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PYROMANIAC TO BE SENT ASYLUM FOR LIFE TERM

Alienists Report That Jesse Brown Is Criminally Insane.

FUTURE ACTS FEARED

Case One That Will Grow Worse Rather Than Better, Physicians State.

Jesse Brown, self-confessed arsonist, who destroyed a vacant dwelling and barn at Youngs, recently, with the avowed purpose of attracting attention while he robbed the bank, and who recently led an escape from the county jail, was today committed to the state asylum for the criminal insane, with the recommendation that he be kept confined there for life.

Brown was recently taken before Dr. Wm. House and Dr. D. C. Burke, two specialists in the examination of such cases, and they joined in declaring him insane, and of such a type that it would be dangerous to allow him to remain at large.

He is able to distinguish between right and wrong, they state, but has a type of mind that disregards consequences of wrong acts. This type of criminal, they state, is the most dangerous, as he fully realizes his crime and is cunning enough to try to elude and avoid capture, but still does not have sufficient regard for the consequences to provide a deterrent.

So far, it was stated by the physicians in their report, he has confined his crimes to burning of property, and passing worthless checks, but in his mind he has been planning bank robberies, which would probably result in killing of innocent persons, and it is also possible that his pyromaniac tendencies would eventually cause him to burn occupied buildings which might result in the loss of life. His particular form of dementia, it was stated, is one that increases rather than diminishing, and he is a dangerous person to have at large.

The fact that he has a mania for hearing glass breaking and crashing, causing him to deliberately break windows and glassware for fun of hearing the noise, was pointed out as one of the symptoms of this particular form of dementia. It was also shown that he has several times attempted suicide, not with any particular desire to end his life, but rather because he did not have any thought of the consequences of his acts.

It was recommended that he be sent to the asylum and kept there for life, or at least for a long number of years until his age is such that he will come to be dangerous. The recommendation will also probably be made that he be subjected to the operation for criminal insane.

The commitment papers have been signed by the court and are now ready for the asylum attendant who is expected to arrive tonight to take the young man to Salem.

ELKS PLAN PROGRAM FOR HOMECOMING SESSION TOMORROW

Members of the Elks lodge are planning on a most interesting and enjoyable meeting at their Homecoming program to be held at the lodge hall tomorrow night. A special effort has been made to secure attendance of every member who can possibly arrange to be present, while those who cannot attend have been asked to send in messages of greeting. The program will start at 6:30 with a turkey banquet served in the banquet room, followed by the lodge session, where the roll will be called at which time a response either in person or by message, is expected from every member. After the lodge meeting there will be an impromptu program of music and vaudeville. Two acts are being furnished by the high school students, one a tumbling act and the other a dancing act. A quartette and orchestra will also provide musical numbers, while there will be several humorous stunts presented.

Stage Love Becomes Reality For Screen Stars; Dolores Costello To Be No. 3 of John Barrymore



John Barrymore Dolores Costello

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 21.—Hollywood film circles buzzed with excitement today over the proposed marriage of John Barrymore, 41, member of the famous Drew-Barrymore stage family, and Dolores Costello, 22, youngest daughter of Maurice Costello, screen veteran. Barrymore applied for a license yesterday.

The marriage will be Barrymore's third venture into matrimony and Miss Costello's first.

In 1910 Barrymore married Catherine Harris, daughter of a wealthy New York and Santa Barbara family, the wife obtaining a divorce in December 1917. He then married Mrs. Leonard M. Thomas, of New York, who was well known as an authoress and playwright under the name of Michael Strange. Barrymore has a daughter by his second wife, who also divorced the actor.

Miss Costello has had leading roles in many pictures, some of them opposite her fiance. She has a sister, Helene Costello, also a screen actress.

Three days must elapse under the California law before the license will be issued.

BABY VICTIM OF FIEND; MURDER OF MOTHER FEARED

HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 21.—The theory that the mother of an unidentified murdered baby also met death at the hands of a fiend was advanced here today when police records failed to show a report of a missing infant. The baby's mutilated body, which had been stuffed into a hard can, was found in a lonely gulch near here yesterday.

