

MINISTER AND GIRL DENYING DOING

Both Are to Be Arraigned in Salem Today.

LONG HIKE IS RELATED

Rev. Fred Royston Declares He Merely Intended to Get Girl Job and Then Return.

SALEM, Or., July 1.—(Special).—My grandmother had ordered me to leave her home and, having no place to go, I naturally turned to my best friend for advice. This friend was the Rev. Fred Royston, with whom I had been acquainted for more than two years.

This, in part, was the statement made by Miss Frankie Edwards, 15-year-old Salem girl, following her return here tonight from Centralia, Wash., where she was arrested in company with the preacher. The Rev. Mr. Royston faces a charge of white slavery under a state statute, while Miss Edwards was held in jail on a technical charge of committing an immoral act. Both Royston and Miss Edwards probably will be arraigned before Justice Unruh here tomorrow.

Impressed. In his interview with Rev. Mr. Royston, in statements made during a conversation with newspaper men in his cell tonight, denied emphatically that he had any improper relations with Miss Edwards and declared that his only mission to the state of Washington was in the interest of finding her employment.

"Frankie is as pure as the northern snows," said Rev. Mr. Royston, "and my intention that I was to be made to the contrary is false." On leaving last Sunday night, Rev. Mr. Royston said he and the girl walked steadily until the following morning, when they reached Oswego, where they rested for a short time, when they resumed their journey northward. After walking by day and sleeping in fields at night, Rev. Mr. Royston and his charge reached Centralia Thursday afternoon.

Lift Offered by Autoist. When north of Centralia a short distance, the minister said, they were overtaken by a car, the driver of which asked them if they wanted to ride. Instead of giving them a lift, however, the preacher said the driver of the machine turned them over to the police.

Rev. Mr. Royston told the police that his intended destination was Seattle. There he expected to obtain employment for Miss Edwards and return to Salem to join his wife and daughter. Immediately following his return here tonight, Rev. Mr. Royston was visited by a dozen or more Salem ministers. These visitors expressed sympathy for the accused man, and intimated that they would arrange for bail and thereby secure his release from jail.

Grandmother Calls at Jail. Miss Edwards' uncle, E. F. Edwards, and the former's grandmother, Mrs. S. A. Edwards, also were visitors at the jail tonight. Mrs. Edwards, while expressing sympathy for her granddaughter, denied emphatically that she had ordered her to leave home. Miss Edwards, since the death of her parents, had made her home with her grandmother.

Mrs. Royston had not visited her husband at the jail late tonight, but sent word that she probably would see him tomorrow. Rev. Mr. Royston recently completed a four-year course at Kimball college here and held a student's certificate at Keiser Bottom. He was said to be prominent in local ministerial circles.

Miss Edwards is a student of the Junior high school, but recently had been employed in a cannery. Her relatives are prominent. Rev. Mr. Royston alleged that he told his wife he was going away for a few days, but said he did not tell her the reason for fear she would object to the interest he had taken in Miss Edwards' plight. Royston has a 10-year-old daughter. He is 32 years of age.

TODD DENIES CHARGE

Wancover Man Defends Action for Approximately \$9000.

SALEM, Or., July 1.—(Special).—John W. Todd, formerly superintendent of the Salem public schools and now under federal indictment on a charge of obtaining money by pretenses in connection with timber land locations, today defended in the circuit court here an action brought against him by H. H. Vandevort to recover approximately \$9000.

This money, Mr. Vandevort alleged, was paid by him and other persons to Mr. Todd as compensation for locating them on timber lands to which they had never acquired title. Mr. Todd, on the witness stand, denied the questionable transactions charged against him.

PLANE CARRIES ENVOY

Trip From Salem to Prineville Is Made in 40 Minutes.

J. H. Rosenberg, prime minister on the Crook county irrigators, who air-planned to Salem yesterday as special envoy to the governor from King Alfalfa, arrived home this morning and said the return trip was made in 40 minutes. According to Dr. Rosenberg the weather was ideal and the flight through the air a wonderful experience.

The message carried was an invitation to the governor to be present in October at a reunion of the irrigators to receive the title of King Aeroplane.

COLD WAVE HITS GOLDENDALE

GOLDENDALE, Wash., July 1.—(Special).—With the thermometer standing at 89 above, the town was side-tracked for heating stoves at Goldendale this morning. The cool weather will delay harvesting operations in the Kikikitt valley for several days. Wheat at the edges of the fields was being cut for hay and to clear the way for combines and headers. The grain is looking fine and much better than an average yield was expected. Dealers here are beginning to contract new crop wheat at \$1 a bushel, but few farmers are signing up, expecting higher prices.

