

KITTE PHILLIPS CLAIMS SHE WAS HOUNDED BY MAN

Portland Girl Who Is Witness Against Los Angeles Millionaire Bixby Charged With White Slavery, Tells Story.

"I am the victim of persecution by a millionaire," said pretty Miss Kittle Phillips of Portland, who is responsible for the arrest and indictment of George H. Bixby, the Los Angeles banker, on a charge of white slavery. She resides with her aunt at 971 Missouri avenue.

"I met Bixby, in a business way, through Mrs. Josie Rosenberg, of 'The Jonquil' apartment house, when I wanted to make a loan of \$1600 to save my house and furniture, in Portland, on which a mortgage was to be foreclosed," continued Miss Phillips today. "I had an encounter with Bixby in his private office, following which I was arrested on a charge of blackmail and vagrancy.

"I am here to rest up from my awful experiences, but I have promised to return to Los Angeles, whenever needed."

Since January 1, when Miss Phillips first met Bixby, she has had many thrilling experiences. Early in January, in company with Miss Marie Forrester, with whom she was rooming, Miss Phillips went to "The Jonquil." Miss Forrester had a friend there with whom she had business affairs to discuss, and Miss Phillips went into the house rather than to wait on the street corner. There she met Mrs. Rosenberg, to whom she mentioned that she wanted to make a loan.

Found He Was Married.

Mrs. Rosenberg gave Miss Phillips the name of a man who she said would be glad to make such a loan. Later she introduced Miss Phillips to Bixby and he agreed to give her the money.

"When I met Bixby, he assured me that the matter about the loan could be fixed up very easily, but he never came to the point of talking over the details with me," said Miss Phillips. "He asked me to go out with him several times, and I did so, until I found that he was a married man, when I refused to go with him any more."

"When the time came near when I would need the money, Bixby went to his office, to ask him about the loan. When in his private office he said to me, 'I will not loan you the money, but will give it to you, and take care of you.' He proposed terms on me that I would not consider, and I slapped him in the face and fled from his office."

"The next night I heard several men come up the steps and rap on the door of my room. Not knowing who they were, I opened the door, and a revolver was thrust through the crack and said 'I would kill anybody who dared come in after me. Finally one of the men said he was a police officer and showed his star. When he did this I opened the door and submitted to arrest. They handcuffed me, and Mr. Forrester took me to jail. There I found that I had been arrested on a blackmail charge and on a charge of being a vagrant. The blackmail charge was dropped at once, after I explained the circumstances."

Falls Kidnapping Plot.

"When that was done, they hustled me off to court, where I was charged with being a vagrant. I had an attorney there, by the name of C. Recordi, who told me it would be better for me to plead guilty to that charge, get a suspended sentence, and get out of town. I did not know what the charge meant, so I pleaded guilty. Then Recordi gave me \$150, told me I owed him nothing, and told me to get out of town. I left and went to San Francisco. I have found out since that Bixby was lying to me."

"At San Francisco I told friends what had been done to me and they wired to Chief Sebastian of Los Angeles. He wired to ask if I would return to Los Angeles, but before I could reply two San Francisco detectives arrested me and took me back to Los Angeles as a witness against Bixby."

"One night in Los Angeles an attempt was made to kidnap me. I was walking toward my room, when a man jumped out of the hedge and threw his arms over my mouth. A passing automobile frightened him, and he ran away very much afraid they will still get after me, and don't know just what to do."

Shields Other Girl.

"There is another Portland girl mixed up in this affair, but she is an innocent victim, and I am not going to impose a disgrace on her, if I can help it. I have had enough publicity out of this and want to keep anyone else out, if I can."

Mrs. Phillips will remain in Portland until she is called to Los Angeles. She is now engaged in writing several scenarios for the "movies," a line she has followed for some time, in addition to being a moving picture actress.

