BANKER STILLMAN ADMITS INFIDELITY

Deluge of Incriminating Testimony Forces Action.

TABLES TURNED BY WIFE

Capitalist Now Only Hopes to Prove Illegitimacy of Guy and Keep Own Exploits Covered.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., July 13.—(Special.)—James A. Stillman, through his counsel, today in effect admitted marital infidelity and asked that further testimony as to his unfaithfulness toward his wife be barred from the divorce action.

Colonel William Rand Jr., his counsel, told Referee Gleason that Mrs. Stillman had proved her charges. At the same time he maintained the legal right of his client to continue his technical denial. Colonel Rand petitioned the referee to decide whether further testimony concerning Mr. Stillman's extra marital associations with any woman or women should be excluded. The request was denied.

This new development was interpreted to be an abandonment by the plaintiff of all hope to win his divorce action. All the efforts of the banker and his lawyers were expected to be concentrated hereafter upon substantiation of Mr. Stillman's charge that Guy Stillman is not his son, but the child of Mrs. Stillman and the Canadian Indian guide with whom Mr. Stillman charges his wife with undue intimacy.

Testimony Engulfs Stillman.

A flood of testimony introduced by the defense when it opened its case here today as to the relations between Mr. Stillman and Mrs. Florence E. Leeds, and the knowledge that Frank Murphy, ex-steward on the Stillman yacht Modesty, was to appear tomorrow to tell of the parties given by the banker aboard the yacht, caused the plaintiff to throw up his hands. Mr. Stillman was not present, but his counsel's request revealed the banker's anxiety to keep as closed chapters many of the events of his recent life.

John E. Mack, Guy Stillman's guardian, objected to Colonel Rand's request on the ground that every detail of evidence as to the relations of Mr. Stillman with Mrs. Leeds should be permitted in evidence in order to protect Guy's interests if the case goes to higher courts.

Referee Gleason decided the defense might continue with its testimony, "inasmuch as it is left to the discretion of the court."

"The defense will proceed in its presentation of evidence, at least for the present," he said.

Banker Identified as "Leeds."

Colonel Rand's request came as a sudden climax to the day's hearing. Prior to this time several witnesses had appeared, among them Viola E. Hill, a nurse in the household of Mrs. Leeds for a week during October, 1918, at the Leeds home at 60 East Eighty-sixth street. Miss Hill identified a photograph of Mr. Stillman as the man who went under the name of Franklin H. Leeds and swore she had seen him in a bedroom with Mrs. Leeds on two occasions and in the morning observed him wandering about the apartment partly dressed.

Eight witnesses appeared for the defense when the counter offense of Mrs. Stillman and Guy against the banker began today. Only attorneys for the principals were present. Before the plaintiff officially rested his case Judge Gleason brought in a number of decisions on legal points. Most important of these was the denial by the referee of the request by Mr. Stillman's counsel that the banker be permitted to return to the stand to answer three questions as to his willingness to allow his wife to divorce him.

More Testimony Stricken.

A further victory for Mrs. Stillman was seen in the referee's decision to strike out of the testimony the 25 or more pages of the testimony of Dr. Hugh L. Russell, Buffalo osteopath, as to his observations with Mrs. Stillman in regard to the paternity of Guy. Dr. Russell had testified Mrs. Stillman told him Beauvais was the father of her youngest son.

The only decision in which the banker might obtain any comfort was that in which the referee ruled that Stillman legally was entitled to testify as to the receipt of the so-called "confession letter" from his wife, in which she was said to have told him Beauvais was Guy's father. The contents of the letter never have been admitted in evidence.

FILM TO BE MADE HERE

PICTURE TO BE PRODUCED UNDER DIRECTION OF A. L. HART.

Director Well Known in Portland and Is Identified with the Ethical Society.

Information from Los Angeles to the effect that Benjamin B. Hampton, Los Angeles motion picture producer, expects in the near future to stage and film a feature picture in the Hood River valley and along the Columbia river, using Portland as his headquarters, has been received here. The information said that the picture will be produced under the direction of A. Lincoln Hart, well known in this city.

Mr. Hart, a number of years ago, was connected with various theatrical enterprises in Portland and married Miss Louise Brandt, one of the most popular ingenues and leading women to appear in stock productions in this city.

