

PRISONER'S FRIEND HELD FOR THREATS

Partisan Is Alleged to Have Menaced Witness.

MOONSHINE CASE BEGINS

Employe of Defendant Is Arrested on Charge of Saying He Would Throw Man Out Window.

Violent partisans for the prisoner at the bar, in one of the most important moonshining cases of the year, caused the greatest yesterday.

The trial was the Newberg still case, in which John Basch, no kinsman of Mike, but a close friend, was accused of having engaged in illicit liquor manufacture on a wholesale basis.

The case opened before Federal Judge Bean yesterday morning. Later it was adjourned until Monday, owing to the indisposition of counsel for the defense, Barnett Goldstein.

Mike Basch, appearing heavily, met Mike Mikolish, a federal witness, in the corridor outside the courtroom and violated the etiquette of courts and cases by adopting a pugnaous attitude. He launched at Mikolish a tirade of abuse, it is said, for daring to appear against his friend.

Threat Is Alleged. "I got a good notion to throw you from this here window," threatened Basch, according to witnesses. "I tell you now, Mikolish, for your own good, if you testify against John this state will be too hot to hold you."

Deputy Federal Attorney Flegel comforted the aggrieved witness and proceeded to the proper punishment of Basch, by causing his arrest on the charge of attempting to intimidate a witness.

A jury was selected during the morning session of the moonshine case, and one witness had been examined when Attorney Goldstein asked the court for an adjournment, pleading a throat trouble as the reason for delay.

C. E. Sisco, federal prohibition inspector, testified regarding his visit to the Newberg still, alleged to have been conducted by John Basch, and ruled on August 17. The structure in which the still was located was burned down at the order of Federal Prohibition Agent Smith.

Seizure Is Described. Stipe testified that in addition to the huge copper still, which he identified, there were 800 gallons of mash in the thoroughly equipped distillery and approximately 250 gallons of moonshine whisky. Water had been seeped into the building and all preparations for an intensive manufacturing campaign were complete to the last detail.

Deputy Federal Attorney Flegel, in his opening statement, declared that the government would show that Basch leased the property for no other purpose than the manufacture of liquor, built thereon his distillery, installed the still and delivered huge quantities of liquor to the market.

Eighty-two foreign workmen, Bob Ugan and Mike Basch, at monthly salaries of \$250 to operate the still. Both employees already have pleaded guilty to the charge of operating and have paid fines of \$250 each.

"It is not the government's claim that John Basch did the work," said Mr. Flegel. "He hired this done, but he reaped the profits."

SMILES LEAD TO DIVORCE

Woman Pleas Husband Chided Her for Pleasantries in Store.

"Don't be smiling at everyone that comes into the store in the manner in which Antone C. Wagner scolded his wife, Clara L. Wagner, when she attempted to be pleasant to customers in the grocery store at 276 Holladay avenue, Mrs. Wagner complained in a suit for divorce filed in the circuit court yesterday.

"It is a necessary element to be pleasant to trade in any business," she commented. Alimony of \$100 a month was asked. The Wagners were married in Seaside in 1913.

Though he is reputed to own a ranch and three automobiles in California and to be worth more than \$1,000, Charles Angal failed to support his wife, asserted Mrs. Lorena Angal in a divorce action. Alimony of \$75 a month is asked.

When Mrs. Angal was ill her husband, John C. Safley, threw cold water over her as she lay in bed and when she was well he complained of his food and threw a cup of hot tea in her face, she averred in a divorce suit filed. They were married in Vancouver in 1913.

Other divorce suits filed yesterday were: A. D. Beer, against Anna N. Beer; Elizabeth E. Roberts against George W. Roberts; Lura M. Taylor against Keith S. Taylor.

IRRIGATION SUPPLY SURE

Moist Weather in Idaho Swells Rivers and Lakes Beyond Record.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The moist weather which the arid section of Idaho has so far experienced this winter has assured beyond doubt a great supply of water for irrigation purposes this year. All lakes and streams are swollen beyond previous records and the measurements in the great Arrowrock reservoir and Jackson lake reservoir surpassing all former records.

