

HUSBAND BEAT HER, SAYS MRS. MOHR

Love Firm, Notwithstanding, Is Assertion of Woman Accused of Instigating Murder.

USE OF DRUGS CHARGED

Widow of Slain Physician Is Near Breakdown When Testifying in Own Behalf—Plot on Life Is Denied Unequivocally.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 26.—Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr, on trial with two negroes on the charge of murdering her husband, Dr. C. Franklin Mohr, asserted on the witness-stand today that she loved her husband and always was desirous of effecting a reconciliation with him. She denied unequivocally that she ever plotted to have him killed.

The widow told her story in low tones. Once or twice, while telling of some particularly irritating turn in her domestic troubles, she seemed on the verge of breaking down.

In answer to questions put to her by her counsel, Mr. Cushing, the witness said her husband had been cruel and abusive, but that she loved him notwithstanding. She identified a letter she said she had received from him while she was at the Newport home in the Fall of 1912, in which the doctor said:

"I don't want anything around that reminds me of you, and if you ever put your foot in my place in Providence again I will about kill you. You are barred from my Providence places and I never will associate with you again. The only time we will be under the same roof again will be when I go to Newport, perhaps. When you leave there you leave everything and I don't care when you leave. I've been putting on a sham front all summer for you, but I can do no longer.

Threat to Kill Charged. "I am tottering now. I will have no more of it."

Mrs. Mohr made the assertion that Dr. Mohr wanted her to "get out and shift for herself," and that he urged her to go West and get a divorce, but that she refused. Dr. Mohr threatened to kill her because she would not give him her jewelry, according to her testimony. She also said the doctor coerced her into deeding her property to him and that up to 1912 all his earnings had been put in her name.

Continuing, Mrs. Mohr said, she received many beatings from her husband because of her attempts to keep Miss Emily Burger away from him. She asserted that Dr. Mohr was addicted to the use of liquor and drugs and under their influence was dangerous. She did not deny writing letters to Heals, Dr. Mohr's negro chauffeur, while she was visiting the doctor's relatives in McEwensville, Pa., explaining that she wanted to know what the doctor was doing—that he was her husband and she was interested in what he did.

Plot Is Denied. She asserted that her correspondence with Heals was not carried on in pursuance of an impending plot to kill the doctor.

She denied furnishing the defendant, Brown, with money for a motorcycle in May, 1915, in furtherance of the alleged plot against her husband.

"I didn't have enough money for myself and two children to get along on," she said.

Mrs. Mohr still was under direct examination when court adjourned until tomorrow.

MORE SNOW PREDICTED

TOTAL FALL FOR JANUARY SO FAR APPROXIMATELY TWO FEET.

Record of 1890 Still 11 Inches Ahead. Suburbanites Kept Busy With Shovels.

As fickle as the March winds has been the weather the past two days, and so fickle it proved that even the official augur of meteorological conditions merely hazards a forecast and says that for today we will perhaps have even more snow like that which has fallen for the past three days.

King Winter is evidently having a hard time breaking his connections in this part of the state, and when all Portland eyes are scrutinizing the sky to see if they can discover how long the blue will remain the snow begins to fly anew.

Yesterday morning's addition raised the snowfall for the month to almost two feet, a record for a number of years, but not enough to be without precedent.

In 1890 in 12 days during the month of January 35 inches of snow fell.

The thermometer ranged yesterday between 37 and 27 degrees. No particular changes in the temperature are forecast for today.

Snow plows were used extensively by the railway yesterday and with little difficulty were the lines kept open.

The man with the shovel is again a conspicuous figure in suburban districts.

Queen Wilhelmina Has Mumps.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—A Reuter dispatch from The Hague says Queen Wilhelmina has been compelled to interrupt her trip to the flooded regions owing to an attack of the mumps.

18 POUNDS OF BLOOD

is the average quantity in a healthy adult, but it is the quality of the blood that determines our strength to resist sickness. With weak blood we find cold hands and chilly feet; in children an aversion to study, and in adults rheumatic tendencies.

