

MISS NORTH PHILA. MAY ENTER MOVIES

But Catherine Spingler, Who Won Popularity Contest, Likes Hairdressing, Too

WILL BE CROWNED JAN. 2

Will-dresser or movie actress—which shall it be? That is the question which sixteen-year-old Catherine Spingler, of 4219 North Darian street, cannot decide.

Catherine last night was officially made known as the most popular girl in North Philadelphia, having sold 64,370 votes in a popularity contest.

"I was working for about three weeks," she chattered away at her home today, "and it was a lot of fun. I've only been in Philadelphia steadily for the last three years and have been here more than a year. But I know an awful lot of people and I asked all of them to buy votes or tickets for the theatre."

Next week, January 2, I'll get a wreat watch, that's when I'm crowned Miss North Philadelphia. But I didn't go into it for that. I just wanted to see what it was like working in a contest. And she tossed her short, bobbed hair, running her fingers through her hair to make it more fluffy.

"I have to go in the movies except you have to do such funny things. However," she added with a careless sweep of her hand, "I may go in the movies some day. But I'd love to be a hair dresser, too. Don't know which I really want the most, but suppose I'd better finish school before I think of 'em." "I'll do later on."

Catherine goes to the McClure School at Sixth and Hunting Park avenue.

Most Popular Girl



CATHERINE SHINGLER 4219 North Darian street, who is to be crowned Miss North Philadelphia, following her election as "queen" in a contest conducted by the Ritz Theatre, Sixth street and Hunting Park avenue

NORRISTOWN OPERA HOUSE FIRE-SWEPT

Oldest Amusement Establishment in That City Destroyed Early This Morning

ENTIRE BLOCK MENACED

Norristown, Dec. 20.—The Grand Opera House, the oldest amusement establishment here, was destroyed by fire this morning. The flames, thought to have been caused by crossed electric wires, started in the top of the building at 12:30 o'clock and illuminated the sky over the entire city.

At first it was feared the whole block on Main street in which the theatre stands—the principal business section of the city—would be swept by the flames. Rapid work by firemen, however, confined the blaze to the one building and after an hour the fire appeared to be under control.

The Grand Opera House was a three-story structure, the front of which was occupied by lodge rooms. Motion-picture exhibitions were given in the auditorium.

Two weeks ago a slight fire started in the theatre when a motion-picture film exploded in the projection box.

The Court has granted a divorce to Mary P. Trimmer, of Cynwyd, from Seward W. Trimmer, who now resides in Los Angeles, Calif., on the ground of cruel and barbarous treatment. They were married in Syracuse, N. Y., in 1918 and three days later Trimmer was sent to a military camp. His wife testified he was in a guano when his company went overseas, Trimmer going over later. On his return they lived together until July, 1920, when the wife said she had to leave on account of his treatment, testifying that he never worked, living on his mother's income and his chief amusement was beating his wife and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rodebaugh, of Center Square, will celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary on Christmas with a family gathering. Both are well and active. The former aged eighty-four and the wife eighty-two. They have had nine children, six of whom are living: Irvin, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Erinn, of Camden, Gloucester; Mrs. Wilmer Johnson, Harrisburg; Mr. John Rodebaugh, Edge Hill, and R. N. Rodebaugh, Center Square. They have eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. They were married in Whitmarsh Township. Mrs. Rodebaugh's maiden name was Mary E. Fairies.

Cites Letter of Ten-Year-Old Girl to Substantiate Claim London, Dec. 20.—Sir Arthur Conan Doyle yesterday renewed the controversy which he started two years ago when he stated that fairies had been photographed in a Yorkshire village. He says he has corroborative evidence which removes all doubt about his previous statements.

Two years ago, he said, fairies had been photographed by two girls, ten and sixteen years old, and it is now brought to his attention that the younger of the two, soon after the photographs were taken, wrote a note to a little friend in South Africa, saying: "Elsie and I have been seeing fairies lately. We obtained photographs of them. I wonder why we did not see them in South Africa. I suppose it was too hot."