While rain has been almost incessant for the last two months, there is an abundance of snow in the mountains. The winter so far has been unusually open.

MOVIE PICTURE NEWS



Scene from "The White Moll," starring Pearl White, which comes to the Star theater tomorrow.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Columbia—"Hellrope Harry." Majestic—Catherine Calvert. "Dead Men Tell No Tales." Rivoli—Alice Brady, "The New York Idea." Peoples—Mablon Hamilton, "Half a Chance." Liberty—William S. Hart, "The Sparrow." a notorious safe burglar who has served a long term in prison. Star—Lopise Huff, "What Women Want." Circle—Dorothy Dalton, "A Romance of the Whips." Hippodrome—Corinne Griffith, "The Whisper Market." Globe—"Parlor, Bedroom and Bath."

PEARL WHITE comes to the Star theater tomorrow in "The White Moll," a stirring story of life in New York's underworld. This is her first big production—she having heretofore devoted her screen work to serials.

The story was written by Frank L. Packard, author of "The Miracle Man," and the scenario is by E. Lloyd Sheldon. It deals with Rhoda, a girl crook of the slums, who having seen the light in a startling miracle performed in St. Agnes' church—where her father is killed trying to rob the poor box—determines to reform and labor to aid those in the underworld.

As a settlement worker she becomes known by the crooks and gangsters as "The White Moll."

Her work has started to bear fruit. "The Sparrow," a notorious safe burglar who has served a long term in prison, is released. When "The Dangler," leader of the gang, tempts the released convict to return to his unlawful trade, "The White Moll," who has been caring for his aged mother, steps in and wins the Sparrow's promise to go straight. But she incurs the enmity of the Dangler, who determines to "frame" the Sparrow. Then begins a series of thrilling experiences which, it is said, make the picture one of the most fascinating and heart-revealing ever screened.

The story, written in Mr. Packard's inimitable style, carries an appeal even stronger than his famous tale, "The Miracle Man." Supporting Miss White are Richard C. Travers, who plays the dual role of "The Pug" and "The Adventurer"; Walter Lewis, J. Thornton Baston, Eva Gordon, William Harvey, George Pauncefort,

Charles J. Slattery, John P. Wade and John Woodford.

Edward Knoblock, the English playwright who was recently brought over to write directly for the screen, has completed his first story and William de Mille will film it.

"Five Kisses" in which Cecil B. de Mille will assemble six of Paramount's biggest stars, is nearly completed. It is a film version of Schiller's brace of plays, "The Affairs of Anatol."

Billie Burke's stage success, "Jerry," is to be filmed with Mary Miles Minter in the title part.

A new version on an elaborate scale of Charles Dickens' story "Oliver Twist" is to be made by William Fox with Harold Gougeon featured.

Lois Weber, well-known woman producer, is said to be spending half a million dollars on studio improvements in Hollywood.

Although six months have been consumed in work on "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," the picture's cutting has just been completed. It may not be released for two months.

J. Warren Kerrigan has begun production on a series of new pictures. As a settlement worker she becomes known by the crooks and gangsters as "The White Moll."

In motion picture technical circles there is unusual interest in "Scars Iron," which Charles Ray has recently completed. Ray directed the picture as well as played its star part, and is said to have upset a studio tradition that an actor should not attempt to do directing by turning out a corking picture.

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CITY MAY BUY LAND FOR 3 RECREATION CENTERS.

Council Will Hold Special Session for Purchases Amounting to \$56,000 This Afternoon.

The city probably will acquire ground for three recreation centers this afternoon, when the city council will meet in a special session to authorize the closing of the deals. The three plots will be purchased at prices aggregating more than \$56,000.

