

MRS. DELMONT NOW SAYS GIRL WASN'T DRAGGED

(Continued From Page One) manager of the St. Francis hotel, to the apartment. When Boyle arrived Arbutuckle opened the door. "He stood there in his pajamas," Mrs. Delmont said. "He was wearing Virginia's hat. "We all rushed in and saw Virginia lying on the bed tearing at her clothes and moaning that she was dying."

MISSING GIRL FOUND

Adjournment of the morning session was taken at 12:25 p. m. to resume the stand at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. As the coroner was hearing Mrs. Delmont's story, Miss Alice Blake, witness, was brought into the hall of justice by Detective Griff Kennedy. There she was questioned by police and District Attorney Brady.

PROSECUTOR MAKES CHARGES

District Attorney Matthew Brady charged today that "undue influence and pressure of a sinister character" has been brought to bear on one witness of the case. He declared that Zex Fryson, another girl also in attendance at the party, had changed her story and faces possible arrest on a charge of perjury. The Fryson girl was taken from the grand jury room to her home in charge of a detective who remained on guard there and the district attorney said her arrest depended on further developments.

MAKE "FATTY" GET UP

The long session of the inquestorial body beginning early last evening was spiced with sensation. Arbutuckle himself was called before the grand jury and refused to testify. The Falstaff of the movies, tired from a day of unusual strain during which he had undergone a trial of a criminal procedure from arrest to arraignment, went to sleep early last night and at 1 o'clock this morning was roused with difficulty from a sound slumber to appear before the grand jury.

OTHERS TESTIFY

Miss Zey Fryson, Ira G. Fortoulis, Dr. William Ophuls, autopsy surgeon; Al Semmacher, Mrs. Rose Reiss, mother of Miss Fryson, and John Reiss, her brother, were the other witnesses. Counsel for Arbutuckle were plainly elated with the failure of the grand jury to vote an indictment. They, however, had no statement to add to the earlier plea for the public to hold judgment in abeyance.

DEFENSE MAKES APPEAL

"The Christian sentiment of this God-fearing nation will not adjudge any person guilty of an alleged crime until the same has been proved in the spirit of our courts," Mrs. Reiss said. "Judge not, lest ye be judged."

WIFE COMING TO "FATTY"

New York, Sept. 13.—Minta Durfee, former movie star and wife of Roscoe Arbutuckle, is preparing to leave for San Francisco, declaring her determination "to stick by him to the finish."

POLICE BOOKING ARBUCKLE



Roscoe ("Fatty") Arbutuckle, noted screen star, being booked at the Hall of Justice, San Francisco, Saturday night by Detective James Skelly. Arbutuckle was held on a charge of murder growing out of the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress.

her and charge her with perjury will depend on further developments. WITNESS DISAPPEARS "I am convinced that undue influence and pressure of a sinister character" has been brought to bear on her and other witnesses.

"In spite of these efforts to thwart the ends of justice, the investigation will proceed, and no effort will be spared to bring the guilty ones to their just deserts. "Whenever wealth and influence are brought to the bar of justice, every sinister and corrupt practice is used to free the accused. It is always easy to convict a poor man. The wealthy manufacturers are the ones who find means of using their wealth to their advantage.

"Wealth and influence should not count in favor of a defendant, neither should they count against him." Nine witnesses were heard by the grand jury during its long session. Mrs. Delmont, who has assumed the role of prosecutrix, first told her story of the party and the events that followed it. She understood to have related in detail the story she had already given the police.

In this she declared Arbutuckle dragged Miss Rappe into his room and locked the door; that she remained there an hour despite her urging that the door be opened; that when the door finally opened Miss Rappe lay moaning on the bed delirious in a semi-conscious condition. She further told of the medical treatment of the girl at the hotel and later at the hospital.

Mrs. Jean Jamessary, nurse in charge of the case, testified. She repeated, it was said, her statement that the girl in almost her last words accused Arbutuckle of being responsible for her condition. Mrs. Jamessary, who had earlier pointed out that the girl's statements had been conflicting in that, at times she declared she did not remember what happened.

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CONCILL TO ACT ON SEWER WORK COSTING \$23,144

During the next two meetings of the city council, Wednesday morning and September 21, sewer work in the city amounting to \$23,144, by the estimates of the city engineer, will be taken into consideration. Bids for five projects, amounting to \$7347, will be opened Wednesday, and advertisements for bids on four additional projects, amounting to \$15,797, will be received at the next meeting.