When seen yesterday, she was about to leave for Vancouver, to visit a friend. She was stylishly clad in a pretty red gown, red gloves and a red hat, that set off to advantage the pretty features of her face. There was just enough of a slit in her skirt to disclose a particularly neat ankle and well booted foot. The young woman is Russian, having come to America when 11 years old. She has been an orphan for many years. She was married to a Portland man, whom she divorced two years ago.

Auto Snaps Every Day

Mr. Auto Snaps—There is nothing more worthy of your careful attention than the "want" notices in the automobile columns of The Journal. In this classification there is listed daily splendid auto opportunities. Today, someone may be offering the car you want at a price that suits. Turn to this page right now and see if what you want is offered.

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PORTLAND GIRL WITNESS AGAINST BIXBY



Miss Kittle Phillips.

OAKLANDERS FIND GLAD HAND HERE TO DEFEAT REPEAL

Visitors Loud in Their Praise of Reception Accorded Them.

Unanimously the Royal Oaks of Oakland have decided that never in the history of their city's promotion and development work have they experienced so splendid a display of open hearted, lavish hospitality as that which has been showered upon them by the people of the city of Portland.

The press representatives of Oakland who accompanied the Royal Oaks feel privileged to make a statement expressing the gratitude of their party for the wonderful manner in which they have been entertained. City Editor H. L. Dungan of the Oakland Tribune, George T. Crompton of the Oakland Examiner, Special Correspondent Kenneth A. Millican of the Oakland Enquirer and Staff Cartoonist Frank E. Agar are loud in their praises of the Portlanders' reception to the visitors.

"We want your good, generous, hospitable people to know," said Mr. Dungan, "that everything that has been done for us by them has deeply touched us. Courtesies have been extended to us on every hand for which thanks can scarcely be adequately expressed in words. Such a display of friendly feelings between the people of two cities has never, I believe, been witnessed elsewhere. A bond of friendship between Oakland and Portland has been cemented with ties that are indissoluble. We can only hope and anticipate the time when an opportunity shall be given us to repay you for what you have done. The payment, I am afraid, can never be in full, for you have been unique in your entertainment. But we shall do the very best we can when that happy day arrives. In the meantime, we want Portland to know that there is no city in the whole wide world which can be considered a more staunch or truer friend to her people than is Oakland, Cal., today."

ELEVATOR OPERATORS GET SALARY BOOST

Elevator operators of the courthouse will receive an increase of \$5 a month in wages. The county commissioners signed an order to this effect this morning, and their pay in the future will be \$65 a month, the same as that of the janitors. Three men are affected by the raise. A petition of the janitors of the courthouse for a raise from \$65 to \$80 a month was denied.

It Happened in Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, June 12.—Friday the thirteenth held no terrors for the Milwaukee stock. Thirty babies were born in the Maternity hospital here before 8 o'clock this morning.

LLOYD-GEORGE FREED OF MARCONI BLAME

(United Press Leased Wire.)
London, June 12.—The house of commons committee which has been investigating the "Marconi shares scandal" today presented a report to parliament absolutely exonerating Chancellor of the Exchequer David Lloyd-George and Solicitor General Isaacs from any wrong doing in connection with their purchase of American Marconi shares.

The committee found that both cabinet officers acted in the belief that their transactions in American Marconi stock did not in any way conflict with their official responsibilities. The committee report said there was no evidence of corruption.

In a minority report, which was headed by Lord Robert Cecil, the findings of the majority of the committee were disagreed with. In the minority report both cabinet officers were censured and it was declared they had been guilty of grave improprieties.

COOS BAY WATER CASE BEING HEARD BY COMMISSION

North Bend and Marshfield Both Claim Company Now Charging Too Much and Supply Is Unsanitary.

Testimony by experts employed by the state railroad commission was started this morning in the hearing of the case of the cities of North Bend and Marshfield against the Coos Bay Water company. The hearing is held in the rooms of the railroad commission in the courthouse. Clyde B. Atchison and Thomas K. Campbell of the commission are hearing the evidence.

