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Jury Seeks Aid of Walnut in Rum Case

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In the release of liquor from the High-spirited distillery near Harrisburg, Smith is a political lieutenant of Snyder in Schuylkill County. He was on the State payroll as special auditor and investigator when Snyder was Auditor General.

Denial by Snyder

Mr. Snyder came here today from his home in Pottsville, arriving at the Reading Terminal at 10:30 o'clock.

He was smiling and jaunty with his cane and white gloves.

But his smile disappeared when he was told of reports that he and Smith had been involved in Walnut's rum investigation.

"I can hardly believe that my name has been mentioned in the case," he said indignantly. "I will have no difficulty clearing my name. My record in Schuylkill County is open to investigation."

As for the rumors regarding Smith, Snyder said these were equally baseless. The only reason, he added, was that Smith once accepted a ride on a truck from Harrisburg to Pottsville with a man who was later found to be connected with drug companies, which were diverting liquor to bootleggers.

Snyder, who said he had come here for the purpose of attending a meeting of the British Consulate, expressed surprise at Mr. Walnut's removal.

"I consider him a high-class official," Snyder observed.

At Washington today officials would not discuss the liquor investigation in detail. They said that if the Grand Jury has indicted McConnell, the action will be a sufficient answer to the assertion Mr. Walnut was removed for pressing for the indictment.

Sure of Case Against McConnell

Government officials said they were confident that sufficient evidence has been obtained against McConnell. Discussing rumors of a conspiracy, they said, the officials said they were confident that sufficient evidence has been obtained against McConnell. Discussing rumors of a conspiracy, they said, the officials said they were confident that sufficient evidence has been obtained against McConnell.

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Neighbors of Mary Ellen Reject Theory That She Started Spectral Fires

MACDONALDS TO QUIT FARM

Harrisburg, Pa., March 17.—An amuse-ment and disbelief followed closely in the wake of the report issued by Dr. Walter F. Prince yesterday in which he charges Mary Ellen Macdonald, daughter of the farmer, who was forced to abandon his home in Caledonia Mills, with being the cause, whether of her own volition or while possessed by some spiritual force, of the chain of alarming happenings that have become the talk of the continent. This sentiment is chiefly in the hands of the people who have been the most vocal and straightforward in their verdict and judgment. There are thousands, however, who welcome his suggestion as a solution of the mystery that has surrounded the case.

Macdonalds before coming to Harrisburg had run a fortune-telling establishment in Butte, and heard also that the present business of Macdonald was smuggling goods over the border. He saw them several times afterward, but never visited the house again.

"A few months after the instances I have narrated the house in the mountain which was burned down, painting and all, I suppose, and there was never any further trace of the Macdonalds or of their servants."

"In reading accounts of the supposed ghostly visitations at Antigonish I was struck with the similarity of the phenomena and the characteristics of the medium. The evidence is so far almost conclusive when I remembered the name of the family who lived near Missoula."

"That was nine years ago. The Mary Ellen of Antigonish was then eighteen, the age, according to reports, of the Mary Ellen of Antigonish. Not much can be told from a photograph, but she certainly was the same as the Mary Ellen of Antigonish the same cast and expression that I observed in the child at Missoula."

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WROTE "MRS. D. NOLEN" LETTERS

Ballyhoo Man Wrote Notes to Mrs. Brunen

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Parktown. Nobody was under arrest. Brunen tried to assault Parktown until he learned that he and Hazel had been married. Then he dropped the charges he had intended to make against him.

Brunen came to the station house and saw his wife. He put out his arms to her and hugged and kissed her. He said, "Honey, I thought you'd gone away for good. Let's go home and try to be happy."

The statements taken by Captain Larkins were turned over by him, he said, to Acting Chief Leonard, who has forwarded them to Detective Parker.

Ward told Detective Parker that he had not seen Brunen at any time since October 31. He had not planned to go out with Brunen's show this year. He told Detective Parker that he had signed up for the season show for the coming season. The Brunen show closed its last season in October of last year, with a performance in Camden, at Twelfth and Federal streets.