Sir Arthur bases his corroboration on the argument that a child of ten would not attempt to deceive a friend in such a manner.

Two robbers today bound, gagged and badly beat Mrs. Eleanor Sanchaly, and then, after her repeated assertion that \$10 in cash and a check for \$30 was all the money she had in the house and her refusal to tell of a secret hiding place of her money, tied a stocking cap about her face and threw her into a pile of blazing newspapers, from which she was rescued by firemen.

Mrs. Sanchaly's clothing was so scorched and she was almost suffocated from smoke. The robbers escaped.

Endicott P. Saltonstall Brookline, Mass., Dec. 20.—Endicott P. Saltonstall, District Attorney of Middlesex County, died suddenly at his home in the Chestnut Hill section here last night. The District Attorney had been in the city for a few days and his death was due to an unsuspected attack of phlebitis.

60,000 TONS IN BLAST

Twelve-Ton TNT Charge Moves Rock Lodge for River Dam

Yakima, Wash., Dec. 20.—A twelve-ton charge of TNT was set off yesterday at the Government construction camp at Rimrock, Wash., blowing a huge ledge of rock, estimated to weigh 60,000 tons, into the Tieton River.

The rock later will be piled against the core wall of the Rimrock Dam, to be the largest earth-filled dam in the United States.

It cost \$57,000 to prepare the blast.

NICARAGUAN INQUIRY IS URGED IN SENATE

Alleged Connection of N. Y. Firms With Chamorro Regime Mentioned

Washington, Dec. 20.—An investigation of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to ascertain "the true state of affairs" in Nicaragua, the facts concerning American occupation of that republic in 1910, why American forces still are quartered there and "the connection between certain New York commercial houses and the Chamorro Government of Nicaragua," was proposed in a resolution introduced yesterday by Senator Ladd, Republican, of North Dakota.

Reference was made in the measure to resolutions adopted at a mass-meeting in Managua, which, it was contended, Dr. Maximo H. Zepeda, a Nicaraguan delegate to the Central American conference now in session in Washington, of being "a traitor to his country" and "a warrior and a traitor to his country."

THREE-YEAR-OLD BOY BADLY BITTEN BY A STRAY DOG

Animal Files at Chester Child and Tears His Face

Chester, Dec. 20.—Police here were ordered to shoot upon sight a stray dog which attacked and severely bit a three-year-old boy yesterday when he stepped upon the front porch of his home with his mother.

The boy is the son of Mrs. William Loug of 720 West Third. The dog was on the porch when Mrs. Loug mounted the steps from the sidewalk. The animal leaped at the child, knocked him down and bit his face. The mother lifted her son from the porch, but the dog again attacked him, injuring him badly before it could be driven away. The boy was carried to the office of Dr. Albert L. Ussett, who had to take several stitches to close the various wounds.

CHRISTMAS-EVE TALKS TO BE FLASHED BY RADIO

New Device Will Reproduce Voices of Coolidge, Denby and Weeks

Washington, Dec. 20.—Vice President Coolidge, Secretary Weeks and Secretary Denby, it was announced today, will deliver radio addresses to the American public Christmas Eve, when their voices, reproduced by the pulphotophone, a new electrical and pneumatic invention on a motion-picture film, will be broadcast by the General Electric Company at Schenectady, N. Y.

NO CLUE TO MINT ROBBERY

Denver Police Unable to Trace Bandit's Automobile

Denver, Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Tracing down an automobile of supposed clues without result, Denver police, nearly forty-eight hours after the robbery of \$200,000 from Federal Reserve Bank employees, being held in custody, it disappeared completely.

MORE KEPHART CHARGES

Three New Informations to Be Brought Against Him

Harrisburg, Dec. 20.—The Attorney General's Law Department has prepared three additional informations against Harmon M. Kephart, formerly State Treasurer, charging him with misdemeanor in office. The informations will be filed soon because the statute of limitations will expire early in 1923.

The original information which resulted in Mr. Kephart's removal from office and in his indictment for misdemeanor cover the period from October 1, 1920, to the three new informations, which were filed on March 1, 1921. They are similar to the original informations.

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