The nine-months-old girl had been stabbed and shot and the body dismembered. Police believed the hatchet charge which probably caused her death also killed her mother, and that dense underbrush in the vicinity of the gruesome find may yield another body. Search was halted by darkness last night, and a thorough combing of the vicinity was planned today.

The find was made by D. H. Evans and his 10-year-old son, who were hiking through the gulch, boy threw a stick into a small creek for his dog to retrieve, and the dog uncovered the can when he climbed out of the water.

BANK TELLER LONG SOUGHT FOR THEFT FINALLY CAUGHT

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—Admission that he is James B. O'Neil, former teller of the First National bank of Los Angeles, Calif., wanted for theft of \$176,000 in Liberty bonds, was made to police today by the man arrested last night who had passed as Kenneth T. O'Hara. He said he would waive extradition. He had worked here as a newspaper reporter for the last nine months under the name of O'Hara.

The arrest came about after a detective had attended a fashion show several nights ago at which the reporter was present. The detective declared that a man who knew O'Neil in the Los Angeles bank had pointed out O'Hara to him as the missing O'Neil. O'Neil in his flight from the west was traced across the country to the Atlantic coast where the chase was lost. Soon afterward a mysterious "W. H. Frost" returned \$151,000 of the stolen bonds to the treasury department because of their non-negotiable quality.



WOLF CREEK GIRLS FOUND ON HIGHWAY NEAR THEIR HOMES

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Nov. 21.—Letha Munkers, Phyllis Daniels and Eva McIntosh, all 14-year-old Wolf Creek high school girls, were found six miles from home yesterday after having been missing since Monday morning. The girls, who started for school Monday morning and did not report, state that they went for a hike in the mountains near their home and had stayed out all night, building a huge fire to keep warm. The girls were found by Sheriff W. M. Hayes of Josephine county who had joined in the search in which the whole of the Wolf Creek community had taken part. The girls had their lunches with which they had started yesterday and regarded the whole matter as a holiday hike. Their mothers welcomed them home with open arms.

LABOR GOVERNMENT OF VICTORIA QUITS AS STRIKE SEQUEL

MELBOURNE, Victoria, Nov. 21.—The labor government of Victoria under Premier E. J. Hogan has resigned. Sir William McPherson, former state treasurer, today accepted a mandate to form a new ministry. A vote of censure was passed on the government last Thursday for its failure to supply an adequate police force during disorders attendant upon the strike of water-side workers. Yesterday the government was again defeated in the legislative assembly when Premier Hogan submitted a motion for adjournment of the house.

SYDNEY, New South Wales, Nov. 21.—A bomb was thrown in Kew today and seriously damaged the house of a Mr. Swanton, who is managing director of the Cross by company, shipping agents. Mr. Swanton was absent but his family were asleep upstairs and had a narrow escape. Police attribute the outrage to work of the worst criminal elements of the waterfront.

NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET IN UNSETTLED STATE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The price and supply of Thanksgiving turkeys will be a matter of conjecture for most sections of the country this year. Due to continued warm weather packers and dealers are not securing their usual supply, reports to the department of agriculture indicate. The department's officials say that for the first time in many years the cost of the Thanksgiving piece de resistance, and the quality of the supply, may be a matter on which most markets will have little information until the holiday purchases start.

OIL PROBE FAR FROM ENDED BY STEWART CASE

Senator Walsh to Request Inquiry of Dr. Work's Lease Renewal.

NEW QUERIES ARISE

Acquitted Man Hugs Lady Jurors; Borah Trying to Get Rid of Money From Sinclair.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Oil is highly inflammable. The blaze started some years ago by the inquiry into the conditions surrounding the leasing of the naval oil reserves is no sooner quenched in one place than it breaks out in another.

Robert W. Stewart, chairman of the board of directors of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, was acquitted yesterday in the District of Columbia supreme court on charges of perjury. The case was one of the many ramifications of the investigation into the oil leases.

