

THE WEATHER
Forecast and continued cool tonight and
Thursday with heavy frost in low
lands tonight; northerly winds.

"UNWRITTEN LAW" WILL BE THE DEFENSE OF MRS. ROSIER FOR KILLING STENOGRAPHER

Defense Wins Opening Tilt by Having Baby Present in Court

DEFENDANT IS PALLID; SHOWS LONG STRAIN

Selection of Jury Opens With Challenging of Men Opposed to Death Penalty

MORBIDLY OUBIOUS CROWD SLIPS BY BARRING GUARD

Lawyers for Woman Prevent State From Prejudging Her Story of Crime

Chief Developments at Mrs. Rosier's Trial

Mrs. Rosier permitted to have her baby in court. Court refuses trial on both murder indictments...



A recent photograph of Mrs. Catherine Rosier, on trial today for the murder of her husband and Mildred Reckitt, his stenographer.

HUMAN DRAMA IS ENACTED IN COURT ON S. SECOND ST.

Spectators Alternately Thrilled and Awed as Age-Old Unwritten Law Stalks

BABY RELIEVES TENSION

By MARGARET M. LUKES

The taleman is Philip Trutt, fifty years old and single, of 2524 North Thirty-second street, a salesman...

The question was long and involved, a hypothetical question which included the Judge's possible charge on the facts and the law.

When "Unwritten Law" Issues "If you are selected as a juror," asked Mr. Spelzer...

That is a highly improper question," he shouted. "The Commonwealth has no right to anticipate what the defense will be...

Willing to Vote for Death "The ordinary questions were then put to the taleman. He hesitated a bit in his answers...

Humor Believes Strain There was a laugh at the Judge's district court officers promptly backed. The examination of the prosecution...

MOTHER, IN TEARS, HOPEFUL ON WAY TO ROSIER TRIAL

Mrs. Sue Reid Quotes Daughter as Saying "I'm All Right, Don't Worry"—Goes to Court With Baby

Mrs. Sue Reid left her home at 25 Kent road, Stonehurst, this morning, broken-hearted but lifted somehow with hope...

"Mother Will Be Home Soon" "The good boy," warned his mother, smiling faintly...

Back in the house, on the dining-room table, lay an unopened letter addressed to the murdered man and received only today...

In an armchair sits six-year-old Robert Reid, Mrs. Reid's crippled son. He doesn't know what his excitement and these tears mean...

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"HE'S INNOCENT" SAYS MRS. HALL OF SLAIN RECTOR

Widow, in Bed, Denounces Charlotte Mills for Selling Love Letters

MAY BE ASKED TO OPEN STRONG BOX IN BANK

Raymond Schneider Will Be Quizzed Again in Effort to Solve Mystery

NEW THEORY OF TRAGEDY

Rector Now Thought to Have Been Killed With Own Pistol in Fight With Slayer

2 DEAD, 2 DYING, 6 OTHERS INJURED IN AUTO CRASHES

Two, a Man and a Girl, Are Seriously Hurt in Mishaps on the Main Line

THREE IN CAR FALL 30 FT. DOWN AN EMBANKMENT

Two men are dead, two are said to be dying and six other persons, including a woman and child, are injured as the result of a series of automobile accidents in and near Philadelphia today.

The most serious accident occurred near Sumnerstown, on the Bethlehem pike. In this crash a Philadelphia man was killed and four others were hurt, one probably fatally.

Two accidents on the Main Line, involving families socially prominent, resulted in injuries to a man and a child. The men may die.

Two men and a woman were hurt when a motor car plunged down a thirty-foot embankment at Thirty-third and Thompson streets.

Car Crashes Into Stone Heap In the accident on Sumnerstown pike, the machine carrying the five men crashed into a stone heap on the road.

Three men were injured in a collision on the Main Line, involving a fractured skull and other injuries. No hope for his recovery is held by physicians.

Joseph I. Brown, 180 Cambria street, Joseph Gehan, 306 North Front street, owner and driver of the car.

According to State police, the automobile was traveling at rapid speed down a hill and turned out of the road to pass another machine.