In changing seasons get abundant fresh air and take a spoonful of Scott's Emulsion after meals, because Scott's Emulsion is a rich blood-food that will increase both quantity and quality of the blood while it warms the body and helps carry off the impurities.

When multitudes of people are today taking Scott's Emulsion to avert winter sickness, and are giving it to their children, it is careless to neglect its benefits. Look out for substitutes. Scott & Bower, Bloodfield, N. J. 15-26

PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER PRACTICES FOR COMING CONCERT TOUR.



MISS MARGARET WILSON AND HER TEACHER.

Miss Margaret Wilson, the musical genius of President Wilson's family, recently posed for a photograph while playing in the studio of her vocal instructor, Ross W. David, under whose guidance she is to begin a concert tour in March. Miss Wilson has achieved an enviable reputation in this field and has appeared at many prominent gatherings.

SHIP BILL MAY WIN

President Calls Former Opponents Into Conference.

EARLY ACTION IS ASKED

Kitchin Makes Tentative Promise of Support and Senator Clarke May Be Won Over—Legislative Plans Outlined.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Prospects for passage of a Government ship purchase bill are believed to be bright by Administration leaders, who saw in conferences President Wilson had today with Democrats who opposed such a measure last year indications that united support for the revised proposal eventually would be won.

The President continued during the day to urge leading members of Congress to hasten action on important legislation. He discussed the ship bill particularly with Majority Leader Kitchin, of the House, and Senator Clark, of Arkansas. Later Representative Kitchin said the bill, if presented as outlined to him, would receive his support. Senator Clarke would not discuss the measure, but he is believed to have submitted in form to meet his approval.

Pressing Measures Outlined. Senator Simmons, chairman of the Senate finance committee, and Representative Fitzgerald, chairman of the House appropriations committee, were among those who went to the White House for conferences. The President made it clear that matters before Congress were hoped to see pushed ahead of everything else, were the following:

National defense measures, including Army reorganization and increased naval construction. Creation of a merchant marine designed to serve as a naval auxiliary in time of war.

Revenue legislation, including revision of the income tax law and creation of a non-partisan tariff board.

The Philippine self-government bill, which includes a provision granting independence within two to four years, provided satisfactory steps are taken in the meantime to establish a stable independent government.

President Surprises Social Party.

Conservation bills for development of water power and mineral bearing lands.

Among other Democratic Senators who fought the shipping bill last year and who have discussed it recently with the President are Senators Hardwick, Hitchcock, O'Gorman and Vardaman.

It became known today that one evening last week Mr. Wilson surprised a social party of men and women by appearing unannounced at Senator Clark's hotel, where he conferred for half an hour with the Arkansas Senator in a corner of the hotel parlor.

The opposition Senators have expressed satisfaction over some features of the new bill, but are inclined still to oppose anything that might make Government operation of ships probable. As now proposed, the bill would provide for Government operation in case satisfactory leases to private corporations could not be obtained.

It is probable the bill will be introduced in the House before the pre-arranged measures are introduced there.

Agreement Sought in Advance.

It is understood that it is the President's intention to have the different factions of his party satisfied with a compromise measure before it is introduced. It is believed, however, that will be saved by thus thrashing out differences before the bill reaches the floor.

Senator Simmons said tonight the Senate probably would not consider the shipping bill until after it was acted on in the House. He said he favored the bill because of unusual trade conditions that will prevail after the European war. Were it not for the extraordinary conditions that must be met, he said, he would think a special tariff commission unnecessary.

Union Agriculturist Is Named. LA GRANDE, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Paul H. Spillman, for several years

associated with the state experiment station at Union, has been named county agriculturist to succeed C. C. Gate transferred to Southern Oregon. Mr. Spillman will move to La Grande at once and take up his new position February 1. He will assist in directing the local end of the farmers' and home-makers' week, which begins next Monday.

CADETS MAY MAN GUNS

Coast Artillery Battalion Is Proposed at Corvallis.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The organization of a battalion of coast artillery reserves as a unit of the Oregon National Guard has been proposed to the cadet regiment of the Oregon Agricultural College. The plan has been approved by the college authorities and officers of the Oregon National Guard, and will be decided by the students some time this week.