The projects under immediate consideration are: East Fifty-sixth street from 30 feet north of south line of block 78 to sewer in East Fifty-sixth street south of Sandy boulevard, \$661; Stanton street from 450 feet east of East Fifty-sixth street to East Sixty-eighth street sewer, \$1193; Rural avenue from 50 feet west of Forty-first avenue S. E. to sewer in Rural avenue at east line of Eastmoreland, \$2587; Liberty street and East Twenty-ninth street, \$532; and East Thirty-first street from Alinsworth avenue to North street, \$2458; Grand avenue and Alberta street system, \$1144 and the last Sixty-eighth street and Sacramento street system, \$5500.

PLANS FOR IMPROVEMENTS ON 28TH STREET RUSHED Plans for the improvement of East Twenty-eighth street from Holgate to Woodstock avenue are being rushed by the public works department. The street extension project has been successful and property rights acquired for pushing the street on across the tract east of Crystal lake.

That paving may be done next summer, work on the fill required will be begun about the first of the year. By law the work has to be held up until three months after the filing of the plans. The work on the fill will take about four weeks, according to an estimate made by the city engineer, and will cost \$100,000. The maximum fill is estimated at six feet. Estimates also show that dirt for the fill can be had from the cuts that must be made.

The opening of East Twenty-eighth street gives a cross-town thoroughfare on the east side from Halsey to Woodstock avenue. As soon as the fill has settled, paving work will begin.

THE AUDITORIUM SHOWING NET GAIN OVER EXPENSES For the first time in its history The Auditorium will show itself to be self-supporting instituting according to Hal M. White, manager of the building, who has made an estimate of the earnings for the year to be between \$30,000 and \$60,000. The Auditorium returns show a gain of \$10,000 over last year and despite an increased operating expense the gain will be enough to have money to turn over to the city.

SEVENTEEN STENOGRAPHERS PASS CIVIL SERVICE TESTS Seventeen out of 21 of the applicants for civil service positions as stenographers passed the examinations held August 23, according to an announcement made by W. E. Marion, secretary of the board. The successful applicants, in order of their standings are: Marie L. Shook, Theodosia Chenoweth, Edith Wood, James R. Russell, Edw. Eric McDowell, Edith Moore, Lillian P. Bendroth, Isabella Herbert, Esther V. Anderson, Lucille J. Selvers, Grace M. Williams, Chloey Chloey, and Edith Davidson, Catherine E. Davis, Francis M. Batson, Helen A. Breen and Norma L. Pasquy.

Pair Suspected of Olympia Robbery Held at Aberdeen Aberdeen, Wash., Sept. 13.—(U. P.)—Suspected by police here of being implicated in a \$2000 jewel robbery at Olympia, a man and woman are held here in jail. They gave their names as Mrs. Laura Land and T. O. Drom, both of Olympia, and were arrested Monday night, three hours after the robbery occurred.

Word was received to be on the watch for the couple, riding in a big automobile. The report came in the following morning, and the police were alerted to a drinking party in Olympia, they had stolen many jewels from Otto Berger, Olympia jeweler, and were headed in this direction.

None of the jewels was found. A quantity of liquor in the machine led to charge of illegal possession of intoxicants. The holdup man and the lady in distress thereupon walked together. Jackson reported his loss to the police, giving a description of the woman. "I think I know her," said Patrolman Willett. "I've noticed her and a man together on my beat." He thereupon went to a rooming house at Seventeenth and Morrison streets and placed the pair under arrest.

"That's her, all right," said Jackson, when the woman was taken to the station. The couple deny their guilt. They gave their names as R. E. Steinhoff and Mrs. Vera Steinhoff. Both are being held for further investigation.

Several holdups similar to that of Jackson have been reported recently in the same district. In each case a woman has requested aid from the victim and the holdup man has appeared at the psychological moment.

ANOTHER WOMAN MENTIONED A woman is also declared to have figured in another holdup by Kenneth Kavanagh, 19 years old, who confessed that he had held up the store of George Lettis at 357 Yamhill street and stolen \$65.

Kavanagh was captured after a chase through the streets, in which he fired several shots at his pursuers. He offered the old Adam alibi. "A girl put me up to it," he said. "She lent me the revolver, and told me to go ahead and make some money with it."

He named the girl, and the police went to Fourteenth and Yamhill streets and arrested Miss Josephine Walker, 19 years old. She denied connection with the robbery, but is being held.