Early Action on Fair Assured. THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., July 1.—(Special).—Chairman Porter of the house foreign affairs committee promised Senator McNary today that the committee will be called together to consider the Portland exposition resolution in time to get it on the house calendar for consideration on July 15. A favorable report is assured.

THE MIGHTY PICTURE NEWS

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.

Hell—"Dream Street" (afternoon); "Over the Hill" (evening). Charles Ray, "Scrap Iron." Columbia—"The Woman God Chased." Rivoli—"Bebe Daniels, 'Two Weeks With Play.'" Hammerstein—"The Girl From Nowhere." Majestic—"Reginald Barker's 'Snowblind.'" Star—"Edith Roberts, 'Thunder Island.'" Circle—"Fatty Arbuckle, 'The Star of the Year.'" Hippodrome—"Pala." Globe—"May McAvoy, 'The Truth About Husbands.'"

WHAT is said to be one of the largest and most colorful costume ball scenes that have ever been staged in the city is the Elaine Hammerstein production, "The Girl From Nowhere," which opens today at the Peoples.

In this scene Miss Hammerstein, as Mavis Cole, holds the center of the stage in a quaint colonial gown and powdered wig, while about her is created an air of wealth and distinction that is to be found only at the affairs of society's "460."

"The Girl From Nowhere," Miss Hammerstein has been provided with a story that moves swiftly from beginning to end, unfolding, as it goes, many dramatic situations that provide the star with emotional opportunities.

"The Girl From Nowhere" is an original screen story by Bradley King, which tells of a misguided society maid who, to her sorrow, elopes with a young man of questionable character who proves himself as worthless as he is worldly. She soon discovers her mistake, and before they are married she is driven to a hunting lodge in the hills, there to hide away from her disappointment.

From that point on the story proceeds in several years, according to dealers. Columbia river salmon at 15 cents a pound is suggested as the best fish at this time, although several other varieties run the salmon a close race in popularity. Columbia river sturgeon at 25 cents a pound and halibut at 20 cents a pound are favorites. At the low price of 8 cents a pound Columbia shad makes possible an economical and delicious dinner.

A popular breakfast dish in many households is mackerel or codfish. Mackerel is selling at 15 cents to 20 cents a pound and codfish at 22 cents. In the line of sea foods, Tillamook crabs of good size and quality are to be had for 25 cents to 40 cents each, and heaping trays of shrimps from Puget sound are displayed at 25 cents a pound.

The tuna fish, which is one of the aristocrats of the deep and is plentiful in the waters of southern California, is on hand. A new shipment from San Pedro, Cal., is selling at 35 cents a pound. When cooked in certain ways, tuna tastes very much like chicken and has been called "neckless chicken." Chickens, by the way, are on hand at 20 cents a pound for stew and 40 cents for fryers.

SIX CONCERNS WITHDRAW

Notices of Rejection of Workers' Act Reach Commission.

SALEM, Or., July 1.—(Special).—Four of a group of ten corporations which recently filed notices of withdrawal from certain rights of workers' compensation under the act have canceled these notices and will remain under the law, according to letters received by the office of the state industrial accident commission.

The corporations canceling their withdrawal include the Shibley-Mimi Lumber company of Baker, Ore.; the Baker Lumber company of La Grande; the Baker Lumber company of La Grande; the Baker Lumber company of La Grande; the Baker Lumber company of La Grande.

THEFT OF RING CHARGED

Two Ring Followers Accused by Woman Are Arrested.

Bobby Evans, matchmaker of the municipal boxing commission and manager of boxers, and Bert Hughes, a boxer, were arrested yesterday and charged with the larceny of a diamond ring belonging to Mrs. Adele Culp, Rector hotel.

Mrs. Culp told the police she had pawned a diamond ring valued at \$200 at Seattle several weeks ago for \$30. She came to Portland but lost her pawn ticket. When she wrote to the loan office to arrange to have her ring redeemed she learned, she says, that the ring had already been redeemed by a man giving the name of G. T. Cummings, London club, Portland.

Evans and Hughes are both said to have admitted they used the name of G. T. Cummings in redeeming the ring for \$35.50 to the Seattle pawnbroker.

Evans declared he had no knowledge of the fact that the pawn ticket had been stolen or that there was anything irregular in the transaction.

NICKEL BUYING MORE NOW

Radishes, Lettuce, Carrots and Onions Are Five Cents.

That the lowly nickel has come back from the depressing obscurity of telephone slugs to a position of substantial buying power is shown by a perusal of prices of vegetables in the markets.

If money talks, a nickel makes a loud noise, particularly when it is used to buy new potatoes, which are selling at four pounds for 15 cents or six for 25 cents. The spuds are coming into the market in both quantity and quality.

600 ACRES PINE BURN

TWO FOREST FIRES RAGE IN MINNESOTA FORESTS.

Blazes Reported to Have Been Started by Lightning—Crews of Fighters Reinforced.

