boat," declared Joe, "and it probably has a crew of twenty-five or thirty, just enough to man the number of men to be found on a small schooner. He became indignant when asked if it were an American boat with Americans as the crew. "No, sirree," he insisted. "No American crew there 'cept maybe a skunk or two who oughtn't to be an American even if he is. I wouldn't be surprised if they were Bol-sher-keens. They've got lots of power, and it wouldn't have been hard for them to slip out on the seas and start pirating. Or it may be Germans, of course."

McGinty declared the boat, whether submarine or sub chaser, could either have been salvaged after sinking during the war or might even have been built quietly in some inland town and launched in some quiet, rocky spot along the coast. "That's where we should look for them," he said: "in the rocks of bits of coast like Maine, where there are few towns and good handy coves. "They may keep in touch with the going and coming of ships by agents on land, and when they find a small boat with a medium small crew they put out and capture her."

McGinty had a unique theory for the fate of the sailors and officers. He declared they were probably put on some lonesome sea island, where the pirates had established a kind of station or headquarters. To do this he insisted they must have a larger vessel, probably a captured schooner, working with the actual pirate craft.

Others had different ideas than McGinty. A veteran pilot at the rooms of the Pilots' Association, declared the mystery of the disappearing ships was not so much of a mystery after all. "There may have been a different reason for each different case," he declared calmly. "For example, mutiny, fire, wreck and many others. The

CHURCH LOSING ITS GRIP, SAYS TUSTIN

Head of Northern Baptist Convention Laments Decline in Public Morals

1921 "CRISIS OF THE AGES"

By the Associated Press Des Moines, June 22.—The year 1921 marks a "crisis of the ages," Ernest L. Tustin, president of the Northern Baptist Convention, Director of Welfare of Philadelphia, declared today in his opening address at the fourteenth annual convention of Northern Baptists in session in this city. As evidence of such crisis he cited the "great extravagances in living," the "deplorable lowering of morals in our social life," the "moral degeneration and let-down in the habits of our young people," the "morals in our local politics, perhaps lower than ever before," and the "non-churchgoing and non-religious people, whose knowledge of the sacraments is chiefly confined to those of marriage and of death."

"There is," he declared, "a clear, distinct call throughout the land for the unification of all forces of Christianity to consider the great questions confronting the political, business and religious world."

Unique Golden Jubilee The afternoon and evening sessions were given over to the impressive and unique Golden Jubilee celebration of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, in celebration of fifty years of successful work in foreign lands. A picturesque jubilee procession, comprising women who had come from

eight foreign lands to attend the celebration, led a long procession of missionaries and Northern Baptist women into the convention headquarters. Mr. Tustin welcomed the professional, speaking with high appreciation of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, which in fifty years has grown from two missionaries to 257 missionaries, and which today has 112 stations. "Countless thousands of our people are running beyond their means, and living without the economic care and saving of our forefathers," Mr. Tustin said in his opening address.

Church Membership Decreasing "There has come into the minds of the many a desire for equality of condition. In business lines, the whole assumption seems to be—get money; get it honestly if possible; but get money. In our local politics the morale is lower perhaps today than ever before. In nearly every city of our country the word of the boss is supreme. As an evidence of the lowering of our social morals," Mr. Tustin cited the "terrible indictment" of young women, contained in the advice recently given by another denomination, which charged them not to wear, to give up drinking, quit gambling, refrain from immediate dress and stop joy-riding. He said that there was an "equal moral degeneration and let-down in the habits of our young men."

The marked decrease in church membership, he continued, while fraternal and worldly organizations are increasing in membership, is due to the fact that "the great lack in the followers of Christianity of the present day is that we do not possess the fervor, the heart-throbs, which characterized the Christianity of a century ago. We allow worldly affairs to crowd out our devotion and loyalty to our religious life."

Farmer Bureau to Convene in Atlanta Chicago, June 22.—Atlanta, Ga., was awarded the National Convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation in November by the Executive Committee yesterday. The convention dates were set for November 22 to 25. The invitation was presented by James W. Norton, of Atlanta.

EDISON PLAYS BASEBALL FIRST TIME IN HIS LIFE

Inventor Shows That He is No Wizard in Regard to Pitching West Orange, N. J., June 22.—Thomas A. Edison, in his seventy-fifth year, officiated in his first baseball game yesterday. The occasion was a ball game between members made up from his West Orange plant, the Laboratory team versus the Disk Record Department. With the familiar cry of "batter up," Mr. Edison walked out on the diamond, and, standing half way between the pitcher's box and home plate, pitched the first ball. It nearly struck the batter, Ray Whellan. The catcher returned the ball, Mr. Edison muffed it, but juggled after it. Resuming his position, he pitched four more balls, and did not become satisfied with his efforts until the batter hit a short foul. Edison retired to the side lines and was cheered by the crowd, numbering about 300. He expressed himself as much pleased with the sport and acknowledged he had never played a game of ball in his life.

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