

5 'CHILDREN' GET \$25 FROM MILLION

Parentage Denied in Will of Mrs. Teresa Bell.

CONTEST IS IN DOUBT

State of California May Get Bulk of Estate; Ancestry of Five Is Mystery.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—Whether there will be a legal contest over the peculiar will of the late Mrs. Teresa Bell, who left an estate of approximately \$1,000,000 and who cut off five persons believing themselves her children with \$5 each, was said today to be a matter of considerable doubt with the executors.

In the holographic document left by Mrs. Bell, the startling statement was made that she was not the parent of the five who believed her children. Besides certain bequests to charity and friends, Mrs. Bell, in her will stipulated that if she had "any cousins" the bulk of the estate was to go to them. In the event the "cousins" were not found, money amounting to more than \$700,000 was to go to the state, the will set forth.

Contest Plans Reported. Following the reading of the will it was reported that the five who believed themselves the children of Mrs. Bell, all of whom are adults, would not contest. Later the executors heard that T. E. Bell of San Francisco and Mrs. Muriel Bell Hooper of Hollister, Cal., two of her supposed "children," and John Bell, a nephew, of Santa Barbara, would attempt to break the will. The will is to be filed for probate shortly, according to the executors. At this time, it was said, the matter of whether there will be a legal battle over the document will be determined.

The shadow of "Mammy" Pleasant, one-time major domo in the household of Mrs. Bell, widow of Thomas Bell, a forty-niner who wrested a fortune in gold from the hills of California, crept onto the stage today to assume a conspicuous role in the mystery of the Bell family—a mystery which dates to light Tuesday with the reading of the last will and testament of Mrs. Bell, a document in which she bequeathed a fortune in gold to five children who had been reared in her home, and a document which hinted at and at the same time denied rumored relationships of Thomas Bell.

Mrs. Bell Dies at Home. Mrs. Bell died at her home here Monday. In her will she bequeathed \$5 to each of her children, all of whom have attained majority. A third of the Bell estate she left to charity; a few bequests were made to friends and servants. Mrs. Bell willed the residue of her fortune to her cousins, "if I had any," and if not, "to the state of California." Cryptic paragraphs in the unusual testament intimated that, in years gone by, Mrs. Bell had known another woman in the life of Mr. Bell and that Mrs. Bell had investigated the rumor and discarded it as fabrication. "There was no such woman and no such relation with Mr. Bell," the will read. "After learning the true character of Mammy Pleasant I investigated as far as possible her statement as to their (the children's) parentage and found it to be a mass of lies."

Parentage Not Disclosed. While the will states that Mrs. Bell is not the mother of the five children it does not divulge their parentage or throw any additional light on the mystery. A few persons in San Francisco had a more speculative idea than old Mammy Pleasant. She was born in Georgia—a slave—and came here in 1849 with \$50,000, realized from the sale of Cuban bonds, a part of the estate of her first husband. In 1858 she was reported to have met the famous John Brown in Chatham, a Canadian city, where she gave him \$30,000 with which to finance his historic raid on Harper's Ferry, and which has been regarded by historical writers as one of the factors leading to the breach between the north and south in 1861.

She was known here as the friend and adviser of Thomas Bell during the late years of the 19th century. Her say in the affairs of the Bell household continued until 1892, the year of his death. She remained in the employ of Mrs. Bell until 1899 when she was ordered to leave following the alleged discovery by Mrs. Bell of a deed in her possession transferring property of Mrs. Bell to a third party, Mammy Pleasant died in 1904 at the age of 85 years.

VARDAMAN REAL FIGHTER

MISSISSIPPI BATTLE MOST REMARKABLE ONE.

What ex-Senator Might Have Done With Real or Workable False Teeth Nobody Knows.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.

(Copyright by the New York Evening Post. Published by Arrangement.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—If you have enough equanimity to take off your hat to the extraordinary and potent personality, no matter how much you disapprove the man's intellectual processes, then you must pay tribute to James K. Vardaman, ex-senator, for the showing he made in the Mississippi primaries Tuesday. There can be no doubt that if Vardaman had been in good health he would have won. As it is, he is now one of two in the "run-off" primary.

