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VICTIM'S CHARACTER WILL BE ASSAILED IN PLAN TO HELP FATTY

Tales of Hollywood Orbits to Be Told in Court

VOLSTEAD RECOIL TO EVIDENCE SEEN

Fringes of Film Colony Likely to Be Put Through House-Cleaning

BIG STARS AVOID CASE

Defense Seeks to Show Miss Rappe Often Was in Pain After Gay Parties

By BART HALEY

Mr. Haley has been sent to San Francisco to transmit accurate and colorful reports of the trial of Roscoe C. Arbuckle each day. He will continue to do so until the trial is finished.

Minor Figures Summoned

The witnesses summoned for the resumption of the trial this morning, Florence Bates, Irene Morgan, Minnie Neighbours, Josephine Roth, Virginia Warren and two men, Harry and Philip McCullough, are either main and even attendants in Hollywood or very minor figures in the outskirts of moving picture organizations. All are ready to testify against the character of the dead young woman.

It was implied by counsel at the opening of court that they had been witnesses at one time or another of revels at which Virginia drank too much and was overcome by illness and hysterics and from which she had to be removed as she was removed from Arbuckle's suite to a private room in the St. Francis Hotel before she died.

Those who profess to know something about the Bohemian life—so called—the big film colony said today that an airing of it would be at once an excellent thing for the reputable and well-behaved actors and actresses of Hollywood and a help to the life and the work about the studios.

Revelations to Astonish

But the revelations of that airing would be such as to astonish this part of the country. It is dawning on all people financially interested in the film and on the leading stars and managers and the hangers-on who crowd around and live for the moment in the movie people and most of the movie world in an undesired light.

Fatty spent yesterday in seclusion. His lawyers said he was giving thanks for the blessings and benefits that the year just passed has conferred on him, presumably. The attorneys were not so piously engaged. They were locked all day and that the witnesses from Hollywood, and for some reason or other that time will disclose, they emerged to announce the case would not end as soon as they thought it would.

McNab said yesterday that all his evidence would be in by Saturday. He said today that he probably would not be able to conclude before next Thursday, and that the hearing might go on until the end of next week. Clearly the lawyers for the defense are chary about pushing a campaign which may easily be viewed as an effort to build a new life for the victim of the movie industry and the character of a young woman who seems to have been without a champion, able or willing to defend her before or after she died.

Sees Danger in Course

The great McNab is wise enough to perceive the danger of the course. He knows, too, that the whole future of the film colony is at stake.

THANKSGIVING PASSES WITHOUT HOLD-UP ARREST

Veteran Detectives Say They Cannot Recall Like Occurrence

For the first time in years, there was not a single prisoner in the daily "strick-up line" at City Hall today.

It was one of the best Thanksgivings days I ever had," said Captain Souder, who was on duty at the jail today.

SEIZED WHISKY STOLEN

Rum Taken in Pottsville Raid Gone, U. S. Officials Learn

When Deputy United States Marshal Hubert Ryan appeared at Sylvester's warehouse at Pottsville this morning to bring to Philadelphia five barrels of whisky that had been stored there following a raid on April 5, he found the warehouse had been broken into and the whisky stolen.

Fire Damages Paul Revere School

A defective fire blazed up and did \$200 worth of damage in the Paul Revere School, thirty-sixth and Ludlow streets, at 3:30 this morning.

Identify Man Hit by Car

Harry Kistner, Reese and York Streets, in Serious Condition

Automobile Is Hit by Train and Carried Along 300 Feet

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DR. KOENIG HELD WITHOUT BAIL IN SEIZURE OF WINE

Former Penn Instructor and Four Other Men Turned Over to Federal Authorities

WARRANT FOR RABBI WHO FAILS TO ATTEND HEARING

Dr. Augustus Koenig, 1324 Pine street, and four others arrested with him early yesterday in the act of delivering wine at the rear of his home, were arraigned before United States Commissioner Manly in the Federal Building this afternoon.

Earlier all five had been given a hearing before Magistrate O'Brien, at the Twenty-third and Pine streets police station, and held without bail for the Federal authorities.