Since leaving Portland Mr. Hart has been identified with a number of the largest motion picture corporations, his last position before joining the Hampton forces being that of general manager of the Ince studios in and near Los Angeles.

Also he has been actively identified with the organization and growth of the Ethical Motion Picture Society of America, which has as its aim the production of motion pictures which teach a great lesson.

The company Mr. Hart expects to bring to Oregon will be engaged in the production of a picture that will procure the indorsement of this society and incidentally will show to film patrons a comparatively new locale and story.

EX-MAYOR ROILS LEGION

Nampa Post Brands Remarks as Seditious Propaganda.

BOISE, Idaho, July 13.—(Special.)—Indignant over remarks made by H. H. Keim, ex-mayor, during an address at the Canyon school house this week, in which he is alleged to have said that "any man who takes up arms for the United States or any other nation is a potential murderer," the Joseph Murray post of the American Legion at Nampa adopted resolutions severely condemning him. The resolutions, after quoting the remarks of the ex-mayor, say:

"Be it resolved by the executive committee of the Joseph Murray post of the American Legion that this man is a menace to our community, disloyal and should not be allowed to live within the boundaries of the United States and should be deported along with his comrades, Bill Haywood, Emma Goldman and others, and we appeal to the patriotic citizens of Nampa, who approved and encouraged our entry into the just war, to support us in stamping out such seditious propaganda."

PORTLAND MAKES BIG HIT

SWELTERING REALTORS FLOCK TO CITY'S HEADQUARTERS.

Northwest Is Attractive to Delegates Who Are Suffering From Intense Chicago Heat.

CHICAGO, July 13.—(Special.)—The Portland delegation to the convention of the National Association of Real Estate Board opened headquarters in the Auditorium theater today. Several hundred realtors and their families visited the Portland rooms. American Legion boys, engaged by the Portland delegation, are in charge of the headquarters under the supervision of Chester A. Fuller. Roses and buttons calling attention to the 1925 Exposition were given all visitors. Ice-cold loganberry juice made a big hit with the super-heated delegates. A feature of the exhibit is that the room is kept cooled to the Portland temperature with 5000 pounds of ice.

Pictures of the Columbia highway and Portland views are hung on the wall with special lighting arrangements.

W. H. Ross represented the Portland board in the five-minute talk contest tonight. Mr. Ross took fourth place in the contest last year at Kansas City. There were 36 candidates in the contest tonight. The winners will be announced by the judges on Friday, the last day of the convention.

The sweltering heat is making the delegates talk most favorably about going to the northwest or west for the next convention. The Portland delegation is one of the largest here.

Senator Calder of New York declared himself unalterably opposed to the government engaging in the building industry.

NON-PARTISANS LOSE CASE

CHARGES OF EMBEZZLEMENT AGAINST TOTTEN FAIL.

Prosecution for Criminal Libel Begun at Fargo Also Will Be Abandoned.

FARGO, N. D., July 13.—Charges of embezzlement against George A. Totten Jr., ex-manager of the Courier-News, were dismissed in justice court here this afternoon. W. C. Green, state's attorney, declaring that the facts in the case did not warrant such a charge.

The criminal libel charges against Totten and Gummerson followed publication in the Courier-News of an article accusing members of the state executive committee with mishandling the league's recall election campaign fund. Hearing on the charges was set for tomorrow.

The statement signed by the two ex-newspaper employes declares that "we retract such statements as we made in that article tending to indicate that the state executive committee was mishandling the league victory fund," and that "we retract the charge that Ole Kaldor and Chris Levang (members of the state executive committee) had been promised salaried positions in return for their support of Mr. Liederbach as chairman of the state executive committee."

Ole Kaldor said he understood that the committee's decision to accept the compromise would result in quashing the libel charges against Totten and Gummerson. A. A. Liederbach, chairman, could not be reached for a statement.

Totten said that the agreement meant dropping of all charges against him.

ROAD ERROR IS DENIED

State Engineer Says Commission Made No Mistake on Highway.

SALEM, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, in a statement here tonight, denied emphatically that the state highway commission in power in 1917, made any bungle or cost the state any unnecessary money when it laid bituminous pavement on a five-mile section of the road known as the McMinnville-Tillamook highway, at a cost of $102,998.05.