D. D. Clarke, engineer of the city water board of Portland, was called to testify as to the prices paid by the city for water pipes and as to wages paid. It is the contention of the two cities that rates charged by the Coos Bay Water company are too high, while the water company claims the rates are insufficient. It has asked permission to raise them. Clarke was on the stand so that a comparison of costs could be made.

The cities also allege that the water supplied by the company is inferior and that its reservoir is not properly safeguarded to protect health of water users.

Clarke testified that Portland's water supply is the best in quality. He said that the reservoir in Washington park are emptied only about once a year, but even that it is not absolutely necessary as the reservoirs are surface drained and are protected by barriers.

The railroad commission has made an investigation of the Coos Bay Co.'s plant and system on its own initiative. Clarence J. Green, assistant engineer of the commission, told of taking samples of water both from the reservoir and from taps in various buildings in both cities. These samples were sent to the University of Oregon, Oregon Agricultural college and the State Board of Health for analysis.

Dr. Calvin S. White, state health officer, yesterday testified that he had made an examination of the water and had found it pure. He recommended that concrete reservoirs be installed instead of the present earthen reservoirs. J. G. Mullen, city attorney of North Bend, is representing that city. John P. Goss is representing Marshfield. He also is city attorney. J. N. Teal is appearing for the Coos Bay company. Further testimony will be taken tomorrow, then adjournment will be taken to Marshfield, where the hearing is to be concluded next week.

Present this morning were O. J. Gatzmeyer, city attorney of St. Johns, and P. O. Stroud, also of St. Johns. That town has filed a complaint concerning the rates of the company supplying it with water. This case will be heard by the commission soon. The present hearing is the first water case taken up. Sales and Grants Pass also have cases pending.

RAIN SETTLES DUST; DAMPENS DECORATIONS

After holding off until every big parade feature of this year's Rose Festival had been put on to the accompaniment of perfect weather, a heavy rain damped decorations and settled the dust this morning.

Weather Forecaster Beals said that it is likely to shower today and tomorrow, too. Even if it does, however, the Rose Festival program will not be marred in the slightest.

Only one parade yet remains to be produced. That is tomorrow night's final electrical pageant, which was given for the first time on Tuesday night. Manager George L. Hutchin of the Festival association said this morning that it will be held tomorrow, rain or shine.

Last year the first electrical parade had to be postponed on account of rain, and several other features were put on under difficulties. It cleared off on Thursday night, however, and there was perfect weather for the remaining Festival days. This time the weather gods have done just the opposite, giving fair weather during the first and important days of the Festival.

DATE SET FOR RETRIAL OF REVESED VICE CASES

Circuit Judge Kavanaugh this morning set the retrials of E. E. Wedemeyer and Harry A. Start, members of the vice clique, who were convicted and won on appeal, for June 20. Motions for dismissal of the indictments were overruled. Attorneys W. T. Hume, representing Start, and O. A. Neal, representing Wedemeyer, assured the court that each case could be disposed of in 20 minutes. They expect to have each case dismissed on the ground that the legislature amended the law under which the convictions were secured and no provision was made for the retrial of the cases in which the supreme court reversed the lower court on convictions secured before the new law became effective.

Should the supreme court reverse the lower court in the case of E. S. J. McAllister and the position of the defense prove well taken the result will be the dropping of each case. The attorneys for the defendants have declared they will start habeas corpus proceedings before the supreme court to secure the freedom of Wedemeyer and the release of Start from bonds.

H. L. Tabb, who has been in jail for about six months awaiting trial on a vice charge, was released yesterday with the consent of District Attorney Evans. Del W. Wreather, also under indictment on vice charges and in jail, will be tried by Judge Kavanaugh June 24.

Three Divorces Granted.

Divorces were granted to Lucille Rayl from William Rayl, and to Mabel Slaughter from Emanuel S. Slaughter by Circuit Judge Davis, and to Charles A. Fletcher from May Fletcher by Judge McGinn, all on ground of desertion. Judge Davis took the suit of Charles S. Piper for divorce from Bessie J. Piper for desertion and cruelty, under advisement.