The man injured on the Main Line is John W. Wagoner, 1234 Locust street, the estate of Herbert W. Wagoner, a prominent clubman.

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HAWAIIAN ENTOMBED ALIVE FOR BREAKING K. K. K. RULE, REPORT

"Filipino Klan" Terrorizing South Seas—Legal Action Planned

Honolulu, Oct. 18.—(By A. P.)—Complaints that an organization known as the "Filipino Klan" is terrorizing the country district of Oahu and other islands, have been made by Prosecutor Claus L. Roberts.

The public prosecutor is investigating with a view to taking legal action.

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Declares There is Trend Toward Better Conditions for Agriculturist

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ORATORY, NOT FACTS, IS McSPARRAN'S CHIEF ASSET IN CAMPAIGN

Colonel McCain Pictures Democrat as Handy Man With Words

GENERALITIES FAIL WHEN PUT TO TEST

Nominee Is Termed Facile Speaker, Often Carried Away by Own Enthusiasm

RECORD AS FARMER USED TO LIMIT BY FRIENDS

Drags in Personalities When Unable to Center Fight on Real Civic Issue

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN

John A. McSparran, Democratic nominee for Governor, is one of the most resourceful campaigners to take the stump in Pennsylvania for any party.

While it cannot be said that he is a master of perfervid oratory, it is a truth, nevertheless, that he is a very convincing speaker.

I use the word "convincing" in the sense that he makes statements with a force that carries conviction.

His statements, however, in many instances, are at variance with facts. He does not exaggerate—he simply misstates.

It is his sincerity, even in this respect, that makes him not a dangerous but rather an annoying one might almost say a pestiferous—opponent.

This mishandling of facts for campaign purposes detracts from the impression of a man of affairs.

When he quotes figures and statistics they are vague. Many of his charges are general.

His charges very often sound as if they had been manufactured on the spur of the moment.

In hunting parlance, "his gun scatters." He is "farmer vote."

A compelling attribute of Mr. McSparran is that he is a good mixer.

It is one of his greatest assets on the stump. He delivers a hearty handshake with an infectious smile.

I should say that he is a consummate actor. In moments of relaxation, when he is himself, and is alone with friends, John McSparran must be a mighty companionable man.

He is being boosted and boomed as the only "ilt farmer" that ever ran for Governor.

In the country his special appeal is to the farming element.

Whether addressing a little company of farmers while standing on a kitchen chair on the back porch of a crossing farm, or before a crowd of voters at a table with a fried beefsteak curling under his head, or appearing to a Philadelphia audience from a stage and flower bed, he is a committee member of well-grounded common sense.

McSparran cannot dissociate himself from the "ilt farmer" idea.

He personifies, for political purposes, the plucky, dressed, rugged, blunt, outspoken, virtuously indignant tiller of the soil.

Yet Mr. McSparran is a college graduate and a licensed Methodist preacher. He is in this role a modern Daniel come to judgment in a blue serge suit and white shirt with tie.

His broad, smooth face is bisected by a pair of rather thin lips, which suggest determination; when tightly closed, meanly.

His penetrating voice rasps at times, but it always reaches the limits of his audience.

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LAST-MINUTE NEWS

MRS. A. C. YARNALL ARRESTED AFTER AUTO HITS BOY

Mrs. Elsie L. Yarnall, wife of Alexander Coxe Yarnall, of Wynwood, was arrested at 12:30 o'clock today after an automobile she was driving struck and slightly injured a boy on Twelfth and Market streets. She was released at City Hall, but will appear for a hearing tomorrow.

MRS. GIBERSON'S LIFE "HANGING BY A STRING"

TOMS RIVER, N. J., Oct. 18.—The life of Mrs. Ivy Giberson, charged with the murder of her husband, is hanging by a string, according to her counsel, James M. Davis. In addressing the jury sitting in her case here today he said that if the jurors were convinced that she did not bind herself then she should be acquitted. He challenged any of the jurors to bind themselves as she was bound on the night "obbers were supposed to have invaded her home.