Ward said he never bothered with Brunen. "I never bothered with Brunen," he said. "He was a disagreeable devil, and I kept away from him as much as I could. I never heard him make any threats against Brunen's life."

Ward did not arrive until so late that the town of Mount Holly was for the most part fast asleep when he was summoned in. Captain Larkins brought him down to Parker's office. The questioning began at once and lasted until 2:15 o'clock this morning.

Ward denied knowing anything about the shooting. He is a big, powerful, clean-cut man and was indignant that he should be accused of having shot Brunen from behind.

After he had breakfast at the hotel, Ward made the following brief statement:

"There is not much I can say about this affair, except that I want it distinctly understood that I never do my fighting from behind."

Has "Nothing to Fear"

"Do I look like a man who would shoot a person in the back? I've had fights with a lot of men in my lifetime, but no one ever could say that 'Doc' Ward attacked him from behind. I have nothing to fear. My conscience is clear so far as the death of John Brunen is concerned. I never had a quarrel with him at any time and had no occasion to quarrel with him. I came here to prove that I was in no way a cowardly murderer. If I could throw the least light on it for the authorities, I would be only too glad."

Ward was asked to explain why he had written letters under the name of "D. Nolen" to Mrs. Brunen at the Palmyra Postoffice. He said he was talking to Hazel Brunen, the daughter.

Ward shrugged his shoulders and replied: "Detective Parker has advised me not to say anything about that."

"Did you ever hear Mrs. Brunen threaten to harm her husband?"

"No," he answered. "Never."

"Did you ever hear any one else make such threats?"

"No. If I had, I'd be glad to tell all I knew."

Explained His Alibi

Ward was found at 10 Reed street, Jersey City, where he lived with his wife. He was picked up last Saturday at the request of Parker, interrogated by the Jersey City police and his deposition sent to Mount Holly for examination. Detective Parker yesterday telephoned to Acting Chief of Police Leonard, at Jersey City, and asked that Ward be brought over for an examination. Ward agreed to come, although he had given to the Jersey City authorities at the first examination, was checked up and verified by him. He repeated it to Parker in the early hours of this morning.

Friday night, when the murder was committed in Brunen's home at Riverdale, N. J., as he sat reading the paper in his room, he was in the city of Jersey City, as he proved to Parker's satisfaction.

He was paid off at Charles Hayes & Son's blacksmith shop, where he worked, at 10 o'clock, receiving \$28 for his week's work. He went home to supper, washed and went to the "movies," left there at 8:45 o'clock, returned home, stopping on the way at a store to buy a quart brick of ice cream. He arrived at 9:05 o'clock.

Brother Defends Mrs. Brunen

Harry Mohr, Mrs. Brunen's brother, today denied that she had been in Hoboken with Ward. Mrs. Brunen could not recall the date, except that she should be in Washington on March 24, the ratification vote would be increased from sixty-four to sixty-seven.

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PREPARE PINCHOT BOOM

Women's Body Arranging for Headquarters Here

The organization of women supporters of the Gifford Pinchot boom for Governor is being arranged from the Pinchot headquarters in the Real Estate Trust Building.

The plans include a campaign to get out the woman vote at the May primary. Mr. Pinchot, who is running for Governor of Pennsylvania, will address a meeting of women in Johnstown tomorrow.

The Pinchot headquarters, it was announced, the State forester has received a formal endorsement by the Republican Committee of Pike County, his home area.

Endorsements also have been received, it was stated from John D. Farnam and William H. Conyngham, of Wilkes-Barre. Farnam is a brother-in-law of the late Senator Warren G. Gurnea, U. S. Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company.

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EXPECT PACT WILL PASS BY TWO VOTES

Poll of Senators Shows 64 in Favor of Pacific Treaty, 29 Opposed

Washington, March 17.—President Harding may look forward to a cheerful homecoming on Sunday. Administration leaders on Capitol Hill will greet him with categorical evidence that the Washington Conference no longer is in danger of wreckage.

Victory for the four-power pact, and in its train for all the Conference treaties, is all but an accomplished fact. It became so last night, following the first day's lull in the tempestuous ratification battle, when treaty leaders carefully counted noses.