Almost coincident with the verdict, Senator Walsh, of Montana, said that he intended to ask the senate to inquire into the reasons of Dr. Hubert Work, former secretary of the interior, for renewing the lease in the Salt creek oil field to Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing company. This lease was recently declared invalid by the department of justice.

Borah is "Purging" And these two developments, with oil as their background, had two others for company. The District of Columbia court of appeals asked the supreme court for interpretations on five points involved in the appeal of Harry F. Sinclair, oil magnate, now under sentence for contempt of the senate, and Senator Borah, of Idaho, who has begun returning \$8,000 which he received as part of a prospective fund of \$160,000 which he intended to return to Sinclair.

Sinclair gave the \$16,000 to the republican party in 1920 and when the circumstances of the gift came to light, Senator Borah said he felt that party morals demanded its return. He announced that he would receive voluntary contributions to "purge" the Sinclair contribution. That was some months ago. He began parceling out \$8,000 to 340 persons yesterday. Asked about the interest on the money, Borah smiled and replied: "I can say I am not charging anything for my services."

Lady Jurors Hugged Stewart, (21) Thirsted and Gray (Continued on page 8)

BOMBING DISTURBS SLEEP OF SWANSON, PROSECUTOR-ELECT

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—A bomb, exploding a block and a half from the home of State's Attorney-elect John A. Swanson, wrecked the front of a Becker cleaning and dyeing shop last night. Police viewed the explosion as evidence of open hostility between racketeers and cleaning concerns that "cut" prices and refuse to pay tribute. Judge Swanson, elected two weeks ago on a platform promising to rid Chicago of crime, was aroused by the blast, which occurred in the heart of a south side residential section. Several months ago Judge Swanson's home was bombed.

The bomb, apparently thrown from a passing car, marked the second outbreak in cleaning and dyeing circles within five days. The slaying of John G. Clay, boss of the laundry and dryhouses' chauffeurs' union, likewise was attributed to agents of powerful cleaning interests which have attempted to exact tribute from all shops. The establishment which was bombed was owned by Theodore Becker, and was connected with another group of Becker cleaners shops in which Al (Scarface) Capone is a partner.

A sign in the window, advertising bargain prices for cleaning, was interpreted by police as evidence of Becker's refusal to yield to demands for tribute.

OYSTERS SHOW ELATION WHEN "EATS" ARRIVE

(Associated Press Leased Wire) MOUNT VERNON, Iowa, Nov. 21.—The educated fleas have rivals—the trained oysters of Prof. W. E. A. Slaght, head of the psychology department of Cornell college here. Slaght declares that after a month's regular feeding on corn meal and water, some oysters which he packed in seaweed would jump over on their backs and open their mouths like hungry birds when meal time came. Jarring of the basement stairs, he says, caused the oysters to open their jaws and become attentive. Slaght admits his training process had one handicap—the oysters lived only five or six weeks.

SCHOOL TRADE RUM DENS FEEL HANDS OF LAW

Federal Government Agents Join Chicago Officers in General Drive. Traffic Not Secret. Liquor Bought at Several Joints Near Schools and Prosecutions Will Follow.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—Multiple arms of law enforcement hovered today over the "rum dens" of Chicago school children.

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IMPROPER CONDUCT CHARGES STIR UP BAPTIST SCHOOL

21 Students Are Accused of Orgies and Member of Faculty With Sacrilege.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 21.—Howard College, one of the largest Baptist schools of the south, was in an uproar today as a special committee appointed by the board of trustees reviewed charges preferred by 21 students of improper conduct on the campus. Among the charges was an allegation that a member of the faculty had asserted that "if all Bibles in the world were piled up and burned the world would be better off within 100 years." The complainants alleged that Dr. John C. Dawson, president, had failed to give a sympathetic hearing when his and other complaints were made to him.