The proposed battalion would consist of four companies, each of 75 men. Officers would be selected from the faculty of the school of engineering. Two drill hours each week would be devoted to lectures on the theory of coast defense and the technique of handling guns.

CORVALLIS SEMESTER ENDS

Public School Pupils Graded Below 90 Are Examined.

CORVALLIS, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The first semester of the Corvallis public schools terminated at noon today, the second semester to begin Monday. Only those pupils whose average daily grades fell below 90 were in attendance at school, they having been required to take examinations this week in those branches in which the grades were low.

The only change in teachers at the beginning of the second semester will be the substitution of Miss Ellen O'Donnell for Miss Emma Henkle as teacher in the South grade school. Miss Henkle resigned in order that she might enter the State Normal at Monmouth. Miss O'Donnell is a graduate of the Normal School.

PINE VALLEY RABIES GAIN

Efforts of Stockmen to Curb Epidemic Are Vain.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Despite that Pine Valley stockmen have formed an organization to fight rabies, the disease is spreading here. When eight hogs in one ranch died, the stockmen, by subscription, raised \$120 and bought the rest of the lot and killed them, but since then several head of them and two dogs have been bitten and are thought to be infected.

A mad dog ran through the Bisher ranch between Pine and Eagle Valleys and attacked one dog so severely that it had to be killed, while another is being watched for rabies symptoms. It is feared the animal wandered to Eagle Valley and may spread the epidemic there.

Democratic Economy Saves \$28 for Nation.

Mr. Mann, Republican Floor Leader in House, Commends Representative Who Insists on Saving Sum.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 26.—Representative Mann, the Republican floor leader, never goes to sleep, and he never overlooks an opportunity to join the Democratic majority. While the deficiency appropriation bill was pending, Representative Fitzgerald, in charge, rose and offered an amendment to strike out the sum of \$1,200,000 and in lieu thereof insert the sum of \$1,199,722.

"I think this is real Democratic economy," broke in Mr. Mann. "You have cut down at least 25 cents."

"Oh, no," answered Fitzgerald. "What, not that much?" asked the wide-awake Mann.

"I do not know whether it is due to the gentleman's inability to add or subtract, but there is a difference of something like \$28 and some cents."

"True Democratic economy, nevertheless," said Mr. Mann in conclusion, as the amendment was adopted.

GUNS RAISE ISSUE

Third Armed Italian Liner Arrives in New York.

AUSTRIAN CHARGE INQUIRES

Vienna Said to Hold That Vessels Carrying Armament for Defense or Otherwise May Be Sunk Without Warning.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Arrival at New York today of the Italian steamer America, armed like the liner Verona, already at the same port, with two guns mounted aft, may hasten the decision of the United States Government on the question whether there shall be a change in policy regarding the clearance from American ports of merchant vessels armed for defensive purposes.

Before news of the American's appearance reached here in press dispatches, Baron Zwiedinek, the Austro-Hungarian charge, had called at the State Department to ask what the United States intended to do in the case of the Verona.

A similar inquiry was made by the charge in Vienna before the Italian steamship Giuseppe Verdi sailed from New York carrying guns mounted like those of the two ships. The Verdi was cleared after the Italian government had given assurances that her arms would be used for defense only. Baron Zwiedinek communicated this fact to Vienna.

It is understood that he has not yet received additional instructions, but there have been intimations that Austria is preparing to inform the United States that inasmuch as a submarine could not approach a vessel carrying such weapons for the purpose of exercising the right of visit and search, the merchantmen mounting guns for any purpose would be considered armed and would be subject to attack without warning.

The official report on the case of the Verona has just reached the State Department. It was suggested in the course of the day that the procedure followed in regard to the Verdi probably would be adopted in this case.

After the news of the American's arrival was received officials would not have formed an organization to fight rabies, the disease is spreading here.

GERMANS FACE BEER CUT

Further Curb Likely; Munich Book Output Is Reduced.

