

PROSECUTOR WOULD LEARN WHY WOMAN RETAINED ATTORNEY

Counsel Appears With Mrs. Horton When She Is Summoned in Poison Case.

DR. WAITE MAY CONFESS

New York Dentist Is Said to Have Given Details of Poisoning of Father-in-Law to Brother.

New York, March 28.—(U. P.)—District Attorney Swann today summoned Mrs. Margaret Horton to question her with regard to Dr. Arthur Warren Waite's alleged poisoning of John E. Peck, his wealthy father-in-law. She was accompanied to his office by her attorney. Before calling her, Swann ordered a piercing investigation of her career. He said he wanted an answer to the questions: Why has she retained an attorney? If her relations with Waite are blameless? Why had she rented a studio room at the Plaza hotel with Waite for the study of French?

Swann reiterated there was no evidence showing her to be connected with the alleged crime.

To Repeat Confession.
Waite's condition was improved this afternoon and he was scheduled to repeat in the presence of a stenographer the confession he is said to have made to his brother Frank, admitting poisoning Peck.

"Waite is a monumental, scientific poisoner," said Swann today. He believes the accused man purchased cultures of typhoid and tuberculosis germs for the purpose of infecting Peck as a cursory examination after death would indicate he had fallen victim to some disease and not to arsenic poisoning.

Considering Vandeville Offers.
Mrs. Horton is not disconcerted by the turn of events which suddenly placed her in the limelight. Instead, she is talking about accepting offers to go into vaudeville.

"I have told District Attorney Swann everything I know about Dr. Waite," said Mrs. Horton today. "Now I am willing to tell the grand jury."

With regard to the defense's attempt to shield Dr. Waite behind an insanity plea, District Attorney Swann said:

"If the defense has any testimony tending to prove Dr. Waite is unbalanced, it can be brought out at the trial."

May Have Been a Bigamist.
He refused to ask the sanity commission to examine Waite before bringing him to court.

The arrest of a man who blackmailed Dr. Waite out of \$5000 is expected soon. It is believed he knew about the alleged poisoning.

Unless he goes farther than he indicated in conference with his brother Frank, however, detectives today did not believe his statement would implicate others.

Frank Waite persuaded the accused man to tell everything.

In addition to being a poisoner, Swann asserted he had evidence indicating that Waite was also a bigamist. He would not say who his other wives were. It is known by the police that Waite was a confi-

dential friend of four wealthy New York women. Their names are withheld.

SINNOTT PUTS UP FIGHT FOR 40-40 DIVISION

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says the committee will likely give 25 per cent each to the counties and the state, if this is regarded more desirable than the sub-committee division of 10 per cent to the state and 40 per cent to the counties. Representative Sinnott will ask a greater share for the state if he is unable to secure any raise in the total.

In the lone session last night, Sinnott again made a fight for the 40-40 division of the funds for Oregon, but was supported as before only by La Follette while Mays, Baker and Lentholt voted against him.

NAVAL BASE ON PACIFIC COAST IS IMPERATIVE

Washington, March 28.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—That the Columbia river may have a rival for naval base honors whenever a location for an additional station for the Pacific coast is selected is fairly forecasted in a paper on "Strategic Importance of Naval Stations" by Rear Admiral John R. Edwards, retired, which has been printed as a senate document.

Admiral Edwards declares an additional station is needed for the Pacific coast, but he locates it in southern California, saying "the establishment of a great naval base on the southern California coast is a national necessity, for the distance between San Francisco and Panama is over 8000 miles."

Unpreparedness of Navy Yards.
"Unless we immediately change our policy of seeming indifference," he says, "in developing naval stations, we may within a few years be compelled to undertake this work intensively, and therefore expensively. We shall, indeed, be fortunate if the work will not have to be done at a period following the loss of a portion of the fleet and its personnel."

"It is the unfinished or undeveloped weapon or appliance which falls in the time of emergency. Taken as a whole, the most unfinished and incomplete feature of our naval establishment is our navy yards."