Three other charges being probed are that students, during a recent fraternity rush, staged a mock "compulsory wedding" on the campus, which was witnessed by a mixed group of students; that gambling and drinking had occurred on the campus, and that trustees had permitted dancing in their houses, contrary to school regulations. The complaining students testified before the committee after being assured of immunity. The complaints were placed before the Alabama convention of the state Baptist association recently at Dothan, Ala., by students. The board of trustees was then directed to appoint a special committee of investigation which resulted in the present probe. Final hearing by the committee has been set for tomorrow.

SCHOENHAIR AND AIDE TO TRY FOR NEW AIR RECORD

(Associated Press Leased Wire) FRESNO, Cal., Nov. 21.—Leo Schoenhair, former army pilot and long distance flier, and John Gugliemetti, air mail pilot, will try to break the world's endurance flight record at Fresno starting Thursday morning at 7 o'clock, they announced to The Republican from Long Beach. Their plane, which has a wing spread of 65 feet, is designed to "float" like a German glider, it being claimed that it will stay in the air on four gallons of gasoline an hour after the load is lightened. They will fly a specially built Zenith-like monoplane, powered with a Wright whirlwind motor. The present world's endurance record is 65 hours and 25 minutes and is held by John Rietek and Wilhelm Zimmerman of Germany.

\$30,000 IS LOOT OF BANDIT TRIO FROM OHIO BANK

(Associated Press Leased Wire) DAYTON, O., Nov. 21.—Forcing E. A. Blair, manager, and Harry Schmidt, his assistant to lie face down on the floor three bandits shortly after noon today robbed the East Fifth street branch of the City National bank of approximately \$30,000. Half of this sum was taken from the counters while the balance was taken from the vault. Mrs. Ella Overpeck, a customer in the bank at the time, was bound to a chair in the room by the robbers who were unmasked. They escaped in an automobile.

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HATCHET FIEND THE OBJECT OF INTENSIVE HUNT

Police Commissioner Russell ordered police to close all establishments found selling liquor or operating slot machines near schools. They raised John Benec's candy store, where a dozen youths were found loitering near slot machines, which were played, the boys said, "so we can buy booze when we win."

William J. Hogan, superintendent of schools, appealed to parents to cooperate with police and school authorities to report all evidence of "speakeasies" in the vicinity of schools. Teachers and students, although divided in their reactions to the incident, (Continued on page 8.)

CURTAIN RAISER TO BE FURNISHED ON THURS. FIGHT BILL

In addition to the bouts already listed on what promises to be one of the most outstanding boxing cards of the season, Clyde Ward, local promoter, announced today that there will be a fast curtain-raiser on Thursday's fight bill at the armory. Mr. Ward has secured a match between a couple of Roseburg boys, 125-pounders, who are reported to be exceptionally fast. One of the boys is a newcomer here, being a recent arrival from Portland, where he had considerable experience in amateur boxing. In the elimination contest staged by the Portland commission he made his way to the finals, where he lost by a decision. The main event Thursday is attracting much attention, as one of the fighters will be Ole Neidheim, the blonde tornado from Coos Bay, who claims the Northwest welterweight championship as a result of his sensational fighting. He has scored 16 knockouts in 15 fights. He is fighting Mickle Silvers, recently of Juneau, Alaska. Silvers has been fighting for a short time in Washington, and has won three starts by knockouts. The semi-final is to be a 6-round match between Fat Padelford of Medford and Kid Sharkey of Portland. Two good preliminaries are also listed.

Announcer Of Hoover's Plan



RALPH O. BREWSTER

Governor of Maine, who in a speech at the national conference of governors today, announced, at Herbert Hoover's request, the president's plan to prevent a serious interruption of the nation's supply of money. The plan would establish a reserve fund of three billion dollars to be released for new construction work whenever "hard times" threatened. It would be a travesty upon American business genius, Governor Brewster said, for such a nation as ours to suffer seriously at any time in the midst of plenty.

Terror Stricken Omaha in Quest of Slayer Said Only About 21.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 21.—Not since the rifle of Frank Carter, "the sniper," was a death weapon that sent fear racing down a city's spine, has Omaha been gripped by the dread inspired today by its "hatchet-man."