Rabbi Ben Zion Hoffman, who identified as his signature on permits to move the wine exhibited by the government, was arraigned on a warrant sworn out at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The warrants, as read to the defendant, charged them with conspiracy to violate the Prohibition Act. The warrant for Rabbi Hoffman was not read.

One of the defendants named in the warrants was Martin Bliz, said to be a prominent business man. When arrested he gave his name as William Turner, of New York.

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China Resisting Consortium Puts Parley in a Quandary

Big Powers Cannot Logically Use Force in Carrying Out Plan Professedly Based on Good Will

By CLINTON W. GILBERT

Washington, Nov. 25.—The Chinese threat to withdraw from the Conference produced a certain effect here today. British utterances were much more guarded today than on Wednesday when they aroused the Chinese.

Still, the British again today emphasized the importance of the consortium in the future development of China and it is against the consortium that the Chinese most bitterly protest. Information here is that the Americans stand with the British and the Japanese upon the consortium, and it is perhaps significant that the Chinese delegation, since they made their declaration, they have not been receiving the advice of the American delegation.

They are now acting upon their own initiative. No immediate withdrawal is in prospect. The program of the Chinese is to present their case for each of the ten principles for which they declared and endeavor to have the four principles of Mr. Root, adopted by the conference committee, interpreted as being equivalent in detail to their own ten points.

Chinese Are "From Missouri"

It is understood that Mr. Root has said that his four points are equivalent to the ten Chinese points. But Mr. Root's language is general and the Chinese desire to be shown.

China Stands Severely Alone

It bears the marks of an extension of the consortium. This agreement calls for a pooling of all future concessions, including the American, agreed to this new arrangement with regard to existing concessions, China alone voicing its objection in its publicity.

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BRIAND PINS FAITH ON BALFOUR, WAVES LORD CURZON ASIDE

Declares France Proposes to Lead All Nations in Armament Reduction

AGAIN RECITES GERMAN PERIL ON LEAVING U. S.

By the Associated Press

New York, Nov. 25.—Dismissing any wish to reply to the address in London yesterday of Lord Curzon, the British Foreign Minister, urging France not to pursue an "isolated and individualistic" policy, Premier Briand of France declared before sailing for home today that this was no time for argument between "friends and allies."

He asserted that, notwithstanding the "exceptional" situation of France in Europe from the Government's standpoint, he was proposing to go further in limitation of armaments, both on land and sea, than any other nation.

He did not wish to reply to Lord Curzon's statement for the reason, that I haven't the official text," said M. Briand through an interpreter. "I do not quite see, however, what interest there can be for friends and allies to argue with one another at the very moment when they are trying at Washington to assure the peace of the world. It is primarily between them that peace ought to exist."

"I shall pin my faith on the words of Mr. Balfour, pronounced at the last public session of the Conference, when he solemnly recognized, in a full and explicit manner, that the situation of France in Europe was exceptional and that she had to take precautions for her security."

Tells of French Army Cut

As regards disarmament, France will have gone as far along this road as any other country, without exception. In effect, on land, in spite of the dangers which she undergoes, she has already spontaneously reduced her "metropolitan army" by a third. In spite of the law which keeps three classes with the colors, actually there are only two.

Furthermore, the Government has introduced a bill in Parliament which reduces the period of service by half, and, in consequence, the number of effectives in the same proportion.

It is much more than the other nations will do as regards navies, since the naval reduction envisaged does not exceed 40 per cent.

As for France, which has 600,000,000 subjects in colonies, her coast guards are on all seas and who consequently need a navy, has seen her fleet of capital ships reduced by the effects of the law which keeps three classes with the colors, actually there are only two.

Consequently, in the sum total of her national forces—land and sea army—it can be said that France will have made an effort to reduce her armaments to that of any other nation, and that will be greater because she is the veritable danger.

Germany Still a Menace

"Our English friends ought to recognize the fact that the German fleet is at the bottom of the sea and that, in the event of a new war, the sea will be a grave and critical stage."