The Pacific pact is safe by a minimum vote of 64 votes for ratification and a maximum vote of 29 against. The ratificationists include 55 Republicans and nine Democrats. At least two-thirds (62) are irrevocably in sight. If the necessary changes, they will be in the direction of an increased vote for ratification.

The correspondent has reason to believe that the following tabulation accords with the actual situation for and against the Four-Power Treaty in their present-hour alignment:

For Ratification—64	
Rep. Del.	McLean, Conn.
Rep. N. C.	McNair, N. C.
Rep. N. H.	Morse, N. H.
Rep. N. J.	McClure, N. J.
Rep. N. Y.	McClure, N. Y.
Rep. Pa.	McClure, Pa.
Rep. S. C.	McClure, S. C.
Rep. Va.	McClure, Va.
Rep. W. Va.	McClure, W. Va.
Rep. Md.	McClure, Md.
Rep. D. C.	McClure, D. C.
Rep. Ill.	McClure, Ill.
Rep. Ind.	McClure, Ind.
Rep. Ia.	McClure, Ia.
Rep. Mo.	McClure, Mo.
Rep. Neb.	McClure, Neb.
Rep. Okla.	McClure, Okla.
Rep. Wis.	McClure, Wis.
Rep. Minn.	McClure, Minn.
Rep. S. D.	McClure, S. D.
Rep. N. D.	McClure, N. D.
Rep. Wyo.	McClure, Wyo.
Rep. Mont.	McClure, Mont.
Rep. W. Va.	McClure, W. Va.
Rep. Ky.	McClure, Ky.
Rep. Tenn.	McClure, Tenn.
Rep. Miss.	McClure, Miss.
Rep. Ark.	McClure, Ark.
Rep. La.	McClure, La.
Rep. Tex.	McClure, Tex.
Rep. Okla.	McClure, Okla.
Rep. N. M.	McClure, N. M.
Rep. N. Mex.	McClure, N. Mex.
Rep. Colo.	McClure, Colo.
Rep. Ariz.	McClure, Ariz.
Rep. Nev.	McClure, Nev.
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Against Ratification—29	
Rep. Del.	McClure, Del.
Rep. N. C.	McClure, N. C.
Rep. N. H.	McClure, N. H.
Rep. N. J.	McClure, N. J.
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CONVICTS AID THEFT VICTIM

Repay Part of Loss Suffered by Aged Woman

St. Louis, March 17.—(By A. P.)—Convicts through an intermediary today presented to Miss Elizabeth Sutton at the Christ the People's Home a check for \$62 in part payment of her savings of \$62 taken from her here March 2 by a supposed employer.

Miss Sutton had answered an advertisement for a housekeeper in Danville, Ill. She was employed, and immediately her "employer" borrowed a \$50 bond and \$42 in cash, and disappeared.

An editorial in the weekly issue of the prison newspaper, in an appeal to convicts to make up the loss, urged that they "smoke forty less cigarettes this week." The response was a flood of nickels, dimes and quarters, until \$62 had been collected.

Virgin Mary France's Patron Saint

Paris, March 17.—(By A. P.)—The Virgin Mary is declared the patron saint of France and Joan of Arc, now Saint Joan, the second time in history in Pope Pius' first order concerning France, published today in the Catholic organs. The order was in response to a request from the French ecclesiastics, submitted to Pope Benedict, who did not act upon it.

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Harding Supports Fall on Alaska

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has been one of the bitterest fights of recent years. The control of the Alaska coast, 15,000,000 acres and extremely valuable, is the biggest issue at present it is under the Forestry Bureau in the Department of Agriculture.

Secretary Wallace has wished to keep it. Secretary Fall has insisted upon having it. At one time it was his object, he would resign from the Cabinet and a short time ago, Mr. Fall's friends let it be known that he was getting ready to retire.

The row started when Taft was President and was fought out between Secretary Ballinger and Gifford Pinchot, then Chief Forester. It ended in the dismissal of Pinchot and in the public discrediting of Ballinger. But the ill-fated arrangement with regard to the Alaska forests was not disturbed. It has continued to this day.