The new slayer who, like "the sniper," appears to pick his victims at random, has slain three, beaten a fourth so severely he will not live, and seriously injured a fifth. All the attacks have taken place since early Sunday morning. Omaha's "sniper," whose silence-equipped rifle slew two and wounded one before he was captured a few years ago, kept the city in a state of uneasiness during the days he remained at large. The same sense of terror prevailed today, intensified because of the brutality of the crimes and the regularity of the hatchet man's deadly visitations.

Killer Mere Youth Mrs. Harold Strubling, the only victim of the madman's hand who was not killed or critically wounded, had provided police with a description of the man they hold responsible for all five attacks. "He is of dark complexion, about 21 years old, five feet seven inches tall and weighs about 140 pounds," she said. "He was well dressed. His trousers were neatly pressed, and he wore a light-colored, dark gray cap and a bow tie."

Harold Strubling, who was beaten by the hatchet man early yesterday morning, lies dying at a hospital with four distinct skull fractures. Hospital physicians said his death was a matter of hours. Eighty policemen, in pairs, armed with shotguns, drove over Omaha last night. A half a hundred men volunteered last night to assist police in the hunt for the slayer. Two dozen shotguns have been purchased for the police department, Commissioner Dunn said, and fifty cots and mattresses were provided to give officers and detectives a chance to rest. A score of deputy sheriffs slept in the court house last night to be ready for an emergency.

REWARDS POSTED

A squad of 200 American Legion men, narcotic agents, federal and (Continued on page 3)

HOOPER PANIC BARRIER PLAN MADE PUBLIC

Construction Reserve Fund Is Proposed

Brewster of Maine Informs Fellow Governors at National Meet.

COOPERATION NEEDED

National Crisis Would Be Forestalled by Flood of Coin for New Projects.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—Governor Ralph O. Brewster, of Maine, acting upon the request of Herbert Hoover, outlined today before the conference of governors a plan for the creation of a nationwide construction reserve of \$2,000,000,000, to be released in times of over-production and unemployment.

Governor Brewster recommended that public authorities store up a reserve of construction projects, equal to two years' normal expenditure on improvements, and release this reserve at times of unemployment. Such a fund, he said, would be one of the best forms of insurance against national panics.

Cooperation Desired

"These views of the way in which the states and other public authorities may cooperate with the federal government in controlling in some measure construction work for the common good," said the governor, "are presented to the conference of governors at the request of Herbert Hoover as an authorized exposition of a portion of his program for stabilizing the prosperity of the United States."

Travesty on Genius

The governor said that America envisions Tantalus, the mythological personage who lived in the presence of plenty but never could touch it. "Such conditions," he said, "constitute a tragedy and a travesty upon the organizing genius of American business men."

"With an annual expenditure of seven billions upon construction, America is in a position to stabilize prosperity to a most remarkable extent," he added. "Public authority spends more than a billion and a half. With this we are here primarily concerned."

"Private business will soon follow such practical demonstration as the government may make since the great commercial interests of the country have the most vital stake. This may apply not only to construction, but to the general and extension of capital facilities of every sort. It is the considered recommendation of the one who has received the overwhelming mandate of the American people to guide and guard their progress in the next four years that a construction reserve may prudently be accumulated in time of plenty against the lean year that is to come."

This involves placing the provision of the necessary funds or credit to be released when indexes shall indicate the need and such designation of projects as may commend itself to the authority concerned."

Governor Brewster told the governors that no infringement of legislative prerogatives was contemplated, because no project could be carried out except as the legislature might direct, although the rapidity of the construction program within defined limits could be accelerated.

FLIERS KILL 3 ARABS

(Associated Press Leased Wire) BASRA, Iraq, Nov. 21.—Three rebel sheiks were reported killed in an air raid conducted by the Persian authorities on a section of Arab tribes known as the Beal Turui, dwelling near Ahwas, which has been in conflict with Persian troops.