In this second primary, from the way the situation lies, it is probable that Vardaman will be beaten, but to be able to make such a showing as he has made against the formal opposition of ex-President Wilson, John Sharp Williams, Pat Harrison and practically all the other leaders of the state—against the opposition, one might almost say, of the united intelligence of the state—is convincing proof of a colorful and pregnant personality. You may not approve a man like that, but you are pretty sure to take notice of him.

The nature of the illness which prevented Vardaman from reaching the reward that might have attended a personal campaign was the

LOVE HEALER HALED INTO CHICAGO COURT

Well-Known Women Said to Have Been Dupes.

MAGNATE FILES CHARGE

Religious Cult Declared to Have Promised to Make Homes Divorce Proof.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Albert J. Moore, self-styled "love healer," today was brought into police court to face charges of deception in practices of a religious cult in connection with thousands of dollars he is said to have received from some of Chicago's most prominent women to "heal their homes" and make them divorce proof. Moore, given the title of "doctor" by his followers, is head of the Life Institute with headquarters in a building known as the institute's temple. According to information placed in the hands of the city prosecutor, the institute specialized in home-healing and held meetings in its temple regularly. Delegations were sent from the temple to various homes and after a few days of special services and incantations the home was pronounced divorce proof and the occupants were promised that they would live happily ever after.

BEAUTY SEEKS DIVORCE

MOVIE GIRL OBJECTS TO BEING STOOD ON HEAD.

Player Says Husband Spends Most of His Salary of \$800 Month for Drugs.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 17.—Marvel Rea, Mack Sennett beauty, led a lippy-turvy life, according to a divorce action filed today by the young woman. In her married name, that of Mrs. Maxwell Wells, she sued Henry Page Wells, charging that her husband stood her on her head.

The couple, according to the complaint, were married little more than two weeks when he stood her on her head. They married on October 25, 1918, and separated November 15, it is said.

Miss Rea charges her husband with spending the greater part of his \$800 a month for narcotics. She says he was arrested several times on a drug charge. Once, the complaint reads, Mr. Wells threw his wife into his machine and raced through the streets at a high rate of speed.

SLAYER'S ARREST ASKED

Prosecution of E. Halvorsen Is Sought by Garrett Brothers.

BEND, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Demand for a warrant for the arrest of Edward Halvorsen, in connection with the killing of William H. Garrett, near here, the night of July 1, was made in Bend this afternoon by L. D. McMahan of Salem, attorney for Garrett's brothers. When he appeared before Justice of the Peace Gilson. Garrett was shot to death by Halvorsen, whose story, told on the witness stand when an inquest was held on July 2, in Bend, was made the basis for a verdict in which Halvorsen was held to have been acting in self-defense. Examination made at Silverton recently, after the body had been exhumed, showed a fracture of the skull above the right temple and a contusion at the base of the skull. These reported injuries, which were not mentioned during the inquest, are understood to constitute the chief points which must be explained before relatives will be satisfied with the disposition made of the case.

Garrett's brothers were told earlier in the week by District Attorney Moore that he did not consider the facts submitted to him sufficient to warrant reopening the investigation.

CALF IN AUTO WRECK

Driver Tries to Pacify Animal in Machine and Hits Ditch.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. E. Schultz bought a calf from a neighbor and were taking it home in their auto on the Pacific highway last night. The calf would not ride quietly, so Mr. Schultz, who was driving, attempted to pacify it. When he looked ahead again the car was headed for a ditch. Rather than upset the car he struck the ditch squarely, but with such force that he was thrown through the windshield and Mrs. Schultz was thrown across a suffering dislocated shoulder. The only injury to Mr. Schultz was a skinned nose. The calf was not hurt.

Pear Picking Under Way.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Pear picking in the Wallace orchards, which are the largest in the Willamette valley, was begun today. Paul Wallace, owner of the orchards, estimated that he will get approximately 300 tons of fruit from the 65 acres. Practically all of the pears have been contracted to local canneries.

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EARLY PRODUCTION OF COAL IMPORTANT

Government Hopes to Avert Trouble Next Winter.

PRICE CONTROL PLANNED

Legislation Expected of Congress Designed to Make Federal and State Situation Secure.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Early resumption of coal production in the union fields covered by the Cleveland agreement was looked to today by administration officials to avert trouble next winter.