Kavanagh waived preliminary examination in police court Monday, and was bound over to the grand jury in bond of \$5000.

PASTOR'S KIND WORD HAD COMFORTED MANY



Rev. Alexander R. Beers

Early Monday evening death claimed the Rev. Alexander R. Beers, former pastor of the First Free Methodist Episcopal church, East Ninth and Mills streets, and for the past several years in charge of the E. P. Hart Memorial church, in San Francisco. The minister was returned to Portland on a stretcher about three weeks ago at his own request, when he realized that death was only a matter of days. It was his personal desire to be allowed to die in Portland.

Death was at his temporary residence, 1074 East Morrison street, about 5 o'clock, and was attributed to pernicious anaemia, with which he was first stricken last spring in San Francisco.

Before coming to Portland Dr. Beers was president of the Seattle Pacific college for 18 years, a denominational school, and before that time was for 21 years a member of the general executive board of the Free Methodist church. He served the time limit of three years as pastor of the local First Free Methodist church, after which he was transferred to the Alberta church by the bishop for three months. He left Portland in August, 1916, to take the San Francisco pulpit. Since leaving here Dr. Beers had devoted much time to mission work among the Japanese.

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Dr. Beers was 68 years old. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Adelaide Beers, and four brothers and five sisters, several of whom reside in this state. The funeral will be held Thursday at 1 p. m. at the undertaking chapel of Miller & Tracey, with concluding services at 2:30 p. m. at the Gresham M. E. church. Interment will be at Gresham.

LOW ASTORIA FARE TO END IN 2 WEEKS

Rate war fares on the Astoria line of the S. P. & S. probably will not be continued for more than two weeks more, before the rates are again increased, said W. D. Skinner, traffic manager of the S. P. & S., today in reply to queries as to how much longer the \$1 rate to Astoria would be continued.

When the rates were reduced to the abnormally low mark they have been for the last five weeks, the railroad had no intention of continuing them beyond Labor day, but the weather has remained so good and the travel has been encouraged to such a degree that the low fares were continued.

The new fares which will go in effect will not be as high as the rates prior to the recent reduction," said Skinner. "It is probable that the new rates will be \$2 to Astoria and correspondingly higher to the beach resorts. The rate prior to the rate war was \$3.89."

"It is also quite probable that a round trip rate of \$6 between Portland and Astoria will be made effective, whereas the former rate was \$7.78."

Landis Refuses to Reconsider Award When Men Strike

Chicago, Sept. 12.—(U. P.)—Judge K. M. Landis, arbitrator in the building trades war, Monday night refused to reconsider his wage decision because men have gone on strike on several important construction projects. The result of Landis' refusal to consider, it is believed, will result in the open shop in the building trades here as agreements between the unions and the builders called for employment of non-union men if the unions cannot furnish sufficient workmen.

Judge Landis agreed to reconsider some points in his wage decision, but withdrew his offer when men went on strike.

Farmer Is Facing Federal Charge as Outcome of Raid

Salem, Sept. 12.—E. O. Van Osdol Yamhill county farmer arrested in a police raid here early Sunday morning, was turned over to federal authorities. According to the report, Van Osdol was charged with operating on his farm near Newberg, a still said to have been one of the largest ever uncovered in this state.

Van Osdol and W. D. Bowman, also taken in the Sunday morning raid, were fined \$100 each and sentenced to serve 10 days in the city jail. Eva Cox and Elsie Jones, their company, were each fined \$50, which they paid.

E. O. Van Osdol was arraigned before United States Commissioner Kenneth Fraser this morning and requested to have his hearing postponed until 2 o'clock Wednesday. His bonds were \$5000. He was brought from Salem, Monday night, by Deputy United States Marshal Sam Pace.

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O. W. R. & N. Service, Interrupted by Fire, Will Be Resumed

Through operation on the O-W. R. & N. service, the morning previous a low temperature of 45 degrees having been recorded at the district office. The temperatures reported early today were: Baker, 23; Umatilla, 23; Salem, 23; Yakima, 23; and Walla Walla, 22.

Prospects are that Oregon will have fair weather, which will warm up slowly, according to E. H. Wells, district weather forecaster.