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SHAKING PLUM TREE WITH STATE MONEY MAY BRING EXPOSE

Bankers, Unwilling to Favor Political Chieftains, Assert Deposits Are Withheld

BILL TO END OLD ABUSES WAS KILLED IN ASSEMBLY

Financiers Who Held Chunks of People's Cash Made Profit in Interest

WERE REMINDED OF FACT

Requests for Financial 'Favors' Termed Bane of Present Fiscal System

By GEORGE NON McCAIN

When Matthew Stanley Quay manipulated the politics of Pennsylvania, it was generally understood that State funds were illegitimate sources of political power.

It was difficult enough to lay your finger on the spot where the evil began, much less to follow the current of financial shenanigans to its individual sources.

Wise legislation in the intervening years has placed a guard around the "plum tree." Not that it is not still being shaken, but in a different way.

Then it was a direct unhanding operation. Now it is a more subtle and indirect procedure.

At the last session of the Legislature a bill carefully prepared by the present Auditor General, Samuel S. Lewis, was offered for passage.

It provided that State deposits be limited in number. That State funds, divided into two classes active and inactive, be placed only in selected banks and trust companies, who offered to the State, accompanied by sufficient bond, the highest rate of interest on those deposits.

Old System Endangered

Of course the bill was defeated. The days permitted its passage would have been a general gratification among the right-minded that a last the force of moving State funds about like golden pawns from place to place would be at an end.

In the moment of that hour I wrote a dispatch from Harrisburg to the EVENING POST, London, that it singularly applicable now.

It is not always personally satisfactory to be "told you so," but here it is, after a lapse of eighteen months: "If a bill to be presented in the House by the Auditor General, Samuel S. Lewis, to limit the number of State deposits, becomes a law it will put an end to the scandals, lawless and private, that at intervals during the last forty years have clustered around the State Treasury."

There will be no more tragedies from the unhanding of State funds; no opportunity for officials to favor certain banks by giving them large deposits and then in return asking for an accommodation for themselves or their friends in discounted notes and borrowed money.

No longer will it be possible for State officials to kite checks and have notes discounted on the strength of State deposits in certain banks, as it does so often occur. Political considerations can no longer benefit by the collection of a surplus interest over and above the legal rate.

Would End Old Abuses

The scheme of political favorites and their cronies, such as politicians and their cronies, as has been pointed out by the Auditor General, to make the journey.

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SIX HURT IN EPHRAATA CRASH

Automobile Is Hit by Train and Carried Along 300 Feet

Reading, Pa., Nov. 25.—Six persons were badly injured when their automobile was struck by a Philadelphia and Reading passenger train at Ephrata last night.

Norman Guilekand, of New Holland, his wife and son, took his brother and two other persons to a dance at a place for a ride before leaving home. The dance was in the corner across the railroad and they had just started when the train, leaving the station, hit them. The automobile was carried 300 feet on the bonnet before the train stopped.

Kistner declares the girls were not doing anything else but dancing at the time. He says that the locomotive which struck the car was not slow.

IDENTIFY MAN HIT BY CAR

Harry Kistner, Reese and York Streets, in Serious Condition

The man struck by a trolley at Thirtieth street and Erie avenue last night and now in the Samaritan hospital in a critical condition, was identified this morning as Harry Kistner, forty-seven, employed by the York Filtration Co. Company, and living at the northeast corner of Reese and York streets.

Kistner was brought to the hospital last night by four men who had seen the accident from their auto. It is said he stepped in front of the car. He has a fractured skull and possibly internal injuries.

He regained consciousness just long enough to whisper his last name this morning. His wife, Mrs. Emma Cohen, of 1224 North Thirtieth street, came to the hospital and identified him.

ROOMS TO BE RENTED TO THE PUBLIC

SMITH LAYS BIG RUM PLOT TO SYNDICATE

Accused Exporter Says He Was Approached by Dr. G. S. Kherilla, Alleged Go-Between

REFUSED PLAN, HE ASSERTS

An alleged scheme designed to flood this and other cities with millions of dollars' worth of whisky, withdrawn from bond ostensibly for export, was disclosed in part today by H. L. Smith in defending his right to a prohibition export license.

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