ASKS CONVICTION OF MRS. GIBERSON IN WESTERN STATES

Accused Woman Scans Faces of Jurors as Prosecutor Barry Thunders Charge

Radical-Conservative, Ku Klux and Wet-Dry Issues Wiping Out Old Alignments

BY CLINTON W. GILBERT

Washington, Oct. 18.—Three fundamental issues have completely wiped out party lines in a number of the Western States. These three issues are conservatism versus radicalism, the religious or Ku Klux Klan issue, and the "wet-dry" issue.

The religious-conservative issue is the most significant development of this campaign. If the economic situation of the farmer does not improve in the next two years, a complete reorganization of parties in the West may result from what has developed in Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and in the States to the east.

In all of these States, except the last named, there is a straight-out fight between radicals and conservatives over the Republican candidate for the Senate is conservative. In the fourth the Republican candidate is conservative and a third party candidate carries the radical banner.

Choice of Sides Not Significant But this choice of sides is not significant, for, generally speaking, the parties have straddled, and where they have not, a radical candidate for conservative candidate has named a conservative.

Following the shooting, there were conflicting statements concerning her actions and also regarding incidents leading to the shooting.

Mr. Barry reviewed the letters which Mrs. Giberson received, which he contended, pointed to a motive and said the circumstances left no doubt as to her guilt.

Mrs. Giberson's nerve was broken yesterday for the first time during the trial. Banded a letter by Prosecutor Jayne, which she had written before she started and appeared extremely nervous.

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BURNED SHIP IS SUNK WITH COLORS FLYING

Thirty-one Shots Poured Into Hull of the City of Honolulu

San Francisco, Oct. 18.—(By A. P.)—With colors flying, the liner City of Honolulu was sunk by a salvo of thirty-one shots after the coast guard cutter Shavnee had poured thirty-one shots into the hull, according to a radiogram received by the coast guard here today.

The City of Honolulu's grave was more than 600 miles southwest of San Francisco. Not a person was injured during the sinking and was abandoned.

Los Angeles, Oct. 18.—(By A. P.)—Roland Knight, of Baltimore, eighteen years old, second electrician of the steamer City of Honolulu, is credited with saving the lives of twelve passengers when the liner caught fire at sea last Thursday.

He and Fred Little, seventeen, a mess boy, worked "shoulder to shoulder" when the fire was discovered, and, according to the ship's doctor, were directly responsible for getting many passengers safely from the fire-wrecked vessel to the lifeboats.

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9 FIREMEN HURT ON S. SECOND ST.

John Coleman, of Engine Co. No. 3, Suffers Fracture of Skull When Chimney Falls

Inquiry Directed at Hall Family

Mrs. Hall's home was under guard of State police today, after the night fire. Three of them were close by their automobiles parked in a lane with its headlight glaring upon the Hall residence.

There was another deluge of love letters today, given out by the Saturday morning. The letters given out were some of those found scattered beneath the bodies of the minister and Mrs. Mills when they were shot.

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Other firemen injured, all but one of whom were members of Engine Company No. 3.

James Maguire, burns on face and hands. Morris Gallagher, burns on face and hands.

William McDowell, burned on hands and arms when his coat caught fire. Harry Bucknure, overcome by smoke. He was taken to his home.

Joseph McGilvra, overcome by smoke and sent to his home.

George Dickey, driver of Engine 3, fractured an ankle when he jumped from the engine to hold the frightened horses.

Patrolman Garvey, while on South Second street at 2:45 o'clock this morning, looked up the alley at the side of the house at 625 and saw flames shooting from the home of George Marshall and also from a stable owned by Marshall.

Forcing the door to the house the patrolman aroused Marshall and his wife, Alice, and their two children, a three-year-old boy and Beatrice, twelve years old.

When he returned to the alley the flames had spread to the adjoining three-story frame house occupied by Otto Bebo and were rapidly eating their way into the building. Alarmed by the noise, Bebo opened the door and aroused Bebo and his wife, Catherine. Smoke had filled the house and fire.

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JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR., IS NOW IN SANATORIUM

Goes to Battle Creek After \$1,000,000 Realty Deal

Battle Creek, Mich., Oct. 18.—(By A. P.)—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., today began to enjoy a rest at a local sanatorium, following his arrival last night. He received his real estate reasons for seeking treatment.

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