BERLIN, via London, Jan. 26.—Additional measures aimed at German beer drinkers are in prospect. A Bundesrat order is expected to be issued this week limiting the production of breweries to 45 per cent of the quantity produced in peace times. Limitation to 60 per cent of the peace production has been in force almost a year, 40 per cent of this amount being reserved for the use of the armies in the field, and the recommendations of waiters that lemonade or other non-alcoholic drinks be ordered instead of the German national beverage have long since lost their novelty.

Further discouraging news has been received from Munich, where it is announced that the effects of the new law are being felt by the production of beer.

MEAT INSPECTION SOUGHT

Vancouver Ministerial Association Seeks Action on Subject.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The Vancouver Ministerial Association has gone on record as favoring Government inspection of meats.

Rev. E. L. Benedict, in his pulpit of the First Methodist Church in Vancouver last Sunday, brought up this subject.

Rev. R. H. Sawyer, Christian, president of the Ministerial Association, and Rev. Thomas May, Congregationalist,

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Rev. H. S. Templeton, Presbyterian, and Rev. E. L. Benedict were appointed a committee to give the proposition publicity and to work with the public health officers—Dr. R. D. Wiswall, for the county, and Dr. R. S. Thompson, for the city—who addressed the meeting held yesterday.

CAR OF POWDER EXPLODES

More Than 30 Hurt, Five Seriously, and Fire Does Much Damage.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Jan. 26.—More than 30 persons were injured, five seriously, tonight, when a carload of black powder exploded in the local yards of the Norfolk & Western Railroad. Fire followed and before the flames could be controlled several cars loaded with merchandise had been destroyed.

Three cars containing dynamite were on a nearby siding at the time but firemen succeeded in removing them a safe distance.

The explosion occurred about one mile and a half from the business section. The shock was felt for miles and hundreds of windows were broken.

RETIRED WORKERS GET PAY

More Than \$600,000 Distributed From Carnegie Pension Fund.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 26.—A total of \$659,389.42 was distributed in pensions to retired employees of the United States Steel Corporation during 1915, according to the fifth annual report of the United States Steel and Carnegie pension fund, made public here tonight. This is an increase of \$147,423.52 over the amount paid out in 1914. The report shows that since January 1, 1911, when the fund was established, \$2,234,410.75 has been distributed in pensions.

BAT CHARGES DESERTION

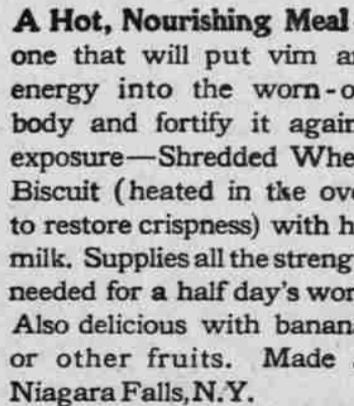
Pugilist Asks Divorce From Mrs. Fay King Nelson, Once of Portland.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Battling Nelson, former champion lightweight pugilist, today petitioned the Circuit Court for a divorce from Mrs. Fay King Nelson, formerly of Portland, Or., and now a cartoonist and special writer for a Denver newspaper. They were married January 23, 1912.

Nelson charges desertion and says his wife has refused to live with him, although he has conducted himself as a true, faithful, kind and indulgent husband.

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Advertisement for Lipman Wolfe & Co. featuring 'Merchandise of Merit Only'. It promotes 'The Very Choicest Coats' and 'Dresses at About Half Price'. The ad includes a price of \$13.65 for coats and \$8.95 for dresses. It also advertises 'A Hot, Nourishing Meal' and 'The FREE Sewing Machine'.

Advertisement for Lipman Wolfe & Co. featuring 'Merchandise of Merit Only'. It promotes 'The FREE Sewing Machine' and 'Our Easy Payment Plan \$1 Down and \$1 a Week'. The ad includes a price of \$13.65 for coats and \$8.95 for dresses. It also advertises 'A Hot, Nourishing Meal' and 'The FREE Sewing Machine'.