Girl Asserts Right To Choose Husband

Herkimer, N. Y., Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Mike Pollack of New Haven, Conn., for the present, at least, is a disappointed woman. Paula Misolok of Jordanville was the object of Mike's affections. Some years ago when Paula's parents lived in the Connecticut city, she took a fancy to the then 16-year-old girl. This she made known to the girl's parents, who, without Paula's knowledge, agreed, at a future time, that Mike should become their son-in-law. Meantime Mike saved his earnings, bought a house, arranged the details for the wedding, even as to the flowers and music. Recently the suitor, 10 years Paula's senior, came to Jordanville to claim the hand of the young lady. She resented the family plans and went to the sheriff for protection. Mike's demands upon the sheriff were met with advice to wait until "aft" were ready for the ceremony.

Mysterious Murder Of Society Girl in Indiana Is Puzzling

Terre Haute, Ind., Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—The slaying of Miss Louise Willoughby, 17-year-old leader in young society circles, today gave Terre Haute the same mysterious story, the city has ever known. The girl's body was found shortly before noon today at the home of her reputed sweetheart, Roy Parce. Two gunshot wounds caused her death.

Parce and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Parce, are under arrest while police are seeking to untangle the web of mystery thrown about the shooting. The coroner returned a verdict of murder.

Switzerland Makes Strides in Aviation

London, Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Switzerland is stated to be making great strides in civil aviation, and, according to information received here, has now 41 civil pilots. "Probably no other country has a civil air fleet piloted by men of so many different nationalities," says the Italian, 11 German, six Austrian, five Swiss, four English and three French.

Kills Wife and Self In Rage of Jealousy

West Frankfort, Ill., Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Edward Newlin, 35, today shot his wife to death and then killed himself with the same weapon. Jealousy is assigned by officers as the cause of the double tragedy.

CHARTER-MARKET STEADY

New York, Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—No change in wheat rates, and the market steady. General cargo is weak and the market dull. Board quotations are: Ocean (steam) grain, steady; United Kingdom, 5 shillings; Germany, 25 marks; France, 22 1/2 francs; Holland, 25 1/2 kronen; general cargo, weak, dull.

Astoria Chamber Is Opposed to Reduced Force at Ft. Stevens

With advice received from Washington, D. C., to the effect that orders have been issued to reduce the force at Fort Stevens on the lower Columbia river to 25 men, or about 90 per cent below the present force, the Astoria Chamber of Commerce has appealed to the state chamber to aid in having the order rescinded.

The state chamber has pledged its aid to the Astoria division, the executive committee taking the viewpoint that Oregon virtually will be eliminated as a Pacific coast naval defense state if the order is carried out and that all forces will be centralized in California and Washington.

COLD WAVE HITS COAST SECTIONS

Even the coastal section of Oregon was not alighted by the cold wave this morning when it extended over to Marsfield and bent the mercury down to 32 degrees for a record low September temperature and a below average mid-winter minimum.

Freezing temperatures were also reported from the Willamette valley, Central and Eastern Oregon districts. Frost was reported from a number of places and more damage was done to late grass growth.

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HOT LAKE ARRIVALS

Hot Lake, Sept. 12.—Arrivals at Hot Lake sanatorium, Friday were: Mrs. C. W. Michael, Portland; Mrs. Eva Kuster, Oakland, Cal.; B. P. Doherty, Pennington; J. H. Repp and Mrs. J. H. Repp, Snohomish, Wash.; J. J. Savick, Baker, Or.; Robert S. Cleary, Spokane, Wash.; Mabel Lines and Rev. M. H. Lines, Imbler; Reed Taylor, Allice; John Flora, Portland; David Fitzgerald, La Grande.

Arkansas Legislator Dies in Washington

Washington, Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Representative Samuel Mitchell Taylor, Democrat, Arkansas, serving his sixth term in congress, died at his residence here in the Congressional apartments early today.



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PICTURE OWNERS ASSOCIATION ELIMINATES ARBUCKLE FILMS Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Announcement was made today following instructions from District Attorney Brady of San Francisco, Lowell Sherman and Fred Fishback, guests at the fatal Arbutuckle party, made denials here late last night to Chief Deputy District Attorney William Doran and Chief of Police Charles A. Jones. The nature of the denials was not divulged. It was said they are being rushed to San Francisco. "That the motion picture theatre owners' association of Southern California believes "that it is to the best interests of all concerned that Arbutuckle's pictures be eliminated for the time being," was a statement attributed today to Glenn Harper, secretary of the association.

BANDIT-VAMP IS THOUGHT IDENTIFIED