

GIRL'S MIND BLANK AT TRIAL OF FATTY

Zey Prevost Does Not Remember if She Told Truth.

WITNESS IS WITHDRAWN

Prosecution Characterizes Attitude as "Hostile"—Intense Cold Reaches Into Courtroom.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Miss Zey Prevost, show girl, and a leading prosecution witness, "does not remember" if she told the truth in the first trial, she testified today in the second trial of a manslaughter charge against Roscoe C. (Fatty) Allen. At the conclusion of her testimony she was ordered to return to court at 10 A. M. tomorrow. No reason was given for the order.

The interruption of the trial by the intense cold weather which is sweeping the state, and which reached into the courtroom, and the sudden withdrawal of Miss Prevost from the stand when her alleged inability to remember certain evidence was characterized as "hostile" by the prosecution were outstanding features today. Overcoats were brought to the jurors, but a half hour later a recess was taken when the alleged "hostile" attitude of Miss Prevost was developed further and when the court reporters complained that their fingers were so stiff with cold that they could not take their notes with the necessary speed.

Witness Does Not Remember.
Miss Prevost returned to the stand later. She was asked if Miss Virginia Rappe, whose death was made the basis of the charge against Allen, said "he hurt me" and she was alleged to have been fatally injured at a party in the St. Francis hotel. The witness said she did not hear Miss Rappe make such a statement.

She was shown her testimony in the previous trial, in which, according to the prosecution, she said that Miss Rappe exclaimed "he hurt me." Upon the matter being developed further, the witness made the admission that she did not remember if she told the truth in the first trial. Miss Prevost, who was one of the principal guests at the party, was on the stand most of the day. She charged that the district attorney took her into custody and threatened her with jail if she did not make a statement to the effect that Miss Rappe exclaimed, "he killed me." Later, she said, she made a statement against her will, and she said, until after Charles H. Hays, a defense attorney, met her on the street and recommended himself as her counsel "if you need me."

Motion to Impeach Denied.
A motion by the prosecution that it be allowed to impeach the testimony of Miss Prevost on the ground that it was "surprising" and showed her a "hostile" attitude, was denied by the court. The ruling prevented the prosecution from presenting to the jury certain positive evidence offered by Miss Prevost at the first trial which she "did not remember" in her testimony today. Mrs. Josephine Kaza, a chambermaid at the St. Francis hotel, testified to overhearing a woman cry "no, no, no," and a man answer "shut up" while the party was in progress. She listened, closely, she said, and heard the cries repeated. She was excused until tomorrow morning at final adjournment.

STRIKE WARNING ISSUED

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union representatives refused because the constitution of their organization forbade the submission of the question of outside arbitration in advance of direct negotiation with the employers. This position has remained unchanged, although Mr. Lewis was called to Washington last week for a conference with Secretary Hoover.

EVICTED TO BE STAYED

Secretary Davis and Operators Reach Agreement.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—Agreement was reached at a meeting today between Secretary Davis of the labor department and coal mine operators at the New River field in West Virginia that a strike proceeding instituted against miners' families who are occupying company houses, although no longer on the payroll, would be stayed pending an investigation of labor conditions in the field.

The operators, it was said, denied charges which representatives of the mine workers have made to officials concerning labor conditions in their territory and asked an investigation.

STRIKE ORDER IS MODIFIED

Restraint Against Inducing Others to Quit Is Removed.

OMAHA, Jan. 19.—Federal Judge Wade of Iowa today modified a federal court order restraining striking packing house employees from unlawful practices, but refused to dissolve the order as had been asked by the strikers. In the original order the strikers were restrained from indirectly interfering with or inducing employees to quit work. Judge Wade held that this was not an unlawful practice and it was struck from the order.

The modified order follows closely the recent decision of the United States supreme court in regard to picketing, Judge Wade said.

\$500,000 Asked for Idle Miners.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—An appropriation of \$500,000 for the relief of unemployed coal miners and their families in Kentucky, West

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Virginia, Alabama, Ohio and Pennsylvania is proposed in a bill introduced today by Representative Thomas, democrat, Kentucky. Distributions and suffering exist in the mining districts, according to Mr. Thomas.

