

TWO 'GLADYS' CLAIM TO BE ONE MAN WITH LOST MEMORY SEEKS

One Apparently Is Sufferer's Wife, Other Who Describes Him Says He's Infatuated.

WILL NOT TELL HER NAME

Woman Discusses Patient With Police But Refuses to Give Her Identity. Fails to Identify.

Two women claim to be the "Gladys" sought by Harry Williams of San Diego, who wandered into the Portland police station Tuesday night suffering from lost memory and a painful inability to express his thoughts and told the surgeons that he was looking for "Gladys," but he could not remember whether he was married or not.

One is Mrs. Gladys Williams, who lives at the home of H. F. Frye in Redlands, Cal., and is apparently Williams' wife.

The other is a mysterious stranger who called up the interior at the police emergency hospital at 6 o'clock this morning and said, "I am Gladys, but I can't tell you my other name. I am happily married and I wouldn't do. If this is the man I think it is he has an infatuation for me and has evidently come to Portland to try and find me."

When Williams appeared at the police station his memory was blank and his speech disconnected. Yesterday he connected himself with the Highland Orange association of San Diego.

Man Is Well Connected.

Inquiry at San Diego brought a reply from William Ford of that city this morning stating that Williams is well connected and guaranteeing all expenses of his treatment here in Portland.

The most perplexing question that has been tormenting Williams' puzzled brain is that of his marriage. He remembers a Miss Gladys French, but until this noon could not remember whether she is his wife or fiancée.

According to San Bernardino News of May 1, Williams, who was a checker for the Highland Orange association of Highland, mysteriously disappeared, leaving his young wife, to whom he was greatly attached. The wife before her marriage, it is stated, was Miss Gladys French of San Diego.

Search Has Been Vain.

According to telegraphic advices received from Redlands, Mrs. Gladys Williams has been searching for him vainly since his disappearance. Mrs. Williams will take steps to have her husband taken care of.

The identity of the woman who called up the police station early this morning is not known. She described Williams exactly, even to the filling in his teeth, to the interne, and volunteered the information that he was infatuated with her.

She also asked to come to the police station today to identify Williams positively, but added, "He mustn't see me, for if he is the man he is sure to lose his memory again if he does."

Williams, however, is improving rapidly, and will undoubtedly be able to leave the emergency hospital within a short time.

The woman called at the police station this afternoon. She said that Williams was not the man she believed he was.

Useless Titles and Gold Lace Banished

The Oregon naval militia dropped all the rear admirals and discarded all the gold lace on board the cruiser Boston at noon today.

"From now on we work only to make our organization completely in line with the United States navy," said Adjutant General George A. White, at the luncheon on board the Boston today to members of the staff and visitors.

The occasion was a celebration of the going into effect of the new set of laws governing the organization which were passed at the recent session of the legislature.

"There has been nothing wrong with the personnel of our organization," continued General White. "The men were right, but the laws were not. These laws do away with the obsolete customs, the useless titles and gold lace, which governed our organization. We can now concentrate our efforts toward improving our body."

Americans Support President's Policy

"There is one thing you cannot get away from, the people all over the United States believe in President Wilson and his policies," declared Hugh Grant, assistant secretary to Senator George Chamberlain, who arrived in Portland from Washington last night. Grant says Senator Chamberlain will not arrive in Portland for several days yet from San Francisco, where he is visiting the exposition.

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Woman, in Stupor, Declares She Was Robbed of \$500

City Physician Frederic J. Ziegler was called to 215 E. 12th street last night when he found Mrs. Walter Coffin in a stupor, apparently from the application of a powerful drug. Coffin's husband, in the room. The woman asserted she had not seen her husband for four years.

The detectives were called to the same address Tuesday night to quell a disturbance and found several men, including Mrs. Coffin's husband, in the room. The woman asserted she had not seen her husband for four years.

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SUIT IS FILED FOR \$36,343 FROM LOCAL TIMBER CONCERN

Harold J. Wentworth of Bay City, Mich., Plaintiff in the Litigation.

Suit seeking the recovery of \$36,343 from the local timber firm of Bradford & Finley was filed in the United States district court today by Harold J. Wentworth of Bay City, Mich.

In the complaint he alleges that H. J. and G. K. Wentworth and the defendants purchased jointly extensive timber holdings in Coos county in 1906 which they later sold to one William Roach. In handling the deal and subsequent litigation the Wentworths claim they advanced the amount now sued for.

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See Vincent, Chairman Queen Contest Committee.

JURORS RESENT JUDGE M'GINN'S CRITICISM; SEVERAL COMPLAIN

Tomasini Says Names Were Drawn in Accordance With the Law.