The Laurelhurst playground, at present leased by the city, probably will be bought outright from the owners, for approximately \$16,000. Fourteen acres of land owned by Willamette university in the Woodstock section also may be purchased by the municipality for the price of \$13,500. A thirty-acre tract, which should pay for sewer improvements at the Woodstock plot, put in during negotiations between the city and university, was finally settled on the agreement that the university should pay one-fourth of the cost, \$4,900.

The third recreation center, at East Twenty-sixth and Powell Valley road, probably will be purchased from the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for \$26,817. The council is expected to authorize the purchase and take the deeds to the property at the afternoon session. S. C. Pier, commissioner of finance, under whose direction lie the city parks and playgrounds, hopes to have the new grounds opened to the public in the near future.

An ordinance compelling all motion-picture schools to operate under a municipal license also will be introduced this afternoon by Commissioner Pier. The ordinance is sponsored by many civic bodies and legitimate motion-picture studios. Other license measures will also come up for consideration.

INDIAN POW-WOW PLANNED

Centenary of Red Man to Be Held With Oregon Co-operation.

James L. Himrod, representative of the extension department of the Chicago Art Institute, spent yesterday in Portland making arrangements for local representation at the proposed American Indian centenary to be held at Prairie du Chien, Wis., August 10 to September 10.

The centenary will include historical pageants, Indian opera, wild west features and exhibits of Indian work. An attempt will be made to reproduce the old Indian tribal customs.

Mr. Himrod conferred with George Himes, curator of the Oregon Historical society, on arrangements for this state's participation in the centenary. One of the objects of the centenary probably will be set aside as "Old Oregon day."

The site of the proposed centenary exposition is at the junction of the Mississippi and Wisconsin rivers. This region was the scene of many important Indian pow-wows in the early days.

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REED EXPERT WILL LEAVE

Theodore Elliot, Biologist, to Join University of Kansas Staff.

Theodore Elliot, president of Hobe's band of the Reed College chorus, will leave next week for the University of Kansas, where he has accepted a teaching position on the staff of that institution. Mr. Elliot is a major in the biology department of Reed, having been a student assistant in that department for the last year.

During his career at Reed he has shown considerable ability in biological and medical lines. During the war he was medical assistant in the local unit of the student army training corps, where he repeatedly demonstrated his ability in the handling of cases of influenza. During the last year he has had charge of the campus fish hatchery and at present he has a few thousand young salmon successfully started on their life's career.