While Admiral Edwards ignores the Columbia, his general argument is applicable, and may be used by Representative Hawley in presenting the case for that location before the naval affairs committee. The admiral makes the following quotation from a report of the board of inspection for shore stations as to the requirements demanded of a great naval base:

Large Sum Will Be Needed.
"It would require an expenditure of approximately \$10,000,000 to develop any great station in a manner whereby it might contain nearly all the military and industrial advantages now possessed by even a majority of the separate navy yards. No single station that has been established, or even contemplated, could possibly possess even a majority of the following advantageous features now obtainable in part at some existing navy yard:

"Security from bombardment; sufficient depth of water adjacent and in approaches, combined with ample maneuvering and anchorage area for a large number of vessels of deep draft in or out of trim; sufficient waterfront with satisfactory contour for berthing a large number of vessels of

deep draft adjacent to the industrial shops; sufficient territorial area for the necessary drydocks, workshops, storehouses, quarters for officers and men, and drill grounds; good foundations for drydocks; docking at any stage of the tide; good transportation facilities, both by rail and water; good material market near at hand; a large skilled labor market; good, healthful climate, with little interference to out of door work; a plentiful supply of fresh water."

"No nation possesses or probably ever will possess such a naval station, and it may be that all-around naval efficiency is, under certain contingencies, as well promoted by having these advantageous features distributed at various stations somewhat remote from each other as would be the case if all were concentrated at one place."

Specifications Objected To.
Washington, March 28.—The Oregon Portland Cement company of Oswego, Or., is asking the Oregon delegation in congress to see what can be done toward securing a waiver in the usual government specifications covering cement work so as not to shut out bids from firms whose product has not been in "general use" for at least two years.

The Oregon cement firm states it is willing to meet any prescribed test as to quality, but protests against a clause that shuts a new enterprise out of public work. Large quantities of cement are likely to be called for in the near future for the Oregon City locks, Alaskan railway construction, public buildings and other public works.

Objects to McKellar Bill.
Washington, March 28.—President P. L. Campbell of the University of Oregon has written to members of the state delegation in opposition to the McKellar bill for military training, which he says appears to propose an impractical method, and one under which Oregon would not be in position to derive benefit. It is opposed, he states, by members of the national associations of state universities and land grant colleges.

Two Burn to Death In Apartment House
Cleveland, Ohio, March 28.—(I. N. S.)—An unidentified man and woman were incinerated today and a number were injured in a fire which destroyed the Foster apartments here. Beulah Reiner, a waitress, declared a masked man entered her room through a window, gagged and bound her and then set the adjoining room on fire.

INDORSEMENT OF HUNT AFTER VILLA IS GIVEN
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diary committee voted to postpone indefinitely consideration of the resolution providing woman suffrage and prohibition constitution amendments.

Mexican Pensions Increased.
Washington, March 28.—(I. N. S.)—By unanimous vote the house today increased pensions of Mexican war veterans from \$12 to \$20 a month.

To Hang Onto Gasoline.
Washington, March 28.—(I. N. S.)—A resolution prohibiting the exportation of gasoline and petroleum products was introduced in the house today by Representative Shallenberger of Nebraska. He declared that the increase in prices in the United States resulted from heavy shipments to the belligerent nations.

AMERICAN CAVALRY IS WITHIN 20 MILES OF VILLA, CLAIMS REPORT

General Funston Without Definite News From Pershing's Column, However.

FORCE NOW AT EL VALLE

Report Given Circulation at San Antonio That General Funston Will Leave for El Paso Soon.

San Antonio, Texas, March 28.—(P. N. S.)—American cavalrymen are only 20 miles behind Francisco Villa, according to unconfirmed reports received here today. Further information regarding the pursuit was expected from General John J. Pershing by General Funston before night.

The advance base of the American expeditionary force is now at El Valle. Columbus has been without reports from General John J. Pershing for 48 hours, according to a dispatch received here today. Major-General Funston, it was believed, is on the verge of requesting General Pershing to increase his reports.

It was also reported that General Funston is to leave for El Paso soon.