Jurors in attendance at the present term of court resent the statement by Circuit Judge McGinn yesterday that the jury was "hand picked" by D. G. Tomasini, appointed by the county commissioners to select the names.

In Circuit Judge Kavanaugh's court three jurors in the personal injury case of Hans Iversen against the Portland Lumber company rose to tell their feelings.

"I see by the papers where the Honorable Henry E. McGinn has been tooting his horn about the jury," said William Holz, "that they are a biased bunch and more or less of a fraud; that they were not selected the right way."

D. G. Tomasini declared that an injustice had been done himself and members of the jury panel.

The names were selected by the fairest method could use," said Tomasini. "District Attorney Evans advised me as to the law regarding selection of jurors."

Since the statement of Judge McGinn yesterday morning there has been much talk among the jurymen now attending court, all feeling that McGinn did them a grave injustice.

People Will Vote on Annexing Linnton

Question Will Be Placed on Ballot for June Election; Council Takes Action—Fire Stops Planned.

The question of annexing Linnton will be submitted to the voters at the June election, the council decided today. The council first, by the votes of Mayor Albee and Commissioners Daily and Black, turned the plan down. Immediately afterwards Mayor Albee moved to reconsider and when the vote was taken on the reconsideration the council also decided to submit a charter amendment providing for the construction of fire stops along the water front and assessing their cost to abutting property owners.

Shasta Kills Man Near Junction City

Junction City, Or., May 20.—An unknown man, about 40 years old, was struck by north-bound Shasta Limited near the southern limits of Junction City yesterday, and was instantly killed. He and a man named John Taylor were engaged in conversation and did not heed the warnings which were given. There was nothing found upon the person of the man to identify him. Coroner Veatch of Eugene was called and upon investigating decided it was necessary to hold an inquest. Taylor was slightly injured.

Chauffeur Is Sentenced.

John H. Sharp, a chauffeur, aged 27 years, was sentenced to 10 days in jail today by Municipal Judge Stevenson after the latter found him guilty of driving an automobile while intoxicated. Attorney John C. McCue served notice of appeal and bail was fixed at \$250.

Two Speeders Are Fined.

Two speeders were fined at the \$1 a mile rate in Judge Stevenson's municipal court today. They were H. W. Conner, \$20, and R. Jacobson, \$30. Motorcycle Patrolman Ervin made the arrests.

Federal Grand Jury Ready for Docket

The federal grand jury was selected today and will settle down to consideration of 40 cases tomorrow. It is presumed that a two weeks' session will be held.

Fourteen prisoners are now held in the county jail awaiting action by the body. At a preliminary meeting this morning the grand jury was organized, with John D. Thurman, street, was elected foreman. The other members are:

B. Adams, Portland; Daniel Baker, Forest Grove; M. L. Barnett, Corvallis; George H. Bidwell, Hillsboro; O. N. Blair, Portland; John Carlson, Rose; E. B. Harris, Myrtle Creek; A. L. Jenkins, Rex; Albert Johnson, Portland; P. M. Kirkland, Independence; Sam Langhlin, Yamhill; George May, Count Angel; Edwin Mautz, Portland; J. Harold Minor, Portland; Warren Norman, Portland; Howard Parsons, Springfield; J. J. Roach, The Dalles; W. W. Vale, Carlton; and A. B. Watt, Astoria.

EXTORTION NOT WANTED

The board of county commissioners indicated to a committee of business men today that under the provisions of the Blagden bill advertisements for bids would state that local bidders would be given a preference of 5 per cent. "We are perfectly willing to give a preference in all things but equal," said Chairman Lightner, "but we do not want any combinations that will extort 51 per cent."

3 YEARS FOR MINISTER

Milwaukee, Wis., May 20.—(U. P.)—Rev. James Morrison Darnell, the minister who was recently convicted of violating the Mann white slave law, was sentenced today to serve three years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan.

Armstrong, Edward, was convicted of having transported Ruth Soper to Wisconsin for immoral purposes.

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GERMANS REPORTED TO HAVE ASKED SWISS TO REPRESENT THEM

U. S. Not to Handle German Affairs in Italy if War Is Declared, Is Rumor.

Washington, May 20.—(U. P.)—Reports were current today that Germany has requested Switzerland, instead of the United States, to represent her in Italy when the break with the Rome government comes.

At the state department comment as to the reports was refused. Diplomats are aware that Italy has arranged for the United States to take over her interests in Constantinople, Vienna and Berlin when war is declared. The American ambassador is also expected to represent Austria in Rome.

If Germany asks Switzerland to look after her interests in Rome it does not necessarily indicate that Berlin expects a break in diplomatic relations with the United States. Officials pointed out that Germany is in a better position to communicate with the Swiss through Bern than through Washington, especially in view of the fact that the cables are denied to Germany and she must depend upon wireless.

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