If the miners in those fields revert to work within a few days, Secretary Hoover declared, there should be no serious shortage of coal next winter, although there may be some minor inconveniences. Production of approximately 10,000,000 tons of coal weekly, made up of about four-fifths bituminous and one-fifth anthracite, will be needed, according to Federal Fuel Distributor Spencer. Even with adequate production, Mr. Hoover asserted, action by congress will be necessary to enable federal price control temporarily and to facilitate distribution of anthracite and to supply needs of the northwest.

"With the resumption of mining," he said, "the price situation will be quickly over. While there will be some control of distribution and prices necessary temporarily, the matter will quickly adjust itself." Collapse of the fair price agreements made with producing operators, however, when the union mines resume production, was indicated by Mr. Hoover. There would be then 75 or 80 districts, he explained, to hold into line as to prices by voluntary means which would be an "infeasible machine."

Nevertheless, Mr. Hoover declared, the results of the fair price agreements thus far have constituted a "remarkable showing" with 70 per cent of the coal now moving being handled under the established maximum of \$2.20 to \$2.75 a ton. Difficulties in the price situation, he asserted, arose from the other 30 per cent which gave rise to the charges of profiteering while operators observing the agreements were passing up \$8 to \$10 an every ton sold.

Emergency price control legislation, which, it is understood, President

The Thomson milling interest already include the Centennial mills in Seattle, Spokane and other northwestern points. The properties have resigned the presidency of the Albers Milling company, a position he accepted to effect the financial reorganization of the company. A meeting of the Albers company directors today, George Albers was re-elected president.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Sale of the recently organized Seattle Flour Mills company of which Morris Thomsen is president, is announced. The properties include a main plant of the Hammond company on the Seattle tidelands, a plant at Pendleton and a third at Spokane. The properties have an estimated value of not less than \$500,000, but the consideration in the deal has not been made public. Negotiations have been in progress for some time and the transfer will be made on approval of title abstracts.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Admiral Gregory, chief of the bureau of yards and docks of the navy department, arrived this afternoon from Washington, D. C., and will spend a couple of days here inspecting the Tongue Point naval base property and conferring with Lieutenant-Commander Church relative to development of the station. Tomorrow Admiral Gregory will be taken to the automobile trip to Seaside and other beach resorts. The admiral will visit all the other naval stations on the coast.

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BEER IN 1924 PROMISED

(Continued from First Page.) store beer and light wines has arranged for referendum on the question in Illinois, Ohio, Massachusetts and California. The object is to have the result of the referendum in each congressional district and in the state at large accepted as instructions by the senators and congressmen for their votes on the question of modifying the Volstead act in the next congress. In these and other states the election also is fighting for the election of wet senators and representatives wherever the situation offers a fair prospect of success.

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dent Harding will suggest in his message to congress tomorrow, would apply only to coal moving into interstate commerce, in the opinion of the secretary. State authorities, he believed, would have the power to regulate coal prices during the emergency, especially if the federal government, acting nationally, gave the states the framework to build on. He advanced the opinion that the federal government could control prices charged by operators for coal in interstate commerce and could "deliver coal over the state line at fair prices," after which the price problem would be one for the states. The prestige of Oregonian Want-Ads has been attained not merely by the fact that all its readers are interested in Oregonian Want-Ads.

Lipman Wolfe & Co. "Merchandise of Merit Only" For All Who Enjoy a Glimpse of the New We've a Message Regarding The New Overblouses Just Arrived Here. They are of crepe de chanes and georgette crepes and in a fairly dazzling array of tasteful, beautiful, fashionable colors—blouses that display their newness in every detail and impress with an individuality that is decidedly appealing. There's choice of: Muffin Barbery Bobolink Poinsetta Scarab Gotham Platinum Rust Cocoa Beige Canna White On the Third Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co. New Dresses in New Fall Styles—at \$39.75 New Canton Crepe Dresses New Crepe Satin Dresses New Poiret-Twill Dresses New Tricotine Dresses. They're ankle-length, and what a really delightful difference that makes, so much of extra grace and loveliness the extra length produces. Coat-like frocks are in the collection, and dresses with draped skirts and wing-like sleeves. The mode has changed, innovations are many, and here they fascinatingly are presented. Come and see the new dresses today if you can. On the Third Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co. This Store Uses No Comparative Prices—They Are Misleading and Often Untrue.

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