RAID REPORTED INTO AMERICAN TERRITORY IS DENIED BY SHERIFF

El Paso, Texas, March 28.—(U. P.)—A reported bandit raid into American territory and publication of a message asserting United States troops and constitutionalists were close on Francisco Villa and "harrasing him constantly," were the most important developments in the Mexican situation today.

General Gaviro at Juarez made public the following dispatch from General Bertani, constitutionalist commander at Madera:

"Villa is at El Oso. I believe Colonel Cano is the one of our chiefs closest to him. Our troops and the Americans are harrasing him constantly."

Ten cavalrymen were in pursuit today of Mexican outlaws who were said to have swooped across the border near Fabens and attacked the ranch of C. E. Kelly, former mayor of El Paso. A ranch employe was reported severely beaten. He walked to the T. E. Wingo ranch, near at hand, and notified a detachment of the Eighth cavalry, Troop E, which was encamped there. Ten fast riders were ordered to gallop after the outlaws.

Sheriff Peyton Edwards declared he was unable to account for reports of the raid on Kelly's ranch. He asserted the ranch had not been molested.

Kelly insisted that Foreman I. M. Baker saw the bandits "rustling" cattle at dusk yesterday and summoned troops stationed on the nearby Wingo ranch. Kelly said the raiders assaulted his Mexican caretaker.

Latest dispatches from the American punitive expedition say Villa is fleeing rapidly southwest toward the Sierra Madre foothills with Americans closely trailing him. Mexicans who formerly hailed Villa as an idol are now aiding his pursuers.

An aviator from the base 120 miles south of Dublin headquarters is scouting with the American vanguard. The base is believed equipped with infantry and artillery to support the cavalry vanguard should a pitched fight occur.

The problem of getting supplies to the American advanced posts is becoming more serious hourly. It is certain that use of Mexican railroads will be imperative if Villa is not run down soon.

Canuto Reyes, bandit leader, with 1500 outlaws, has appeared near Torreon, seizing small settlements and foreigners in Torreon are ready to flee for safety, Mexican advices said.

Aeroplanes Too Heavy.
Los Angeles, March 28.—(P. N. S.)—That the failure of the United States aviators to make a better showing in Mexico is not with the men, but with the equipment, was the statement here today of Aviator Glenn L. Martin.

Martin declared that the machines now in Mexico are not adapted to high altitude flying, and are entirely too heavy for the power provided by their motors. The same machines, it is said, were the primary cause for the recent upheaval in the aeronautical division of the United States army which resulted in one court-martial trial and the resignation of an engineer.

Tampico Is Quiet.
Galveston, Texas, March 28.—(U. P.)—Wireless messages from Tampico today said there had been no anti-American outbreaks there, but fear of them persists. The Gulf Refining company's yacht left for Port Arthur with the wives and children of Tampico oilmen who were afraid to remain longer among the Mexicans.

Claim Use Refused.
El Paso, Texas, March 28.—(I. N. S.)—General Carranza late last night notified General Gaviro, commander at Juarez, that no shipments of food, ammunition or equipment of any character for the United States army should be allowed to pass over the Mexican Northwestern railroad. He said also no telegraphic communications to or from the United States authorities and General Pershing should be accepted for transmission.

With this information in his possession United States Senator A. B. Fall of New Mexico has been in communication with Senator Gallinger. Senator Fall has asked that the question be made an issue in the senate. He has demanded the seizure of both the Northwestern and the Mexican Central lines.

Senator Gallinger is understood to have been supplied with much information showing that General Pershing will be very greatly embarrassed if the administration fails to take a firm stand with Carranza.

Funston Not Informed.
San Antonio, Texas, March 28.—(I. N. S.)—Major General Frederick Funston was still uninformed from Washington today of General Carranza's refusal to permit American troops to use the Mexican railways. No steps will be taken here or in El Paso until General Funston is officially notified of the refusal.

Kaiser's Son May Rule Belgium.
Amsterdam, March 28.—(I. N. S.)—It is reported that the Kaiser's son, August, is going to Belgium to assist General Von Bissing, the military governor, whom it is believed he will eventually replace.



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