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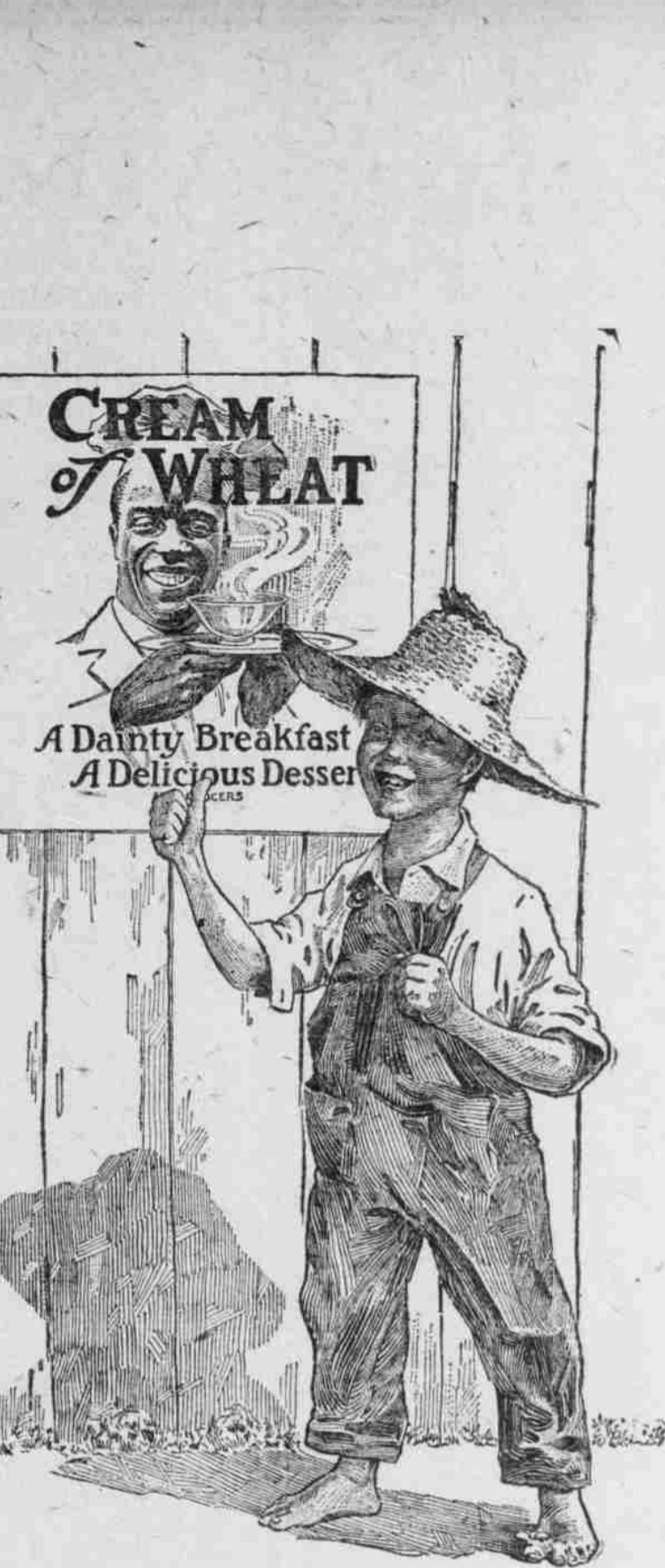
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"THEM'S MY SENTIMENTS!"

THE literature department of the Portland Woman's club will meet today at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. S. A. Murhard, 775 Weidner street. Dr. Mae Cardwell will speak on "A Trip to Japan."

"Father Times" will be given tonight at the auditorium of the Lincoln high school with a number of prominent Portland persons and children taking part. The play will be presented under the auspices of the Portland Woman's club to raise funds for the woman's building. Tickets may be purchased at Sherman, Clay company or at the auditorium.

Holman Parent-Teacher association will entertain with a community dancing party tonight in the school assembly.

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SOCIETY NEWS

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DANCE BUDGET PRUNED

Oregon Freshmen Decide to Keep Expense of Ball Below \$300.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The criticism was directed at the freshman class when it decided that \$350 was not enough money to give the annual freshmen dance. The class changed its plans and now intends to keep the expense well under \$300.

The Oregon Daily Emerald conducted a strong campaign against the high cost of dancing, and this, combined with student sentiment, forced the first-year class to lower its dance estimate.

This dance is one of the largest of the year and a very popular event. The sophomore dance, which is just as big as a affair, cost under \$200. Dean Straub, class adviser, assisted in the revision of the dance budget.

COUNTY COURT IS SCORED

Unfairness in Dividing Road Funds Charged Against Lane Judge.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The Lane county court was unfair and "slapped the taxpayers in the face" by the road budget for 1921, when it was adopted a few days ago, according to a resolution adopted by the Siuslaw chamber of commerce, representing the several towns in the western part of the county. The resolution also called for a county-wide taxpayers' meeting at an early date to request the court to revise its order.

The resolution stated that the county court had again unfairly insisted upon using much less money on the roads in the western part of the county than the county as a whole, and had defied the taxpayers, ignoring their recommendations and refusing to be guided by their suggestions.

TOLEDO TO FEED HUNGRY

Thousands of Unemployed Men Reported in Distress.

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 20.—Preparations for the installation of soup kitchens, where thousands of Toledo unemployed may be fed were made today and may have to be put into use almost immediately. It was announced by John R. Cowell, emergency labor commissioner.