DULUTH, Minn., July 1.—Two forest fires in the Superior national forest have burned over between 500 and 600 acres of white and jack pine timber and are still raging, according to a long-distance telephone message received by the Associated Press from Calvin A. Dahlgren, superior national supervisor, at his headquarters at Ely.

Two crews of 50 men each began fighting the flames. The fires were in the vicinity of Saux falls and Leander lake. No rains have fallen in this territory for several weeks and the woods are unusually dry. Mr. Dahlgren said. The fires were started late Wednesday night by lightning.

Rangers operating along the northern border reported two large fires across the Canadian line north of Northwood lake and Lac la Croix. Both state and national officials declared the present condition to be the most dangerous in many years. Everywhere in the forest regions rangers were outfitting emergency crews.

MUCH WATER NOW SOUGHT

Many Applications Are Filed With State Engineer.

SALEM, Or., July 1.—(Special).—A. N. Ingle and F. A. Phillips of Baker today filed with the state engineer application to appropriate eight second feet of water from Glendinning creek, tributary of the Willamette, for approximately 1505 acres of land. Other applications filed here today follow:

By Alvin N. Oima of Calow covering the appropriation of water from Clover Swale and water from winter snows for 200 acres of land in Josephine county at a cost of about \$600.

By O. J. Law of Grants Pass covering the appropriation of 25 second feet of water from Rough and Reed creek for power and irrigation in Josephine county.

By George G. Russell of Enterprise covering the appropriation of water from Spring creek, tributary of Chehalis river, for irrigation of a ten-acre tract in Washington county.

By Edith I. Rogers of Hood River covering the appropriation of water from the Western Ditchwater company of Portland covering the appropriation of 200 second feet from Deschutes river for power and irrigation.

By Flora McShain Riley of La Grande covering the appropriation of water from a spring for domestic water supply and irrigation of a small tract in Union county.

By R. C. Swanson of Cascade Locks covering the appropriation of water from Minott springs for a small power development and irrigation in Marion county.

By A. B. Gardner of Stayton covering the appropriation of 1200 second feet from north branch of Santiam river for power development in Marion county.

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MEDAL URGED FOR NEGRO

Porter Who Saved 27 Lives in Pueblo Flood May Get Reward.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 1.—Officials of the chamber of commerce today announced they would request a Carnegie hero medal for Robert Taylor of Taylor city, negro Pullman porter, who is said to have saved 27 lives when Missouri Pacific train No. 14 was overturned in the Pueblo flood in June.

An investigation revealed the story told by Taylor was correct, it was stated. Taylor, according to his story, climbed atop the overturned train and, seizing a scantling, broke the windows. The passengers emerged through the windows and Taylor assisted them on logs which carried them to safety.

LOTTERY DENS RAIDED

One Chinese Woman Among Those Rounded Up by Morals Squad.

The morals and Chinatown squads raided lottery dens last night. Go On, 279 Coch street, was charged with conducting a lottery and released on \$100 bail. Mrs. Sing Lee, who gave her name as Mrs. Sing Lee, was taken at 96 North Eleventh street with lottery paraphernalia in her possession, and is at liberty on \$100 bail.

Sam Kee, 210 Gilman street, with seven visitors; Robert Kimball, 311 Filbert street, with three visitors; and Lee Sam, 314 North Sixth street, with 15 visitors, were arrested. Contingents were released on \$100 bail and visitors on \$25 bail.

PAVING LINKS TWO CITIES

Aberdeen and Hoquiam Celebrate Olympic Highway Extension.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 30.—(Special).—Led by the mayors of both cities, a party of 100 men and women today celebrated the opening of the new highway between Aberdeen and Hoquiam.

THE PERKINS GRILL & STEAK SHOP

Fifth Street, Between Washington and Stark.

Club Breakfasts, 25c up. Luncheons, 35c and 50c. Weekday Dinners 75c. Sunday Dinners \$1.00.

COMFORT YOUR SKIN

With Cuticura Soap and Fragrant Talcum.

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ASYLUM INMATE ESCAPES

SALEM, Or., July 1.—(Special).—Jean Comer, who was committed to the state hospital here from Douglas county in 1925, made his escape from the institution early today. He had been employed in the poultry yard for several years.

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RESERVE SYSTEM SCORED

Institution Said to Have Billion Dollars Above Requirements.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 1.—That he had been informed by the treasury that the federal reserve system had a surplus of about \$1,000,000,000 "in excess of all requirements," Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina, declared today in the senate. He said there should be an investigation of the rediscunt rates maintained by the reserve board.

Charging that the federal reserve banks were calling loans and forcing farmers and business men into bankruptcy, although there was ample funds for commerce, he declared this was the most monstrous showing ever made in the midst of the agricultural and business distress.

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