Levy Fined \$10.

M. Levy was fined \$10 by Circuit Judge Morrow on his plea of guilty to a charge of publishing a "fakes" advertisement.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

ROYAL ROSARIANS TO DECK OUTGOING TRAINS WITH ROSES

The Royal Rosarians want thousands of them—tomorrow, to be used in liberally decorating the official guest trains that will be leaving this city. The Oakland delegation will leave 150 strong, tomorrow night at 8:30, for Spokane, to take part next week in the Pow Wow. The Pasadena crowd will leave tomorrow morning to catch a boat for Alaska. The Rosarians want to decorate both of those trains and to decorate them so thoroughly that there will be no question where the trains are from. The official Rose Festival organization, therefore, is making a public plea today for every rose that can be secured.

"There are millions and millions of roses in Portland now that we might use just as well as not," said Frank McCrillie, who is tomorrow's chairman of the day. "We must have them early. In sending them, direct the messenger to bring the roses to the mezzanine floor of the Multnomah hotel, Rose Festival headquarters."

MME. SCHUMANN-HEINK RETIRES TO HER RANCH

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, June 12.—Forsaking the stage for the soil, Mme. Schumann-Heink, the noted songstress, passed through Los Angeles today en route to her 1500 acre ranch in El Cajon valley, San Diego county. The diva, it is said, will establish a permanent home on her ranch.

ADDITIONAL WORK BY BAR DREDGES IS URGED BY PORT

Portland Commission Agrees to Join With Astoria in Carrying on Task; Tug to Tow Disc Harrow.

Believing that more dredging is needed at the mouth of the Columbia river, the Port of Portland commission at their regular meeting yesterday afternoon agreed to join with the Port of Astoria commission in petitioning the government for at least one more dredge.

It is expected that the Port of Astoria commission will prepare a communication to the government immediately to be presented through Major J. F. McIndoe, corps of engineers, United States army, the Port of Portland commission joining in the petition. It is believed that both before and after the completion of the north jetty at least two dredgers can be used to advantage on the bar.

The Port of Portland commission also agreed to give the services of one of the bar tugs to tow the harrow now being completed at Astoria with which it is hoped to aid the United States dredge Chinook in getting more depth on the Columbia river bar.

Would Start Work Soon.

The big disc harrow will be operated on the same range as that which the

Chinook will work on. It was reported at the meeting that Major McIndoe had said the dredge would be started for the bar within a short time but it has not been learned whether the cost of operation is to be stated by the two port commissions or not.

In connection with the dredging of the bar it was suggested that a combined survey of the bar be made under the direction of Major McIndoe and the Port of Portland so that the work to be undertaken would be more at unity and after the Chinook completes her work this summer to make another survey to determine results attained.

The matter of lowering the Bull Run pipeline at the Hawthorne avenue bridge came up but the water board took no action at their last meeting and the commission could do nothing in the matter of a dredge for the work.

Pendleton Elected Secretary.

Major McIndoe has decreed that the line must be lowered this year as there is a 30 foot channel project from the foot of Ross island to the sea authorized. It is estimated by the water board that about 100 days will be required to dig the ditch for the pipeline and the commission has agreed to allow the board for material taken out coming within the 30-foot channel but to charge for that excavated on each side.

Fred M. Pendleton, elected a commissioner at the May meeting to succeed Joseph Goodman, resigned, was yesterday elected secretary of the commission.

A copy of a lengthy report by H. E. Fennell, chairman of the rivers, harbors and navigation committee of the Chamber of Commerce, concerning the investigations of that body of conditions at the mouth of the Columbia was read.

Pool Room Man on Trial.

For stealing electric current from the Portland Railway, Light & Power company by running wires around his meter, A. B. Shanbeck, proprietor of a poolroom at Archer Place, is on trial before Circuit Judge Kavanaugh.

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