Mr. Nunn's statement followed publication of a story in a Portland afternoon newspaper in which it was intimated that the state had lost heavily because of the commission's action, and that the road now is being rebuilt at a cost of $112,000.

MORE PLEDGES COME IN

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will be prolonged, which would keep the various premiers too long from their duties in Europe.

Advocates of unhurried negotiations point to the example of the president, who will leave the conference to Secretary of State Hughes after its formal inauguration, as one for the European premiers to follow.

The Westminster Gazette, representing this view, says:

"We do not want to see the supreme council transfer its battleground from Europe to America."

The pope, according to the Rome correspondent of the London Times, will probably issue an encyclical on President Harding's invitation to the powers for a conference on disarmament.

Veterans' Law Explained.

SALEM, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Van Winkle, in a legal opinion handed down here today, held that the $400 appropriated annually, under the general laws of the state, may be expended for the publication and distribution of the proceedings of the annual encampment of the United Spanish War veterans for the department of Oregon. In case all of the appropriation for any one year is not expended, the amount remaining in the fund is not available for such expenses for succeeding years. The opinion was asked by the secretary of state.

STUDENTS MENACED BY JAZZ AND AUTOS

Attendance Problem Laid to Dances and Movies.

MORALE FALLS RAPIDLY

Educators Consider Means to Get Money Spenders Interested in Studies; Rebukes Resented.

OAKLAND, Cal., July 10.—(Special.)—Students dropping out of high school have become "such a serious problem" that it is necessary to take definite steps to solve it, says C. N. Shane, director of attendance for the school department.

Inattention to school duties is becoming a fixed habit among a certain class of students whose morale last year was noticeably low, according to P. M. Fisher, principal of the Technical high school, the largest in the city.

Oakland high school has found the problem so serious that steps have already been taken there to correct it, declares J. R. Sutton, vice-principal.

The situation, brought to the attention of the higher educators from these different sources simultaneously, is admitted to be so serious as to warrant immediate attention and corrective measures.

Principal Fisher, describing the situation at his school, blames it on jazz, autos, movies and sensationalism, which, he intimates, appeal to a group of students which "is constantly demanding more dances, more movies, is heedless of good counsel and resents authority," to use his language.

Fisher suggests that the ablest thinkers in the department start work toward a solution of the problem of handling this type of student and suppressing the influences which develop the type.

At Oakland high school, Vice-Principal Sutton says a committee has been appointed already there to handle the situation, as an experiment.

Educators admit that the new semester will see drastic action toward handling what they term "an ominous condition."

Check Is Urged.

Attendance Officer Shane, in his annual report submitted to the superintendent of schools, commends the appointment of a special clerk to care for the checking of high school attendance, saying that "were it thoroughly understood throughout the high schools that an immediate check was being made upon every class it would be but a short time till the cutting would be practically eliminated."

Fisher, however, says in his report that the "jazz and movie" set "smiles when penalized."

Principal Fisher in his comment on the subject says:

"The students who are ambitious and earnest have made even better records than heretofore, as the honor society records show. But the general morale has lowered during the past year. Teachers work harder to get results. Too many students are slack, indifferent and evasive. This is especially true of the boys who have money to spend and every physical want cared for. They attend school because their parents insist upon it and because it affords them an opportunity to cultivate and exercise the social instinct.

"Every ingenious device that we can think of is being employed to make work interesting to these young people, but the cold fact remains that they should do some work themselves and must do it systematically and continually. This class talks about school pep, wants to start things, is pervasive in its touch and influence, so that they disturb even the sober-minded."

Many Pupils Drop Out.

For Oakland high school, Vice-Principal Sutton comments as follows:

"In the Oakland high school a committee has been appointed to give attention to these students. Once a week every teacher in school reports to the committee the names of students who are neglecting their work. The names of those who are trying, but still falling short in their work, are not reported to this committee. The committee confers with the pupils, parents and teachers and demands certain results. The pupils are made to feel that the school insists upon continuous effort on their part. The grade at the end of the term is not relied upon as a sufficient stimulus."

Shane and his attendance officers made a total of 17,929 calls during the past school year. There were something like 8000 absences from schools, both high and elementary. Shane attributes 3858 to sickness of students, 698 to sickness of their parents, 1138 to changing of residences, and only 1797 to actual truancy.