Conservation Issue Involved

It is more than a contest over organization. The forestry bureau has strict conservationist ideas. The Interior Department, on the contrary, believes in opening the way to develop in private capital. "Impractical" is the charge hurled at one faction; "reactionary" is the widest word ever applied to the other.

If Mr. Fall gets control of Alaska a complete change of policy with regard to the resources there is certain to follow. But the Pinchot policy has been and is being largely maintained.

It may prove impossible to get the Alaska reorganization through in time so that Mr. Harding can cap it by visiting the territory. The conservationists are energetic and Congress has its hands full.

If the reorganization goes through, there will be one bureau of Alaska, in Interior. Existing laws giving the headquarters in Alaska. Interior department will not have to spend their time running about from bureau to bureau in Washington trying to satisfy the contradictory requirements of independent authorities.

80,000 Loss in Tamasqua Fire

Tamasqua, Pa., March 17.—Kirt, believed due to crossed wires, killed the local fire chief today. The fire chief, a local fire chief, was killed yesterday.

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MOTORISTS WARNED

Told to Be Careful to Protect Men Laboring in the Streets

It is up to motorists to protect unformed workmen whose duties require that they be in the streets, declared Secretary of Labor, Mr. Clegg, today. William H. Flamer, a Negro, of 1811 Cambria street, without bail for the Grand Jury, charged with "criminal neglect" in letting his automobile run on the streets. Flamer was driving struck and killed Antonio Gatti, sixty years old, 508 Clinton street, a street cleaner, last Monday at Jessup street and Oliver street.

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HISTORIC ELM MENACED

State Seeks to Save its Service Men's Memorial

Harrisburg, March 17.—(By A. P.)—The State of Pennsylvania has assigned its tree experts to save the elm tree dedicated to the service men of Pennsylvania, planted a little over a year ago in Capitol Park. The elm is about twelve feet high and was good and strong when planted, but the soil along the historic "borderwalk" where it was placed has undergone some changes and the tree doctors found it necessary to trim it very closely.

When the tree was planted earlier of each of the sixty-seven counties of Pennsylvania was placed around its base.

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In a Music Store (Or, Why Music Salesmen Go Mad)

—By J. P. McEvoy

I'M LOOKING for a pretty little piece by somebody named Briggs or Brigs, or something like that.

Briggs? Driggs? I don't believe I recall a name like that.

Oh, it's a sweet little thing, I heard it the other night over to a friend of mine's. She plays it beautifully, you know, just beautifully.

I don't believe I could get it for you with that little to go on.

I'm sure you must have it, Briggs or Brigs, I'm sure it's something like that.

You don't mean Grieg, do you?

Oh, that's that. I have you something by him?

My dear lady, we have hundreds of pieces by him. What particular composition did you have in mind?

Well, I don't know the name of it, but it goes something like this: Tra la la, tra la, tra la, isn't it? Let me see. She plays it like this: Tra la la, tra la, tra la. Have you got it?

(Scene II)

I'M LOOKING for a piece I heard over at the concert yesterday afternoon. No, it was last week. I remember now. I was downtown and I was going shopping and I ran into Gabe and she asked me over to the concert and I went instead of doing my shopping as I should have, and now I'm away behind.

Oh, yes, I wonder what the name of that piece was? How stupid of me to forget! I can't even remember the name of the composer. You would happen to know what I'm looking for, would you?

No, I'm afraid I wouldn't.

That was a symphony, or something like that. I just can't remember exactly, but a part of it along toward the end went something like this, I hope you'll pardon me, I have a terrible cold. I'll bustle in a little and you see, I'm all mummum ummum, la, la. That's it, I believe. It may be off a little, but that's close, isn't it?

I'm afraid I can't recognize any symphony from that.

You can't? I thought this was a regular music store. I'm sure this is a very well-known piece. Listen again. Tra la, tra la, tra la, ummum, la, la. Surely you recognize it now.


I'm afraid not, madam.

Well, but I can't see the limit. I suppose I'll have to go elsewhere and be waited on where they know something about music. The idea! I cannot recognize any piece of music when they hear it! Humph!

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