LOWER RAIL RATES ASKED

Claims of Coal Industry Presented to Interstate Commission.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—Claims of the coal industry for decreased railroad rates were presented today to the interstate commerce commission in its investigation into the general level of transportation rates.

J. D. A. Morrow, vice-president of the National Coal association and representative of the largest group of coal mine operators, estimated that rates on coal had been increased as much as 200 per cent since 1914 and that the present average cost of transporting a ton from the mines to the consumer was \$2.74, while the price of the product itself at the mine was \$2.14.

BEER MANUFACTURE URGED

Wage Subject Not Yet Reached by Miners' Conference.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Jan. 19.—It would be an economic wrong and inhuman to reduce the wage rates of the mine workers of the country below a living wage, declared William Green, secretary-treasurer of the international organization of the United Mine Workers to the delegates to the miners' conference today.

The convention did not reach the wage question, to consider which the delegates are assembled, but acted favorably on a number of resolutions including one that congress be urged to modify the Volstead act so as to permit the manufacture of beer.

ROAD BOOSTERS SUCCEED

Reports of Progress Are Made at Luncheon at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Reports of the success of the committee of the Albany chamber of commerce named to develop plans for the improvement of the road from Albany across the Cascade mountains by way of the South Santiam pass were made at the weekly luncheon of the chamber yesterday.

Arrangements have been made for co-operation between the government forest service, the state highway commission, the county court of Lincoln county and a road district to be formed of territory adjacent to the road in obtaining funds for the construction of a macadamized road.

SCIENTIST CASE HEARD

Trustee's Petition for Granting of Accounts Is Argued.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—The hearing of the petition of the trustee of the Christian Science Publishing society for allowance of their accounts concluded today in the supreme court. The afternoon session was devoted to arguments by ex-Governor Bates for the trustees of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Lothrop Withington for the trustees. Five witnesses of the directors appeared at the morning session.

Judge Crosby took the matter under advisement. Tomorrow afternoon he is expected to consider the names of three trustees recommended by the directors to fill existing vacancies.

LUMBER PROJECT LOOMS

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the railroad from the mill site at Relko to the timber belt.

The choice of Kansas City as headquarters for the Long-Bell Lumber company meant the investment and expenditure of millions in that city by the company. The R. A. Long building, which houses the general offices, is a 15-story structure. Twenty-five miles outside of Kansas City, Mr. Long has a tremendous country residence on which he conducts a model dairy with one of the finest Jersey herds in the world.

Race Track on Estate.

On this "farm" also is a race track with a grandstand to seat several hundred persons. Several years ago when the American Bankers association held its convention in Kansas City Mr. Long was host of all the delegates at his country home, serving luncheon to the gathering numbering 8000. In order to do this, he had to have the entire force of the leading hotels in Kansas City to prepare the meal.

One of the entertainments at the reception was a horse show in which all classes were presented from the stables of Mr. Long.

Mr. Long and his party left for Astoria last night with their private cars and to train No. 23 of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle line.

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GERMANS EVADE DEFICIT

REICHSTAG DODGES PROBLEM OF FINANCIAL CHAOS.

Fate of Wirth Government Said to Hang in Balance While More Taxes Are Urged.

BY ARNO DOSCH-FLEUROT.
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BERLIN, Jan. 19.—(Special Wireless.)—The reichstag opened today confronted with the pressing necessity of solving the enormous daily deficit of 440,000,000 paper marks, but the members showed no unity in that purpose. If Germany is going to straighten out its domestic economy it needs to strike about 1,000,000 names off the state payroll and to stop the presses that are printing billions of "money."

Having already on the books hundreds of law-imposing taxes which are two years behind in collection, the reichstag devoted its opening session to discussing more tax laws. Even the fate of the Wirth government hangs on the question of taxation.

Chancellor Wirth's center party is inclined to support the demand of Herr Stinnes that the deficit be solved by cutting the state payroll, while the other chief party of the reichstag, the social democrats, wants confiscatory taxation and insists that the state collect 65 per cent on all loose capital, which would prove practically confiscatory.