The "drop outs" from the schools last year, both high and elementary, came to 923 for high schools and 2301 from elementary.

LINCOLN COUNTY TO ACT

RIGHTS IN ROAD LITIGATION TO BE ASSERTED.

District Attorney Instructed to Take Legal Steps Relative to Construction in Polk County.

TOLEDO, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—The action of certain citizens of Polk county in bringing suit to prevent construction of portions of the main state highway through Polk county is strongly condemned by citizens and officials of Lincoln county. It is held here that the state highway commission should not be interfered with and should have the full right of locating roads for the best interests of the state.

The chamber of commerce of Toledo recently adopted resolutions condemning the action of Polk county citizens and the Lincoln county court yesterday adopted resolutions instructing the district attorney of Lincoln county to take legal steps in the suit now pending in Polk county to protect the interests of Lincoln county.

The resolution cites the approval in June, 1917, by the people of the act of the legislature providing for the issuance of $6,000,000 of bonds for the purpose of constructing a system of state highways, including a highway from Portland by way of Hillsboro, Forest Grove, McMinnville, Corvallis, Eugene and south to the California line, and the legislative acts of 1919 and 1920 authorizing issuance of $20,000,000 additional in bonds for the same purpose, together with the act of 1921 authorizing an additional $7,500,000 in bonds, all for the purpose of constructing a system of connected and continuous highways throughout the state.

Lincoln county, the resolution says, in a special election in June, 1919, authorized the issue of bonds in the sum of $180,000 and in a special election in June, 1921, authorized the issue of $373,240 additional, all of said bonds being for the purpose of constructing roads in Lincoln county to connect with the general highway system of the state.

Attention is called to the fact that the state has proceeded with the construction of the highways as provided for and has expended large sums of money in such construction, and said highways are now rapidly being completed. Washington, Yamhill, Benton, Lincoln and other counties, it is noted, have expended large sums of money in aiding the completion of the general state highway system, and Lincoln and other counties, acting in good faith, incurred large indebtedness and made large expenditures therefor.

One unit of the highway from Portland through McMinnville, Corvallis, Eugene and south thereof passes through Polk county and is declared a necessary part of the system, without which continuous travel over improved roads from Lincoln county to Portland is not possible. The state highway commission proceeded to construct this unit in Polk county and was stopped by reason of a suit filed against it by certain citizens of Polk county, which suit was finally adjudicated, permiting the commission to proceed with its plans of construction, and contracts were let in pursuance thereof. Certain citizens of Polk county, it is noted, have again brought suit to prevent the construction of this road and this suit is now pending and may further result in delay in the completion of the road from Portland to Corvallis, in so far as the unit in Polk county is concerned. The interests of Lincoln county, it is held, are being seriously interfered with.

The county court authorizes the district attorney to take such legal steps as may be proper in the suit now pending to protect the interests of Lincoln county.

SHIP SEIZURE PROTESTED

LIQUOR RULES WORRY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

Objections to Enforcement of Section of Volstead Act Within Three-Mile Limit Made.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Protests against enforcement by customs officials of a section of the Volstead prohibition enforcement act which subjects to seizure foreign vessels coming within the three-mile limit with liquor aboard, are reaching the state department, it was learned today, from representatives of international steamship lines. Inquiries also have come from various embassies and legations, said to indicate that foreign governments were becoming concerned at threatened interference with their shipping.

It has been pointed out that a British ship bound from Halifax to Jamaica could not put into Hampton Roads or any American port for fuel or supplies without risk of seizure, if she carried spirits in her cargo, under the construction which has been given to the law by the recent decision of Attorney-General Daugherty affirming an opinion of his predecessor.

Furthermore, it is anticipated by the shipping interests that another opinion withdrawing the present privilege of sealing up the bar supplies on the ocean liners within the three-mile limit is to be expected, in which case vessels also would be subject to seizure if they carried liquors for the use of passengers.

GIRL, 9, KICKED BY HORSE

Skull Fractured and Bone Forced Behind Right Eye.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Anna Nygren, 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nygren, was injured, perhaps fatally, last night when she was kicked in the head by a horse. The skull was fractured, two portions of bone being forced in behind the right eye under the brain.

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