Today at the social service federation nearly 2,000 men without breakfast pleaded for immediate work.

Some had as many as 11 children at home unable to contribute to their support, it was said. Some came with worn-out shoes and clothing so ragged as to expose them to the cold. The correct grades of the large \$25,000 to furnish work for idle men.

REFORM MAYOR BLOCKED

"Liberals" of Prosser Council Hold Up All Appointments.

PROSSER, Wash., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—At the first meeting of the city council under Prosser, "reform" liberals, E. W. Fry, he submitted the following appointments:

Night marshal, J. N. Jacoby; engineer, E. H. Stradling; police judge, C. G. Baker; health officer, Dr. H. M. French; park board, W. C. Sommer; T. E. Brockhausen and A. G. McNell; library board, P. A. Wright.

Much to the surprise of the mayor's friends, the council immediately voted unanimously to postpone consideration of the body to next meeting, two weeks hence. There was no intimation that the council would decline to confirm the appointments, though there had preceded the council meeting.

Those opposing any radical reforms appeared to dominate the council.

CHAMBER OFFICES FILLED

North Bend Organization Elects and Discusses Problems.

NORTH BEND, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Dr. P. J. Keiser was chosen president of the chamber of commerce last night, John G. Mullin, vice-president, and C. A. Smith, temporary secretary-treasurer. The chamber, aside from holding its annual election, discussed problems confronting the body in 1921 and decided to forward nearby road projects.

Other members of the board of directors of the chamber, J. H. Greives, Peter Leggie, E. C. Mather, P. S. Wolf, Archie Phillip, C. S. Fitteroff, E. H. McLaughlin, W. H. Painter, Henry Kern, C. G. Rock, C. K. Hudson, A. T. Lagerstrom, Emil Nelson, Robert Banks, Mrs. M. Smith.

FIGHTER FREED BY JURY

Row Over Road Work Ends in Trial in Justice Court.

GOLDENDALE, Wash., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Lincoln Huot, arrested on an assault charge last week upon complaint of Fred Burgen, was found not guilty by a jury in the justice court at Goldendale yesterday. Both men are well-known farmers in the Chamberlain flat section in Klickitat county.

The arrest of Huot followed a fist fight in which Burgen was badly beaten. The trouble, which took place while the pair were working on the county roads, started over the manner in which the work was being done. As a defense Huot claimed that Burgen called him a vile name and then knocked him down.

Tacoma Mills Inspected. TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 20.—Lumbermen from all parts of the United States inspected some of the large mills here today. They were delegates

WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

A community dance for married folk only will be given tonight at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Glenwood school. There will be no admission charge. The regular party will be given as usual tomorrow night.

Miss Dorothy Reed will continue her symposium class on girls this term, meeting at 9:30. Straight floor work and folk dances will be given.

Registrations have already begun for the younger children's aesthetic dancing class which has been arranged by Miss Georgia Wey, physical director of the Y. W. C. A. This class is for the benefit of the small children and will meet on Saturday mornings at 11:30. Miss Wey has planned an interesting series of lessons to continue throughout the term

of 15 weeks. The present beginner's class will meet next term at 10:30 under Miss Wey, doing more advanced work.

SEASIDE, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Monday evening, January 17, at the Knights of Pythias hall, the Seaside Women's club gave a benefit card party, the proceeds to go toward a scholarship loan fund. More than 100 were entertained. Members of the committee were Mesdames Donnerberg, Monks, Miller, Eichorn, Rogies and Jackson.

The annual election of officers of the Patton home board of managers will be held at the home today at 2 o'clock. All members of the association are requested to attend.

Donations for the rummage sale to be conducted by the Parent-Teacher association of the city will be received Monday and Tuesday at 225 Second street, where the sale is to be held. Further announcements of plans will be made later by Mrs. George L. Williams, chairman.

the Women's Advertising club will be held at the luncheon meeting today in the Tyrolsian room of the Hotel Benson.

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