All believe that a clash on the taxation question is inevitable because the industrialists and the socialists, who are equally strong in the reichstag, represent opposing ideas on the subject. For four months the government has been staved off from week to week. Meanwhile the note inflation has nearly doubled and the budget has nearly tripled.

This clash in the reichstag, which seemed inevitable after the Cannes conference, and because of the hopeless budget problem, has been staved off again because of hopes based on the Geneva conference. If Germany is permitted to continue to run into bankruptcy it is because Geneva will wish it so.

SIMPSON RECORD SOUGHT

VIRGINIA SLAYER ONCE RESENT OF PORTLAND.

Washington Authorities Seek Facts Concerning Man Who Killed Brother to Protect Estate.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—Efforts are being made here to ascertain something of the record in Portland, Or., of John T. Simpson, who in a fit of insanity shot his brother, James W. Simpson, at Palmer, Va., in August, 1929. John T. Simpson has been under observation at the Virginia Hospital for the Insane at Marion ever since the shooting. He is understood to have been a member of the Portland police force some years ago and in apparently rational moments has told friends that he was married and divorced while in Portland.

The object of getting in touch with someone who knew Simpson in Portland is to learn something of his affairs with a view to protecting his estate. Several thousand dollars in liberty bonds belonging to Simpson and to the brother whom he killed have been found in the bank at Palmyra, but certain valuable papers, probably including other bonds and some stocks, are believed to have been taken from his trunk about the time that he, in an insane frenzy, was removed from the scene of the shooting to the village jail. Letters found among his belongings indicate that he possessed valuable securities which have not been located. On leaving Portland six or seven years ago Simpson went to Alberta, Canada. Two years ago he and his brother bought a farm in Virginia.

Captain Moore and other old-timers of the Portland police force were unable last night to recall John T. Simpson's service with the department. If he was here they declared that it was only for a short time. The records of the department were locked up last night when the dispatch from Washington arrived and they were unable to say anything definite regarding Simpson.

MOTHER ASKS CLEMENCY

YOUTH WHO SAW FIRE ON LINE IS DESERTER AT HOME.

Aged Woman Makes Long Trip, Mostly Afoot, to Ask President for Pardon.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—The prayers of an aged mother for her errant soldier son fell on sympathetic ears at the White House today and Mrs. Margaret Anderson, the 63-year-old mother, who made her way largely afoot from Sioux Falls, S. D., to Washington, left the White House strong with hopes that her son would soon be restored to her.

After seeing the president today, Mrs. Anderson declared that now she was sure help would speedily come for her son Joseph, who is serving a two-year sentence in Leavenworth on a charge of desertion from the army. The boy, a private in company K, 13th Infantry of the 35th division, was wounded and gassed at the Argonne. After his return from abroad he received a furlough, but failed to return to his regiment. He then enlisted in a coast artillery unit under a different name, which constituted desertion under military law.

Mrs. Anderson, as she was being taken by a White House messenger at the order of the president to consult pardon attorneys at the department of justice, declared that her visit had not been in vain, that she had not tramped many weary miles through snowy roads for nothing and that "everything is all right, and I am happy now."

"I am sure the president will not disappoint me," Mrs. Anderson said, "and I am going back to Fort Leavenworth to wait at the gates." She expresses herself as delighted with her reception in Washington.

INDIAN TEPEES EXEMPTED

Government Forbids Liquor Raids Without Search Warrant.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19.—Indian tepees will be closed hereafter as hunting grounds for government liquor unless armed with search warrants. Instructions to this effect were sent last night by commissioner Hayes.

Kalama Women Meet.

KALAMA, Wash., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—The regular meeting of the Kalama Women's club was held at the home of Mrs. Ely Galtier here. Mrs. Charles Windnagle, chairman of the moving picture committee, reported on continuing the high standard of pictures now being shown here. A conference had been held previously with Charles Hettum, proprietor of the Majestic theater, and Hettum Kirby sang. She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Roach. Miss Bessie Lawler, Cowell county, nurse, talked on "Moving Toward Health."

Oregon Professor Author.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Dr. Raymond H. Wheeler of the university's department of psychology, is the author of three papers now in process of publication. The American Journal of Psychology has accepted two



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